

Ch 4 Notes

$$F_G = \frac{G M_S M_E}{r^2}$$

▷ Motion of Earth around sun can be converted into a differential equation.

▷ Use Euler-Cromer as energy in oscillatory motion is conserved or Earth spirals away.

$$v_{x,y}(i) = v_{x,y}(i-1) - \frac{4\pi^2 x,y(i)}{r(i)^3} \Delta t$$

▷ r must be calculated at each step

$$y(i) = y(i-1) + v_{y,i} \Delta t$$

▷ $G M_S = 4\pi^2$ - Astronomical Units

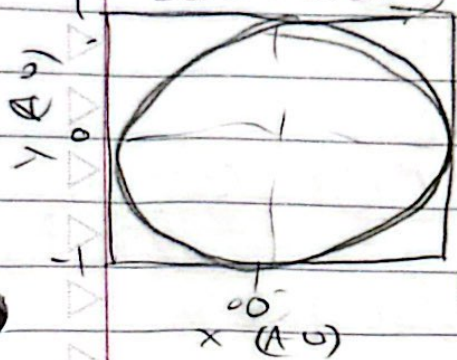
▷ Calculate r at each step $r(i) = \sqrt{x(i)^2 + y(i)^2}$

▷ Compute $v_x(i)$ or $v_y(i)$

▷ Compute $x(i)$ or $y(i)$

- Planets move in elliptical orbits with sun at one focus

- Line joining a planet to Sun sweeps out n equal areas in equal times
Earth orbiting Sun



- Kepler's laws are due to gravitational force following inverse square law

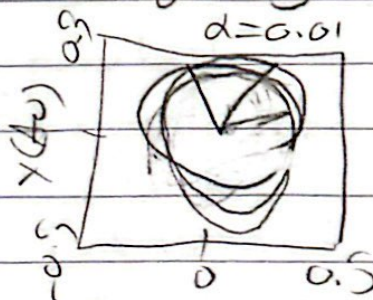
- Orbits become stable at $\beta = 2$ for r^β

- Mercury orbit computationally and theoretically don't agree

- This is caused by relativity

- Accounting for this we get general formula

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM_s(1-e)}{a(1+e)}}$$

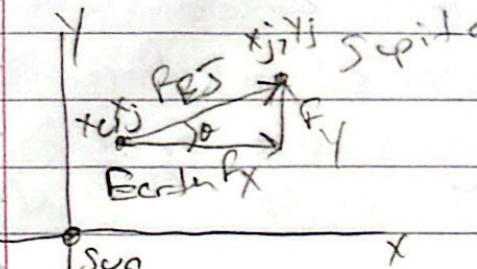


precession of mercury

▶ All planets interact following inverse square

▶ Take Jupiter to model as it is the largest planet so the most effect on Earth

$F_{EJ} = G \frac{M_J M_E}{r_{EJ}^2}$
 r_{EJ} — Jupiter to Earth



$\frac{dv_{x_e}}{dt} = -\frac{GM_s x_e}{r^3} - \frac{GM_j (x_e - x_j)}{r_{EJ}^3}$
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 Earth to sun

▶ Calculate distances

$r_e(i) = \sqrt{(x_e(i))^2 + (y_e(i))^2}$

$r_j(i) = \sqrt{(x_j(i))^2 + (y_j(i))^2}$

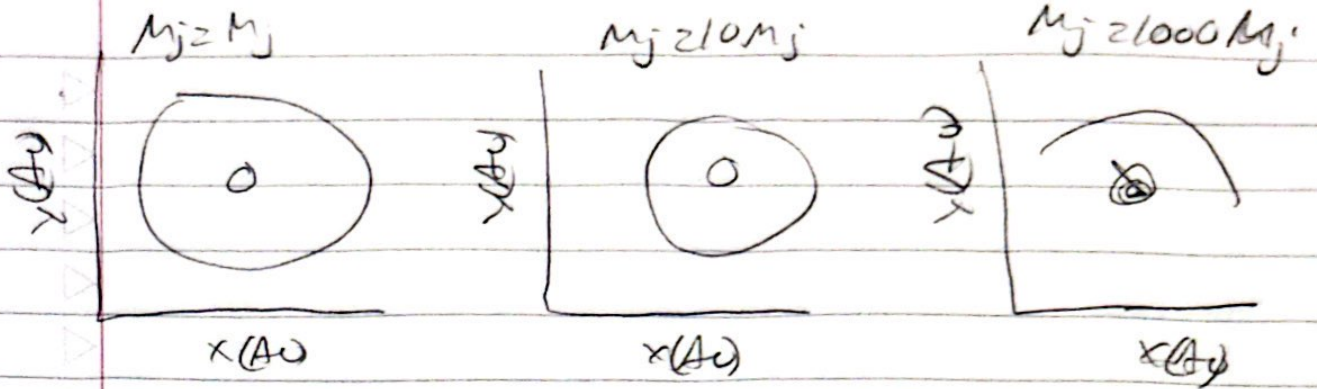
$r_{Ej}(i) = \sqrt{(x_e(i) - x_j(i))^2 + (y_e(i) - y_j(i))^2}$

$v_{ex}(i) = v_{ex}(i-1) - \frac{4\pi^2 x_e(i)}{r_e(i)^3} \Delta t - \frac{4\pi^2 \left(\frac{M_j}{M_s}\right) (x_e(i) - x_j(i))}{r_{Ej}(i)^3} \Delta t$

$v_{jx}(i) = v_{jx}(i-1) - \frac{4\pi^2 x_j(i)}{r_j(i)^3} \Delta t - \frac{4\pi^2 \left(\frac{M_E}{M_s}\right) (x_j(i) - x_e(i))}{r_{Ej}(i)^3} \Delta t$

$x_e(i) = x_e(i-1) + v_{ex}(i) \Delta t$

$y_e(i) = y_e(i-1) + v_{ey}(i) \Delta t$



• Jupiter's effect on Earth's orbit is negligible until large values of M_J .