



# About the Restricted Three-Body Problem with the Schwarzschild-de Sitter Potential

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**Abstract:** In this paper the restricted three body problem in the context of Schwarzschild-de Sitter's space-time is studied. The equations of motion that govern the bodies are derived using the Schwarzschild-de Sitter metric, by introducing a set known as the parameter domain, the existence of equilibrium points for any element of this set is shown. The stability conditions for the orbital motion of the system are established by the analysis of the eigenvalues of the linearized system.

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## 1 Introduction

A de Sitter universe is an exact solution to the Einstein field equations of general relativity, named after Willem de Sitter. Setting the foundations of a particular cosmological universe, which is characterized as spatially flat and neglects ordinary matter, thus, the dynamics of the universe is dominated by a positive cosmological constant [7], or equivalent, de Sitter solution corresponds to a metric of a space-time of constant curvature. When the curvature is negative, the cosmological constant is too, and the corresponding universe is called anti-de Sitter space. In both cases, the metric corresponds to a general symmetry of Einstein's field equations, see Brinkmann's theorem [6]. The current observations indicate that the universe is expanding in an accelerated rate, and may approach de Sitter space asymptotically, that is, the concordance models of physical cosmology are converging on a consistent model that is best described as a de Sitter universe. See

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Carroll [3] and Zwicky [14] for a preliminary introduction, and [8] for a more detailed description and a consistent mathematical deduction.

Under the assumptions of this universe, we present a study of the Lagrangian triangular equilibria in the planar restricted three body problem, where the primaries are homogeneous spheroids rotating around their axis of symmetry and whose equatorial planes coincide throughout their motion. We follow closely the work of Arredondo *et al.* [1] for the Schwarzschild potential and the reference found there [9], but with the new ingredient of a potential associated to a more general metric, that is, in terms of relativistic effects, a new physical universe endowed with other qualities [4]. On the other hand, we introduce a new algebraic idea to give an analytical proof of the existence and uniqueness of a Lagrangian equilibrium, while as usual, linear stability of this equilibria is studied numerically.

### 2 Schwarzschild-de Sitter Potential

The Schwarzschild metric is the simplest solution of Einstein’s equation with zero cosmological constant, while a de Sitter space is the simplest solution when a positive cosmological constant is considered [2], but both are obtained from considering a spherical symmetry [8]. As described in [10], a de Sitter-Schwarzschild space-time is just a combination of the two, and we can imagine it as the horizon of a black hole that is centered in a universe with de Sitter properties, which from the mathematical point of view, is properly described as a Riemannian space with one independent component of its curvature tensor. All the discussion behind this object and its beautiful developments can be found in Theorems 8.10 to 8.15 of [12]. For the purpose of this paper we just have to establish that the Schwarzschild-de Sitter metric is given by

$$ds^2 = c^2 \left( 1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r} - \frac{\Lambda}{3} r^2 \right) dt^2 - \left( 1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r} - \frac{\Lambda}{3} r^2 \right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2), \tag{1}$$

where  $G$  is the universal gravitational constant,  $M$  is the mass of the filed source,  $c$  is the speed of light and  $\Lambda$  is the cosmological constant. It is known that the associated potential to this metric is given by the time-time component of the metric

$$U(r) = \frac{-(c^2 + g_{00})}{2} = \frac{k}{r} + \frac{B}{r^3} + Cr^2, \tag{2}$$

where  $k = GM$ ,  $C = \frac{\Lambda c^2}{6}$  and  $B = \frac{GML^2}{c^2}$  (see [3] and [10] for details).

### 3 Approach to the Restricted Problem

Let us consider two bodies,  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , that interact mutually under the Schwarzschild-de Sitter potential, describing a circular orbit, and  $m_3$  be the mass of a body with spherical symmetry such that  $m_1, m_2 \gg m_3$ . Also, we assume that the center of mass of  $m_1, m_2$  is fixed at the origin. As we consider  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  source of the potential of type (2), that we rewrite as

$$U(r) = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{B_1 + B_2}{r^2} + (C_1 + C_2)r^3 \right), \tag{3}$$

the interaction among masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  is given by the equation

$$\left(\frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\right) \ddot{R} = -\frac{dU(R)}{dR} = -\frac{d}{dR} \left( \frac{Gm_1 m_2}{R} \left( 1 + \frac{B_1 + B_2}{R^2} + (C_1 + C_2)R^3 \right) \right),$$

i.e.,

$$\left(\frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}\right) \ddot{R} = -\frac{Gm_1 m_2}{R} \left( 1 + \frac{3(B_1 + B_2)}{R^3} - 2R^2(C_1 + C_2) \right).$$

As it is supposed that  $m_1, m_2$  are in an orbit with uniform circular movement, we have  $(R_0, \omega)$ . This is equivalent to finding the equilibrium points of the increased potential or effective potential [5]. Doing a rescaling, we consider  $Gm_1 m_2 = 1$ ; then the increased potential will be defined by

$$U_{aug}(R) = -\frac{1}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{B_1 + B_2}{r^2} + (C_1 + C_2)r^3 \right) + \frac{r^2 \omega^2}{2} \quad (4)$$

and the effective potential as

$$U_{eff}(r) = -\frac{1}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{B_1 + B_2}{r} + (C_1 + C_2)r^3 \right) + \frac{L^2}{2r^2}. \quad (5)$$

Remember that equilibrium points are critical ones in the effective potential. So, operating and making  $R = 1$ , we have

$$\omega = \sqrt{1 + 3(B_1 + B_2) - 2(C_1 + C_2)}. \quad (6)$$

Now, to guarantee orbit's stability, we use the fact that a critical point is further a minimal potential, namely,  $U''_{eff}(R)|_{R=1} > 0$ .

$$U''_{eff}(R)|_{R=1} = \left[ -\frac{2}{R^3} - 12\frac{B_1 + B_2}{R^4} - 2(C_1 + C_2) + \frac{3L^2}{R^4} \right]_{R=1} > 0, \quad (7)$$

and replacing (6) in (7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} -2 - 12(B_1 + B_2) - 2(C_1 + C_2) + 3(1 + 3(B_1 + B_2) - 2(C_1 + C_2)) &> 0. \\ 1 &> 3(B_1 + B_2) + 8(C_1 + C_2). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

In the other way, the expression inside the root of (6) must be positive. So, another constraint for the coefficients is

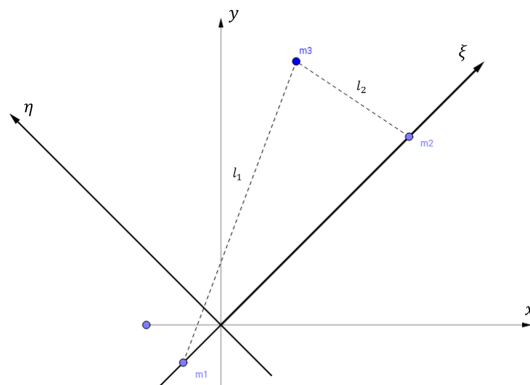
$$1 + 3(B_1 + B_2) \geq 2(C_1 + C_2). \quad (9)$$

With (8) and (9), it is possible to uncouple one pair of the coefficients:

$$\frac{1}{5} > C_1 + C_2. \quad (10)$$

Also, in (8), since  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are always non-negative, the other pair of coefficients is uncoupled:

$$\frac{1}{3} > B_1 + B_2. \quad (11)$$



**Figure 1:** Representation of the restricted three body problem in the non-inertial system.

A particle’s Hamiltonian in a central field is given by  $H(r, \dot{r}) = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^2 - U(r)$ , then the Hamiltonian of  $m_3$  in the inertial reference system is

$$H(r, \dot{r}) = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^2 - \frac{(1 - \mu)}{l_1} \left( 1 + \frac{B_1}{l_1^2} + C_1 l_1^3 \right) - \frac{\mu}{l_2} \left( 1 + \frac{B_2}{l_2^2} + C_2 l_2^3 \right), \quad (12)$$

where

$$l_1 = \sqrt{(\xi + \mu)^2 + \eta^2} \quad (13)$$

and

$$l_2 = \sqrt{(\xi + \mu - 1)^2 + \eta^2} \quad (14)$$

are the distances from the masses  $m_1, m_2$  to the mass  $m_3$ , respectively.

Now, we name  $m_1 = \mu$ , located on  $\xi_1$ ; and  $m_2 = 1 - \mu$ , located on  $\xi_2$ . In this order,  $\mu \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\xi_1 - \xi_2 = 1$  and  $\mu\xi_2 + (1 - \mu)\xi_1 = 0$ . So,  $\xi_1 = -\mu$  and  $\xi_2 = 1 - \mu$ . Also,

$$m_1 = \begin{cases} x = -\mu \cos(\omega t), \\ y = -\mu \sin(\omega t), \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

and

$$m_2 = \begin{cases} x = (1 - \mu) \cos(\omega t), \\ y = (1 - \mu) \sin(\omega t), \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

as in Figure 1.

Consider  $(\xi, \eta)$  as the coordinates of  $m_3$  in the non-inertial system; therefore, the interaction between the masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  with  $m_3$  is given by the following potential:

$$U_{m_3}(\xi, \eta) = \frac{(1 - \mu)}{l_1} \left( 1 + \frac{B_1}{l_1^2} + C_1 l_1^3 \right) + \frac{\mu}{l_2} \left( 1 + \frac{B_2}{l_2^2} + C_2 l_2^3 \right), \quad (17)$$

and the Hamiltonian for  $m_3$  in the non-inertial system is

$$H(\xi, \eta, P_\xi, P_\eta) = \frac{1}{2}(P_\xi^2 + P_\eta^2) + \omega(P_\xi \eta - P_\eta \xi) - U_{m_3}(\xi, \eta). \quad (18)$$

Apply Hamilton’s motion equations

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\xi} = P_\xi + \omega \eta = \omega \dot{\xi}, \quad (19)$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\eta} = P_\eta - \omega\xi = \omega\dot{\eta}. \quad (20)$$

Multiply the equation (19) by  $\omega$  and derive it with respect to time, knowing that  $\dot{\omega} = 0$ , since the circular movement is uniform:

$$\omega\dot{P}_\xi = \omega^2(\ddot{\xi} - \dot{\eta}),$$

$$\boxed{\dot{P}_\xi = \omega(\ddot{\xi} - \dot{\eta})}. \quad (21)$$

In an analogous way, multiply the equation (20) by  $\omega$  and derive it with respect to time:

$$\boxed{\dot{P}_\eta = \omega(\dot{\eta} + \dot{\xi})}. \quad (22)$$

Before continuing, the partial derivatives of  $U_{m_3}$  are going to be calculated, in order to facilitate the calculus of the other two Hamilton's motion equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial U_{m_3}(\xi, \eta)}{\partial \xi} &= (1 - \mu) \frac{\partial l_1}{\partial \xi} \left( -\frac{1}{l_1^2} - \frac{3B_1}{l_1^4} + 2C_1 l_1 \right) + \mu \frac{\partial l_2}{\partial \xi} \left( -\frac{1}{l_2^2} - \frac{3B_2}{l_2^4} + 2C_2 l_2 \right), \\ &= -\frac{(1 - \mu)(\xi + \mu)}{l_1^3} \left( 1 + \frac{3B_1}{l_1^2} - 2C_1 l_1^3 \right) - \frac{\mu(\xi + \mu - 1)}{l_2^3} \left( 1 + \frac{3B_2}{l_2^2} - 2C_2 l_2^3 \right), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

on the other hand,

$$\frac{\partial U_{m_3}(\xi, \eta)}{\partial \eta} = -\eta \left[ \frac{(1 - \mu)}{l_1^3} \left( 1 + \frac{3B_1}{l_1^2} - 2C_1 l_1^3 \right) + \frac{\mu}{l_2^3} \left( 1 + \frac{3B_2}{l_2^2} - 2C_2 l_2^3 \right) \right]. \quad (24)$$

By the last two Hamilton's motion equations we have

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \xi} = -\omega\dot{P}_\xi, \quad (25)$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \eta} = -\omega\dot{P}_\eta. \quad (26)$$

Replacing (18) in these equations we get

$$-\omega P_\eta - \frac{\partial U_{m_3}}{\partial \xi} = -\omega\dot{P}_\xi \cdot \omega P_\xi - \frac{\partial U_{m_3}}{\partial \eta} = -\omega\dot{P}_\eta. \quad (27)$$

Therefore, using (21) and (22) in the last couple of equations, it is obtained that

$$\omega^2(\ddot{\xi} - \dot{\eta}) = \omega P_\eta + \frac{\partial U_{m_3}}{\partial \xi}, \quad (28)$$

$$\omega^2(\dot{\eta} + \dot{\xi}) = -\omega P_\xi + \frac{\partial U_{m_3}}{\partial \eta}. \quad (29)$$

Now, with the centrifuge potential

$$\boxed{\Omega(\xi, \eta) = \frac{\omega^2}{2}(\xi^2 + \eta^2) + U_{m_3}(\xi, \eta)}, \quad (30)$$

one can find the critical points of  $m_3$  by deriving it with respect to  $\xi$  and  $\mu$  and making it equal to zero. Before doing that, one should consider the following equations:

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \xi} = \omega^2(\ddot{\xi} - 2\dot{\eta}), \tag{31}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \eta} = \omega^2(\ddot{\eta} + 2\dot{\xi}). \tag{32}$$

Obtain summing (28)– $\omega \cdot$ (20) and  $\omega \cdot$ (19)+(29), respectively. With this pair of equations, it is possible to deduce that the components  $(\xi, \eta)$  are orthogonal between them, but this is already known because of the nature of the problem and the coordinate axis. Consequently, the relation that is going to be used to find the critical points is

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \xi} = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \eta} = 0.$$

### 3.1 Collinear stability points

In order to obtain the collinear stability points, the partial derivative of  $\Omega$  with respect to  $\xi$  is done, and all the  $\eta$  are replaced by zero. This gives the stability points that are in the  $\xi$  axis. After some algebra, one obtains that

$$-\mu x^4[3B_2 + (x - 1)^2] - (x - 1)^4[3B_1(\mu - 1) + 2C_1x^5(\mu - 1) - 2C_2\mu x^4(x - 1) + \omega^2x^4(\mu - x) - x^2(\mu - 1)] = 0, \tag{33}$$

where  $x = \xi + \mu$ . Since (33) is a ninth grade polynomial, it has at least a real solution.

### 3.2 Non-collinear stability points ( $\eta \neq 0$ )

In this case, both partial derivatives of  $\Omega$  are zero, but  $\eta \neq 0$ , so one has two equations, the derivative with respect to  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  of (30). These two equations can be written as

$$0 = \frac{(1 - \mu)(\xi + \mu)}{l_1^3} \left(1 + \frac{3B_1}{l_1^2} - 2C_1l_1^3 - \omega^2l_1^3\right) + \frac{\mu(\xi + \mu - 1)}{l_2^3} \left(1 + \frac{3B_2}{l_2^2} - 2C_2l_2^3 - \omega^2l_2^3\right) \tag{34}$$

and

$$0 = \eta \left[ \frac{(1 - \mu)}{l_1^3} \left(1 + \frac{3B_1}{l_1^2} - 2C_1l_1^3 - \omega^2l_1^3\right) + \frac{\mu}{l_2^3} \left(1 + \frac{3B_2}{l_2^2} - 2C_2l_2^3 - \omega^2l_2^3\right) \right], \tag{35}$$

respectively, due to the fact that  $(1 - \mu)(\xi + \mu) + \mu(\xi + \mu - 1) = \xi$ . Consider  $l_1, l_2$  as an independent system of variables, last two equations hold if and only if

$$(\omega^2 + 2C_i)l_i^5 - l_i^2 - 3B_i = 0, \tag{36}$$

for  $i = 1, 2$ . Since (36) has a single change of sign, by Descartes’s rule of signs, each equation has exactly one positive root. The next proposition shows that these roots satisfy the triangle inequalities.

**Definition 3.1** [Parameter domain] The set of all possible combinations of the non-negative parameters  $(B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2)$  that satisfy the constraints (8) – (11) will be called  $D$ .

**Theorem 3.1** *For every combination in  $D$ , there exists a unique non-collinear rotating equilibrium.*

**Proof.** It will be shown that every possible combination of  $D$  gives positive solutions in (36) that satisfy the triangle inequalities. It can be seen that  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  depend on the values of the constants in  $D$ , and moreover,

$$l_1 = l_1(B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2) = l_2(B_2, B_1, C_2, C_1) = l_2 \quad (37)$$

taking advantage of the symmetry in (36). Define  $\bar{D}$  as the set  $D$  with its frontier, *i.e.*,

$$\bar{D} = D \cup \delta D.$$

It is known that a differentiable real-valued function whose domain is closed and bounded attains its extreme values either at a critical point or on the boundary. In this context, the functions

$$l_i : \begin{array}{ccc} \bar{D} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{R}, \\ (B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2) & \rightarrow & l_i = l_i(B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2), \end{array}$$

despite of being implicitly defined, are differentiable. A direct calculation proves that  $l_i$  does not accept critical points inside  $\bar{D}$ , so the extreme values of it must be in the frontier. All cases are shown below [11].

1. For  $B_1 = 0$ ,

$$l_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1 + 3B_2 - 2C_2}}.$$

Given the constraints for the sum of two constants, it follows that  $l_1^{\min} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}} \approx 0.79$ .

2. For  $B_2 = 0$ , the equation (36) becomes

$$l_1^5 - \frac{1}{(1 + 3B_1 - 2C_2)} l_1^2 - \frac{3B_1}{(1 + 3B_1 - 2C_2)} = 0.$$

To find a minimum bound, notice that the last polynomial can be rearranged as

$$l_1^2 \left( l_1^3 - \frac{1}{1 + 3B_1 - 2C_2} \right) = \frac{3B_1}{1 + 3B_1 - 2C_2},$$

from where it is deduced that

$$l_1 \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1 + 3B_1 - 2C_2}} \geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}} = l_1^{\min}.$$

3. For  $C_1 = 0$ , the minimum value for  $l_1$  is given by the same arguments shown in the last case, so

$$l_1^{\min} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

4. For  $C_2 = 0$ , by similar reasons as in the previous cases, it follows that

$$l_1^{\min} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

5. For  $C_1 + C_2 = \frac{1}{5}$ , equation (36) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (1 + 3(B_1 + B_2) - 2(C_1 + C_2) + 2C_1)l_1^5 - l_1^2 - 3B_1 \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{5} + 3(B_1 + B_2) + 2C_1\right)l_1^5 - l_1^2 - 3B_1. \end{aligned}$$

Calculating the derivative of the last polynomial expression with respect to  $C_1$  and clearing  $dl_1/dC_1$  yield to

$$\frac{dl_1}{dC_1} = \frac{-6l_1^5}{5(3/5 + 3(B_1 + B_2) + 2C_1)l_1^4 - 2l_1} = \frac{-6l_1^6}{3l_1^2 + 15B_1} < 0,$$

since  $5(3/5 + 3(B_1 + B_2) + 2C_1)l_1^5 = 5l_1^2 + 15B_1$ . This implies that the function  $l_1(C_1)$  with its other variables fixed is decreasing on  $C_1 + C_2 = 1/5$ . Then its minimum is reached when  $C_1$  is maximum. Therefore, if  $C_1 = 1/5$ , notice that the polynomial equation can be rearranged as

$$l_1^2 \left( l_1^3 - \frac{1}{1 + 3(B_1 + B_2)} \right) = \frac{3B_1}{1 + 3(B_1 + B_2)},$$

from where it is deduced that

$$l_1 \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{1 + 3(B_1 + B_2)}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = l_1^{\min}.$$

6. For  $B_1 + B_2 = \frac{1}{3}$ , equation (36) becomes

$$(2 - 2C_2)l_1^5 - l_1^2 - 3B_1 = 0.$$

Differentiating it with respect to  $B_1$  and clearing  $dl_1/dB_1$  lead to

$$\frac{dl_1}{dB_1} = \frac{3}{5(2 - 2C_2)l_1^4 - 2l_1} = \frac{3l_1}{5(2 - 2C_2)l_1^5 - 2l_1^2} = \frac{3l_1}{3l_1^2 + 15B_1} > 0$$

since  $5(2 - 2C_2)l_1^5 = 5l_1^2 + 15B_1$ . This implies that the function  $l_1(B_1)$  with its other variables fixed is increasing on  $B_1 + B_2 = 1/3$ . Then its minimum value is reached when  $B_1$  is minimum. Therefore, when  $B_1 = 0$ ,

$$l_1^{\min} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

7. For  $1 = 3(B_1 + B_2) + 8(C_1 + C_2)$ , one writes equation (36) as

$$l_1^3 \left( l_1^3 - \frac{1}{2 - 8C_1 - 10C_2} \right) = \frac{3B_1}{2 - 8C_1 - 10C_2},$$

replacing  $3(B_1 + B_2)$  with  $1 - 8(C_1 + C_2)$ . Using the same argument as in the previous cases,

$$l_1 > \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2 - 8C_1 - 10C_2}} \geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}} = l_1^{\min}.$$



Testing the triangular inequalities with  $l_1^{\min} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}$ , one gets that if  $l_1^{\max}$  is in the vicinity

$$1 - \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}} \leq l_1^{\max} \leq 1 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$l_1^{\max}$  and  $l_1^{\min}$  satisfy the triangular inequalities. Therefore, a candidate to be an upper bound is  $l_1^{\max} = 1 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}$ . To show that it is, in fact, a valid bound, notice that replacing  $l_1 = l_1^{\max}$  in (36) yields

$$(\omega^2 + 2C_1)(l_1^{\max})^5 - (l_1^{\max})^2 - 3B_1 \geq \frac{3}{5} \left(1 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^5 - \left(1 + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^2 - 1 > 0.$$

Since the result is positive, independently of the constant value,  $l_1^{\max}$  is effectively an upper bound for the real root of (36), because the polynomial is positive only after the root.

By (37),  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  share the same minimum and maximum values, so every combination of constants

$$(B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2) \in D$$

raises solutions of (36) for  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  that satisfy the triangular inequalities since their bounds satisfy them.

### 3.2.1 Isosceles cases

The distances between the primaries were normalized to be one. Thus, a possible isosceles solution is when  $l_i = 1$ , and for that (36) raises the following condition:

$$3B_i = 2C_i, \tag{38}$$

and with this, equation (36) for  $j \neq i$  becomes

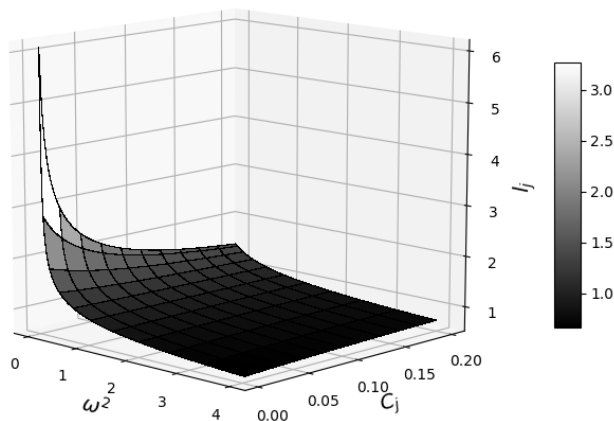
$$(\omega^2 + 2C_j)l_j^5 - l_j^2 - 2C_j = 0.$$

Therefore, if (38) holds,  $l_i = 1$  and  $l_j$  is given by the last polynomial equation that can be numerically solved in terms of  $\omega^2$  and  $C_j$  (see Figure 2). Another possible case is when  $l_1 = l_2$ , and a sufficient condition for this to happen is the trivial case when the bodies  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  have the same constants and the same mass.

## 4 Stability

To study the movement near the equilibrium points in this problem, the Hamiltonian (18) is expanded through the Taylor series around these points, the linear terms in this are omitted because the equilibrium points are zeroes in the potential and the constant term does not affect the form of the motion equation, so it is not taken into account. The Hamiltonian function rises the Hamiltonian matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \omega & 1 & 0 \\ -\omega & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} & \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi \partial \eta} & 0 & \omega \\ \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi \partial \eta} & \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2} & -\omega & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{39}$$



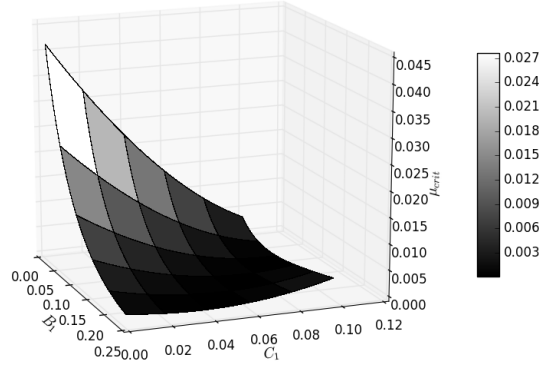
**Figure 2:**  $l_j$  in function as  $C_j$  and  $\omega^2$  when  $l_i = 1$ .

whose eigenvalues determine the behavior of the linearized system. The characteristic equation reads

$$\lambda^4 + \left(2\omega^2 - \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2}\right)\lambda^2 + \left(\frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2}\right)\omega^2 + \omega^4 - \left(\frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi \eta}\right)^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2} = 0. \tag{40}$$

The conditions that insure linear stability are given by the root of the quadratic formula

$$G_1(B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2, \mu) \equiv \left(2\omega^2 - \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2}\right)^2 - 4\left(\left(\frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2}\right)\omega^2 + \omega^4 - \left(\frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi \eta}\right)^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2}\right) > 0 \tag{41}$$

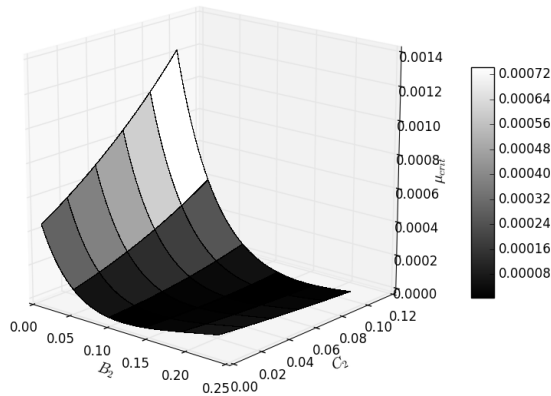


**Figure 3:**  $\mu_{crit}$  as a function of  $B_1$  and  $C_1$  when  $B_2 = C_2 = 0.1$ .

and by the sign of the part outside the root

$$G_1(B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2, \mu) \equiv 2\omega^2 - \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \xi^2} - \frac{\partial^2 U_{m3}}{\partial \eta^2} > 0. \quad (42)$$

Both conditions must be fulfilled in order to have spectral stability. Five dimensions are needed to visualize the regions of the parameter domain and the values of  $\mu$  for which the spectral stability exists. One way to display the data in three dimensions is to make projections: fix  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  and graph  $\mu_{crit}$  (the maximum value of  $\mu$  that satisfies both conditions) as a function of  $B_2$  and  $C_2$  (see Figures 3 and 4).



**Figure 4:**  $\mu_{crit}$  as a function of  $B_2$  and  $C_2$  when  $B_1 = C_1 = 0.1$ .

## 5 Conclusion

We have shown that always the primaries are in a rotational equilibrium (a.k.a, when the coefficients belong to the parameter domain), there is a collinear and a non-collinear relative equilibrium in the restricted three body problem induced by this configuration. Knowing the exact numerical value of these coefficients allows a direct calculation of the position of these equilibrium points.

Also, we discussed the particular case when the non-collinear relative equilibrium is in an isosceles configuration with the primaries, plotting its value given  $\omega^2$ ,  $C_j$  and  $l_i = 1$ . Finally, we provided two conditions necessary to have spectral stability for a given non-collinear equilibrium point. With these conditions, we plotted  $\mu_{crit}$  for some values of the parameter domain.

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