

272(b): Graphics of \ddot{r} vs θ and $\ddot{\theta}$ vs θ

1) The Graph of \ddot{r} Versus θ

This is constructed from the following set of equations:

$$\ddot{r} = r(\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2 \theta) - \frac{MG}{r^2} \quad - (1)$$

$$\dot{\phi} = \frac{L_z}{mr^2 \sin^2 \theta}, \quad \dot{\theta} = \frac{1}{mr^2} \left(L^2 - \frac{L_z^2}{\sin^2 \theta} \right)^{1/2} \quad - (2)$$

$$r = \frac{d}{1 + \epsilon \cos \beta} \quad - (3)$$

$$\cos \beta = \left(1 - \frac{L^2 \cos^2 \theta}{L^2 - L_z^2} \right)^{1/2} \quad - (4)$$

so \ddot{r} can be expressed as a function of θ .

In two dimensions $\theta = \pi/2$ so there is

no such function.

2) The Graph of $\ddot{\theta}$ Versus θ

This is constructed from:

$$\ddot{\theta} = \dot{\phi}^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - 2 \frac{\dot{r} \dot{\theta}}{r} \quad - (5)$$

2) where ϕ and θ are given by eq. (2), r by eqs. (3) and (4), and \dot{r} by:

$$\dot{r} = \left(\frac{2}{m} \left(E - \frac{L^2}{2mr^2} + \frac{k}{r} \right) \right)^{1/2} - (6)$$

Therefore $\ddot{\theta}$ can be plotted against θ .

In two dimensions there is no function of $\ddot{\theta}$ against θ because $\theta = \pi/2$ and $\ddot{\theta} = 0$.

Therefore these comparisons show that a three dimensional theory is far more richly structured than a two dimensional theory.
