

Q.6(i): Angular Velocity and Areal Velocity in Terms of Torsion.

In general, the two torsion elements of a planar orbit are:

$$T'_{01} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{df/dt}{(1+f)} \quad - (1)$$

and

$$T'_{21} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{df/d\theta}{(1+f)} \quad - (2)$$

where:

$$f = r^2 \left(\frac{d\theta}{dr} \right)^2 \quad - (3)$$

Dividing eq. (1) by eq. (2) the angular velocity is given by:

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{df}{dt} \frac{d\theta}{df} = \frac{c}{r} \left(\frac{T'_{01}}{T'_{21}} \right) \quad - (4)$$

and the areal velocity by:

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} cr \left(\frac{T'_{01}}{T'_{21}} \right) \quad - (5)$$

Both the angular velocity and the areal velocity are proportional to the ratio of two torsion elements of space time.

For the hyperbolic spiral:

$$T'_{01} = \frac{2\theta}{c(1+\theta^2)} \frac{d\theta}{dt}, \quad T'_{21} = \frac{2\theta}{r(1+\theta^2)} \quad - (6)$$

which is consistent with eq. (4).

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$$\theta = r_0 / r \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Therefore:

$$T'_{01} = - \frac{2 r_0^2}{c r (r^2 + r_0^2)} \frac{dr}{dt} \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$T'_{21} = \frac{2 r_0}{r^2 + r_0^2} \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

From eq. (7):

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = r_0 \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{r} \right) = r_0 \frac{df_1}{dr} \frac{dr}{dt} \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

where

$$f_1 = 1/r \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

so

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = - \frac{r_0}{r^2} \frac{dr}{dt} \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

$$= \frac{c}{r} \left(\frac{T'_{01}}{T'_{21}} \right)$$

Therefore

$$\boxed{\frac{dr}{dt} = - c \frac{r}{r_0} \frac{T'_{01}}{T'_{21}}} \quad \text{--- (13)}$$

For the hyperbolic spiral:

$$\boxed{\frac{dr}{dt} = - \frac{2}{r_0} \frac{dA}{dt}} \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

As r becomes infinite the spiral becomes a straight line, in which case dA/dt is constant. So dr/dt is constant, giving the observed velocity curve.