

Proof of the Saari's conjecture
for the planar 3-body problem
with general masses
under
Newton potential
and a strong force potential

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Saari's conjecture

If configurational measure $\mu = I^{\alpha/2} U = \text{constant}$,
then the motion is homographic. [Donald Saari 2005].

$$I = \frac{\sum m_i m_j r_{ij}^2}{\sum m_k}, U = \sum \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}^\alpha}$$

$$r_{ij} = |q_i - q_j|$$

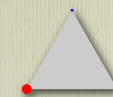
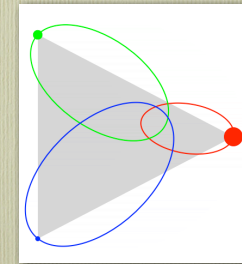
$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum m_k \left| \frac{dq_k}{dt} \right|^2 + \frac{U}{\alpha}$$

$$\mu = \left(\frac{\sum m_i m_j r_{ij}^2}{\sum m_k} \right)^{\alpha/2} \sum \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}^\alpha} : \text{invariant for } q_k \rightarrow \lambda e^{i\theta} q_k.$$

μ depends only on the shape of the N -body configuration.

a motion is homographic $\Rightarrow \mu = \text{constant}$

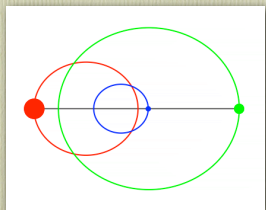
Lagrange solution



the shape is unchanged,
namely,
the motion is homographic

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \sqrt{\frac{\sum m_i m_j r_{ij}^2}{\sum m_k}} \sum \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}} = \text{constant}$$

Euler solution



the shape is unchanged,
namely,
the motion is homographic

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \sqrt{\frac{\sum m_i m_j r_{ij}^2}{\sum m_k}} \sum \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}} = \text{constant}$$

Saari's conjecture

claims that the reverse is also true.

$\mu = \text{constant} \Rightarrow$ The shape is unchanged.
for 3-body problem
 \Rightarrow the solutions are only Lagrange & Euler.

We consider

$$N = 3,$$

$$q_k \in \mathbb{R}^2 \sim \mathbb{C},$$

$$m_k > 0,$$

$$\alpha = 1 \text{ (Newton), and } \alpha = 2 \text{ (a strong force).}$$

$$U = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} \frac{m_i m_j}{|q_i - q_j|^\alpha}$$

Saari's conjecture



attention to Shape variable

- what is the Shape variable ?
- equation of motion for the Shape variable ?

Degrees of freedom

$$q_1, q_2, q_3 \in \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow 6$$

center of mass $\Rightarrow 2$

size $\Rightarrow 1$

rotation $\Rightarrow 1$

\therefore shape $\Rightarrow 2$

Shape variable I

January 18, 2011, I received a mail from Richard
Montgomery with an unpublished preprint
[2007, unpublished].

In the preprint, Moeckel and Montgomery ...

- the Shape variable for Planar 3-body,
- the Lagrangian,
- the equations of motion.

The Shape variable I

z_1, z_2 : two Jacobi vectors.

$$z_2 = q_3 - \frac{m_1 q_1 + m_2 q_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$z_1 = q_2 - q_1$$

$$\text{Shape variable: } \zeta = \frac{z_2}{z_1} = \left(\frac{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}{m_1 + m_2} \right) \left(\frac{q_3}{q_2 - q_1} \right).$$

I learned this from [Moeckel & Montgomery 2007](#)

ζ is invariant under scaling and rotation: $q_k \rightarrow \lambda e^{i\theta} q_k$
 \Rightarrow depends only on shape

similarity

Shape variable: $\zeta = \frac{z_2}{z_1} = \left(\frac{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}{m_1 + m_2}\right) \left(\frac{q_3}{q_2 - q_1}\right)$.

$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{m_1 m_2 m_3}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}} \left(\frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_1 m_2}\right) \zeta = \sqrt{\frac{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) m_3}{m_1 m_2}} \left(\frac{q_3}{q_2 - q_1}\right)$.

Lagrangian

$$\frac{K}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum m_k |\dot{q}_k|^2 = \frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} + \frac{r^2}{2} \left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\eta \times \dot{\eta}}{1 + |\eta|^2} \right)^2 + \frac{r^2}{2} \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2}$$

$r = \sqrt{L}$,
 ϕ : the rotation angle

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{m_1 m_2 m_3}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}} \left(\frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_1 m_2}\right) \zeta = \sqrt{\frac{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) m_3}{m_1 m_2}} \left(\frac{q_3}{q_2 - q_1}\right)$$

Lagrangian

$$\frac{K}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum m_k |\dot{q}_k|^2 = \frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} + \frac{r^2}{2} \left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\eta \times \dot{\eta}}{1 + |\eta|^2} \right)^2 + \frac{r^2}{2} \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2}$$

kinetic energy for: size change, rotation, the shape change

This term naturally defines the metric of the shape space ...

The Shape Sphere

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta}}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2}$$

distance on the sphere:
 $ds^2 = \frac{|d\eta|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2}$

The Shape Sphere

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta}}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2}$$

shape sphere: the Riemann sphere
 shape variable: $\eta = x^1 + ix^2$

W. Hsiang 1995, 2006,
 R. Montgomery 2002,
 R. Moeckel 2007,
 K. H. Kuwabara
 & K. Tanikawa 2007

Shape variables II

$\{r_1, r_2\}$
 ratio of distance between bodies

$r_{31} = |q_3 - q_1|$, $r_{23} = |q_2 - q_3|$, $r_{12} = |q_1 - q_2|$

$r_2 = \frac{r_{31}}{r_{12}}$, $r_1 = \frac{r_{23}}{r_{12}}$

Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{1}{2} K + \frac{1}{\alpha} U$$

$$\frac{K}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum m_k |\dot{q}_k|^2 = \frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} + \frac{r^2}{2} \left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\eta \times \dot{\eta}}{1 + |\eta|^2} \right)^2 + \frac{r^2}{2} \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2}$$

$$U = \sum \frac{m_i m_j}{|q_i - q_j|^\alpha} = \frac{\mu_\alpha(\eta)}{r^\alpha}$$

$$\mu_\alpha(\zeta) = \left(\frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\right)^{\alpha/2} (1 + |\eta|^2)^{\alpha/2} \left(m_1 m_2 + \frac{m_2 m_3}{r_1^\alpha} + \frac{m_3 m_1}{r_2^\alpha}\right)$$

equations of motion for rotation & size

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} = 0 \Rightarrow C = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = r^2 \left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\eta \wedge \dot{\eta}}{1 + |\eta|^2} \right) = \text{constant}$$

the angular momentum

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial r}$$

by a few lines calculations, we get

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} = \frac{r^{\alpha-2}}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(r^4 \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2} \right) : \text{Saari's relation}$$

if $\frac{d\mu}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left(r^4 \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2} \right) = v^2 = \text{const.}$

$$\Rightarrow E = \frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} + \frac{C^2 + v^2}{2r^2} - \frac{\mu}{r^\alpha}$$

Equation of motion for the Shape variable

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\eta}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \eta}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \eta}{d\tau^2} = \frac{2i \left(-C + \eta \times \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \right)}{1 + |\eta|^2} \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} + r^{2-\alpha} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \left(\frac{1 + |\eta|^2}{r^2} \right) \frac{d}{d\tau}$$

Summary of the results from the equations of motion

$$E = \frac{\dot{r}^2}{2} + \frac{C^2 + v^2}{2r^2} - \frac{\mu}{r^\alpha},$$

$$v^2 = r^4 \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2} = \left| \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \right|^2, \quad \leftarrow \text{time dependent in general}$$

$$\frac{d^2\eta}{d\tau^2} = \frac{2i \left(-C + \eta \times \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \right)}{1 + |\eta|^2} \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} + r^{2-\alpha} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta}.$$

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We have 2 cases for

$$v^2 = r^4 \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2} = \left| \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \right|^2 = \text{constant}$$

Case I: $\frac{d\eta}{d\tau} = 0$

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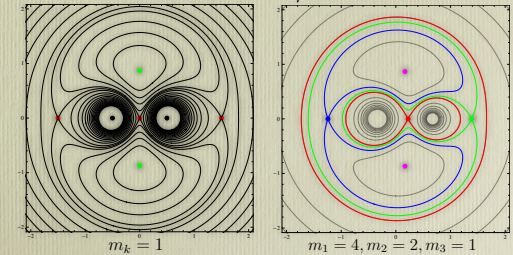
$$\frac{d^2\eta}{d\tau^2} = \frac{2i \left(-C + \eta \times \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \right)}{1 + |\eta|^2} \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} + r^{2-\alpha} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta} = 0.$$

Lagrange, Euler solution

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Lagrange, Euler solution

$$\frac{d\eta}{dt} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta} = 0.$$



The Saari's conjecture claims that the solutions with $\mu = \text{constant}$ are only Euler & Lagrange.

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$$v^2 = r^4 \frac{|\dot{\eta}|^2}{(1 + |\eta|^2)^2} = \left| \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \right|^2 = \text{constant}$$

Case II: $\frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \neq 0$

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$$0 = \frac{d\mu}{d\tau} = \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} \cdot \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta} \Rightarrow \frac{d\eta}{d\tau} = \frac{iv}{|\partial \mu / \partial \eta|} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta}$$

compatibility

$$\text{Then, } \frac{d^2\eta}{d\tau^2} = iv \frac{d}{d\tau} \left(\frac{1}{|\partial \mu / \partial \eta|} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \eta} \right) = \dots \Leftrightarrow \text{eq. of motion}$$

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compatibility

for $\mu = \text{constant}$ & $|d\eta/dt| \neq 0$ & the equation of motion for η .

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the necessary condition:

$$r^{2-\alpha} = \frac{-2}{|\nabla \mu|} C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla \mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta \mu}{|\nabla \mu|^2} \right) v^2.$$

$$\eta = x + iy;$$

$$|\nabla \mu|^2 = g^{ij} (\partial_i \mu) (\partial_j \mu) = (1 + x^2 + y^2)^2 (\mu_x^2 + \mu_y^2),$$

$$\Delta \mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_i \left(g^{ij} \sqrt{|g|} \partial_j \mu \right) = (1 + x^2 + y^2) (\mu_{xx} + \mu_{yy}),$$

$$\lambda = g^{ij} (\partial_i \mu) (\partial_j |\nabla \mu|^2)$$

$$= 4(1 + x^2 + y^2)^3 (x\mu_x + y\mu_y) (\mu_x^2 + \mu_y^2)$$

$$+ 2(1 + x^2 + y^2)^4 (\mu_x^2 \mu_{xx} + 2\mu_x \mu_y \mu_{xy} + \mu_y^2 \mu_{yy}).$$

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compatibility

a necessary condition: in the invariant form

$$r^{2-\alpha} = \frac{-2}{|\nabla \mu|} C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla \mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta \mu}{|\nabla \mu|^2} \right) v^2.$$

for $\alpha = 2$,

$$1 = \frac{-2}{|\nabla \mu|} C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla \mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta \mu}{|\nabla \mu|^2} \right) v^2.$$

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Saari's conjecture for a strong force

for $\alpha = 2$,

$$1 = \frac{-2}{|\nabla \mu|} C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla \mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta \mu}{|\nabla \mu|^2} \right) v^2.$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}^2}, \quad I = \left(\sum m_k \right)^{-1} \left(\sum m_i m_j r_{ij}^2 \right)$$

$$\mu = IU$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{m_1 m_2 + m_2 m_3 r_1^2 + m_3 m_1 r_2^2}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3} \right) \left(m_1 m_2 + \frac{m_2 m_3}{r_1^2} + \frac{m_3 m_1}{r_2^2} \right)$$

$$r_1 = r_{23}/r_{12}, \quad r_2 = r_{31}/r_{12}.$$

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$\alpha = 2$

$$1 = \frac{-2}{|\nabla \mu|} C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla \mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta \mu}{|\nabla \mu|^2} \right) v^2.$$

$$\Delta \mu = \frac{2(m_1 m_2 + m_2 m_3 r_1^2 + m_3 m_1 r_2^2)^2 (m_1 r_1^4 (1 + r_2^2) + m_2 r_2^4 (1 + r_1^2) + m_3 (r_1^4 + r_2^4))}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) r_1^4 r_2^4}$$

$$|\nabla \mu|^2 = \frac{m_1 m_2 m_3 (m_1 m_2 + m_2 m_3 r_1^2 + m_3 m_1 r_2^2)^2}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) r_1^6 r_2^6}$$

$$\left(m_1^2 r_1^6 (r_2^4 - 1)^2 + m_2^2 r_2^6 (r_1^4 - 1)^2 + m_3^2 (r_1^4 - r_2^4) \right. \\ \left. + m_1 m_2 r_1^4 r_2^4 (r_1^4 - 1)(r_2^4 - 1)(r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 1) \right. \\ \left. + m_2 m_3 (r_1^4 - 1) r_2^4 (r_2^4 - r_1^4 + r_1^6 + r_2^6 - r_1^2 r_2^4 - r_1^4 r_2^2) \right. \\ \left. + m_1 m_3 (r_2^4 - 1) r_1^4 (r_1^4 - r_2^4 + r_1^6 + r_2^6 - r_1^2 r_2^4 - r_1^4 r_2^2) \right)$$

$\lambda = \dots$ so many terms ...

$$\mu = \left(\frac{m_1 m_2 + m_2 m_3 r_1^2 + m_3 m_1 r_2^2}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3} \right) \left(m_1 m_2 + \frac{m_2 m_3}{r_1^2} + \frac{m_3 m_1}{r_2^2} \right) = \text{const.}$$

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equal masses case

for $\alpha = 2$

$$\Delta \mu = \frac{8(1 + r_1^2 + r_2^2)^2 (r_1^4 + r_2^4 + r_1^4 r_2^4)}{9 r_1^4 r_2^4}$$

$$= \frac{8(\mu_1^2 + \mu_2^2 + \mu_3^2)(\mu_1 \mu_2 + \mu_2 \mu_3 + \mu_3 \mu_1)^2}{9 \mu_1^2 \mu_2^2 \mu_3^2}$$

$$= 8(\mu^2 - 6\rho). \quad \leftarrow \text{symmetric polynomials}$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{3} (r_{12}^2 + r_{23}^2 + r_{31}^2) \left(\frac{1}{r_{12}^2} + \frac{1}{r_{23}^2} + \frac{1}{r_{31}^2} \right)$$

$$= \mu_3 + \mu_1 + \mu_2$$

elementary symmetric polynomials

$$\mu = \mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3, \quad \rho = \mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3, \quad (\nu = \mu_1 \mu_2 + \mu_2 \mu_3 + \mu_3 \mu_1 = 3\rho)$$

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equal masses case

for $\alpha = 2$

Similarly, $\Delta\mu = 8(\mu^2 - 6\rho)$,

$$|\nabla\mu|^2 = -4(\mu^2 - 2\mu^3 + 6\mu\rho + 27\rho^2),$$

$$\lambda = 16(2\mu^3 - 10\mu^4 + 12\mu^5 + (36\mu^2 - 72\mu^3)\rho + (333\mu - 351\mu^2)\rho^2 + (891 + 243\mu)\rho^3).$$

$$1 = \frac{-2}{|\nabla\mu|}C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla\mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta\mu}{|\nabla\mu|^2} \right) v^2 = f(\mu, \rho)C + g(\mu, \rho)v^2.$$

We can show that the right-hand side is not constant. This is a proof of the Saari's conjecture for equal masses case.

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General masses case

for $\alpha = 2$

$$1 = \frac{-2}{|\nabla\mu|}C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla\mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta\mu}{|\nabla\mu|^2} \right) v^2.$$

$$\Delta\mu = \frac{2(m_1m_2 + m_2m_3r_1^2 + m_3m_1r_2^2)(m_1r_1^4(1+r_2^2) + m_2r_2^4(1+r_1^2) + m_3(r_1^4+r_2^4))}{(m_1+m_2+m_3)r_1^4r_2^4}$$

$$|\nabla\mu|^2 = \dots, \lambda = \dots$$

Can we find a convenient variable, something like ρ in equal masses case.

$$\eta \in \mathbb{C} \leftrightarrow \{r_1, r_2\} \leftrightarrow \{\mu, \rho\}$$

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General masses case

for $\alpha = 2$

Can we find a convenient variable, something like ρ in equal masses case.

$$\eta \in \mathbb{C} \leftrightarrow \{r_1, r_2\} \leftrightarrow \{\mu, \rho\}$$

Our choice is ...

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu} &= (m_1 + m_2 + m_3)\mu \\ &= (m_1m_2 + m_2m_3r_1^2 + m_3m_1r_2^2) \left(m_1m_2 + \frac{m_2m_3}{r_1^2} + \frac{m_3m_1}{r_2^2} \right) = \nu \rho, \\ \nu &= m_1m_2 + m_2m_3r_1^2 + m_3m_1r_2^2, \\ \rho &= m_1m_2 + \frac{m_2m_3}{r_1^2} + \frac{m_3m_1}{r_2^2}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\eta \in \mathbb{C} \leftrightarrow \{r_1, r_2\} \leftrightarrow \{\mu, \rho\}$$

$$r_1^2 = \frac{\tilde{\mu}}{m_2m_3\rho} + \frac{m_1(m_3^2 - m_2^2)}{m_2^2m_3} + \frac{(\tilde{\mu} - m_2^2m_3)m_3}{m_3^2\tilde{\mu}}\rho + O(\rho^2),$$



$$r_2^2 = \frac{m_3}{m_2} - \frac{(\tilde{\mu} - m_2^2m_3)m_3}{m_1m_2^2\tilde{\mu}}\rho + O(\rho^2).$$

and $r_1 \leftrightarrow r_2, m_1 \leftrightarrow m_2$.

$$\frac{1}{|\nabla\mu|^2} = -\frac{m_3^2(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)^3}{4m_1m_2^2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\tilde{\mu}} \right)^4 + O(\rho^5),$$



$$\lambda = -\frac{16(3m_1m_2m_3(m_2 + m_3) + 3m_1^2(m_2^2 + m_3^2) - m_2^2m_3^2 + \tilde{\mu})}{m_3^4(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)^5} \left(\frac{\rho}{\tilde{\mu}} \right)^6 + O(1/\rho^5),$$

$$\Delta\mu = \frac{4(m_1m_2^2 + m_2^2m_3 + (m_1 + m_2)m_3^2)}{m_3^2(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)^2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\tilde{\mu}} \right)^2 + O(1/\rho)$$

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$$1 = \frac{-2}{|\nabla\mu|}C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla\mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta\mu}{|\nabla\mu|^2} \right) v^2 = f(\mu, \rho)C + g(\mu, \rho)v^2$$

$$= -\frac{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)v}{m_1^2m_2^2} \left(-v(\tilde{\mu} + m_1^2(m_2^2 + m_2m_3 - m_3^2) + m_1m_2m_3^2 + m_2^2m_3^2) + 2iCm_1m_3\sqrt{m_3^2(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)} \right) \left(\frac{\rho}{\tilde{\mu}} \right)^2 + O(\rho^3).$$

The right-hand side has no constant term in ρ for $\rho \sim 0$.

Therefore, the necessary condition is not satisfied.

This is a proof of the Saari's conjecture for $\alpha = 2$.

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Newton's potential $\alpha = 1$.

The necessary condition: $r = \frac{-2Cv}{|\nabla\mu|} + \frac{v^2\lambda}{2|\nabla\mu|^4} - \frac{v^2\Delta\mu}{|\nabla\mu|^2}$

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{\mu} = \sqrt{m_1m_2 + m_2m_3r_1^2 + m_3m_1r_2^2} \left(m_1m_2 + \frac{m_2m_3}{r_1} + \frac{m_3m_1}{r_2} \right) = \sqrt{\nu} \rho, \\ \nu = m_1m_2 + m_2m_3r_1^2 + m_3m_1r_2^2, \\ \rho = m_1m_2 + \frac{m_2m_3}{r_1} + \frac{m_3m_1}{r_2}. \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = -\frac{m_3}{m_1} \left(1 - \frac{(m_1m_3)^{3/2} - \tilde{\mu}}{m_1m_2\tilde{\mu}} \rho + \left(\frac{(m_1m_3)^{3/2} - \tilde{\mu}}{m_1m_2\tilde{\mu}} \right)^2 \rho^2 + O(\rho^3) \right), \\ r_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_1m_3}} \left(\frac{\tilde{\mu}}{\rho} - \frac{m_2(m_1^3 + m_3^3)}{2m_1^2\tilde{\mu}} \rho + \frac{m_3^3((m_1m_3)^{3/2} - \tilde{\mu})}{m_1^3\mu^2} \rho^2 + O(\rho^3) \right) \end{cases}$$

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and other 3 similar solutions.

$$\rightarrow r = \mp \frac{3v^2((m_1m_3)^{3/2} \pm \tilde{\mu})\sqrt{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}}{4m_1^2m_2^2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\tilde{\mu}} \right)^2 + O(\rho^3).$$

$$E = \frac{r^2}{2} + \frac{C^2 + v^2}{2r^2} - \frac{\mu}{r} = \frac{a}{\rho^8} + O(\rho^{-7}) \text{ with } a \neq 0.$$

Therefore, E is not constant.

This is a proof of the Saari's conjecture for $\alpha = 1$.

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Summary

The shape variable

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)m_3}{m_1m_2}} \left(\frac{q_3}{q_2 - q_1} \right).$$

Lagrangian for $r, \phi, \eta \Rightarrow$ Equations of motion for r, ϕ, η .

A necessary condition for $\mu = \text{constant}$,

$$r^{2-\alpha} = \frac{-2}{|\nabla\mu|}C + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2|\nabla\mu|^4} - \frac{\Delta\mu}{|\nabla\mu|^2} \right) v^2$$

$$\text{in } \eta \in \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow \{r_1, r_2\} \Rightarrow \{\mu, \rho\}$$

For $\alpha = 2$, this condition cannot be satisfied by any C, v, μ, m_k .

For $\alpha = 1$, this condition determine $r = r(\rho)$.

$\Rightarrow E \neq \text{constant}$ for any C, v, μ, m_k .

This is a proof of the Saari's conjecture for general masses, $\alpha = 1$ and 2.

Thank you

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