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Exercise sheet 5 (Due: Mo., 10.12.2018, 16h)

Aufgabe 1 (8P + 2P + 2P)

In **Sheet02, Exercise 3** we solved the two-body system, consisting of the earth and an artificial satellite. Now, with far more capable numerical solvers, we can finally solve a much more realistic N-Body system, such as our own solar system. Analogous to **Sheet02, Exercise 3**, the force between two bodies $body_i$ and $body_j$ is defined as:

$$F_{ij} = Gm_i m_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i}{\|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i\|^3} \quad (1)$$

where G is the gravitational constant, \mathbf{r}_i is defined as the location of $body_i$ and $\|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i\|$ is the magnitude of the distance between \mathbf{r}_i and \mathbf{r}_j . The system of ODEs that describes the behavior of n bodies in space is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}_1}{dt^2} &= \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq 1}}^n Gm_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_1}{\|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_1\|^3} \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}_i}{dt^2} &= \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n Gm_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i}{\|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i\|^3} \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}_n}{dt^2} &= \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq n}}^n Gm_j \frac{\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_n}{\|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_n\|^3} \end{aligned}$$

Our simulation will start at 01.12.2018 and ends exactly 31558149 seconds later which is the duration of one earth orbit. The following bodies shall be simulated:

1. Sun
2. Mercury
3. Venus
4. Earth
5. Moon (Luna)
6. Mars
7. Jupiter
8. Saturn
9. Uranus
10. Neptune
11. 1P/Halley
12. Eros
13. 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko

To acquire the initial values (mass, \mathbf{r} and \mathbf{v}), visit the NASA HORIZONS webpage (<http://ssd.jpl.nasa.gov/horizons.cgi>). To get data in the required format, the default settings have to be changed:

Current Settings

Ephemeris Type [\[change\]](#) : **VECTORS**
Target Body [\[change\]](#) : **Mars** [499]
Coordinate Origin [\[change\]](#) : **Solar System Barycenter (SSB)** [500@0]
Time Span [\[change\]](#) : Start=**2018-12-01**, Stop=**2019-11-30**, Step=**1 d**
Table Settings [\[change\]](#) : quantities code=**2**; output units=**KM-S**; labels=**NO**
Display/Output [\[change\]](#) : **default** (formatted HTML)

Necessary changes in table settings:

Table Settings

Select vector table output

Type 2 (state vector {x,y,z,vx,vy,vz})

Optional vector-table settings:

output units :	km & km/s -- units to use for distance and velocity
reference plane :	ecliptic and mean equinox of reference epoch -- reference X-Y plane for vectors
reference system :	ICRF/J2000.0 -- reference frame for vector coordinates
aberrations :	Geometric states (no aberration; instantaneous ephemeris states) -- aberration correction
labels :	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> -- enable labeling of each vector component
delta-T (TDB-UT) :	<input type="checkbox"/> -- output time-varying difference between TDB and UT time-scales
CSV format :	<input type="checkbox"/> -- output vector components in Comma-Separated-Variables (CSV) format
object page :	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> -- include object information/data page on output

Use Settings Above Default Optional Settings Cancel

The settings are listed below:

Ephemeris:

- Ephemeris Type: Vector

Coordinate Origin:

- Coordinate Origin: Solar System Barycenter (SSB) [500@0]

Time Span:

- Time Span: 2018-12-01 to 2019-11-30, 00:00
Format: (yyyy-mm-dd, HH-MM)

Table Settings:

- Output Units: km & km/s
- Quantities Code: 2 (state vector {x,y,z,vx,vy,vz})

After adjusting the settings, click “Generate Ephemeris”. The result is shown as html output, which will look like this:

Results

```
*****
Ephemeris / WWW_USER Wed Nov 28 10:36:58 2018 Pasadena, USA / Horizons
*****
Target body name: Sun (10) {source: DE431mx}
Center body name: Solar System Barycenter (0) {source: DE431mx}
Center-site name: BODY CENTER
*****
Start time : A.D. 2018-Dec-01 00:00:00.0000 TDB
Stop time : A.D. 2019-Nov-30 00:00:00.0000 TDB
Step-size : 1440 minutes
*****
Center geodetic : 0.00000000,0.00000000,0.00000000 {E-lon(deg),Lat(deg),Alt(km)}
Center cylindric : 0.00000000,0.00000000,0.00000000 {E-lon(deg),Dxy(km),Dz(km)}
Center radii : (undefined)
Output units : KM-S
Output type : GEOMETRIC cartesian states
Output format : 2 (position and velocity)
Reference frame : ICRF/J2000.0
Coordinate systm: Ecliptic and Mean Equinox of Reference Epoch
*****
JD TDB
 X Y Z
VX VY VZ
*****
$$SOE
2458453.500000000 = A.D. 2018-Dec-01 00:00:00.0000 TDB
X =-7.697595619083715E+04 Y = 1.101604469399394E+06 Z =-9.498528508639545E+03
VX=-1.336041555364204E-02 VY= 3.829635187066665E-03 VZ= 3.360187927427952E-04
2458454.500000000 = A.D. 2018-Dec-02 00:00:00.0000 TDB
X =-7.813057529188611E+04 Y = 1.101934836389468E+06 Z =-9.469481425182021E+03
VX=-1.336690700834025E-02 VY= 3.817747143317579E-03 VZ= 3.363693395897519E-04
2458455.500000000 = A.D. 2018-Dec-03 00:00:00.0000 TDB
```

The object properties, such as mass, can be found in the “Object Data Page”:

Object Data Page

```
Revised: July 31, 2013 Sun 10
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES (updated 2018-Aug-15):
GM, km^3/s^2 = 132712440041.93938 Mass, 10^24 kg = -1988500
Vol. mean radius, km = 695700 Volume, 10^12 km^3 = 1412000
Solar radius (IAU) = 696000 km Mean density, g/cm^3 = 1.408
Radius (photosphere) = 696500 km Angular diam at 1 AU = 1919.3"
Photosphere temp., K = 6600 (bottom) Photosphere temp., K = 4400 (top)
Chromospheric depth = ~500 km Chromospheric depth = ~2500 km
Flatness, f = 0.00005 Adopted sid. rot. per.= 25.38 d
Surface gravity = 274.0 m/s^2 Escape speed, km/s = 617.7
Pole (RA,DEC), deg. = (286.13, 63.87) Obliquity to ecliptic = 7.25 deg.
Solar constant (1 AU) = 1367.6 W/m^2 Luminosity, 10^24 J/s = 382.8
Mass-energy conv rate = 4.260 x 10^9 kg/s Effective temp, K = 5772
Sunspot cycle = 11.4 yr Cycle 24 sunspot min. = 2008 A.D.

Motion relative to nearby stars = apex : R.A.= 271 deg.; DEC.= +30 deg.
speed: 19.4 km/s (0.0112 au/day)
Motion relative to 2.73K BB/CBR = apex : l= 264.7 +/- 0.8; b= 48.2 +/- 0.5 deg.
speed: 369 +/-11 km/s
```

Hints:

- To allow an intuitive interpretation of the results, a Java program called VRL-Solar-System-Viewer has been published on the webpage. It allows the visualization of your simulated solar system. The program

requires a recent Java installation (Version $> 1.8.70$). To start the program, either double-click on the .jar-file or run the program via `java -jar VRL-Solar-System-Viewer.jar`. The source code is also available on GitHub.

- Stick to the order of the planetary objects as specified above. Otherwise, results cannot be interpreted by the `VRL-Solar-System-Viewer`. Use the time slider at the bottom of the program window to visualize planetary movements.

Tasks/Questions:

- (a) Setup the right-hand side for the N-Body system with the 13 bodies listed above and simulate the time interval $[t_0 = 0, t_n = 3.1558149E7 \text{ sec}]$ with $TOL = 1e-4$, $h_{min} = 0.01$ and $h_{max} = 1e6$. Use the “VectorTrajectoryToFile” component to save your results as text file. To visualize your results, use the `VRL-Solar-System-Viewer.jar`. Compare the location of the earth at t_0 and t_n . Since the specified time-span is exactly one earth orbit, this is a good estimation for the global error of your simulation.
- (b) Change the simulation interval to $[t_0 = 0, t_n = 1 \text{ year}]$ and compare your results with the numbers published by NASA. Specify the global error.
- (c) Simulate the time intervals $[t_0 = 0, t_n = 10 \text{ years}]$ and $[t_0 = 0, t_n = 100 \text{ years}]$. Please note that on older machines the computation can take a while. It is advised to filter the solution trajectory, e.g., only add every n -th value to the solution. For the last interval, it is allowed to increase the TOL value to $1e-2$ if your computer is too slow. If you do so, specify the TOL value that has been used for the computation.

Aufgabe 2 (3 Points)

Design and simulate your own solar system with at least 3 bodies.

Remark: Send your implemented source code as VRL-Studio project (.vrlp file) and the answers to the questions as plain text in an email. Append the pdfs produced with the TrajectoryPlotter to the email.

Send your solution to `practical.sim1@gcsc.uni-frankfurt.de` until Monday, 10.12.2018, 16h.