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DE MOTU RECTILINEO.
TRIVM CORPORVM SE MUTVO
ATTRAHENTIVM.

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1.

Sint A, B, C massae trium corporum eorumque distantiae a puncto fixo O ad datum tempus t ponantur

$$OA = x, \quad OB = y \quad \text{et} \quad OC = z$$

vbiquidem fumitur $y > x$ et $z > y$. Hinc motus principia praebent has tres aequationes:

$$\text{I. } \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = \frac{B}{(y-x)^2} + \frac{C}{(z-x)^2};$$

$$\text{II. } \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = \frac{A}{(y-x)^2} + \frac{C}{(z-y)^2}$$

$$\text{III. } \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = \frac{A}{(z-x)^2} - \frac{B}{(z-y)^2}$$

vnde facile deducuntur binae aequationes integrabiles:
prior $A dx + B dy + C dz = E dt$ et $Ax + By + Cz = Et + F$

$$\text{posterior } \frac{A dx^2 + B dy^2 + C dz^2}{dt^2} = G + \frac{2AB}{y-x} + \frac{2AC}{z-x} + \frac{2BC}{z-y}.$$

Hinc autem ob defectum tertiae aequationis integralis parum ad motus cognitionem concludere licet.

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2. Statuamus $x = y - p$ et $z = y + q$, vt p et q sint quantitates positivae: et prima integralis praebet:

$$(A+B+C)y - Ap + Cq = Et + F \text{ ideoque}$$

$$y = \frac{Ap - Cq + Et + F}{A+B+C}; \quad dy = \frac{A dp - C dq + E dt}{A+B+C}$$

$$x = \frac{-(B+C)p - Cq + Et + F}{A+B+C}; \quad dx = \frac{-(B+C)dp - C dq + E dt}{A+B+C}$$

$$z = \frac{Ap + (A+B)q + Et + F}{A+B+C}; \quad dz = \frac{A dp + (A+B)dq + E dt}{A+B+C}$$

Hinc integralis secunda hanc induit formam:

$$\frac{A(B+C)dp^2 + C(A+B)dq^2 + 2ACdpdq + EE dt^2}{(A+B+C)dt^2} = G + \frac{2AB}{p} + \frac{2AC}{p+q} + \frac{2BC}{q}$$

3. Faciamus vero easdem substitutiones in primis aequationibus differentio-differentialibus, quae iam ad duas reuocabantur:

$$\frac{-(B+C)d dp - C d d q}{(A+B+C)dt^2} = \frac{B}{p p} + \frac{C}{(p+q)^2}$$

$$\frac{A d d p + (A+B) d d q}{(A+B+C)dt^2} = \frac{A}{(p+q)^2} - \frac{B}{q q}$$

vnde colligitur: $\frac{d dp + d d q}{dt^2} = \frac{A-C}{(p+q)^2} - \frac{B}{p p} - \frac{B}{q q}$.

Deinde utrumque elementum $d dp$ et $d d q$ seorsim ita exprimitur:

$$1^o. \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = \frac{A-B}{p p} - \frac{C}{(p+q)^2} + \frac{C}{q q}$$

$$2^o. \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} = \frac{A}{p p} - \frac{A}{(p+q)^2} - \frac{B-C}{q q}$$

vnde oritur vna aequatio integralis ad hanc formam perducta:

$$\frac{B(A dp^2 + C dq^2) + AC(dp + dq)^2}{(A+B+C)dt^2} = G + \frac{2AB}{p} + \frac{2AC}{p+q} + \frac{2BC}{q}$$

quandoquidem in G postremus ille terminus EE comprehenditur.

4. Cum igitur solutio fit perducta ad duas aequationes differentio-differentiales inter p , q et t ; insigne lucrum obtineri est censendum, si has aequationes ad duas alias primi tantum gradus differentiales reuocare liceret. Hoc autem singulari artificio sequentem in modum praestari posse comperi. Statuo $q = pu$, et binae aequationes differentio-differentiales ita repraesententur:

$$\begin{aligned} d. \frac{dp}{dt} &= \frac{dt}{pp} \left(-A - B - \frac{C}{(u+1)^2} + \frac{C}{uu} \right) \\ d. \frac{udp + p du}{dt} &= \frac{dt}{pp} \left(A - \frac{A}{(u+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{uu} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Iam artificium in hac substitutione consistit, ut ponam $\frac{dp}{dt} = \frac{r}{\sqrt{p}}$ et $\frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{udp + p du}{dt} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{p}}$; mox enim patebit his substitutionibus binas variables p et t ex calculo elidi posse ita ut tantum hae tres r , s et u relinquuntur, per prima differentia determinandae. Statim vero aequatio illa integralis supra inuenta adeo ad formam finitam redit hanc $\frac{B(Arr + Cs) + AC(r+s)^2}{A+B+C} = Gp + 2AB + \frac{2AC}{u+1} + \frac{2BC}{u}$ quae insignem usum afferre poterit.

5. Cum fit $\frac{dp}{dt} = \frac{r}{\sqrt{p}}$ erit $dt = \frac{dp \sqrt{p}}{r}$, unde nostrae aequationes differentio-differentiales praebent:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{p}} - \frac{r dp}{2p\sqrt{p}} &= \frac{dp}{pr\sqrt{p}} \left(-A - B - \frac{C}{(u+1)^2} + \frac{C}{uu} \right) \\ \frac{ds}{\sqrt{p}} - \frac{s dp}{2p\sqrt{p}} &= \frac{dp}{pr\sqrt{p}} \left(A - \frac{A}{(u+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{uu} \right) \end{aligned}$$

unde fit:

$$\begin{aligned} dr &= \frac{r dp}{2p} + \frac{dp}{pr} \left(-A - B - \frac{C}{(u+1)^2} + \frac{C}{uu} \right) \\ ds &= \frac{s dp}{2p} + \frac{dp}{pr} \left(A - \frac{A}{(u+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{uu} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Praeterea

Praeterea vero habebitur:

$$u dp + p du = \frac{s dt}{\sqrt{p}} = \frac{s dp}{r}$$

ficque fit $\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{r du}{s - ru}$, quo valore ibi substituto fit

$$dr(s - ru) = \frac{1}{2} r r du + du(-A - B - \frac{C}{(u+1)^2} + \frac{C}{u u})$$

$$ds(s - ru) = \frac{1}{2} r s du + du(A - \frac{A}{(u+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{u u})$$

ex quarum combinatione nascitur:

$$\frac{1}{2} r (r ds - s dr) + ds(-A - B - \frac{C}{(u+1)^2} + \frac{C}{u u})$$

$$- dr(A - \frac{A}{(u+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{u u}) = 0.$$

6. En ergo duas aequationes simpliciter differentiales inter ternas variables r , s et u , unde si liceret r et s per u determinare, haberetur solutio problematis completa. Inde enim primo innotesceret quantitas p ex formula $\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{r du}{s - ru}$ hincque porro $q = pu$. Deinde vero tempus t daretur ex aequatione $dt = \frac{dp \sqrt{p}}{r} = \frac{p du \sqrt{p}}{s - ru}$; Ex quibus tandem pro dato tempore t colligerentur distantiae x , y , z ex formulis §. 2 datis.

7. Cum binae aequationes differentiales inuenta sint:

$$dr(s - ru) = \frac{1}{2} r r du + du(-A - B - \frac{C}{(u+1)^2} + \frac{C}{u u})$$

$$ds(s - ru) = \frac{1}{2} r s du + du(A - \frac{A}{(u+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{u u}).$$

statim patet ambabus satisfieri sumendo quantitatem u constantem et $s - ru = 0$, unde solutio obtinetur

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Solutio particularis. Sit ergo $u = \alpha$ et $s = ar$, et aequatio particularis ex combinatione nata praebet:

$$-(A+B)\alpha - \frac{C\alpha}{(\alpha+1)^2} + \frac{C}{\alpha} = A - \frac{\Lambda}{(\alpha+1)^2} - \frac{B-C}{\alpha\alpha} \text{ vel}$$

$$0 = A\left(\alpha+1 - \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)^2}\right) + B\left(\alpha - \frac{1}{\alpha\alpha}\right) + C\left(\frac{\alpha}{(\alpha+1)^2} - \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\alpha\alpha}\right)$$

$$\text{feu } 0 = \frac{\Lambda((\alpha+1)^2-1)}{(\alpha+1)^2} + \frac{B(\alpha^2-1)}{\alpha\alpha} + \frac{C(\alpha^2-(\alpha+1)^2)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha+1)^2}$$

ideoque

$$C(1+3\alpha+3\alpha\alpha) = A\alpha^5(\alpha\alpha+3\alpha+3) + B(\alpha+1)^2(\alpha^2-1).$$

Quare quantitatem α ex hac aequatione quinti gradus definiendi oportet:

$$(A+B)\alpha^5 + (3A+2B)\alpha^4 + (3A+B)\alpha^3 - (B+3C)\alpha^2 - (2B+3C)\alpha - B-C = 0.$$

Deinde vero relatio, inter r et p ex hac aequatione est definienda:

$$dr = \frac{r dp}{2p} + \frac{dp}{pr} \left(-A-B - \frac{C}{(\alpha+1)^2} + \frac{C}{\alpha\alpha}\right)$$

feu posito $A+B + \frac{C}{(\alpha+1)^2} - \frac{C}{\alpha\alpha} = \frac{1}{2}D$ ex hac

$$2dr = \frac{dp}{p} \left(r - \frac{D}{r}\right) \text{ feu } \frac{dr}{r} = \frac{2r dr}{rr-D} \text{ ita vt fit}$$

$$p = \xi(rr-D), \text{ tum vero } q = \alpha\beta(rr-D) \text{ et } dt = \frac{dp \sqrt{p}}{r}$$

feu $dt = 2\xi dr \sqrt{\xi(rr-D)}$ hinc

$$t = \xi r \sqrt{\xi(rr-D)} - \xi^2 D \int \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\xi(rr-D)}}.$$

8. Casus hic particularis, quo solutio succedit evolutionem diligentiorē meretur. Primum ergo obseruo ex aequatione illa quinti gradus pro α semper valorem realem positium, eumque vnicum elici, cum vnica signorum variatio occurrat, neque igitur

igitur hic vlla ambiguitas locum habet, sed valor ipsius α tanquam determinatus spectari potest, pendens a massis trium corporum A, B, C. Inuento autem numero α colligitur quantitas $D = 2(A + B)$

$-\frac{2C(2\alpha+1)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha+1)^2}$, vbi animaduerto quantitatem D nunquam euanescere posse. Si enim esset $D = 0$ foret $B = \frac{C(2\alpha+1)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha+1)^2} - A$ quo valore substituto prodiret:

$$C(1 + 3\alpha + 3\alpha\alpha) = A\alpha^3(\alpha\alpha + 3\alpha + 3) + \frac{C(2\alpha+1)(\alpha^3-1)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha+1)^2(\alpha^2-1)}$$

$$\text{feu } \frac{C}{\alpha\alpha}(\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 + \alpha\alpha + 2\alpha + 1) = A(\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 + \alpha\alpha + 2\alpha + 1)$$

ideoque $C = A\alpha\alpha$ et $B = \frac{A(2\alpha+1)}{(\alpha+1)^2} - A = \frac{-A\alpha\alpha}{(\alpha+1)^2}$ foretque adeo massa B negatiua, quod est absurdum. Multo minus quantitas D vnquam fieri potest negatiua. Posito enim:

$$B = \frac{C(2\alpha+1)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha+1)^2} - A - \Delta, \text{ proueniret}$$

$$\frac{C}{\alpha\alpha} = A - \frac{\Delta(\alpha+1)^2(\alpha^3-1)}{\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1} \text{ hincque}$$

$$B = \frac{C(2\alpha+1)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha+1)^2} - \frac{C}{\alpha\alpha} - \frac{\Delta(\alpha^5 + 3\alpha^4 + 3\alpha^3)}{\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 + \alpha\alpha + 2\alpha + 1}$$

feu B multo magis esset quantitas negatiua, cum valor ipsius α necessario sit positius.

9. Cum ergo D necessario sit quantitas positiua, ponatur $D = \alpha\alpha$, si etiam numerus α spectetur vt datus, massae trium corporum ita se habebunt, vt fit:

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$$B = \frac{\alpha^3 (\alpha \alpha + 3 \alpha + 2) a a}{2 (\alpha^4 + 2 \alpha^3 + \alpha \alpha + 2 \alpha + 1)} - \frac{C}{[\alpha + 1]^2} \text{ et}$$

$$A = \frac{C}{\alpha \alpha} - \frac{(\alpha + 1)^2 (\alpha^3 - 1) a a}{2 (\alpha^4 + 2 \alpha^3 + \alpha \alpha + 2 \alpha + 1)}$$

ex quo necesse est vt quantitas $\frac{2C(\alpha^4 + 2\alpha^3 + \alpha\alpha + 2\alpha + 1)}{\alpha\alpha(\alpha + 1)^2 a a}$ intra hos limites $(\alpha + 1)^2 - 1$ et $\alpha^3 - 1$ contineatur. Introdūcta ergo quantitate aa cum numero α in calculum, duo casus sunt perpendendi, prout ξ fuerit quantitas positīua vel negatiua, quos seorsim euoluamus.

Casus I. 10. Sit primo $\xi = +nn$, erit $p = nn(rr - aa)$ et $q = ann(rr - aa)$, vnde cum constantes, E et F nihilo aequales statuere liceat, loca trium corporum A, B, C, quorum iam centrum grauitatis in O existit, ita per r definiuntur, vt sit:

$$x = OA = \frac{-nn(rr - aa)}{A + B + C} (B + C + Ca)$$

$$y = OB = \frac{nn(rr - aa)}{A + B + C} (A - Ca)$$

$$z = OC = \frac{nn(rr - aa)}{A + B + C} (A + (A + B)\alpha).$$

At relatio inter r et tempus t ita se habet:

$$t = n^2 r \sqrt{(rr - aa)} - n^2 aa \int \frac{dr}{\sqrt{rr - aa}} \text{ seu}$$

$$t = n^2 r \sqrt{(rr - aa)} - n^2 aa l \frac{r + \sqrt{(rr - aa)}}{\Delta}.$$

sumpta constante $\Delta = a$, tempore $t = 0$, erat $r = a$, tumque omnia corpora in centro grauitatis erant coniuncta, vnde quasi celeritatibus infinitis erant explosa, vt eae fuerint inter se vt quantitates $-B - C - Ca$, $A - Ca$, $A + (A + B)\alpha$ tum vero latente tempore t quantitas r continuo magis increfcit;

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quouis autem tempore celeritas cuiusque corporis ex formula $\frac{dt}{dr} = 2n^2 \sqrt{rr-aa}$ innotescit. Notandum autem distantias corporum perpetuo inter se eandem proportionem conferuare.

II. Sit nunc $\xi = -nn$ erit $p = nn(aa-rr)$ et Casus II. $q = \alpha nn(aa-rr)$ et per r loca corporum vt ante ita determinantur, vt fit:

$$x = OA = \frac{-nn(aa-rr)}{A+B+C} (B + (\alpha + 1)C)$$

$$y = OB = \frac{nn(aa-rr)}{A+B+C} (A - C\alpha)$$

$$z = OC = \frac{nn(aa-rr)}{A+B+C} (A(\alpha + 1) + B\alpha)$$

Pro tempore autem t obtinetur, $dt = 2n^2 dr \sqrt{aa-rr}$ seu $t = n^2 r \sqrt{aa-rr} + n^2 aa \int \frac{dr}{\sqrt{aa-rr}}$

hinc $t = n^2 r \sqrt{aa-rr} + n^2 aa \text{Ang. fin. } \frac{r}{a}$.

Quodsi ergo ponatur $\text{Ang. fin. } \frac{r}{a} = \Phi$, vt fit $r = a \text{fin. } \Phi$ erit $t = n^2 aa (\Phi + \text{fin. } \Phi \text{cos. } \Phi)$, et distantiae inter se proportionales ad quoduis tempus sunt vt $\text{cos. } \Phi^2$. Vnde si initio quo $t = 0$ fuerit $\Phi = 0$, ficque $r = 0$, et $\frac{dt}{dr} = 2n^2 a$, erant tum distantiae:

$$x = \frac{-Bnaa}{A+B+C} (B + (\alpha + 1)C)$$

$$y = \frac{anna}{A+B+C} (A - C\alpha)$$

$$z = \frac{anna}{A+B+C} (A(\alpha + 1) + B\alpha)$$

ibique corpora in quiete. Sumto autem $\Phi = 90^\circ$, seu elapso tempore $t = n^2 aa. 90^\circ$, corpora in centro grauitatis conueniunt celeritate infinita.

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