

*Selected Problems in Dynamics:
Stability of a Spinning Body
-and-
Derivation of the Lagrange Points*

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Outline

- ❖ Stability of a Spinning Body
- ❖ Derivation of the Lagrange Points

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Stability of a Spinning Body

❖ Euler's Second Law:

$$M = \frac{d}{dt}(I\omega)$$

Moments of Torque \nearrow M \nwarrow Angular Velocity
Inertia Matrix \nearrow I \nwarrow ω

(good for an inertial coordinate system)

Problem: Inertia matrix “ I ” of a rotating body changes in an inertial coordinate system

Euler's Second Law (2)

- ❖ In a body-fixed coordinate system:

$$M = \frac{d}{dt} (I\omega)_{body} + \omega \times (I\omega)$$

Moments of Torque \rightarrow M

Inertia Matrix \rightarrow I

Angular Velocity \rightarrow ω

- ❖ Inertia Matrix:

- ◆ Describes distribution of mass on the body

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{xy} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{xz} & I_{yz} & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

Euler's Second Law (3)

❖ Planes of Symmetry:

◆ x-y plane: $I_{xz} = I_{yz} = 0$

◆ x-z plane: $I_{xy} = I_{yz} = 0$

◆ y-z plane: $I_{xz} = I_{xz} = 0$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

❖ For a freely-spinning body:

$$M = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (I\omega)_{body} + \omega \times (I\omega) = 0$$

Euler's Second Law (4)

- ❖ Rigid body: $\frac{d}{dt}(I\omega)_{body} + \omega \times (I\omega) = 0$
- ◆ “ I ” matrix is constant in body coordinates

$$I \frac{d\omega}{dt} + \omega \times (I\omega) = 0$$

- ❖ Do the matrix multiplication:

$$I\omega = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx}\omega_x \\ I_{yy}\omega_y \\ I_{zz}\omega_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Euler's Second Law (5)

❖ Do the cross product:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} \times (I\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx}\omega_x \\ I_{yy}\omega_y \\ I_{zz}\omega_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_y I_{zz}\omega_z - \omega_z I_{yy}\omega_y \\ \omega_z I_{xx}\omega_x - \omega_x I_{zz}\omega_z \\ \omega_x I_{yy}\omega_y - \omega_y I_{xx}\omega_x \end{bmatrix}$$

❖ Result:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \omega_y I_{zz}\omega_z - \omega_z I_{yy}\omega_y \\ \omega_z I_{xx}\omega_x - \omega_x I_{zz}\omega_z \\ \omega_x I_{yy}\omega_y - \omega_y I_{xx}\omega_x \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Euler's Second Law (6)

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \omega_y I_{zz} \omega_z - \omega_z I_{yy} \omega_y \\ \omega_z I_{xx} \omega_x - \omega_x I_{zz} \omega_z \\ \omega_x I_{yy} \omega_y - \omega_y I_{xx} \omega_x \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

❖ As scalar equations:

$$I_{xx} \frac{d\omega_x}{dt} + (I_{zz} - I_{yy}) \omega_y \omega_z = 0$$

$$I_{yy} \frac{d\omega_y}{dt} + (I_{xx} - I_{zz}) \omega_z \omega_x = 0$$

$$I_{zz} \frac{d\omega_z}{dt} + (I_{yy} - I_{xx}) \omega_x \omega_y = 0$$



Small Perturbations:

❖ Assume a primary rotation about one axis:

◆ Remaining angular velocities are small

$$\omega_x = \Omega + \omega'_x$$

$$\omega_y = \omega'_y$$

$$\omega_z = \omega'_z$$

$$|\omega'_x|, |\omega'_y|, |\omega'_z| \ll \Omega$$

Small Perturbations (2)

❖ Equations:

$$I_{xx} \frac{d\omega'_x}{dt} + (I_{zz} - I_{yy})\omega'_y \omega'_z = 0$$

$$I_{yy} \frac{d\omega'_y}{dt} + (I_{xx} - I_{zz})\omega'_z (\Omega + \omega'_x) = 0$$

$$I_{zz} \frac{d\omega'_z}{dt} + (I_{yy} - I_{xx})(\Omega + \omega'_x)\omega'_y = 0$$

Small Perturbations (3)

❖ Linearize:

- ◆ Neglect products of small quantities

$$I_{xx} \frac{d\omega'_x}{dt} = 0$$

$$I_{yy} \frac{d\omega'_y}{dt} + \Omega(I_{xx} - I_{zz})\omega'_z = 0$$

$$I_{zz} \frac{d\omega'_z}{dt} + \Omega(I_{yy} - I_{xx})\omega'_y = 0$$

Small Perturbations (4)

❖ Combine the last two equations:

$$I_{yy} \frac{d\omega'_y}{dt} + \Omega(I_{xx} - I_{zz})\omega'_z = 0$$

$$I_{zz} \frac{d\omega'_z}{dt} + \Omega(I_{yy} - I_{xx})\omega'_y = 0$$

switched

$$\frac{d\omega'_y}{dt} = -\Omega \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})}{I_{yy}} \omega'_z$$

$$\frac{d\omega'_z}{dt} = \Omega \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{zz}} \omega'_y$$

Small Perturbations (4)

❖ Combine the last two equations:

$$I_{yy} \frac{d\omega'_y}{dt} + \Omega(I_{xx} - I_{zz})\omega'_z = 0$$

$$I_{zz} \frac{d\omega'_z}{dt} + \Omega(I_{yy} - I_{xx})\omega'_y = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2\omega'_y}{dt^2} = -\Omega \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})}{I_{yy}} \frac{d\omega'_z}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d^2\omega'_z}{dt^2} = \Omega \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{zz}} \frac{d\omega'_y}{dt}$$

Small Perturbations (4)

❖ Combine the last two equations:

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$$I_{zz} \frac{d\omega'_z}{dt} + \Omega(I_{yy} - I_{xx})\omega'_y = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2\omega'_y}{dt^2} + \Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy}I_{zz}} \omega'_y = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2\omega'_z}{dt^2} + \Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy}I_{zz}} \omega'_z = 0$$

Small Perturbations (5)

$$\frac{d^2 \omega'_y}{dt^2} + \Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy} I_{zz}} \omega'_y = 0$$
$$\frac{d^2 \omega'_z}{dt^2} + \Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy} I_{zz}} \omega'_z = 0$$

❖ Case 1: $I_{xx} > I_{yy}, I_{zz}$ or $I_{xx} < I_{yy}, I_{zz}$:

$$\Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy} I_{zz}} > 0$$

- ◆ Sinusoidal solutions for ω'_y, ω'_z
- ◆ Rotation is stable

Small Perturbations (6)

$$\frac{d^2 \omega'_y}{dt^2} + \Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy} I_{zz}} \omega'_y = 0$$
$$\frac{d^2 \omega'_z}{dt^2} + \Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy} I_{zz}} \omega'_z = 0$$

❖ Case 2: $I_{zz} > I_{xx} > I_{yy}$ or $I_{zz} < I_{xx} < I_{yy}$:

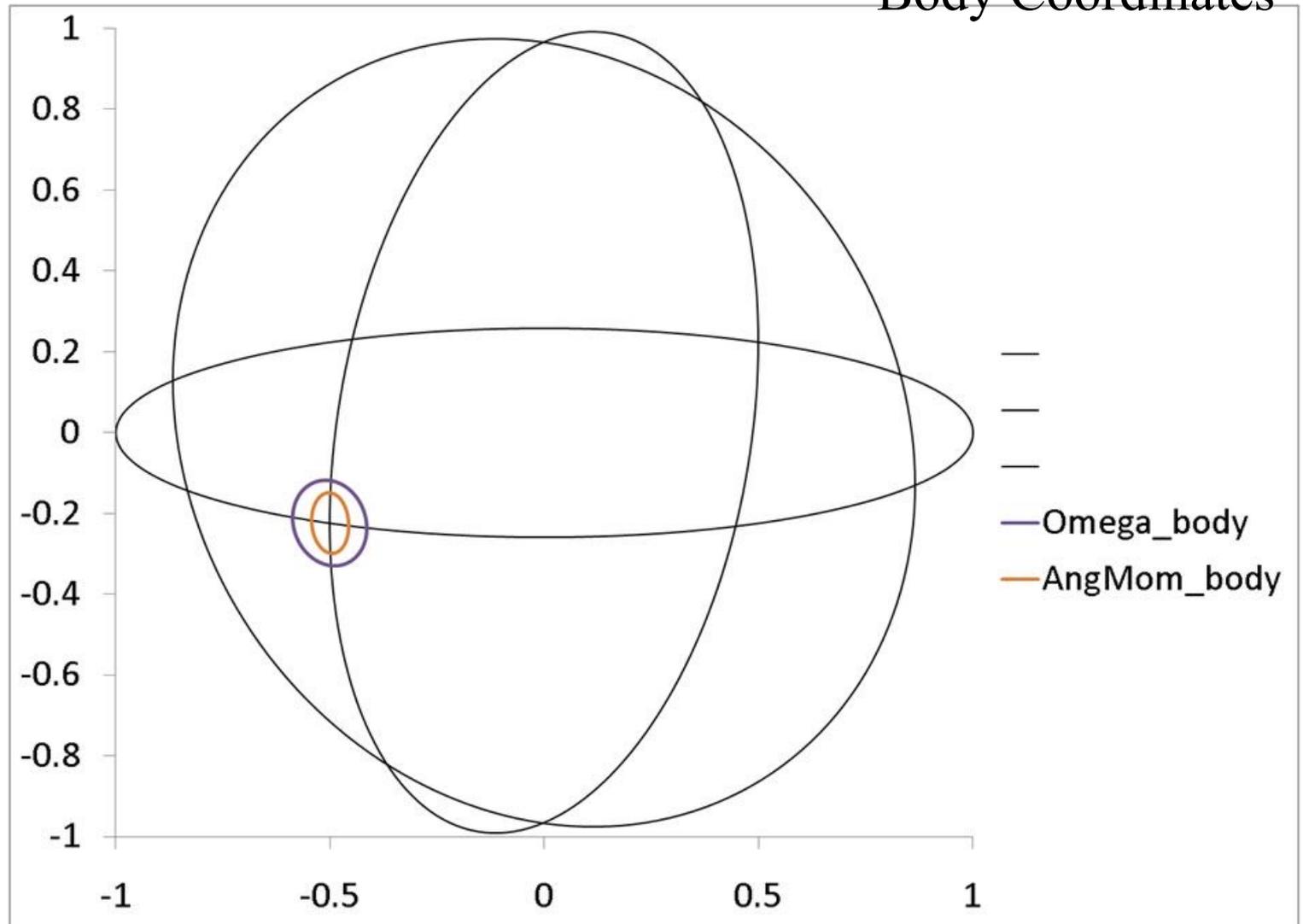
$$\Omega^2 \frac{(I_{xx} - I_{zz})(I_{xx} - I_{yy})}{I_{yy} I_{zz}} < 0$$

- ◆ Hyperbolic solutions for ω'_y, ω'_z
- ◆ Rotation is unstable

Numerical Solution

$$I_{xx} = 1.0$$
$$I_{yy} = 0.5$$
$$I_{zz} = 0.7$$

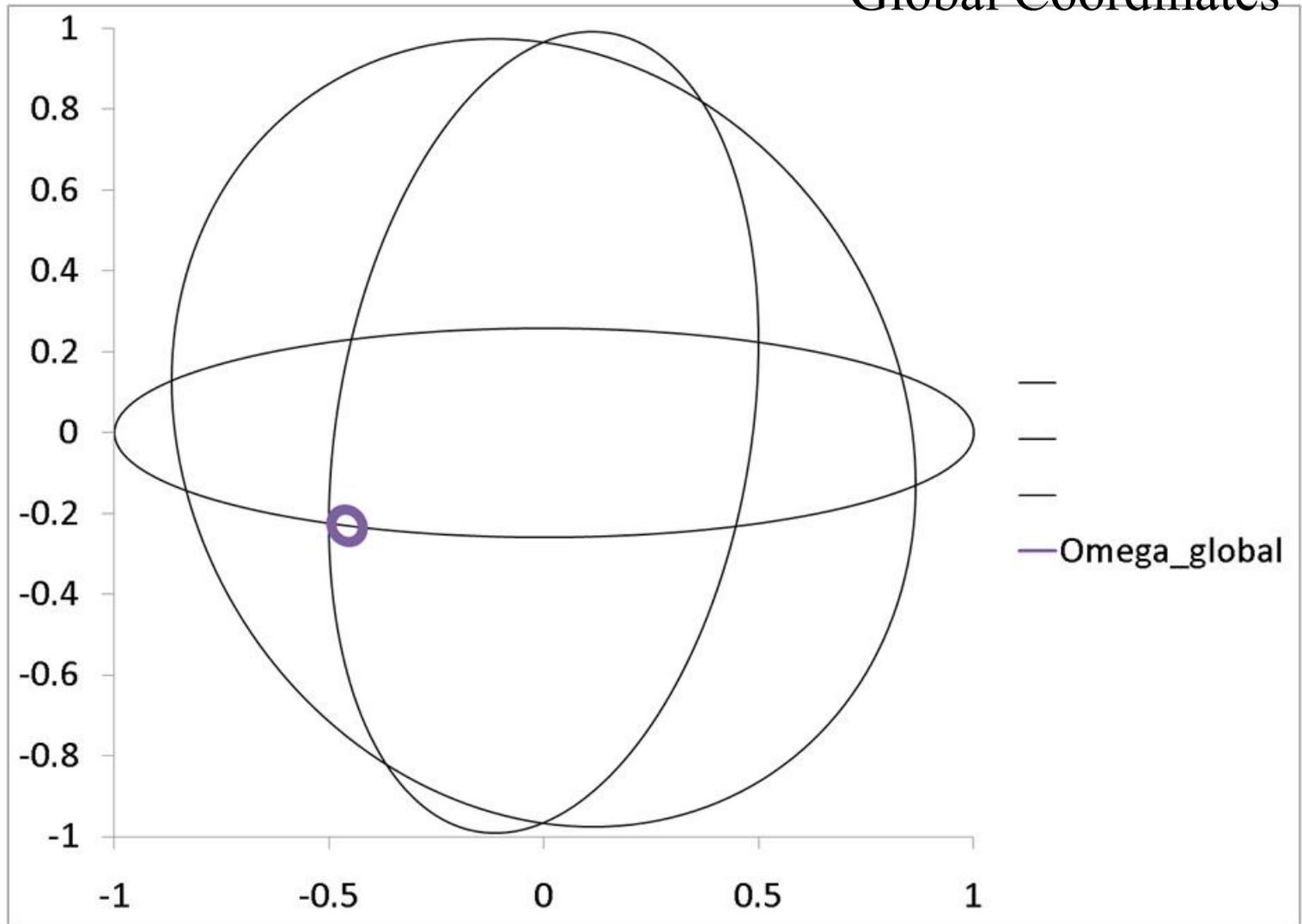
Body Coordinates



Numerical Solution (2)

Global Coordinates

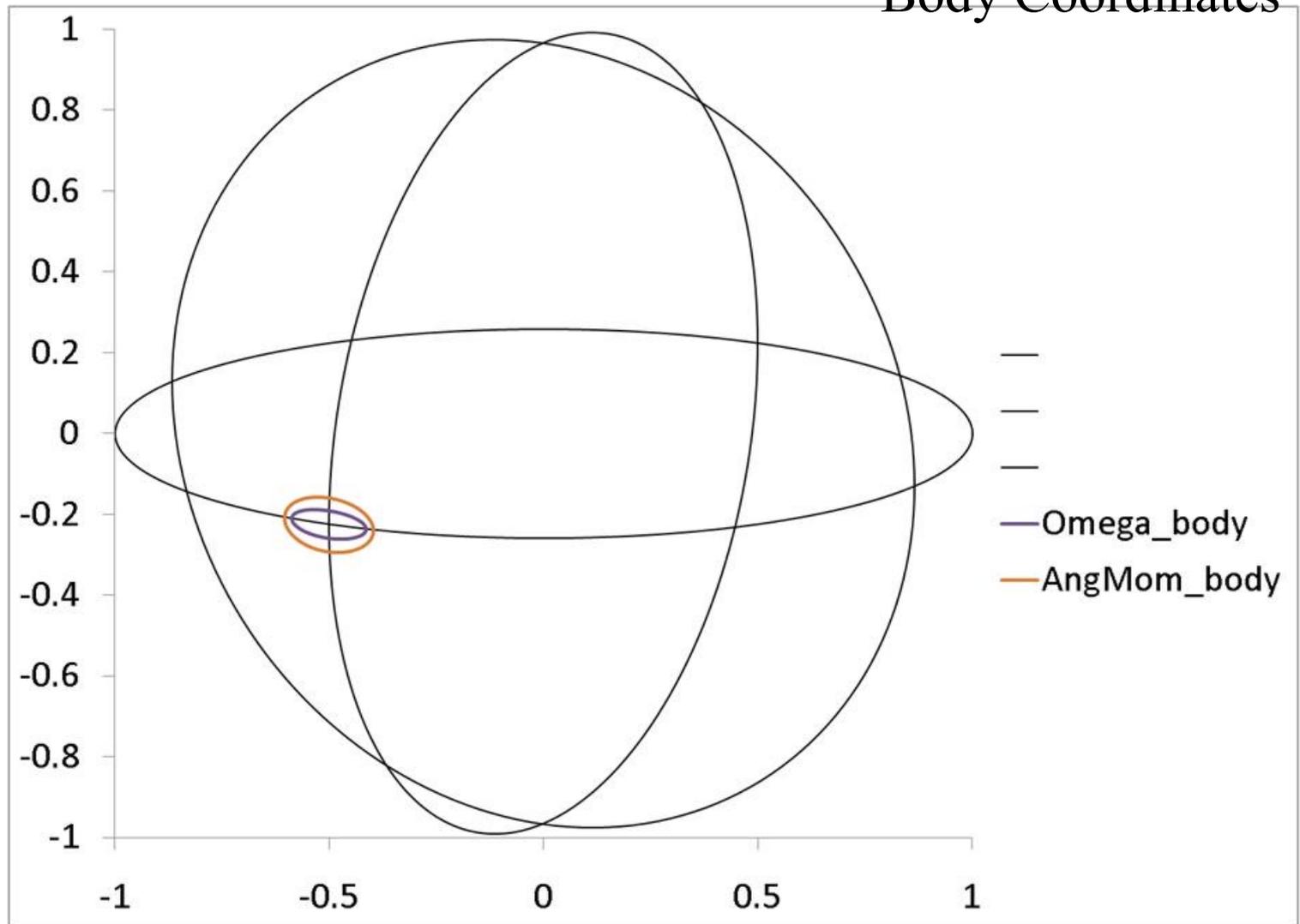
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Numerical Solution (3)

Body Coordinates

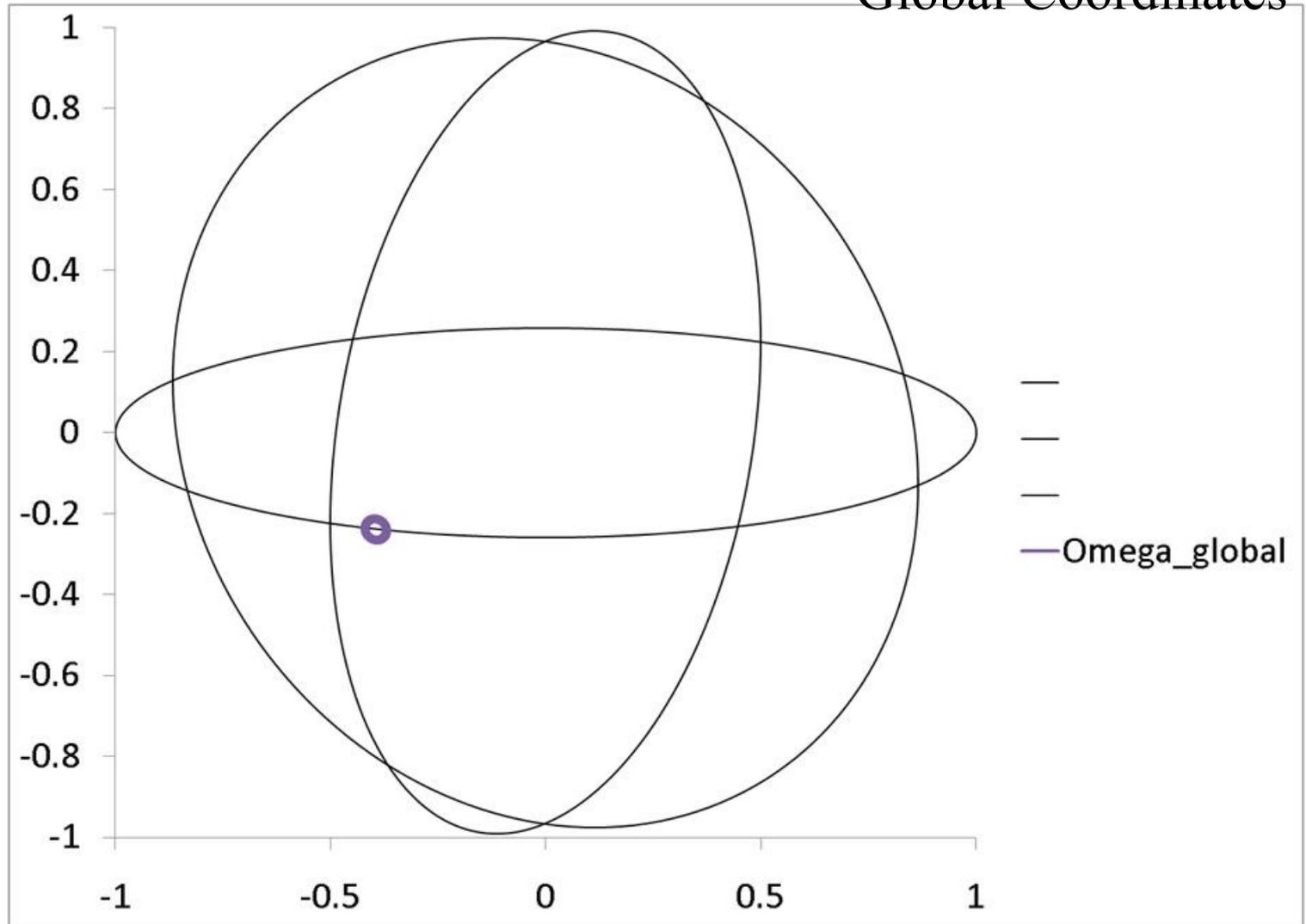
$$I_{xx} = 1.0$$
$$I_{yy} = 1.2$$
$$I_{zz} = 2.0$$



Numerical Solution (4)

Global Coordinates

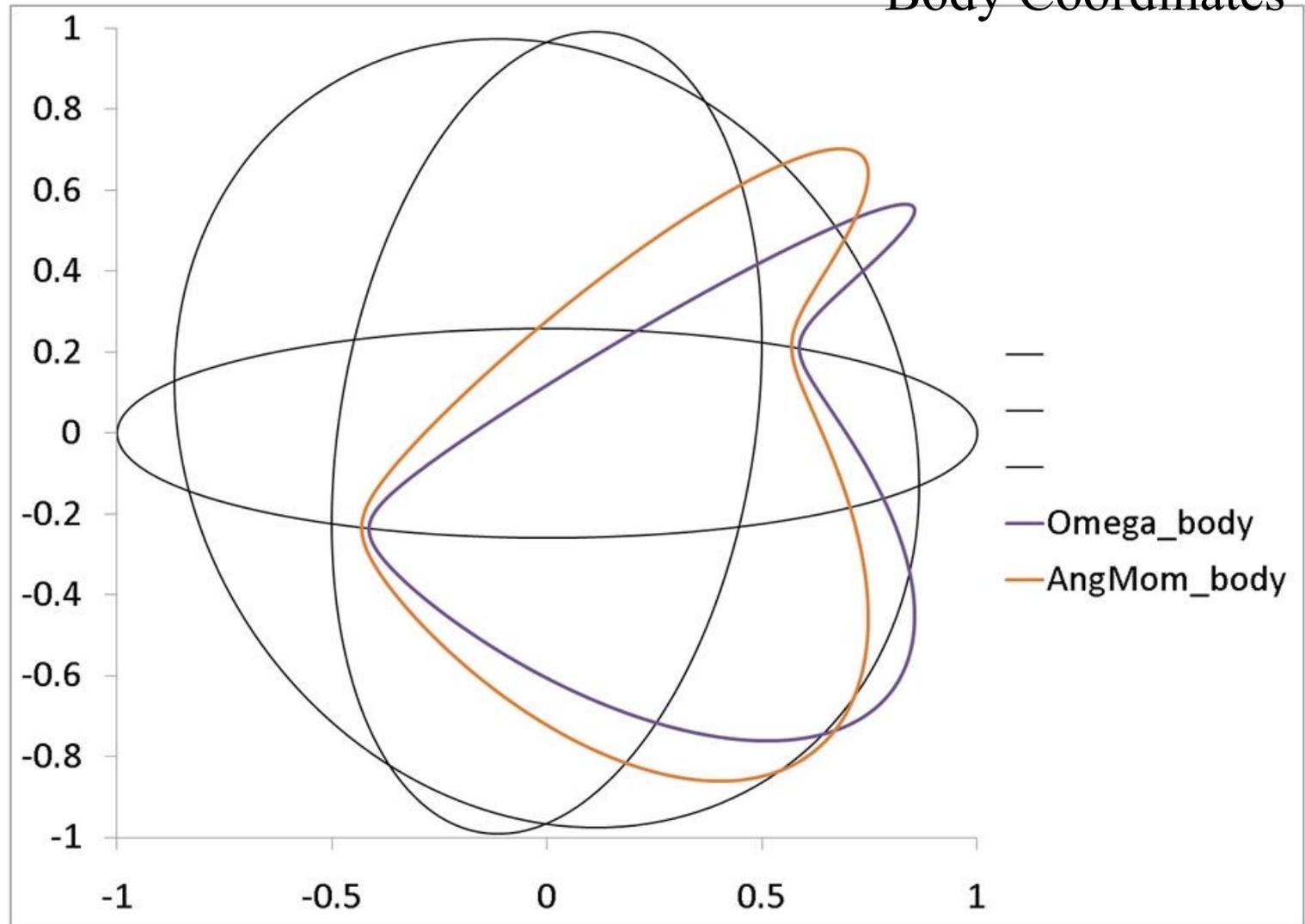
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Numerical Solution (5)

Body Coordinates

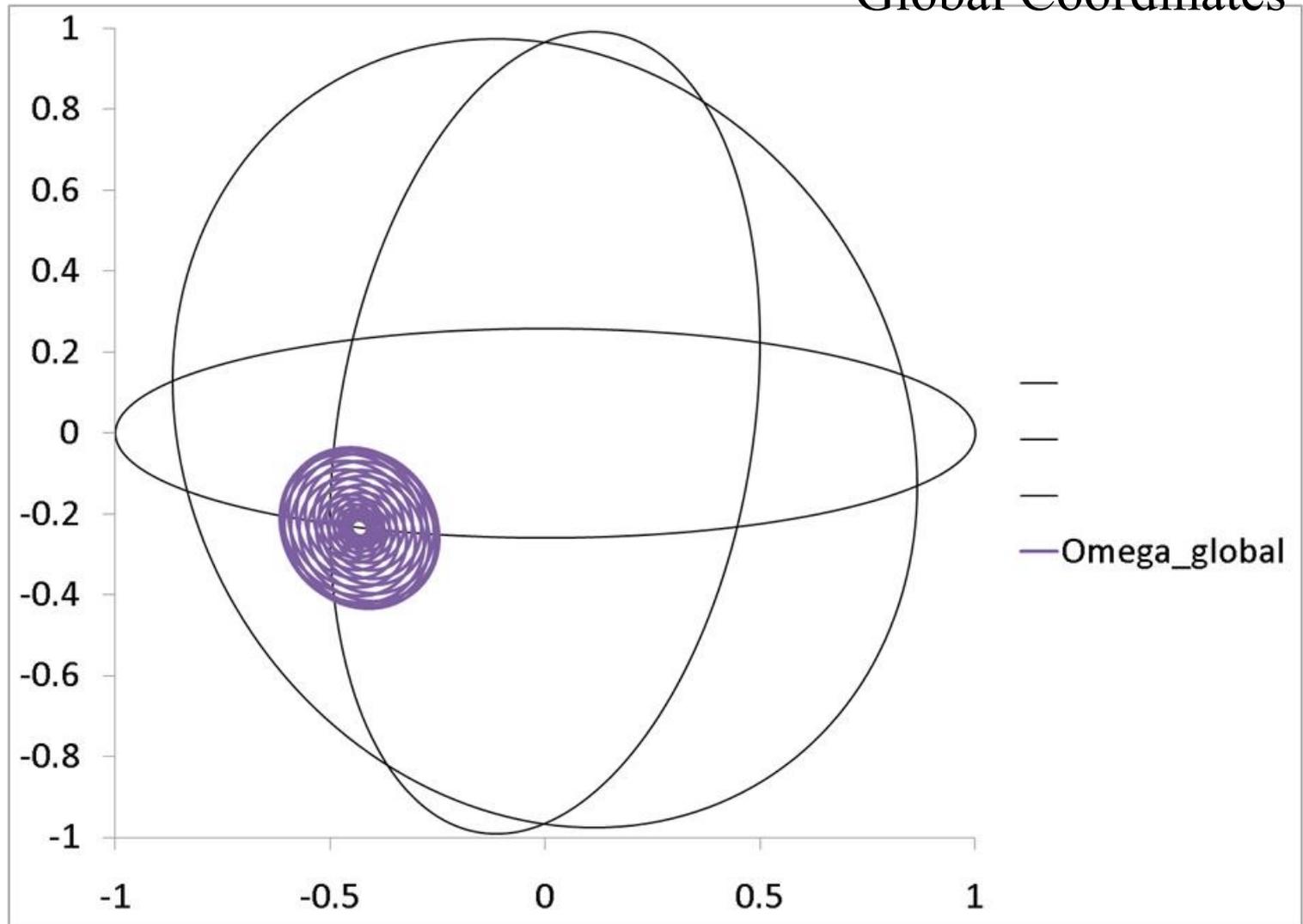
$$I_{xx} = 1.0$$
$$I_{yy} = 0.8$$
$$I_{zz} = 1.2$$



Numerical Solution (6)

Global Coordinates

$$I_{xx} = 1.0$$
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$$I_{zz} = 1.2$$





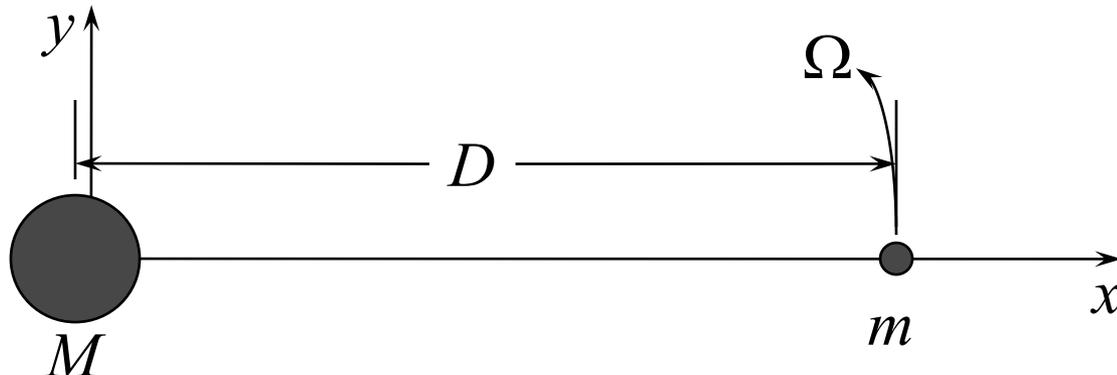
Spinning Body: Summary

- ❖ Rotation about axis with largest inertia:
Stable
- ❖ Rotation about axis with smallest inertia:
Stable
- ❖ Rotation about axis with in-between inertia:
Unstable

Derivation of the Lagrange Points

❖ Two-Body Problem:

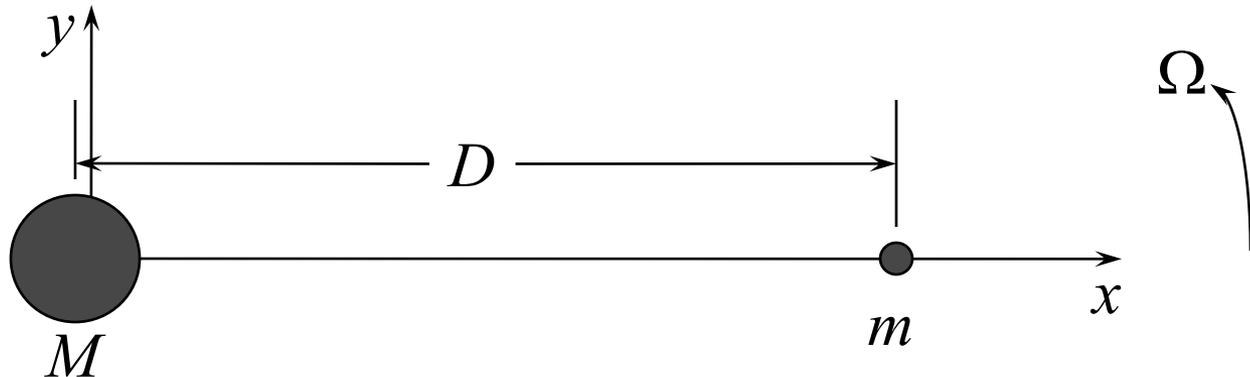
- ◆ Lighter body orbiting around a heavier body
(Let's stick with a circular orbit)
- ◆ Actually both bodies orbit around the barycenter



Two-Body Problem (2)

❖ Rotating reference frame:

- ◆ Origin at barycenter of two-body system
- ◆ Angular velocity matches orbital velocity of bodies
- ◆ Bodies are stationary in the rotating reference frame



Two-Body Problem (3)

❖ Force Balance:

Body "M"

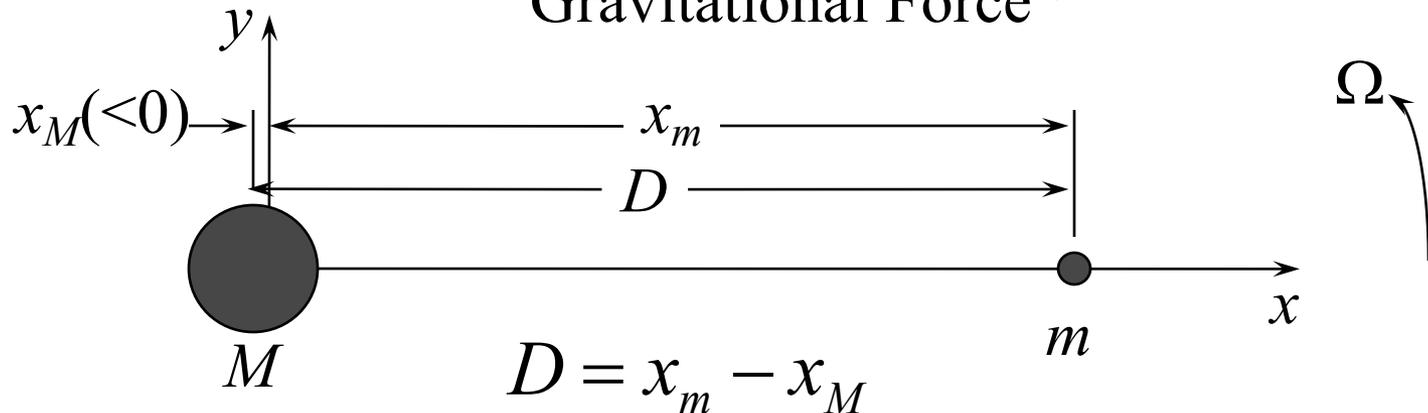
$$Mx_M\Omega^2 + \frac{GMm}{D^2} = 0$$

Body "m"

$$mx_m\Omega^2 - \frac{GMm}{D^2} = 0$$

Centrifugal
Force

Gravitational Force



Two-Body Problem (4)

❖ Parameters:

- ◆ M – mass of large body
- ◆ m – mass of small body
- ◆ D – distance between bodies

$$Mx_M\Omega^2 + \frac{GMm}{D^2} = 0$$

$$mx_m\Omega^2 - \frac{GMm}{D^2} = 0$$

❖ Unknowns:

- ◆ x_M – x-coordinate of large body
- ◆ x_m – x-coordinate of small body
- ◆ Ω – angular velocity of coordinate system

❖ Three equations, three unknowns

$$D = x_m - x_M$$

In case anybody wants to see the math ...

$$x_M \Omega^2 + \frac{Gm}{D^2} = 0$$

$$x_m \Omega^2 - \frac{GM}{D^2} = 0$$

$$Mx_M \Omega^2 + \frac{GMm}{D^2} = 0$$

$$mx_m \Omega^2 - \frac{GMm}{D^2} = 0$$

$$D = x_m - x_M$$

$$\Omega^2 = -\frac{Gm}{x_M D^2} = \frac{GM}{x_m D^2}$$

$$-\frac{m}{x_M} = \frac{M}{x_m} \rightarrow -mx_m = Mx_M$$

$$x_m = \frac{M}{M+m} D$$

$$x_M = \frac{-m}{M+m} D$$

$$D = x_m + \frac{m}{M} x_m = \frac{M+m}{M} x_m$$

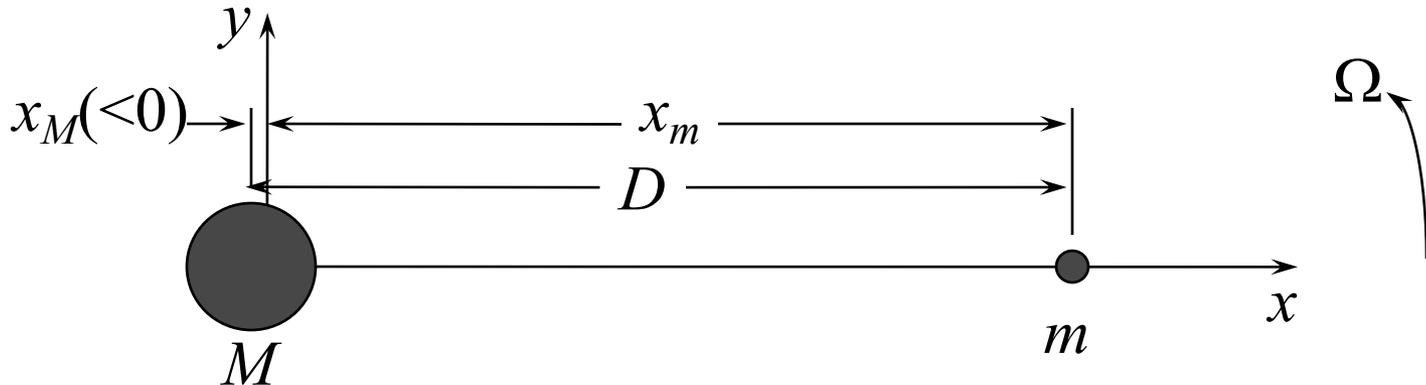
$$\Omega^2 = \frac{GM}{x_m D^2} = \frac{G(M+m)}{D^3}$$

Two-Body Problem (5)

❖ Solutions:

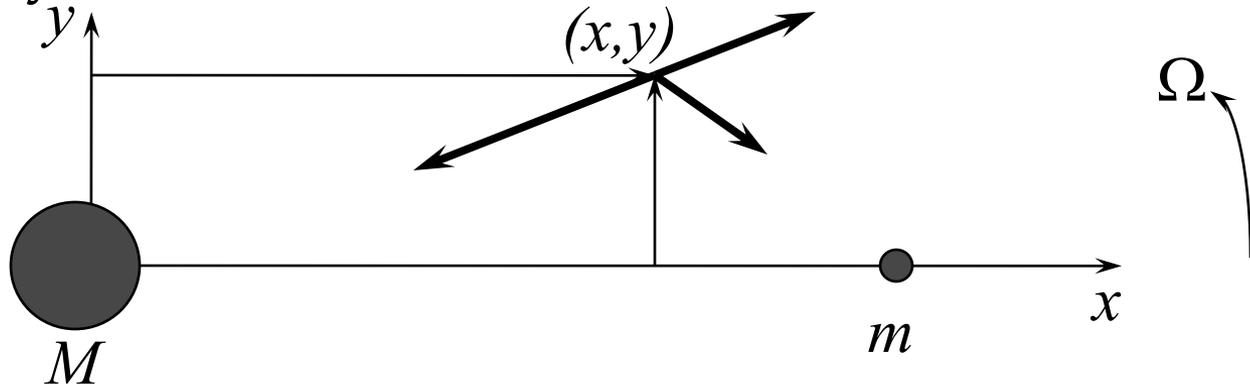
$$x_m = \frac{M}{M+m} D \qquad \Omega^2 = \frac{G(M+m)}{D^3}$$

$$x_M = -\frac{m}{M+m} D$$



Lagrange Points

- ❖ Points at which net gravitational and centrifugal forces are zero
 - ◆ Gravitational attraction to body “ M ”
 - ◆ Gravitational attraction to body “ m ”
 - ◆ Centrifugal force caused by rotating coordinate system



Lagrange Points (2)

❖ Sum of Forces: particle at (x,y) of mass “ μ ”

◆ x-direction:

$$\frac{-GM\mu(x-x_M)}{\left[(x-x_M)^2+y^2\right]^{3/2}} - \frac{Gm\mu(x-x_m)}{\left[(x-x_m)^2+y^2\right]^{3/2}} + \mu x \Omega^2 = 0$$

◆ y-direction:

$$\frac{-GM\mu y}{\left[(x-x_M)^2+y^2\right]^{3/2}} - \frac{Gm\mu y}{\left[(x-x_m)^2+y^2\right]^{3/2}} + \mu y \Omega^2 = 0$$

Lagrange Points (3)

❖ Simplifications:

- ◆ Divide by mass “ μ ” of particle
- ◆ Substitute for “ Ω^2 ” and divide by “ G ”

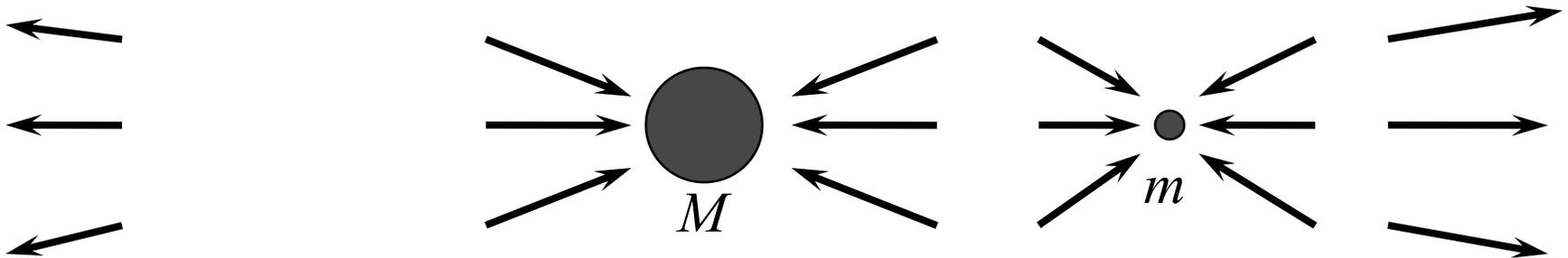
$$\frac{-M(x - x_M)}{\left[(x - x_M)^2 + y^2\right]^{3/2}} - \frac{m(x - x_m)}{\left[(x - x_m)^2 + y^2\right]^{3/2}} + x \frac{(M + m)}{D^3} = 0$$

$$\frac{-My}{\left[(x - x_M)^2 + y^2\right]^{3/2}} - \frac{my}{\left[(x - x_m)^2 + y^2\right]^{3/2}} + y \frac{(M + m)}{D^3} = 0$$

Lagrange Points (4)

❖ Qualitative considerations:

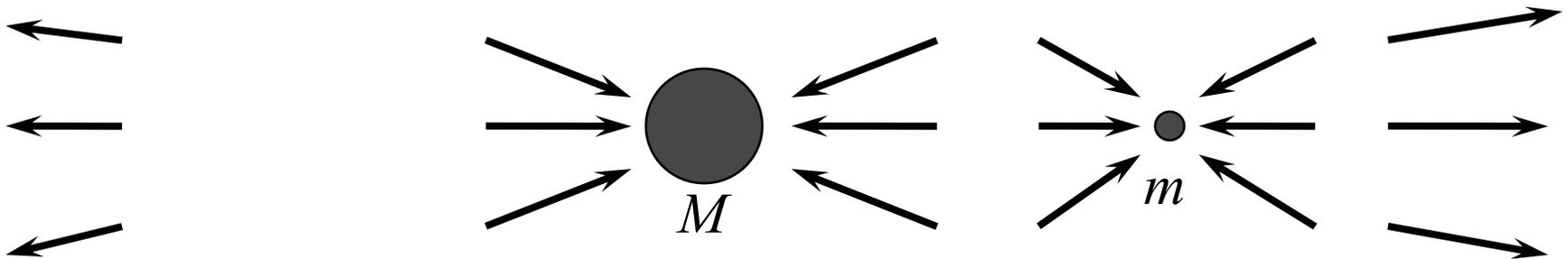
- ◆ Far enough from the system, centrifugal force will overwhelm everything else → Net force will be away from the origin
- ◆ Close enough to “ M ”, gravitational attraction to that body will overwhelm everything else
- ◆ Close enough to “ m ”, gravitational attraction to that body will overwhelm everything else



Lagrange Points (5)

❖ Qualitative considerations (2)

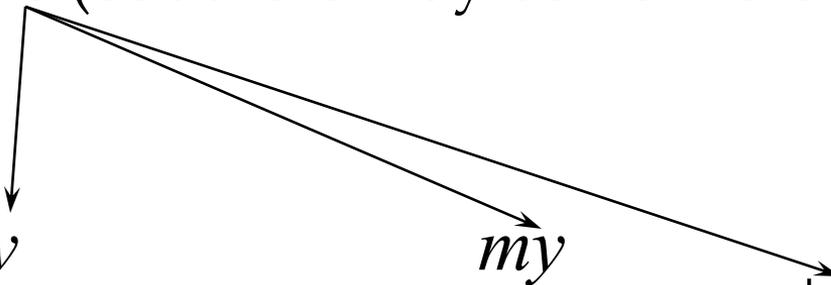
- ◆ Close to “ m ” but beyond it, the attraction to “ m ” will balance the centrifugal force → search for a Lagrange point there
- ◆ On the side of “ M ” opposite “ m ”, the attraction to “ M ” will balance the centrifugal force → search for a Lagrange point there
- ◆ Between “ M ” and “ m ” their gravitational attractions will balance → search for a Lagrange point there



Lagrange Points (6)

❖ Some Solutions:

- ◆ Note that “ y ” equation is uniquely satisfied if $y = 0$ (but there may be nonzero solutions also)


$$\frac{-My}{\left[(x-x_M)^2 + y^2\right]^{3/2}} - \frac{my}{\left[(x-x_m)^2 + y^2\right]^{3/2}} + y \frac{(M+m)}{D^3} = 0$$

Lagrange Points (7)

❖ Some Solutions:

- ◆ “x” equation when “y” is zero:

$$\frac{-M(x - x_M)}{\left[(x - x_M)^2\right]^{3/2}} - \frac{m(x - x_m)}{\left[(x - x_m)^2\right]^{3/2}} + x \frac{(M + m)}{D^3} = 0$$

- ◆ Note: $\left[(x - x_M)^2\right]^{3/2} = |x - x_M|^3 \stackrel{?}{\neq} (x - x_M)^3$

$$\begin{aligned} & -MD^3(x - x_m)|x - x_m| - mD^3(x - x_M)|x - x_M| \\ & + x(M + m)(x - x_m)|x - x_m|(x - x_M)|x - x_M| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange Points (8)

$$\frac{-M(x-x_M)}{[(x-x_M)^2+y^2]^{3/2}} - \frac{m(x-x_m)}{[(x-x_m)^2+y^2]^{3/2}} + x \frac{(M+m)}{D^3} = 0$$

$$\frac{-My}{[(x-x_M)^2+y^2]^{3/2}} - \frac{my}{[(x-x_m)^2+y^2]^{3/2}} + y \frac{(M+m)}{D^3} = 0$$

❖ Oversimplification: Let “ m ” = 0

◆ $x_M = 0$

$$\frac{-Mx}{[x^2+y^2]^{3/2}} + x \frac{M}{D^3} = 0$$

$$\frac{-My}{[x^2+y^2]^{3/2}} + y \frac{M}{D^3} = 0$$

❖ Solutions: $[x^2+y^2]^{3/2} = D^3$

◆ Anywhere on the orbit of “ m ”

Lagrange Points (9)

$$\begin{aligned} & -MD^3(x-x_m)|x-x_m| - mD^3(x-x_M)|x-x_M| \\ & + x(M+m)(x-x_m)|x-x_m|(x-x_M)|x-x_M| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

❖ Perturbation: $m = \varepsilon M$ $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$

$$x_M = -\varepsilon D \quad x_m = (1-\varepsilon)D$$

❖ For the $y = 0$ case:

$$\begin{aligned} & -D^3(x-(1-\varepsilon)D)|x-(1-\varepsilon)D| \\ & - \varepsilon D^3(x+\varepsilon D)|x+\varepsilon D| \\ & + x(1+\varepsilon)(x-(1-\varepsilon)D)|x-(1-\varepsilon)D|(x+\varepsilon D)|x+\varepsilon D| = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange Points (10)

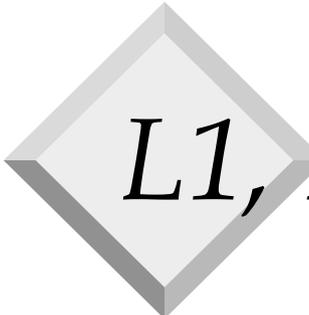
$$\begin{aligned}
 & -MD^3(x-x_m)|x-x_m| - mD^3(x-x_M)|x-x_M| \\
 & \quad + x(M+m)(x-x_m)|x-x_m|(x-x_M)|x-x_M| = 0 \\
 & -D^3(x-(1-\varepsilon)D)|x-(1-\varepsilon)D| - \varepsilon D^3(x+\varepsilon D)|x+\varepsilon D| \\
 & \quad + x(1+\varepsilon)(x-(1-\varepsilon)D)|x-(1-\varepsilon)D|(x+\varepsilon D)|x+\varepsilon D| = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

❖ For the $y = 0$ case (cont'd):

- Lagrange Points L1, L2: near $x = D$:

$$x = D(1 + \delta)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -D^5(\delta + \varepsilon)|\delta + \varepsilon| - \varepsilon D^5(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)^2 \\
 & \quad + D^5(1 + \delta)(1 + \varepsilon)(\delta + \varepsilon)|\delta + \varepsilon|(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)^2 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



$$L1, L2: y = 0, x = D(1 + \delta)$$

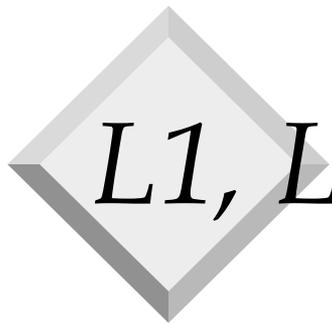
$$-D^5(\delta + \varepsilon)|\delta + \varepsilon| - \varepsilon D^5(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)^2 \\ + D^5(1 + \delta)(1 + \varepsilon)(\delta + \varepsilon)|\delta + \varepsilon|(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)^2 = 0$$

❖ Collecting terms:

$$(\delta + \varepsilon)|\delta + \varepsilon| \left[-1 + (1 + \delta)(1 + \varepsilon)(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)^2 \right] \\ - \varepsilon(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)^2 = 0$$

❖ Multiplying things out:

$$(\delta + \varepsilon)|\delta + \varepsilon| \left[\begin{array}{l} 3\delta + 3\delta^2 + \delta^3 + 3\varepsilon + 7\delta\varepsilon + 5\delta^2\varepsilon + \delta^3\varepsilon \\ + 3\varepsilon^2 + 5\delta\varepsilon^2 + 2\delta^2\varepsilon^2 + \varepsilon^3 + \delta\varepsilon^3 \end{array} \right] \\ = \varepsilon(1 + 2\delta + 2\varepsilon + \delta^2 + 2\delta\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2)$$



$$L1, L2 (2): y = 0, x = D(1 + \delta)$$

❖ Balancing terms:

Order of magnitude δ^3

$$(\delta + \varepsilon) \left| \delta + \varepsilon \right| \left[\begin{array}{l} 3\delta + 3\delta^2 + \delta^3 + 3\varepsilon + 7\delta\varepsilon + 5\delta^2\varepsilon + \delta^3\varepsilon \\ + 3\varepsilon^2 + 5\delta\varepsilon^2 + 2\delta^2\varepsilon^2 + \varepsilon^3 + \delta\varepsilon^3 \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \varepsilon \left(1 + 2\delta + 2\varepsilon + \delta^2 + 2\delta\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2 \right)$$

Order of magnitude ε

❖ Linearizing:

$$3\delta^3 \cong \pm\varepsilon \quad \delta \cong \pm\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}\varepsilon}$$

Lagrange Points (11)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -D^3(x - (1 - \varepsilon)D)|x - (1 - \varepsilon)D| - \varepsilon D^3(x + \varepsilon D)|x + \varepsilon D| \\
 & + x(1 + \varepsilon)(x - (1 - \varepsilon)D)|x - (1 - \varepsilon)D|(x + \varepsilon D)|x + \varepsilon D| = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

❖ Lagrange Point L3: $y = 0$, near $x = -D$
 $x = -D(1 + \delta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (2 + \delta - \varepsilon)|2 + \delta - \varepsilon| + \varepsilon(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)|1 + \delta - \varepsilon| \\
 & - (1 + \delta)(1 + \varepsilon)(2 + \delta - \varepsilon)|2 + \delta - \varepsilon|(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)|1 + \delta - \varepsilon| = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

❖ Since $|\varepsilon|, |\delta| \ll 1 < 2$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (2 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2 + \varepsilon(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2 \\
 & - (1 + \delta)(1 + \varepsilon)(2 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



$$L3: y = 0, x = -D(1 + \delta)$$

$$(2 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2 + \varepsilon(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2$$

$$-(1 + \delta)(1 + \varepsilon)(2 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)^2 = 0$$

❖ Multiply out and linearize:

$$(4 + 4\delta - 4\varepsilon) + \varepsilon$$

$$-(1 + \delta + \varepsilon)(4 + 4\delta - 4\varepsilon)(1 + 2\delta - 2\varepsilon) \cong 0$$

$$(4 + 4\delta - 4\varepsilon) + \varepsilon$$

$$-(4 + 4\delta + 4\varepsilon + 4\delta - 4\varepsilon + 8\delta - 8\varepsilon) \cong 0$$

$$5\varepsilon - 12\delta \cong 0$$

$$\delta \cong \frac{5}{12} \varepsilon$$

Lagrange Points (12)

❖ Summary for a Small Perturbation and

$$y = 0: \quad m = \varepsilon M \quad 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$$

$$x_M = -\varepsilon D \quad x_m = (1 - \varepsilon)D$$

❖ Lagrange Points:

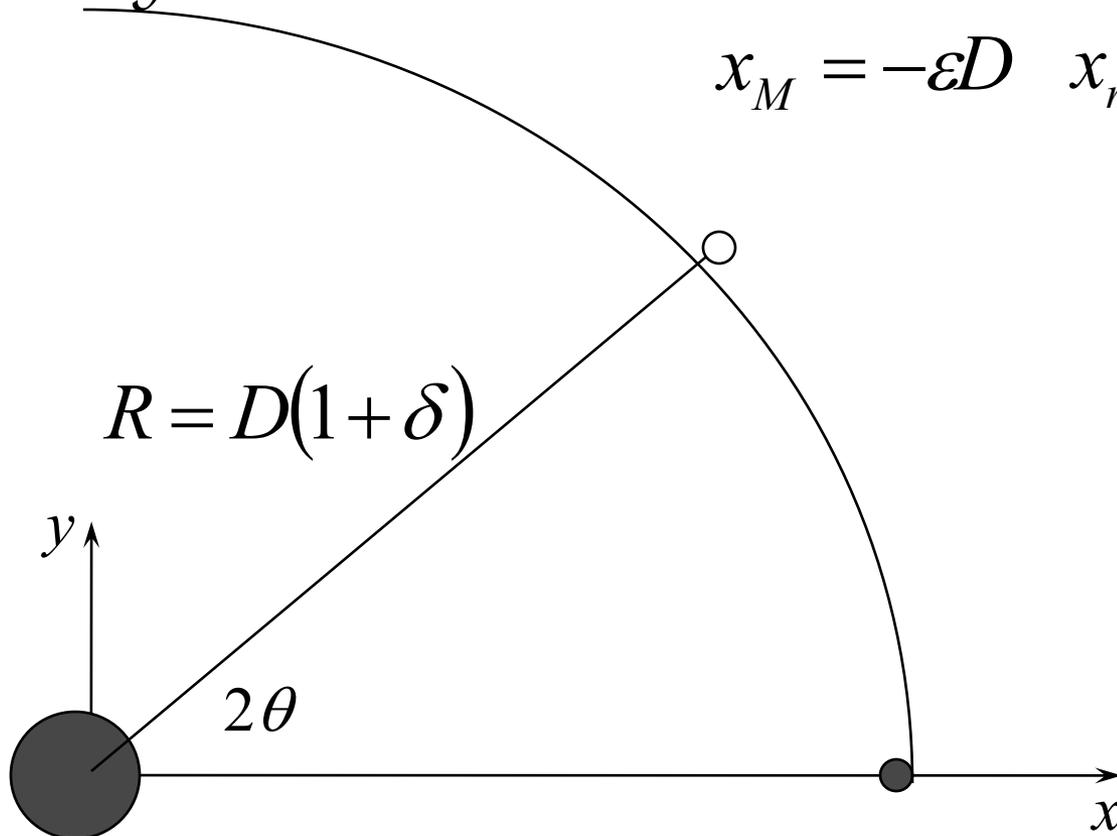
$$\blacklozenge \text{ L1: } \rightarrow x \cong D \left(1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3} \varepsilon} \right)$$

$$\blacklozenge \text{ L2: } \longrightarrow x \cong D \left(1 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3} \varepsilon} \right)$$

$$\blacklozenge \text{ L3: } \rightarrow x \cong -D \left(1 + \frac{5}{12} \varepsilon \right)$$

Lagrange Points (13)

- ❖ What if y is not zero? $m = \varepsilon M$ $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$
 $x_M = -\varepsilon D$ $x_m = (1 - \varepsilon)D$



Lagrange Points (14)

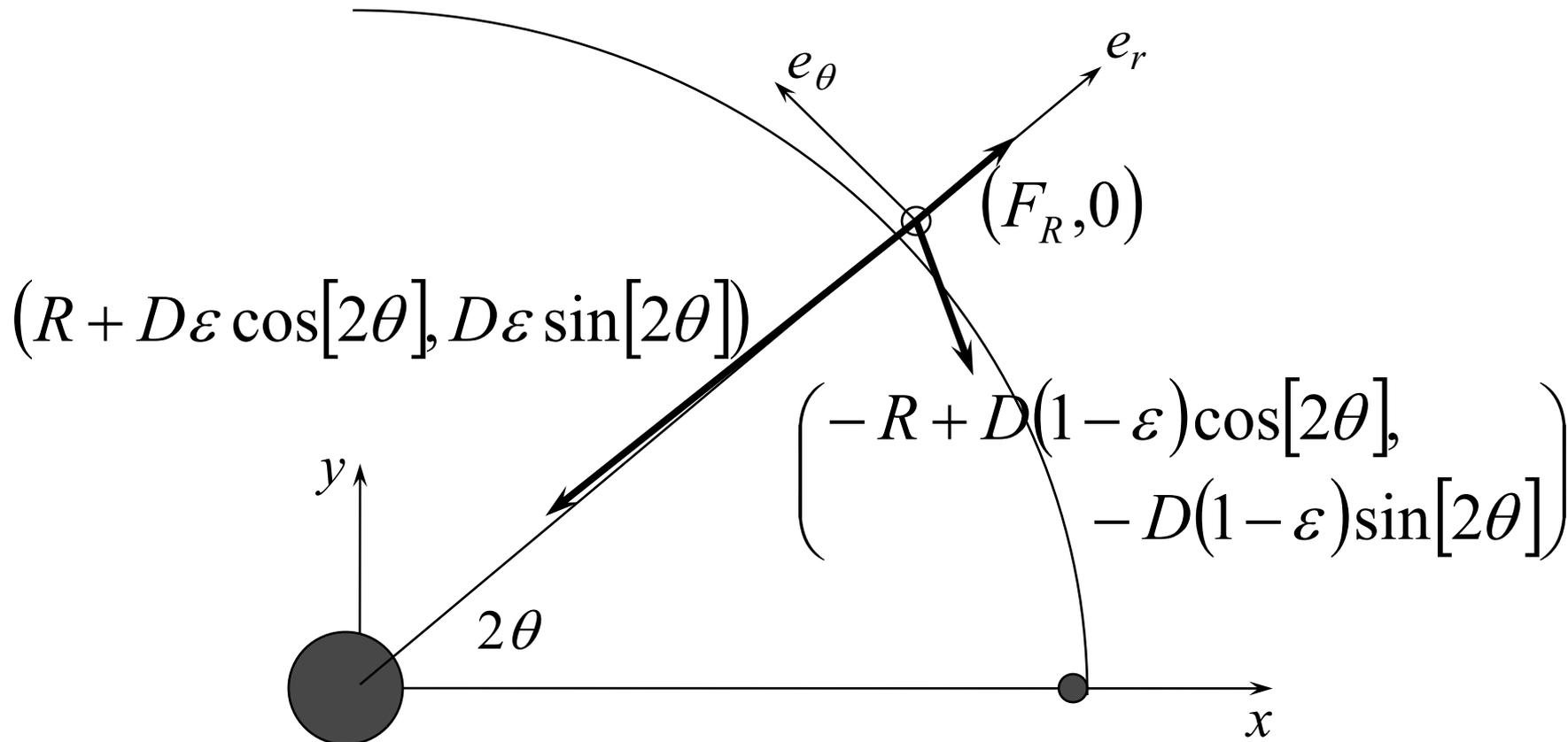
$$m = \varepsilon M \quad 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$$

$$x_M = -\varepsilon D$$

$$x_m = (1 - \varepsilon)D$$

$$R = D(1 + \delta)$$

❖ Polar Coordinates:



Lagrange Points (15)

❖ Consider the forces in the R -direction:

◆ From M :

$$F_M = \frac{-GM\mu(D(1+\delta) + D\varepsilon \cos(2\theta))}{\left\{ [D(1+\delta) + D\varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]^2 + [D\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

◆ From m :

$$F_m = \frac{Gm\mu(-D(1+\delta) + D(1-\varepsilon)\cos(2\theta))}{\left\{ [-D(1+\delta) + D(1-\varepsilon)\cos(2\theta)]^2 + [D(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

◆ Centrifugal force:

$$F_C = \mu\Omega^2 D(1+\delta)$$

R-direction Forces

❖ Simplify:

◆ From M :

$$F_M = \frac{-GM\mu(1 + \delta + \varepsilon \cos(2\theta))}{D^2 \left\{ [1 + \delta + \varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]^2 + [\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

◆ From m :

$$F_m = \frac{-G\varepsilon M\mu(1 + \delta - (1 - \varepsilon)\cos(2\theta))}{D^2 \left\{ [1 + \delta - (1 - \varepsilon)\cos(2\theta)]^2 + [(1 - \varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

◆ Centrifugal force:

$$F_C = \frac{GM(1 + \varepsilon)\mu}{D^2} (1 + \delta)$$

R-direction Forces (2)

❖ Linearize in δ and ε :

◆ From M :

$$F_M \cong \frac{-GM\mu(1 + \delta + \varepsilon \cos(2\theta))}{D^2[1 + 3\delta + 3\varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]} \cong \frac{-GM\mu}{D^2} (1 - 2\delta - 2\varepsilon \cos(2\theta))$$

◆ From m :

$$F_m \cong \frac{-G\varepsilon M\mu(1 + \delta - (1 - \varepsilon)\cos(2\theta))}{D^2 \{1 + 2\delta - 2(1 + \delta - \varepsilon)\cos(2\theta) + 1 - 2\varepsilon\}^{3/2}} \cong \frac{-GM\mu}{2\sqrt{2}D^2} \varepsilon$$

◆ Centrifugal force:

$$F_C \cong \frac{GM\mu}{D^2} (1 + \delta + \varepsilon)$$

R-direction Forces (3)

❖ Balance the Forces:

$$-\frac{GM\mu}{D^2}(1-2\delta-2\varepsilon\cos(2\theta))-\frac{GM\mu}{2\sqrt{2}D^2}\varepsilon+\frac{GM\mu}{D^2}(1+\delta+\varepsilon)\cong 0$$

$$-(1-2\delta-2\varepsilon\cos(2\theta))-\frac{\varepsilon}{2\sqrt{2}}+(1+\delta+\varepsilon)\cong 0$$

$$1+\delta+\varepsilon\cong 1-2\delta-2\varepsilon\cos(2\theta)+\frac{\varepsilon}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$3\delta\cong -\varepsilon-2\varepsilon\cos(2\theta)+\frac{\varepsilon}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\delta\cong \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}-1-2\cos(2\theta)\right)\frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

Lagrange Points (16)

❖ Consider the forces in the θ -direction:

◆ From M :

$$F_M = \frac{GM\mu D\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)}{\left\{ [D(1+\delta) + D\varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]^2 + [D\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

◆ From m :

$$F_m = \frac{-Gm\mu D(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}{\left\{ [-D(1+\delta) + D(1-\varepsilon)\cos(2\theta)]^2 + [D(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

◆ Centrifugal force is completely radial

$$F_C = 0$$

θ -Direction Forces

$$F_M = \frac{GM\mu D \varepsilon \sin(2\theta)}{\left\{ [D(1+\delta) + D\varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]^2 + [D\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2} - Gm\mu D(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}$$

$$F_m = \frac{-Gm\mu D(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}{\left\{ [-D(1+\delta) + D(1-\varepsilon)\cos(2\theta)]^2 + [D(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

❖ Simplify:

$$F_M = \frac{GM\mu\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \left\{ [(1+\delta) + \varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]^2 + [\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

$$F_m = \frac{-GM\mu\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \left\{ [(1+\delta) - (1-\varepsilon)\cos(2\theta)]^2 + [(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

θ -Direction Forces (2)

$$F_M = \frac{GM\mu\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \left\{ [(1+\delta) + \varepsilon \cos(2\theta)]^2 + [\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2} - GM\mu\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}$$

$$F_m = \frac{-GM\mu\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \left\{ [(1+\delta) - (1-\varepsilon)\cos(2\theta)]^2 + [(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)]^2 \right\}^{3/2}}$$

❖ Linearize in δ and ε :

$$F_M \cong \frac{GM\mu\varepsilon \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \{1 + 3\delta + 3\varepsilon \cos(2\theta)\}} \cong \frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2} \varepsilon$$

$$F_m \cong \frac{-GM\mu\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)\sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \{1 + 2\delta - 2(1+\delta - \varepsilon)\cos(2\theta) + 1 - 2\varepsilon\}^{3/2}}$$

$$\cong \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \{2 - 2\cos(2\theta)\}^{3/2}} \varepsilon$$

θ -Direction Forces (3)

$$F_M \cong \frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2} \varepsilon$$

$$F_m \cong \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 \{2 - 2\cos(2\theta)\}^{3/2}} \varepsilon$$

❖ Simplifying further:

$$F_M \cong \frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2} \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_m &\cong \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 2\sqrt{2} \{1 - [\cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta)]\}^{3/2}} \varepsilon \\ &\cong \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2 2\sqrt{2} \{2\sin^2(\theta)\}^{3/2}} \varepsilon \cong \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{8D^2 |\sin^3(\theta)|} \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

θ -Direction Forces (4)

$$F_M \cong \frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2} \varepsilon$$

❖ Balance the two forces:

$$F_m \cong \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{8D^2 |\sin^3(\theta)|} \varepsilon$$

$$\frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2} \varepsilon + \frac{-GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{8D^2 |\sin^3(\theta)|} \varepsilon \cong 0$$

$$\frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{D^2} \varepsilon \cong \frac{GM\mu \sin(2\theta)}{8D^2 |\sin^3(\theta)|} \varepsilon$$

$$8|\sin^3(\theta)| \cong 1$$

$$\theta \cong \pm \frac{\pi}{6} \cong \pm 30^\circ$$

$$2\theta \cong \pm \frac{\pi}{3} \cong \pm 60^\circ$$

$$\sin(\theta) \cong \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

Lagrange Points (17)

❖ Solving for our radius: $R = D(1 + \delta)$

$$\delta \cong \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - 1 - 2 \cos(2\theta) \right) \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad 2\theta \cong \pm \frac{\pi}{3} \cong \pm 60^\circ$$

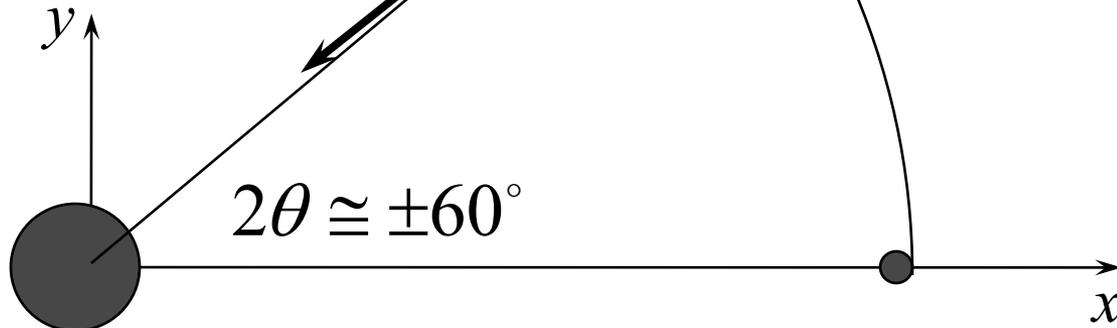
$$R \cong D \left(1 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - 1 - 2 \cos(2\theta) \right) \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \right)$$

$$\cong D \left(1 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - 1 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \right) \cong D \left(1 - \frac{8 - \sqrt{2}}{12} \varepsilon \right)$$

Lagrange Points (13 redux)

- ❖ What if y is not zero? $m = \varepsilon M \quad 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$
 $x_M = -\varepsilon D \quad x_m = (1 - \varepsilon)D$

$$R \cong D \left(1 - \frac{8 - \sqrt{2}}{12} \varepsilon \right)$$



Lagrange Points (18):

$$m = \varepsilon M \quad 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$$

$$x_M = -\varepsilon D \quad x_m = (1 - \varepsilon)D$$

❖ Summary for zero y :

◆ Between M and m : L1: $x \cong D \left(1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3} \varepsilon} \right)$

◆ On the opposite side of m from M : L2:

$$x \cong D \left(1 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3} \varepsilon} \right)$$

◆ On the opposite side of M from m : L3:

$$x \cong -D \left(1 + \frac{5}{12} \varepsilon \right)$$

Lagrange Points (19):

$$m = \varepsilon M \quad 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$$

$$x_M = -\varepsilon D \quad x_m = (1 - \varepsilon)D$$

❖ Summary for nonzero y :

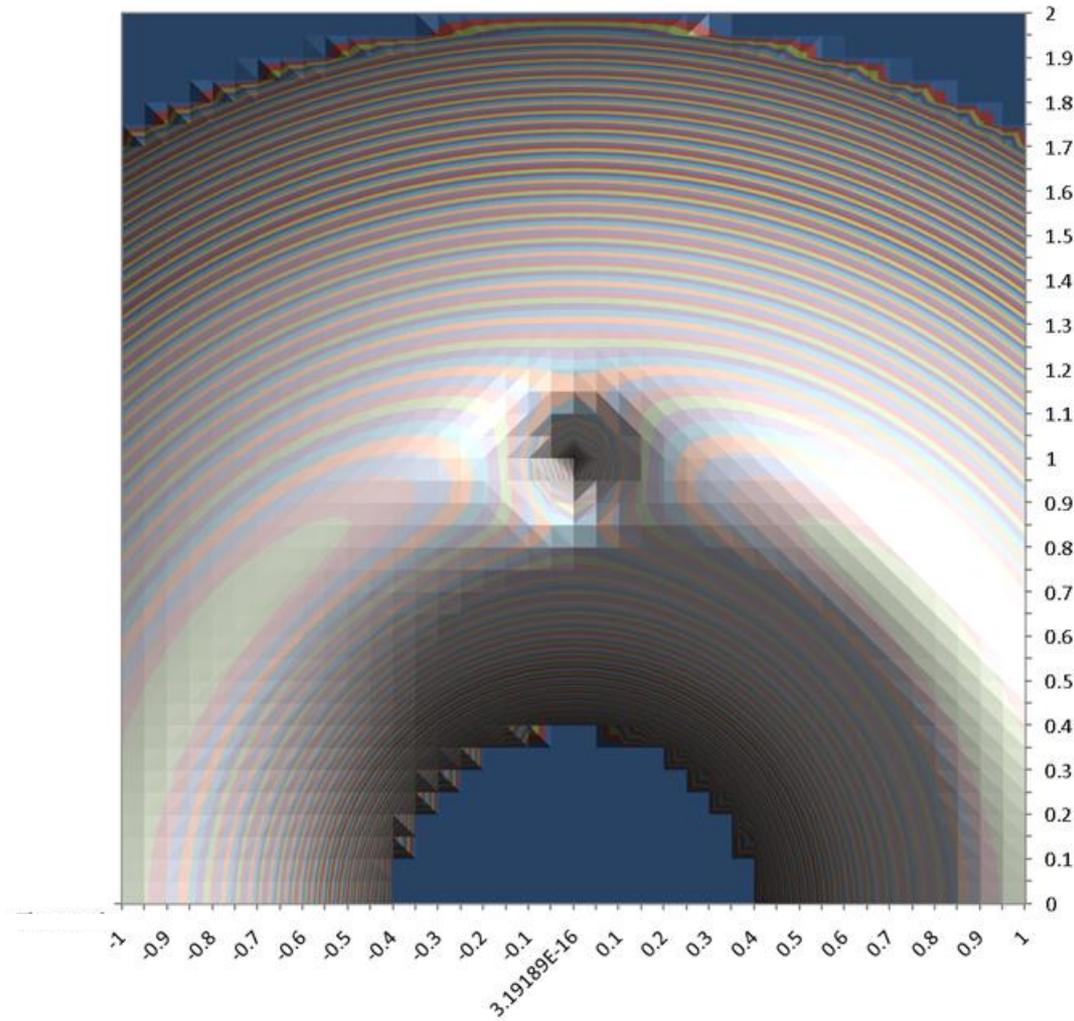
- ◆ Ahead of m in orbit: L4:

$$2\theta \cong +60^\circ \quad R \cong D \left(1 - \frac{8 - \sqrt{2}}{12} \varepsilon \right)$$

- ◆ Behind m in orbit: L5:

$$2\theta \cong -60^\circ \quad R \cong D \left(1 - \frac{8 - \sqrt{2}}{12} \varepsilon \right)$$

Potential Energy Contours





Stability of Lagrange Points

- ❖ Requires saving higher-order terms in linearized equations
- ❖ Results:
 - L1, L2, L3 unstable
 - ◆ Body perturbed from the point will move away from the point
 - L4, L5 neutrally stable
 - ◆ Body perturbed from the point will drift around the point

