

Homework 2

Problem 3

Consider 3-D gravitational acceleration: $\ddot{\vec{r}} = \frac{-\mu}{(\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{3/2}} \cdot \vec{r}$

Take state $\vec{x} = [\vec{r} \ \dot{\vec{r}}]^T$. Find linearized dynamics $F = \frac{\partial f(\vec{x})}{\partial \vec{x}}$, $f(\vec{x}) = \dot{\vec{x}} = [\dot{\vec{r}} \ \ddot{\vec{r}}]^T$

$$\frac{\partial \ddot{\vec{r}}}{\partial \vec{r}} = -\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}} \left((\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \cdot \vec{r} \right) = \mu \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}} (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \cdot \vec{r} + (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \right) = \mu \left(-\frac{3}{2} (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-5/2} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}} (\vec{r}^T \vec{r}) \cdot \vec{r} + (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}} (\vec{r}^T \vec{r}) = \vec{r}^T (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{I}^T) = 2 \cdot \vec{r}^T, \text{ found from } \text{atmos.washington.edu/~ndennis/MatrixCalculus.pdf}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ddot{\vec{r}}}{\partial \vec{r}} = \mu \left(-\frac{3}{2} (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-5/2} \cdot 2 \cdot \vec{r}^T \cdot \vec{r} + (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \right) = \mu \left(-3 (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-5/2} \cdot \vec{r}^T \cdot \vec{r} + (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial \ddot{\vec{r}}}{\partial \vec{r}} = \mu \left(-3 (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} + (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \right) = \mu \left((-3 + 1) (\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2} \right) = \frac{-2\mu}{(\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{3/2}}$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \dot{r}_1}{\partial r_1} & \frac{\partial \dot{r}_1}{\partial \dot{r}_1} \\ \frac{\partial \ddot{r}_1}{\partial r_1} & \frac{\partial \ddot{r}_1}{\partial \dot{r}_1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \{0\} & \{1\} \\ \{-2\mu\} & \{0\} \\ \{(\vec{r}^T \vec{r})^{-3/2}\} & \{0\} \end{bmatrix}$$