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Announcements: Hw2 due Sept 19

Test 1  $\rightarrow$  Sept 30. Dis 8, 12, 13

Term paper prospectus due Oct. 5

Last time

Solution for "shape" of orbit in  
Kepler problem  $r(\phi)$

Derived diff eq. for  $u = 1/r$

$$u'' = -u + \frac{\gamma\mu}{l^2}$$

$$u = \frac{\gamma\mu}{l^2} (1 + \epsilon \cos \phi)$$

$$r = \frac{c}{1 + \epsilon \cos \phi}$$

$$c = l^2 / \gamma\mu$$

$$\epsilon = Al^2 / \gamma\mu$$

= "eccentricity"

Bounded orbits  $E < 0$ ,  $\epsilon < 1$

$\epsilon = 1$  must be critical pt. since if  $\epsilon < 1$   
 $r$  never diverges  $\Rightarrow$  orbit bounded

$$-1 \leq \cos \phi \leq 1 \Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{c}{1+\epsilon}}_{r_{\min}} \leq r \leq \underbrace{\frac{c}{1-\epsilon}}_{r_{\max}}$$

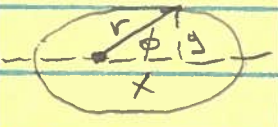
$$r = r_{\min}, \phi = 0$$

$$r = r_{\max}, \phi = \pi$$

"perihelion"  
"aphelion"



Q: is solution an ellipse?



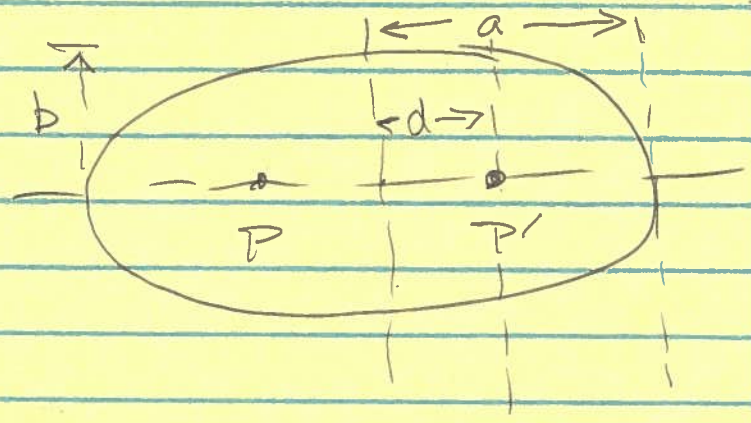
Cartesian coords  $\vec{r} = r(\phi) [\cos\phi, \sin\phi]$

$$x^2 = r^2 \cos^2 \phi = \frac{c^2 \cos^2 \phi}{(1 + \epsilon \cos \phi)^2}$$

$$y^2 = r^2 \sin^2 \phi = \frac{c^2 \sin^2 \phi}{(1 + \epsilon \cos \phi)^2}$$

NB:  $x^2 + y^2 = r^2 \neq \text{const}$  unless  $\epsilon = 0$  (circle)

Ellipse geometry



Check:

$$a = \frac{c}{1 - \epsilon^2} \quad b = \frac{c}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2}} \quad d = a\epsilon$$

Orbit  $\frac{(x+d)^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  Ellipse!

Energy  $E = \frac{1}{2} \mu \dot{r}^2 - \frac{\gamma}{r} + \frac{l^2}{2\mu r^2}$

Turning points  $r_{\min}, r_{\max}$   $\dot{r} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow E = -\frac{\gamma}{r_{\min}} + \frac{\gamma^2}{2\mu r_{\min}^2} \quad r_{\min} = \frac{c}{1 + \epsilon}$$

substitute

$$\Rightarrow E = \frac{\gamma^2 \mu}{l^2} \left( -(1+\epsilon) + \frac{(1+\epsilon)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\gamma^2 \mu}{2l^2} (\epsilon^2 - 1) < 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  E for bound orbit  $< 0$  depends only on  $l$   
 bigger  $l \Rightarrow$  smaller E (larger negatively!)

$\Rightarrow$  you can fix  $l$  or  $E$

but border between  $l_{unbound}$ ,  $l_{bound}$  not clear

Unbound orbits  $E \geq 0$

A

From expression for E, we see

$$E \rightarrow \frac{\gamma^2 \mu}{l^2} (\epsilon^2 - 1) \quad \text{at } r_{min}$$

$= 0$  when  $\epsilon = 1$  marginal case

However gen'l solution for  $E < 0$  doesn't work:  
 e.g.  $a = \frac{c}{1-\epsilon^2} \rightarrow \infty$

Go back to  $r = \frac{c}{1 + \epsilon \cos \phi}$

If  $\epsilon = 1$ ,  $r(\phi = \pi) \rightarrow \infty$  unbound



Solution for orbit is (tedious)

$$y^2 = c^2 - 2cx \quad \text{parabola}$$

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$E > 0$ , 1 turning point,  $\epsilon > 1$

$$\frac{(x-\delta)^2}{\alpha^2} - \frac{y^2}{\beta^2} = 1 \quad \text{hyperbola}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{c}{\epsilon^2 - 1} \quad \beta = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon^2 - 1}} \quad \delta = \epsilon \alpha$$

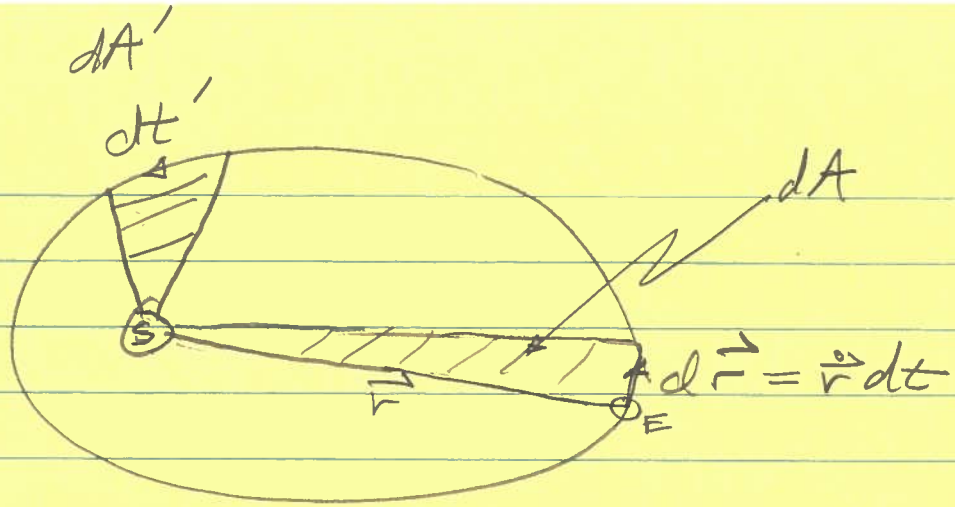
Summary: orbits are conic sections!

$\epsilon = 0$	$E < 0$	circle
$0 < \epsilon < 1$	$E < 0$	ellipse
$\epsilon = 1$	$E = 0$	parabola
$\epsilon > 1$	$E > 0$	hyperbola

★ Voila: Newton's soln to Kepler's problem, K's 1st law is special case

Q 2nd + 3rd laws?

2nd law



$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{r}} dt}{dt} = \frac{l}{2\mu} = \text{const!}$$

3rd law

Since  $\dot{A} = \text{const}$ , we may say

$$T = \text{period} = \frac{A}{\dot{A}} = \frac{2\mu}{l} (\pi ab)$$

Recall

$$a = \frac{c}{1-\epsilon^2}$$

$$b = \frac{c}{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}$$

$$c = \frac{l^2}{\gamma\mu}$$

$$= \frac{2\mu c^2 \pi}{l(1-\epsilon^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 \mu}{l^2} c \left( \frac{c}{1-\epsilon^2} \right)^3 = \left( \frac{4\pi^2 \mu}{\gamma} \right) a^3$$

const,

$$T^2 \propto a^3 \quad \nabla$$

not just for  $\epsilon=0$ !

Note "const." is not quite constant

$$\frac{\mu}{\gamma} = \frac{m_1 m_2 / m_1 + m_2}{G m_1 m_2} \sim \frac{1}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{1}{M_S + m_{\text{planet}}}$$

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$\Rightarrow T^2/a^3$  is a little different for each planet  $\nabla$