

ASEN 5519-001 Analytical Astrodynamics

TTh, 10-11:15, AERO 114

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Office Hours immediately after class

Introduction to astrodynamics with an emphasis on analytical approaches — alternative to ASEN 5050. General solution of the 2-body problem. Orbital trajectories, transfers, targeting, and time of flight. Orbit perturbations and averaging analysis. Restricted 3-body problem.

**I** - : Undergraduate orbital mechanics course (equivalent to ASEN 3200) or permission of the instructor.

**C** :  
Selected excerpts from “Orbital Motion in Strongly Perturbed Environments” will be distributed, selected papers will be distributed.

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A.E. Roy, Orbital Motion 4th edition, Institute of Physics Publishing, 2005.

**B** :  
D.J. Scheeres. “Orbital Motion in Strongly Perturbed Environments: Applications to Asteroid, Comet and Planetary Satellite Orbiters,” Springer-Praxis Books in Astronautical Engineering. 2012. ISBN 978-3-642-03255-4, e-ISBN 978-3-642-03256-1, DOI 10.1007/978-3-642-03256-1

J.E. Prussing and B.A. Conway, Orbital Mechanics, 2nd Ed., Oxford University Press, 2012.

J.M.A. Danby, Fundamentals of Celestial Mechanics, 2nd Ed., Willmann-Bell, 1992.

V.I. Arnold, V.V. Kozlov, A.I. Neishtadt, Mathematical Aspects of Classical and Celestial Mechanics, 3rd edition, Springer, 2006.

C. Marchal, The Three-Body Problem, Elsevier, 1990.

F.R. Moulton, An Introduction to Celestial Mechanics, 2nd edition, Dover, 1970.

V. Szebehely, Theory of Orbits: The restricted problem of three bodies, Academic Press, 1967.

**C** :  
Use of Matlab (or other computer languages) in homework.

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Homework and computer problems should be written as informal reports.

<b>G</b>	:	
	HW problems:	25%
	Computational problems:	25%
	Mid-term exam:	25%
	Final exam:	25%

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Principles of orbital mechanics.  
Orbital trajectories, transfers, time of flight.  
Trajectory propagation and targeting.  
Orbit perturbation formulation and analysis.  
Restricted 3-body problem with applications.

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#### Orbital mechanics

- Formulation of two-body, three-body and n-body problems
- The two-body problem solution
- Elliptical and circular orbits
- Parabolic and hyperbolic trajectories
- 3-D trajectories and orbit elements
- Time of flight and orbit propagation

#### Orbital transfers

- Impulsive maneuvers
- Lambert's theorem
- 3-D Targeting



