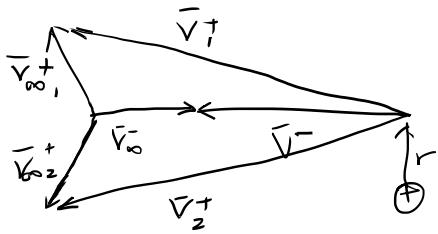
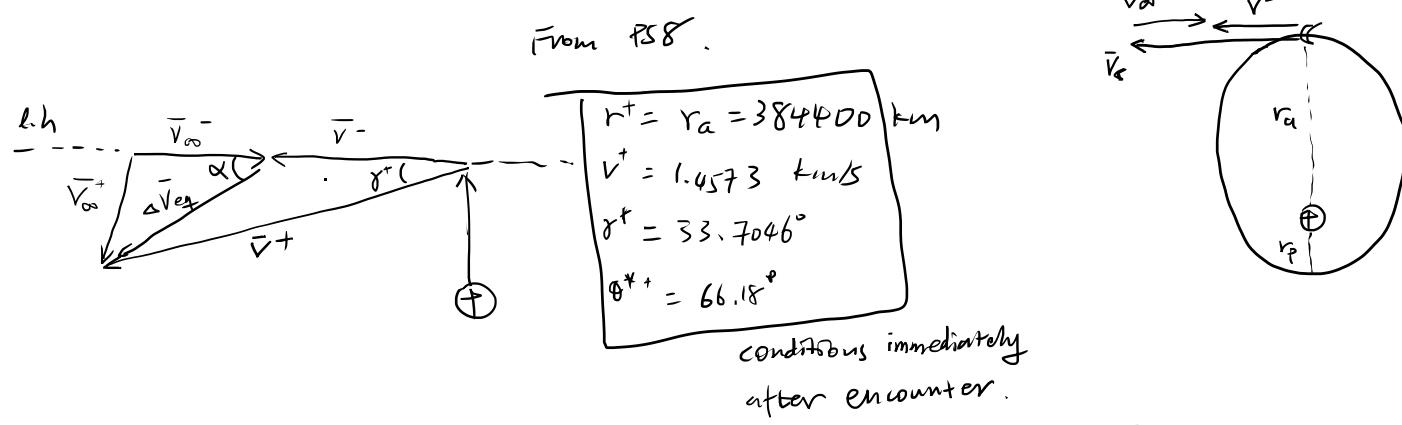


1. a) In order to return to Earth, the spacecraft need a darkside pass. The passage in PS8 was a light-side pass.

In order to return to the Earth, a dark-side pass is better, because the resulting velocity vector would be pointing closer to the Earth.

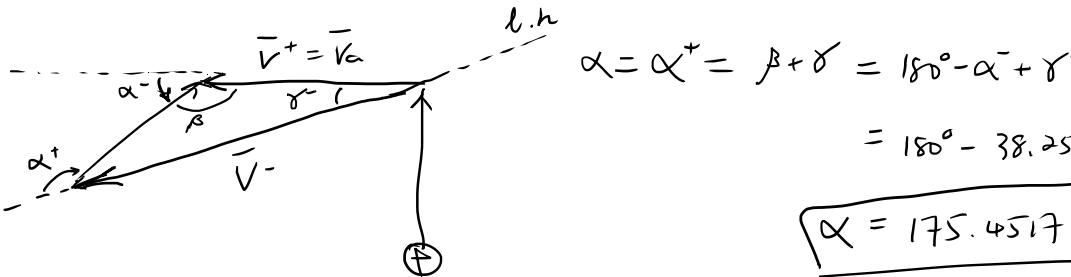


As shown in this vector diagram,  $\bar{V}_{\infty}^+$  is the result of a light-side pass, which causes  $\bar{V}_t^+$  to point away from the Earth. Whereas  $\bar{V}_{\infty}^-$  is a darkside pass, causing  $\bar{V}_t^-$  to point towards the Earth.



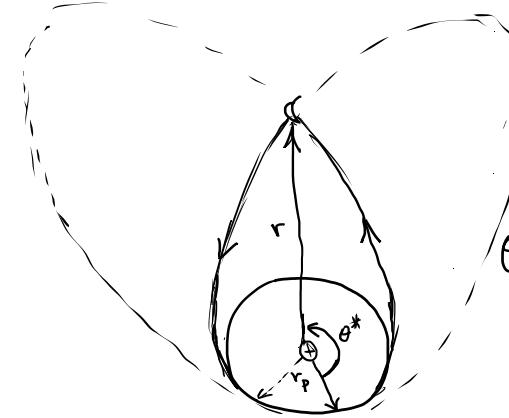
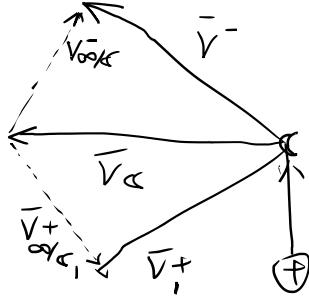
To offset effect of lunar gravity, a maneuver of  $-\bar{\Delta}V_{\text{eq}}$  is required to put the spacecraft back on the second half of the Hohmann transfer path.

$$\bar{\Delta}V = -\bar{\Delta}V_{\text{eq}} \Rightarrow |\bar{\Delta}V| = [1.3062 \text{ km/s}] \text{ from PS8}$$



This maneuver seems reasonable, as the  $\Delta V$  cost is small. However, if the maneuver is missed, the spacecraft will be slung on a hyperbolic orbit which will probably miss the Earth, and the crew cannot return home.

b)



$$r_p = a_p + R_{\oplus}$$

$$r = a_c$$

$$\theta^* = 173.8^\circ$$

$$r = \frac{P}{1+e \cos \theta^*} \quad r \cdot (1+e \cos \theta^*) = r_p \cdot (1+e)$$

$$r_p = \frac{P}{1+e} \quad r - r_p = e(r_p - r \cos \theta^*)$$

$$e = \frac{r - r_p}{r_p - r \cos \theta^*} = \boxed{0.9720}$$

$$P = r_p \cdot (1+e) \approx 1.2952 \times 10^4 \text{ km}$$

$$a = P/(1-e^2) = \boxed{2.3450 \times 10^5 \text{ km}}$$

$$r_p = 6568.1363 \text{ km}$$

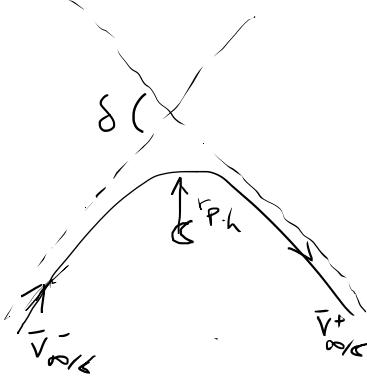
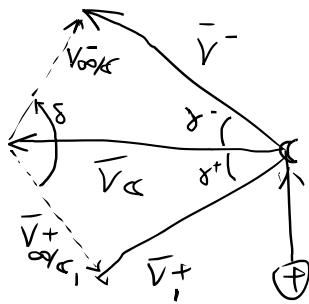
$$r_a = \frac{P}{1-e} = \boxed{4.6242 \times 10^5 \text{ km}}$$

$$E = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{e} - \frac{r}{a_e} \right) = \boxed{2.2885 \text{ rad.}}$$

$$t - t_p = \sqrt{\frac{a^3}{M_{\oplus}}} \cdot (E - e \sin E) = \boxed{2.7992 \times 10^5 \text{ sec}} = \text{TOF from perigee.}$$

$$n_c = \sqrt{\frac{M_{\oplus}}{a_c^3}} = 2.6491 \times 10^{-6} \text{ rad/s.}$$

$$\phi = \pi - n_c \cdot \text{TOF} = \boxed{137.5131^\circ}$$



$$r^- = 384400 \text{ km}$$

$$V^- = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu_\oplus}{r^-} - \frac{\mu_\oplus}{a}} = 0.6116 \text{ km/s}$$

$$V_c = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_\oplus}{a_L}} = 1.0183 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\gamma^- = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{\mu_\oplus}}{r^- V^-}\right) = 72.2043^\circ \text{ (ascending)}$$

$$V_{\text{local}} = \sqrt{V^-^2 + V_c^2 - 2V^- V_c \cos \gamma^-} = 1.0150 \text{ km/s}$$

$$V_{\infty/c}^2 = \frac{M_c}{|a_h|} \Rightarrow |a_h| = \frac{M_c}{V_{\infty/c}^2} = 4.7585 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$$

$$\sin \frac{\delta}{2} = \frac{V^-}{V_{\infty/c}} \cdot \sin \gamma^- = \frac{1}{e_h} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} e_h = 1.7430 \\ \delta = 70.0187 \end{cases}$$

$$R_c = 1738.2 \text{ km}$$

$$r_{p,h} = |a_h| \cdot (e_h - 1)$$

$$= 3.5358 \times 10^3 \text{ km} > R_c$$

This is a reasonable  $r_p$ .

Altitude B

$$r_{p,h} - R_c = 1.7976 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$$

The return orbit B mirrored.

$$r^+ = r^- = 384400 \text{ km}$$

$$V^+ = V^- = 0.6116 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\gamma^+ = -\gamma^- = -72.2043^\circ$$

$$\theta^{*+} = -\theta^{*-} = -173.8^\circ$$

$$a^+ = a^- = 2.3450 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$$

$$e^+ = e^- = 0.9720$$

$$r_p^+ = r_p^- = 6568.1363 \text{ km}$$

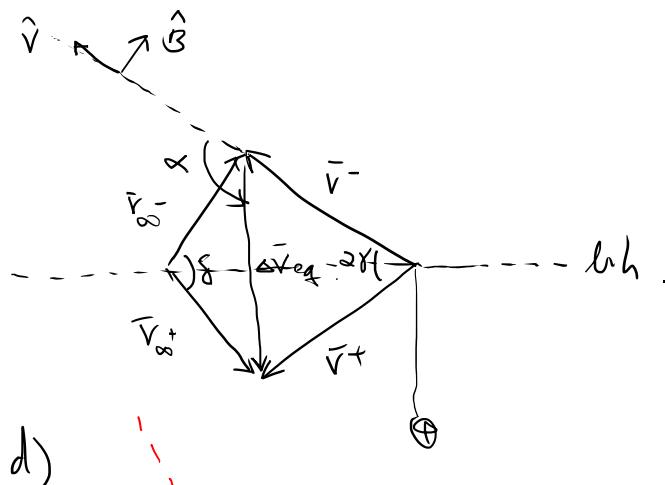
$$r_a^+ = r_a^- = 4.6242 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$$

$$P^+ = P^- = 1.1301 \times 10^4 \text{ sec}$$

$$\epsilon^+ = \epsilon^- = -0.8499 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$$

$$\Delta\omega = \theta^{*-} - \theta^{*+} = 347.6^\circ$$

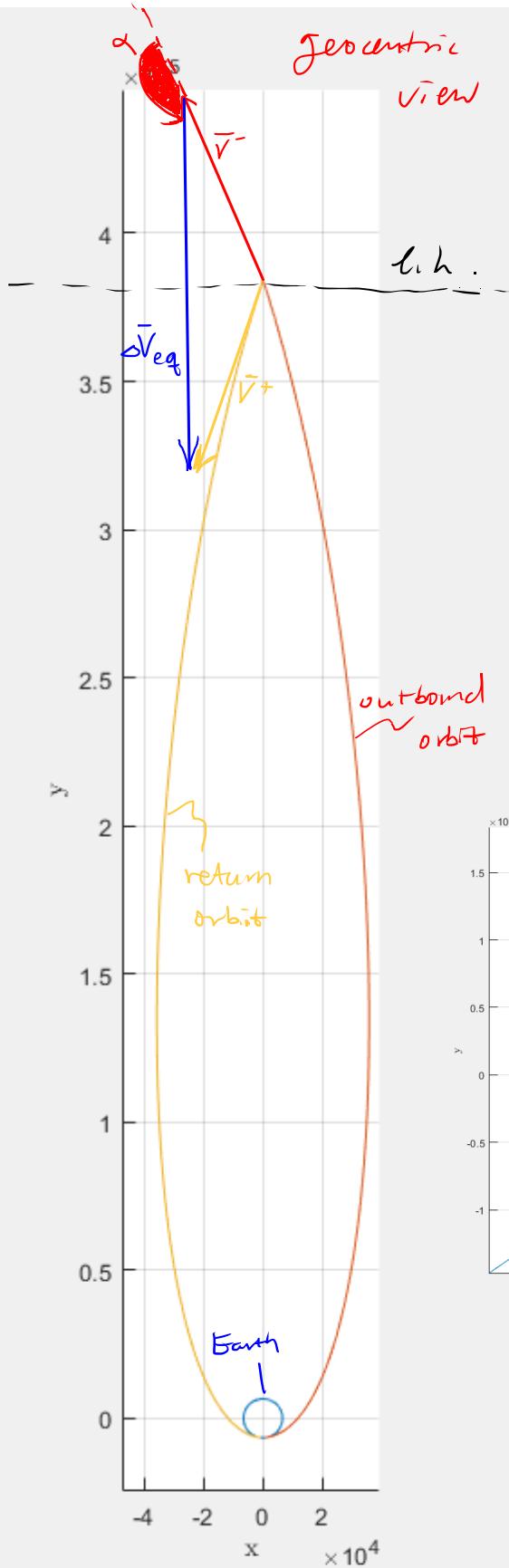
$$(\Delta\omega = -12.4^\circ)$$



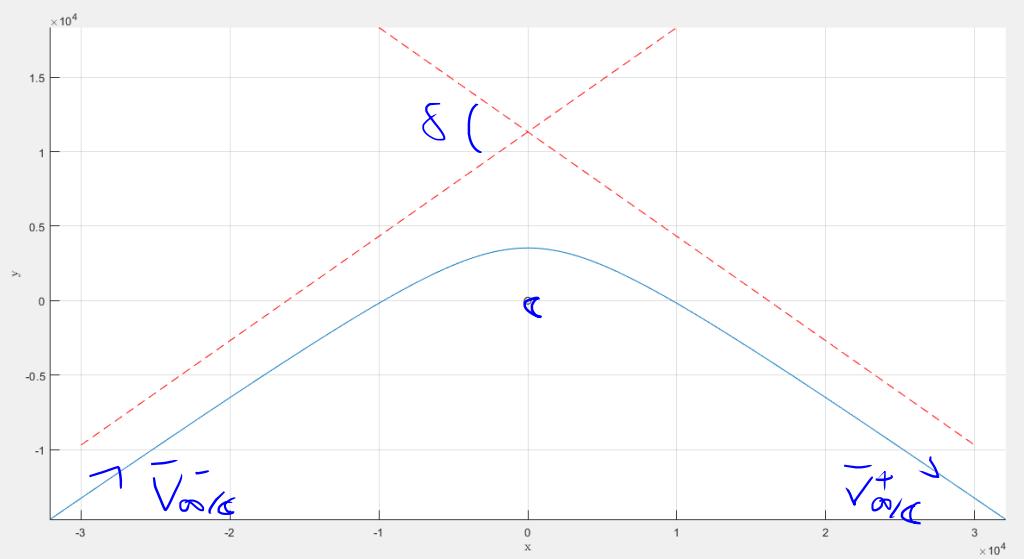
$$|\Delta \bar{v}_{eq}| = \sqrt{2v_\infty^2 - 2v_\infty^2 \cos 38^\circ} = 1.1647 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\alpha = 180^\circ - \frac{180^\circ - 2\delta}{2} = 162.2043^\circ$$

d)



*Moon centered frame.*



2. a) Earth Launch: 8/03/2004 = 2453221 units in Julian dates

First Venus Flyby: 10/24/2006. = 2454003

First Mercury Flyby: 1/14/2008 = 2454480

MOL: 3/18/2011 = 2455639

- (i) TOF<sub>1</sub> = 782 days
- (ii) TOF<sub>2</sub> = 1259 days
- (iii) TOF<sub>3</sub> = 2418 days

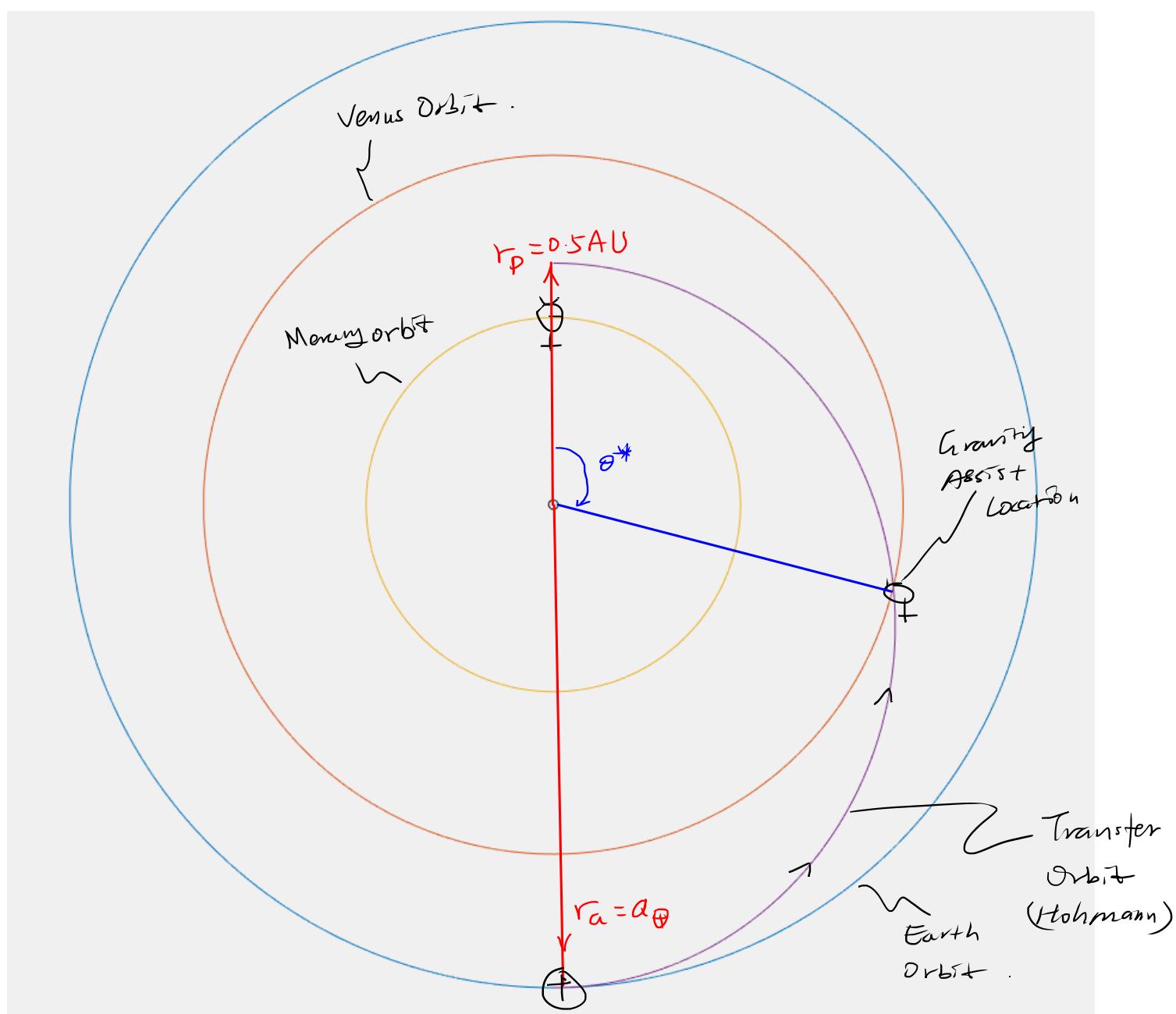
$$r_p = 0.5 \text{ AU}$$

$$r_a = a_{\oplus} = 1 \text{ AU}$$

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

$$r_a = a(1+e) \quad = \frac{1}{3}$$

b)



$$e_T = \frac{1}{3}, \quad a_T = 0.75 \text{ AU}, \quad P_T = a_T(1-e_T^2) = \frac{2}{3} \text{ AU}$$

$$r_{\text{enc}} = a_Q = \frac{P_T}{1+e_T \cos \theta^*} \Rightarrow \theta_{\text{enc}}^* = \omega s^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{P_T}{a_Q e_T} - \frac{1}{e_T} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{-103.5902^\circ} \quad (\text{descending})$$

$$P_T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a_T^3}{\mu_0}} = 2.0498 \times 10^7 \text{ sec.}$$

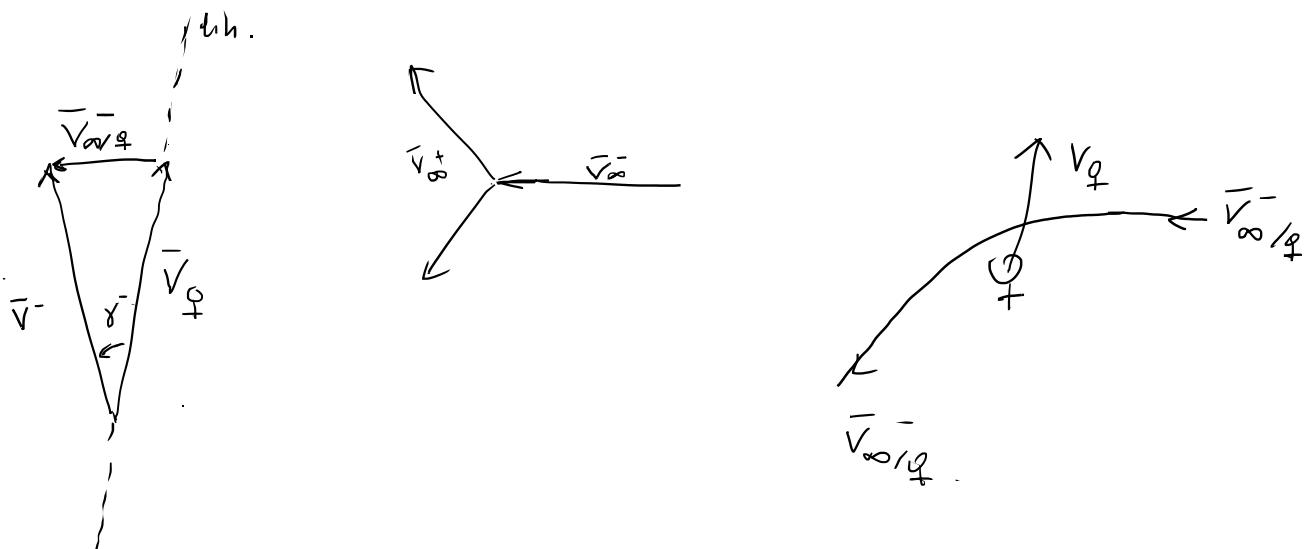
$$E_{\text{enc}} = 2 \cdot \tan^{-1} \left( \tan \frac{\theta_{\text{enc}}^*}{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1-e_T}{1+e_T}} \right) = -1.4639 \text{ rad.}$$

$$t_{\text{enc}} - t_p = \sqrt{\frac{a_T^3}{\mu_0}} \cdot (E_{\text{enc}} - e_T \cdot \sin E_{\text{enc}}) = -1.6228 \times 10^6 \text{ sec.}$$

$$TDF = \frac{1}{2} P_T - |t_{\text{enc}} - t_p| = \boxed{8.6260 \times 10^6 \text{ sec}} \quad \text{apocapsis to encounter.}$$

c)  $\frac{2990}{R_Q} = 0.4941$       the actual encounter is

$$\boxed{1.4941 R_Q} = r_{\text{ph}}$$



To reach Mercury, the spacecraft should lose energy. by choosing a flyby that results in a smaller  $|V^+|$ . As shown in the diagrams above, it should lead ahead of Venus.

$$V^- = \sqrt{\frac{2M_\odot}{r^-} - \frac{M_\odot}{a_q}} = 35.6384 \text{ km/s}$$

$$V_q = \sqrt{\frac{M_\odot}{a_q}} = 35.0209 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\gamma^- = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{M_\odot \cdot P_7}}{r^- \cdot V^-} \right) = -19.3683^\circ \text{ (descending)}$$

$$V_{\infty/q} = \sqrt{v_q^2 + r^{-2} - 2V_q V^- \cos \gamma^-} = 11.9017 \text{ km/s}$$

$$|a_h| = \frac{M_\odot}{v_{\infty/q}^-} = 2.2934 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$$

$$e_h = \frac{r_{P,h}}{|a_h|} + 1 = 4.9426$$

$$\delta = 2 \cdot \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{e_h} = 23.3457^\circ$$

$$\frac{\sin \eta}{r^-} = \frac{\sin |\gamma^-|}{V_{\infty/q}^-} \Rightarrow \eta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{V^-}{V_{\infty/q}^-} \cdot \sin |\gamma^-| \right) = 83.2472^\circ, 96.7528^\circ$$

$$\rho = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{V_q}{V_{\infty/q}^-} \cdot \sin |\gamma^-| \right) = 77.3845^\circ, 102.6155^\circ$$

$$\rho + \eta + |\gamma^-| = 180^\circ \text{ (check)}$$

$$\Delta V_{eq} = \sqrt{2V_{\infty/q}^2 - 2V_{\infty/q}^2 \cos \delta} = \boxed{4.8160 \text{ km/s}}$$

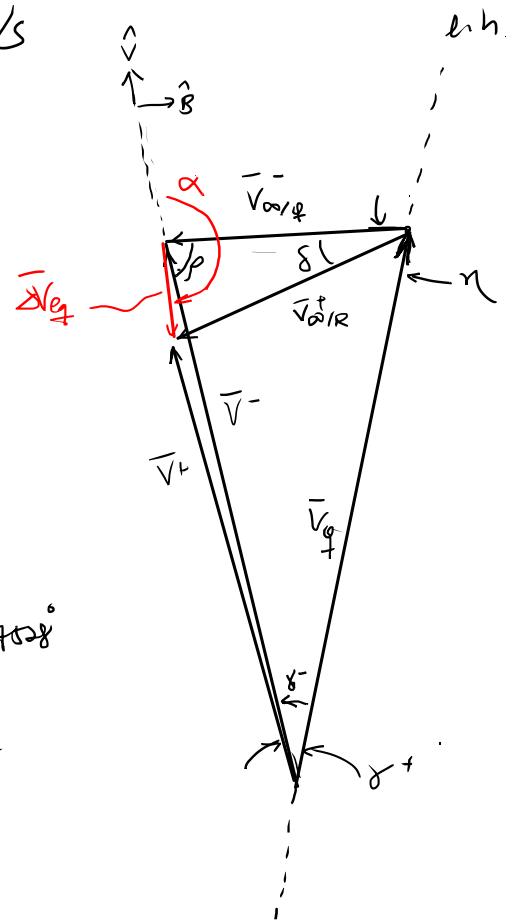
$$\alpha = 180^\circ - \rho + \frac{180^\circ - \delta}{2} = \boxed{160.9427^\circ}$$

$$V^+ = \sqrt{v_q^2 + V_{\infty/q}^2 - 2V_q \cdot V_{\infty/q} \cos(\eta - \delta)} = \boxed{30.8231 \text{ km/s.}}$$

$$\gamma^+ = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{V_{\infty/q}}{V^+} \cdot \sin(\eta - \delta) \right) = \boxed{-19.5156^\circ} \text{ descending}$$

$$\sqrt{v^-^2 + v^+^2 - 2V^- V^+ \cos(|\gamma^+| - |\gamma^-|)} = 4.8160 \text{ = } \Delta V_{eq} \text{ (check).}$$

$$r^+ = r^- = a_q = \boxed{108207284 \text{ km}}$$



$$e^+ = \sqrt{\left(\frac{r^+ v^+}{\mu_0} - 1\right)^2 \cdot \cos^2 \gamma^+ + \sin^2 \gamma^+} = \boxed{0.3959}$$

$$\Theta^{*+} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{r^+ v^+}{\mu_0} \cdot \cos \gamma^+ \cdot \sin \gamma^+}{\left( \frac{r^+ v^+}{\mu_0} \cdot \cos^2 \gamma^+ - 1 \right)} \right) = \boxed{-141.9659^\circ}$$

$$P^+ = r^+ \cdot (1 + e^+ \cos \theta^{*+}) = 7.4467 \times 10^7 \text{ km}$$

$$a^+ = P^+ / (1 - e^{+2}) = \boxed{8.8306 \times 10^7 \text{ km}}$$

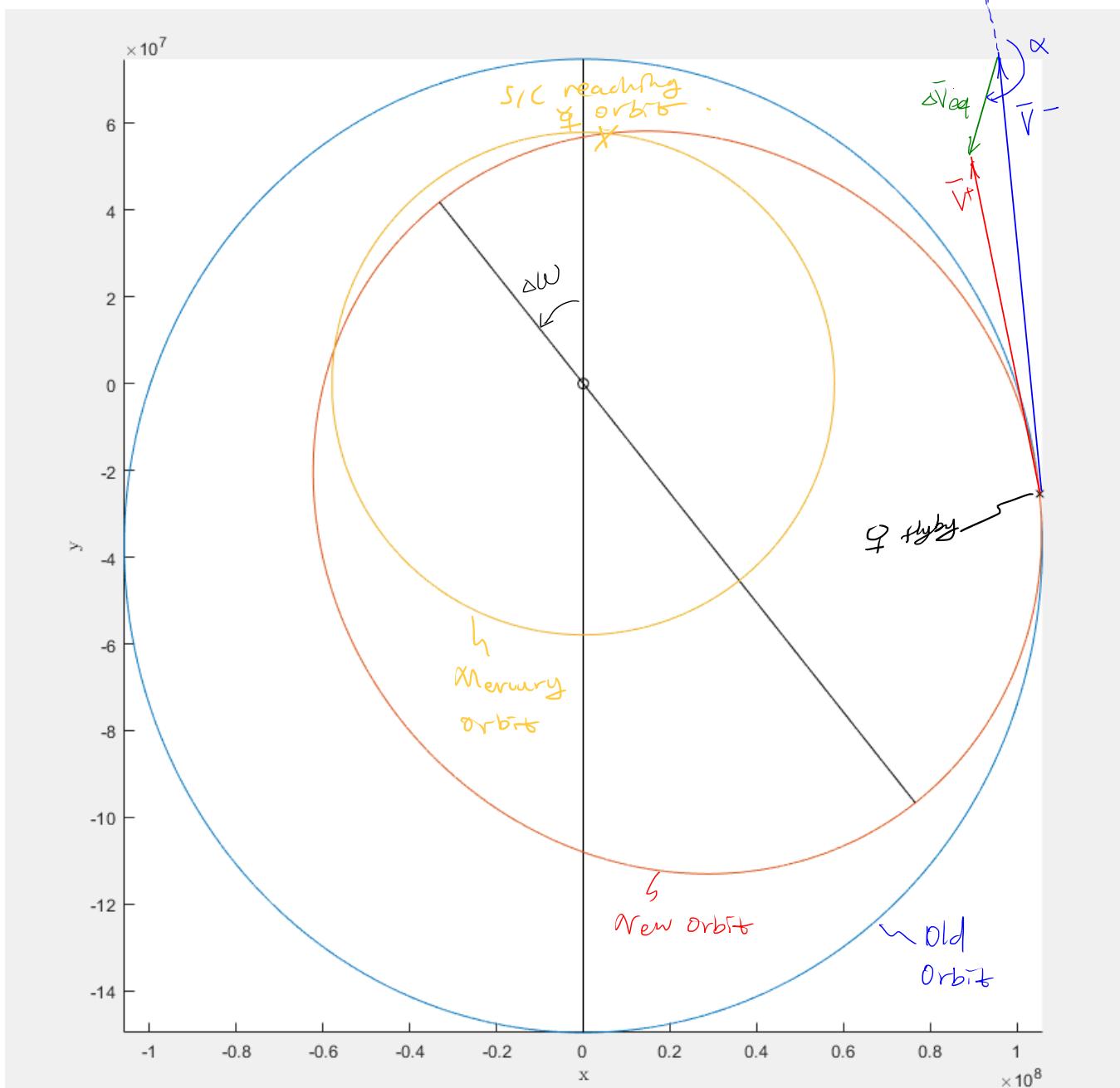
$$P^+ = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a^{+3}}{\mu_0}} = \boxed{1.4312 \times 10^7 \text{ sec}}$$

$$r_p^+ = a^+ (1 - e^+) = \boxed{5.3348 \times 10^7 \text{ km}}$$

$$r_a^+ = a^+ (1 + e^+) = \boxed{1.2326 \times 10^8 \text{ km}}$$

$$\Delta \omega = \Theta^{*-} - \Theta^{*+} = \boxed{38.3758^\circ}$$

a)



I will probably try a slightly larger perihelion value than 0.5 AU,  
such that after venus flyby the new orbit will intercept Mercury's  
orbit tangentially, to reduce the cost of final maneuver into  
Mercury parking orbit.

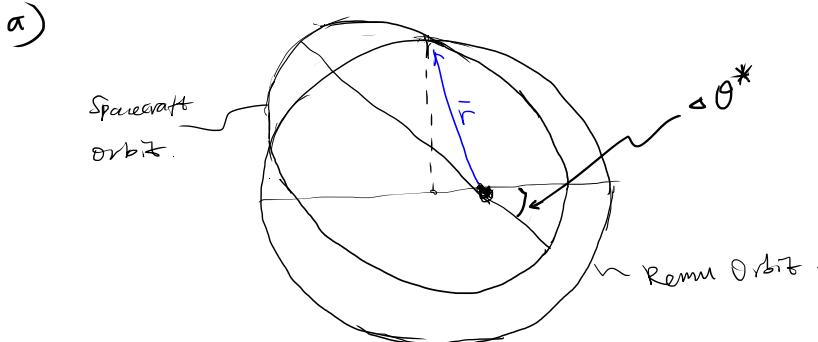
$$3, \quad a_R = 15 R_{Jup}, \quad R_R = 3000 \text{ km} .$$

$$e_R = 0.25 \quad M_R = 1 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^3/\text{s}^2$$

$$r_p = 7.5 R_{Jup}$$

$$e = 0.5$$

$$a = r_p(1-e^2) = 15 \cdot R_{Jup}.$$



In Remus' orbit :

$$r = a_R$$

$$\theta^* = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{r_R}{r e_R} - \frac{1}{e_R}\right) = 104.4775^\circ$$

$$\boxed{\Delta\theta^* = 15.5225^\circ}$$

In SLC's orbit

$$r = r$$

$$\theta^* = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{P}{r e} - \frac{1}{e}\right) = 120^\circ$$

b)  $(r^- = 1072380 \text{ km})$

$$v^- = \sqrt{\frac{2M_R}{r^-} - \frac{M_R}{a}} = \boxed{10.8702 \text{ km/s}}$$

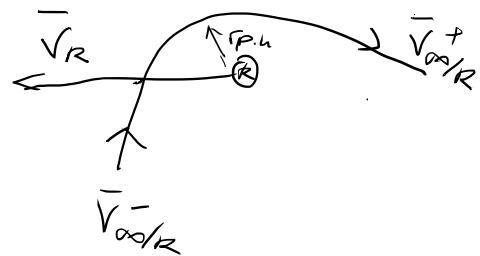
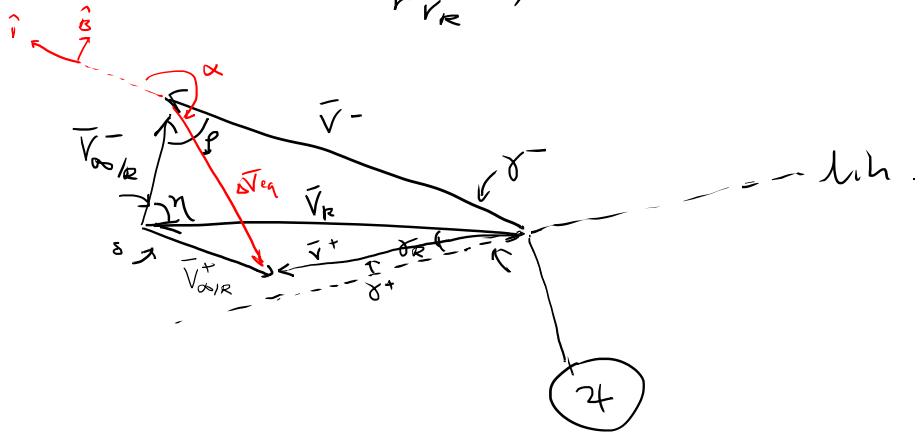
$$\gamma^- = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{M_R P}}{r^- v^-}\right) = \boxed{30^\circ} \text{ (ascending)}$$

$$\boxed{\theta^* = 120^\circ}$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{1-e}{1+e}}\right) - \tan^{-1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{1-e_R}{1+e_R}}\right)$$

$$c) V_R = \sqrt{\frac{2M_p}{r} - \frac{M_p}{a_R}} = 10.8702 \text{ km/s} = V^-$$

$$\gamma_R = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{M_p P_e}}{r V_R}\right) = 14.4775^\circ \text{ (ascending)}$$



The spacecraft should [pass ahead] of Remus. to decrease its orbit energy. by reducing  $|V^+|$

$$d) r_{P,h} = R_R + 1500 = 4500 \text{ km.}$$

$$V_{\infty/R}^- = \sqrt{V_R^2 + V^-^2 - 2V_R V^- \cos(\delta - \gamma_R)} = 2.9359 \text{ km/s}$$

$$|\alpha_h| = \frac{M_p}{V_{\infty/R}^-} = 1.1601 \times 10^4 \text{ km}$$

$$e_h = \frac{r_{ph}}{|\alpha_h|} + 1 = 1.3879$$

$$\delta = 2 \cdot \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{e_h} \right) = 92.1949^\circ$$

$$\eta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{V}{V_{\infty/R}^-} \cdot \sin(\gamma^- - \gamma_R) \right) = 82.2388^\circ \quad p + \eta + \gamma^- - \gamma_R = 180^\circ$$

$$\rho = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{V_R}{V_{\infty/R}^-} \cdot \sin(\gamma^- - \gamma_R) \right) = 82.2388^\circ$$

$$V^+ = \sqrt{V_{\infty/R}^+^2 + V_R^2 - 2V_{\infty/R}^+ V_R \cos(\delta - \eta)} = 7.9946 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\gamma^+ = \gamma_R - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{V_{\infty/R}^+}{V^+} \cdot \sin(\delta - \eta) \right) = 10.8371^\circ \text{ ascending.}$$

$$r^+ = r^- = 1072380 \text{ km}$$

$$\theta^{*+} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\frac{r^+ v^{+2}}{\mu_2} \cdot \cos \gamma^+ \cdot \sin \gamma^+}{\frac{r^+ v^{+2}}{\mu_2} \cdot \cos^2 \gamma^+ - 1} \right) = \boxed{168.2022^\circ}$$

$$e^+ = \sqrt{\left(\frac{r^+ v^{+2}}{\mu_2} - 1\right)^2 \cdot \cos^2 \gamma^+ + \sin^2 \gamma^+} = \boxed{0.4885}$$

$$P^+ = r \cdot (1 + e^+ \cos \theta^{*+}) = 5.5955 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$$

$$a^+ = P^+ / (1 - e^+) = \boxed{7.3496 \times 10^5 \text{ km}}$$

$$r_p^+ = a^+ (1 - e^+) = \boxed{3.7590 \times 10^5 \text{ km}}$$

$$r_a^+ = a^+ (1 + e^+) = \boxed{1.0940 \times 10^6 \text{ km}}$$

$$T^+ = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a^{+3}}{\mu_2}} = \boxed{3.5170 \times 10^5 \text{ sec}}$$

$$\Delta\omega = \theta^{*-} - \theta^{*+} = \boxed{-48.2022^\circ}$$

$$\zeta_L = \frac{\mu_2}{2a^+} = \boxed{-86.2037 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2}$$

$$\Delta V_{eq} = \sqrt{2 \cdot V_{eq/k}^2 \cdot (1 - \cos \delta)} = \boxed{4.2308 \text{ km/s}}$$

$$\alpha = (80^\circ + (\varphi - \frac{180^\circ - \delta}{2})) = \boxed{218.3362^\circ}$$

$$\bar{\Delta V_{eq}} = \Delta V_{eq} \cdot (\cos \alpha \hat{v} + \sin \alpha \hat{B}) = \boxed{-3.3186 \hat{v} - 2.6243 \hat{B} \text{ km/s}}$$

e)

