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# Chapter 4: Restricted 3-Body Problem

Assignment #3, problems 2.11, 3.2, 3.5, 3.6, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3  
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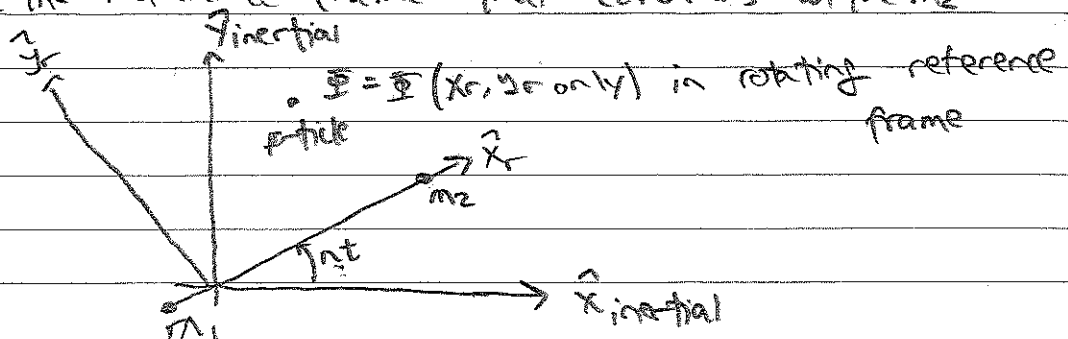
The circular restricted 3-body problem = study of the motion of massless particle orbiting a primary and perturbed by secondary in circular orbit... the next step in complexity beyond 2-body problem

circular restricted 3-body problem (CR3BP) has a very useful integral of the motion:

## Jacobi Integral

but let's consider an even more general problem: the motion of a particle in a gravitational potential  $\Phi(\vec{r})$  that is stationary in a steadily rotating reference frame, i.e.  $\Phi = \Phi(\vec{r})$  only and is independent of time in that rotating reference frame.

Example: the CR3BP, since  $\Phi = \Phi(\vec{r})$  only in the reference frame that corotates with  $m_2$



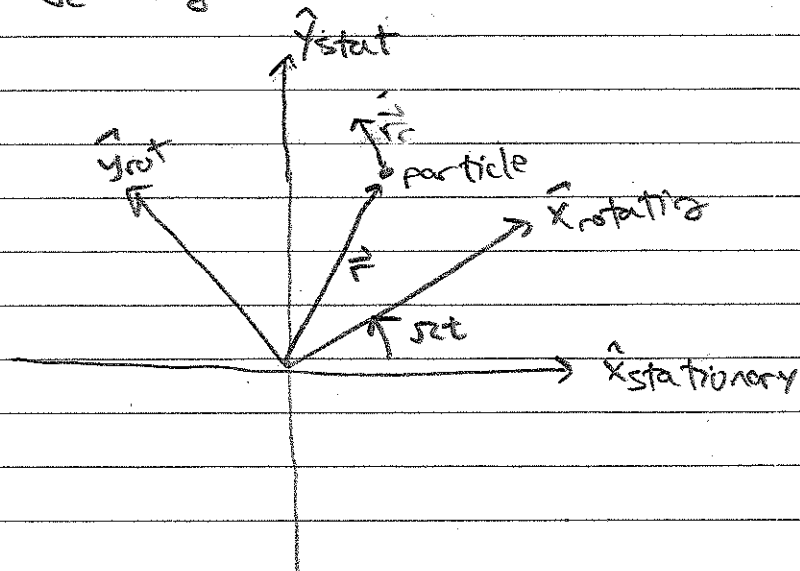
The particle's equation of motion (EOM) in the rotating coordinate system is

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\nabla\Phi - \underbrace{\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})}_{\text{centrifugal}} - \underbrace{2\vec{\omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}}}_{\text{Coriolis acceleration}} \quad \leftarrow \text{(see section 15) of text}$$

where  $\vec{r}$  = particle's position vector

$\dot{\vec{r}}$  = its velocity measured wrt rotating axes

$\vec{\omega} = \Omega \hat{z}$  = rotation axis  
 $\Omega$  = constant angular velocity



Use cylindrical coordinates:  $\vec{r} = r\hat{r} + z\hat{z}$

centrifugal  $-\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) = -\Omega^2 r \underbrace{\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \vec{r})}_{?}$

$$= r\Omega^2 \hat{r}$$

$$= \nabla \frac{1}{2} (\Omega r)^2$$

$$= \nabla \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2$$

recall relationship between velocity  
measured in rotating & stationary ref. frame:

$$\dot{\vec{r}}_r = \dot{\vec{r}}_s - \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} \quad (\text{Section 1.5})$$

$\uparrow$  rot                       $\uparrow$  stationary

$$\text{so } \ddot{\vec{r}}_r = -\nabla \left[ \Phi - \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2 \right] - 2\vec{\omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}}_r$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$   
 $V_{\text{eff}}(\vec{r}) = \text{gravity} + \text{centrifugal}$   
 effective potential

recall that the 2-body energy integral was  
obtained by integrating  $\dot{\vec{r}} \cdot \dot{\vec{r}}$ .

So lets consider

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\vec{r}}_r \cdot (\ddot{\vec{r}}_r + \nabla V_{\text{eff}}) &= -2\dot{\vec{r}}_r \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}}_r) \\ &= -2\vec{\omega} \cdot (\dot{\vec{r}}_r \times \dot{\vec{r}}_r) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

also note that  $\dot{\vec{r}}_r \cdot \nabla V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dt}$

where  $V_{\text{eff}} = V_{\text{eff}}(x_r(t), y_r(t), z_r(t))$

$\uparrow$   $V_{\text{eff}}$  has no explicit  
time dependence,  
but particle's  
trajectory  $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_r(t)$   
implicit time dependence.

check: 
$$\frac{dU_{\text{eff}}}{dt} = \frac{dU_{\text{eff}}}{dx_r} \frac{dx_r}{dt} + \frac{dU_{\text{eff}}}{dy_r} \frac{dy_r}{dt} + \frac{dU_{\text{eff}}}{dz_r} \frac{dz_r}{dt}$$

$$= \dot{\vec{r}} \cdot (\nabla U_{\text{eff}}) \quad \text{since } x_r = x \text{ etc}$$

so 
$$\dot{\vec{r}} \cdot (\ddot{\vec{r}} + \nabla U_{\text{eff}}) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{\vec{r}}^2 + U_{\text{eff}} \right) = 0$$

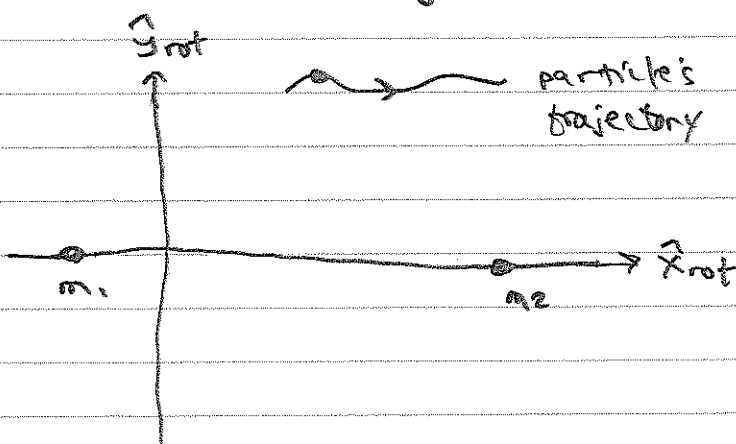
$J = \text{Jacobi integral,}$

where

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\vec{r}}^2 + U_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\vec{r}}^2 + \Phi - \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2$$

= moving particles constant  
Jacobi integral

example:  
CR3BP



$J$  provides useful constraint on particles  $\vec{r}$  and  $\dot{\vec{r}}$  as it norms system's potential  $\Phi(\vec{r})$

It's also useful to express  $J$  in terms of particle's velocity  $\dot{\vec{r}}_s = \dot{\vec{r}}_r + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$  in stationary reference frame.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \dot{\vec{r}}_r^2 &= \left( \dot{\vec{r}}_s - \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} \right)^2 \\ &= \dot{\vec{r}}_s^2 - 2\dot{\vec{r}}_s \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2 \\ &= \dot{\vec{r}}_s^2 - 2\vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{r}}_s + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2 \end{aligned}$$

but  $\vec{H} = \vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{r}}_s =$  particle's specific angular momentum  
(not  $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_r$  since origin is @ rotation axis)

$$\text{so } \dot{\vec{r}}_r^2 = \dot{\vec{r}}_s^2 - 2\vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{H} + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2$$

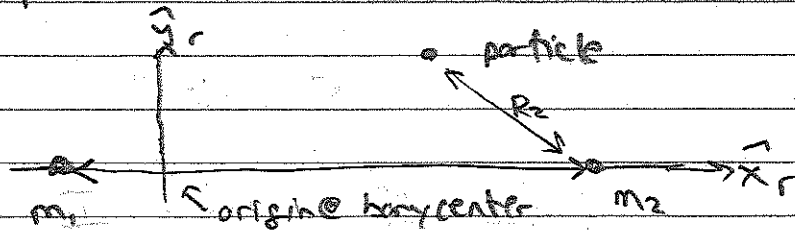
$$\text{and } J = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\vec{r}}_s^2 + \mathcal{E} - \vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{H}$$

but  $E = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\vec{r}}_s^2 + \mathcal{E} =$  particle's specific energy in stationary frame

$$\Rightarrow J = E - \vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{H}$$

so the particle's energy and angular momentum are not conserved individually (as in 2-body problem), but the above combination of  $E$  and  $H$  are conserved.

problem 4.1 consider's  $J$  for the CR3BP:



$q_2 =$  secondary's sm axis

$E_2 =$  system's specific energy in barycentric coordinate system

Prob 4.1: you will show that

$$\frac{J}{E_2} = J' = \text{dimensionless jacobian integral}$$

$$= \frac{q_2}{a} + 2 \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{m_2}{m_1}\right) \frac{a}{q_2} (1 - e^2)} \cos i + 2 \frac{m_2}{m_1} \frac{q_2}{R_2}$$

where  $q, e, i =$  particle's orbit elements.

In most planetary systems,  $m_2 \ll m_1$   
(Jupiter has  $m_2 \sim 0.001 m_1$ )

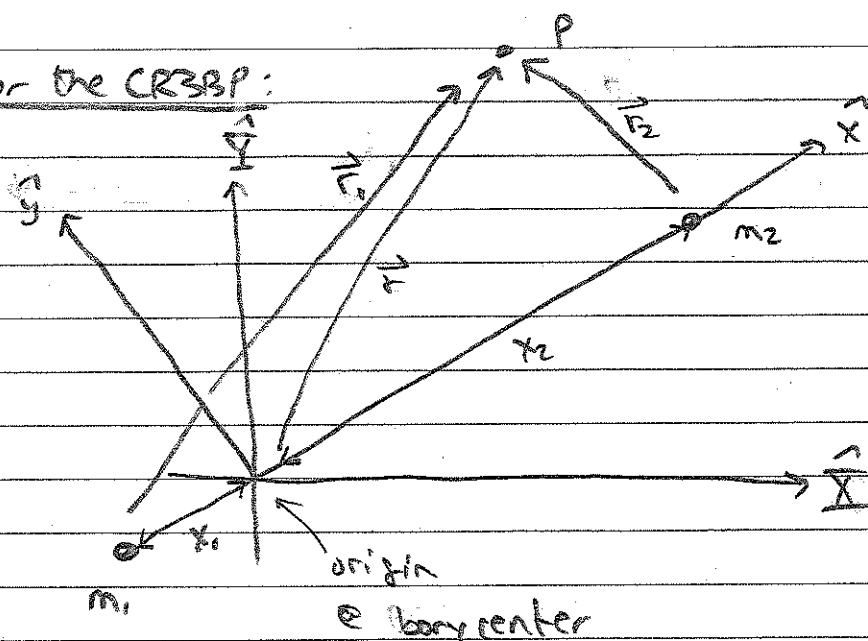
and if the particle stays far enough away from  $m_2$   
(ie no gravitational scattering off  $m_2$  or flybys)  
such that

$$R_2 \gg \frac{2m_2}{m_1} q_2$$

$$\text{Then } J' \approx \frac{q_2}{a} + 2 \sqrt{\frac{a}{q_2} (1 - e^2)} \cos i \equiv T$$

also known as The Tisserand parameter

J for the CR3BP:



$\hat{X}, \hat{Y}$  are stationary axes

$\hat{x}, \hat{y}$  rotate about  $\vec{\omega} = n\hat{z}$

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{a^3}} = \text{secondary's mean motion}$$

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$$

= particle P's location  
in rotating ref frame

$V_{\text{eff}}$  = effective potential at particle P's location

$$= \Phi - \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})^2 = -\frac{GM_1}{r_1} - \frac{GM_2}{r_2} - \frac{1}{2}n^2(x^2 + y^2)$$

The particle's J is  $J = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + V_{\text{eff}}$

the origin is at system's center of mass (COM)

$$m_1 x_1 = m_2 x_2$$

also  $a = m_2$ 's semimajor axis =  $x_1 + x_2$

$$\text{so } m_1 x_1 = m_2 (a - x_1) \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{m_2 a}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$= \mu_2 a$$

$$\text{where } \mu_i = \frac{m_i}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$\text{Note that } \mu_1 + \mu_2 = 1$$

$$\text{and } x_2 = \mu_1 a$$

Note  $a =$  system's natural unit of length

$an =$  unit of velocity

$$(an)^2 = \text{unit of specific energy} = \frac{G_1 (m_1 + m_2)}{a}$$

Form dimensionless quantities

$$v_r' = \frac{v_r}{an}$$

$$J' = -\frac{J}{(an)^2} = -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{v_r'}{an} \right)^2 + \frac{G m_1 a}{r_1 G (m_1 + m_2)}$$

$$+ \frac{G m_2 a}{r_2 G (m_1 + m_2)} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2}{a^2} \right)$$



$$\text{So } J' = -\frac{1}{2} v r'^2 + \frac{M_1}{r_1'} + \frac{M_2}{r_2'} + \frac{1}{2} (x'^2 + y'^2)$$

$$\text{or } J' = -\frac{1}{2} v r'^2 + U'$$

$$\text{where } U' = \frac{-U_{\text{eff}}}{(a\alpha)^2} = \frac{M_1}{r_1} + \frac{M_2}{r_2} + \frac{1}{2} (x'^2 + y'^2)$$

= dimensionless  $U_{\text{eff}}$

henceforth drop the primes.

The above can be written  $U(x, y, z) = J + \frac{1}{2} v r^2$

## zero velocity curves

since  $v_r^2 > 0$ ,

the particles trajectory must satisfy

$$U(x, y, z) \geq J$$

if there are regions in 3D space that do not satisfy the above, then that region is Jacobi forbidden, that particle may not cross the surface that satisfies

$$U(x, y, z) = \frac{M_1}{r_1} + \frac{M_2}{r_2} + \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) = J$$

where the dimensionless

$$r_1 = \sqrt{\left(x + \frac{x_1}{a}\right)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(x + M_2)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\text{and } r_2 = \sqrt{\left(x - \frac{x_2}{a}\right)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(x - M_1)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

The zero-velocity surface is the 3D surface that satisfies  $U(x, y, z) = J$

The particle's  $J$  is conserved, and it is confined to the region that satisfies

$$U(x, y, z) \geq J$$

so the zero-velocity surface (where  $U=J$ ) bounds a region where the particle is excluded

The zero-velocity curve is the slice through the  $z-v$  surface in the  $z=0$  plane.

the  $z-v$  curve is NOT an orbit, it is a boundary that the particle may not cross

(unless for example the particle briefly fires its engines, which changes  $J$  and results in a new  $z-v$  curve)

See Fig 4.2

the particle is allowed to roam where  $U(x, y) \geq J$ , while regions in Fig 4.2. Grey is off limits

stop  $\alpha + 1$ Lagrange Equilibrium Points:

The EOM for the particle in the rotating reference frame is

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\nabla V_{\text{eff}} - 2\vec{\omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}}$$

an equilibrium site is where force  $m\ddot{\vec{r}} = 0$ ,  
so equilibrium occurs where  $\ddot{\vec{r}} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \dot{\vec{r}} = 0$  and  
where

$$\nabla V_{\text{eff}}(x, y, z) = 0$$

where 
$$V_{\text{eff}} = -(\alpha\Omega)^2 \left[ \frac{M_1}{r_1} + \frac{M_2}{r_2} + \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) \right]$$

$$\text{so } \frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dx} = -(\alpha\Omega)^2 \left[ -\frac{M_1}{r_1^2} \frac{dr_1}{dx} - \frac{M_2}{r_2^2} \frac{dr_2}{dx} + x \right] = 0$$

$$= (\alpha\Omega)^2 \left[ \frac{M_1(x+M_2)}{r_1^3} + \frac{M_2(x-M_1)}{r_2^3} - x \right] = 0$$

$$\text{and } \frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dy} = (\alpha\Omega)^2 \left( \frac{M_1}{r_1^3} + \frac{M_2}{r_2^3} - 1 \right) y = 0$$

$$\text{and } \frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dz} = (\alpha\Omega)^2 \left( \frac{M_1}{r_1^3} + \frac{M_2}{r_2^3} \right) z = 0$$

(LEP)

The Lagrange equilibrium points satisfy the above

So the LEP are in the  $z=0$  plane

some LEP lie on  $y=0$  axis (the  $m_1-m_2$  line)  
 $\Rightarrow$  these are the collinear LEP

where  $r_1 = |x+m_2| = s_1(x+m_2)$

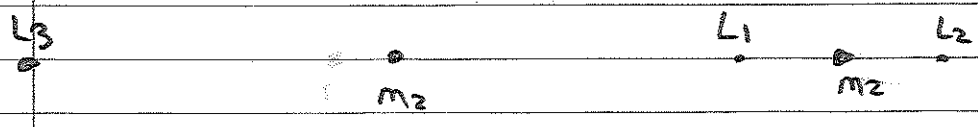
$s_1 = \text{sign}(x+m_2) = \pm 1$

$r_2 = s_2(x-m_1)$

insert this into  $dV/dx=0$ :

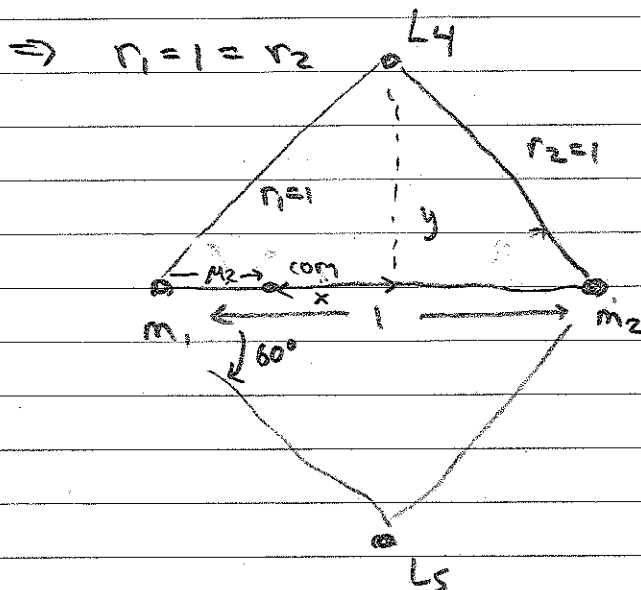
$$\frac{s_1 m_1}{(x+m_2)^2} + \frac{s_2 m_2}{(x-m_1)^2} = x$$
← solve this numerically

This equation has 3 roots for  $x$ ,  
these sites are the  $L_1, L_2, L_3$  LEP:



two other LED lie off the  $|y| > 0$  axis  
where

$$\frac{M_1}{r_1^3} + \frac{M_2}{r_2^3} = 1 = M_1 + M_2$$



$L_4, L_5$  are the triangular equilibrium sites,  
they lead/trail the secondary by  $\pm 60^\circ$

$$M_2 + x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{so } x = \frac{1}{2} - M_2$$

$$\text{and } \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = y$$

See Fig 4.3

The force on a particle at a LEP is zero, but nonzero just off the LEP.

If a miniscule perturbation nudges the particle away from the LEP,

these forces will either:

i) cause the particle to oscillate about the LEP → that LEP is a stable equilibrium

or ii) drive the particle away from the unstable LEP

Fig 4.3 - which LEP sites are stable, unstable?

a zero-velocity curve that passes through the unstable LEP is called the separatrix that divides very distinct types of trajectories

so colinear  $L_1, L_2, L_3$  sites are unstable,

the triangular  $L_4, L_5$  sites are stable

displace particle from  $L_1$  or  $L_2$  and it could go into orbit about  $m_1$  or  $m_2$ .

displace a particle from  $L_3$ , and it enters a horseshoe orbit, blue curves in Fig 4.3

triangular  $L_4, L_5$  points are stable when  $m_2 < 0.039$  (ie  $m_2 < 40$  Jupiter mass) orbiting sun

displace particle from  $L_4, L_5$  and it enters tadpole orbit (red curves)

Know any objects in horseshoe or tadpole orbits?

see Fig 4.5



Hill Sphere = volume of space where  $m_2$ 's gravity dominates the particle's motion

$R_H$  = radius of Hill sphere  
=  $L_1$  or  $L_2$ 's distance from  $m_2$

when  $m_2 \ll m_1$ ,

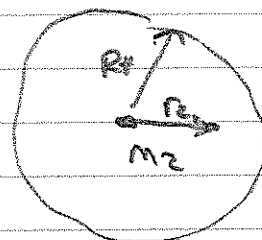
$$R_H \approx \left( \frac{m_2}{3m_1} \right)^{1/3} a$$

which you derive from

$$\frac{G_1 m_1}{(x+m)^2} + \frac{G_2 m_2}{(x-m)^2} = x \quad \text{in this limit}$$

See problem 4.3

$m_1$



Satellites of planets live deep inside the Hill sphere, i.e.

$$r_2 \ll R_H$$

in this case, the primary's gravity is only a weak perturbation, and the particle's motion is nearly 2-body motion about  $m_2$

If however the satellite ever gets out to  $r_2 \sim R_H$ , the primary's gravity cannot be ignored, the motion is 3-body

Alternatively, if the particle is orbiting the primary, but happens to travel within  $r_2 \sim R_H$  of secondary

The particle will receive a large kick from  $m_2$ , this is gravitational scattering

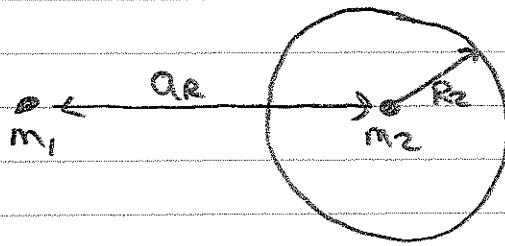
Jupiter is the main scatterer of comets

Roche limit: Note that  $R_H \propto a_2$   
 $\propto \text{secondary's } s_{ma}$

what if the secondary orbited too close to the primary, such that the secondary's physical radius  $R_2 < R_H$ ?

$\Rightarrow$  tidal disruption

The secondary would shed mass... where would that go?



$R_2 =$  secondary's  
radius

solve for  $a_R =$  Roche limit

$=$  semimajor axis of secondary

that fills its Hill sphere,

$$R_2 = R_H$$

$$R_H = \left( \frac{m_2}{3m_1} \right)^{1/3} a_R = R_2$$

assume uniform density spheres ... is that a  
good approximation?

$$m_i = \frac{4\pi}{3} \rho_i R_i^3$$

$$\left( \frac{\rho_2}{3\rho_1} \right)^{1/3} \frac{R_2}{R_1} a_R \approx R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_R \approx \left( \frac{3\rho_1}{\rho_2} \right)^{1/3} R_1$$

$$= 1.44 \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} \right)^{1/3} R_1$$

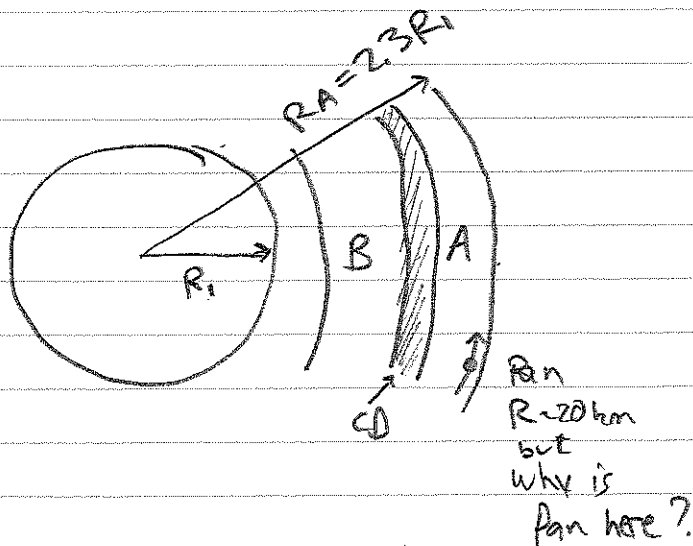
This is only a ballpark estimate of  $a_R$ .  
For instance, a formal stability analysis  
assuming inviscid incompressible sphere  
yields coefficient  $\approx 2.42$

Point is, if you are in circular orbit  
smaller than  $a_R \sim 2R$ , ie 2 radii  
of primary, you are in danger of being  
tidally disrupted.

binary stars <sup>must</sup> orbit further than  $\sim 2$  stellar  
radii  
to avoid exchanging mass  
(no surprise there)

But all major satellites orbit beyond  $\sim 2.4R$ .

example: Saturn Rings



what does this  
suggest about  
Saturn's  
Rings

$R_{\text{rings}} \sim 200 \text{ km}$

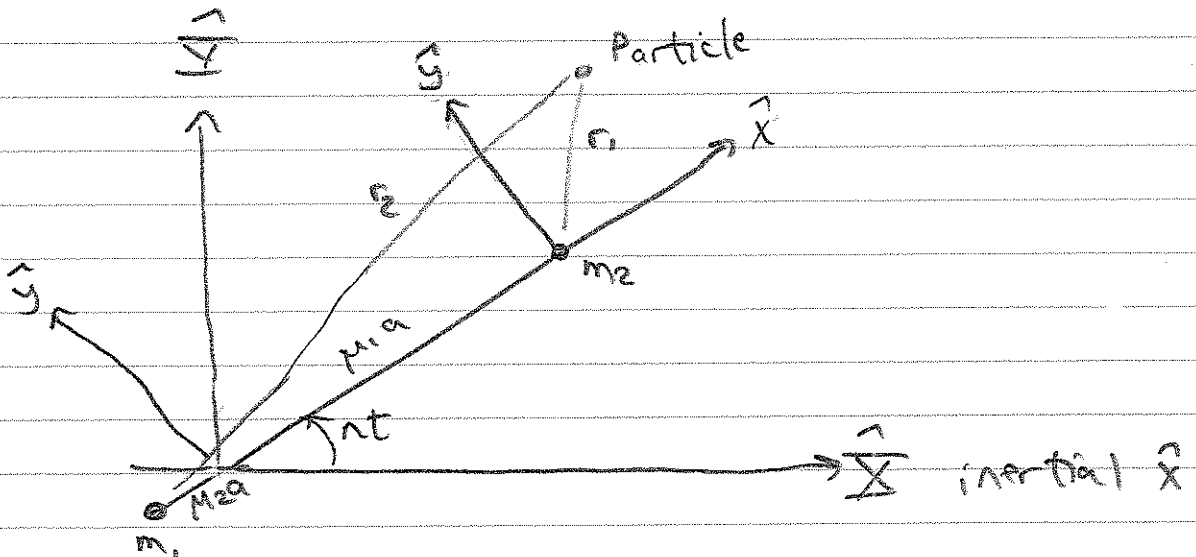
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Hill's Equations = approx EOM, used to study motion of particles near secondary where  $r_2 \ll r_1$

used to study: accretion of planets/maks (proto comets, asteroids, seeds of planets) from solar nebula (disk around young Sun from which planets formed)

evolution of planetary rings, satellites embedded in rings (eg Pan)



The EOM in rotating ref frame is

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\nabla U_{\text{eff}} - 2\vec{\omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}} \quad (\text{dropping } r \text{ subscript})$$

where 
$$U_{\text{eff}} = -(\Omega)^2 \left[ \frac{M_1}{r_1} + \frac{M_2}{r_2} + \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2) \right]$$

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(x+m_2)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$r_2 = \sqrt{(x-m_1)^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

but keep in mind that all lengths are in units of  $g$

coriolis acceleration:  $\vec{\omega} = n\vec{z}$   
secondary's mean angular velocity

$$\text{so } -2n\vec{z} \times (\dot{x}\vec{x} + \dot{y}\vec{y}) = 2n\dot{y}\vec{x} - 2n\dot{x}\vec{y}$$

also assume system is coplanar  $z=0$

$$\text{so } \ddot{x} = 2n\dot{y} + \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{M_1}{r_1} + \frac{M_2}{r_2} + \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) \right] (n)^2$$

$$= 2n\dot{y} + n^2 \left[ -\frac{M_1}{r_1^2} \frac{dr_1}{dx} - \frac{M_2}{r_2^2} \frac{dr_2}{dx} + x \right]$$

$$= 2n\dot{y} + n^2 \left[ -\frac{M_1}{2r_1^3} 2(x+m_2) - \frac{M_2}{2r_2^3} 2(x-m_1) + x \right]$$

$$\ddot{x} = 2n\dot{y} - n^2 \left[ \frac{M_1(x+m_2)}{r_1^3} + \frac{M_2(x-m_1)}{r_2^3} - x \right]$$

see page 12 notes

$$\text{and } \ddot{y} = -2nx + n^2 \left[ -\frac{M_1}{r_1^2} \frac{dr_1}{dy} - \frac{M_2}{r_2^2} \frac{dr_2}{dy} + y \right]$$

$$= -2nx - n^2 \left( \frac{M_1}{r_1^3} + \frac{M_2}{r_2^3} - 1 \right) y$$

(see pg 12)

$$\text{where } M_i = \frac{m_i}{m_1 + m_2}$$

Next, move origin to  $m_2$ :

$$x = m_1 + x' \quad \text{and } y' = y$$

so  $\bar{x}$  points radially away

$\bar{y}$  points along  $m_2$ 's motion

assume  $m_2 \ll m_1$  so  $M_1 \approx 1$ ,

$$M_2 = \frac{m_2}{m_1} \ll 1$$

Assume the moving particle is in vicinity of  $m_2$

$$\Rightarrow |x'| \text{ and } |y'| \ll 1$$

so linearize the EOM  $\leftarrow$  keep terms  $\mathcal{O}(x')$ ,  
 drop  $\mathcal{O}(y'^2)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(x'y')$

$$r_1 = \sqrt{(1+x')^2 + y'^2} \approx \sqrt{1+2x'} \approx 1+x'$$

$$\text{and } r_1^{-3} \approx 1-3x'$$

and  $r_2 = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}$  which I rename  $r' = \Delta'$

so

$$\ddot{x}' = 2ny' - n^2 \left[ (1+x')(1-3x') + \frac{M_2 x'}{\Delta'^3} - 1 - x' \right]$$

$$\approx 2ny' + n^2 \left( 3 - \frac{M_2}{\Delta'^3} \right) x'$$

$\Delta =$  particle's  
distance  
from  $m_2$

and 
$$\ddot{y}' \approx -2nx' + n^2 \left( 3x' - \frac{M_2}{\Delta'^3} \right) y'$$

We are particularly interested in the motion of a particle in the vicinity of  $m_2$ 's Hill sphere,

so 
$$\Delta' \approx \text{a few} \times \frac{R_H}{3} \sim \text{few} \times \left( \frac{M_2}{3} \right)^{1/3}$$

so  $\Delta', x', y'$  are of order  $M_2^{1/3} \ll 1$

while  $\frac{M_2}{\Delta'^3} \approx 0(1) \gg |x'|$

so EOM for particle in vicinity of secondary is

$$\ddot{x} = 2ny + n^2 \left( 3 - \frac{M_2}{\Delta^3} \right) x$$

$$\ddot{y} = -2nx - n^2 \frac{M_2}{\Delta^3} y$$

Hill's Eqs  
for George Hill,  
derived 1878

after dropping primes.



Hill's Eqn = form for particle in CR3BP  
 remember: origin on  $m_2$   
 $\hat{x}$  point radially away from  $m_1 - m_2$   
 $\hat{y}$  points along  $m_2$ 's motion about  $m_1$ .  
 lengths are in units of  $m_2$ 's sma  $a$ .

These eqns are valid when

$$\Delta \lesssim \text{a few } R_H/a$$

and  $\mu_2 \ll 1$

They don't apply far from  $m_2$ ,

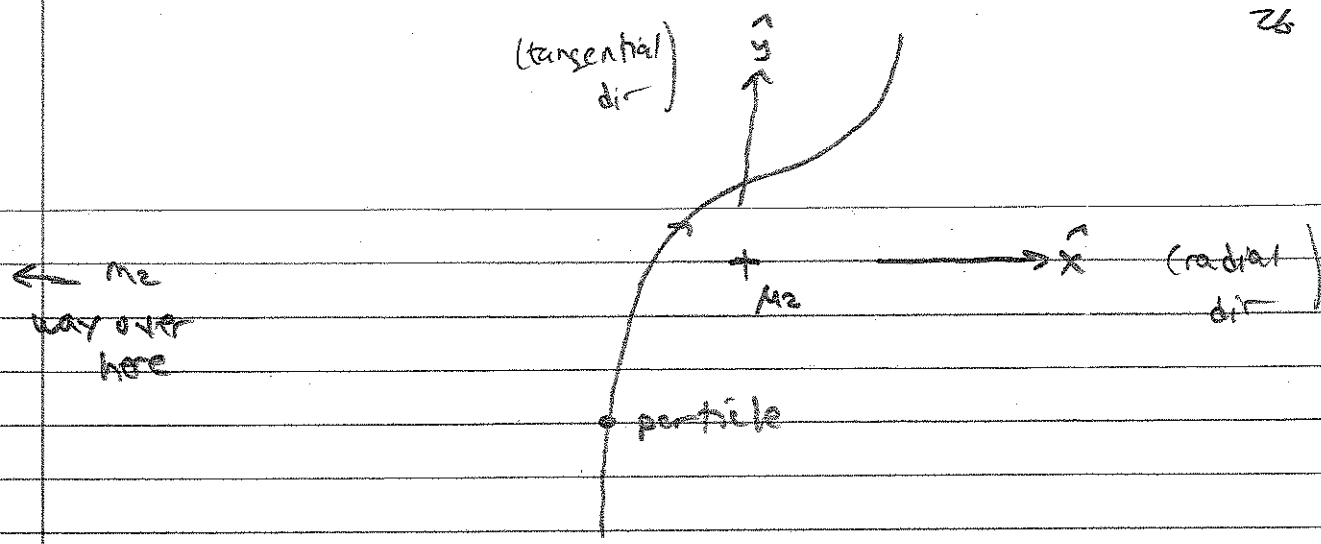
where  $\Delta \gg R_H/a$ ,

and neglected nonlinear terms become important.

### Scale Invariant Hill's Eqns:

lets change units so secondary's mass disappears  $\rightarrow$  will yield scale invariant eqns  
 = eqns that have no physical parameters.

scale invariant eqns are very handy... if you solve them once, your solution applies to any secondary of any mass  $m_2$ .



We want scale-invariant EOM...

replace  $x \Rightarrow L x_{\text{scale-invariant length}}$   
 ↑  
 what is this system's natural unit of length  $L$ ?

$t \Rightarrow T t_{\text{scale-invariant time}}$   
 ↑  
 natural unit of time?

try  $x_h = \frac{x}{r_H}$  where  $r_H = \frac{R_H}{a} = \left(\frac{M_2}{3}\right)^{1/3}$

$\Rightarrow$  = scale invariant  $x$  = Hill radius in units of  $a$ .  
 so  $x = r_H x_h$

set  $\tau = nt$  where  $n = \text{secondary's mean motion} = \frac{2\pi}{T}$   
 = dimensionless time  
 $= 2\pi \frac{t}{T}$   $T = M_2$ 's orbit period.

so  $\tau$  increments by  $2\pi$  every orbit of  $m_2$

velocities are in units of  $\text{km} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ ,  
and time derivatives are wrt dimensionless  
time  $\tau = t$

see Fig 4.7

This is a Runge Kutta integration of Hills  $\text{C}_{2005}$ ,  
particles approach secondary while on  
initially circular orbits having  
impact parameter  $b =$  initial radial  
separation  $x$

so these particles initial positions are

$$x_0 = b$$

$$y_0 = \pm 200$$

what are their initial velocities?

$$\dot{x}_0 = ?$$

$$\dot{y}_0 = ?$$

which way are particles moving in  
lower portion of figure? vAPP?

whats happening to trajectories  
having  $|x| \lesssim 1$ ?

Note the straight lines... are real trajectories

straight after traveling out to very large longitudes, ie out to  $|y| \sim 9$ ?

Hills E2ns are the E09 that result from 'straightening-out' the curvature that trajectories exhibit at large longitudes at  $\Delta\theta \sim \frac{y}{R_H} \sim 1$

see mag. video

so solutions to HE2ns ignore the curvature that occurs in real orbits

trajectories having which impact parameters are in danger of striking secondary?

see Fig 4.8

$$2.0 \leq |b| \leq 2.4.$$

what happens to those particles with  $|b| < 2.0$ ? why?

Note also wavy edges, these are wakes, also seen at edge of Enke gap, Fig 4.9

Fig 4.9: which side of gap is  
pre-encounter w/  $A_n$ ,  
which is post?

What is the sense of orbital  
motion, up or down?

Where is  $A_n$ ?

What's that in center of gap? What kind  
of trajectories is that in?

$$\text{so } \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\Omega_H dx_h}{n^{-1} d\tau} = n^2 \Omega_H \frac{dx_h}{d\tau}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{dx^2}{dt^2} = n^2 \Omega_H^2 \frac{dx_h^2}{d\tau^2}$$

$$\Delta_h = \frac{\Delta}{\Omega_H} = \text{p.s distance from } M_2 \text{ in units of } \Omega_H$$

$$M_2 = 3\Omega_H^3$$

$$\text{so } n^2 \Omega_H \frac{d^2 x_h}{d\tau^2} = 2n^2 \Omega_H \frac{dy_h}{d\tau} + n^2 \left( 3 - \frac{3\Omega_H^3}{\Delta_h^3 \Omega_H^3} \right) \Omega_H x_h$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 x_h}{d\tau^2} = 2 \frac{dy_h}{d\tau} + 3 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\Delta_h^3} \right) x_h$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d^2 y_h}{d\tau^2} = -2 \frac{dx_h}{d\tau} - \frac{3y_h}{\Delta_h^3}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{lets write } A_x &= -3x/\Delta^3 \\ A_y &= -3y/\Delta^3 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{secondary's acceleration of particle}$$

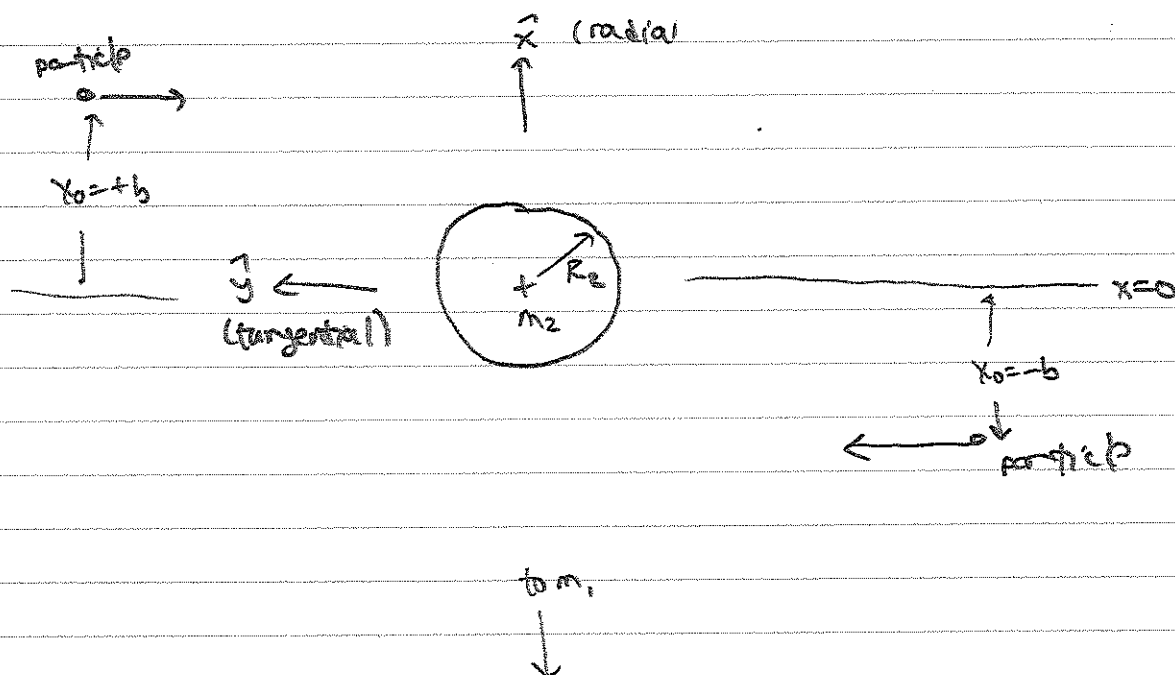
$$\text{so } \ddot{x} - 2\dot{y} - 3x = A_x$$

$$\ddot{y} + 2\dot{x} = A_y$$

after dropping h subscript. These are scale-invariant hills eqns, all lengths are in units of  $\Omega_H$

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Approximate solution to Hills Eqns for  
particle advancing on secondary  
from initially circular orbit



This solution is relevant to: Pan's maintenance  
of Encke gap

wavy gap edges

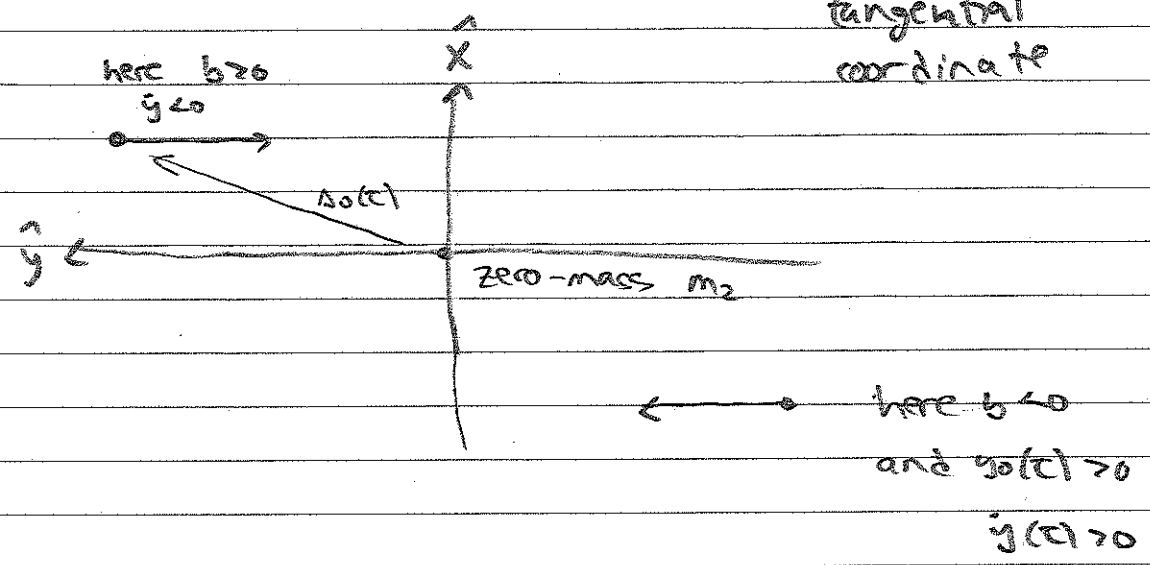
accretion of planetesimals  
by growing protoplanet.

consider particle in circular orbit that is approaching zero-mass secondary so  $A_x = 0 = A_y$

The orbit is circular so  $x(t) = b = \text{constant}$  and  $\dot{y}(t) = \text{constant}$

so  $\ddot{x} = \ddot{y} = \dot{y} = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{y} = -\frac{3}{2}b = p$ 's azimuthal velocity

and  $y_0(t) = -\frac{3}{2}bt =$  particle's tangential coordinate



$\Delta_0(t) =$  unperturbed particle's distance from secondary

$$= \sqrt{b^2 + y_0^2(t)} = |b| \sqrt{1 + (3t/2)^2}$$

This is the particle's unperturbed motion, sometimes called the zero<sup>th</sup> order solution



Now derive the first-order solution for a particle having a distant encounter with a secondary whose mass is non-zero

set  $x(t) = b + x_1(t)$   $y(t) = y_0(t) + y_1(t)$   
 $= 0^{th} + 1^{st}$  order solution  $= 0^{th} + 2^{nd}$  order

insert this into the EOM:  $\ddot{x} = \dot{x}$   $\ddot{y} = -\frac{3}{2}b + \dot{y}$   
 $\ddot{x} = \dot{x}$   $\ddot{y} = \dot{y}$

so  $\ddot{x}_1 + 3b - 2\dot{y}_1 - 3x_1 = Ax$

or  $\ddot{x}_1 - 2\dot{y}_1 - 3x_1 = Ax = -\frac{3(b+x_1)}{\Delta^3}$

and  $\ddot{y}_1 + 2\dot{x}_1 = Ay = \frac{-9b\tau/2 - 3y_1}{\Delta^3}$

where  $\Delta(t) = \sqrt{(b+x_1)^2 + (-3b\tau/2 + y_1)^2}$

note  $\tau=0$  is time of closest approach

how do you solve this coupled 2<sup>nd</sup> order DEQ?

what approximations can you make, to simplify and hopefully obtain equations you can solve?

assume the encounter is distant  
so that the particle's deviations from  
noncircular motion is small i.e.

$$|x_1| \ll |b| \quad \text{and} \quad |y_1| \ll |3b\tau/2|$$

$$\text{so } \Delta(H) \approx \Delta_0(\tau)$$

$$\text{and the RHS of EOM are } A_x = -\frac{3b}{\Delta_0^3}$$

$$A_y = \frac{9b\tau}{2\Delta_0^3}$$

then calculate  $\frac{d}{dt}$  (using EOM):

$$\ddot{x}_1 - 2(-2\dot{x}_1 + A_y(t)) - 3\dot{x}_1 = \frac{dA_x}{dt}$$

$$\text{so } \ddot{x}_1 + \dot{x}_1 = \frac{dA_x}{dt} + 2A_y(t)$$

$$\text{integrate: } \dot{x}_1 + x_1 = -A_x(\tau) + 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} A_y(\tau') d\tau'$$

$$\equiv g(\tau)$$

this is the EOM for a simple harmonic  
oscillator that is driven by a time-dependant  
force  $g(\tau)$

Assignment #4 : problem 4.10

show that  $g(\tau) = -\frac{4}{b\Delta_0} - \frac{3b}{\Delta_0^3}$

So the solution  $\sim$  (time-varying amplitude)  $\times$  sinusoids:

$$x_1(\tau) = \sin \tau \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} g(\tau') \cos \tau' d\tau'$$

$$- \cos \tau \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} g(\tau') \sin \tau' d\tau'$$

confirm by inserting  $\dot{x}_1$  and  $\ddot{x}_1$   
and showing that  $x_1(\tau)$  satisfies the EOM:

$$\dot{x}_1 = c(\tau) \int g(\tau') d\tau' + g(\tau) \sin \tau \cos \tau$$

$$+ s(\tau) \int g(\tau') d\tau' - g \cos \tau \sin \tau$$

$$\text{so } \ddot{x}_1 = \cos(\tau) \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} g(\tau') \cos(\tau') d\tau' + \sin \tau \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} g(\tau') s(\tau') d\tau'$$

$$\text{and } \ddot{x}_1 = -\sin(\tau) \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} g(\tau') \cos(\tau') d\tau' + \cos(\tau) \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} g(\tau') s(\tau') d\tau'$$

$$+ g(\tau)$$

$$= -x_1 + g(\tau)$$

which is the EOM  $\Rightarrow$  solution is confirmed.

If we wanted to study, say, wavy edges at the edge of Fricke gap, we'd be interested in the solution when  $\tau \gg 1$ , long after particle's encounter with foil.

So set  $\tau \rightarrow \infty$  in upper integration limits:

$$X_1(z) = \sin \tau \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau') \cos \tau' d\tau'$$

$$- \cos \tau \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau') \sin \tau' d\tau'$$

what is this integral?

Assignment #4 prob 4.12

The other integral is proportional to

$$k = 2K_0(2/3) + K_1(2/3) \approx 2.52$$

↑  
modified

Bessel functions

$$\text{and } X_1(z) \approx -\text{sign}(b) \frac{8^{1/2}}{3b^2} \sin \tau$$

much simpler expression

lets check our assumptions.

Recall  $|x| \ll |b|$  ie particle's radial excursion due to  $m_2$ 's kick is small

$$\text{so } \frac{8k}{3b^2} \ll |b|$$

so particles impact parameter must satisfy  $|b| \rightarrow \left(\frac{8k}{3}\right)^{1/3} \approx 2$  units?

lets convert these scale invariant results into physical units, ie  $\tau \rightarrow nt$ , and recall that all distances are in units of  $R_H = (M_2/3)^{1/3} a$

$$\text{so } \frac{x_i}{R_H} = -\text{sgn}(b) \frac{8k}{3(b/R_H)^2} \sin(nt)$$

$$\text{or } x_i(t) = -\text{sgn}(b) \frac{8k M_2}{9} \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 \sin(nt) a$$

↑ here  $x_i$  has physical length

The particle's distance from the primary is

$$r(t) = a + x = a + b + x_1(t)$$

which has the same form as  
epicyclic motion,  $r(t) = a + x(t) = a - a e \cos(nt)$

→ particle's semimajor axis =  $a + b$

so pre & post  
encounter SMA

secondary's  
SMA

particle's  
impact  
parameter

is unchanged, in this solution  
to the linearized EOM... but see pg 40!

and its eccentricity after getting kicked by  $M_2$ :

$$e = \frac{|v_1|}{a} = \frac{2bM_2}{a} \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2$$

Next: use these results to study shepherd disks

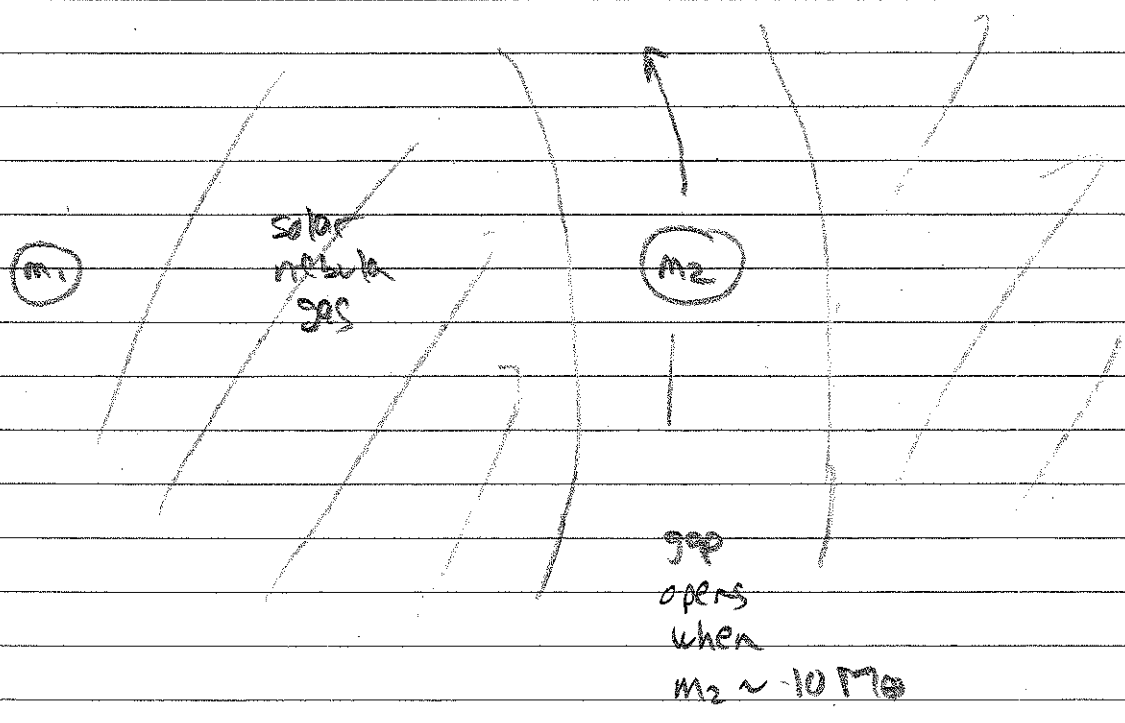
= maintenance of gap in a ring  
(or disk) by an embedded  
perturber (satellite in a ring  
or a proto planet in a disk)

Shepherding: process by which a <sup>gravitating</sup> perturber orbiting in a disk of matter tends to nudge disk matter radially away

counterintuitive, since gravity is attractive

but this is the process by which Pan keeps Encke gap open in Saturn's A ring,

and is how protoplanets in solar nebula tend to open gap in circumstellar gas disc



so how did Jupiter acquire its  $\sim 300 m_{\oplus}$  atmosphere?



Start w/ dimensionless  $J$  integral for a particle that is perturbed by low-mass secondary  $m_2 \ll m_1$

$$J' = \frac{a_1}{a+b} + 2 \sqrt{\frac{a+b}{a} (1-e^2)} + 2 \frac{m_2}{m_1} \frac{a}{\Delta}$$

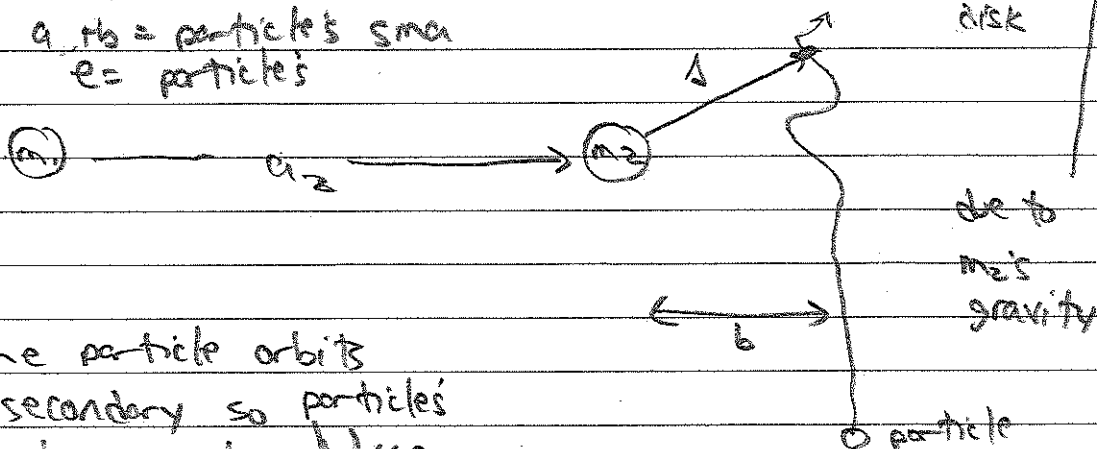
$a = m_2$ 's sma

$a+b =$  particle's sma

$e =$  particle's

$\cos i \approx 1$  assume coplanar disk

see pg 6 with  $a \rightarrow a+b$  and  $a_2 \rightarrow a$



Assume particle orbits near secondary so particle's impact parameter  $b \ll a$

before encounter, the particle is far away so  $2 \frac{m_2}{m_1} \frac{a}{\Delta} \ll 1$  and in circular orbit

$$\text{so } J' \approx \left( \frac{a+b}{a} \right)^{-1} + 2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{b}{a}}$$

$$\approx 1 - \frac{b}{a} + \frac{1}{2} (-1) (-2) \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^2 + 2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{b}{a} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\approx 3 + \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^3 = J'_{\text{initial}}$$

the encounter with  $m_2$  also kicks the particles orbit elements so

$$sma \rightarrow a + b + \Delta a = a + b'$$

where  $b' = b + \Delta b = p$ 's new impact parameter.

Also the particles post-encounter  $e > 0$ , so

$$J' = \left( \frac{a+b'}{a} \right)^{-1} + 2 \sqrt{\left( 1 + \frac{b'}{a} \right) (1 - e^2)}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{b'}{a} + \left( \frac{b'}{a} \right)^2 + 2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{b'}{a} - \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{b'}{a} \right)^2 \right] (1 - \frac{1}{2} e^2)$$

$$= 3 + \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{b'}{a} \right)^2 - e^2$$

$$= 3 + \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{b + \Delta b}{a} \right)^2 - e^2$$

$$= 3 + \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{b \Delta b}{a^2} - e^2 = J'_{\text{final}}$$

so  $J'_{\text{final}} = J'_{\text{initial}} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{b}{a} \frac{\Delta b}{a} - e^2$

what is the relationship between  $J'_{\text{initial}}$  and  $J'_{\text{final}}$ ?

$J'$  is conserved,  $J'_{\text{init}} = J'_{\text{final}}$

$$\text{and } \Delta a = \frac{2}{3} \frac{a^2}{b} e^2$$

$$= \text{sgn}(b) \frac{2}{3} \left| \frac{a}{b} \right| e^2 a$$

since  $b > 0$  when particle orbits exterior to  $m_2$

and  $b < 0$  when  $p$  is interior to  $m_2$

what happens to  $\text{sgn}(a)$  of  $p$ 's in exterior orbits?  
interior

if the particle is one of many in the disk,  
what happens to the  $p$ 's eccentricity?

This is shepherding:  $m_2$  pumps up  $p$ 's  $e$   
while  $J$  conservation  
nudges  $\text{sgn}(a)$  away from  $m_2$ .

this is how Pan prevents ring particles  
from diffusing into the Encke gap,

and is how protoplanets open a gap  
about their orbit in the gas disk.

calculate the particle's synodic period = time until particle encounters  $m_2$  again

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{Gm_1}{a^3}} = m_2 \text{'s angular velocity about } m_1$$

$$n_p = \sqrt{\frac{Gm_1}{(a+b)^3}} = n \left(1 + \frac{b}{a}\right)^{-3/2} \approx n \left(1 - \frac{3b}{2a}\right)$$

$$\text{so } \Delta n = n - n_p = \frac{3b}{2a} n = \text{particle's angular speed relative to } m_2$$

$$\text{so } \Delta t = \left| \frac{2\pi}{\Delta n} \right| = \frac{4\pi}{3n} \left| \frac{a}{b} \right| = \text{particle's synodic period}$$

= time for particle to lap (or be lapped by)  $m_2$

so repeated encounters with  $m_2$

cause particle's  $sm$  to evolve away at the rate

$$\dot{a} = \frac{\Delta a}{\Delta t} = \text{sgn}(b) \frac{2}{3} \left| \frac{a}{b} \right| a \frac{64k^2 M_2^2}{81} \left( \frac{a}{b} \right)^4 \frac{3n}{4\pi} \left| \frac{b}{a} \right|$$

$$\dot{a} = \text{sgn}(b) \frac{32k^2 M_2^2}{81\pi} \left| \frac{a}{b} \right|^4 a n = \text{rate at which particle is shepherded away from } m_2$$

If the particle has mass  $m$ , then its total angular momentum is

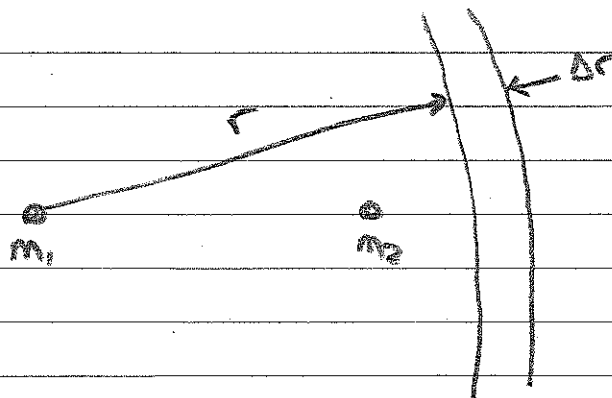
$$L = m h = m \sqrt{G M_1 a} \quad \text{assuming } e \ll 1$$

since  $a$  is evolving over time, the secondary is exerting a torque on the particle,

$$T = \frac{dL}{dt} = \frac{m}{2} \sqrt{\frac{G M_1}{a}} \dot{a} = \frac{1}{2} m n a \dot{a}$$

= shepherding torque  
on the particle

Now suppose there are many particles in similar orbits, with semimajor axes  $r = a + b$ , and they inhabit a narrow annulus in disk of radial width  $\Delta r$



If annulus has surface density  $\sigma = \frac{\Delta m}{\Delta A}$

where  $\Delta m$  = mass in annulus

$\Delta A = 2\pi r \Delta r$  = area of annulus

$$\text{then } \Delta T = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\Delta m}{r=a} 2\pi r a r \right) n a \dot{a}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta r} = \pi \sigma a^2 n \text{sgn}(b) \frac{32k^2 M_2^2}{81\pi} \left| \frac{a}{b} \right|^4 a n$$

$$b = r - a$$

also set  $\mu_0 = \frac{\pi \sigma a^2}{m_1}$  = so-called  
normalized  
disk mass ~ roughly the  
mass of the  
disk in  
units of  $m_1$ .

$$\text{so } \frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta r} = \text{sgn}(r-a) \frac{32k^2}{81} \left( \frac{a}{r-a} \right)^4 \mu_0 m_2^2 m_1 a n^2$$

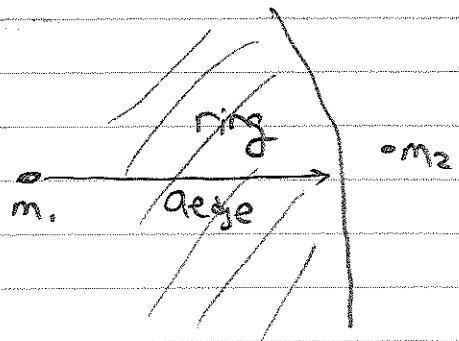
= radial torque density

Note that  $\frac{dT}{dr} dr$  = torque that  $m_2$  exerts  
on a narrow strip  
of disk matter

Suppose satellite orbits exterior to a  
planetary ring.

$$\text{then } T = \int_0^{a_{\text{edge}}} \frac{dT}{dr} dr$$

= total torque  
that  $m_2$  exerts  
on ring.



what is sign of  $T$ ?

does the ring exert torque on  $m_2$ ?

what is the sign of that torque?

how is  $m_2$ 's orbit going to respond?

use these results to answer

problems 4.14, 4.15 in Assignment #4

Assign #4

text problems 4.9, 4.10, 4.12, 4.14, 4.15

due Thurs Oct 24

Midterm Tues Oct 29

take-home exam, 2 or 3 hours

pickup exam in class (no lecture)

turn it in 2pm next day, location TBA