

Transformation between Orbital Elements and (\vec{r}, \vec{v})

Given (\vec{r}, \vec{v}) , find the orbital elements $(h, e, \theta, \Omega, i, \omega)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 r &= |\vec{r}|, \\
 \vec{h} &= \vec{r} \times \vec{v}, \quad h = |\vec{h}|, \\
 \vec{e} &= \frac{1}{\mu} \vec{v} \times \vec{h} - \frac{\vec{r}}{r}, \quad e = |\vec{e}|, \\
 \vec{N} &= \hat{z} \times \vec{h}, \\
 i &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{h} \cdot \hat{z}}{h} \right) \quad (0 \leq i \leq \pi), \\
 \Omega &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\hat{y} \cdot \vec{N}}{\hat{x} \cdot \vec{N}} \right) = \text{atan2}(\hat{y} \cdot \vec{N}, \hat{x} \cdot \vec{N}), \\
 \omega &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{h} \cdot (\vec{N} \times \vec{e})}{h(\vec{N} \cdot \vec{e})} \right) = \text{atan2}(\vec{h} \cdot (\vec{N} \times \vec{e}), h(\vec{N} \cdot \vec{e})), \\
 \theta &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\vec{h} \cdot (\vec{e} \times \vec{r})}{h(\vec{e} \cdot \vec{r})} \right) = \text{atan2}(\vec{h} \cdot (\vec{e} \times \vec{r}), h(\vec{e} \cdot \vec{r})).
 \end{aligned}$$

(Use the Matlab `atan2` function to compute \tan^{-1} , i.e. $\tan^{-1}(y/x) = \text{atan2}(y, x)$).

Given the orbital elements $(h, e, \theta, \Omega, i, \omega)$, find (\vec{r}, \vec{v})

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{N} &= \cos \Omega \hat{x} + \sin \Omega \hat{y}, \\
 \hat{h} &= \sin i \sin \Omega \hat{x} - \sin i \cos \Omega \hat{y} + \cos i \hat{z}, \\
 \hat{N}_t &= -\sin \Omega \cos i \hat{x} + \cos \Omega \cos i \hat{y} + \sin i \hat{z}, \\
 \hat{u}_r &= \cos(\theta + \omega) \hat{N} + \sin(\theta + \omega) \hat{N}_t, \\
 \hat{u}_\theta &= -\sin(\theta + \omega) \hat{N} + \cos(\theta + \omega) \hat{N}_t, \\
 r &= \frac{h^2}{\mu} \frac{1}{1 + e \cos \theta}, \\
 \mathcal{E} &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\mu^2}{h^2} (1 - e^2), \\
 v &= \sqrt{2 \left(\mathcal{E} + \frac{\mu}{r} \right)}, \\
 \gamma &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{e \sin \theta}{1 + e \cos \theta} \right), \\
 \vec{r} &= r \hat{u}_r, \\
 \vec{v} &= v \cos \gamma \hat{u}_\theta + v \sin \gamma \hat{u}_r.
 \end{aligned}$$