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e = eccentricity of the ellipse

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 $R_a = a(1+e)$ $R_p = a(1-e)$

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a = semi-major axis of ellipse

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The crossing time and virial equilibrium

- ► The system "quickly" reaches a "steady state"
- The steady state is in "virial equilbrium", when the virial equation is approximately satisfied:

$$2T + V = 0$$

where

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i \mathbf{v}_i^2 \quad \text{(Kinetic Energy)}$$
$$V = -\frac{G}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1,\neq i}^{N} \frac{m_j m_i}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} \quad \text{(Potential Energy)}$$

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 $\Delta t \ll t_{cr}$ comprable to $\Delta t \ll P$

Significance of the crossing time

- Time scale of cold collapse
- Time scale of approach to virial equilibrium
- Time scale of orbital motions in virial equilibrium

For hydrodynamical simulations where particles interact with gas properties (heating for example) and gravity the condition is something like: $\Delta t \ll t_{cr}$ with $t_{cr} \sim R/c_s$

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# force/mass for particle mi
def calcAcc(mj, ri, rj):
   mag_r = np.sqrt((ri-rj).dot(ri-rj))
   return -G*mj*(ri - rj)/mag_r**3.0
# energy
def calcE(mi, mj, ri, rj, vi, vj):
   \# energy = 1/2*m1*v1**2 + 1/2*m2*v2**2 - G*m1*m2/|r1 - r2|
# angular momentum
def calcL(mi, mj, ri, rj, vi, vj):
   # ang. mom. = m1*r1 X v1 + m2*r2 X v2
# initial x/y/z coords of masses and their velocities...
r_eu = [np.array([ [0., 0., 0.], [rp, 0., 0.] ])]
v_eu = [np.array([ [0., 0., 0.], [0., vp, 0.] ])]
n_eu = 10000 # number of steps over which to do our calculation
dt = 1e6 # seconds per step
# time array for Euler integration
t_eu = np.linspace(0, dt*n_eu, n_eu)
# energy array
e_eu =
# angular momentum array
l_eu = 📋
# loop and calculate
for n in range(1,n_eu):
   \# v1_new = (acceleration from mass 2)*dt + v1_old
   \# v2_new = (acceleration from mass 1)*dt + v2_old
   # r1_new = 1/2*(acceleration from mass 2)*dt*dt + v1_old*dt + r1_old
   # r2_new = 1/2*(acceleration from mass 1)*dt*dt + v2_old*dt + r2_old
   # v_eu.append( np.array( [v1_new, v2_new] ) )
   # r_eu.append( np.array( [r1_new, r2_new] ) )
   #e_eu.append( calcE(m1, m2, r1, r2, v1, v2) )# note, this is 1 step behind
   #l_eu.append( calcL(m1, m2, r1, r2, v1, v2) )# note, this is 1 step behind
# for plotting, just get x/y coords for m2, we assume
# m1 is fixed at (0,0,0)
x_eu = 🗌
y_eu = 🗌
for n in range(0, n_eu):
   x_eu.append( (r_eu[n][1,0] - r_eu[n][0,0])/AUinCM )
   y_eu.append( (r_eu[n][1,1] - r_eu[n][0,1])/AUinCM )
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# plot x/y coords
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, figsize = (10, 10))
fig.suptitle('Coordinates Plot')
ax.plot(x_an, y_an, linewidth=5)
ax.plot(x_eu, y_eu, linewidth=3)
ax.plot(0.0, 0.0, 'kx')
ax.set_xlabel('x in AU')
ax.set_ylabel('y in AU')
#ax.set_xlim(-3, 3)
#ax.set_ylim(-3, 3)
fig_E, ax_e = plt.subplots(1, figsize = (10, 10))
fig_E.suptitle('Energy Plot')
# E calc is 1 step behind so [1:]
ax_e.plot(t_eu[1:], np.repeat(e_an/e_eu[0], len(t_eu[1:])), linewidth=5)
ax_e.plot(t_eu[1:], e_eu/e_eu[0], linewidth=3)
ax_e.set_xlabel('Time in sec')
ax_e.set_ylabel('Energy(t)/Energy(t=0)')
fig_L, ax_l = plt.subplots(1, figsize = (10, 10))
fig_L.suptitle('Angular Momentum Plot')
# L calc is 1 step behind so [1:]
ax_l.plot(t_eu[1:], np.repeat(l_an/l_eu[0], len(t_eu[1:])), linewidth=5)
ax_l.plot(t_eu[1:], l_eu/l_eu[0], linewidth=3)
ax_l.set_xlabel('Time in sec')
ax_l.set_ylabel('Angular Momentum(t)/Angular Momentum(t=0)')
plt.show()
```