

Ch_6_Lesson_14_Ex_1

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clear

% initialize constants
G=6.7e-11;
mSun = 1.9e30;
rEarthOrbit = 150e9;
rSun=695500000;
mEarth = 5.9742e24;
rEarth = 6.378e6;

% initialize data storage arrays
M=10;
I=1000;
Ii=1;

XE=zeros(I,1); YE=zeros(I,1);
XP=zeros(I,1); YP=zeros(I,1);
T=zeros(I,1);

t=0; T(1)=0;

% set launch parameters for a earth orbit, earth is on the horizontal axis
xE=rEarthOrbit; XE(1)=xE;           % starting earth x coordinate
vxE=0;           % starting earth x velocity
yE=0;  yE(1)=yE; % starting earth y coordinate
vyE=28500;       % starting earth y velocity

% set launch parameters for probe from the space station
xP=rEarthOrbit + rEarth + 402000;  XP(1)=xP; % starting probe x coordinate
vxP=0;                               % starting probe x velocity
yP=0;  yP(1)=yP;                     % starting probe y coordinate
vyP=28500 + 7706;                    % probe velocity = earth's velocity + space station velocity

dt=2;

N1 = 3*92*60 / dt; % the space station orbit is 92 min, run for 3 orbits
for i=1:N1

    % project the earth's orbit

    t = t+ dt;

    % project earth orbit

    % resolve the earth sun gravity vector
    rSE = sqrt(xE^2 + yE^2); % compute rE
    gSE = -G*mSun/rSE^2;    % compute gravity magnitude
    cosSE = xE/rSE;        % compute cos theta
    sinSE = yE/rSE;        % compute sin theta

    xE=xE+vxE*dt;          % project earth position
    yE=yE+vyE*dt;

    vxE= vxE+ gSE*cosSE*dt; % project earth velocity
    vyE = vyE+ gSE*sinSE*dt;

    % project probe orbit

    % resolve the sun - probe gravity vector
    rSP = sqrt(xP^2 + yP^2); % compute sun - probe distance

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gSP = -G*mSun/rSP^2;      % compute gravity magnitude
cosSP = xP/rSP;          % compute cos theta
sinSP = yP/rSP;          % compute sin theta

% resolve the earth - probe gravity vector
xEP = xP - xE;
yEP = yP - yE;

rEP = sqrt(xEP^2 + yEP^2); % compute earth - probe distance
gEP = -G*mEarth/rEP^2;    % compute gravity magnitude
cosEP = xEP/rEP;          % compute cos theta
sinEP = yEP/rEP;          % compute sin theta

ax = (gSP*cosSP + gEP*cosEP); % compute probe x and y accel
ay = (gSP*sinSP + gEP*sinEP);

xP=xP+vxP*dt;           % project probe position
yP=yP+vyP*dt;

vxP = vxP+ ax*dt;      % project probe velocity
vyP = vyP+ ay*dt;

% record data for graphs
if mod(i,M)== 0
    Ii=Ii+1;
    T(Ii)=t;
    XP(Ii)= xP;
    YP(Ii)= yP;
    XE(Ii)= xE;
    YE(Ii)= yE;
end

end

II=1:Ii;

plot(XP(II),YP(II)) % plot probe trajectory
hold on
plot(XE(II),YE(II)) % plot earth trajectory

hold off

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