

Non-integrability of the n body problem

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**W mechanice nieba, jak i w matematyce u dzikich — trzy
znaczy dużo.**

Émile Borel

How to solve?

With nice formula ...

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0.$$

$$x_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}, \quad x_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

The n -body problem. Equations of motion.

Newton's equations

$$m_i \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_i = - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{m_i m_j}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|^3} (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

A vector $\mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_n) \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^n$ will be called a configuration.

More compact form

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{r}} = -\nabla V(\mathbf{r}), \quad V(\mathbf{r}) = - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{m_i m_j}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|},$$

where

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & m_2 \mathbf{I} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & m_n \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{p} + V(\mathbf{r})$$

where $\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n) \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^n$; $\mathbf{p}_i = m_i \dot{\mathbf{r}}_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$. First integrals

$$\mathbf{P} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{p}_i, \quad C = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{p}_i, \quad \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

These first integrals do not pairwise commute

$$\{C, P_1\} = P_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \{C, P_2\} = -P_1.$$

$2n$ degrees of freedom, $2n$ independent and commuting first integrals are needed for the integrability in the Liouville sense.



Heinrich Bruns (1848 – 1919)

In the Newtonian three-body problem in the space, every first integral which is algebraic with respect to positions, linear momenta and time, is an algebraic function of the classical first integrals: the energy, the three components of angular momentum and the six integrals that come from the uniform linear motion of the center of mass.

Über die Integrale des
Vielkörperproblems, Leipzig 1887

Corrections I

Poincaré, H.: 1896, C. R. Acad. Sci.
Paris 123, 1224:

'...le résultat de M. Bruns se trouve
donc confirmé ; je suis heureux d'avoir
pu compléter son élégante analyse sur
un point de détail'.

H. Poincaré (1854–1912)





Paul Painlevé (1863 – 1933)

- 1917 prime minister (6 weeks),
- 1925 premier minister (6 months),
- Painlevé, P.: 1898, 'Mémoire sur les intégrales premières du problème des n corps', Acta Math. Bull. Astr. T 15.
- about this work:
(his) result is more general than Bruns' one because it only needs algebraicity in linear momenta; yet there are many errors in its proof;

Correction III



Andrew Russell Forsyth
(1858 – 1942)

- Trinity College, Cambridge, graduating senior wrangler in 1881;
- Cambridge lecturer in 1884, and became Sadleirian Professor of Pure Mathematics in 1895,
- He was forced to resign his chair in 1910 as a result of a scandal caused by his affair with Marion Amelia Boys, née Pollock, the wife of physicist C. V. Boys.
- Theory of Differential Equations 6 Volume Set, Cambridge University Press; 2769 pages.
- about his proof (in vol. 3):
...it is not clear at all!



Sir Edmund Taylor Whittaker
FRS, FRSE (1873–1956)
A Treatise on the Analytical
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Bodies, Cambridge University
Press.

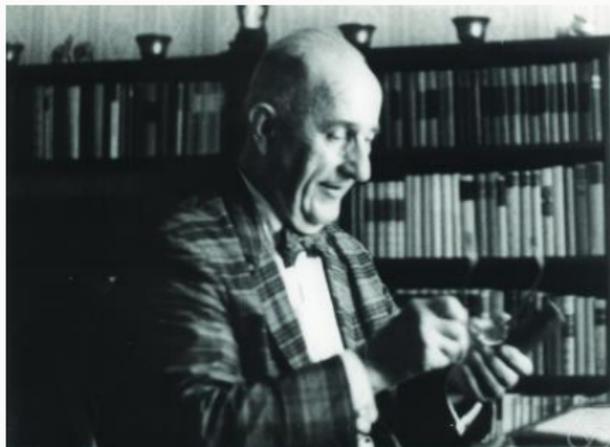


William Duncan MacMillan (1871 – 1948)

"On Poincaré's correction to Bruns' theorem". *Bulletin of the American Mathematical Society*. 1913, 19 (7): 349–355.



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Celestial mechanics : Dynamical
principles and transformation theory
(vol. 1). Cambridge: MIT Press.



Carl Ludwig Siegel (1896 --
1981)

Siegel, C. L.: 1936, 'Über die
algebraischen Integrale des
restringierten Dreikörperproblems',
Trans. Am. Math. Soc. 39, 225.

BRUNS' THEOREM: THE PROOF AND SOME GENERALIZATIONS

EMMANUELLE JULLIARD-TOSEL

Celestial Mechanics and Dynamical Astronomy 76: 241–281, 2000.

From abstract:

The whole proof is much more rigorous than the previous versions (Bruns, Painlevé , Forsyth, Whittaker and Hagihara).

What we want to prove?

In the mass centre reference frame we fix the energy $h = H(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$ and the angular momentum $c = C(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$, and we restrict the system to the common level $\mathcal{M}_{h,c}$ of these integrals.

Theorem

If $(h, c) \neq (0, 0)$, then the planar n body problem, with $n > 2$, and positive masses m_1, \dots, m_n , restricted to the level $\mathcal{M}_{h,c}$, is not integrable.

How to prove non-integrability?

Consider system

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T \in \mathbb{C}^n,$$

and assume that we know non-equilibrium particular solution $\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t)$
the substitution $\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\varphi}(t) + \boldsymbol{\xi}$ is applied.

Variational equations

$$\frac{d}{dt}\boldsymbol{\xi} = A(t)\boldsymbol{\xi}, \quad A(t) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t)).$$

This is not enough!

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad t \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{Y}, \quad \mathbf{A}(t) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t)), \quad \mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{C}^n.$$

Fingerprints

If the system possesses $k \geq 1$ functionally independent meromorphic first integrals F_1, \dots, F_k , then VEs have k functionally independent rational first integrals.

Ziglin Theory Idea

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{y}, \quad t \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Fundamental matrix

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{Y}, \quad \det \mathbf{Y}(t_0) \neq 0,$$

Continuation along a loop σ :

$$\mathbf{Y}(t) \longrightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{Y}}(t) = \mathbf{Y}(t)\mathbf{M}_\sigma$$

The monodromy group $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathrm{GL}(n, \mathbb{C})$.

A first integral is constant along an arbitrary continuation:

$$f(t, \mathbf{M}_\sigma \mathbf{y}) = f(t, \mathbf{y}) \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{M}_\sigma \in \mathcal{M}.$$

Thus: for an integrable system \mathcal{M} cannot be too big!

Equations, equations, equations ...

$$ax + b = 0, \quad ax^2 + bx + c = 0, \quad ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0, \dots$$

$$a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 = 0. \quad (\text{P})$$

E. Galois theory! Galois group, etc

Nice fact.

Equation (P) is solvable \iff its Galois group is solvable.

Equations, equations, equations ...

$$\begin{aligned} a(t)\dot{x} + b(t) &= 0, & a(t)\ddot{x} + b(t)\dot{x} + c(t)x &= 0, \dots \\ a_n(t)x^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(t)x^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_0(t)x &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D})$$

Differential Galois theory! Differential Galois group, etc

Nice fact.

Equation (D) is solvable \iff its Galois group is solvable.

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad t \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (\text{DS})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{Y}, \quad \mathbf{A}(t) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t)), \quad \mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{C}^n. \quad (\text{VE})$$

Nice implication

If the system (DS) is integrable then the differential Galois group of variational equations (VE) is solvable.

What we need?

We have $n + 2$ parameters:

$$m_1, \dots, m_n, h, c.$$

1. For arbitrary values of these parameters we have to find a particular solution of n body problem.
2. For each particular solution we have to determine the differential Galois group of corresponding variational equations.

Particular solutions of n body problem?

A vector $\mathbf{s} = (\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n) \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^n$ is a central configuration iff

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{m_i m_j}{|\mathbf{s}_i - \mathbf{s}_j|^3} (\mathbf{s}_i - \mathbf{s}_j) = \mu m_i \mathbf{s}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

or

$$\nabla V(\mathbf{s}) = \mu \mathbf{M}\mathbf{s},$$

for a certain $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$. It is easy to show that

$$\mu = \mu(\mathbf{s}) = -\frac{V(\mathbf{s})}{I(\mathbf{s})}, \quad I(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i |\mathbf{r}_i|^2$$

Animations

Problems:

1. arbitrary n ,
2. arbitrary masses,
3. exact values of s_j , $i = 1, \dots, n$.

No hope!

Homographic solutions

For $\mathbf{A} \in \text{SO}(2, \mathbb{R})$, $\widehat{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{r} = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{r}_n)$.

Solutions

Let $\mathbf{s} = (\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n)$ be a central configuration. Then equations (6) admit solution

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \rho(t)\widehat{\mathbf{A}}(v(t))\mathbf{s}$$

where $\rho(t)$ and $v(t)$ are a solution of planar Kepler problem

$$\ddot{\rho} - \rho v^2 = -\frac{\mu}{\rho^2},$$

$$\rho\ddot{v} + 2\dot{\rho}\dot{v} = 0.$$

Variational equations

The true anomaly is the independent variable

$$f(v) \left(\mathbf{x}'' + 2\hat{\mathbf{J}}\mathbf{x}' \right) = \hat{\mathbf{G}}\mathbf{x},$$

where

$$f(v) = \frac{c^2}{\mu\rho(v)}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{G}} = \mathbf{I}_{2n} - \frac{1}{\mu}\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{s}), \quad \hat{\mathbf{J}} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{J}, \dots, \mathbf{J}),$$

and

$$\rho = \frac{c^2/\mu}{1 + e\cos v}, \quad \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{s}) = \nabla^2 V(\mathbf{s}).$$

What to do with arbitrary $n > 2$?

F. R. Moulton proved that for every ordering of n positive masses, there exists a unique collinear central configuration of n -bodies. We fix such a central configuration and assume that $\mathbf{s}_i = (x_i, 0)$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

First big step: transformation of VE into direct product of equations

$$f(v) (\mathbf{X}'_k + 2\mathbf{J}\mathbf{X}'_k) = \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{X}_k, \quad \mathbf{G}_k = \text{diag}(3 + 2\delta_k, -\delta_k), \quad (1)$$

where $\delta_k = \lambda_k - 1$, and λ_k are eigenvalues of $\mathbf{C} = [C_{ij}]$. For $i \neq j$

$$C_{ij} = -\frac{m_j}{\mu |x_i - x_j|^3}, \quad (2)$$

and

$$C_{ii} = -\sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij}. \quad (3)$$

Great miracle

???

Matrix \mathbf{C} is diagonalizable and has real eigenvalues and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$. Moreover, $\lambda_n = 0$, $\lambda_{n-1} = 1$, and $\lambda_i > 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, n - 2$.

Recall:

$$C_{ij} = -\frac{m_j}{\mu |x_i - x_j|^3}, \quad (4)$$

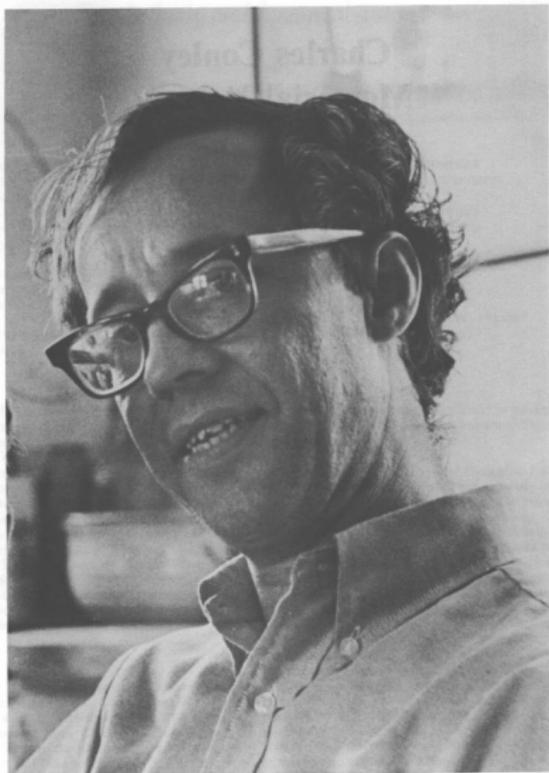
but values of x_i are unknown!

We take $\lambda = \lambda_i > 1$ and the corresponding equation

$$f(v) (\mathbf{X}'' + 2\mathbf{J}\mathbf{X}') = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{X}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \text{diag}(3 + 2\delta, -\delta),$$

where $\delta = \lambda - 1 > 0$.

Charles L. Conlay



Charles C. Conley 1933-1984

4×4 system is not easy.

$$\mathbf{z}' = \mathbf{B}(v)\mathbf{z}, \quad \mathbf{B}(v) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_2 \\ \frac{1}{f(v)}\mathbf{G} & -2\mathbf{J} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5)$$

where $\mathbf{z} = (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}) \in \mathbb{C}^4$.

Case $e \neq 0$. The second splitting.

Particular solution

$$\rho(\nu) = \frac{c^2/\mu}{1 + e \cos \nu}, \quad 2hc^2 = \mu^2(e^2 - 1). \quad (6)$$

Splitting transformation $\mathbf{z} \mapsto \mathbf{T}(\nu)\mathbf{z}$ with matrix

$$\mathbf{T}(\nu) := \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_2 & \mathbf{I}_2 \\ \mathbf{B}_+(\nu) & \mathbf{B}_-(\nu) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \det \mathbf{T}(\nu) = \frac{\Delta^2}{4f(\nu)^2 g(\nu)^2},$$

we get direct product of two systems

$$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{B}_\pm(\nu)\mathbf{u}, \quad \mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2).$$

Wow! We know how to finish the proof!

Remaining case $e = 0$

Real solution $\rho(\nu) = \text{const}$ (a circular orbit) gives nothing.

But, there is T. Consider a complex orbit

$$f(\nu) = 1 + e^{i\nu}.$$

Moreover, we have also similar splitting as for $e > 0$. So, we know how to finish the proof. THE END.