

Kepler problem,

$$f = -\frac{k}{r^2} : v = -\frac{k}{r}$$

substitute this in the equation for theta

$$u = \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\theta = \theta' - \int \frac{du}{\sqrt{\frac{2m}{l^2} (E + ku) - u^2}}$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\alpha x^2 + \beta x + \gamma}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{-\alpha}} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2\alpha x + \beta}{\sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha\gamma}} \right)$$

$$\theta = \theta' - \cos^{-1} \frac{\frac{l^2 u}{mk} - 1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{2El^2}{mk^2}}}$$

$$\sqrt{1 + \frac{2El^2}{mk^2}} \cos(\theta - \theta') = \frac{l^2}{mk} \cdot \frac{1}{r} - 1$$

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{mk}{l^2} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2El^2}{mk^2}} \cos(\theta - \theta') \right)$$

the general equation of a conic with one focus at the origin is given by

$$\frac{1}{r} = C \left[1 + e \cos(\theta - \theta') \right]$$

eccentricity

$$e = \sqrt{1 + \frac{2El^2}{mk^2}}$$

The following are true about conics

$$e > 1, E > 0$$

hyperbola

$$e = 1, E = 0$$

parabola

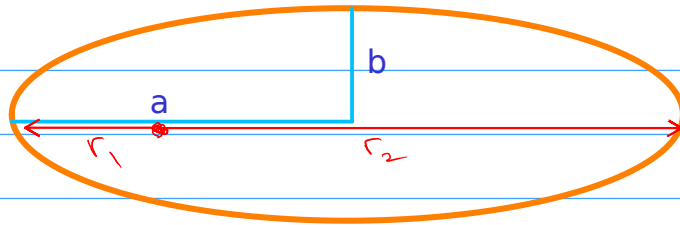
$$e < 1, E < 0$$

ellipse

$$e = 0, E = -\frac{mk^2}{2l^2}$$

circle

elliptical orbits



$$a = \frac{1}{2} (r_1 + r_2)$$

At the apsidal distances, which are turning points, the $\dot{r} = 0$

$$E = \cancel{\frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{l^2}{m r^2} - \frac{k}{r}$$

$$E - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{l^2}{m r^2} + \frac{k}{r} = 0$$

$$r^2 + \frac{k}{E} r - \frac{l^2}{2mE} = 0$$

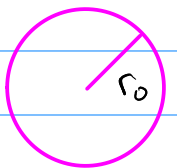
$$\frac{-\beta + \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha\gamma}}{2\alpha} + \frac{-\beta - \sqrt{\beta^2 - 4\alpha\gamma}}{2\alpha} = -\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2} (r_1 + r_2) = -\frac{k}{2E}$$

Note that for a circular orbit this means that the energy is

$$E = -\frac{k}{2r_0}$$

$$e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{l^2}{mka}}$$



$$\frac{l^2}{mk} = a(1 - e^2)$$

substitute into $1/r$

$$r = \frac{a(1 - e^2)}{1 + e \cos(\theta - \theta')}$$

Note that the apsidal distances occur for $\theta - \theta' = (0, \pi)$

$$r_1, r_2 = a(1 \pm e)$$

Velocity vector along the path of an orbit:

$$\vec{v} = v_r \hat{r} + v_\theta \hat{\theta} \quad v_r = \dot{r} : v_\theta = r \dot{\theta}$$

in a circle $\dot{r} = v_r = 0$

$$v_\theta = a \dot{\theta} = \frac{l}{ma} \equiv v_0$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{l}{mr^2}$$

in an ellipse

$$\dot{r} = \frac{ae(1-e^2) \sin(\theta-\theta') \dot{\theta}}{[1+e \cos(\theta-\theta')]^2}$$

$$v_r = \frac{r^2}{a(1-e^2)} \cdot e \sin(\theta-\theta') \dot{\theta}$$

$$= \frac{l}{ma} \cdot \frac{e \sin(\theta-\theta')}{1-e^2}$$

$$v_r = v_0 \frac{e \sin(\theta-\theta')}{1-e^2}$$

notice that at apsidal distances, v_r vanishes, as it should

$$v_\theta = r \dot{\theta} = \frac{l}{mr} = \frac{l}{m} \frac{1+e \cos(\theta-\theta')}{a(1-e^2)}$$

$$= v_0 \frac{1+e \cos(\theta-\theta')}{1-e^2}$$

is maximal at perihelion

$$\theta - \theta' = 0 \quad v_\theta = \frac{v_0}{1-e}$$

Motion in time in the Kepler problem: the period of the orbit

$$t = \int_{r_0}^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} (E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2})}}$$

for the inverse-square force law

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}} \int_{r_0}^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{k}{r} - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} + E}}$$

$$\frac{l^2}{mk} = a(1-e^2) \quad : \quad E = -\frac{k}{2a}$$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} \int_{r_0}^r \frac{r dr}{\sqrt{r - \frac{r^2}{2a} - \frac{a(1-e^2)}{2}}}$$

To integrate this, we change variables using the eccentricity anomaly ψ

$$r = a(1 - e \cos \psi)$$

where at perihelion $\theta = 0 = \psi$

$$\theta' = 0$$

and at aphelion $\theta = \pi = \psi$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{ma^3}{k}} \int_0^\psi (1 - e \cos \psi) d\psi$$

Using this expression to calculate the period, we take ψ to be 2π

$$\tau = 2\pi a^{3/2} \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

Note that this is not yet Kepler's 3rd law ...

putting back the reduced mass, and k

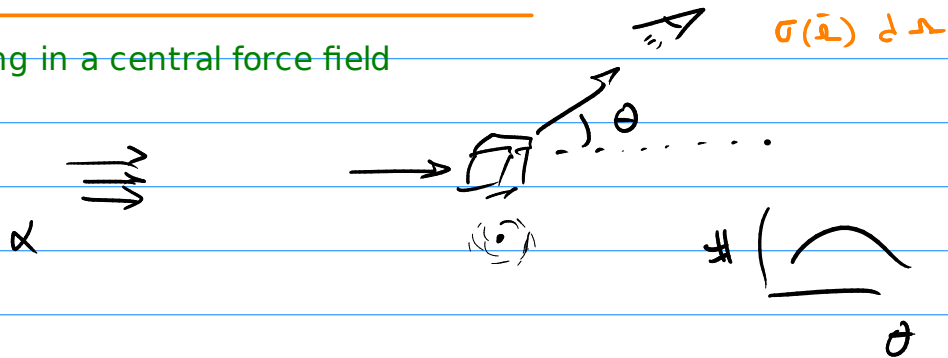
$$\frac{m}{k} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \cdot \frac{1}{G m_1 m_2} = \frac{1}{G(m_1 + m_2)}$$

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi a^{3/2}}{\sqrt{G(m_1 + m_2)}} \approx \frac{2\pi a^{3/2}}{\sqrt{Gm_2}}$$

Kepler's 3rd: "square of the periods of the *various* planets are proportional to the cube of their major axes"

In reality, the constant of proportionality depends on the mass of each planet!

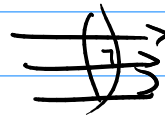
Scattering in a central force field



Several assumptions:

1. scattering is provoked by a central force,
2. there is a uniform stream of identical particles characterized by its intensity $I = \# \text{particles crossing unit area normal to the beam in unit time}$,
3. forces fall off to zero for large distances.

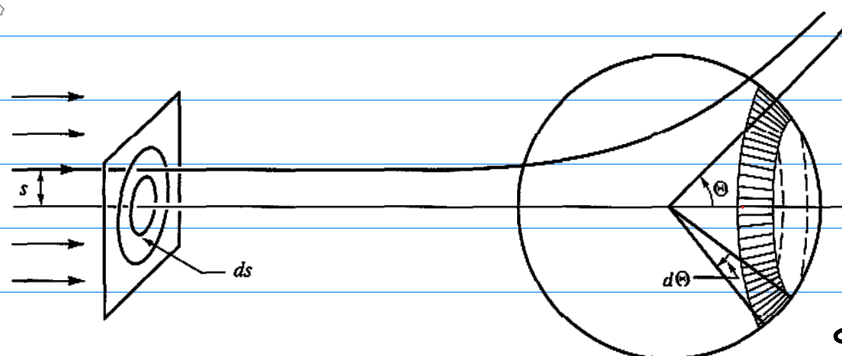
$$I = \frac{\# \text{part}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$$



$$\sigma(\vec{n}) d\Omega = \frac{\# \text{ particles scattered into a solid angle } d\Omega \text{ per unit time}}{\text{divided by the intensity}}$$

$$\frac{\# \text{part}}{\text{time}} \cdot \frac{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}{\# \text{part}} \rightarrow \text{area}$$

$d\Omega$ element of solid angle in the direction of \vec{n}



$$d\Omega = 2\pi \sin\theta d\theta$$

θ - scattering angle - angle between scattered and incident directions

s - impact parameter - perp. distance from center of force to an incident particle

v_0 - incident speed of the particle

E - energy of the particle

Angular momentum $\lambda = mv_0 s = s \sqrt{2mE}$

Note that # particles scattered into solid angle $d\Omega$ between $\theta + d\theta$
• must equal # incident particles between s and $s + ds$

intensity

←
$$I \underbrace{2\pi s |ds|}_{\text{area of ring}} = I \sigma(\theta) d\Omega$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{\# particles}} = I \sigma(\theta) 2\pi \sin\theta |d\theta|$$