Two-Body Problem

Newton's Law: $\Sigma \vec{F} = \frac{d(m\vec{v})}{dt} = m\vec{a}$

Universal Law of Gravitation: $\vec{F}_g = -\frac{Gm_1m_2}{r^2}\frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|}$

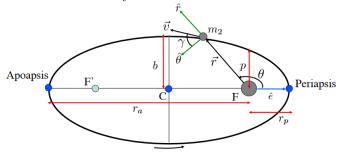
Apply Newton's Laws to a two-body problem with the assumptions:

- 1. Only system force: Gravity \rightarrow acts along the line joining the centers of the bodies.
- Mass of each body is constant.
- 3. Treat each body as a spherically symmetrical point mass with uniform density.

Orbits

Elliptical Orbits: Orbital Properties:

- a = semimajor axis
- b = semiminor axis
- p = semiperimeter
- $r_a/r_p = \text{radii of apoapsis/periapsis}$
- $\vec{e} = \text{eccentricity}$



2a

Useful Equations:

$$a = \frac{1}{2}(r_a + r_p)$$

$$p = \frac{\bar{b}^2}{a} = a(1 - e^2) = \frac{h^2}{\mu}$$

$$r_a = \frac{p}{1-e} = a(1+e)$$

$$r_p = \frac{1}{1+e} = a(1-e)$$

$$e = \frac{r_a - r_p}{r_a + r_p} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{a} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{2h^2 \varepsilon}{\mu^2}}$$

 $b = a\sqrt{1 - e^2}$

Angular Momentum: $\vec{h} = \vec{r} \times \vec{v} = \sqrt{\mu a(1 - e^2)}$

Eccentricity Vector: $\vec{e} = \frac{\vec{v} \times \vec{h}}{\mu} - \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$ Specific Energy: $\varepsilon = \frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{\mu}{r} = \frac{\mu^2(e^2 - 1)}{2h^2}$ • $\varepsilon < 0$ Motion of Body 2 is bounded wrt Body 1

• $\varepsilon \ge 0$ Motion of Body 2 is unbounded wrt Body 1

Conic Equation: $r = \frac{h^2/\mu}{1+e\cos\theta} = \frac{p}{1+e\cos\theta}$

Vis-Viva Equation: $v = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{r} - \frac{\mu}{a}}$

True Anomaly:

• θ or ν

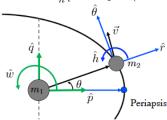
- Measured from periapsis, \vec{e} to radius, \vec{r}
- $\theta = 0$ at periapsis
- $0^{\circ} > \theta > 180^{\circ} \rightarrow m_2$ moving away from periapsis $180^{\circ} < \theta < 360^{\circ}m_2$ moving toward periapsis

Flight Path Angle:

- $\tan \gamma = \frac{e \sin \theta}{1 + e \cos \theta} = \frac{v_r}{v_\theta}$
- $v_r = \frac{\mu}{h}e\sin\theta$ and $v_\theta = \frac{\mu}{h}(1 + e\cos\theta)$
- $\gamma > 0$ when $v_r > 0$ and $\theta > 0 \rightarrow m_2$ moving away from periapsis

Perifocal Frame:

- \hat{p} , \hat{q} , \hat{w}
- $\vec{r} = r\hat{r} = r\cos\theta\hat{p} + r\sin\theta\hat{q}$
- $\vec{v} = \frac{\mu}{h} \left[-\sin\theta \hat{p} + (e + \cos\theta) \hat{q} \right]$



Kepler's Law: A line joining a planet and the Sun sweep out equal areas during equal intervals of time.

Elliptical Orbits:
$$\mathbb{P} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a^3}{\mu}}, \ \varepsilon < 0$$

Mean Motion: $n = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{a^3}}$ - mean angular rate of motion Circular Orbits:

- r = a, $\vec{v} \perp \vec{r}$, and $\gamma = 0$ everywhere
- $v_c = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r}}$

Parabolic Orbits:

- e = 1, $a = \inf$, $r_a =$ undefined Conic equation applies still

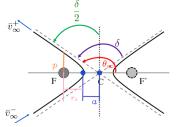
- $p = \frac{h^2}{\mu}$ $\varepsilon = 0$ everywhere
- $v = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{r}} = v_{esc}$

Hyperbolic Orbits:

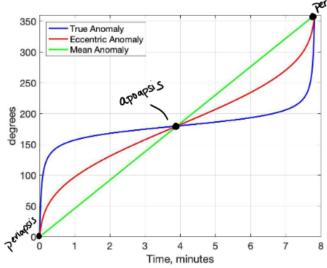
- $v > v_{esc}, \ e > 1, \ \varepsilon > 0, \ a < 0$
- $r_p = |a|(e-1)$

- $p = |a|(e^2 1) = a(1 e^2)$ $r = \frac{a(1 e^2)}{1 + e\cos\theta} = \frac{|a|(e^2 1)}{1 + e\cos\theta}$ at $r = \infty$, $\varepsilon = \frac{-\mu}{2a} = \frac{v_\infty^2}{2} \to v_\infty = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{|a|}}$

- $\theta_{\infty} = \pm \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{e}\right)$ $v^2 = v_{esc}^2 + v_{\infty}^2$ turning angle: $\frac{\delta}{2} + 90^{\circ} = \theta_{\infty}$, $\delta = 2\sin^{-1}(\frac{1}{e})$



The Anomalies



- True anomaly
 - Advances quickly from periapsis
 - Advances slowly from apoapsis
- Mean anomaly, M
 - Computed from time and mean motion
 - $-M=n(t-t_p)$
 - Advances at constant rate in elliptical orbit
- Eccentric anomaly, E
 - Angle that helps translate from true anomaly to mean anomaly
 - Advances at rate between True and Mean anomaly

Kepler's Equation: $M = n(t - t_p) = E - e \sin E$

Everything in rads!

Finding E:

• Choose an initial estimate of E: $-M_e < \pi \to E = M_e + e/2 \quad M_e > \pi \to M_e - e/2$

- $f(E) = E e \sin E M_e$
- $f'(E) = 1 e \cos E$
- Iterate and update E_i

$$E_{i+1} = E_i - \frac{f(E_i)}{f'(E_i)}$$

Switching between the Anomalies:

- $\cos E = \frac{e + \cos \theta}{1 + e \cos \theta}$
- $\tan \frac{E}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1-e}{1+e}} \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$
- $\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1-e}{1+e}} \tan \frac{E}{2}$
- $r = a(1 e\cos E) = \frac{p}{1 + e\cos\theta} = \frac{a(1 e^2)}{1 + e\cos\theta}$
- $\sin \theta = \frac{b}{r} \sin E$

To find time between A and B, with a,e, and θ of A and B

$$t_B - t_A = (t_B - t_p) - (t_A - t_p)$$

Hyperbolic Anomaly, H

Use an equilateral hyperbola to determine H: $e = \sqrt{2}$

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$$M_h = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{|a|^3}}(t - t_p) = e \sinh H - H$$

•
$$\tanh \frac{H}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e+1}} \tan \frac{\theta^*}{2}$$

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$$\tanh \frac{\theta^*}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e+1}} \tan \frac{H}{2}$$

Parabolic Orbits

Barkers Equation:

$$\bullet \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{p^3}}(t - t_p) = \frac{\mu^2}{h^2}(t - t_p) = M_p = \frac{1}{6}\tan^3\frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\tan\frac{\theta}{2}$$

•
$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \left(3M_p + \sqrt{(3M_p)^2 + 1}\right)^{1/3}$$

 $-\left(3M_p + \sqrt{(3M_p)^2 + 1}\right)^{-1/3}$

3D Orbits

How many variables required to completely describe the state of a satellite?

6: 3 position and 3 velocity

Can also describe a satellite's states by set of orbital ele-

- Size and shape: a, e• Orientation of the orbit plane: i, Ω
- Orientation of the orbit within the orbit plane: ω
- Location of the satellite on the orbit: θ $(M, E, t-t_p)$

Inclination. i:

- Angular tile of the orbital plane relative to $\hat{X}\hat{Y}$ and measured between orbit normal, \hat{h} and \hat{Z}
- Equatorial Orbit: $i = 0^{\circ}, 180^{\circ}$
- Polar Orbit: $i = 90^{\circ}$
- Prograde Orbit: $i = [0^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}]$
- Retrograde Orbit: $i = [90^{\circ}, 180^{\circ}]$
- $\cos i = \frac{\hat{Z} \cdot \vec{h}}{|\hat{Z}||\vec{h}|} \rightarrow \cos i = \frac{h_z}{h}$

Right Ascension of the Ascending Node, Ω :

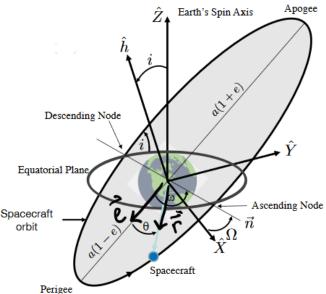
- Angle from the reference direction, \hat{X} , to the ascending node.
- Line of Nodes: $\vec{n} = \hat{Z} \times \vec{h}$
- $\cos \Omega = \frac{\hat{X} \cdot \vec{n}}{|\hat{X}||\vec{n}} = \frac{n_x}{n}$
- Quadrant Check:
 - $-\vec{n}\cdot\hat{Y}>0\rightarrow0<\Omega<180^{\circ}$
 - $-\vec{n} \cdot \hat{Y} < 0 \to 180^{\circ} < \Omega < 360^{\circ}$
 - Between $0-2\pi$

Argument of Periapsis, ω (AOP):

- Measured between the lines of nodes \vec{n} and the eccentricity vector, \vec{e}
- Locates the closest point of the orbit
- Measured within the plane, varies from $0-2\pi$
- $\cos \omega = \frac{\vec{n} \cdot \vec{e}}{|\vec{n}||\vec{e}|}$
- Quadrant Check:
 - $-\vec{e}\cdot\hat{z}>0\rightarrow0<\omega<180^{\circ}$ $-\vec{e}\cdot\hat{z}<0\rightarrow180^{\circ}<\omega<360^{\circ}$

- True Anomaly, θ :
 - Location of the spacecraft within the orbit
 - Varies from $0-2\pi$
 - $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{e} = |\vec{r}| |\vec{e}| \cos \theta$
 - $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{e}}{|\vec{r}||\vec{e}|}$
 - Quadrant Check:

$$\begin{array}{lll} - \ \vec{r} \cdot \vec{v} > 0 \to 0 < \theta < 180^{\circ} \\ - \ \vec{r} \cdot \vec{v} < 0 \to 180^{\circ} < \theta < 360^{\circ} \end{array}$$



Converting Position and Velocity to Orbital Elements:

- Given $X = [\vec{r}, \vec{v}]$
- Compute vectors and their magnitudes:

$$ec{h} = ec{r} imes ec{v} \quad ec{n} = \hat{Z} imes ec{h} \quad ec{e} = rac{ec{v} imes ec{h}}{\mu} - rac{ec{r}}{r}$$
 $h = |ec{h}| \qquad n = |ec{n}| \qquad e = |ec{e}|$

• Compute energy to get a:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{\mu}{r} \quad a = -\frac{\mu}{2\varepsilon}$$

$$p = \frac{h^2}{\mu} \quad a = \frac{p}{1 - e^2}$$

- Compute inclination & Orientation Angles from
 - $-\Omega \to \mathrm{If}(n_{\nu} < 0), \Omega = 360^{\circ} \Omega$
 - $-\omega \rightarrow If(e_z < 0), \omega = 360^{\circ} \omega$
 - $-\theta \rightarrow \text{If}(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{v} < 0), \theta = 360^{\circ} \theta$

What about...?

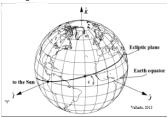
- What is Ω for an elliptical equatorial orbit? Undefined, used true longitude of periapse:
 - $-\ \cos \tilde{\omega}_{true} = \frac{\hat{X} \cdot \vec{e}}{|\hat{X}||\vec{e}|} \ \text{where} \ \hat{X} = [1,0,0]$
 - If $e_y < 0 \rightarrow \tilde{\omega}_{true} = 360^{\circ} \tilde{\omega}_{true}$
- What is ω for a circular orbit? (No perigee) \rightarrow undefined!

- Use arugment of latitude
- $-\cos u = \frac{\vec{n}\cdot\vec{r}}{|\vec{n}||\vec{r}|} \rightarrow \text{If } (r_z<0), \text{then } u=360^\circ-u$ Circular, equatorial orbits? Both ω and Ω undefined!

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$$\cos \lambda_{true} = \frac{\hat{X} \cdot \vec{r}}{|\hat{X}||\vec{r}|} \rightarrow \text{If } (r_y < 0), \text{ then } \lambda_{true} = 360^{\circ} - \lambda_{true}$$

Coordinate Frames

Ecliptic Plane:



- Mean plane of the Earth's orbit around the Sun.
- Earth's equatorial plane is inclined about 23.5° relative to ecliptic.
- Vernal Equinox Υ :
 - intersection of Sun's path relative to the Earth with the equatorial plane, as Sun moves from South to North.
 - Occurs at ascending node of the Sun as viewed from Earth
 - Used as reference direction for defining intertial reference frames

ICRF: International Celestial Reference Frame

- Close representation of intertial frame (rotates a lit-
- Nonrotating with respect to extragalactic radio sources (quasars)
- Center: Barycenter of the Solar System

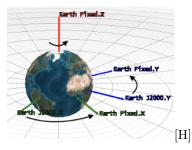
Earth-Centered Mean Equatorial J2000 System (EME2000):

- Origin: Earth Center
- \hat{X} : Vernal Equinox at 1/1/2000 12:00:00 TT
- \hat{Z} : Normal to the mean equatorial plane of Earth at the J2000 epoch (Spin axis of Earth)
- \hat{Y} : Completes right hand coordinate frame

Earth-Centered Mean Orbit and Equinox of J2000 (EMO2000):

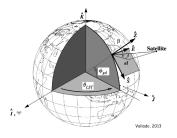
- Origin: Earth Center
- X: Vernal Equinox at 1/1/2000 12:00:00 TT
- \hat{Z} : Orbit normal vector at same time
- Y: Completes right hand coordinate frame
- Differs from EME2000 by 23.4393°

Earth-Centered Earth-Fixed:



- Origin: Earth Center
- \hat{X} : Osculating vector from center of Earth toward the equator along the Prime Meridian (rotates with
- \hat{Z} : Aligned with Earth's spin axis
- \hat{Y} : Completes right hand coordinate frame

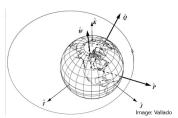
Topocentric Horizon System:



- Usefule for observing satellites and sensor systems
- Origin = site on Earth
- SEZ frame rotates with site
- Local Horizon forms fundamental plane:
 - $-\hat{S}$: Points due South
 - $-\hat{E}$: Points due East

 - \hat{Z} : Points radially outward β : Azimuth, angle measured from North, clockwise to location beneath object of interest
 - el: Elevation, measured from local horizon, positive up to the object $[-90^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}]$

Perifocal Coordinate System:



- Fundamental Plane: Satellite Orbit
- Origin: Center of Earth
- \hat{P} : Points toward perigee
- \hat{Q} : 90° from \hat{P} axis in direction of satellite motion
- \hat{W} : normal to the orbit

Coordinate Frame Transformations

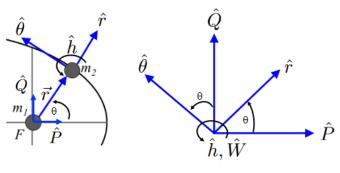
Generic:

$$X, I \quad R_1(\alpha) \quad ROT1(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c\alpha & s\alpha \\ 0 & -s\alpha & c\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y, J \quad R_2(\alpha) \quad ROT2(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} c\alpha & 0 & -s\alpha \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ s\alpha & 0 & c\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Z, K \quad R_3(\alpha) \quad ROT3(\alpha) = \begin{bmatrix} c\alpha & s\alpha & 0 \\ -s\alpha & c\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Perifocal-Rotating Transformation:



$$\begin{bmatrix} r \\ \theta \\ h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c\theta & s\theta & 0 \\ -s\theta & c\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q \\ W \end{bmatrix}$$

Express position and velocity in PQW frame to Cartesian:

$$\vec{r}_{PQW} = r \cos \theta \hat{P} + r \sin \theta \hat{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{r \cos \theta}{1 + e \cos \theta} \\ \frac{r \sin \theta}{1 + e \cos \theta} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\vec{v}_{PQW} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{r} \cos \theta - r\dot{\theta} \sin \theta \\ \dot{r} \sin \theta + r\dot{\theta} \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{p}} \sin \theta \\ \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{p}} (e + \cos \theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{split} [C] &= R_3(-\Omega)R_1(-i)R_3(-\omega) \\ \vec{r}_{xyz} &= [C]\vec{r}_{PQW} \quad \vec{v}_{xyz} = [C]\vec{v}_{PQW} \\ \textbf{To go from XYZ to PQW:} \end{split}$$

 $\vec{r}_{POW} = R_3(\omega)R_1(i)R_3(\Omega)\vec{r}_{xyz}$

Ground Track

Earth rotates 15.04°/hour eastward beneath the satellite. Ground track advances westward at this rate.

We can relate the distance between successive ground track crossing to the orbital period using Earth's rotation: $\mathbb{P} = \frac{D}{15.04^{\circ}/hour}$ where D is distance between successive

crossings of the Equator in degrees

Orbit Determination

Gibb's Method

- 1. Compute position magnitudes: $r_1 = |\vec{r}_1|, r_2 = |\vec{r}_2|,$
- 2. Calculate $\vec{C}_{12} = \vec{r}_1 \times \vec{r}_2$ $\vec{C}_{23} = \vec{r}_2 \times \vec{r}_3$ $\vec{C}_{31} = \vec{r}_3 \times \vec{r}_1$
- 3. Verify Coplanar: $\hat{C}_{ij}\dot{\hat{r}}_k = 0$
- 4. Calculate vectors \vec{N} , \vec{D} , and \vec{S}

$$\vec{N} = r_1(\vec{r}_2 \times \vec{r}_3) + r_2(\vec{r}_3 \times \vec{r}_1) + r_3(\vec{r}_1 \times \vec{r}_2) \vec{D} = \vec{r}_1 \times \vec{r}_2 + \vec{r}_2 \times \vec{r}_3 + \vec{r}_3 \times \vec{r}_1 \vec{S} = \vec{r}_1(r_2 - r_3) + \vec{r}_2(r_3 - r_1) + \vec{r}_3(r_1 - r_2)$$

- 5. Calculate velocity $\vec{v}_i = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{ND}} \left(\frac{\vec{D} \times \vec{r}_i}{r_i} + \vec{S} \right)$
- 6. Compute orbital elements using \vec{r} and \vec{v}

Perturbations

J_2 Effects

Earth's $J_2=1.08263\times 10^{-3}$ Ω and ω vary with time, $i,\ e,\ {\rm and}\ a$ do not. Ω : Right Ascension of the Ascending Node

$$\begin{array}{lll} 0^{\circ} \leq i < 90^{\circ} & \text{Prograde Orbit} & \dot{\Omega} < 0 & \text{Line of nodes} \\ 90^{\circ} < i < 180^{\circ} & \text{Retrograde Orbit} & \dot{\Omega} > 0 & \text{Line of nodes} \\ i = 90^{\circ} & \text{Polar Orbit} & \dot{\Omega} = 0 & \text{Line of nodes} \end{array}$$

$$\dot{\Omega} = -\left[\frac{3}{2} \frac{\sqrt{\mu} J_2 R^2}{(1 - e^2)^2 a^{7/2}}\right] \cos i$$

R: Mean radius of central body ω : Argument of Perigee

$$\begin{array}{lll} 0^{\circ} \leq i < 63.4^{\circ} & \dot{\omega} > 0 & \text{Perigee Advances} \\ 63.4^{\circ} < i < 116.6^{\circ} & \dot{\omega} < 0 & \text{Perigee Regresses} \\ 116.6^{\circ} < i \leq 180^{\circ} & \dot{\omega} > 0 & \text{Perigee Advances} \\ i = 63.4^{\circ} \text{ or } i = 116.6^{\circ} & \dot{\omega} = 0 & \text{Perigee Stationary} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \dot{\omega} & = & -\left[\frac{3}{2}\frac{\sqrt{\mu}J_{2}R^{2}}{(1-e^{2})^{2}a^{7/2}}\right]\left(\frac{5}{2}\sin^{2}i-2\right),\\ \dot{\omega} & = & \frac{3nR^{2}J_{2}}{4p^{2}}(4-5\sin^{2}i) \end{array}$$

Updating AOP and RAAN

$$\Omega = \Omega_0 + \dot{\Omega}\Delta T$$

and

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \dot{\omega} \Delta t$$

Updating Ground Track/Longitudinal Spacing

$$\Delta \lambda = (\dot{\omega}_{\text{Earth}} - \dot{\Omega}) \mathbb{P}$$

Where $\dot{\omega}_{\text{Earth}} = 15.04 \text{ deg/hour}$

Sun-Synchronous Orbits

$$\dot{\Omega}_{\rm desired} = \frac{360^{\circ}}{365.242189} = 0.9856^{\circ}/{\rm day}$$

- Can place a satellite in constant sunligt and is useful for imaging, spy, and weather satellites Typical altitude of 600-800 km with periods of about 69-100 minutes and i around 98°

Orbital Maneuvers

Terminology:

- Coplanar Maneuvers: no change to the orbit plane; maneuvers can only change $a,\ e,$ and ω Impulsive Maneuvers: instantaneous change in
- velocity: ΔV or Δv

 - Reguires an infinitely powerful engine
 Preliminary mission design often models maneuvers as impulsive
- Finite Maneuvers: maneuvers that require a duration of time to achieve
- Ballistic: the trajectory of an object under the effects of only external forces (no maneuver firings)

Impulsive Maneuvers

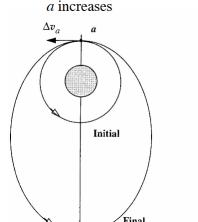
- $\Delta \vec{v} = \vec{v}_2 \vec{v}_1$ Before Maneuver: $(\vec{r}_1, \vec{v}_1) \ (a_1, e_1, i_1, \omega_1, \Omega_1, \theta_1)$ After Maneuver: $(\vec{r}_2, \vec{v}_2) \ (a_2, e_2, i_2, \omega_2, \Omega_2, \theta_2)$

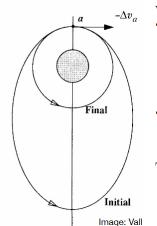
- Ideal Rocket Equation: $\Delta v = gI_{sp} \ln \frac{m_i}{m_i m_p}$
 - $-m_i = \text{initial spacecraft mass} m_p = \text{propellant mass}$

 - $-I_{sp} =$ Specific impulse
 - -q = gravity at sea level

Tangential Burns

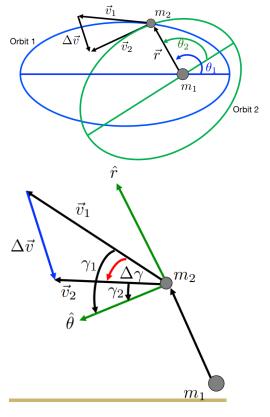
- Does not change velocity orientation, only magni-
- Does not change flight path angle • Does change semi-major axis
- $\Delta v = |\Delta \vec{v}| = |\vec{v}_2 \vec{v}_1| = |v_2 v_1|$





a decreases

Non-Tangential Maneuvers



$$\Delta v = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 - 2v_1v_2\cos\Delta\gamma}$$

Hohmann Transfers

When moving from a small orbit to a large orbit: • At periapsis along transfer:

$$\vec{v}_{p,t} \xrightarrow{\vec{v}_{p,t}} \Delta \vec{v}_1 \qquad \Delta \vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_{p,t} - \vec{v}_1 = \left(\sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{r_{p,t}} - \frac{\mu}{a_t}} - \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r_{p,t}}} \right) \hat{\theta}$$

• At apoapsis along transfer:

$$\Delta \vec{v}_2 \longleftarrow \frac{\vec{v}_2}{\vec{v}_{a,t}} \qquad \Delta \vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_{a,t} = \left(\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r_{a,t}}} - \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{r_{a,t}} - \frac{\mu}{a_t}}\right) \hat{\theta}$$

Time of Transfer:

TOF =
$$\frac{\mathbb{P}}{2} = \pi \sqrt{\frac{a_t^3}{\mu}}$$
 where $a_t = \text{a of transfer orbit}$

If moving from a large orbit to a small orbit it is reversed.

Bi-elliptic Transfers