## Solar System Simulator

For this project you will practice your skills making objects and classes by creating an animated solar system simulator. The following are the required celestial bodies that your simulation must contain.

• Sun (Sol) o Ganymede Callisto Mercury Venus Saturn Earth o Titan Moon (Luna) Uranus Neptune Mars Jupiter Triton o Lo Pluto Europa

\*Don't make any of the other bodies unless you have the sun, earth, and moon working\* If you need help with classes here are two videos.

- 6.2: Classes in JavaScript with ES6 p5.js Tutorial
- 6.3: Constructor Arguments with Classes in JavaScript p5.js Tutorial
  - Your Celestial class should at a minimum contain properties and/or parameters to represent the following.
    - constructor

```
▼Celestial {x: 200, y: 200, radius: 50, angle: 0, constructor: Object}
x: 200
y: 200
radius: 50
angle: 0
▼<constructor>: "Celestial"
```

- radius
  - Does not have to be to scale but should be sized from <u>largest to smallest</u>, excluding the sun.

```
let sun;
let earth;
let luna;
function setup() {
  createCanvas(400, 400);
  sun = new Celestial(50);
  earth = new Celestial(25);
```

```
luna = new Celestial(5);
}
```

- display
  - color
    - Pass a <u>Hex string</u> as the color sun.display("#F7AF14");
- orbit

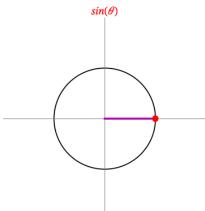
```
earth.orbit(sun, 100, year);
```

- body
  - The other celestial body to orbit
- distance
  - Orbital distance \*Not to scale\*
  - This is the distance between the bodies perimeters.
  - •
- period
  - Orbital Period: The time taken for the planet to orbit the Sun, given in Earth years for clarity
- retrograde (optional)
  - A boolean that represents whether the body is moving in <u>retrograde or</u> <u>prograde motion</u>

You will also need two constant variables in the global scope to represent a day and a year. Experiment by changing the day variable to get a good speed for your simulation.

```
const day = 1;
const year = day * 365.25;
```

- Optional: Do some research to track down <u>actual planetary positions</u> for a given date, and use this information to initialise each body's orbit angle.
- Use of both the sine and cosine functions to calculate and animate orbital motion.



• See the Wagon Wheel example for help

• Issues of scale. Set the orbital distances to a fixed interval but the radii should be scaled with the exception of the sun.

## **Expert Challenges**

- Create a more accurate elliptical or based on Kepler's Laws
- Create an asteroid Belt.
- Make the planet's rotate on their axis

For fun see this <u>painfully accurate simulator</u>