

ANALYTICAL MECHANICS 1

Lecture 19

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Orbital Parameters from the Conditions at Closest Approach

$$e = \frac{mh^2}{kr_0} - 1 \quad h = r^2\dot{\theta} \xrightarrow{r=r_0} h = r_0^2\dot{\theta}_0 = r_0v_0$$

$$e = \frac{mr_0v_0^2}{k} - 1 \quad \text{if } e = 0 \rightarrow k = mr_0v_0^2$$

$$\frac{k}{r_0^2} = \frac{mv_0^2}{r_0} \rightarrow \frac{k}{mr_0} = v_c^2 \quad \text{if } v_0 = v_c \rightarrow \text{cir. orb.}$$

$$e = \frac{mr_0v_0^2}{k} - 1$$

$$\text{for } v_0 \geq v_c \quad e = (v_0/v_c)^2 - 1$$

$$r = r_0 \frac{1+e}{1+e \cos \theta} \quad \text{Equation of the orbit}$$

$$r = r_0 \frac{(v_0/v_c)^2}{1+[(v_0/v_c)^2 - 1] \cos \theta}$$

$$\text{if } \theta = \pi \rightarrow r_1 = r_0 \frac{(v_0/v_c)^2}{2 - (v_0/v_c)^2}$$

$$\text{if } \theta = 0 \rightarrow r_1 = r_0$$

Example 6:

$$a) k = GM_e m \quad v_c^2 = \frac{k}{mr_o} = \frac{GM_e}{r_o}$$

$$mg = GM_e m / R_e^2 \quad GM_e = gR_e^2$$

$$v_c = \left(\frac{gR_e^2}{r_o} \right)^{1/2} \quad r_o \simeq R_e$$

$$v_c = (gR_e)^{1/2} = (9.8ms^{-2} \times 6.4 \times 10^6 m)^{1/2} \simeq 8 km/s$$

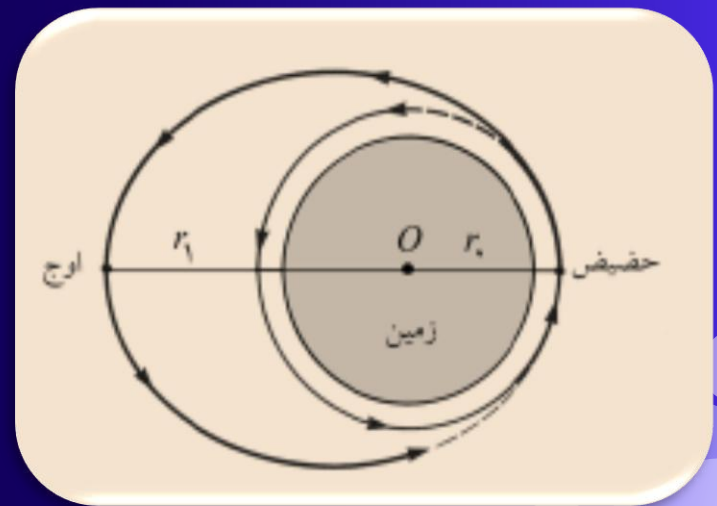
$$b) v_o = 1.15v_c \quad r = r_o \frac{(v_o/v_c)^2}{1 + [(v_o/v_c)^2 - 1] \cos \theta}$$

$$r = r_0 \frac{(1.15)^2}{1 + [(1.15)^2 - 1] \cos \theta} = r_0 \frac{1.3225}{1 + 0.3225 \cos \theta}$$

$$r_1 = r_0 \frac{(v_0 / v_c)^2}{2 - (v_0 / v_c)^2} \quad \text{if } v_c = v_0 \rightarrow r_1 = r_0$$

$$r_1 = r_0 \frac{(1.15)^2}{2 - (1.15)^2}$$

$$= r_0 \frac{1.3225}{2 - 1.3225} = 1.95 r_0$$



Orbital Energies in the Inverse-square Field

$$f(r) = -\frac{k}{r^2} \quad V(r) = -\frac{k}{r} = -ku$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mh^2 \left[\left(\frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 + u^2 \right] + V(u^{-1}) = E$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mh^2 \left[\left(\frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 + u^2 \right] - ku = E$$

$$\left(\frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 = \frac{E + ku}{\frac{1}{2}mh^2} - u^2$$

$$\frac{du}{d\theta} = \left(\frac{2E + 2ku}{mh^2} - u^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\int \frac{du}{\left(\frac{2E}{mh^2} + \frac{2ku}{mh^2} - u^2 \right)^{1/2}} = \int d\theta$$

$$\int \frac{du}{(a^2 - u^2)^{1/2}} = \sin^{-1} \frac{u}{a}$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left[\frac{mh^2u - k}{(k^2 + 2Emh^2)^{1/2}} \right] + \theta_0$$

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$$\theta_0 = -\pi/2 \quad \sin(\theta - \theta_0) = \sin(\theta + \pi/2) = \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{mh^2u - k}{(k^2 + 2Emh^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$u = \frac{1 + (1 + 2Emh^2k^{-2})^{1/2} \cos \theta}{mh^2 / k}$$

$$r = \frac{mh^2k^{-1}}{1 + (1 + 2Emh^2k^{-2})^{1/2} \cos \theta} \xrightarrow{\text{compare}} r = r_0 \frac{1 + e}{1 + e \cos \theta}$$

$$e = (1 + 2Emh^2k^{-2})^{1/2}$$

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$E < 0$ $e < 1$ *closed orbits (ellipse or circle)*

$E = 0$ $e = 1$ *parabolic orbit*

$E > 0$ $e > 1$ *hyperbolic orbit*

$$E = T + V$$

$T < |V| \rightarrow E < 0 \rightarrow$ *closed orbits*

$T \geq |V| \rightarrow E \geq 0 \rightarrow$ *open orbits*

$$k = GMm$$

$$E = T + V$$

$$\frac{mv^2}{2} - \frac{GMm}{r} = E = \text{const} \cdot$$

$$\text{if } v^2 < \frac{2GM}{r} \rightarrow E < 0 \rightarrow \text{ellipse}$$

$$\text{if } v^2 = \frac{2GM}{r} \rightarrow E = 0 \rightarrow \text{parabola}$$

$$\text{if } v^2 > \frac{2GM}{r} \rightarrow E > 0 \rightarrow \text{hyperbola}$$

example 7:

$$e = (1 + 2Emh^2k^{-2})^{1/2}$$

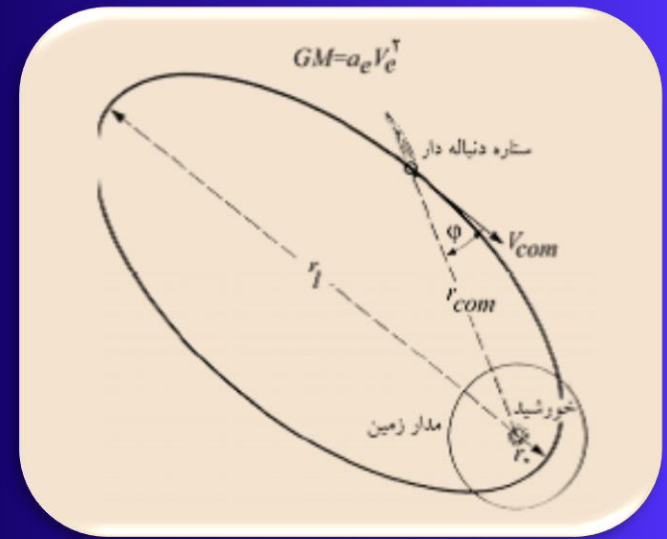
$$k = GMm \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{GMm}{r} = E$$

$$h^2 = |\vec{r} \times \vec{v}|^2 = (r_{com} v_{com} \sin \varphi)^2$$

$$e = \left[1 + \left(v_{com}^2 - \frac{2GM}{r_{com}} \right) \left(\frac{r_{com} v_{com} \sin \varphi}{GM} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$GM = a_e v_e^2$$

$$e = \left[1 + \left(V^2 - \frac{2}{R} \right) (RV \sin \varphi)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$



$$V = \frac{v_{com}}{v_e} \quad R = \frac{r_{com}}{a_e}$$

$$\text{if } v_{com} = \frac{1}{2}v_e \quad r_{com} = 4r \quad \varphi = 30^\circ$$

$$V = 0.5 \quad R = 4$$

$$e = \left[1 + \left(V^2 - \frac{2}{R} \right) (RV \sin \varphi)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$e = \left[1 + (0.25 - 0.5)(4 \times 0.5 \times 0.5)^2 \right]^{1/2} = (0.75)^{1/2} = 0.866$$