

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d}{dt} (R \hat{e}_R + z \hat{e}_z) \right) \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d}{dt} (x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} + z \hat{k}) \right) && x = R \cos \vartheta \\
 &= \ddot{x} \hat{i} + \ddot{y} \hat{j} + \ddot{z} \hat{k} && y = R \sin \vartheta \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d}{dt} R \cos \vartheta \right) \hat{i} + \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{d}{dt} R \sin \vartheta \right) \hat{j} + \ddot{z} \hat{k} \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} (\dot{R} \cos \vartheta - R \dot{\vartheta} \sin \vartheta) \hat{i} + \frac{d}{dt} (\dot{R} \sin \vartheta + R \dot{\vartheta} \cos \vartheta) \hat{j} + \ddot{z} \hat{k} \\
 &= [\ddot{R} \cos \vartheta - \dot{R} \dot{\vartheta} \sin \vartheta - \dot{R} \dot{\vartheta} \sin \vartheta - R \ddot{\vartheta} \sin \vartheta - R \dot{\vartheta}^2 \cos \vartheta] \hat{i} \\
 &\quad + [\ddot{R} \sin \vartheta + \dot{R} \dot{\vartheta} \cos \vartheta + \dot{R} \dot{\vartheta} \cos \vartheta + R \ddot{\vartheta} \cos \vartheta - R \dot{\vartheta}^2 \sin \vartheta] \hat{j} + \ddot{z} \hat{k} \\
 &= (\ddot{R} - R \dot{\vartheta}^2) (\cos \vartheta \hat{i} + \sin \vartheta \hat{j}) + (2 \dot{R} \dot{\vartheta} + R \ddot{\vartheta}) (-\sin \vartheta \hat{i} + \cos \vartheta \hat{j}) + \ddot{z} \hat{k} \\
 &= (\ddot{R} - R \dot{\vartheta}^2) \hat{e}_R + (2 \dot{R} \dot{\vartheta} + R \ddot{\vartheta}) \hat{e}_\vartheta + \ddot{z} \hat{e}_z \\
 &= (\ddot{R} - R \dot{\vartheta}^2) \hat{e}_R + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial (R^2 \dot{\vartheta})}{\partial t} \hat{e}_\vartheta + \ddot{z} \hat{e}_z
 \end{aligned}$$

a.a.  $\rho(t) = A_R \sin k_0 t$

$\dot{\rho}(t) = A_R k_0 \cos k_0 t$

$k_0 = 35.6 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s kpc}} \quad \dot{\rho} = -9 \text{ km/s}$

If Sun is currently passing through its equilibrium, then  $\rho = 0$ . Take  $t = 0$ .

$A_R = \frac{\dot{\rho}}{k_0} = \frac{-9 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}}{35.6 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s kpc}}} = 0.25 \text{ kpc} = 250 \text{ pc}$

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b. This estimate is a minimum because, if the Sun isn't currently passing through its equilibrium, then we underestimated  $\dot{g}(0)$ .

3. a.  $\rho = 0.05 \frac{M_{\odot}}{\text{pc}^3}$       M0 star:  $M = 0.51 M_{\odot}$     $R = 0.63 R_{\odot}$

$$\text{Number density of stars} = n = \frac{\rho}{M} = \frac{0.05 \frac{M_{\odot}}{\text{pc}^3}}{0.51 M_{\odot}}$$

$$= 0.098 \frac{\text{stars}}{\text{pc}^3}$$

$$\text{Volume of space per star} = V = \frac{1}{n} = 10.2 \text{ pc}^3$$

$$\text{Volume of single star} = V_{\text{star}} = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \pi \left( 0.63 \cdot 6.96 \times 10^8 \text{ m} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ pc}}{3.09 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}} \right)^3$$

$$= 1.20 \times 10^{-23} \text{ pc}^3$$

$$f = \frac{V_{\text{star}}}{V} = \frac{1.20 \times 10^{-23} \text{ pc}^3}{10.2 \text{ pc}^3} = 1.17 \times 10^{-24}$$

b. Volume traced out by intruder star =  $V_{\text{int}} = \pi R^2 z$

$$= \pi \left( 0.63 \cdot 6.96 \times 10^8 \text{ m} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ pc}}{3.09 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}} \right)^2 (1000 \text{ pc})$$

$$= 6.33 \times 10^{-13} \text{ pc}^3$$

Probability of intersecting a star in this volume =

$$\frac{V_{\text{int}}}{V} = \frac{6.33 \times 10^{-13} \text{ pc}^3}{10.2 \text{ pc}^3} = 6.20 \times 10^{-14}$$