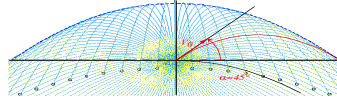


Assignment 5 - due Wed Sept. 26 - Mainly Chapters 9 - 12. "Families of orbits and their contacting envelopes."



The atoms of NIST or volcanoes of Io

1. Suppose one of the volcanoes on Jupiter's moon Io detonates in a constant gravity- $g(m \cdot s^{-2})$  vacuum sending equi-velocity  $\pm v_0(m \cdot s^{-1})$  fragments off at initial elevation angles  $\alpha=0^\circ, 15^\circ, 30^\circ, \dots, 75^\circ,$  and  $90^\circ$  with the latter one going straight up to an altitude of  $y=h_0=1$ -unit in the attached graph and falling straight down.

- That one distance unit has what *mks*-value in terms of  $g(m \cdot s^{-2})$  and  $v_0(m \cdot s^{-1})$ ?  $h_0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  ( ).
- Derive the parabolic time-coordinates  $x(t) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, y(t) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  in terms of  $g(m \cdot s^{-2})$  and  $v_0(m \cdot s^{-1})$  and elevation angle  $\alpha$ .
- Derive the parabolic focus-locus coordinates  $x_{foc} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, y_{foc} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  in terms of  $g(m \cdot s^{-2})$  and  $v_0(m \cdot s^{-1})$  and elevation angle  $\alpha$  for  $h_0=1$  and construct its curve on graph. (This curve has aspects of Thales geometry (subtended angle of circle diameter) that relate to trajectories. If you can show these below.)
- Derive the parabolic directrix coordinate  $y_{dir} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  in terms of  $h_0=1$  and elevation angle  $\alpha$  and construct this directrix line on graph for the cases  $\alpha=0^\circ-90^\circ$  listed above.
- Give general parabolic trajectory curve function  $y(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  in terms of  $g(m \cdot s^{-2})$  and  $v_0(m \cdot s^{-1})$  and  $\alpha$  for  $h_0=1$ . For the cases  $\alpha=0^\circ, 30^\circ, 45^\circ,$  and  $90^\circ$  construct enough of their curve points and tangents to accurately represent them on the graph.
- Locate the envelope contact points for the cases  $\alpha=0^\circ, 30^\circ, 45^\circ,$  and  $90^\circ$  and construct enough of the envelope points and tangents to accurately represent the envelope on the graph. If a contact point lies off the graph indicate where. Deduce  $y_{envelope}(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  in terms of  $h_0=1$ .
- Each parabola trajectory has kite-like structure (Recall Fig. 9.4.) as does envelope. Draw and relate them.
- Do any of the  $\alpha$ -trajectories have the same shape as the envelope? If so, tell which one.

2. Now consider time behavior implicit in problem 1. In a "snapshot" of each moment, volcano fragments lie on "blast-front" curve. A geometric time unit  $T_1$  is the time for the  $\alpha=90^\circ$  fragment to reach its peak.

- That one time unit has what *mks*-value in terms of  $g(m \cdot s^{-2})$  and  $v_0(m \cdot s^{-1})$ ?  $T_1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  ( ).
- Give a brief explanation addressing why this "snapshot" curve or locus has to be (whichever): a parabola? \_\_\_ straight line? \_\_\_ circle? \_\_\_ ellipse? \_\_\_ (Check one and explain choice on graph.)
- Derive and/or construct the "blast-front" curve for the case  $\alpha=90^\circ$  at the moment when that fragment first contacts volcano envelope. Give time in  $T_1$  units.  $T_{90^\circ} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  Find polar angle of contact normal.
- Derive and/or construct the "blast-front" curve for the case  $\alpha=45^\circ$  at the moment when that fragment first contacts volcano envelope. Give time in  $T_1$  units.  $T_{45^\circ} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  Find polar angle of contact normal.
- Derive and/or construct the "blast-front" curve for the case  $\alpha=30^\circ$  at the moment when that fragment first contacts volcano envelope. Give time in  $T_1$  units.  $T_{30^\circ} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  Find polar angle of contact normal.

3. Suppose fragments continue falling into a tunnel through moon-Io that has radius  $R_{Io} = 0.5 \cdot 10^6 h_0$ . Estimate radius of tunnel at widest point if it just big enough to let all fragments orbit without hitting its walls.  $R_{tunnel} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  ( $h_0$ )

Note: For this problem the gravity is not uniform constant  $g=9.8ms^{-2}$  except near surface. (Ellipse geometry.)

