



Statistical Orbit Determination



Lecture 3 – Orbital Mechanics Review B

Presenter: Christopher R. Simpson

Recap

- Lecture 2A – Notes posted [here](#)
 - Two body problem
 - Orbital Elements
 - Intro to some coordinate systems
- Problem solution has been posted
 - Quick review at beginning of this lecture
- Questions
 - Post them to lecture page
- Additional notes
 - Website revamp



Agenda

- Problem review
- Coordinate Systems
 - Definition
 - Transformation
- Perturbing accelerations
 - Conservative
 - Gravitational models
- Practice problem



Problem review

Time	0.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0
Range, ρ	7.000000000	8.003905970	8.944271910	9.801147892	10.630145813
Calculated Range, $\hat{\rho}$	9.013878189	9.73203473	10.6004717	11.5815586	12.66688596
X_0	1.5	3.7	5.9	8.1	10.3
Y_0	10.0	10.35	10.4	10.15	9.6
\dot{X}_0	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
\dot{Y}_0	0.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7
g	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
X_s	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Y_s	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0



Problem review

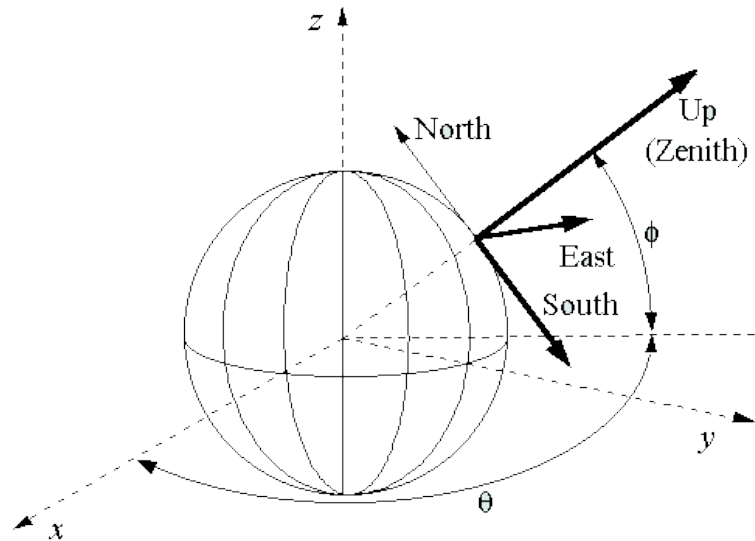
```
C:\Users\simps\Documents\GitHub\StatisticalOrbitDetermination\Soln-HW1-SimpsonAerospace\Debug\Soln-HW1-SimpsonAerospace.exe
Error for each iteration...
  2.34283
  0.567827
  0.0633679
0.000279296
6.94741e-09
6.94741e-09
Each iterations output...
  0.402014    0.940953    0.99995    1.00007    1.00007 -6.27744e+66
  8.04402    8.02017    8.00025    8          8 -6.27744e+66
  2.1321     2.01002    2          1.99998    1.99998 -6.27744e+66
  1.12213    1.00554    0.999945   0.999982   0.999982 -6.27744e+66
  0.556422    0.50253    0.499986   0.499993   0.499993 -6.27744e+66
```

$$\delta u = (H^T H)^{-1} H^T \delta \rho$$

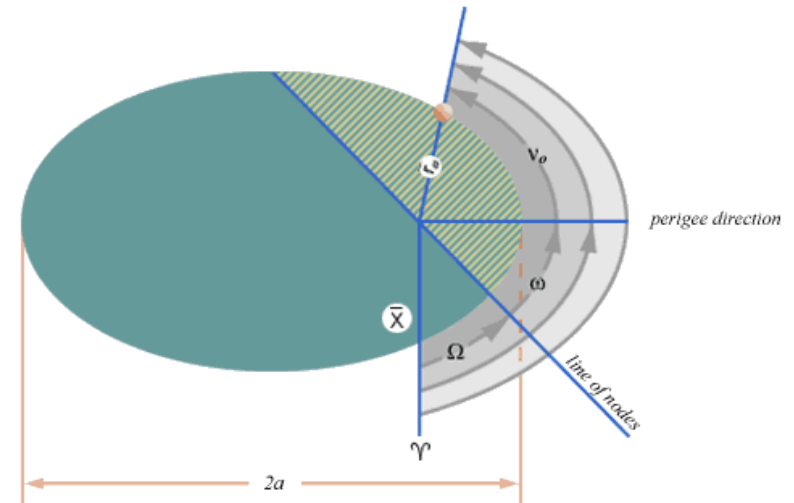
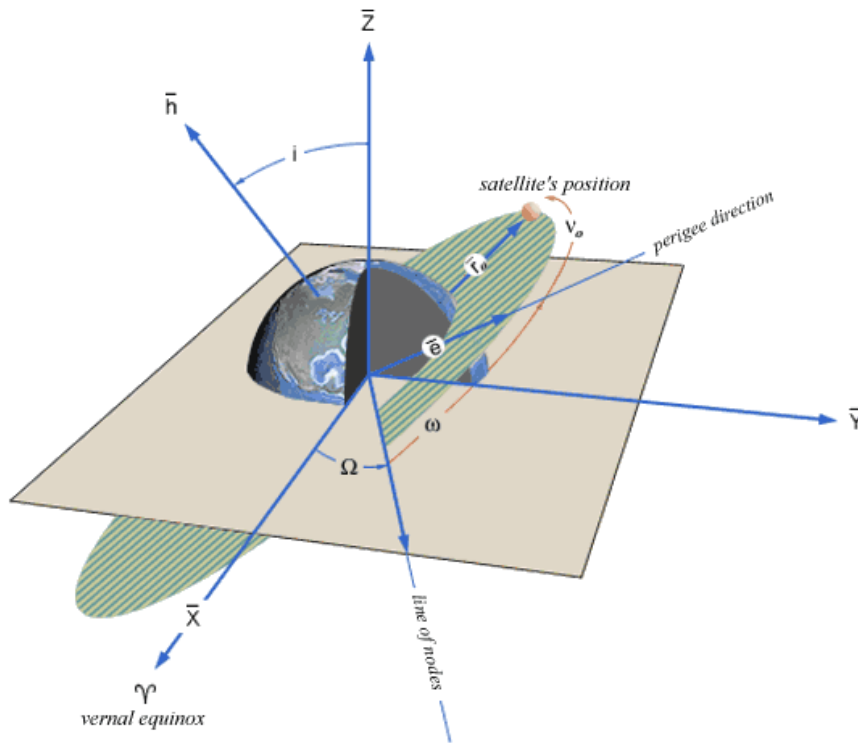


Coordinate Systems – Definition (1/4)

- Topocentric-Horizon Coordinate System
 - Fundamental plane is horizon
 - X points South, Y points East, and Z points up



Coordinate Systems – Definition (2/4)

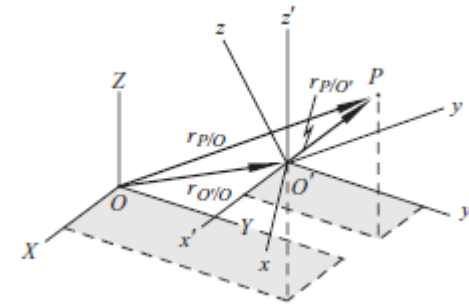


- a - defines the size of the orbit
- e - defines the shape of the orbit
- i - defines the orientation of the orbit with respect to the Earth's equator.
- ω - defines where the low point, perigee, of the orbit is with respect to the Earth's surface.
- Ω - defines the location of the ascending and descending orbit locations with respect to the Earth's equatorial plane.
- v - defines where the satellite is within the orbit with respect to perigee.

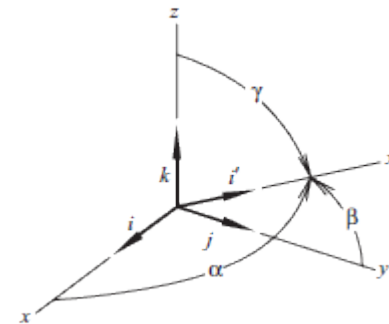


Coordinate Systems – Definition (3/4)

- Three orthonormal vectors
 - Intersection is origin
 - Absolute (inertial) reference frame
- Coordinate transformations
 - Translation
 - $\mathbf{r}_{P/O} = \mathbf{r}_{O'/O} + \mathbf{r}_{P/O'}$
 - Rotation
 - $\hat{i}' = (\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{i})\hat{i} + (\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{j})\hat{j} + (\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{k})\hat{k}$
 - $\hat{i}' = \cos \alpha \hat{i} + \cos \beta \hat{j} + \cos \gamma \hat{k}$



Translation



Rotation



Coordinate Systems – Definition (4/4)

- Attitude coordinates
 - Completely describe orientation of rigid body relative to reference
 - A set of coordinates $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$
- Translational and orientation
 - Translational coordinate systems
 - Cartesian, polar, spherical, etc.
 - Differ in distance
 - Can grow infinitely
 - Attitude coordinate systems
 - DCM, Rodriguez parameters, Euler angles, etc.
 - Never further than 180° away



Coordinate Systems – Transformation

- Coordinate Transformations

- $\hat{i}' = (\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{i})\hat{i} + (\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{j})\hat{j} + (\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{k})\hat{k}$

- $\hat{i}' = \cos \alpha_1 \hat{i} + \cos \beta_1 \hat{j} + \cos \gamma_1 \hat{k}$

- $\hat{j}' = (\hat{j}' \cdot \hat{i})\hat{i} + (\hat{j}' \cdot \hat{j})\hat{j} + (\hat{j}' \cdot \hat{k})\hat{k}$

- $\hat{j}' = \cos \alpha_2 \hat{i} + \cos \beta_2 \hat{j} + \cos \gamma_2 \hat{k}$

$$F_1 = \begin{bmatrix} C_{\alpha_1} & C_{\beta_1} & C_{\gamma_1} \\ C_{\alpha_2} & C_{\beta_2} & C_{\gamma_2} \\ C_{\alpha_3} & C_{\beta_3} & C_{\gamma_3} \end{bmatrix} F_2$$

- Minimum of 3 coordinates required

- DCM – 9 independent parameters

- Euler angle – 3

- Quaternion – 4



Perturbing accelerations – Conservative (1/2)

- Acceleration of satellite with perturbing accelerations

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} + \frac{\mu}{r^3} \vec{r} = \ddot{\vec{r}}_p$$

- Perturbations are conservative if only a function of position
 - Satellite does not lose nor gain mechanical energy
 - Exchanges energy between kinetic energy and potential energy
 - Specific mechanical energy is unique for each orbit
- Examples of non-conservative perturbations (changes to \vec{r} , \vec{v})
 - Atmospheric drag
 - Outgassing
 - Tidal effects





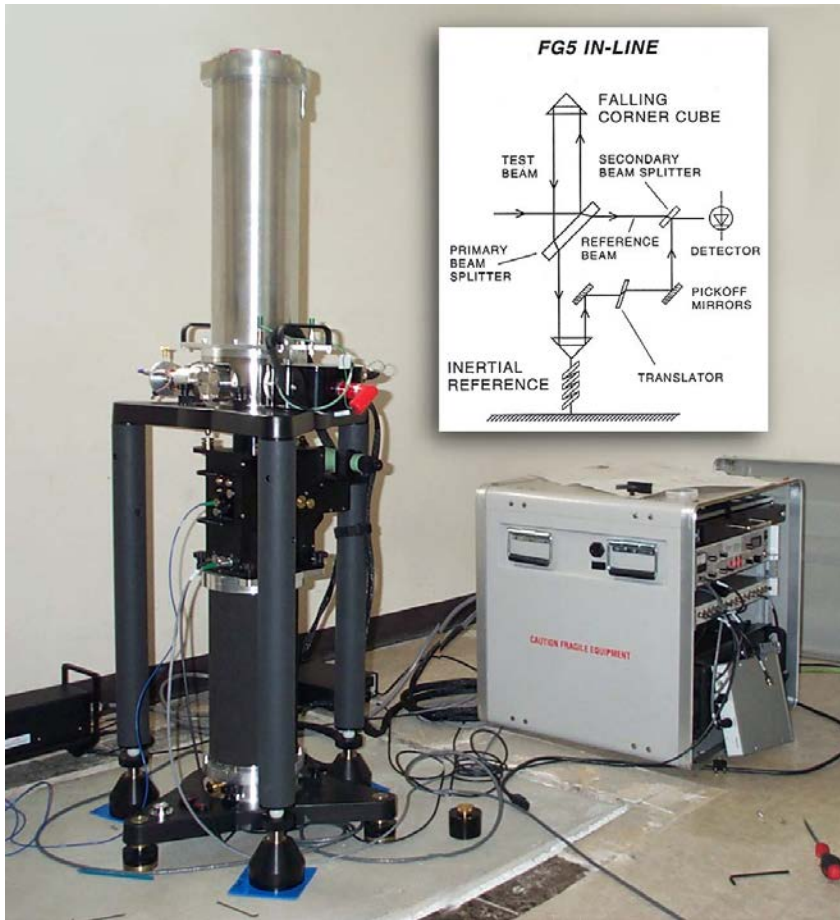
Perturbing accelerations – Conservative (2/2)

- Examples of conservative perturbations
 - N-body (celestial body) attractions
 - Nonspherical celestial bodies
 - Solar-radiation pressure
- Focus on the gravitational field effects
 - Nonspherical celestial bodies
 - Tidal effects
 - N-body attractions

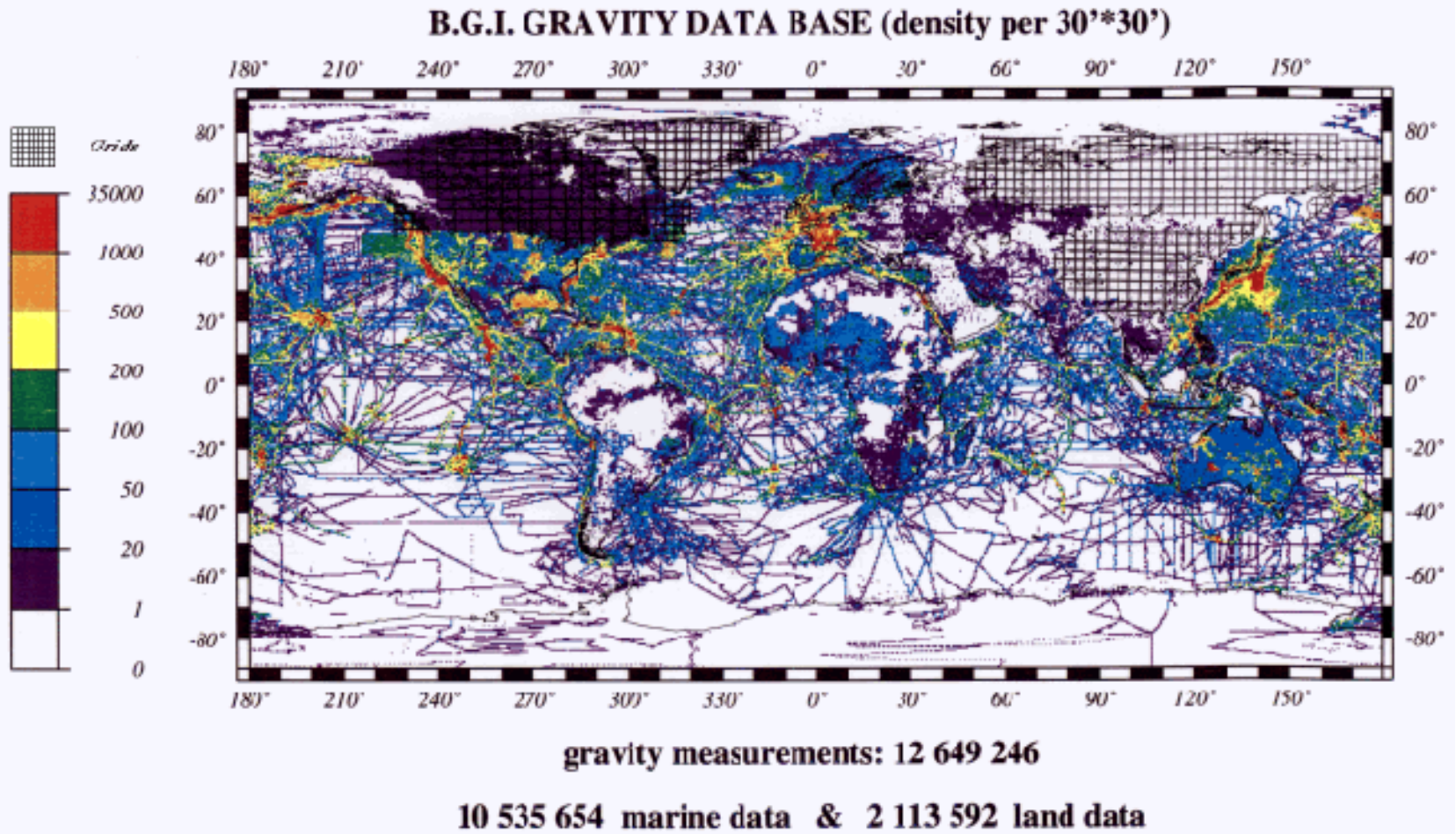


Perturbing accelerations – Gravitational Models (1/6)

- Terrestrial Measurements



Perturbing accelerations – Gravitational Models (2/6)



Perturbing accelerations – Gravitational Models (3/6)

The diagram illustrates the GRACE mission architecture. It shows two GRACE satellites in orbit around Earth, connected to GPS L1 & L2 satellites. The satellites are linked via a 24 & 32 GHz Crosslink. Ground stations include NASA Stations LEOP & Contingency (Also McMurdo), Spitzbergen, Neustrelitz, and Weilheim. Data is transmitted via S-Band TT&C and Science Data System (CSR/JPL/GFZ). Mission Control is at DLR-GSOC, and the Raw Data Centre is at DLR-DFD.

GRACE Mission

Science Goals
High resolution, mean & time variable gravity field mapping for Earth System Science applications.

Mission Systems

Instruments

- KBR (JPL/SSL)
- ACC (ONERA)
- SCA (DTU)
- GPS (JPL)

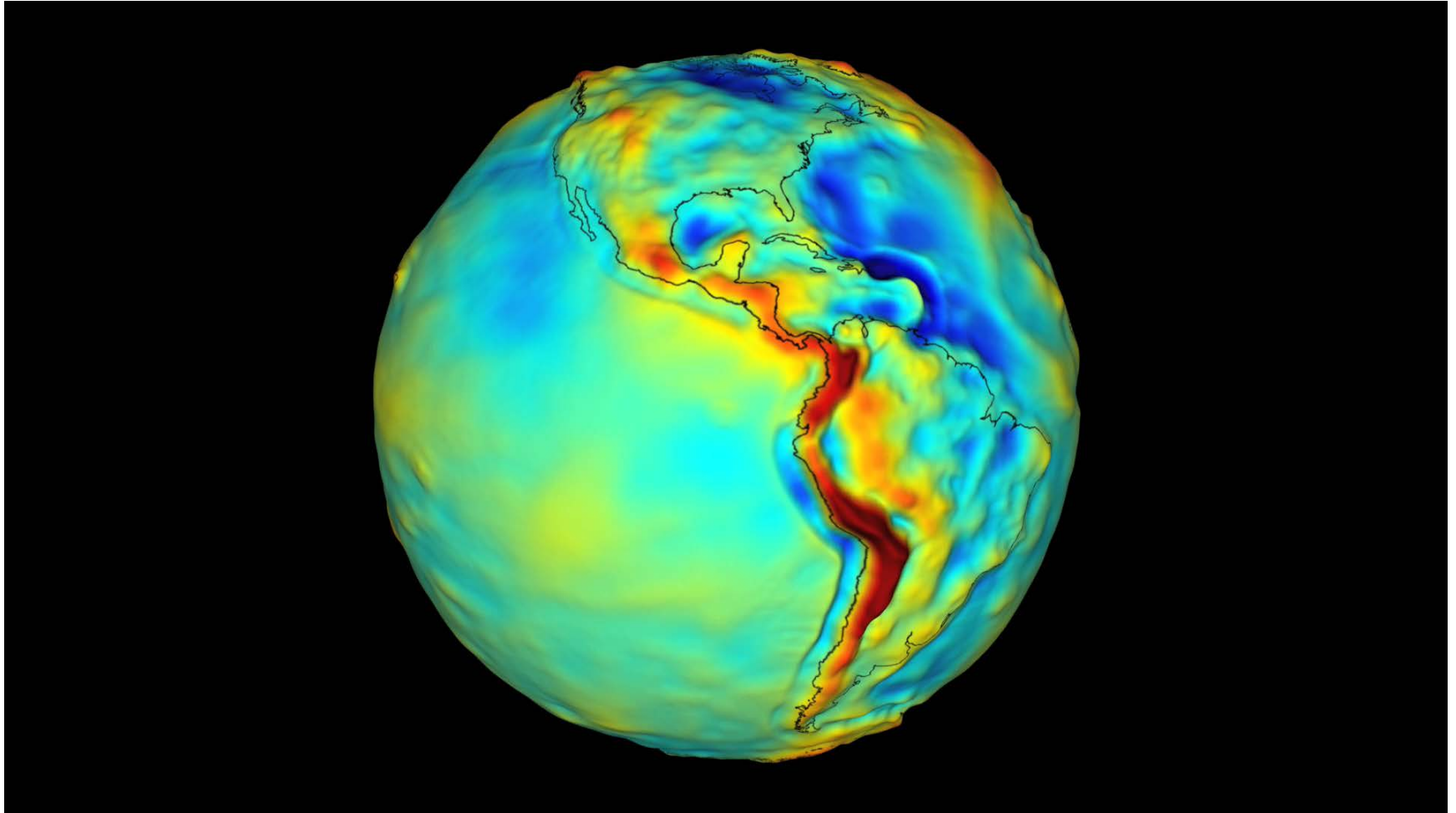
Satellite (JPL/DSS)
Launcher (DLR/Eurockot)
Operations (DLR/GSOC)
Science (CSR/JPL/GFZ)

Orbit

- Launch: March 2002
- Altitude: 485 km
- Inclination : 89 deg
- Eccentricity: ~0.001
- Lifetime: 5 years
- Non-Repeat Ground Track
- Earth Pointed, 3-Axis Stable

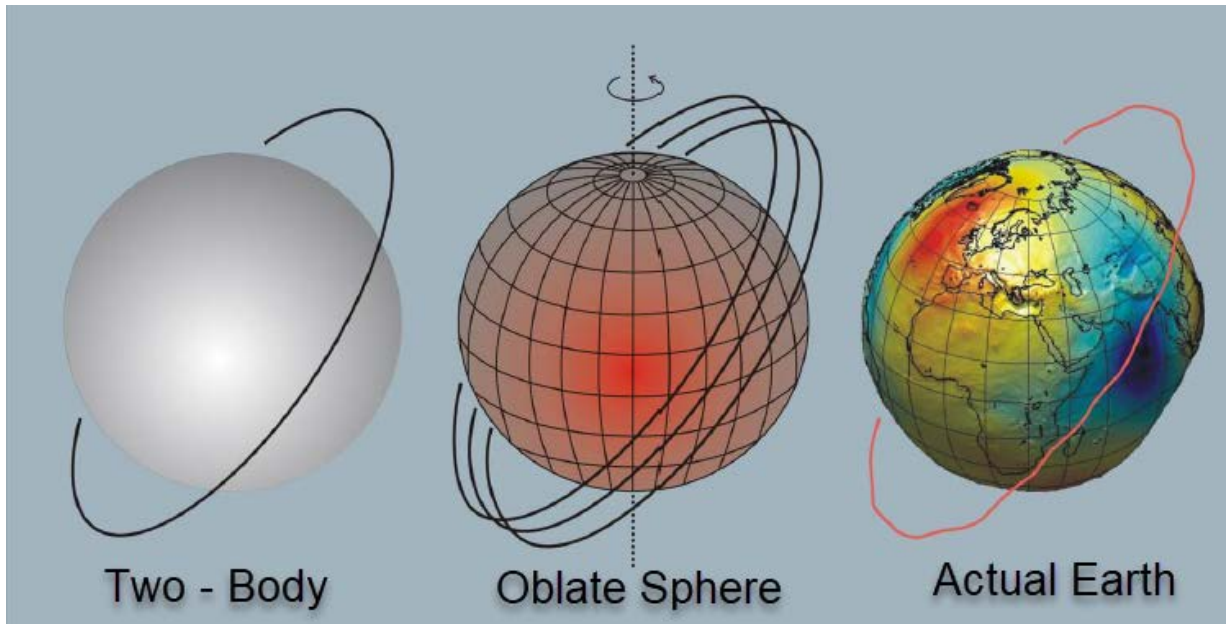


Perturbing accelerations – Gravitational Models (4/6)



Perturbing accelerations – Gravitational Models (5/6)

- Earth's Oblateness ($J_{2,0}$)
 - Bulging at the equator
 - ~ 400 times larger than the next term
 - When included in satellite orbits maintains reasonable accuracy



Perturbing accelerations – Gravitational Models (6/6)

- Earth's bulge at equator pulls satellite down faster
 - Exerts a force component toward the equator
- Satellite reaches equator short of point for spherical Earth
 - East-bound satellite goes west
 - West-bound satellite goes east

$$\dot{\Omega} = -\frac{9.9358}{(1-e^2)^2} \left(\frac{r_{eq}}{r_{eq} + \bar{h}} \right)^{3.5} \cos i \text{ [deg/mean solar day]}$$

- Secular motion of perigee too
 - Force is no longer proportional to inverse square radius

$$\dot{\omega} = \frac{9.9358}{(1-e^2)^2} \left(\frac{r_{eq}}{r_{eq} + \bar{h}} \right)^{3.5} \left(2 - \frac{5}{2} \sin^2 i \right) \text{ [deg/mean solar day]}$$





Practice problem: Gibbsian method

LOST IN SPACE

Gibbsian Method – Introduction

- Obtain \mathbf{r} , \mathbf{v} from three coplanar position vectors through successive measurements of ρ , El , and Az .
 - Developed using pure vector analysis
 - Historically, first contribution of an American scholar to celestial mechanics
- Gibbs problem: Given three nonzero coplanar vectors \mathbf{r}_1 , \mathbf{r}_2 , and \mathbf{r}_3 which represent three sequential positions of an orbiting object on one pass, find the parameter p and the eccentricity e of the orbit and the perifocal base vectors \mathbf{P} , \mathbf{Q} , and \mathbf{W}



Gibbsian Method – Problem Statement

- Given three position vectors, \mathbf{r}_1 , \mathbf{r}_2 , and \mathbf{r}_3 , find PQW (perifocal basis vectors expressed in the IJK system), the semi-latus rectum, eccentricity, period, and the velocity at position two.

- $\mathbf{r}_1 = 1.000 \hat{k}$

- $\mathbf{r}_2 = -0.700 \hat{j} - 0.8000 \hat{k}$

- $\mathbf{r}_3 = 0.9000 \hat{j} + 0.5000 \hat{k}$

