Lab 1

PHY407

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Work Breakdown

We worked/talked on/about all parts, but some more than others:

- Sam worked on Q1.py
- Lucas worked on Q2.py, myFunctions.py

Question 1

- (a) Nothing to submit
- (b) Pseudocode:
 - ullet Initialize position arrays (x, y) and velocity arrays (vx, vy) along with the initial conditions
 - ullet Loop for 10^4 steps and integrate equations using the Euler-Cromer method
 - ullet Plot the position of Earth in (x, y) space and velocity components (vx, vy) with respect to time

The equations used in the Euler-Cromer integration are as follows:

$$v_{x,i} = v_{x,i-1} - \frac{GM_S x_{i-1}}{(x_{i-1}^2 + y_{i-1}^2)^{3/2}} \Delta t$$
(1)

$$v_{y,i} = v_{y,i-1} - \frac{GM_S y_{i-1}}{(x_{i-1}^2 + y_{i-1}^2)^{3/2}} \Delta t$$
 (2)

$$x_i = x_{i-1} - v_{x,i} \Delta t \tag{3}$$

$$y_i = y_{i-1} - v_{y,i} \Delta t \tag{4}$$

Question 2

Question 3