

# What happens when the main maintainer of a project takes a step down?

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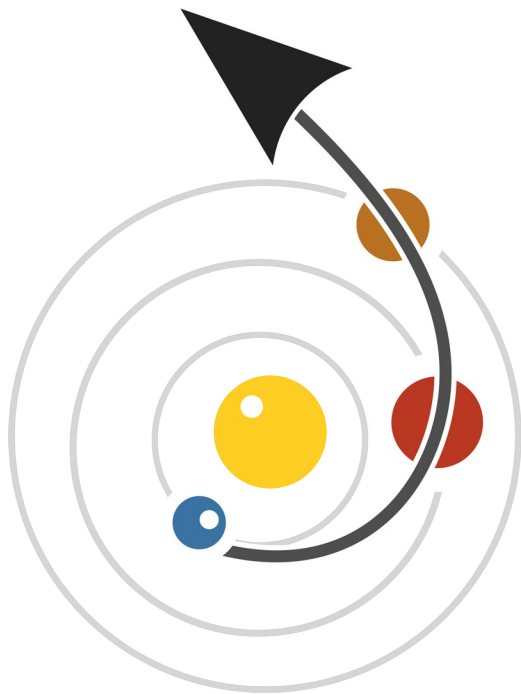
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Does it?

Community is the key

# The case of poliastro



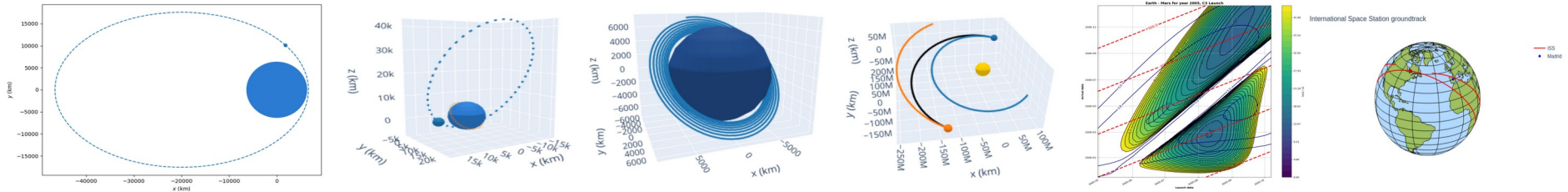
# poliastro

Astrodynamics in Python

<https://www.poliastro.space>

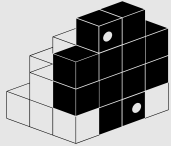
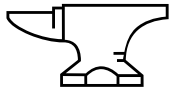

# What is poliastro?

poliastro is an open source (MIT) pure Python library for interactive Astrodynamics and Orbital Mechanics, with a focus on ease of use, speed, and quick visualization. It provides a simple and intuitive API, and handles physical quantities with units.

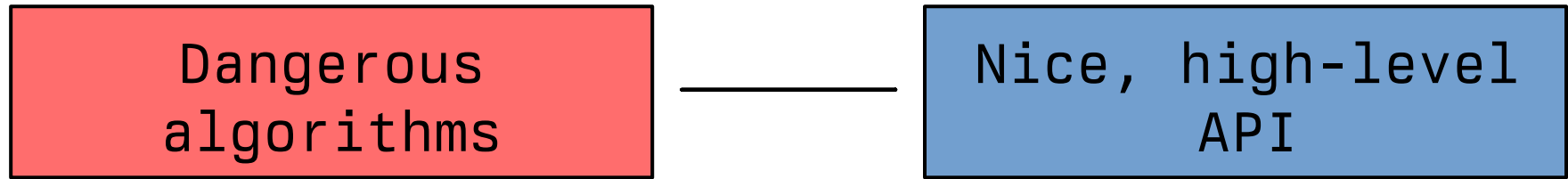


<https://github.com/poliastro/poliastro>

# How to install poliastro

Logo	Platform	Command
	PyPI	<code>python -m pip install poliastro</code>
	Conda Forge	<code>conda install poliastro --channel conda-forge</code>
	GitHub	<code>python -m pip install</code> <code><a href="https://github.com/poliastro/poliastro/archive/main.zip">https://github.com/poliastro/poliastro/archive/main.zip</a></code>

# The architecture of poliastro



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```
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├── core/  
└── ...
```

```
# Basic astrodynamics routines  
# Pythonic high-level routines
```



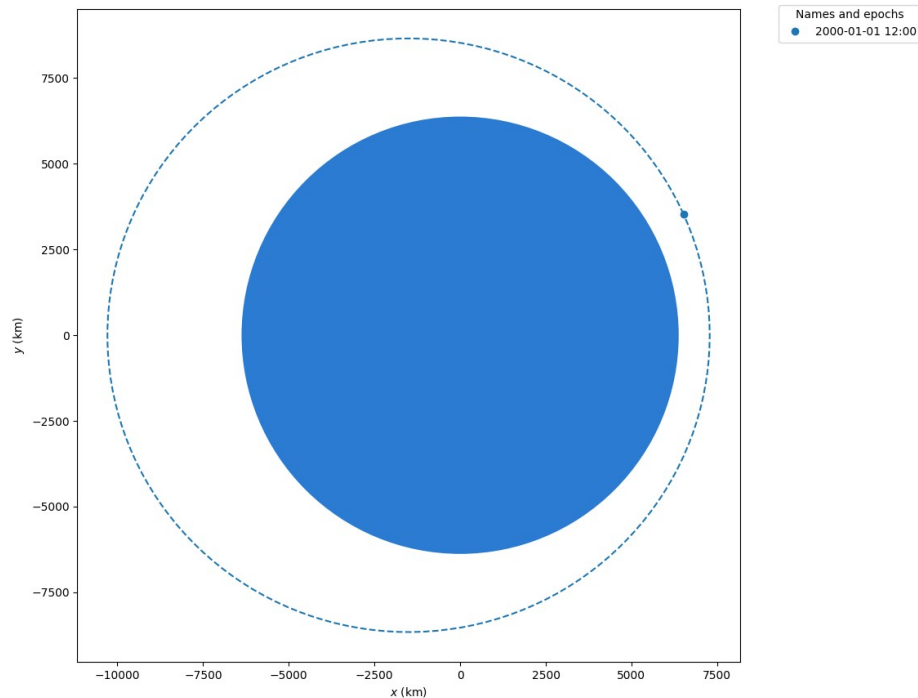
Some of its capabilities...

# Easy orbit manipulation

- `Orbit.from_vectors`
  - `Orbit.from_classical`
  - `Orbit.from_coords`
  - `Orbit.from_sbdb`
- ... and more!

```
from astropy import units as u
from poliastro.bodies import Earth
from poliastro.twobody import Orbit

# Data from Curtis, example 4.3
r = [-6045, -3490, 2500] << u.km
v = [-3.457, 6.618, 2.533] << u.km / u.s
orb_curtis = Orbit.from_vectors(Earth, r, v)
orb_curtis.plot()
```



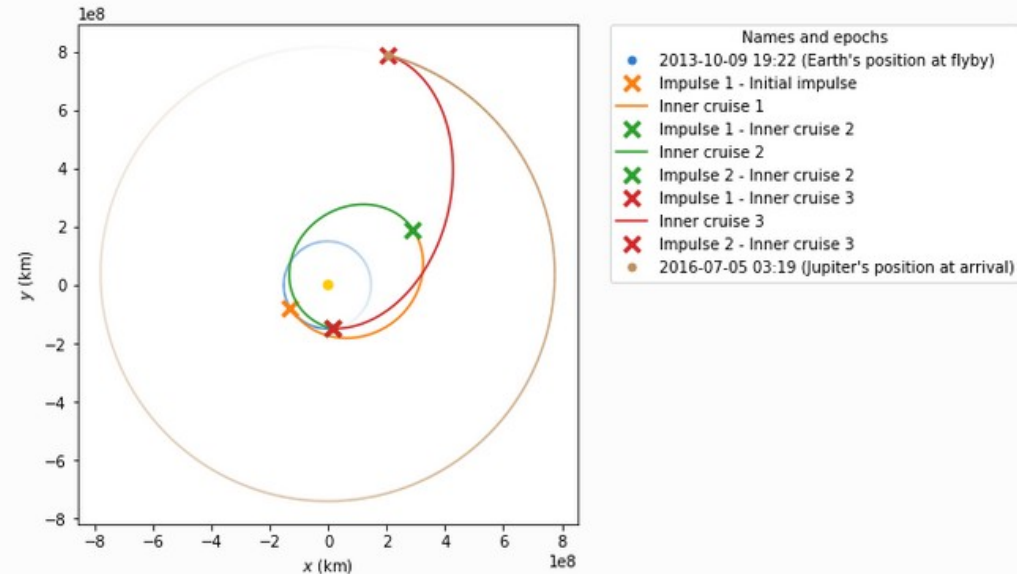
# Simple orbit maneuvers

Create simple maneuvers including Hohmann, bi-elliptic, and Lambert's transfers. These maneuvers provide the mission-analysis capabilities of poliastro.



```
from astropy import units as u
from poliastro.maneuver import Maneuver
from poliastro.twobody import Orbit

# Create a circular orbit and raise its altitude using a
# Hohmann maneuver
orb_i = Orbit.circular(Earth, alt=700 << u.km)
hohmann_man = Maneuver.hohmann(orb_i, r_f=36000 << u.km)
orb_f = orb_i.apply_maneuver(hohmann_man)
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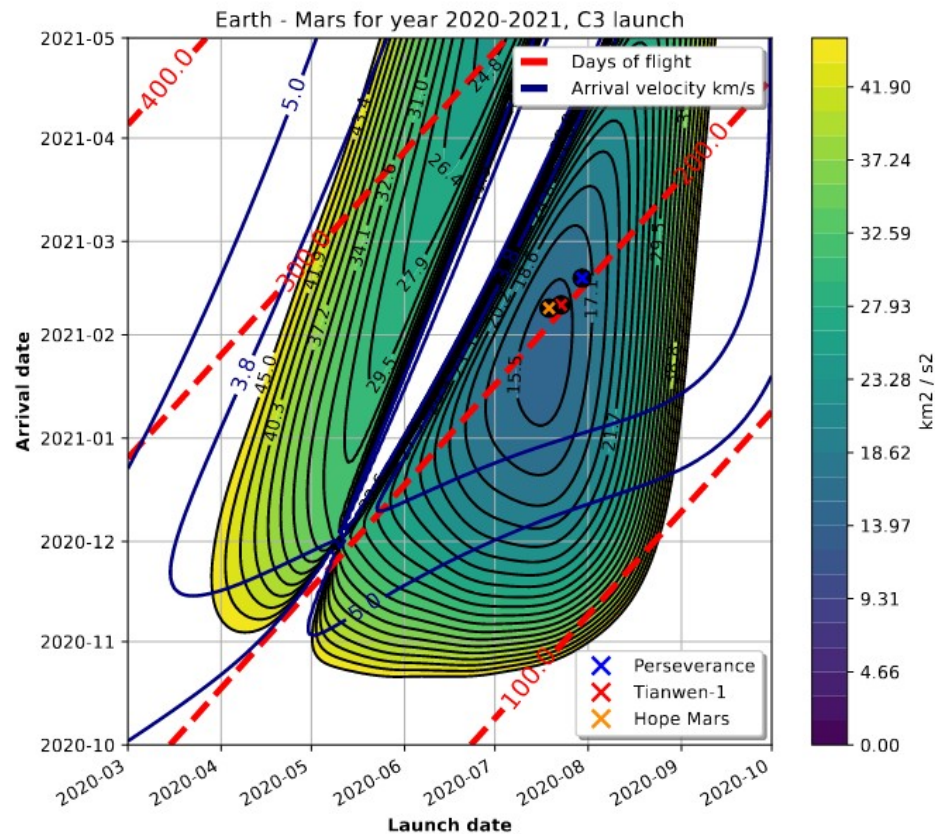


# Beautiful porkchop figures



```
from poliastro.plotting.porkchop import PorkchopPlotter
from poliastro.utils import time_range

# Generate all launch and arrival dates
launch_span = time_range(
    "2020-03-01", end="2020-10-01", periods=int(150)
)
arrival_span = time_range(
    "2020-10-01", end="2021-05-01", periods=int(150)
)
# Create an instance of the porkchop and plot it
porkchop = PorkchopPlotter(
    Earth, Mars, launch_span, arrival_span,
)
```



# How to use poliastro

Gallery of examples

<https://docs.poliastro.space/en/stable/gallery.html>

Background

<https://docs.poliastro.space/en/stable/background.html>

Quickstart

<https://docs.poliastro.space/en/stable/quickstart.html>

Talks, videos, and more!

<https://github.com/poliastro/poliastro#examples-background-and-talks>

<https://docs.poliastro.space>

# Who uses poliastro?

Students and researchers

All over the world!

IBM

<https://github.com/IBM/spacetechn-ssa>

Satellogic

<https://github.com/satellogic/orbit-predictor>

Ansys

<https://github.com/AnalyticalGraphicsInc/STKCodeExamples>

Libre Space Foundation

<https://gitlab.com/librespacefoundation/polaris/vinvelivaanilai>

# Who started poliastro?



Name ..... Juan Luis Cano Rodríguez

GitHub ..... @astrojuanlu

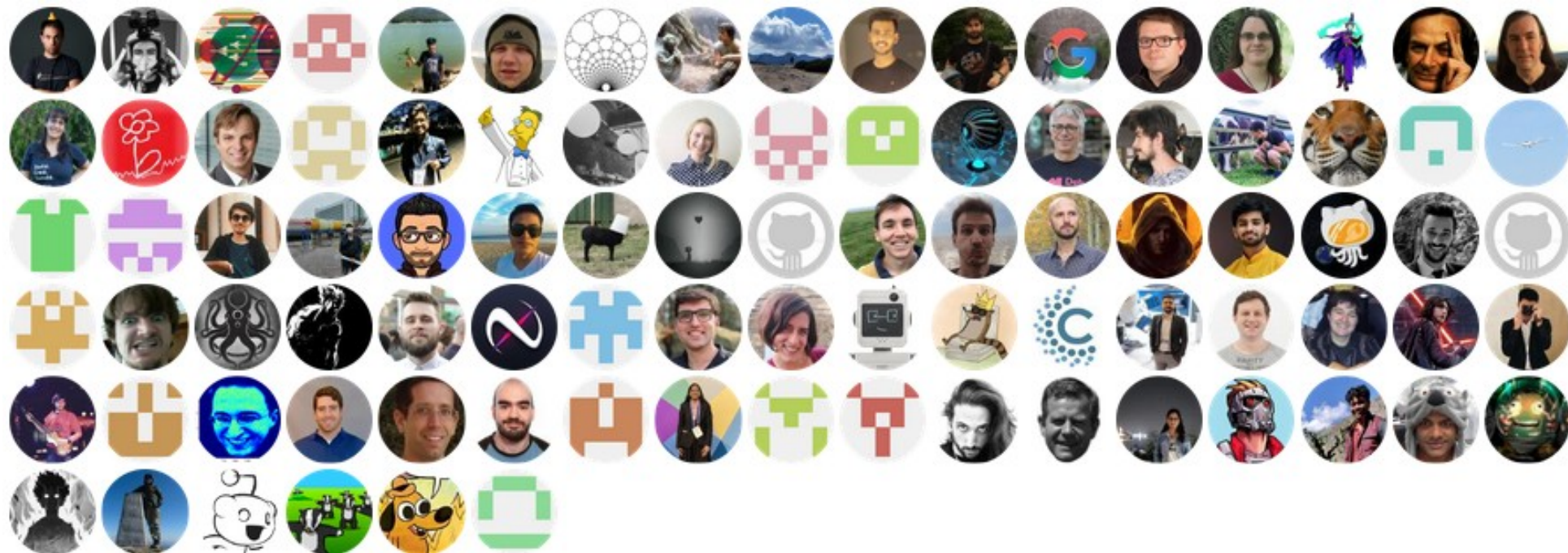
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# Who maintains poliastro?



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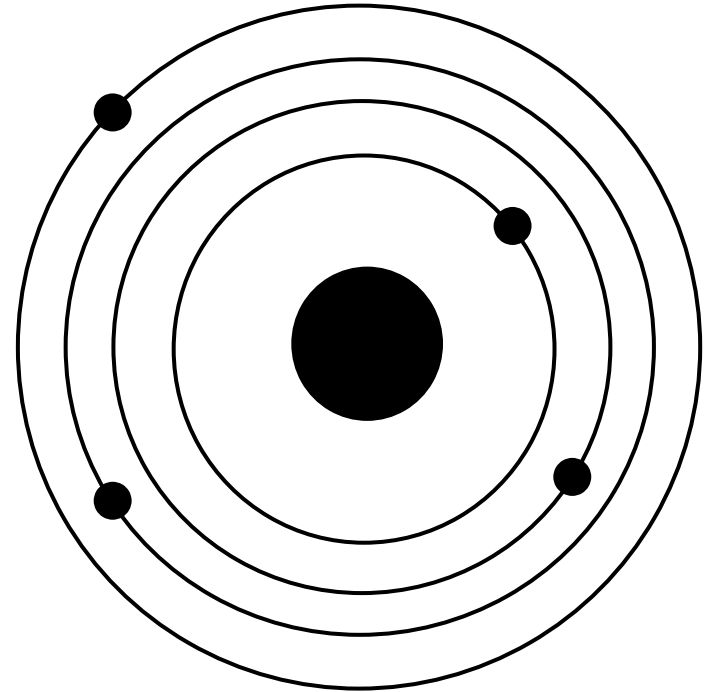
# How did poliaastro build its community?

## The Orbit Model

Observers  
Participants  
Developers  
Advocates

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Gravity + Love + Reach + Impact



# Talks and tutorials

**Per Python ad astra: Interactive Astrodynamics with poliastro**  
SciPyConf 2022

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0GqdIRdDe9c>

**Interplanetary mission analysis with poliastro**  
Open Source Cubesat Workshop 2019

<https://docs.poliastro.space/en/stable/background.html>

**Can we make Python fast without sacrificing readability? numba for Astrodynamics**  
EuroSciPy 2019

<https://pyvideo.org/euroscipy-2019/can-we-make-python-fast-without-sacrificing-readability-numba-for-astrodynamics.html>

# The chat

Regular chats or conversations within a community are important for maintaining engagement, fostering connections, and facilitating communication.

By having ongoing chats, community members can stay connected with each other, share ideas, discuss relevant topics, and address any concerns or questions.



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# Our weekly meetings

They provide a regular opportunity for members to come together, discuss important matters, and make collective decisions.

These meetings promote transparency, accountability, and active participation, ensuring that everyone has a voice and can contribute to the community's growth and development.



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# The contrib/ directory

The contrib/ directory allows newcomers to contribute while its code is adapted to the requirements of the project.

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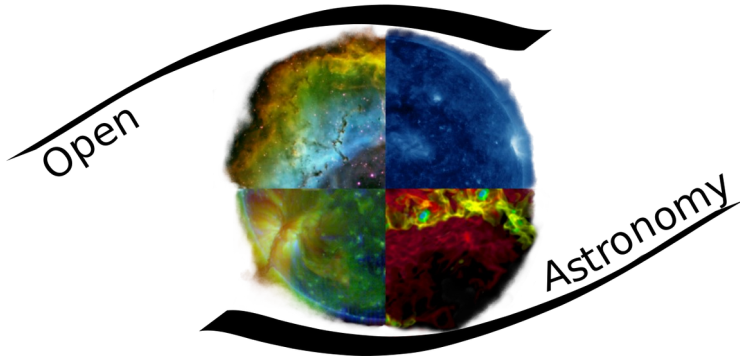
```
|
├── binder/           # Binder configuration
├── contrib/          # Newcomers friendly zone
├── docs/             # Documentation source
├── src/              # Library source code
└── tests/           # Testing source code
```

# Google Summer of Code

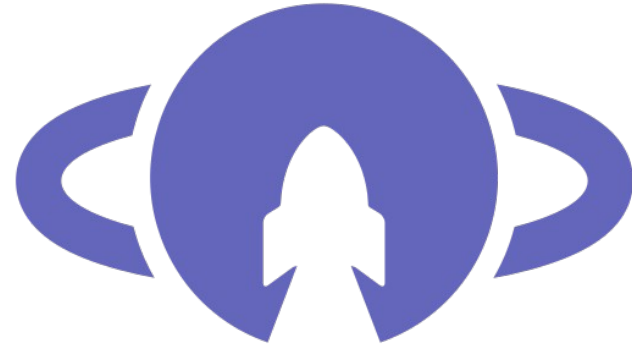


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# NumFOCUS Small Development Grants

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# Transparent finance

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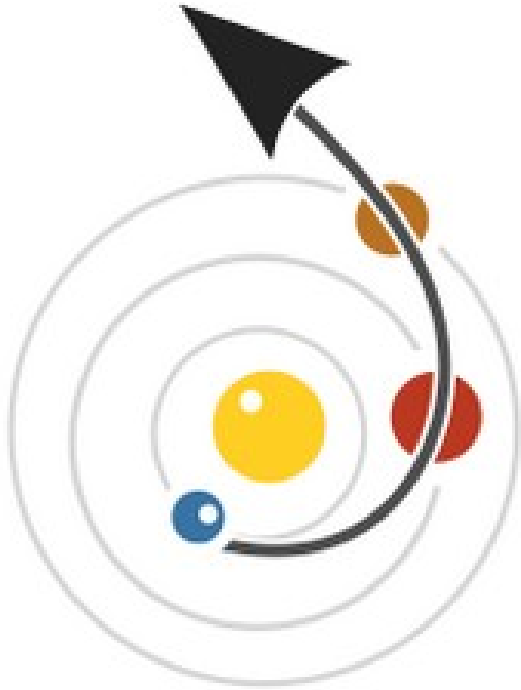


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... we are taking a step down

Unless...

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... you want to take a step forward