RA DEC

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[1]: import numpy as np
     import pandas as pd
     import skyfield
     from skyfield.api import Loader
     skyfield_load = Loader('../data/skyfield')
     from skyfield.positionlib import ICRF, Barycentric
     from skyfield.toposlib import Topos
     import astropy
     from astropy.units import deg, au, km, meter, day, minute, second
     from astropy.coordinates import SkyCoord, ICRS, GCRS, BarycentricMeanEcliptic, u
     →HeliocentricMeanEcliptic, EarthLocation
     from scipy.interpolate import CubicSpline
     import os
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     # MSE imports
     import astro_utils
     from astro_utils import jd_to_mjd, mjd_to_jd
     from ra_dec import radec2dir, dir2radec, site2geoloc, qv2dir, direction_diff, u
     →radec_diff, skyfield_observe
     from horizons_files import load_pos_jpl, load_ast_jpl, load_obs_jpl,_u
     →load_obs_ast_jpl
     from horizons_files import obs_add_interp_qv, obs_ast_add_interp_qv,_
     ⇒obs_add_calc_dir, obs_add_radec, obs_direction_diff
     import asteroid_integrate
     from asteroid_data import make_data_one_file, get_earth_pos
     from utils import range_inc
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0.0.1 Observation of Earth and Mars according to JPL

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[2]: # Data directories
dir_name = '../data/jpl/testing/hourly'
dir_name_daily = '../data/jpl/testing/daily'

# Build DataFrame for earth and mars position at 3 hour frequency
df_earth = load_pos_jpl(body_name='earth', dir_name=dir_name)
df_mars = load_pos_jpl(body_name='mars', dir_name=dir_name)
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# Earth at daily frequency
    df_earth_daily = load_pos_jpl(body_name='earth', dir_name=dir_name_daily)
     # df_mars_daily = load_pos_jpl(body_name='mars', dir_name=dir_name_daily)
[3]: # Display the earth dataframe
    df earth
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    [29217 rows x 12 columns]
[4]: # Display the mars dataframe
     # df_mars
[5]: # Load the JPL observations of Mars
    df_obs_mars_geo = load_obs_jpl(body_name='mars', observer_name='geocenter',_
     →dir_name=dir_name)
    df_obs_mars_pal = load_obs_jpl(body_name='mars', observer_name='palomar',_

→dir_name=dir_name)
     # Display the dataframe
    df_obs_mars_geo
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     [29217 rows x 13 columns]
[6]: # Extract position and velocity of earth from df earth
     q_earth_jpl = np.array([df_earth.X.values, df_earth.Y.values, df_earth.Z.
     →values]) * au
     v_earth_jpl = np.array([df_earth.VX.values, df_earth.VY.values, df_earth.VZ.
     →values]) * au / day
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# Extract position of mars from df_mars
v_mars_jpl = np.array([df_mars.VX.values, df_mars.VY.values, df_mars.VZ.
→values]) * au / day
# Extract obstime_jd, ra, and dec from DataFrame with geocentric observations
obstime_mars_geo_jd = df_obs_mars_geo.JulianDate.values
# ra_mars_geo_jpl = df_obs_mars_geo.RA.values * deg
# dec_mars_geo_jpl = df_obs_mars_geo.DEC.values * deg
# Observation times for palomar observations
obstime_mars_pal_jd = df_obs_mars_pal.JulianDate.values
# Vector of observation times in MJD format
obstime_mars_geo_mjd = jd_to_mjd(obstime_mars_geo_jd)
obstime_mars_pal_mjd = jd_to_mjd(obstime_mars_pal_jd)
# Alias to obstime_mars_mjd because they are the same
obstime_mars_jd = obstime_mars_geo_jd
obstime_mars_mjd = obstime_mars_geo_mjd
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0.0.2 Position & Observation of Earth and Mars according to Skyfield

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[7]: # Manually load planetary positions using de435
# planets_sf = skyfield_load('../data/jpl/ephemeris/de435.bsp')
planets_sf = skyfield_load('de435.bsp')
earth_sf = planets_sf['earth']
mars_sf = planets_sf['mars barycenter']

# load timescale
ts_sf = skyfield_load.timescale()

# Generate vector of observation times in Skyfield format
obstime_mars_sf = ts_sf.tt_jd(obstime_mars_jd)
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[8]: # Observe mars from earth geocenter with Skyfield

ra_mars_geo_sf, dec_mars_geo_sf, delta_mars_geo_sf = \

skyfield_observe(observer_sf=earth_sf, body_sf=mars_sf, u)

→ obstime_sf=obstime_mars_sf)
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[9]: # location of palomar as a Skyfield topos object
geoloc_pal = site2geoloc('palomar', verbose=True)
lon, lat, height = geoloc_pal.geodetic
palomar_topos = skyfield.toposlib.Topos(latitude_degrees=lat.value,
→longitude_degrees=lon.value, elevation_m=height.value)
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palomar_topos
     Geolocation of palomar:
     cartesian = (-2410346.78217658, -4758666.82504051, 3487942.97502457) m
     geodetic = GeodeticLocation(lon=<Longitude -116.863 deg>, lat=<Latitude 33.356
     deg>, height=<Quantity 1706. m>)
 [9]: <Topos 33deg 21' 21.6" N -116deg 51' 46.8" E>
[10]: # Observe mars from palomar with Skyfield
      palomar_sf = earth_sf + palomar_topos
      ra mars pal sf, dec mars pal sf, delta mars pal sf = \
          skyfield_observe(observer_sf=palomar_sf, body_sf=mars_sf,__
       →obstime sf=obstime mars sf)
[11]: # Load planetary positions and velocities by querying the Skyfield JPL
       \rightarrow ephemeris interface
      # Create them as arrays with bundled astropy units of au and km / second
      # Earth
      q_earth_sf = earth_sf.at(obstime_mars_sf).ecliptic_position().au * au
      v_earth_sf = earth_sf.at(obstime_mars_sf).ecliptic_velocity().km_per_s * km /__
       ⇔second
      # Pallomar
      q palomar sf = palomar sf.at(obstime mars sf).ecliptic position().au * au
      v_palomar_sf = palomar_sf.at(obstime_mars_sf).ecliptic_velocity().km_per_s * km_u

→/ second

      # Mars
      q_mars_sf = mars_sf.at(obstime_mars_sf).ecliptic_position().au * au
      v_mars_sf = mars_sf.at(obstime_mars_sf).ecliptic_velocity().km_per_s * km /__
       -second
[12]: # Demonstrate that q_earth_sf is the same as q_earth_jpl
      q_earth_eps = np.mean(np.linalg.norm(q_earth_sf - q_earth_jpl, axis=0))
      v_earth_eps = np.mean(np.linalg.norm(v_earth_sf - v_earth_jpl, axis=0))
      q_mars_eps = np.mean(np.linalg.norm(q_mars_sf - q_mars_jpl, axis=0))
      v_mars_eps = np.mean(np.linalg.norm(v_mars_sf - v_mars_jpl, axis=0))
      # Report
      print('Difference between Skyfield (JPL ephem) and Horizons download:')
      print(f'q_earth : {q_earth_eps:5.3e} au')
      print(f'v_earth : {v_earth_eps:5.3e} au / day')
      print(f'q mars : {q mars eps:5.3e} au')
      print(f'v_mars : {v_mars_eps:5.3e} au / day')
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Difference between Skyfield (JPL ephem) and Horizons download:
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q_earth : 1.406e-09 AU au

v_earth : 1.626e-08 km / s au / day

q_mars : 1.565e-09 AU au

v_mars : 3.758e-08 km / s au / day

Conclusion Skyfield is essentially identical to JPL in coordinates of Earth and Mars. Difference is on the order of 10^{-9} AU.

0.0.3 Compare Skyfield vs JPL on RA/DEC of Mars

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[13]: # Convert SkyField RA/DEC to directions

# u_mars_geo_sf = radec2dir(ra=ra_mars_geo_sf, dec=dec_mars_geo_sf, \_

→ obstime_mjd=obstime_mars_mjd)

# u_mars_pal_sf = radec2dir(ra=ra_mars_pal_sf, dec=dec_mars_pal_sf, \_

→ obstime_mjd=obstime_mars_mjd)
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[14]: # Add RA/DEC and direction from Skyfield to mars observation frames
obs_add_radec(df_obs=df_obs_mars_geo, ra=ra_mars_geo_sf, dec=dec_mars_geo_sf,

→source='sf')
obs_add_radec(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, ra=ra_mars_pal_sf, dec=dec_mars_pal_sf,

→source='sf')
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[15]: # Report difference between JPL and Skyfield from geocenter
print(f'Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: Skyfield vs. JPL')
print(f'(1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC')
print(f'(2) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/

DEC (from observe)\n')
diff_geo_jpl_sf = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs_mars_geo, src1='jpl', u)

Src2='sf', verbose=True)
```

Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: Skyfield vs. JPL

- (1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC
- (2) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/DEC (from observe)

Angle Difference: sf vs. jpl

Mean : 0.000444 deg (1.598 seconds)
Median: 0.000506 deg (1.822 seconds)
Max : 0.000615 deg (2.213 seconds)

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[16]: # Report difference between JPL and Skyfield from palomar

print(f'Comparing direction of Mars from Palomar: Skyfield vs. JPL')

print(f'(1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC')

print(f'(2) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/

→DEC (from observe)\n')

diff_geo_pal_sf = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, src1='jpl', 
→src2='sf', verbose=True)
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Comparing direction of Mars from Palomar: Skyfield vs. JPL

- (1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC
- (2) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/DEC (from observe)

Angle Difference: sf vs. jpl

Mean : 0.000444 deg (1.599 seconds)
Median: 0.000506 deg (1.820 seconds)
Max : 0.000619 deg (2.228 seconds)

[17]: # Review observation frame with additional columns df_obs_mars_geo

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      -0.529471
      -0.848304
      0.006374

      29216
      18.167208
      235.946173
      -19.385153
      -0.528226
      -0.849080
      0.006352
```

Conclusion Skyfield is very close to JPL on observation of Mars. Mean difference is **1.60 arc seconds** from both Geocenter and Palomar. The difference between Geocenter and Palomar is about 3.78 arc seconds on average for Mars. Results appear to be consistent between Geocenter and Palomar.

0.0.4 Estimate Importance of Including Observatory Location

[29217 rows x 18 columns]

```
[18]: # Difference between palomar and geocenter according to JPL
      radec diff(name1='geocenter-JPL', name2='palomar-JPL',
                 ra1=df_obs_mars_geo.RA_jpl.values*deg, dec1=df_obs_mars_geo.DEC_jpl.
       →values*deg,
                 ra2=df_obs_mars_pal.RA_jpl.values*deg, dec2=df_obs_mars_pal.DEC_jpl.
       →values*deg,
                 obstime_mjd=df_obs_mars_geo.mjd.values, verbose=True)
     Angle Difference: palomar-JPL vs. geocenter-JPL
               0.001409 deg (
                                5.073 seconds)
     Mean :
     Median:
               0.001050 deg (
                                3.780 seconds)
               0.006340 deg ( 22.824 seconds)
     Max
[18]: 5.073474626406522
[19]: # Difference between palomar and geocenter according to Skyfield
      radec_diff(name1='geocenter-Skyfield', name2='palomar-Skyfield',
                 ra1=df_obs_mars_geo.RA_sf.values*deg, dec1=df_obs_mars_geo.DEC_sf.
       →values*deg,
                 ra2=df_obs_mars_pal.RA_sf.values*deg, dec2=df_obs_mars_pal.DEC_sf.
       →values*deg,
                 obstime_mjd=df_obs_mars_geo.mjd.values, verbose=True)
     Angle Difference: palomar-Skyfield vs. geocenter-Skyfield
     Mean :
               0.001409 deg (
                                5.074 seconds)
     Median:
               0.001050 deg (
                                3.780 seconds)
               0.006340 deg ( 22.825 seconds)
     Max
```

[19]: 5.07352264809586

Conclusion Ignoring the observatory location would introduce an error of about 3.8 arc seconds for Mars. This effect is important enough that we should certainly try to model it.

0.0.5 Calculate Direction from Earth to Mars with qv2dir() and JPL Position / Velocity

```
[20]: # Add interpolated JPL Positions to observation DataFrames
      obs_add_interp_qv(df_obs=df_obs_mars_geo, df_body=df_mars, df_earth=df_earth,__
       →source_name='jpl')
      obs_add_interp_qv(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, df_body=df_mars, df_earth=df_earth,_

source_name='jpl')
[21]: # Display augmented df_obs_mars
      df_obs_mars_geo
[21]:
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[22]: # Build geolocation of theoretical observer at geocenter
geoloc_geo = site2geoloc(site_name='geocenter', verbose=False)

# Build geolocation of observer at Palomar
geoloc_pal = site2geoloc(site_name='palomar', verbose=True)
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Geolocation of palomar: cartesian = (-2410346.78217658, -4758666.82504051, 3487942.97502457) m

geodetic = GeodeticLocation(lon=<Longitude -116.863 deg>, lat=<Latitude 33.356
deg>, height=<Quantity 1706. m>)

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[23]: df_obs = df_obs_mars_geo
    src = 'jpl'
    site_name='geocenter'

# Columns for position and velocity from this source
    q_body_cols = [f'body_x_{src}', f'body_y_{src}', f'body_z_{src}']
    v_body_cols = [f'body_vx_{src}', f'body_vy_{src}', f'body_vz_{src}']
    q_earth_cols = [f'earth_x_{src}', f'earth_y_{src}', f'earth_z_{src}']

# Extract position and velocity of space body; build as Nx3 array with astropy_
units
    q_body = df_obs[q_body_cols].values * au
    v_body = df_obs[v_body_cols].values * au / day

# Extract position of earth; build as Nx3 array with astropy units
    q_earth = df_obs[q_earth_cols].values * au
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# Observation times and geolocation of this site
      obstime_mjd = df_obs.mjd.values
      obsgeoloc = site2geoloc(site_name=site_name, verbose=False)
[24]: # Compute the directions qu2dir() accounting for observer location; save them
       → to the DataFrame of mars observations
      obs_add_calc_dir(df_obs=df_obs_mars_geo, site_name='geocenter',_
      →source_name='jpl')
      obs_add_calc_dir(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, site_name='palomar', source_name='jpl')
[25]: # Review added columns
      df_obs_mars_geo
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[26]: # Review all the columns that are now on the observation DataFrame df_obs_mars_geo.columns
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0.0.6 Direction from Geocenter to Mars: Compare JPL, Skyfield, and qv2dir(JPL position)

```
[27]: # Report difference for Mars from Geocenter between Skyfiled and MSE calculated print(f'Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: Skyfield vs. MSE calc from →JPL positions:')

print(f'(1) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/ →DEC')

print(f'(2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & →velocities\n')

diff_geo_sf_calc_jpl = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs_mars_geo, src1='sf', →src2='calc_jpl', verbose=True)
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Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: Skyfield vs. MSE calc from JPL positions:

- (1) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/DEC
- (2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & velocities

Angle Difference: calc_jpl vs. sf
Mean : 0.000008 deg (0.027 seconds)

Median: 0.000008 deg (0.029 seconds)
Max : 0.000012 deg (0.042 seconds)

[28]: # Report difference for Mars from Geocenter between JPL and MSE calculated print(f'Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: JPL vs. MSE calc from JPL

→positions')
print(f'(1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC')
print(f'(2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions &

→velocities\n')
diff_geo_jpl_jpl_calc_jpl = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs_mars_geo,

→src1='jpl', src2='calc_jpl', verbose=True)

Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: JPL vs. MSE calc from JPL positions

- (1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC
- (2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & velocities

Angle Difference: calc_jpl vs. jpl

Mean : 0.000446 deg (1.604 seconds)
Median: 0.000508 deg (1.830 seconds)
Max : 0.000616 deg (2.219 seconds)

Conclusion My calculations are almost identical to Skyfield; accurate to **0.027 arc seconds** Both Skyfield and I are off from JPL by **1.60 arc seconds**

0.0.7 Direction from Palomar to Mars: Compare JPL, Skyfield, and qv2dir(JPL position)

```
[29]: # Calculate direction from palomar using JPL positions obs_add_calc_dir(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, site_name='palomar', source_name='jpl')
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```
[30]: # Report difference for Mars from Palomar between Skyfield and MSE calculated print(f'Comparing direction of Mars from Palomar: Skyfield vs. MSE calc from →JPL positions:')

print(f'(1) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/
→DEC')

print(f'(2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & →velocities\n')

diff_pal_sf_calc_jpl = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, src1='sf', □
→src2='calc_jpl', verbose=True)
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Comparing direction of Mars from Palomar: Skyfield vs. MSE calc from JPL positions:

(1) Direction according to Skyfield: radec2dir applied to Skyfield RA/DEC

(2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & velocities Angle Difference: calc_jpl vs. sf Mean : 0.000008 deg (0.027 seconds) 0.000008 deg (Median: 0.029 seconds) 0.000012 deg (Max 0.042 seconds) [31]: # Report difference for Mars from Geocenter between JPL and MSE calculated print(f'Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: JPL vs. MSE calc from JPL →positions') print(f'(1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC') print(f'(2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions $\&_{\sqcup}$ →velocities\n') diff_pal_jpl_calc_jpl = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs_mars_pal, src1='jpl',u ¬src2='calc_jpl', verbose=True) Comparing direction of Mars from Geocenter: JPL vs. MSE calc from JPL positions (1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC (2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & velocities Angle Difference: calc_jpl vs. jpl Mean : 0.000446 deg (1.604 seconds) 0.000508 deg (Median: 1.828 seconds) 0.000621 deg (2.234 seconds) Max 0.0.8 Vectors of First 16 Asteroids from JPL [32]: # Load the asteroid position and velocity from JPL df_ast = load_ast_jpl(ast_num0=1, ast_num1=16, dir_name=dir_name) df_ast_daily = load_ast_jpl(ast_num0=1, ast_num1=16, dir_name=dir_name_daily) [33]: df_ast [33]: asteroid_num mjd JulianDate time_key Х Y 0 1 55197.000 2455197.500 1324728 -1.660333 -2.123236 1 55197.125 2455197.625 1324731 -1.659381 -2.124130 2 55197.250 2455197.750 1324734 -1.658429 -2.125023 3 1 55197.375 2455197.875 1324737 -1.657476 -2.125915 4 1 55197.500 2455198.000 1324740 -1.656522 -2.126807 1412364 2.522975 -0.473790 29212 16 58848.500 2458849.000 29213 16 58848.625 2458849.125 1412367 2.523154 -0.472385 29214 16 58848.750 2458849.250 1412370 2.523332 -0.470980 29215 16 58848.875 2458849.375 1412373 2.523510 -0.469574 29216 16 58849.000 2458849.500 1412376 2.523687 -0.468169 7. VX VY ٧Z LT RG RR

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0.0.9 Observations of First 16 Asteroids from JPL

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[34]: # Load the asteroid observations from JPL

df_obs = load_obs_ast_jpl(ast_num0=1, ast_num1=16, observer_name='palomar',

→dir_name=dir_name)

df_obs_daily = load_obs_ast_jpl(ast_num0=1, ast_num1=16,

→observer_name='geocenter', dir_name=dir_name_daily)
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[35]: df_obs
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     0.0.10 Calculate Asteroid Direction with qv2dir() and JPL Position / Velocity
[36]: # Add interpolated JPL position to asteroid observations
     obs_ast_add_interp_qv(df_obs=df_obs, df_ast=df_ast, df_earth=df_earth,_
      →source_name='jpl')
[37]: # Add computed directions from the JPL positions
     obs_add_calc_dir(df_obs=df_obs, site_name='palomar', source_name='jpl')
[38]: # Review asteroid observations with additional columns: interpolated positions
      →& calculated RA/DEC, direction
     df obs
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      [467472 rows x 28 columns]
[39]: # Report difference for between JPL and MSE calculated
      print(f'Comparing direction of Asteroids from Palomar: JPL vs. MSE calc from
      →JPL positions')
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-0.429121 -0.900574 0.069438

print(f'(1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC') print(f'(2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions $\&_{\sqcup}$

diff_ast_jpl_calc_jpl = obs_direction_diff(df_obs=df_obs, src1='jpl',__

Comparing direction of Asteroids from Palomar: JPL vs. MSE calc from JPL positions $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right)$

- (1) Direction according to JPL: radec2dir applied to JPL RA/DEC
- (2) Direction according to MSE: qv2dir applied to JPL positions & velocities

Angle Difference: calc_jpl vs. jpl
Mean : 0.000243 deg (0.873 seconds)
Median: 0.000255 deg (0.918 seconds)
Max : 0.000521 deg (1.876 seconds)

Conclusion: qv2dir() is highly accurate in computing a right ascension and declination from position and velocity in the barycentric ecliptic plane. Errors are on the order of **0.87 arc seconds**. Differences with JPL are due to using a linear approximation to the adjustment of the space body's position due to light lag. The JPL calculation is iteratively solving for the position of the body on its true orbit at the instant photons leaving it hit the earth at print time. This simplified calculation is applying an adjustment of the form

```
r = norm(q_body - q_earth)
light_time = r / light_speed
dq = v_body * light_time
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```
[40]: # Check that round trip between RA/DEC and direction is accurate

# extract u_jpl from df_obs
u_jpl = df_obs[['ux_jpl', 'uy_jpl', 'uz_jpl']].values
# extract RA, DEC and obstime_mjd
ra_jpl = df_obs.RA_jpl.values * deg
dec_jpl = df_obs.DEC_jpl.values * deg
obstime_mjd = df_obs.mjd.values

# Compute RA and DEC from direction computed by radec2dir() on the JPL data
ra_jpl2, dec_jpl2 = dir2radec(u_jpl, obstime_mjd)
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[41]: # Compute difference in angles
diff_rt = radec_diff('JPL', 'MSE', ra1=ra_jpl, dec1=dec_jpl, ra2=ra_jpl2,

→dec2=dec_jpl2,

obstime_mjd=obstime_mjd, verbose=True)
print(f'\nMean difference on round trip = {diff_rt:8.2e} arc seconds.')
```

Angle Difference: MSE vs. JPL

Mean : 0.000000 deg (0.000 seconds)

Median: 0.000000 deg (0.000 seconds)

Max : 0.000000 deg (0.000 seconds)

Mean difference on round trip = 4.89e-11 arc seconds.

Conclusion: The round trip of radec2dir() and dir2radec() is accurate on the order of double precision. In the test, a direction was computed from the RA and DEC provided by JPL. This was then converted back to a RA and DEC. Errors are on the order of **5.8E-11 arc seconds**.

0.0.11 Calculate Asteroid Direction with MSE Position / Velocity

```
[42]: ast_elt = asteroid_integrate.load_data()
      # ast_elt.rename(mapper={'Num':'asteroid_num'}, axis='columns', inplace=True)
[43]: # Range of asteroids to for data
      ast_num_file_start: int = 1
      ast_num_file_end: int = 1000
      inputs, outputs = make_data_one_file(0, ast_num_file_end)
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      541127 0.003180 0.572315 0.720011 -0.475131 -329.336645
      541128  0.003423  0.553374  0.616544  0.084602  -136.957715
      [541073 rows x 19 columns]
[45]: # The block of asteroid numbers to test (inclusive boundaries)
      ast num min = 1
      ast_num_max = 16
      # The number of asteroids, times, and total rows we want to match
      # Use daily data to match data file
      N_ast = ast_num_max - ast_num_min + 1
      N_t = df_earth_daily.mjd.size
      N_row = N_ast * N_t
      obstime_mjd = df_ast_daily.mjd.values
      # Report data shape
      print(f'Shape of data frames df_ast and df_obs:')
      print(f'N_ast = {N_ast:5} asteroids')
      print(f'N_t = {N_t:5} observation times')
      print(f'N_row = {N_row:5} rows in df_ast and df_obs')
     Shape of data frames df_ast and df_obs:
     N ast =
                16 asteroids
     N_t = 3653 observation times
     N_row = 58448 rows in df_ast and df_obs
[46]: # Filter for asteroid numbers
      ast_num_file = np.arange(ast_num_file_start, ast_num_file_end, dtype=np.int64)
      mask_ast = (ast_num_min <= ast_num_file) & (ast_num_file <= ast_num_max)</pre>
      # MSE integrated times as one array
      ts = inputs['ts'][0]
      # Time range for JPL data
      t_min = np.min(obstime_mjd)
      t_max = np.max(obstime_mjd)
      # Filter for MSE times that match
      mask_t = (t_min \le ts) \& (ts \le t_max)
[47]: # Block of asteroid data
      q_ast_all = outputs['q']
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541124 0.004136 0.706394 1.285400 -0.369137 -260.066715

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v_ast_all = outputs['v']
      u_ast_all = outputs['u']
      # filter for selected asteroids only
      q_ast_all_t = q_ast_all[mask_ast, :, :]
      v_ast_all_t = v_ast_all[mask_ast, :, :]
      u_ast_all_t = u_ast_all[mask_ast, :, :]
      # filter for selected times only
      q_ast_mse_3d = q_ast_all_t[:, mask_t, :]
      v_ast_mse_3d = v_ast_all_t[:, mask_t, :]
      u_ast_mse_3d = u_ast_all_t[:, mask_t, :]
      # for some reason i don't understand, can't do these at once
      # q_ast_mse = q_ast_all[mask_ast, mask_t, :]
      q_ast_mse_3d.shape
[47]: (16, 3653, 3)
[48]: # Get position of Earth using utility function
      q_earth_mse = get_earth_pos(obstime_mjd).transpose()
      q_earth_mse.shape
[48]: (3, 58448)
[49]: # shape JPL positions to match q ast mse with three axes (asteroid num,,,
      \rightarrow time_idx, space_dim)
      q_ast_jpl_3d = np.zeros((N_ast, N_t, 3))
      q ast_jpl_3d[:, :, 0] = df_ast_daily.X.values.reshape((N_ast, N_t))
      q ast_jpl_3d[:, :, 1] = df_ast_daily.Y.values.reshape((N_ast, N_t))
      q ast_jpl_3d[:, :, 2] = df_ast_daily.Z.values.reshape((N_ast, N_t))
      q_ast_jpl_3d.shape
[49]: (16, 3653, 3)
[50]: # Reshape MSE asteroid data to match shape of DataFrame
      q_ast_mse = np.zeros((3, N_row))
      v_ast_mse = np.zeros((3, N_row))
      u_ast_mse = np.zeros((3, N_row))
[51]: # Position
      q_ast_mse[0, :] = q_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 0].reshape((-1))
      q_ast_mse[1, :] = q_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 1].reshape((-1))
      q_ast_mse[2, :] = q_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 2].reshape((-1))
      # Velocity
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v_ast_mse[0, :] = v_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 0].reshape((-1))
v_ast_mse[1, :] = v_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 1].reshape((-1))
v_ast_mse[2, :] = v_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 2].reshape((-1))

# Direction from geocenter
u_ast_mse[0, :] = u_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 0].reshape((-1))
u_ast_mse[1, :] = u_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 1].reshape((-1))
u_ast_mse[2, :] = u_ast_mse_3d[:, :, 2].reshape((-1))
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0.0.12 Check End to End Calculation of Direction to Geocenter in make_data_one_file()

```
[52]: # extract u_jpl from df_obs_daily
u_jpl = df_obs_daily[['ux_jpl', 'uy_jpl', 'uz_jpl']].values.T

# difference in directions as a vector
u_diff = u_ast_mse - u_jpl

# norm of difference, converted to arc seconds
u_diff_norm = np.linalg.norm(u_diff, axis=0)
angle_diff = np.rad2deg(u_diff_norm)*3600

# mean error in arc-seconds
mean_error = np.mean(angle_diff)
print(f'mean error: {mean_error:8.3f} arc seconds')
```

mean error: 0.974 arc seconds

Conclusion: The calculation encapsulated in make_data_one_file to earth geocenter is consistent with the manual calculation above. Tolerance to JPL is **0.97 arc seconds**

```
[53]: | # df_obs_daily
```

0.0.13 Check Manual Calculation with qv2dir() and MSE Positions

```
angle_diff = np.rad2deg(u_diff_norm)*3600

# mean error in arc-seconds
mean_error = np.mean(angle_diff)
print(f'mean error: {mean_error:8.3f} arc seconds')
```

mean error: 0.974 arc seconds

Conclusion: My end to end calculation of astromentric RA and DEC are very close to those of JPL. In my calculation, I am only taking a single snapshot of planetary positions and velocities, plus orbital elements of the asteroids. Everything else is done by numerically integrating the system in rebound. I am computing an astrometric direction u on the unit sphere in the ecliptic frame, and comparing this to a direction from JPL. The JPL direction u_jpl is computed by applying radec2dir() on the quoted RA and DEC. Errors are on the order of 0.97 arc seconds. I am guessing that one main source for the difference with JPL is that I used heliocentric rather than barycentric coordinates when saving the outputs of the rebound integration. I plan to switch to barycentric for the asteroid search. Of course there are also some other differences because these are completely separate calculations. JPL in particular is using many more massive bodies, and they are accounting for relativistic effects. Still, the bottom line is that an agreement of only 3.6 arc seconds is very tight and suggests that my methodology is basically sound.

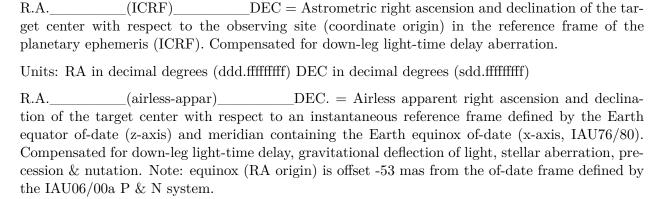
0.0.14 Astrometric vs. Apparent Coordinates

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[55]:
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JPL Definitions of Astrometric & Apparent RA/DEC



Units: RA in decimal degrees (ddd.ffffffff) DEC in decimal degrees (sdd.ffffffff)

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[56]: # alias the astrometric RA/DEC so the variable names look consistent
      # these are the astrometric RA/DEC
      ra_astro = ra_jpl
      dec_astro = dec_jpl
      # arrays of apparent asteroid angles from JPL
      ra_appar = df_obs.RA_apparent.values * deg
      dec_appar = df_obs.DEC_apparent.values * deg
      # Compute difference in angles
      diff_app = radec_diff('Astrometric', 'Apparent', ra1=ra_astro, dec1=dec_astro, __
       →ra2=ra_appar, dec2=dec_appar,
                           obstime_mjd=obstime_mjd, verbose=False)
      diff_mean = np.mean(diff_app)
      diff_median = np.median(diff_app)
      diff_max = np.max(diff_app)
      # Report results
      print(f'Mean Angle Difference: JPL astrometric vs. JPL apparent')
      print(f'Mean : {diff_mean:5.0f} seconds ({(diff_mean/3600):0.3f} degrees)')
      print(f'Median: {diff_median:5.0f} seconds ({(diff_median/3600):0.3f} degrees)')
                  : {diff_max:5.0f} seconds ({(diff_max/3600):0.3f} degrees)')
      print(f'Max
```

Mean Angle Difference: JPL astrometric vs. JPL apparent

Mean: 743 seconds (0.206 degrees)
Median: 743 seconds (0.206 degrees)
Max: 743 seconds (0.206 degrees)

Conclusion The difference between astrometric and apparent RA / DEC is really important! It's much more important than some of the other effects considered. It introduces errors on the order of **0.21 degrees / 743 arc seconds** We need to figure out the quotation basis of the ZTF data! Francisco from Alerce says he believes ZTF data "must be" astrometric. Hopefully this is correct!

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