

Homework 6



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1. When $\theta_2^* = 280^\circ$, find current θ_{ERA} and the latitude and longitude.

$$\theta_{ERA} = 30.58$$

$$\text{latitude } \phi = 25.4745^\circ$$

$$\text{longitude } \lambda = 76.3665^\circ$$

2. For a Prescott ground station what is the elevation and azimuth relative to the ground station? Can the ground station "see" the spacecraft?

$$\theta_E = -55.4871^\circ$$

$$\theta_A = -170.8419^\circ$$

The ground station can not "see" the spacecraft due to the fact that θ_E is negative. This means that it is below the visible horizon.

3. Use MATLAB to produce the ground track using "geoshow" for the time between the two positions. Confirm the initial and final latitude and longitude.

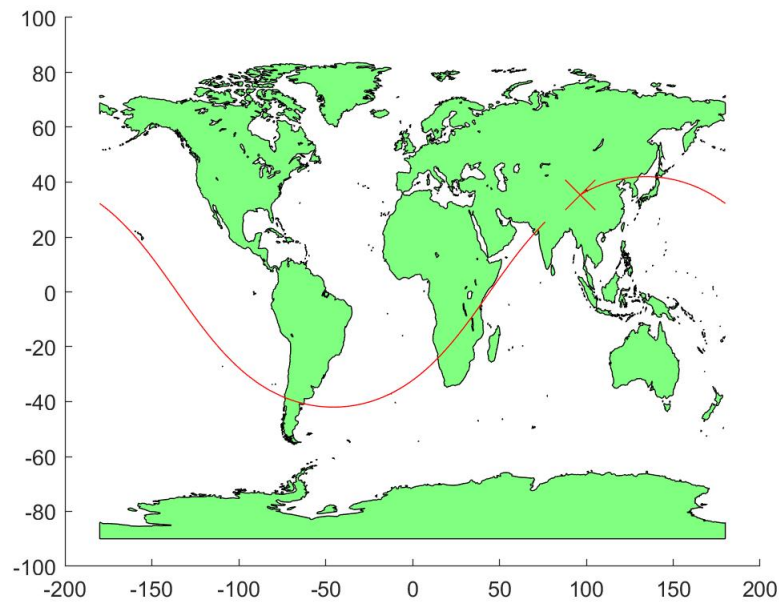


Figure 1: MATLAB Geoshow Plot

Initial latitude and longitude:

$$\phi = 35.4143^\circ, \lambda = 96.5763^\circ$$

Final latitude and longitude:

$$\phi = 25.4745^\circ, \lambda = 76.3665^\circ$$

4. Use GMAT to produce a ground track of the orbit to confirm the MATLAB code.

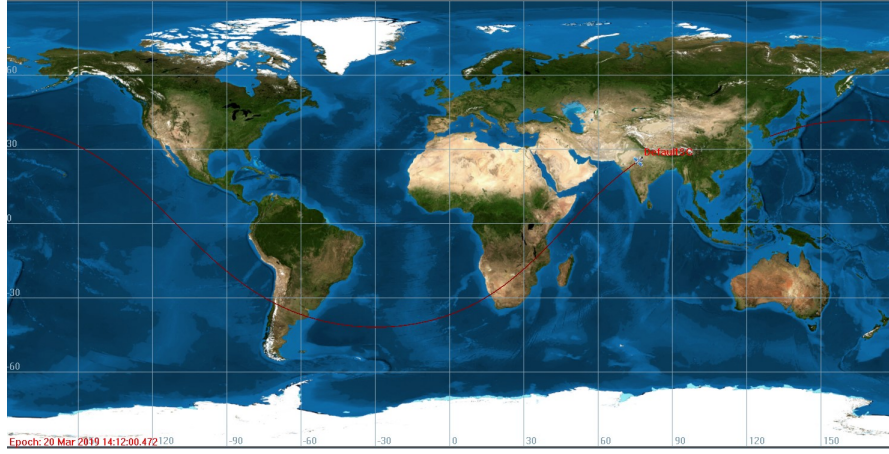


Figure 2: GMAT Spacecraft Plot

$$\vec{r}_1^{ECI} = -2163.29\hat{x} + 7099.49\hat{y} + 3535.94\hat{z} \text{ km}$$

$$\vec{v}_1^{ECI} = -4.72\hat{x} - 4.52\hat{y} + 3.05\hat{z} \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}$$

GMAT Initial latitude and longitude:

$$\phi = 35.50^\circ, \lambda = 129.73^\circ$$

GMAT Final latitude and longitude:

$$\phi = 25.56^\circ, \lambda = 76.41^\circ$$

The initial latitude is within 0.2° but the initial longitude is not. This is unexpected because the GMAT final latitudes and longitudes are both within the 0.2° limit. This difference in initial longitudes is attributed to the fact that the matlab code did not take the rotation of the earth into account. This makes sense because the difference is only seen in the resulting longitude. To fix this error I would need to recalculate the Tu value at each new successive θ^*

HW6.m

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1  clc; close all; clear all
2
3  MU = 398600;
4  a = 8861; % km
5  AOP = 120; % deg
6  RAAN = 75; % deg
7  e = 0.2;
8  inc = 42; % deg
9  AOL1 = 60; % deg
10
11 true_a1 = AOL1-AOP; %deg
12 true_a2 = 280; % deg
13
14 syms E
15 eq = tand(true_a1/2) == sqrt((1+e)/(1-e))*tan(E/2);
16 E1 = double(solve(eq,E));
17 eq = tand(true_a2/2) == sqrt((1+e)/(1-e))*tan(E/2);
18 E2 = double(solve(eq,E));
19
20 syms t1 t2
21 eq = sqrt(MU/a^3)*t1 == E1-e*sin(E1);
22 t1 = double(solve(eq,t1));
23 eq = sqrt(MU/a^3)*t2 == E2-e*sin(E2);
24 t2 = double(solve(eq,t2));
25
26 syms dt
27 period = 2*pi*sqrt(a^3/MU);
28 dt = t2 - t1 + period;
29 dt_days = dt/60/60/24;
30
31 syms theta_era
32 %
33 tu = juliandate(datetime('2019-03-20 12:00:00')) - 2451545 + dt_days;
34 theta_era = 2*pi*(0.7790572732640 + 1.00273781191135448*tu);
35 theta_era = mod(theta_era,2*pi)*180/pi;
36
37
38 syms lat
39 eq = sind(lat) == sind(inc)*sind(AOP+true_a2);
40 lat = double(solve(eq, lat));
41 lat = lat(1); %Lat is only defined from -90 to 90
42
43 syms long

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44 alpha = atan2d(cosd(inc)*sind(AOP>true_a2),cosd(AOP>true_a2));
45 eq = long == alpha + RAAN - theta_era;
46 long = double(solve(eq, long)); % Long will always be correct
47
48 syms r2
49 lat_gs = 34.54;
50 long_gs = -112.4685;
51 z_gs = 1.62;
52 A0L2 = AOP + true_a2;
53 p = a*(1-e^2);
54 r2 = p/(1+e*cosd(true_a2));
55 vr2 = [r2 0 0]';
56 rth_eci = rot_rth_eci(RAAN, inc, A0L2);
57 eci_ecef = rot_eci_ecef(theta_era);
58 ecef_sez = rot_ecef_sez(long_gs, lat_gs);
59 vr2_sez = ecef_sez*eci_ecef*rth_eci*vr2;
60 vr_e_gs = [0 0 z_gs+6378]';
61 r_gs_sc = vr2_sez - vr_e_gs;
62
63 azimuth = atan2d(r_gs_sc(2),r_gs_sc(1));
64 elevation = asind(r_gs_sc(3)/norm(r_gs_sc));
65
66 % Problem 4
67 true_a_array = linspace(true_a1, true_a2, 1000);
68 theta_array = AOP + true_a_array;
69 lat_array = asind(sind(inc)*sind(theta_array));
70
71 alpha_array = atan2d(cosd(inc)*sind(theta_array),cosd(theta_array));
72 long_array = alpha_array + RAAN - theta_era;
73
74 figure; hold on;
75 geoshow("landareas.shp","FaceColor",[0.5 1.0 0.5])
76 geoshow(lat_array, long_array,'Color','red')
77 geoshow(lat_array(1),long_array(1),'DisplayType','Point','Marker','x','
    Markersize',20)
78
79 % GMAT LAT LONG
80 % 25.55875554722227 76.41433137574843
81
82
83
84 function A = rot_rth_eci(o,i,t)
85
86 % o : Omega, Longitude of the Ascending Node (RAAN)

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87 % i : i, inclination
88 % t : theta, Argument of Latitude
89
90 A = [cosd(o)*cosd(t)-sind(o)*cosd(i)*sind(t), -cosd(o)*sind(t)-sind(o)*
      cosd(i)*cosd(t), sind(o)*sind(i); ...
91      sind(o)*cosd(t)+cosd(o)*cosd(i)*sind(t), -sind(o)*sind(t)+cosd(o)*
      cosd(i)*cosd(t), -cosd(o)*sind(i); ...
92      sind(i)*sind(t), sind(i)*cosd(t), cosd(i)];
93
94 end
95
96 function A = rot_eci_ecef(t)
97
98 % t : theta_era, Earth rotation angle
99
100 A = [cosd(t), sind(t), 0; -sind(t), cosd(t), 0; 0, 0, 1];
101 end
102
103 function A = rot_ecef_sez(l,p)
104
105 % l : lamda_gs, longitude of the ground station
106 % p : phi_gs, latitude of the ground station
107
108 A = [sind(p)*cosd(l), sind(p)*sind(l), -cosd(p);
109      -sind(l), cosd(l), 0;
110      cosd(p)*cosd(l), cosd(p)*sind(l), sind(p)];
111
112 end

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