

On the Expansion of the Direct Part of the Disturbing Planetary Function

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We generalize the expansion of Murray–Dermott for the direct part of the disturbing function using Taylor’s theorem. We present the values of Δ^{-s} for $s = 1, 3, 5, \dots$ which is essential for high order planetary theories. Murray – Dermott executed the expansion for $s = 1$ which is necessary for only first order theories.

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1. Methods and Results

According to the approach of Murray–Dermott, we may write the following equalities:

$$\Delta^2 = (r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \psi) \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta^{-s} = (r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \psi)^{-s/2} \quad (2)$$

Let:

$$\Psi = \cos \psi - \cos(\theta - \theta') \quad (3)$$

Where: $\theta = \varpi + f$, $\theta' = \varpi' + f'$ are the true longitudes of inner and outer planet.

$$\text{i.e. } \theta - \theta' = (\varpi + f) - (\varpi' + f') \quad (4)$$

From Eqs. (2), (3):

$$\Delta^{-s} = [r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \{\cos(\psi - \psi') + \Psi\}]^{-s/2} \quad (5)$$

By putting $s = 1$:

$$\Delta^{-1} = [r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr'\{\cos(\psi - \psi') + \Psi\}]^{-1/2} \quad (6)$$

Then, after some algebraic calculations, we find by the application of the Binomial theorem:

$$\Delta^{-s} = \frac{1}{\Delta_0} + s(rr'\Psi) \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^{\frac{s+2}{s}} + s\left(\frac{s}{2} + 1\right)(rr'\Psi)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^{\frac{s+4}{s}} + \dots \quad (7)$$

where:

$$\frac{1}{\Delta_0} = [r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-s/2} \quad (8)$$

Let

$$\frac{1}{\rho_0} = [a^2 + a'^2 - 2aa' \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-s/2} \quad (9)$$

From Eq. (7), put $s = 1$, we get:

$$\Delta^{-1} = \frac{1}{\Delta_0} + (rr'\Psi) \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^3 + \frac{3}{2}(rr'\Psi)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^5 + \dots \quad (10)$$

Where:

$$\frac{1}{\Delta_0} = [r^2 + r'^2 - 2rr' \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-1/2} \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho_0} = [a^2 + a'^2 - 2aa' \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-1/2} \quad (12)$$

i.e.

$$\frac{1}{\rho_0} = a'^{-1}[1 + \alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-1/2} \quad \alpha = \frac{a}{a'} \quad (13)$$

Whence,

$$\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^3 = a'^{-3}[1 + \alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-3/2} \quad (14)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^5 = a'^{-5}[1 + \alpha^2 - 2\alpha \cos(\psi - \psi')]^{-5/2} \quad (15)$$

Applying Taylor's series expansion in ρ_0 , we may write from (11), (12):

$$\frac{1}{\Delta_0} = \left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right) + (r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a}\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right) + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right) \tag{16}$$

$$+ \left[(r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\right]^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right) + \dots$$

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$$\left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^3 + (r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a}\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^3 + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^3 \tag{17}$$

$$+ \left[(r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\right]^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^5 + (r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a}\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^5 + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^5 \tag{18}$$

$$+ \left[(r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\right]^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^5 + \dots$$

Then, from Eqs. (10), (16), (17), (18):

$$\Delta^{-1} = \left[1 + (r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'} + \dots\right] \tag{19}$$

$$\times \left[\frac{1}{\rho_0} + rr'\Psi\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^3 + \frac{3}{2}(rr'\Psi)^2\left(\frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^5 + \dots\right]$$

From Eqs. (13), (14), (15) and the definition of Laplace coefficients:

$$\Delta^{-1} = \left[1 + (r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'} + \left\{(r-a)\frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a')\frac{\partial}{\partial a'}\right\}^2 + \dots\right] \tag{20}$$

$$\times \left[a'^{-1} \left\{\frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{1/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta')\right\}\right]$$

$$+ (rr'\Psi)a'^{-3} \left\{\frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{3/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta')\right\}$$

$$+ \frac{3}{2}(rr'\Psi)a'^{-5} \left\{\frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{5/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta')\right\} + \dots \left.] \right.$$

From Eq. (7), set $s = 3, 5$, we get:

$$\Delta^{-3} = \frac{1}{\Delta_0} + 3(rr'\Psi) \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^{5/3} + \frac{15}{2}(rr'\Psi)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^{7/3} + \dots \quad (21)$$

$$\Delta^{-5} = \frac{1}{\Delta_0} + 5(rr'\Psi) \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^{7/5} + \frac{35}{2}(rr'\Psi)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_0}\right)^{9/5} + \dots \quad (22)$$

By exactly the same procedure, we find $\Delta^{-3}, \Delta^{-5}, \Delta^{-7}, \dots$ which is necessary for expansions of high order theories.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^{-3} = & \left[1 + (r-a) \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a') \frac{\partial}{\partial a'} + \left\{ (r-a) \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a') \frac{\partial}{\partial a'} \right\}^2 + \dots \right] \\ & \times \left[a'^{-3} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{3/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta') \right\} \right. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & + 3(rr'\Psi)a'^{-5} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{5/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta') \right\} \\ & \left. + \frac{15}{2}(rr'\Psi)a'^{-7} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{7/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta') \right\} + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^{-5} = & \left[1 + (r-a) \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a') \frac{\partial}{\partial a'} + \left\{ (r-a) \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + (r'-a') \frac{\partial}{\partial a'} \right\}^2 + \dots \right] \\ & \times \left[a'^{-5} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{5/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta') \right\} \right. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & + 5(rr'\Psi)a'^{-7} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{7/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta') \right\} \\ & \left. + \frac{35}{2}(rr'\Psi)a'^{-9} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j b_{9/2}^{(j)}(\alpha) \cos j(\theta - \theta') \right\} + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

For the construction of an analytical order by order planetary theory, we must have at our disposal the expansions of $\Delta^{-3}, \Delta^{-5}, \dots$ i.e. the mutual distance of the two planets raised to any real negative odd integer. The literal expansion of where $s = 1, 3, 5, \dots$ is acquired from:

1. The expansion of $(r-a)$ in terms of the mean anomaly up to the desired power of e , $\gamma = \sin \frac{I}{2}$.

2. The expansion of $\cos j(\theta - \theta')$ and Ψ .
3. The expression of the Laplacian coefficient in terms of α .
4. The conversion of the partial derivatives w.r.t. a and a' to be w.r.t. $\alpha + \frac{a}{a'}$.

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