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ON THE DETERMINATION OF THE ORBIT OF A PLANET FROM THREE OBSERVATIONS.

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I PROPOSE to consider from a geometrical point of view the problem of the determination of the orbit of a planet from three observations. The orbit is a conic, having the Sun for a focus; and each observation shows that the planet is at the date thereof in a given line. We have thus a given point or focus S, and three given lines, say the "rays." The orbit-plane, if known, would, by its intersections with the three rays, determine the three positions of the planet; that is, we should have the focus and three points on the orbit; or (what is the same thing) three radius vectors from the focus, say a "trivector." Geometrically, through three given points, and with a given focus, there may be described four conics; but (as will be explained) there is only one of these which can be the orbit; we may therefore say that the orbit will be determined, and that uniquely, by means of a given trivector. The problem is therefore to find the orbit-plane, such that in the orbit determined by means of the trivector the times of passage between the three positions on the orbit may have the observed values; or (what is the same thing) that the orbital areas, each divided by the square root of the latus rectum, may have given values. If, instead of the orbit-plane, we consider the orbit-axis (that is, the line normal to the orbit-plane at the point S), or, what is more convenient, the orbit-pole, or intersection of the axis with a sphere about the centre S; then to a given position of the orbitpole, there corresponds, as above, a determinate orbit; and the problem is to find the position of the orbit-pole, so that in the orbit belonging thereto the times of passage may have given values as already mentioned; and it is clear that the required position of the orbit-pole may be obtained as the intersection of two spherical curves; the one of them, the locus of those positions of the orbit-pole for which the time of passage

between the first and second points on the orbit has its proper given value; the other of them, the locus of those positions for which the time of passage between the second and third points on the orbit has its proper given value: and in connexion therewith we may consider other isoparametric loci of the orbit-pole; for instance, the iseccentric lines, or loci of the orbit-pole such that along each of them the eccentricity of the orbit has a given value. It is in this point of view that the problem is considered in the present memoir, viz., the object proposed is the discussion of the configuration, &c. of these loci. I consider, in the first instance, any three given rays whatever; but in the ulterior discussion of the spherical curves, which it is difficult to carry out otherwise than numerically, I have confined myself to the case of a particular symmetrical position of the three rays; viz., these are taken to be lines each of them at an inclination of 60° to a fixed plane through S, and such that their projections on this plane form an equilateral triangle having S for its centre, and that each ray cuts the plane in the mid-point of the corresponding side of the triangle.

The general theory as above explained is further developed in the memoir; and I consider the formulæ for the determination of the orbit, &c. by means of a given trivector; those relating to the determination of the trivector obtained as above by means of a variable plane passing through a given point and intersecting three given rays; and lastly, the application to the particular system of three rays already referred to. The Plates refer to this particular system; they are as follow:

Plate 1. General Planogram for a single ray,

- " 2. Planogram for Meridian 90°—270°,
- " 3. Planogram for Meridian 0° —180°,
 - 4. Spherogram for the Eccentricity,
- " 5. Spherogram for the Time.

Article Nos. 1 to 14. Considerations on the General Theory.

1. As explained in the introduction, we have a point or focus S, and three lines called the "rays." The orbit-plane is any plane through S; it meets the rays in three points, which are points on the orbit; and joining these with S, we have a "trivector." The orbit is for the present considered as in general uniquely determined by means of the trivector.

2. There are certain critical positions of the orbit-plane.

First, the orbit-plane may be parallel to one of the rays; or (what is the same thing) it may pass through the line through S parallel to the ray: the point on the ray is at infinity; or say that it is at an indefinitely great distance in one direction or in the other direction along the ray; and (from the particular way in which the orbit is selected as one of four conics) there is, as will appear (see *post*, No. 20), a discontinuity of orbit as the point passes from the one to the other of these positions.

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3. Secondly, the orbit-plane may be parallel to two of the rays; or (what is the same thing) it may pass through the lines through S parallel to these two rays; the points on the two rays are each at infinity; viz. each of them is at an indefinitely great distance in one or the other direction along the ray; and there is a discontinuity of the orbit as each point passes from the one to the other of its two positions.

4. Thirdly, the orbit-plane may be such that the orbit is a right line. To see how this arises, observe that we may consider a system of lines meeting each of the three rays, and of course generating a hyperboloid; say these are the generating lines: there is on the hyperboloid another system of lines, say the directrix lines, in which are included the three rays; the point S is not on the hyperboloid. Then, if the orbit-plane pass through a generating line, it will meet the three rays in the points in which these are met by the generating line: and the orbit is, consequently, the generating line (described, as being a right line not passing through S, with a velocity $= \infty$). Any plane through S and a generating line also meets the hyperboloid in a directrix line; and consequently touches it at the intersection of the two lines, viz. it is a tangent plane of the hyperboloid. The planes in question thus envelope the circumscribed cone whose vertex is S; or (what is the same thing) when the orbitplane is any tangent-plane of this cone, the orbit is a right line.

5. The only exception is, *fourthly*, when the orbit-plane passes through one of the rays. Observe that the plane then meets the hyperboloid in another line, that is, a generating line, or the case under consideration is included in the third case; it is also included in the first case. The point on the ray in question is here not a determinate point, but any point whatever of the ray; the points on the other two rays being (as in general) determinate: the orbit is consequently indeterminate; viz. to any point selected at pleasure as the intersection of the orbit-plane with the ray contained therein, there corresponds a determinate orbit (in particular, the selected point may be such that the orbit is, as in the third case, a right line); and, corresponding to the position in question of the orbit-plane, we have the entire system of such orbits.

6. Consider now the corresponding positions of the orbit-pole on a sphere described about the centre S. It will be convenient for the moment to attend to the two opposite positions of the orbit-pole belonging to any position of the orbit-plane, and thus to regard the orbit-pole as moving over the entire spherical surface. The parallel through S to a ray meets the sphere in two points, poles of a great circle which I call a "separator;" we have thus three separators, each two meeting in a pair of opposite points which I call the points B; viz., these are the intersections with the sphere of a line through S perpendicular to the plane containing the parallels of the two rays. A line through S perpendicular to the plane through a ray meets the sphere in a pair of opposite points which I call the points A; these lying on the corresponding separator; there are thus three pairs of points A. The cone reciprocal to the circumscribed cone (that is, generated by a line through S at right angles to any tangent plane of the circumscribed cone) meets the sphere in a spherical conic which I call the "regulator;" this touches each of the separators at the pair of points A on such separator.

7. I say that in the *first* of the cases above considered the locus of the orbitpole is a separator; in the second case the orbit-pole is a point B; in the third case the locus is the regulator; and in the *fourth* case the orbit-pole is a point A.

8. In the absence of models, the spherical figure must be represented by a projection; the stereographic projection is convenient for facility of description; and it has the very great advantage that we can by means of it exhibit, no matter how large a portion of the spherical surface. In the figures called "spherograms," afterwards referred to, the representation of a hemisphere is all that is required; but, to give a more distinct general idea, I annex a figure representing a larger portion of the surface; the data are those belonging to the particular symmetrical case referred to as intended to be specially considered: and the regulator conic is accordingly a pair of opposite small circles, the points A and B being related to it symmetrically; but, disregarding these specialities, the figure is adapted to the illustration of the general



Fig. 1.



case (at least if the point S be situate within the hyperboloid), and it is here given for that purpose. The circle marked "Ecliptic" does not properly belong to the figure: it is added as showing the boundary of a hemisphere, so that, by omitting all that lies outside this circle, the figure would be limited to the representation of a hemisphere; and the orbit-pole be in every case represented, no longer as a pair of opposite points, but as a single point; we should have the separators each as a half circle, and the regulator as a single small circle; the separators would intersect in pairs, in the three points B, and would touch the regulator in the three points A, &c.

9. The figure constructed as above, but omitting so much of it as lies outside the ecliptic circle, is the representation of a hemisphere-say of the northern hemi-

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sphere. It is readily seen that the central triangle *BBB* and the three circumjacent triangles *BBB*, represent also the half-surface of the sphere, viz., instead of the omitted portions of the northern hemisphere we have the equal opposite portions of the southern hemisphere. The adoption of this figure as the representation of the halfsurface of the sphere has the great advantage that the spherical curves can be delineated without the apparent breaks which would otherwise occur at their intersections with the ecliptic circle: I accordingly adopt it, and call the figure in question (viz., that composed of the four triangles) a blank "spherogram." We wish for any given position thereon of the orbit-pole to determine the values of certain parameters (eccentricity, latus rectum, time of passage between two rays, &c., as the case may be) belonging to the orbit, with a view to the subsequent delineation of the corresponding isoparametric (iseccentric, isochronic, &c.) lines, so constructing a "spherogram" for any such parameter, or system of lines.

10. It is for this purpose convenient to consider the values of the parameter corresponding to a single series of positions of the orbit-pole, viz., we consider the orbit-pole as describing on the sphere a curve selected at pleasure. Consider for a moment the orbit-plane as a material plane rigidly connected with the orbit-axis; the motion of the orbit-plane does not absolutely determine the motion of the orbit-plane, inasmuch as the orbit-plane, occupying the same position in space, might rotate about the orbit-plane is always about an axis in the orbit-plane, then the motion of the orbit-plane is always about an axis in the orbit-plane, then the motion of the orbit-plane is always about an axis. If then on the orbit-plane in each position thereof we mark, as well its line of contact with the enveloped cone, as also its intersections with the three rays, we obtain a figure (which may, if we please, be regarded as drawn on the orbit-plane in some particular position thereof), such figure consisting of a series of trivectors, and (belonging to each of them) a line through S serving to fix the position of the trivector in space. The locus of each extremity of the trivector is a certain curve, and the construction establishes a point-to-point correspondence between these three curves; viz., to any point on one of them there corresponds on each of the other two a single point, the three points being the extremities of a trivector. The figure would be rendered more complete by drawing the orbit belonging to each trivector thereof. Such a figure (with or without the orbits) is termed a "planogram."

11. The most simple case is when the orbit-pole describes a great circle; the orbit-plane here rotates about a fixed line, the axis of the circle, or (what is the same thing) the enveloped cone reduces itself to this axis of rotation; and the line of contact is thus a fixed line in the orbit-plane; or (what is the same thing) the lines through S in the planogram are here a single fixed line, the axis of rotation. I say that, for each extremity of the trivector, the locus is a hyperbola, having the axis of rotation for its conjugate axis. In fact, attending to any one ray, it is the same thing whether the orbit-plane be made to revolve round the axis of rotation, so as continually to intersect the ray, or whether, considering the orbit-plane as fixed,

and the ray as rigidly connected with the axis, we make the ray to rotate about this axis, so as continually to intersect the orbit-plane. But in this last case the ray describes about the axis a hyperboloid of revolution, and the orbit-plane, as an axial plane, meets this surface in a hyperbola having the axis for its conjugate axis; which hyperbola is the required locus of the trivector-extremity. It is moreover easy to see that if the angle of position of the variable orbit-plane, or (what is the same thing) the angle of position of the orbit-pole in the great circle which it describes be = q (where q is measured from any fixed plane or point), and if the coordinates x' and y' be measured from S in the direction of and perpendicular to the axis of rotation, then the coordinates of the point on the hyperbola are expressed in the form $x' = \alpha + a \tan (q + \beta)$, $y' = b \sec (q + \beta)$, where α , a, b, β , are constants depending on the position of the ray in regard to the axis of rotation: see as to this *post*, No. 49.

12. Considering the orbit-pole as describing a given curve, the value for the several positions thereof of any parameter of the orbit may be exhibited by means of a "diagram," viz., we may take for abscissa any quantity serving to fix the position of the orbit-pole on the described curve, and for ordinate the value of the parameter in question. In the particular case where the orbit-pole describes a great circle passing through the axis of the stereographic projection, and which is consequently in the spherogram represented by a diameter of the celliptic or bounding circle, it is natural to take for the abscissa the distance (from the centre) of the representation of the orbit-pole on such diameter give at once the value of the parameter to which the diagram relates.

13. It is right to remark that the construction of planograms and diagrams is merely subsidiary to that of the spherograms; the information given by any number of planograms or diagrams would be all of it embodied in a spherogram for the same parameter. And theoretically the construction of a spherogram is a mere matter of geometry; for a given position of the orbit-pole we construct the trivector, thence the orbit, and in relation thereto any parameters which it is desired to consider; and so, for a sufficient number of points on the spherogram, determine the value of the parameter, or parameters; and lay down the isoparametric lines. The construction of the orbit from a given trivector, and in particular the selection of the orbit as one of the four conics given by the trivector, has not yet been explained: in connexion herewith we have the discontinuity of orbit which arises when the orbit-pole is upon a separator, and which is a leading circumstance in the theory; until it is gone into, there is little more to be said in the way of general explanation as to the spherogram, or the isoparametric lines thereof.

14. It may however be noticed that for any parameter whatever, the points A of the spherogram are common points, through which pass in general the lines belonging to any value whatever of the parameter; the reason of course is that the orbit-plane then passing through the ray, and the orbit itself being indeterminate, the value of any parameter belonging to the orbit is also indeterminate. Moreover, for some parameters the curve belonging to any particular value of the parameter not only

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passes through the points A, but passes through each point twice, or (what is the same thing) has each of the points A for a nodal point; when this is so, then it is to be further observed that, for certain values of the parameters, they will be acnodal points, properly belonging to the curve, although there is not any real branch of the curve passing through the points A; for others they will be crunodal points, with two real branches through each; and in the transition between the two cases they will be cuspidal points on the isoparametric curve; it will appear in the sequel that this is really the case in regard to the iseccentric lines.

Article Nos. 15 to 30. Determination of the Orbit from a given Trivector.

15. With a given point S as focus, and through three given points, that is with a given trivector, there may be described *four* conics. This appears from the general theory according to which a given focus is equivalent to two given tangents; and also



from the geometrical construction, Principia, book I. sect. 4; Scholium to Prop. XXI.: viz. given the focus S and the points 1, 2, 3, then if

On 23 we find a so that $a \ 2 : a \ 3 = S \ 2 : S \ 3$, "31 ", b ", b $3 : b \ 1 = S \ 3 : S \ 1$, "12 ", c ", c $1 : c \ 2 = S \ 1 : S \ 2$,

the points *a*, *b*, *c*, are each of them on the directrix, so that any two of them determine the directrix. In the figure (as in Newton's) the distances S1, S2, S3, are

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each regarded as positive, but the very same construction, taking two of the distances each as positive and negative successively, would lead to three other positions of the directrix; or the construction would give in all four conics.

16. In the figure the directrix lies on the same side of the three points; and the conic is thus an ellipse or parabola, or, if a hyperbola, then the three points lie in the same branch thereof; and it is consequently an orbit such that along it a body can pass through the three points successively. The construction as varied would give in each case a directrix having on one side of it one, and on the other side two, of the three points; so that the conic would be a hyperbola having the three points not on the same branch thereof; consequently it would not be an orbit such that along it a body could pass through the three points successively.

And it thus appears that though the trivector really determines four conics, yet it is only one of these in which the directrix lies on the same side of the three points; and this conic I call the "orbit:" the given trivector thus determines a single orbit.

17. It is to be noticed however that the orbit constructed as above may be a hyperbolic branch separated by the directrix from the focus S, and consequently convex to the focus S; viz., the three points lie here in a hyperbolic branch convex to S, and which is therefore not an orbit which can be described under the action of an *attractive* force at S: say we have a "convex orbit." I regard this as a real orbit, but the times of passage therein as imaginary, or rather as non-existent, and the case is thus excluded from consideration in the formulæ and figures which relate to the times of passage.

18. The same results are established analytically in a very similar manner, viz., taking the focus for origin and starting from the focal equation

$$r = Ax + By + C;$$

then if we take (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) , (x_3, y_3) , as the coordinates of the three given points and write

$$r_1 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + y_1^2}, \quad r_2 = \sqrt{x_2^2 + y_2^2}, \quad r_3 = \sqrt{x_3^2 + y_3^2},$$

we have for the determination of the constants

$$r_{1} = Ax_{1} + By_{1} + C,$$

$$r_{2} = Ax_{2} + By_{2} + C,$$

$$r_{3} = Ax_{2} + By_{3} + C.$$

and the equation therefore is

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which, attributing therein to r_1 , r_2 , r_3 , the signs +, - at pleasure, represents eight different equations: these however give only four conics, viz., we have the same conic whether we attribute to r_1 , r_2 , r_3 , any particular combination of signs, or reverse all the signs simultaneously.

19. But the focal equation r = Ax + By + C is precisely equivalent to the equation

$$r = \frac{p}{1 + e\cos\left(\theta - \varpi\right)},$$

and in this equation (taking as is allowable p as positive) then if $\pm e$ be = or <1, that is for an ellipse or parabola whatever be the value of $\theta - \varpi$, r is always positive; but if $\pm e$ be >1, that is for a hyperbola, r is positive for those values of $\theta - \varpi$ which belong to one branch, negative for those which belong to the other branch, of the curve. Hence in the determinant equation, unless r_1, r_2, r_3 , have the same sign, the curve will be a hyperbola with the points two of them on one branch, the third on the other branch thereof. But in the remaining case, when r_1, r_2, r_3 , have all the same sign, or say when they are all positive, then the conic is an ellipse or parabola, or else it is a hyperbola with the three points on the same branch thereof; that is, the foregoing determinant equation, regarding therein r_1, r_2, r_3 , as all of them positive, gives the orbit.

20. When one of the points is at infinity on a given line there is a discontinuity of orbit. To explain this, suppose that the point (x_1, y_1) is situate on the line $y = x \tan \alpha$, at an indefinitely great distance r_1 in one or the other direction along the line; viz., r_1 is an indefinitely large positive quantity, and we have in the one case x_1 , $y_1 = r_1 \cos \alpha$, $r_1 \sin \alpha$; and in the other case x_1 , $y_1 = -r_1 \cos \alpha$, $-r_1 \sin \alpha$: the corresponding equations of the orbit, putting therein ultimately $r_1 = +\infty$, are

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$r_3, x_3,$	y_3 ,	1		r3,	$x_3,$	$y_{3},$	1	

which equations belong, it is clear, to two distinct conics; or as the point (x_1, y_1) passes from a positive to a negative infinity along the given line, there is an abrupt change of orbit. It is proper to remark that the two orbits are the very same as would be obtained by writing x_1 , $y_1 = r_1 \cos \alpha$, $r_1 \sin \alpha$, $r_1 = +\infty$ and $r_1 = -\infty$ in the determinant equation: that is, the orbit passes abruptly from one to another of the four conics which belong to the position (x_1, y_1) , and we thus understand how the transition from $+\infty$ to $-\infty$, which is geometrically no breach of continuity, occasions in the actual problem a discontinuity.

21. The same thing appears from the geometrical construction; and we derive a further result which will be useful. Suppose first that the point 1 is at infinity in the direction shown by the arrow; then drawing 2c = 2S and 3b = 3S each in the direction opposite to S1, we have the points b, c on the directrix, which is thus the

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line D joining these points. But if 1 is at infinity on the same line in the opposite direction, then instead of c, b we have the points c', b', and the directrix is the line D' joining these points.



Observe that in the first case the focus S and the three points are on 22. opposite sides of the directrix D, or the orbit is convex; but in the second case the focus S and the three points are on the same side of the directrix D', and the orbit is concave. That is, the line S_1 does not separate the two points 2, 3, and the orbits are the one convex, the other concave.

23. But if 1 be at infinity along the line S(1) first in the direction shown by the arrow, and then in the opposite direction; in the first case the directrix is (D)not separating the focus S from the three points, and the orbit is concave; in the second case the orbit is (D'), not separating S from the three points, and the orbit is still concave; here the line S(1) does separate the points 2, 3, and the orbits are both concave.

24. And we thus see in general that as the point 1 passes from a positive to a negative infinity along a line passing through S; then, according as the line through S does not or does separate the remaining two points 2, 3, the orbits corresponding to the two positions of 1 are the one convex, the other concave, or they are both concave.

25. The points 1 and 2 may be each of them at infinity along a given ray; we have here in a similar manner x_1 , $y_1 = r_1 \cos \alpha_1$, $r_1 \sin \alpha_1$, or else $= -r_1 \cos \alpha_1$, $-r_1 \sin \alpha_1$, where r_1 is an indefinitely large positive quantity; and x_2 , $y_2 = r_2 \cos \alpha_2$, $r_2 \sin \alpha_2$, or else C. VII. 52

 $=-r_2 \cos \alpha_2$, $-r_2 \sin \alpha_2$, where r_2 is an indefinitely large positive quantity. And writing ultimately $r_1 = +\infty$, $r_2 = +\infty$, the equation of the orbit is obtained in the form

where the \pm of the second line and the \pm of the third line have each of them the value + or - at pleasure. There are consequently four distinct orbits, corresponding to the combinations of each of the two directions of the point 1 with each of the two directions of the point 2. And it is moreover clear that these are the very conics which are obtained from the determinant equation by writing therein x_1 , $y_1 = r_1 \cos \alpha_1$, $r_1 \sin \alpha_1$; x_2 , $y_2 = r_2 \cos \alpha_2$, $r_2 \sin \alpha_2$ and $r_1 = +\infty$, $-\infty$; $r_2 = +\infty$, $-\infty$ successively; viz., the orbit changes abruptly between the four conics which correspond to the given position of the points 1, 2, 3.



26. The geometrical construction is very simple indeed; viz., measuring off from 3 in the directions S1, S2, and in the opposite directions respectively, a distance =S3, we have four points, the angles of a rectangle; and joining these in pairs, we have the four positions of the directrix: the figure shows at once that the orbits are three of them concave, the remaining one convex.

27. The determinant equation obtained for the orbit is an equation of the form

$$r = Ax + By + C;$$

and it is clear that the equation of the directrix is Ax + By + C = 0. By what precedes, this line will lie on the same side of the three points; viz., either it does not separate them from the focus, and the orbit is then concave, or it does separate them from the focus, and the orbit is then convex. Although in general the sign of C is no criterion (for the equations r = Ax + By + C and r = -Ax - By - C represent

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the same curve) yet in the present case it is so; for, observe that, in taking r_1 , r_2 , r_3 each of them positive, we make r to be positive for the orbit, that is, for the entire curve if an ellipse or parabola, but for the branch containing the three points if the curve is a hyperbola. Hence, considering the radius vector through S parallel to the directrix, this is positive for a concave, negative for a convex orbit; or writing Ax + By = 0, we have r = C positive for a concave, negative for a convex orbit; wherefore the orbit is concave or convex according as C is positive or negative.

28. Comparing the equation with

$$r = e \left(x \cos \varpi + y \sin \varpi \right) \pm a \left(1 - e^2 \right),$$

we see that the eccentricity and semiaxis major, taken to be each of them positive, are

$$e = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}, \quad a = \frac{\pm C}{1 - A^2 - B^2},$$

(+C or -C, according as e < 1 or e > 1); and inasmuch as the focus and directrix are known, there is no ambiguity as to the position of the orbit: it may be added that the coordinates of the centre are given by

$$(A^2-1) x + AB y + AC = 0,$$

 $AB x + (B^2-1) y + BC = 0,$

that is, we have for the coordinates of the centre

$$x = \frac{AC}{1 - A^2 - B^2}, \quad y = \frac{BC}{1 - A^2 - B^2};$$

and thence also

$$x = \frac{2AC}{1 - A^2 - B^2}, \quad y = \frac{2BC}{1 - A^2 - B^2}$$

for the coordinates of the other focus.

29. But to effect the comparison rather more precisely it is to be observed that a, e being positive, then for a concave orbit, if X be measured from the focus in the direction away from the directrix, we should have

$$r = eX \pm a \left(1 - e^2\right)$$

(+ for the ellipse, - for the hyperbola, so that $\pm a(1-e^2)$ is positive): whence

$$e = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}, \quad X = \frac{Ax + By}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}, \quad a = \frac{\pm C}{1 - A^2 - B^2}$$

(by what precedes, C is = +, so that the formula gives as it should do a = +).

And similarly for a convex orbit, if X be measured in the direction towards the directrix, we should have

 $r = eX - a\left(e^2 - 1\right);$

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whence

$$e = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}, \quad X = \frac{Ax + By}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}, \quad a = \frac{-C}{A^2 + B^2 - 1},$$

where by what precedes C is = -, and the formula gives as it should do a = +.

30. It is not necessary for the purpose of the present memoir, but I notice an elegant form of the polar equation of the orbit belonging to a given trivector; viz., taking (r, θ) as polar coordinates, and therefore (r_1, θ_1) , (r_2, θ_2) , (r_3, θ_3) , as the coordinates of the given points, the equation of the orbit is

$$\frac{1}{r} = \Sigma \frac{1}{r_1} \cdot \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2} (\theta - \theta_2) \sin \frac{1}{2} (\theta - \theta_3)}{\sin \frac{1}{2} (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \sin \frac{1}{2} (\theta_1 - \theta_3)}.$$

In fact, it is clear that this is an equation of the form

$$\frac{1}{r} = (\alpha, \ \beta, \ \gamma) \left(\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta, \ \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \right)^2;$$
$$\frac{1}{r} = \lambda \cos \theta + \mu \sin \theta + \nu;$$

that is of the form

and that it thus represents a conic with the given focus; and moreover that the equation is satisfied by writing therein (r_1, θ_1) , (r_2, θ_2) , or (r_3, θ_3) , in place of (r, θ) ; that is, the conic passes through the three given points. The foregoing remarks as to the signs of r_1 , r_2 , r_3 , apply without alteration to this polar equation.

Article Nos. 31 to 41. Time Formulæ; LAMBERT'S Equation.

31. Suppose for a moment that the orbit is an ellipse; as the ellipse may be described in either direction, the time of passage between any two points, 1 to 2, or 2 to 1, indifferently, may be regarded as positive. With only two points 1, 2, we might pass, say from 1 to 2, in either direction along the ellipse, and the time of passage would have ambiguously either of two positive values. In the case however where we have on the ellipse three points, 1, 2, 3, this ambiguity is avoided; viz., it is assumed that the passage between any two of the points is along the elliptic arc which does not contain the third point; the three times of passage are thus all of them positive, and their sum is equal to the periodic time, or time of describing the entire ellipse.

32. But if the orbit be a parabola or concave hyperbolic branch, then, if the points taken in their order of position along the orbit be 1, 2, 3, we have in like manner a positive time of passage between 1 and 2, and also a positive time of passage between 2 and 3; but, inasmuch as there is no passage between 1 and 3 except through 2 (which mode is excluded from consideration), I say that there is no time of passage between 1 and 3; and so consider only two times of passage; viz., between 1 and 2, and between 2 and 3.

33. In the case of a convex hyperbolic branch, since this cannot be described under the action of an attractive force, there is not any time of passage to be considered.

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In the transition case of a right line not passing through the focus, since, as mentioned, the velocity is infinite, if the order of the points on the line is 1, 2, 3, the times of passage from 1 to 2 and from 2 to 3 are each =0; and these are the only times of passage which are to be considered.

34. The preceding conventions are of course to be attended to in the application of any formula to the calculation of the times of passage between given points of the orbit; in the case of a parabolic or hyperbolic orbit we have only to ascertain which are the two times of passage to be calculated; but, in the case of an ellipse, we must take care that the time of passage between each two of the three points is calculated along the arc not containing the third point; viz., it is in some cases to be calculated through the angle $<\pi$ between the two radius vectors, and in other cases through the angle $>\pi$ between the two radius vectors; or, more simply, the time to be calculated is sometimes the longer, and at other times the shorter time of passage.

35. For the purpose of the present memoir the unit of time is so fixed that the periodic time in a circle radius 1 shall be equal 3. The period in a circle or ellipse, radius or semiaxis major = a, is thus $= 3a^{\frac{3}{2}}$, and generally

$$\text{Time} = \frac{3}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\text{Area}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \text{ latus rectum}}} \,.$$

The time formulæ are first the ordinary ones in which the time from pericentre is expressed in terms of an angle (the eccentric anomaly for an ellipse or hyperbola, true anomaly for the parabola); secondly, Lambert's formulæ, in which the time between any two points on the orbit is expressed by means of the two radius vectors and the chord.

36. The first set of formulæ may be written:

Ellipse. *u*, the eccentric anomaly from pericentre, viz. $x = a (\cos u - e)$, $y = a \sqrt{1 - e^2} \sin u$, if *x*, *y*, are the coordinates from the focus, *x* measured in the direction *towards* the directrix.

Time from pericentre
$$=\frac{3}{\pi}a^{\frac{3}{2}}(u-e\sin u).$$

Parabola. θ , the true anomaly, viz., $r = p \sec^2 \frac{1}{2} \theta$, if p be the pericentric distance or $\frac{1}{4}$ -latus rectum.

Time from pericentre
$$=\frac{3}{\pi} \frac{p^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\sqrt{2}} (\tan \frac{1}{2}\theta + \frac{1}{3} \tan^{3} \frac{1}{2}\theta).$$

Hyperbola; concave branch. u, the eccentric anomaly from pericentre, viz., x = a (sec u - e), $y = a \sqrt{e^2 - 1} \tan u$, if x, y are the coordinates from the focus, x measured in the direction *away* from the directrix.

Time from pericentre =
$$\frac{3a^3}{2\pi} \{e \tan u - \text{hyp. log } \tan \left(\frac{1}{4}\pi + \frac{1}{2}u\right)\},\$$

and by taking the sum or the difference of two of these expressions, we obtain the time of passage between two given points of the orbit.

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37. I remark that as to the elliptic and parabolic orbits, I have preferred using Lambert's equations, and I should have done the same for the hyperbolic orbits, but for the absence of a table (see *post*, No. 39). As it is, for the few hyperbolic orbits which it was necessary to calculate, I have used the foregoing formula (¹): a table of hyp. log tan $(\frac{1}{4}\pi + \frac{1}{2}u)$, $u = 0^{\circ}$ to $u = 90^{\circ}$, at intervals of 30' to 12 places of decimals, with fifth differences is given, Table IV. Legendre, *Traité des Fonctions Elliptiques*, t. II. pp. 256-259.

38. The other set of formulæ may be written:

Ellipse. r, r' the radius vectors, γ the chord.

$$2a\cos\chi = 2a - r - r' - \gamma, \qquad 2a\cos\chi' = 2a - r - r' + \gamma$$

Time = $\frac{3}{2}a^{\frac{3}{2}}(\alpha - \alpha' - \sin\alpha + \sin\alpha')$

Parabola. r, r', y, ut suprà;

Time =
$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \{ (r + r' + \gamma)^{\frac{3}{2}} - (r + r' - \gamma)^{\frac{3}{2}} \}.$$

Hyperbola.

 $2a \cosh \chi = 2a + r + r' + \gamma, \qquad 2a \cosh \chi' = 2a + r + r' - \gamma.$

Time =
$$\frac{3}{2\pi}a^{\frac{3}{2}}(-\chi+\chi'+\sinh\chi-\sinh\chi'),$$

where cosh, sinh, denote the hyperbolic cosine and sine of χ , viz.:

$$\cosh \chi = \frac{1}{2} (e^{\chi} + e^{-\chi}), \qquad \sinh \chi = \frac{1}{2} (e^{\chi} - e^{-\chi}).$$

39. The logarithms (ordinary) of the functions $\cosh \chi$, $\sinh \chi$, and of $\tanh \chi$ are tabulated by Gudermann, *Crelle*, tt. VIII. and IX. from $\chi = 2.000$ to $\chi = 8.00$ at intervals of .001 and subsequently of .01 to eight places of decimals. I do not know why the tabulation was not commenced from $\chi = 0$, but the omission from them of the values 0 to 2 rendered the tables unavailing for the present purpose, and I therefore, for the hyperbolic orbits, resorted to the first set of formulæ.

40. As regards the elliptic formulæ it remains to be explained how the values of χ , χ' are to be selected from those which satisfy the required conditions

$$2a\cos\chi = 2a - r - r' - \gamma,$$
 $2a\cos\chi' = 2a - r - r' + \gamma.$

It is remarked in Gauss' *Theoria MotAs*, p. 120, that χ is a positive angle between 0° and 360°; χ' a positive or negative angle between +180°, -180°, viz. χ' is positive

¹ I rather regret that I did not use the foregoing formulæ in all cases.

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or negative according as the angle between the two radius vectors is $< 180^{\circ}$ or $> 180^{\circ}$. This determines χ' , but it is said that χ is really indeterminate; viz. it is so if only the values r, r', γ, a , are given, for there are then two orbits in which these quantities have their given values, and the times in these have different values. But when, as in the case here considered the orbit is known, χ will of course have a determinate signification, and it is easy to explain how this is to be fixed. I observe, in the first place, that if $\chi = \pi$ we have $\gamma = (2a - r) + (2a - r')$, that is, the chord γ passes through the other focus of the ellipse. The criterion thus depends on the position of the two points on the ellipse in relation to the other focus, and it is easy to see that it is as follows: viz. let the time between the points 1, 2, on the ellipse be understood to mean the time of passage from 1 through apocentre to 2; then I say that, in the preceding formula

Time
$$= \frac{3}{2\pi} a^{\frac{3}{2}} (\chi - \chi' - \sin \chi + \sin \chi'),$$

 χ will be < 180° or > 180° according as the chord from 1 through the other focus H does not or does separate the point 2 from the focus S.

41. It is hardly necessary to remark that in the application of the formulæ, χ , χ' must be reckoned according to their lengths as circular arcs to the radius unity: a table for the conversion of degrees and minutes to such circular measure, is given in most collections of Trigonometrical Tables.

Article Nos. 42 to 45. Formulæ for the Transformation between two sets of Rectangular Axes.

42. Consider an arbitrary set of fixed rectangular axes, Sx, Sy, Sz, which are considered as intersecting the sphere, centre S, in the points X, Y, Z, and so the axes Sx', Sy', Sz', afterwards defined are considered as intersecting the sphere in the points X', Y', Z'. For convenience Sx is considered as an origin of longitudes, which are measured in the plane of xy in the direction towards y; and an angular distance from Sz is termed a polar distance or colatitude; so that the position of any line through S, or point on the sphere, will be determined by its longitude b and colatitude c.

43. It is wished in the sequel to made the orbit-pole revolve about an arbitrary line Sx', and for this purpose I take the new set of rectangular axes, Sx', Sy', Sz', or points on the sphere X', Y', Z', as follows,

X', longitude G, colatitude $90^{\circ} + N$.

Y'Z', is then a great circle, pole X', meeting ZX' in a point Π , longitude G, colatitude N, and the position of Z' in this great circle is fixed by its distance from Π , $\Pi Z' = H$, the distance of Y' being $\Pi Y' = 90^{\circ} + H$, and these being each of them reckoned from Π in the direction of longitude X to Y. The position of the new axes Sx', Sy', Sz', or points X', Y', Z', is thus fixed by means of the three angles G, N, H.

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It is to be added that if the angle X'ZZ' is called q, and if b, c, are the longitude and colatitude of Z', then we have $\sin N = \cot q \tan H$, which gives q, and then





44. The transformation-formulæ between the two sets of axes are at once found to be

heper	X	Y	Z
X'	$\cos G \cos N$	$\sin G \cos N$	$-\sin N$
Y'	$-\sin G \cos H - \cos G \sin H \sin N$	$\cos G \cos H - \sin G \sin H \sin N$	$-\sin H\cos N$
Z'	$-\sin G \sin H + \cos G \cos H \sin N$	$\cos G \sin H + \sin G \cos H \sin N$	$\cos H \cos N$

which are for shortness represented by

idella To	X	Y	Z
X'	a	β	γ
Y'	α'	β'	Ý
Ζ'	a''	β"	γ"

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45 In the particular case where Sx' is in the plane of xy, N=0; Π coincides with Z, and the longitude and colatitude of Z' are $b=G+90^{\circ}$, c=H. Writing accordingly in the formula N=0, and introducing b, c in the place of G, H, the formulæ become

	X	Y	Ζ
X'	sin b	$-\cos b$	0
Y'	$\cos b \cos c$	$\sin b \cos c$	$-\sin c$
Z'	$\cos b \sin c$	$\sin b \sin c$	cos c

and in particular if c=0, (Sz' here coincides with Sz, and the axes Sx', Sy', are in the plane of xy) then we have simply

- 1 W.	X	Y	Z
X'	$\sin b$	$-\cos b$	0
Y'	$\cos b$	$\sin b$	0
<i>Z</i> ′	0	0	1

Article Nos. 46 to 60. Application to finding the Intersection of the Orbit-plane by a Single Ray.

46. The equations of the ray referred to the fixed axes are taken to be

$$\frac{x-A}{f} = \frac{y-B}{g} = \frac{z-C}{h}, = R \text{ suppose,}$$

or, what is the same thing,

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x = A + Rf,

y = B + Rg,

z = C + Rh,
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and if in the foregoing formulæ the point Z' is taken to be the orbit-pole (longitude $b = G + 90^{\circ}$, and colatitude $c = \cos^{-1} \cos N \cos H$ as above) then the equation of the C. VII. 53

orbit-plane is z' = 0. We have therefore merely to transform the equations of the ray to the new axes by writing for x, y, z, the values

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha x' + \alpha' y' + \alpha'' z', \\ \beta x' + \beta' y' + \beta'' z', \\ \gamma x' + \gamma' y' + \gamma'' z', \end{aligned}$$

and then putting z'=0, we find x', y', the coordinates in the orbit-plane of its intersections with the ray.

47. The equations thus become,

$$\alpha x' + \alpha' y' - A - Rf = 0,$$

$$\beta x' + \beta' y' - B - Rg = 0,$$

$$\gamma x' + \gamma' y' - C' - Rh = 0,$$

or, what is the same thing, we have

x':y':R:1

=	1				:		1			:		-	-1		:				-1
	α,	α',	f,	A		α,	α',	f,	A		α,	α',	f,	A		α,	α',	f,	A
	β,	β',	g,	В		β,	β',	g,	B	- to	β,	β',	g,	В		β,	β',	g,	B
	γ,	γ',	h,	C		γ,	γ',	h,	C		γ,	γ',	h,	C		γ,	γ',	h,	C
=	1	α',	f,	A	: -		α,	f,	A	:-		A,	α,	α	:	f,	α,	α	0 b
		β',	g,	В	XY		β,	g,	B			<i>B</i> ,	β,	β'		g,	β,	β'	
		γ',	h,	C			γ,	h,	C			<i>C</i> ,	γ,	γ'		h,	γ,	γ'	

In these formulæ we have identically

$$\beta\gamma' - \beta'\gamma, \quad \gamma\alpha' - \gamma'\alpha, \quad \alpha\beta' - \alpha'\beta = \alpha'', \; \beta'', \; \gamma'',$$

and if we write moreover

a, b, c, = Cg - Bh, Ah - Cf, Bf - Ag,

(whence identically af + bg + ch = 0, and where (a, b, c, f, g, h) are the "six coordinates" of the ray), then we have the very simple formulæ

x': y': R: 1

= (a, b, $c \not{\alpha} a'$, β' , γ'): - (a, b, $c \not{\alpha} a$, β , γ): (A, B, $C \not{\alpha} a''$, β'' , γ''): (f, g, $h \not{\alpha} a''$, β'' , γ''), or omitting (as not required for the present purpose) one of the proportional terms, we have

$$x': y': 1 = (a, b, c)\alpha', \beta', \gamma'): -(a, b, c)\alpha, \beta, \gamma): (f, g, b)\alpha'', \beta'', \gamma''),$$

which are the required expressions for the coordinates.

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48. Consider in the equations just obtained the axis of x' as fixed but H as variable; that is, let the orbit-pole Z' describe a great circle about the fixed pole X' (longitude G, colatitude $90^{\circ} + N$). We have x', y', 1, proportional to linear functions of sin H, cos H; viz., writing for shortness

$$\begin{aligned} X_c &= -\operatorname{a} \sin G + \operatorname{b} \cos G, \\ X_s &= (-\operatorname{a} \cos G - \operatorname{b} \sin G) \sin N - \operatorname{c} \cos N, \\ Y_o &= (-\operatorname{a} \cos G - \operatorname{b} \sin G) \cos N + \operatorname{c} \sin N, \\ W_c &= (-\operatorname{f} \cos G + \operatorname{g} \sin G) \sin N + \operatorname{h} \cos N, \\ W_s &= (-\operatorname{f} \sin G + \operatorname{g} \cos G), \end{aligned}$$

we have

 $x' = \frac{X_c}{W_c} \frac{\cos H + X_s \sin H}{\cos H + W_s \sin H},$

$$y' = \frac{Y_o}{W_c \cos H + W_s \sin H}.$$

49. I write

 $\begin{cases} \frac{W_c}{Y_o} = \frac{1}{m} \cos \Delta, & \frac{W_s}{Y_o} = \frac{1}{m} \sin \Delta, \\ \frac{X_c}{Y_o} = \frac{l}{m} \cos \Delta - \cot \delta \sin \Delta, \\ \frac{X_s}{Y_o} = \frac{l}{m} \sin \Delta + \cot \delta \cos \Delta, \end{cases}$

equations which determine m, Δ, l, δ , viz., we have

$$\tan \Delta = \frac{W_s}{W_c}, \qquad m = \frac{Y_o}{\sqrt{W_c^2 + W_s^2}},$$
$$l = m \frac{X_c \cos \Delta + X_s \sin \Delta}{Y_o} = \frac{1}{W_c^2 + W_s^2} (X_c W_c + X_s W_s),$$
$$\cot \delta = \frac{-X_c \sin \Delta + X_s \cos \Delta}{Y_o} = \frac{1}{Y_o \sqrt{W_c^2 + W_s^2}} (X_s W_c - X_c W_s),$$

and we then very easily find

 $x' = l + m \cot \delta \tan (H - \Delta),$ $y' = m \sec (H - \Delta),$

and thence also

$$y'^2 - (x' - l)^2 \tan^2 \delta = m^2;$$

viz. the orbit-plane revolving about the fixed axis SX', meets the ray in a series of points forming in the orbit-plane a hyperbola having the line SX' for its conjugate axis.

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50. As already remarked (ante, No. 11), this hyperbola is nothing else than the intersection of the orbit-plane regarded as fixed, by the hyperboloid generated by the rotation of the ray about the axis SX'. And we thus see the interpretation of the constants, viz.

- l is the distance from S along the axis SX' of the "arm," or shortest distance of SX' and the ray.
- m is the length of this arm.
- δ is the inclination of the ray to the axis SX';

and for the remaining quantity Δ , imagine parallel to the ray a line through S meeting the sphere in L (L is the pole of the separator), I say that $\Delta - H$ is the angle LX'Z': or (what is the same thing) drawing X'L to meet $\Pi Z'Y'$ in Λ , we have $\Pi\Lambda = \Delta = H + Z'\Lambda$, or (what is the same thing) $Z'\Lambda = \Delta - H$.

51. To verify this, observe that the cosine distances of L from X, Y, Z, are as f:g:h; and thence its cosine distances from X', Y', Z', are as $(f, g, h)(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$: (f, g, h)(α' , β' , γ'): (f, g, h)(α'' , β'' , γ''); say, for a moment, as f':g':h'.

Now $L\Lambda$ is the perpendicular from L on the side Y'Z' of the quadrantal spherical triangle LY'Z', and we thence have

$$\frac{\mathbf{h}'}{\mathbf{g}'} = \frac{\cos \Lambda Y'}{\cos \Lambda Z'} = \operatorname{van} \Lambda Z' = \tan \left(\Delta - H \right),$$

if Δ has the geometrical signification just assigned to it. But this equation is

$$g' \cos (H - \Delta) + h' \sin (H - \Delta) = 0,$$

that is

$$\tan \Delta = \frac{g' \cos H + h' \sin H}{-g' \sin H + h' \cos H},$$

or substituting for g', h' their values, the numerator is

 $f(\alpha' \cos H + \alpha'' \sin H) + g(\beta' \cos H + \beta'' \sin H) + h(\gamma' \cos H + \gamma'' \sin H),$

which is

$$= -f \sin G + g \cos G, = W_s,$$

and the denominator is

 $f(-\alpha'\sin H + \alpha''\cos H) + g(-\beta'\sin H + \beta''\cos H) + h(-\gamma'\sin H + \gamma''\cos H),$ which is

$$= (f \cos G + g \sin G) \sin N + h \cos N, = W_{c}$$

so that the formula becomes

$$\tan \Delta = \frac{W_s}{W_c},$$

which is the original expression of $\tan \Delta$.

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52. We might in the equations

 $x': y': 1 = (a, b, c)(\alpha', \beta', \gamma'): -(a, b, c)(\alpha, \beta, \gamma): (f, g, b)(\alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'')$

consider for instance G or N as alone variable, and then eliminate the variable parameter so as to obtain a locus; but the results would be complicated and the geometrical interpretations not very obvious.

53. I assume (as was done before) N=0, $G=b-90^{\circ}$, H=c, that is, the position of the orbit-pole Z' is longitude b, colatitude c, and the axis SX' is the line of nodes or intersection of the orbit-plane with the ecliptic, viz., the longitude of this line is $=b-90^{\circ}$.

The formulæ become

 $x': y': 1 = (a \cos b + b \sin b) \cos c - c \sin c$ $: - a \sin b + b \cos b$ $: (f \cos b + g \sin b) \sin c + h \cos c.$

or if these are

$$x' = \frac{X_c \cos c + X_s \sin c}{W_c \cos c + W_s \sin c},$$

 $y' = \frac{Y_o}{W_c \cos c + W_s \sin c},$

$$X_c = a \cos b + b \sin b,$$

$$X_s = -c,$$

$$Y_o = -a \sin b + b \cos b,$$

$$W_c = h,$$

$$W_s = f \cos b + g \sin b,$$

and thence forming as before the values of $\tan \Delta$, l, m, $\cot \delta$, and putting for shortness

$$\sqrt{W_c^2 + W_s^2}$$
, = $\sqrt{h^2 + (f \cos b + g \sin b)^2}$, = Ω

we find after some easy reductions

$$\tan \Delta = \frac{f}{h} \cos b + \frac{g}{h} \sin b,$$

$$m = \frac{1}{\Omega} (-a \sin b + b \cos b),$$

$$l = \frac{1}{\Omega^2} [(ah - cf) \cos b + (bh - cg) \sin b],$$

$$\cot \delta = \frac{1}{\Omega Y_o} (-a \sin b + b \cos b) (-f \sin b + g \cos b),$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Omega} (-f \sin b + g \cos b),$$

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and with these values

$$x' = l + m \cot \delta \tan (c - \Delta),$$

 $y' = m \sec (c - \Delta),$

and thence

$$y'^2 - (x' - l)^2 \tan^2 \delta = m^2,$$

viz., this is the hyperbola obtained by rotating the orbit-plane about the line of nodes, longitude $b - 90^{\circ}$.

54. Imagine the orbit-plane (having upon it the hyperbola) brought by such rotation into the plane z=0, or plane of the ecliptic, so that the hyperbola will be a curve in this plane, the inclination to Sx, or longitude of the axis Sx', being of course $= b - 90^{\circ}$. Transforming the equation to axes Sx, Sy, we must write in the equation

$$x' = x \sin b - y \cos b,$$

$$y' = x \cos b + y \sin b,$$

and the equation thus becomes

$$(x \cos b + y \sin b)^2 - (x \sin b - y \cos b - l)^2 \tan^2 \delta = m^2$$

55. It will be recollected that the equations of the ray were

$$\frac{x-A}{f} = \frac{y-B}{g} = \frac{z-C}{h};$$

writing herein z = 0 we find

$$x = A - \frac{f}{h}C, = \frac{b}{h},$$
$$y = B - \frac{f}{g}C, = -\frac{a}{h},$$

and it is clear that this point $\left(\frac{b}{h}, -\frac{a}{h}\right)$ should lie on the hyperbola.

Substituting for (x, y) the values in question, we have first

 $b\sin b + a\cos b - hl$

$$= \frac{1}{\Omega^2} \{ (h^2 + (f \cos b + g \sin b)^2) (b \sin b + a \cos b) - h (ah - cf) (\cos b + (bh - cg) \sin b) \}$$

= $\frac{1}{\Omega^2} \{ (f \cos b + g \sin b)^2 (b \sin b + a \cos b) + (f \cos b + g \sin b) ch \}$
= $\frac{1}{\Omega^2} (f \cos b + g \sin b) \{ (f \cos b + g \sin b) (b \sin b + a \cos b) + ch (\cos^2 b + \sin^2 b) \}$
= $\frac{1}{\Omega^2} (f \cos b + g \sin b) (-a \sin b + b \cos b) (f \sin b - g \cos b) ;$

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or observing that

$$\tan \delta = \frac{-\Omega}{f \sin b - g \cos b}$$

we have

$$b\sin b + a\cos b - hl)\tan \delta = -\frac{1}{\Omega}(f\cos b + g\sin b)(-a\sin b + b\cos b);$$

and hence the result of the substitution is at once found to be

$$(-a \sin b + b \cos b)^2 - \frac{1}{\Omega^2} (-a \sin b + b \cos b)^2 (g \sin b + f \cos b)^2$$

$$= m^{2}h^{2}, = \frac{h^{2}(-a \sin b + b \cos b)^{2}}{\Omega^{2}}$$

viz., the factor $(-a \sin b + b \cos b)^2$ divides out, and the equation then becomes

$$1 - \frac{1}{\Omega^2} (g \sin b + f \cos b)^2 = \frac{h^2}{\Omega^2},$$

that is

 $\Omega^2 = \mathbf{h}^2 + (\mathbf{g}\sin b + \mathbf{f}\cos b)^2,$

which is in fact the value of Ω^2 .

56. I seek for the direction of the hyperbola at the point $\left(\frac{b}{h}, -\frac{a}{h}\right)$ in question. We have

$$dx : dy = (b \cos b - a \sin b) \sin b + \cos b \tan^2 \delta (b \sin b + a \cos b - hl)$$
$$: -(b \cos b - a \sin b) \cos b + \sin b \tan^2 \delta (b \sin b + a \cos b - hl),$$

and from the above values of $(b \sin b + a \cos b - hl)$ and $\tan \delta$, we have

$$\tan^2 \delta \left(b \sin b + a \cos b - hl \right) = \frac{g \sin b + f \cos b}{f \sin b - g \cos b} \left(-a \sin b + b \cos b \right);$$

whence

$$dx : dy = (b \cos b - a \sin b) \sin b (f \sin b - g \cos b) + (g \sin b + f \cos b) \cos b (-a \sin b + b \cos b)$$
$$: -(b \cos b - a \sin b) \cos b (f \sin b - g \cos b) + (g \sin b + f \cos b) \sin b (-a \sin b + b \cos b),$$

which, multiplying out and reducing by means of the relation af + bg + ch = 0, becomes

 $dx : dy = (-a \sin b + b \cos b) (\sin^2 b + \cos^2 b) f : (-a \sin b + b \cos b) (\sin^2 b + \cos^2 b) g;$ that is

$$dx: dy = f: g, \text{ or } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{g}{f},$$

which shows that the hyperbola, at the point $\left(\frac{b}{h}, -\frac{a}{h}\right)$ where it meets the ray, touches the projection

$$\frac{x-A}{f} = \frac{y-B}{g}$$

of the ray on the plane of xy, which contains the hyperbola.

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1°. If $\tan \delta = 0$, the hyperbola is the pair of parallel lines $y^2 = m^2$.

This can only happen if h = 0, $f \cos b + g \sin b = 0$. The first equation gives af + bg = 0, whence $\tan b = -\frac{f}{g} = \frac{b}{a}$; we have thus $m = \frac{-a \sin b + b \cos b}{\Omega} = \frac{0}{0}$, which is consistent with m finite. The equations show that the ray is parallel to the line of nodes.

2°. If $\tan \delta = \infty$, the hyperbola is $(x'-l)^2 = 0$, viz., the line x' = l twice: the condition is $-f \sin b + g \cos b = 0$; viz., the ray (not in general cutting the line of nodes) is at right angles to the line of nodes.

3°. If m = 0, the hyperbola is the pair of intersecting lines $y'^2 = (x' - l)^2 \tan^2 \delta$. The condition is $-a \sin b + b \cos b = 0$, signifying that the ray cuts the line of nodes.

4°. We may have simultaneously $\tan \delta = \infty$, m = 0. The hyperbola (as in 2°) is $(x'-l)^2 = 0$. The conditions are $-f \sin b + g \cos b = 0$, $-a \sin b + b \cos b = 0$, whence $\tan b = \frac{g}{f} = \frac{b}{a}$, and therefore also ag - bf = 0; these signify that the ray cuts at right angles the line of nodes.

The line x' = l passes through the point $\left(\frac{b}{h}, -\frac{a}{h}\right)$, that is, we ought to have $h^2l^2 = a^2 + b^2$. The value of l is in the first instance given in the form

$$l = \frac{1}{\Omega^2} \{ (\mathrm{ah} - \mathrm{cf}) \cos b + (\mathrm{bh} - \mathrm{cg}) \sin b \},\$$

where

$$\Omega^{2} = h^{2} + (f \cos b + g \sin b)^{2} = h^{2} + f^{2} + g^{2} - (-f \sin b + g \cos b)^{2} = f^{2} + g^{2} + h^{2}$$

But observe that the equations

$$ag - bf = 0,$$

 $bg + af = - ch$

give

$$f = \frac{-ch}{a^2 + b^2}a, \quad g = \frac{-ch}{a^2 + b^2}b,$$

and thence

$$\begin{split} \Omega^2 &= f^2 + g^2 + h^2 \quad = h^2 \left(1 + \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2} \right) \quad = \frac{h^2 \left(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \right)}{a^2 + b^2} \,, \\ ah - cf &= ah \, \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{a^2 + b^2} \quad = \frac{a}{h} \,\Omega, \end{split}$$

$$bh - cg = bh \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{a^2 + b^2} = \frac{b}{h} \Omega;$$

consequently

$$l = \frac{1}{\Omega^2 h} (a \cos b + b \sin b) \ \Omega^2 = \frac{1}{h} (a \cos b + b \sin b) = \frac{1}{h} \sqrt{a^2 + b^2},$$

which is right.

ORBIT OF A PLANET FROM THREE OBSERVATIONS.

58. I return to the equation of the hyperbola written in the form

 $(x \cos b + y \sin b)^2 - (x \sin b - y \cos b - l)^2 \tan^2 \delta = m^2;$

being (as was shown) a hyperbola passing through the point $\begin{pmatrix} b \\ \overline{h}, -\frac{a}{\overline{h}} \end{pmatrix}$ where its plane is met by the ray, and touching at this point the projection $\frac{x-A}{f} = \frac{y-B}{g}$.

If in the equation we consider b as variable, we have a series of hyperbolas, viz., these are the intersections of the plane of xy with the hyperboloids of revolution obtained by making the ray rotate successively round the several lines $x \cos b + y \sin b = 0$ through the focus S. And, as just seen, these hyperbolas all of them touch at $\left(\frac{b}{b}, -\frac{a}{b}\right)$ the projection of the ray.

59. The hyperbola to any particular angle b is the hyperbola belonging to the ray, in the planogram for an orbit-plane rotating about the axis $x \cos b + y \sin b = 0$; so that the system of hyperbolas would be useful for the construction of any such planogram. And there is another series of curves which, if they could be constructed with moderate facility, would be very useful for the same purpose; viz., reverting to the equations

 $x': y': 1 = (a \cos b + b \sin b) \cos c - c \sin c$ $= a \sin b + b \cos b$: $(f \cos b + g \sin b) \sin c + h \cos c$.

which determine in the orbit-plane the coordinates x', y' of the intersection thereof with the ray: imagine as before that the point is marked on the orbit-plane, and let it by a rotation of the orbit-plane be brought into the plane of xy; so that x', y', will be the coordinates in the direction of and perpendicular to the line of nodes of a point on the hyperbola $y'^2 - (x'-l)^2 \tan^2 \delta = m^2$, or $(x \cos b + y \sin b)^2 - (x \sin b - y \cos b - l)^2 \tan^2 \delta = m^2$, viz., of the point corresponding to an orbit-pole, colatitude c. Suppose that x, y, are the coordinates of this same point referred to the fixed axes, we have

$$x = x' \sin b + y' \cos b,$$

$$x = -x' \cos b + y' \sin b,$$

and thence

 $x : y : 1 = (a \cos b + b \sin b) \sin b \cos c - c \sin b \sin c + (-a \sin b + b \cos b) \cos b$: $-(a \cos b + b \sin b) \cos b \cos c + c \cos b \sin c + (-a \sin b + b \cos b) \sin b$: $(f \cos b + g \sin b) \sin c + h \cos c$,

the coordinates of the point just referred to. Now, if from these equations we could eliminate b, we should have a series of curves containing the variable parameter c, intersecting the series of hyperbolas; and thus marking out on each of these hyperbolas the points which belong to the successive values of the parameter c; we should thus have in the plane of xy the point corresponding to an orbit-pole longitude b and 54

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colatitude c. The series of curves in question may be called "graduation curves," viz., they would serve for the graduation of the hyperbola in the planogram for an orbitplane rotating round any line $x \cos b + y \sin b = 0$ in the plane of xy. But the elimination cannot be easily effected, and I am not in possession of any method of tracing the series of curves.

60. I remark that from the equations

$$x': y': 1 = (a \cos b + b \sin b) \cos c - c \sin c$$

: - a sin b + b cos b
: (f cos b + g sin b) sin c + h cos c,

we may without difficulty eliminate b; the result is, in fact,

$$[x'(-ah \cos c) + y'(-bh \cos^2 c - cg \sin^2 c) - ac \sin c]^2 + [x'(bh \cos c) + y'(-ah \cos^2 c + cf \sin^2 c) + bc \sin c]^2 = [x'(ch \sin c) + y'(ag - bf) \sin c \cos c + (a^2 - b^2) \cos c]^2,$$

a conic; but the geometrical signification of this result is not obvious, and I do not make any use of it.

Article Nos. 61 to 63. The Trivector and the Orbit.

61. Considering now the three rays, these are determined by their six coordinates,

respectively; and the intersections with the orbit-plane are given by

$$\begin{aligned} &x_1' : y_1' : \mathbf{1} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \ \mathbf{b}_1, \ \mathbf{c}_1 \searrow \alpha, \ \beta, \ \gamma) : - (\mathbf{a}_1, \ \mathbf{b}_1, \ \mathbf{c}_1 \searrow \alpha', \ \beta', \ \gamma') : (\mathbf{f}_1, \ \mathbf{g}_1, \ \mathbf{h}_1 \oiint \alpha'', \ \beta'', \ \gamma''), \\ &x_3' : y_2' : \mathbf{1} = (\mathbf{a}_2, \ \mathbf{b}_2, \ \mathbf{c}_2 \oiint \ , \) : - (\mathbf{a}_2, \ \mathbf{b}_2, \ \mathbf{c}_2 \oiint \ , \) : (\mathbf{f}_2, \ \mathbf{g}_2, \ \mathbf{h}_2 \oiint \ , \), \\ &x_3' : y_3' : \mathbf{1} = (\mathbf{a}_3, \ \mathbf{b}_3, \ \mathbf{c}_3 \oiint \ , \) : - (\mathbf{a}_3, \ \mathbf{b}_3, \ \mathbf{c}_3 \oiint \ , \) : (\mathbf{f}_3, \ \mathbf{g}_3, \ \mathbf{h}_3 \oiint \ , \), \end{aligned}$$

where the axes Sx', Sy', are an arbitrary set of rectangular axes in the orbit-plane; or where, as before, the axis Sx' may be taken to be the line of nodes.

There is no difficulty in finding the equation of the orbit. Writing $r_1 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + y_1^2}$, we have

if

$$= \frac{\alpha_1}{(f_1, g_1, h_1)\alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'')},$$

r1 =

 $u_1 = \pm \sqrt{[(a_1, b_1, c_1)\alpha', \beta', \gamma')]^2 + [(a_1, b_1, c_1)\alpha, \beta, \gamma)]^2},$

the sign being taken in such manner that r_1 shall be positive; viz., the sign must be the same as that of $(f_1, g_1, h_1)(\alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'')$. And we have the like formulæ for r_2 and r_3 . Substituting these values, the equation of the orbit becomes

 $\begin{vmatrix} r, & x' & , & y' & , & 1 \\ u_1, & (a_1, b_1, c_1)(x', \beta', \gamma'), & -(a_1, b_1, c_1)(x, \beta, \gamma), & (f_1, g_1, h_1)(x'', \beta'', \gamma'') \\ u_2, & (a_2, b_2, c_2)(x, h_1), & -(a_2, b_2, c_2)(x, h_2), & (f_2, g_2, h_2)(x, h_2) \\ u_3, & (a_3, b_3, c_3)(x, h_1), & -(a_3, b_3, c_3)(x, h_2), & (f_3, g_3, h_3)(x, h_1) \end{vmatrix} = 0.$

62. Considering the minor determinants formed with the terms under the x' and y', for instance

$$(a_1, b_1, c_1 \widecheck{} \alpha', \beta', \gamma') - (a_2, b_2, c_2 \widecheck{} \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

- $(a_1, b_1, c_1 \overbrace{} \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. $(a_2, b_2, c_2 \overbrace{} \alpha', \beta', \gamma')$

this is

$$= (b_1c_2 - b_2c_1) (\beta\gamma' - \beta'\gamma) + (c_1a_2 - c_2a_1) (\gamma\alpha' - \gamma'\alpha) + (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1) (\alpha\beta' - \alpha'\beta)$$

= $\alpha'' (b_1c_2 - b_2c_1) + \beta'' (c_1a_2 - c_2a_1) + \gamma'' (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1),$

or, what is the same thing,

$$= (b_1c_2 - b_2c_1, c_1a_2 - c_2a_1, a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)(\alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'');$$

with the like expressions for the other two minors. And we thus obtain the following developed form of the equation, viz.

$$\{x'(a_1, b_1, c_1 \nota, \beta, \gamma) + y'(a_1, b_1, c_1 \nota', \beta', \gamma')\} [-u_2(f_3, g_3, h_3 \nota'', \beta'', \gamma'') \\ + u_3(f_2, g_2, h_2 \nota'', \beta'', \gamma'')] \\ + \{x'(a_2, b_2, c_2 \nota, \dots) + y'(a_2, b_2, c_2 \nota, \dots)\} [-u_3(f_1, g_1, h_1 \nota, \dots) \\ + u_1(f_3, g_3, h_3 \nota, \dots)] \\ + \{x'(a_3, b_3, c_3 \nota, \dots) + y'(a_3, b_3, c_3 \nota, \dots)\} [-u_1(f_2, g_2, h_2 \nota, \dots) \\ + u_2(f_1, g_1, h_1 \nota, \dots)] \\ + (b_2 c_3 - b_2 c_2, c_2 a_3 - c_3 a_2, a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 \nota'', \beta'', \gamma'') [r(f_1, g_1, h_1 \nota'', \beta'', \gamma'') - u_1] \\ + (b_3 c_1 - b_1 c_3, c_3 a_1 - c_1 a_3, a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3 \nota, \dots) [r(f_2, g_2, h_2 \nota, \dots) - u_2] \\ + (b_1 c_2 - b_2 c_1, c_1 a_2 - c_2 a_1, a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1 \nota, \dots) [r(f_3, g_3, h_3 \nota, \dots) - u_3] = 0,$$

63. The coefficient of r is a quadric function of $(\alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'')$, and if this vanish the orbit is a right line. It thus appears that the orbit will be a right line provided only the orbit-axis be situate in a certain quadric cone, or (what is the same thing) the orbit-pole be situate in a certain spherical conic: agreeing with a preceding result, viz. the cone is that reciprocal to the cone, vertex S, circumscribed about the hyper-

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boloid which contains the three rays. And we see that the equation of this reciprocal cone is

$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha'', \ \beta'', \ \gamma'' \\ (f_1, \ g_1, \ h_1)(\alpha'', \ \beta'', \ \gamma''), & a_1, \ b_1, \ c_1 \\ (f_2, \ g_2, \ h_2)(, ,), & a_2, \ b_2, \ c_2 \\ (f_3, \ g_3, \ h_3)(, ,), & a_3, \ b_3, \ c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Article Nos. 64 and 65. The Special Symmetrical System of three Rays.

64. In what follows I consider the three rays forming a symmetrical system as already referred to: viz. the three rays intersect the plane of the ecliptic at points equidistant from S at longitudes 0° , 120° , 240° ; each of them is at right angles to



the line joining S with the intersection with the plane of the ecliptic, and at an inclination $= 60^{\circ}$ to this plane: the figure shows the projection on the plane of the ecliptic of the portions which lie above this plane of the three rays respectively.

The three rays lie on a hyperboloid of revolution having the line Sz for its axis; the circumscribed or asymptotic cone vertex S, is a right cone of the semi-aperture $= 30^{\circ}$; the reciprocal cone is therefore a right cone semi-aperture 60° , or (what is the same thing) the regulator is a small circle, angular radius 60° , and the regulator and separators have the positions shown in fig. 1, see No. 8.

Taking S1 = S2 = S3 = 1, and writing down the equations of the three rays in the forms

$$\frac{x-1}{0} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z}{\tan 60^{\circ}},$$
$$\frac{x+\cos 60^{\circ}}{-\sin 60^{\circ}} = \frac{y-\sin 60^{\circ}}{-\cos 60^{\circ}} = \frac{z}{\tan 60^{\circ}},$$
$$\frac{x+\cos 60^{\circ}}{\sin 60^{\circ}} = \frac{y+\sin 60^{\circ}}{-\cos 60^{\circ}} = \frac{z}{\tan 60^{\circ}},$$

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we obtain the six coordinates of the three rays respectively

whence the intersections with the orbit-plane are given by

where if (as before) the position of the orbit-plane be determined by means of the longitude b and colatitude c of the orbit-pole, we have

α,	β,	γ	$=\sin$	Ъ,	$-\cos$	b ,		0	,
α',	β',	Y	$=\cos$	$b\cos c$,	sin	$b \cos c$,	-	\sin	c,
α",	β",	y"	$=\cos$	$b \sin c$,	\sin	$b \sin c$,		cos	с,

and the passage from the coordinates x', y', to x, y, is given by

	$x' = x \sin b - y \cos b,$
or conversely	$y' = x \cos b + y \sin b,$
or conversely	$x = x' \sin b + y' \cos b,$
	$y = -x' \cos b + y' \sin b.$

65. To develope the results, I consider the orbit-pole as passing through certain series of positions. The locus may be a meridian circle: by reason of the symmetry of the system, the results are not altered by a change of 120° in the longitude of the meridian; so that, by considering the two meridians 0°-180° and 90°-270°, we, in fact, consider twelve half meridians at the intervals of 30°. An illustration is afforded by Plate I.; the orbit-pole describes successively the meridians 0°, 30°, 60°, 90°, and the line 1, by its intersection with the orbit-plane, traces out on this plane a series of hyperbolas shown in the figure; the hyperbola for the meridian 90° is a right line, but (except for the position where the orbit-plane passes through the line 1) the locus is a determinate point on this line. Planogram No. 1 (Plate II.) refers to the meridian 90°-270°, and Planogram No. 2 (Plate III.) to the meridian 0°-180°. Next, if the orbit-pole be at one of the points A, that is, if the orbitplane pass through a ray-though the position of the orbit-pole be here determinate, yet as there is a series of orbits, this also will give rise to a planogram: I call it Planogram No. 3. The orbit-pole may pass along a separator circle (viz. the orbitplane be parallel to a ray), this is Planogram No. 4. And, lastly, the orbit-pole may pass along the ecliptic (or the orbit-plane may pass through the axis SZ), I call this Planogram No. 5. But the last three planograms are not considered in the like detail as the first two, and I have not, in regard to them, tabulated the results, nor given any Plates.

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Article Nos. 66 to 82. Planogram No. 1, the Meridian 90°-270° (see Plate II.).

66. Supposing that the orbit-plane rotates about the axis S1 (fig. 6, see No. 64) in the plane of the ecliptic, the orbit-pole will describe the meridian $90^{\circ}-270^{\circ}$, the position of the orbit-pole being $b = 90^{\circ}$, $c = 0^{\circ}$ to 90° , or else $b = 270^{\circ}$, $c = 0^{\circ}$ to 90° . But the same analytical formula extends to the two half meridians, viz., we may take $b = 90^{\circ}$, and extend c over 180° , in the final results making c an arc between 0° and 90° , and $b = 90^{\circ}$, or $= 270^{\circ}$, as the case requires.

67. Assuming then $b = 90^{\circ}$, we have

$$\begin{split} & \alpha \ , \ \beta \ , \ \gamma \ = 1, \qquad 0 \ , \qquad 0 \ \ , \\ & \alpha' \ , \ \beta' \ , \ \gamma' = 0, \qquad \cos c, \ - \ \sin c, \\ & \alpha'', \ \beta'', \ \gamma'' = 0, \qquad \sin c, \qquad \cos c, \end{split}$$

and, moreover, x', y' = x, y: so that instead of (x_1', y_1') , &c., we may write at once (x_1, y_1) , &c. The formulæ become

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &: y_1 : 1 = \sqrt{3} \cos c + \sin c : 0 : \sin c + \sqrt{3} \cos c, \\ x_2 &: y_2 : 1 = \sqrt{3} \cos c - 2 \sin c : -3 : \sin c - 2\sqrt{3} \cos c, \\ x_3 &: y_3 : 1 = \sqrt{3} \cos c - 2 \sin c : 3 : \sin c - 2\sqrt{3} \cos c, \end{aligned}$$

that is

 $x_1 = 1, \quad y_1 = 0,$

(viz. the orbit-plane, as is evident, meets the ray 1 in a fixed point, its intersection with the plane of xy);

$$x_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}\cos c - 2\sin c}{\sin c - 2\sqrt{3}\cos c}, \quad x_3 = x_2,$$

$$y_2 = \frac{-3}{\sin c - 2\sqrt{3}\cos c}, \quad y_3 = -y_2,$$

and writing

$$\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{13}} = \cos \omega, \qquad \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} = \sin \omega, \qquad \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} = \tan \omega,$$

(whence $\omega = 16^{\circ} 6'$) we find

$$x_{2} = -\frac{8}{13} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{13}\tan(c+\omega),$$
$$y_{2} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\sec(c+\omega),$$

and we thence have for the hyperbola, the locus of (x_2, y_2) and (x_3, y_3)

$$(x + \frac{8}{13})^2 = \frac{3}{13}(y^2 - \frac{9}{13}),$$

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viz. the points (x_2, y_2) and (x_3, y_3) are situate on the hyperbola, symmetrically on opposite sides of the axis of x. For c = 0, we have $x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$, $y_2 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$, $(x_2^2 + y_2^2 = 1)$, and the hyperbola at this point touches the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$; and similarly for x_3 , y_3 . The inclination of the asymptotes to the axis of y is given by $\tan \eta = \sqrt{\frac{3}{13}}$, $\eta = 22^{\circ}$ 56'.

68. The orbits are conics, focus S and vertex 1. It will be convenient to consider c as passing from 0° to $90^{\circ} - \omega$, and from 0° to $-(90^{\circ} + \omega)$; that is, from 0° to $73^{\circ} 54' - \epsilon$, and from 0° to $-116^{\circ} 6' + \epsilon$, if ϵ be indefinitely small: the point 2 will thus traverse the upper branch (alone shown in the Plate) of the guide-hyperbola, viz., for $c = 0^{\circ}$ it will be at the point of contact with the circle; for $c = 73^{\circ} 54' - \epsilon$ it will be at ∞ , and for $c = -106^{\circ} 6' + \epsilon$ at ∞' . For $c = 0^{\circ}$ the orbit is the circle; as c increases positively, it becomes an ellipse of increasing eccentricity and major axis, until for a certain value ($c = 46^{\circ} 48'$ as will appear) it becomes a parabola; it then becomes a hyperbola (concave branch); for $c = 52^{\circ} 45'$ it becomes the hyperbola Σ' subsequently referred to; and for $c = 60^{\circ}$ (the point 2 being then on the line shown in the figure) the orbit becomes this right line. As c continues to increase, the orbit becomes a hyperbola (convex branch); and ultimately for $c = 73^{\circ} 54' - \epsilon$, the point 2 goes to ∞ , and the orbit becomes a hyperbola (convex) Σ , having an asymptote parallel to that of the guide-hyperbola: the inclination to the axis of x being thus $90^{\circ} - 22^{\circ} 56'$, $= 67^{\circ} 4'$.

69. Next as c increases negatively, the point 2 moves from the point of contact in the other direction to ∞' : for $c=0^{\circ}$ the orbit is of course the circle, and as c increases negatively the orbits are at first the very same series of orbits as those belonging to the positive values (1), viz., they are first ellipses, of increasing eccentricity and major axis; then for $c=-92^{\circ}54'$ the orbit is the parabola; the orbits are then hyperbolas (concave), and finally for $c=-106^{\circ}6'+\epsilon$, when 2 is at ∞' , the orbit is a hyperbola Σ' , the asymptote of which is parallel to that of the guide-hyperbola, viz., the inclination to the axis of x is $=67^{\circ}4'$.

70. It will be observed that the orbits from the circle to the hyperbola Σ' each intersect the guide-hyperbola (that is, the branch shown in the figure) in two points, the one corresponding to a positive, the other to a negative value of c; in the positive series, the remaining orbits from the hyperbola Σ' , through the right line to the convex hyperbola Σ , each intersect the guide-hyperbola (same branch) in a single point only, for which c is positive.

71. There is, in the passage of the orbit-pole from $c = -106^{\circ}6' + \epsilon$ to $c = 73^{\circ}54' - \epsilon$, say at $c = 73^{\circ}54'$, a discontinuity of orbit, viz., an abrupt change from the concave hyperbola Σ' to the concave hyperbola Σ ; observe that the direction of the asymptotes being the same in each, the eccentricity e has the same value.

¹ Of course, as corresponding to different values of c, they are not the same orbits in space, but they are only the same curves in the planogram.

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The point in question $(b=90^\circ, c=73^\circ 54')$ is one of the points *B* of the spherogram, and the hyperbolas Σ , Σ' are two of the four orbits belonging to this point. And, by what precedes, it appears that as the orbit-pole passes through this point along a meridian downwards to the ecliptic the change is from a concave to a convex orbit.

72. On account of the symmetry in regard to the axis of x, the equation of the orbit will be of the form r = Ax + B; viz., the equation is at once found to be

$$r-1 = \frac{r_2 - 1}{x_2 - 1} (x - 1).$$

73. The eccentricity is the coefficient A taken positively $(e = \pm A)$: it is in the present case proper to attend to the value of the coefficient itself,

$$A = \frac{r_2 - 1}{x_2 - 1},$$

the sign of A will then indicate the position of the centre of the orbit, viz., according as A is positive or negative the centre will be on the negative or the positive side of the focus S. To investigate the variation of A, we may express it as a function of $\tan c_{1} = \lambda$ suppose. We have

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= \frac{\sqrt{3} - 2\lambda}{\lambda - 2\sqrt{3}}, \qquad y_2 &= \frac{-3}{\lambda - 2\sqrt{3}}, \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda - 2\sqrt{3}} R_2, \qquad R_2 &= \pm \sqrt{12 - 4\sqrt{3}\lambda + 13\lambda^2}; \end{aligned}$$

viz., r_2 must be positive, that is, R_2 is positive or negative according to the sign of $\lambda - 2\sqrt{3}$; negative if $\lambda < 2\sqrt{3}$ or $c < 73^{\circ} 54'$, positive if $\lambda > 2\sqrt{3}$ or $c > 73^{\circ} 54'$. And we have then

$$A = \frac{\lambda - 2\sqrt{3} - R_2}{3(\lambda - \sqrt{3})}.$$

But a more convenient formula is obtained by writing

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$$\theta = -\cot c + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}},$$
$$a = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}},$$

we then have

$$\sqrt{1+\theta^2}=\theta r_2,$$

which determines the sign of the radical, viz., this must have the same sign as θ ; and then for the coefficient

$$A = \frac{2}{3(\theta + a)}(-\sqrt{1 + \theta^2} + \theta)$$

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and thence

74. For c a small arc = ϵ , θ is large and negative, and $\sqrt{1 + \theta^2}$, having the same sign as θ , is = $\theta + \frac{1}{2\theta}$ nearly; we have therefore

$$A = \frac{2}{3\theta} \cdot \frac{-1}{2\theta} = -\frac{1}{3\theta^2}$$
 approximately.

For c nearly = 60° , say $c = 60^{\circ} \pm \epsilon$,

$$\cot c = \cot 60^\circ \pm \epsilon \operatorname{cosec}^2 60^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \pm \frac{4\epsilon}{3} ,$$

$$heta=-rac{1}{2\,\sqrt{3}}\pmrac{4\epsilon}{3}\qquad heta+a=\pmrac{4\epsilon}{3}\,,\qquad \sqrt{1+ heta^2}=-rac{\sqrt{13}}{\overline{2}\,\sqrt{3}}\,,$$

and thence

$$A = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{13}}{2\sqrt{3}} \div \pm \frac{4\epsilon}{3} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} \cdot \frac{-1 + \sqrt{13}}{\epsilon}$$

viz., this is $-\infty$ for $c = 60^\circ - \epsilon$, and $+\infty$ for $c = 60^\circ + \epsilon$. For c nearly $= 90^\circ - \omega$, say first $c = 73^\circ 54' - \epsilon$, we have

$$\cot c = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} + \frac{13}{12}\epsilon, \qquad \theta = -\frac{13}{12}\epsilon, \qquad \theta + a = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}, \qquad \sqrt{1+\theta^2} = -1,$$

whence

$$A = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} = 2.30940$$

but if $c = 73^{\circ} 54' + \epsilon$, then $\theta = \frac{13}{12}\epsilon$, $\theta + \alpha = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$, $\sqrt{1+\theta^2} = +1$, and

$$A = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} = -2.30940,$$

viz., there is an abrupt change from $A = +\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$ to $A = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$; corresponding to the discontinuity of orbit already referred to. We may diminish c by 180°, and consider the last-mentioned value, $A = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$, as belonging to $c = -90^{\circ} - \omega + \epsilon = -(106^{\circ} 6' - \epsilon)$.

75. Consider next that c passes from 0 to $-(106^{\circ}6'-\epsilon)$. First if c is a small negative quantity $c = -\epsilon$, θ is large and positive, and $\sqrt{1+\theta^2}$ having the same sign as θ (positive) is $= \theta + \frac{1}{2\theta}$ nearly, we have therefore $A = \frac{2}{3\theta} \cdot \frac{-1}{2\theta} = -\frac{1}{3\theta^2}$ (same as for $c = +\epsilon$). And it is easy to see that as c increases negatively, A is always increasing negatively, its value for $c = -90^{\circ}$ being $A = \frac{1-\sqrt{13}}{3} = -.8685$, and for $c = -106^{\circ}6' + \epsilon$ being = -2.30940 as above. We have a diagram of A (see next page). C. VII. 55 76. It thus appears that from A = 0 to $A = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$, there are always to any given value of A two values of c, or positions of the orbit-pole. In particular if A be =-1, the curve will be a parabola; the values of c lying between 0°, 60° and between 73° 54′, 90° respectively.

To find them, writing A = -1, we have

 $-3\theta - 3a = 2\theta - 2\sqrt{1+\theta^2}$, that is, $5\theta + 3a = 2\sqrt{1+\theta^2}$,

or

 $21\theta^2 + 30a\theta + 9a^2 - 4 = 0,$

that is, substituting for *a* its value $=\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$

 $21 \theta^2 + 5 \sqrt{3} \theta - \frac{13}{4} = 0, \quad (14\theta \sqrt{3} + 5)^2 = 116,$

or

that is

giving

or

$\theta = -$	$\frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{116}}{14 \sqrt{3}}$	3	
$\theta = -$	65034,	$\theta =$	·23797,
$\cot c = +$	- •93902,	$\cot c = \cdot$	+ .05071,
<i>c</i> =	46° 48′,	<i>c</i> =	87° 6′.

77. It has been seen that $c = 73^{\circ} 54' + \epsilon$ gives $A = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} = -2.30940$; there will be between 0° and 60° another value of c, giving for A this same value; to find this value write $A = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$, then we have

$$-4\sqrt{3}\left(\theta+\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}\right)=2\theta-2\sqrt{1+\theta^2},$$

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that is

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$$(1+2\sqrt{3})\theta + 1 = \sqrt{1+\theta^2},$$

or

$$(12+4\sqrt{3})\,\theta^2 + (2+4\sqrt{3})\,\theta = 0,$$

satisfied as it should be by
$$\theta = 0$$
, and also by

$$\theta = -\frac{1+2\sqrt{3}}{2(3+\sqrt{3})} = -.47170,$$

giving

$$\cot c = .76038$$
 or $c = 52^{\circ} 45'$.

78. Representing the equation of the orbit by

$$r = Ax \pm a (1 - A^2),$$

we have for the point 1,

 $1 = A \pm a (1 - A^2),$

that is

$$a = \frac{\pm 1}{1+A},$$

where the sign is to be taken so that a shall be positive.

79. With a view to the calculation of the times of passage, I calculate a series of values of x_2 , y_2 , r_2 , A, a, for values of c at the intervals of 5° and for a few intermediate values; we have x_3 , y_3 , $r_3 = x_2$, y_2 , r_2 , so that these are known; so long as the orbit is an ellipse, the time of passage between the points 2 and 3, say T_{23} , may be calculated by Lambert's equation, the length of the chord $y_2 - y_3$, $= 2y_2$ being known without any fresh calculation. And then the times T_{12} and T_{31} being equal, and the sum $T_{12} + T_{23} + T_{31}$ being equal to the whole periodic time (reckoned as $= 3a^{\frac{3}{2}}$) the times T_{12} and T_{31} are also known. But when the orbit is a concave hyperbola there is no time T_{23} , and the other two times $T_{12} = T_{31}$ must be calculated. For the reason referred to (*ante*, No. 39) I did not use Lambert's equation,—and it was less necessary to do so, by reason that, the transverse axis coinciding with the axis of x, the other formula could be employed without difficulty.

80. The formulæ for x_2 , y_2 adapted to logarithmic calculation are

$$\log (x_2 + .61539) = 11.60174 + \log \tan (c + 16^\circ 6'),$$

$$\log y_2 = \overline{11.92015} + \log \sec (c + 16^\circ 6'),$$

where y_2 is always positive, but the sign of x_2 must be attended to. The values of r_2 and its inclination ϕ_2 to the axis of x are then to be calculated from

$$\tan \phi_2 = \frac{y_2}{x_2}; \quad r_2 = x_2 \sec \phi_2 \text{ or } = y_2 \operatorname{cosec} \phi_2,$$

(viz. for r_2 it is proper to use the first or the second value, according as x_2 is greater or less than y_2).

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We have then $e = (\pm A)$ and a from the foregoing formulæ

$$A = \frac{r_2 - 1}{x_2 - 1}, \quad a = \frac{\pm 1}{1 + A},$$

where a, e are each of them positive.

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And then for the Times

$$T_{23} = \frac{3}{2\pi} \left(\chi - \chi' - \sin \chi + \sin \chi' \right); \quad \left(\log \frac{3}{2\pi} = \bar{1} \cdot 67894 \right),$$
$$a \cos \chi = a - r_2 - y_2,$$
$$a \cos \chi' = a - r_2 + y_2,$$

and attention is necessary in order to the selection of the proper values of the angles χ, χ' .

And finally

$$T_{12} = T_{31} = \frac{1}{2} \left(3a^{\frac{3}{2}} - T_{23} \right)$$

81. I subjoin a specimen; the characteristics of the logarithms are (as in the actual calculations) omitted.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} b = 90 & c = 20 \ , \\ c + 16^{\circ} \ 6' & = 36^{\circ} \ 6' \\ \mbox{log sec} & 09259 & \log \tan \ 86285 \\ & 92015 & 60174 \\ \hline & 01274 & 46459 \\ y_2 = 1 \cdot 0297 & 61539 \\ & 29147 \\ & x_2 = - \cdot 32392 \\ & \log = 51044 \\ & 01274 & 02046 \\ \hline & 51044 & 01274 \\ \hline & 50230 & 03320 \\ \phi_2 = 72^{\circ} \ 33' & r_2 = 1 \cdot 0794 \\ \cdot 0794 \ \log = \ 89982 \\ 1 \cdot 3239 \ \log = \ 12185 \\ \hline & 77797 \end{array}$$

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 $.94003 \log = 97314$ $\operatorname{comp} = 02686$

the times T_n and T_n are also known

where

-	A =059975	a = 1.0638
	1.0638	
log = 1 63690	1.0794	
$A - r_2 = -$	·0156	
$y_2 = +$]	1.0297	

	1.0141	=	a	cos	x'
_	1.0453	=	a	cos	Y

00608	01924
02686	02686
97922	99238

 $\chi' = 17^{\circ} 35'$ χ (= Supp. 10° 42') = 169° 18'

 $\chi - \chi' = 151^{\circ} 43'$

		2.63544	151°
		·01250	43'
	·18566	86 1 680	$\sin \chi$
0268		·30209	$\sin \chi'$
0134		2.95003	
4771		·18566	
5174			
	$\log = 44160$	2.76437	
$3a^{\frac{3}{2}} = 3.291$	02686		
1.448	01343		
	67894		
1.843	and have done of		
$T_{12} = T_{31} =921$	16083	$T_{23} = 1.4482$	

For the Time in a hyperbola, we have 82.

$$T_{12} = T_{31} = \frac{3}{2\pi} a^{\frac{3}{2}} \{ e \tan u_2 - h \cdot l \cdot \tan (45^\circ + \frac{1}{2} u_2) \},\$$

where

$$\tan u_2 = \frac{y_2}{a \sqrt{e^2 - 1}} \, .$$

Taking as a specimen the case $c = 75^{\circ}$, we have here

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$$a = \cdot 9004 \qquad e = 2 \cdot 1106 \qquad y_2 = 43 \cdot 341$$
$$\log = \cdot 95444 \qquad \log = \cdot 32441 \qquad \log = 1 \cdot 63690$$
$$a (e^2 - 1) = 3 \cdot 1106$$
$$\log \quad y_2 = 49284$$

and then the calculation is

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$$\begin{array}{rcl} \log a & = & 95444 \\ & & = & 95444 \\ & & & 49284 \\ & & & 44728 \\ & & & 44728 \\ & & & & 44728 \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & &$$

 $u = 87^{\circ} 47'$ $h \cdot l \tan (45^{\circ} + \frac{1}{2}u) = 3.95140$ $e \tan u = 54.660$ 3.951 $\overline{50.709}$ $\log = 70508$ 9.5444 47722 67894 $\overline{31568}$ $T_{12} = T_{31} = 20.686$

83. In the case of the parabola p=1, and the expression for the Times is

$$T_{13} = T_{21} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \{ (\rho + \rho' + \gamma)^{\frac{3}{2}} - (\rho + \rho' - \gamma)^{\frac{3}{2}} \},\$$

where for

we have

$$c = 46^{\circ} 48'$$
$$c = 87^{\circ} 6'$$

$$T_{12} = T_{31} = ...787,$$

 $T_{12} = T_{31} = 2.588.$

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Circle	0°	_	·500	+ .866	60°		1.000	0	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
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	10		·420	·927	65	38	1.017	.012	1.012	.960	1.135	·960
g peace	15	1	·374	.972	68	56	1.041	.030	1.031	00	0 00	
	20		·324	1.030	72	33	1.079	.060	1.064	.922	1.448	·922
	25		·267	1.104	76	26	1.136	.107	1.120	12 N 3 64	o politica de	
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2	40° 54'	-	·000	1.515	90		1.515	.515	2.061		19	
	45	+	·109	1.722	93	37	1.725	·814	5.362			
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	55		·552	2.569	102	8	2.627	- 3.632	·380	·628	~	·628
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Hyperbs.	80	874	4.356	7.830	60	55	8.960	1.486	2.056	3.856	~	3.856
	85		2.653	4.322	58	27	5.072	1.115	8.718	2.912	~	2.912
Parab.	87° 6'		2.320	3.644	57	31	4.320	1.000	8	2.588	00	2.588
Ellipse	90	-	2.000	3.000	56	18	3.606	869	7.622	2.255	58.62	2.255

Planogram No. 1, first part, $b = 90^{\circ}$.

The mark ~ in the T_{23} column shows that there is no Time T_{23} .

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-	c	x_2	y_2	ϕ_2	r_2	A	a	T ₁₂	T_{23}	T ₃₁
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	10	·573	·837	55 37	1.014	.009	1.009	1.044	.951	1.044
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	20	·643	•834	52 23	1.053	.032	1.033	1.091	.969	1.091
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Planogram No. 1, second part, $b = 270^{\circ}$.

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Article Nos. 84 to 94. Planogram No. 2, the Meridian 0°-180° (see Plate III.).

84. The orbit-plane here rotates about an axis in the plane of the ecliptic at right angles to S1 (Fig. 6). The entire meridian is given by $b=0^{\circ}$, $c=0^{\circ}$ to 90° , and $b=180^{\circ}$, $c=0^{\circ}$ to 90° , but it is sufficient to consider one of these half meridians, say the latter of them, as the series of values is the same for each of them, with only an interchange of the points 2, 3. I write therefore, $b=180^{\circ}$, so that we have

consequently

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1': y_1': 1 = & \sin c: & -\sqrt{3}: & \sqrt{3}\cos c, \\ x_2': y_2': 1 = -3\cos c - 2\sin c: & -\sqrt{3}: & -\sqrt{3}\sin c - 2\sqrt{3}\cos c, \\ x_3': y_3': 1 = & 3\cos c - 2\sin c: & -\sqrt{3}: & \sqrt{3}\sin c - 2\sqrt{3}\cos c, \end{array}$$

and moreover x' = y, y' = -x; so that, introducing into the formulæ (x_1, y_1) , &c., in place of the (x_1', y_1') , &c., we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sec c, & y_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \tan c, \\ x_2 &= \frac{1}{\sin c + 2\cos c}, & y_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2\sin c + 3\cos c}{\sin c + 2\cos c}, \\ x_3 &= \frac{-1}{\sin c - 2\cos c}, & y_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2\sin c - 3\cos c}{\sin c - 2\cos c}, \end{aligned}$$

which, putting

$$\cos 8 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$
, $\sin 8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$, $\tan 8 = \frac{1}{2}$, $8 = 26^{\circ} 34'$,

become

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sec c, & y_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \tan c, \\ x_2 &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \sec (c-8), \quad y_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left\{ -\frac{8}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \tan (c-8) \right\}, \\ x_3 &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \sec (c+8), \quad y_3 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left\{ -\frac{8}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \tan (c+8) \right\}; \end{aligned}$$

so that the guide-hyperbolas are

 $x_1^2 - 3y_1^2 = 1, \qquad \frac{1}{2} \text{ angle of asymptotes } = 30^{\circ}$ $x_2^2 = 15y_2^2 - 16\sqrt{3}y_2 + 13, \qquad y \qquad \tan^{-1}\frac{1}{\sqrt{15}} = 14^{\circ} 28'$ $x_3^2 = 15y_3^2 + 16\sqrt{3}y_2 + 13, \qquad y \qquad y \qquad y \qquad y$ C. VII.

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It is easy to verify that

Hyperbola 2 passes through $x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$, $y_2 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$, and touches there circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, , 3 , $x_3 = -\frac{1}{2}$, $y_3 = -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$, , , , , ,

and we thus have the figure in the Plate.

85. The figure shows the motion of the points 1, 2, 3, along their respective hyperbolas, viz. $c = 0^{\circ}$ to 90° , the point 1 moves from contact with the circle, along a half branch to infinity: 2 moves from contact along a small portion of the half branch; 3 moves from contact, along the half branch to infinity for $c = \tan^{-1} 2 = 63^{\circ} 26'$, and then reappearing at the opposite infinity, as c increases to 90° describes a portion of the opposite half branch.

86. For c=0, the orbit is the circle; as c increases the orbit becomes elliptic; then parabolic, $c=51^{\circ}$, and afterwards hyperbolic (concave); until for $c=60^{\circ}$, the three points are on the horizontal line of the figure, and the orbit is this right line; it is to be noticed that the arrangement of the points on these orbits is 1, 2, 3; so that for the parabola, T_{s1} is $=\infty$, and for the hyperbolas and right line T_{s1} does not exist.

87. For $c < 60^{\circ}$ until $c = 63^{\circ} 26'$ the orbit is a convex hyperbola, the arrangement of the points being still 1, 2, 3: say for $c = 63^{\circ} 26' - \epsilon$, the orbit is the convex hyperbola Ω . At $c = 63^{\circ} 26'$ there is an abrupt change of orbit; say for $c = 63^{\circ} 26' + \epsilon$ the orbit is a concave hyperbola Ω_1 ; and for $c = 65^{\circ} 52'$ the orbit is a parabola; the arrangement of the points on these orbits is 2, 1, 3; so that for the hyperbolas T_{23} does not exist, and T_{23} is $= \infty$ for the parabola. Observe also that for the hyperbola Ω_1 , the point 3 is at infinity, or we have $T_{31} = \infty$. As c continues to increase, the orbit becomes an ellipse, the eccentricity having a minimum value = $\cdot 628$ (about), for $c = 69^{\circ}$ (about). For $c = 89^{\circ} 20'$ the orbit is again a parabola, and then until $c = 90^{\circ}$ it is a hyperbola; the order of the points on the last-mentioned parabola and hyperbolas being 1, 3, 2; so that for the parabola T_{12} is $= \infty$, and for the hyperbolas T_{12} does not exist. In the hyperbola for $c = 90^{\circ}$, say the hyperbola Ω' , the point 1 is at infinity, or we have $T_{12} = \infty$. The foregoing results, obtained (except as to the numerical values) by consideration of the figure, will be confirmed by means of the calculated values of e.

88. The equation of the orbit may be written

$\frac{r}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{x}{\sqrt{3}}$,	у,	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \qquad = 0,$
$r_1 \cos c$,	1,	$\sin c$,	cos c
$r_2(\sin c + 2\cos c),$	- 1,	$2\sin c + 3\cos c,$	$\sin c + 2 \cos c$
$r_3(\sin c - 2\cos c),$	1,	$-2\sin c + 3\cos c,$	$\sin c - 2 \cos c$

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or developing, this is

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{r}{\sqrt{3}} 6 (\sin^2 c - 3 \cos^2 c), \\ &- \frac{x}{\sqrt{3}} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 4r_1 (\sin^2 c - 3 \cos^2 c) \cos c \\ &- r_2 (\sin c + 2 \cos c) (\sin^2 c - 3 \cos^2 c) \\ &+ r_3 (\sin c - 2 \cos c) (\sin^2 c - 3 \cos^2 c) \right\} \\ &+ y \left\{ - 2r_1 \sin c \cos c \\ &+ r_2 (- \sin^2 c + \sin c \cos c + 6 \cos^2 c) \\ &+ r_3 (\sin^2 c + \sin c \cos c - 6 \cos^2 c) \right\} \\ &- \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} r_1 \cdot - 6 \cos^2 c \\ &+ 3r_2 (\sin^2 c + \sin c \cos c - 2 \cos^2 c) \\ &+ 3r_2 (\sin^2 c - \sin c \cos c - 2 \cos^2 c) \\ &+ 3r_2 (\sin^2 c - \sin c \cos c - 2 \cos^2 c) \right\} = 0; \end{aligned}$$

(observe that the orbit will be a right line if $\sin^2 c - 3\cos^2 c = 0$, that is if $c = 60^\circ$, which is right, since 60° is the angular radius of the regulator circle).

89. Putting in the equation $\tan c = \lambda$, and therefore $\cos c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \lambda^2}}$, the equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \frac{1}{6\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}} \left(4r_1 - (\lambda+2) r_2 + (\lambda-2) r_3 \right) x \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3} (\lambda^2 - 3)} \left(2\lambda r_1 + (\lambda+2) (\lambda-3) r_2 - (\lambda+3) (\lambda-2) r_3 \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2 (\lambda^2 - 3)} \left(-2r_1 + (\lambda-1) (\lambda+2) r_2 + (\lambda+1) (\lambda-2) r_3 \right) \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sqrt{1+\lambda^2}, \quad x_2 = \frac{-\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}}{\lambda+2}, \quad x_3 = \frac{\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}}{\lambda-2}, \\ y_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\lambda \quad , \quad y_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\frac{2\lambda+3}{\lambda+2}, \quad y_3 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\frac{2\lambda-3}{\lambda-2}, \end{aligned}$$

and thence, writing for shortness

$$\begin{split} R_{1} &= \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{3} \lambda^{2}}, \\ R_{2} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{7 \lambda^{2} + 12 \lambda + 12}, \\ R_{3} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{7 \lambda^{2} - 12 \lambda + 12}, \end{split}$$

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we have

$$r_1 = R_1,$$

 $r_2(\lambda + 2) = R_2,$
 $r_3(\lambda - 2) = R_3,$

where r_1 , r_2 , r_3 are positive, and the signs of R_1 , R_2 , R_3 must be determined accordingly; viz., R_1 is always positive, and $(c=0^{\circ} \text{ to } c=90^{\circ}, \text{ as here supposed}) R_2$ is also positive; but R_3 has the same sign as $\lambda - 2$; viz., $c=0^{\circ}$ to $c=63^{\circ}26'$, R_3 is negative; and $c=63^{\circ}26'$ to $c=90^{\circ}$, R_3 is positive. It is to be observed that this position, $c=\tan^{-1}2=63^{\circ}26'$, of the pole is the intersection of the meridian $b=180^{\circ}$ by a separator circle, and corresponds to an intersection at infinity on the ray 3.

90. Substituting the foregoing values of r_1 , r_2 , r_3 , the equation of the orbit becomes

$$\begin{split} \dot{Y} &= \frac{1}{6\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}} \left(4R_1 - R_2 + R_3\right) x \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}(\lambda^2 - 3)} \left\{\lambda \left(2R_1 + R_2 - R_3\right) - 3\left(R_2 + R_3\right)\right\} y \\ &+ \frac{1}{2(\lambda^2 - 3)} \left\{\lambda \left(R_2 + R_3\right) - 2R_1 - R_2 + R_3\right\}, \end{split}$$

where $\lambda = \tan c$; and the equation of the orbit may thence be calculated for any given value of c.

 $e = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}.$

91. The analytical expression for the eccentricity is

where, as above,

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but this expression is too complicated to allow of an analytical discussion of the series of values of e (such as was given for A, $=\pm e$, in planogram No. 1). The numerical calculation gives the results mentioned *ante* No. 87, viz., c=0, e=0; $c=51^{\circ}$, e=1; $c=60^{\circ}$, $e=\infty$; $c=63^{\circ}26'-\epsilon$, e=4.912; $c=63^{\circ}26'+\epsilon$, e=1.853; $c=69^{\circ}$, e=.628 (min.); $c=89^{\circ}20'$, (viz. $\lambda=86.176$), e=1; $c=90^{\circ}$, e=1.018; values which are exhibited in the diagram in the preceding page.

92. It may be further remarked, in reference to the formula

r = Ax + By + C,

that for $c = 60^{\circ}$, that is $\lambda = \sqrt{3}$, we have A finite, B and C each infinite, but equal and of opposite signs; viz., the equation becomes $r = 2242 x \pm \infty (y-1)$, that is y = 1, orbit a right line as above.

The abrupt change at $c = 63^{\circ} 26'$, $\lambda = 2$, arises from the change of sign of R_3 ; viz., $c = 63^{\circ} 26' - \epsilon$, $R_3 = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} = -2309$, but $c = 63^{\circ} 26' + \epsilon$, $R_3 = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} = +2309$; the two orbits are

 $\begin{aligned} c &= 63^{\circ}\ 26' - \epsilon, \qquad r = \cdot 234\ x + 4\cdot 906\ y - 3\cdot 671, \qquad e = 4\cdot 912, \qquad a = \cdot 159, \\ c &= 63^{\circ}\ 26' + \epsilon, \qquad r = \cdot 578\ x - 1\cdot 761\ y + 3\cdot 257, \qquad e = 1\cdot 853, \qquad a = 1\cdot 338 \end{aligned}$

For $c = 90^{\circ}$ the equation is

$$r = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{2}{3}y + \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}$$
$$= .770 x + .666 y + 1.527$$

and therefore $e = \sqrt{\frac{28}{27}} = 1.018$ as above; $a = 9\sqrt{21} = 41.243$.

It is to be added that for c nearly $=90^{\circ}$, or λ very large, we have

$$R_{1} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\lambda, \quad R_{2} = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}\lambda + 2\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}}, \quad R_{3} = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}\lambda - 2\sqrt{\frac{3}{7}},$$

and thence

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$$A = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}} \frac{1}{\lambda} = .770 - .430 \frac{1}{\lambda},$$
$$B = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{\sqrt{7}} \frac{1}{\lambda} = .666 - 1.890 \frac{1}{\lambda},$$
$$C = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{2}{\lambda} = 1.527 - 1.555 \frac{1}{\lambda}.$$

It was, in fact, by means of these expressions that the value $\lambda = 86.176$ ($c = 89^{\circ} 20'$) corresponding to the last-mentioned parabolic orbit was obtained.

93. For the calculation of the table we have

$$\begin{split} \log x_1 &= \overline{10} &+ \log \sec c, \\ \log y_1 &= \overline{10} \cdot 76144 + \log \tan c, \\ \log x_2 &= \overline{10} \cdot 65052 + \log \sec (c - 26^\circ 34'), \\ \log (y_2 - 92376) &= \overline{10} \cdot 06247 + \log \tan (c - 26^\circ 34'), \\ \log x_3 &= \overline{10} \cdot 65052 + \log \sec (c + 26^\circ 34'), \\ \log (y_3 + 92376) &= \overline{10} \cdot 06247 + \log \sec (c + 26^\circ 34'), \end{split}$$

the values of r_1 , r_2 , r_3 , are then calculated from

$$x_1 = r_1 \cos \phi_1, \quad y_1 = r_1 \sin \phi_1,$$

or say

$$\frac{y_1}{x_1} = \tan \phi_1, \qquad r_1 = x_1 \sec \phi_1, \ \&c.$$

and those of the chords γ_{12} , γ_{23} , γ_{31} , from

$$x_1 - x_2 = \gamma_{12} \cos \theta_{12}, \quad y_1 - y_2 = \gamma_{12} \sin \theta_{12},$$

or say

$$an heta_{12} = rac{x_1 - x_2}{y_1 - y_2}, \quad \gamma_{12} = (x_1 - x_2) \sec heta_{12}.$$

We have then to find the equation of the orbit r = Ax + By + C; this might be done by substituting in the determinant expression the numerical values of x_1 , y_1 , r_1 , x_2 , y_2 , r_2 , x_3 , y_3 , r_3 , and so calculating the result, but I have preferred to employ the formula of No. 90, using only the calculated values of r_1 , r_2 , r_3 ; viz. we have

$$r_1 = R_1,$$

 $r_2 (\lambda + 2) = R_2,$
 $r_3 (\lambda - 2) = R_3,$

which gives the values of R_1 , R_2 , R_3 . And then we have e, σ, α , from the equations

$$A = e \cos \varpi$$
, $B = e \sin \varpi$, $a = \frac{\pm C}{1 - e^2}$,

e and a being each regarded as positive. The times in the elliptic, and parabolic orbits are then calculated from Lambert's equation, as explained in regard to Planogram No. 1, but for the hyperbolic orbits, the other formulæ were made use of.

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94. I annex a specimen; the characteristics of the logarithms are omitted. $c = 20^{\circ}$.

20°			$ - 6^{\circ} 34'$		$+ 46^{\circ} 34'$	
	02701	56107	00286	06113	16272	02376
		76144	65052	06247	65052	06247
		32251	65338	12360	81324	08623
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	29950	03531	log =	·95922	$\log y_3 =$	90402
$\phi_1 =$: 11° 10′	$r_1 = 1.0847$	95922	95922	90402	90402
			65338	04752	81324	10980
			30584	00674	09078	01382

 $\phi_2 (= 63^{\circ} 41') = 116^{\circ} 19', \ r_2 = 1.0157 \quad \phi_3 (= 50^{\circ} 57') = 230^{\circ} 57', \ r_3 = 1.0323.$

The calculation of the equation of the orbit is then as follows:

$\lambda =$	·36397	$\log R_1 = 0$	3531
$\log =$	56107	$R_1 = 1$	0847
	12214	$\lambda + 2 = 2$	36397
$\lambda^2 =$	·13248	$\log =$	37364
$\lambda^2 - 3 = -$	- 2.86752	$\log r_2 =$	00674
$\log =$	45750	08002	38038
$\log \sqrt{1 + \lambda^2} =$	02701	$R_2 = +$	2·4 010
	77815	$\lambda - 2 = -$	1.63603
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0 = · 201	45750 30103	$\log r_3 =$	01382
18401-			22760
$\log 2 \left(\lambda^2 - 3\right) =$	23856	$R_3 = -$	- 1.6889
$\log 2 \sqrt{3} (\lambda^2 - 3) =$	= 99709 (b)		

$4R_1 = 4.3388$	$2R_1 = 2.1694$	$ $ $R_2 =$	2.4010
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$\log A = 59086$	59086		
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$\varpi (= 20^\circ 6') =$	$160^{\circ} 52' \qquad e = .04151$		
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	$e^2 = .001723$	$\log C = 01965$	
	$1 - e^2 = .998277$	$\log 0 = 01303$ $\log = 99925$	

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The calculation of the Times is similar to that for the first planogram, and requires no further illustration.

The Table for Planogram No. 2 is as follows:

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95. When the orbit-pole is at one of the points A, the orbit-plane passes through one of the rays, and as there is no longer on this ray any determinate point of intersection, the orbit (as was seen) becomes indeterminate. Thus consider the point A for which $b = 270^{\circ}$, $c = 60^{\circ}$: we have



and consequently the formula gives

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1':\,y_1':\,1&=&0&:&0:&0\\ x_2':\,y_2':\,1&=&-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3}:&3:&-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3},\\ x_3':\,y_3':\,1&=&-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3}:&-3:&-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3}, \end{array}$$

and, moreover, x = -x', y = -y'. From the formula the value of x_1' or x_1 is given as $\frac{0}{0}$, but the true value is obviously $x_1 = 1$; the value of y_1 is actually indeterminate. The formulæ give the values of (x_2, y_2) , (x_3, y_3) , viz. the system is

$$x_1 = 1,$$
 $y_1 = \text{ind.}$
 $x_2 = -1,$ $y_2 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}},$ whence $r_2 = r_3 = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}},$
 $x_3 = -1,$ $y_3 = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}},$

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so that the orbits in the planogram are the whole series of conics having a given focus, S, and passing through two fixed points, 2, 3, having the common abscissa x = -1, and at equal distances $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ (=1.15470) on opposite sides of the axis. The axis of x is obviously the common transverse axis for all the orbits; that is, the equation of the orbit will be of the form r = Ax + B; and writing x = -1, we have $\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = -A + B$, viz. the equation is $r - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = A(x+1)$; the value of A will be determined if we assume for the point 1 a determinate position on the line x = 1, say its ordinate is $= y_1$; for then if $r_2 = \sqrt{1 + y_1^2}$ we have $r_1 - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = 2A$, and the equation is $r - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}(r_1 - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}})(x+1)$. In particular if $y_1=0$, we have $r_1=1$, and the equation of the orbit is $r - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}})(x+1)$: this is the orbit, eccentricity $\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} - 1)$, $= \cdot 264$, belonging to the point A as a point in planogram No. 1: for the value of y, being in that planogram originally assumed = 0, is of course = 0 when the orbit-pole comes to be the point A.

96. We may conversely take the equation of the orbit, or say the value of $A (=\pm e)$ in the equation $r - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = A (x+1)$, to be given; and then writing $x = x_1 = 1$, we have

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$$y_1 = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} + 2A$$
, that is $y_1^2 - (\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} + 2A)^2 - 1$;

$$r_1 = 1$$
 or $y_1 = 0$, $A = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} \right) = -264$,

and as r_1 increases to $r_1 = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}$, or y_1 increases to $\pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$, A diminishes from -264 to 0; viz., for $r_1 = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}$, or $y_1 = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$, the orbit is a circle; as r_1 increases from $\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}$, or y_1 from $\pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$, A increases from 0 positively; for $r_1 = \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} \pm 2$, = 3.527, or $y_1 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{16 \pm 2\sqrt{21}}{3}}$, $= \pm 2.896$, A becomes = 1; that is, the orbit is a parabola; and for larger positive values of r_1 , or positive or negative values of y_1 , the orbit is a hyperbola (concave); and ultimately for $r_1 = \infty$ or $y_1 = \pm \infty$, the orbit is the right line $x \pm 1 = 0$. Thus A extends from -264 to 0, and thence from 0 positively to $\pm \infty$.

97. In further illustration, suppose that the orbit-pole, instead of being at A, is a point in the immediate neighbourhood of A, say that the rectangular spherical coordinates, measured from A in the direction of the meridian and perpendicular thereto, are ξ and η ; the colatitude and longitude of the orbit-pole being thus $c = 60^{\circ} + \xi$, and $b = 270^{\circ} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\eta$; we have then, ξ , η being indefinitely small,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \,,\, \beta \,,\, \gamma \,\, &=\, -1 \,\,,\,\, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\eta, \qquad 0, \\ \alpha' \,,\,\, \beta' \,,\,\, \gamma' \,\, &=\, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\eta, \quad -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\,\xi, \quad \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\,\xi, \\ \alpha'' \,,\,\, \beta'' \,,\,\, \gamma'' \,\, &=\,\, \eta \,\,\,,\,\, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\,\xi, \quad \frac{1}{2} \,\, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\eta, \end{aligned}$$

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and thence

$$\begin{aligned} x_1' &= \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \xi \right) \sqrt{3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \xi = 2\xi \\ &: y_1' \quad : -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \eta. \qquad \sqrt{3} \qquad \qquad : -2\eta \\ &: 1 \quad : -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \xi + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \xi \qquad : -2\xi; \end{aligned}$$

that is, $x_1' = -1$, $y_1' = \frac{\eta}{\xi}$, or what is the same thing, $x_1 = -1$, $y_1 = \frac{\eta}{\xi}$; the values of x_2 , y_2 , and x_3 , y_3 , differ from their former values only by terms in ξ , η , which may be neglected; that is, we have as before $x_2 = -1$, $y_2 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $x_3 = -1$, $y_3 = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$; and we thus see that the foregoing determination of the orbit for an arbitrary value of y_1 , writing therein $y_1 = -\frac{\eta}{\xi}$ (or what would be the same thing $y_1 = \frac{\eta}{\xi}$) gives the orbit for the neighbouring position $c = 60^\circ + \xi$, and $b = 270^\circ + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\eta$ of the orbit-pole. Writing for greater convenience $\xi = \rho \cos \psi$, $\eta = \rho \sin \psi$, the indefinitely small quantity ρ will denote the distance of the orbit-pole from A, and its azimuth measured from the meridian will be $= \psi$. We then have $y_1 = -\tan \psi$, and $r_1 = \sqrt{1 + y_1^2} = \pm \sec \psi$, or, if to fix the ideas, ψ be considered as $\langle \pm 90^\circ$, then $r_1 = \sec \psi$: we have thus $(A = \pm e \text{ as before}) A = \frac{1}{2} (-\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} + \sec \psi)$; viz., observing that $\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = 1.527$, we obtain

$\psi = 0$,	$A = -\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} - 1\right) = -264$
$\psi = \sec^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} = \pm 49^{\circ} 6',$	<i>A</i> = 0
$\psi = \sec^{-1}\left(2\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} - 1\right) = \pm \ 60^{\circ}\ 52',$	$A = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} - 1 \right) = + \cdot 264$
$\psi = \sec^{-1}(\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} + 2) = \pm 73^{\circ} 32',$	<i>A</i> = 1
$\Psi = \pm (90^\circ - \epsilon),$	$A = +\infty$.

98. These results will have to be further considered in reference to the course of the iseccentric curves through the point A. I remark here that, although it appears that although for eccentricities less than '264, and in particular for the eccentricity = 0, there are real directions of passage from A to a neighbouring point, yet there are not through A any real branches of the corresponding iseccentric curves; viz., A is in regard to these curves, an isolated point with *real* tangents; that is a point in the nature of an evanescent lemniscate. As regards the eccentricity = 0, it is obvious that this must be so; viz., there can be no real branch through A. In fact, the orbit can only be a circle when the intersection by the orbit-plane of the hyperboloid which contains the three rays is also a circle; that is, the orbit is a circle only when the orbit-plane coincides with the plane of the ecliptic.

Article Nos. 99 to 103. Planogram No. 4, the Orbit-pole in the Ecliptic.

99. When the orbit-pole describes the circle of the ecliptic, the orbit-plane passes through the axis of z, or polar axis. We have $c = 90^{\circ}$, and consequently

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \alpha \,,\, \beta \,,\, \gamma &=\, \sin b, \,\, -\cos b, &\, 0, \\ \alpha',\,\, \beta',\,\, \gamma' &=\, 0 \,\,, &\, 0 \,\,, \,\, -1, \\ \alpha'',\,\, \beta'',\,\, \gamma'' &=\, \cos b, \,\, \, \sin b, \,\, 0. \end{array}$

Reverting for a moment to the general case where the six coordinates of the ray are (a, b, c, f, g, h), the formulæ for the intersection by the orbit-plane are

$$\begin{aligned} x' : y' : \mathbf{1} &= (a, b, c \not \alpha', \beta', \gamma') = -c \\ &: -(a, b, c \not \alpha, \beta, \gamma) : -a \sin b + b \cos b \\ &: (f, g, h \not \alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'') : f \cos b + g \sin b, \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\frac{1}{x'} + \frac{f}{c}\cos b + \frac{g}{c}\sin b = 0,$$
$$\frac{y'}{x'} + \frac{b}{c}\cos b - \frac{a}{c}\sin b = 0;$$

and thence

1 :
$$\cos b$$
 : $\sin b = \frac{-\operatorname{af} - \operatorname{bg}}{\operatorname{c}^2}$: $\frac{\operatorname{gy'} + \operatorname{a}}{\operatorname{cx'}}$: $\frac{\operatorname{b} - \operatorname{fy'}}{\operatorname{cx'}}$
= $\operatorname{hx'}$: $\operatorname{gy'} + \operatorname{a}$: $-\operatorname{fy'} + \operatorname{b}$

consequently

and thence

 $hx'^{2} = (gy' + a)^{2} + (fy' - b)^{2},$

or, what is the same thing,

$$hx'^{2} = (f^{2} + g^{2})y'^{2} + 2(ag - bf)y' + a^{2} + b^{2},$$

or, in particular, if (as in the special symmetrical case) ag - bf = 0, then

$$hx'^2 = (f^2 + g^2)y'^2 + a^2 + b^2$$

100. For the symmetrical system of rays we have as before

a1,	$b_1, c_1,$	f ₁ , g ₁ ,	$h_1 =$	0,	$\sqrt{3}$,	- 1,	0,	1,	1	/3,
a_2 ,	$b_2, c_2,$	$f_2, g_2,$	$h_2 =$	3,	$\sqrt{3}$,	2,	$\sqrt{3}$,	1,	- 2 1	/3,
a ₃ ,	$b_3, c_3,$	f ₃ , g ₃ ,	$h_3 =$	- 3,	$\sqrt{3}$,	2,	√3,	1,	- 2 ^	/3,
x_1'	$: y_1':$	1=	1:		V	$\overline{3}\cos b$: sin	n b		,
x_{2}^{\prime}	$: y_{2}':$	1 = -	2 : -	$3\sin$	b +	$\overline{3}\cos b$: sir	n <i>b</i> +	$\sqrt{3}$ co	s b,
x_3'	: y_{3}' :	1 = -	2 :	$3\sin$	b +	$\sqrt{3}\cos b$: sir	n <i>b</i> —	$\sqrt{3}$ co	sb,

or, what is the same thing,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1' &= \cos c b \quad , \qquad y_1' &= \sqrt{3} \cot b, \\ x_2' &= \frac{-1}{\sin b + \sqrt{3} \cos b}, \qquad y_2' &= \frac{\sqrt{3} (\cos b - \sqrt{3} \sin b)}{\sin b + \sqrt{3} \cos b}, \\ x_3' &= \frac{-2}{\sin b - \sqrt{3} \cos b}, \qquad y_3' &= \frac{\sqrt{3} (\cos b + \sqrt{3} \sin b)}{\sin b - \sqrt{3} \cos b}; \end{aligned}$$

or as these may also be written

$$\begin{aligned} x_1' &= \cos c \ b \ , \qquad y_1' &= \sqrt{3} \cot b \ , \\ x_2' &= -\cos c \ (b + 60^\circ), \qquad y_2' &= \sqrt{3} \cot \ (b + 60^\circ), \\ x_3' &= -\cos c \ (b - 60^\circ), \qquad y_3' &= \sqrt{3} \cot \ (b - 60^\circ), \end{aligned}$$

so that for each of these sets we have

$$x'^2 - \frac{1}{3}y'^2 = 1.$$

(The curve is in fact a section of the hyperboloid of revolution, $x^2 + y^2 - \frac{1}{3}z^2 = 1$, which passes through the three rays.)

101. As regards the equation of the orbit I will first consider the particular cases $b=90^{\circ}$, $b=0^{\circ}$, which should agree with the orbits for $c=90^{\circ}$ in the planograms 1 and 2 respectively.

For $b = 90^{\circ}$ we have x' = x, y' = y and

$$x_1' = 1, \quad y_1' = 0,$$

 $x_2' = -2, \quad y_2' = -3,$
 $x_3' = -2, \quad y_3' = 3,$

and the orbit is at once found to be

$$r = \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \sqrt{13} \right) (x' - 1),$$

the eccentricity (regarded as positive) being thus $\frac{1}{3}(\sqrt{13}-1)$, = 7685 as before. For $b=0^{\circ}$ there is a discontinuity, and I write successively $b=+\epsilon$, and $b=-\epsilon$. For $b=+\epsilon$ we have x'=-y, y'=x, and

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_1' = & \infty &, & y_1' = \infty & \sqrt{3}, \\ x_2' = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, & y_2' = -1, \\ x_3' = & \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, & y_3' = -1, \end{array}$$

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and the orbit is found to be

$$\frac{2}{3}x' + \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}}y' + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{3}} = -666x + .770y + 1.527;$$

and similarly for $b = -\epsilon$ the equation is

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$$r = -\frac{9}{3}x' + \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}y' + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{3}} = -.666x + .770y + 1.527;$$

hence the eccentricity is

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{28}{27}}, = 1.018$$
, as before.

102. Considering now the general case where b has any value whatever, the equation of the orbit is

r ,	x',	y',	1	= 0
 $r_1 \sin b$,	1,	$\sqrt{3}\cos b$,	$\sin b$	id au
$r_2(\sin b + \sqrt{3}\cos b),$	-2,	$-3\sin b + \sqrt{3}\cos b$,	$\sin b + \sqrt{3} \cos b$	Thore
$r_3(\sin b - \sqrt{3}\cos b),$	-2,	$3\sin b + \sqrt{3}\cos b,$	$\sin b - \sqrt{3} \cos b$	Care a
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 $(x' = x \sin b - y \cos b, y' = x \cos b + y \sin b, \text{ as before}).$

The coefficient of r is readily found to be $-6\sqrt{3}(\sin^2 b + \cos^2 b)$, $= -6\sqrt{3}$; hence completing the development, dividing by $6\sqrt{3}$, and transposing, the equation of the orbit is

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \frac{1}{6} \left[2r_1 \sin b - r_2 \left(\sin b + \sqrt{3} \cos b \right) - r_3 \left(\sin b - \sqrt{3} \cos b \right) \right] x' \\ &+ \frac{1}{6\sqrt{3}} \left[4r_1 \sin b \cos b + r_2 \left(-2 \sin b \cos b + \sqrt{3} \left(\cos^2 b - \sin^2 b \right) \right) \\ &+ r_3 \left(-2 \sin b \cos b - \sqrt{3} \left(\cos^2 b - \sin^2 b \right) \right) \right] y' \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \left[4r_1 \sin^2 b + r_2 \left(\sin^2 b + 3 \cos^2 b + 2 \sqrt{3} \sin b \cos b \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

 $+r_{3}($

where

$$r_{1} = \frac{\sqrt{\sin^{2} b + 4 \cos^{2} b}}{\sin b},$$

$$r_{2} = \frac{\sqrt{13 \sin^{2} b + 7 \cos^{2} b - 6 \sqrt{3} \sin b \cos b}}{\sin b + \sqrt{3} \cos b}$$

$$r_{2} = \frac{\sqrt{13 \sin^{2} b + 7 \cos^{2} b - 6 \sqrt{3} \sin b \cos b}}{\sin b + \sqrt{3} \cos b}$$

$$\sin b - \sqrt{3} \cos b$$

 $\sin^2 b + 3\cos^2 b - 2\sqrt{3}\sin b\cos b$

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in which expressions the signs of the radicals must be such that r_1 , r_2 , r_3 shall be positive. Hence writing $\tan b = \eta$, (sec $b = \sqrt{1 + \eta^2}$, which determines the sign of $\sqrt{1 + \eta^2}$), also

$$R_1 = \sqrt{\eta^2 + 4}, \quad R_2 = \sqrt{13\eta^2 - 6\sqrt{3}\eta} + 7, \quad R_3 = \sqrt{13\eta^2 + 6\sqrt{3}\eta} + 7,$$

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and therefore

$$\eta r_1 = R_1, \qquad (\eta + \sqrt{3}) r_2 = R_2, \qquad (\eta - \sqrt{3}) r_3 = R_3,$$

which last equations determine the signs of R_1 , R_2 , R_3 respectively, the equation of the orbit is

$$\begin{split} r &= \frac{1}{6\sqrt{1+\eta^2}} \quad (2R_1 - R_2 - R_3) \, x' \\ &+ \frac{1}{6\left(1+\eta^2\right)\sqrt{3}} \left(4R_1 + R_2\left(1-\eta\sqrt{3}\right) + R_3\left(1+\eta\sqrt{3}\right)\right) y' \\ &+ \frac{1}{6\left(1+\eta^2\right)} \quad \left(4R_1 \eta + R_2\left(\eta+\sqrt{3}\right) + R_3\left(\eta-\sqrt{3}\right)\right). \end{split}$$

Thus if $b = +\epsilon$, then also $\eta = +\epsilon$,

$$\sqrt{1+\eta^2}=1, R_1=2, R_2=\sqrt{7}, R_3=-\sqrt{7},$$

and the equation is

$$r = \frac{1}{6} 4x' + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{3}} 8y' + \frac{1}{6} 2\sqrt{7} \sqrt{3}, \quad = \frac{2}{3} x' + \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} y' + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad = \cdot666 x' + \cdot770 y' + 1\cdot527,$$

as before; and similarly if $b = 90^{\circ}$.

And moreover, if $b = 30^{\circ}$, then

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad R_1 = \sqrt{\frac{13}{3}}, \quad R_2 = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad R_3 = -\frac{2\sqrt{13}}{3}$$

whence the equation of the orbit is

$$r = \frac{1}{3} \left(\sqrt{13} - 1 \right) x' + 0 y' + \frac{1}{3} \left(\sqrt{13} + 2 \right),$$

= .868 x' + 0 y' + 1.868.

103. The equation of the orbit should be tabulated from b=0 to $b=30^{\circ}$, the equations for the remainder of the circumference will be then found by successive repetition of this interval in direct and reverse order, with however a change of sign, in the manner about to be explained,

$b = \epsilon$,	r = + .666 x' + .770 y' + 1.527,
$b = 30^{\circ}$,	r = + .868 x' + 0 y' + 1.868,
$b = 60^{\circ} - \epsilon$,	r = + .666 x'770 y' + 1.527,
$b = 60^\circ + \epsilon,$	r =666 x' + .770 y' + 1.527,
$b = 90^{\circ}$,	r =868 x' + 0 y' + 1.868,
$b = 120^{\circ} - \epsilon$,	r =666 x'770 y' + 1.527,

 $30^{\circ} + \beta$ same as $30^{\circ} - \beta$, reversing sign of the y' coefficient.

 $90^{\circ} + \beta$ same as $90^{\circ} - \beta$, reversing sign of the y' coefficient, and whole interval 60° to 120° same as interval 0° to 60°, except that the signs of the x' coefficient are reversed, and the remaining two intervals, 120° to 240° and 240° to 360°, are merely repetitions of the interval 0° to 120°.

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As regards the interval 0° to 30° the only intermediate value that I have calculated is $b = 15^{\circ}$, viz., we then have

$$b = 15^{\circ}, \quad r = .811 \ x' + .403 \ y' + 1.787.$$

Calculating for the foregoing values $b = 0^{\circ}$, $b = 15^{\circ}$, $b = 30^{\circ}$, the values of e, ϖ , a, these are found to be

$b = 0^{\circ},$	e = 1.018	$\varpi = 220^{\circ} 6'$	a = 41.24
$b = 15^{\circ}$,	<i>e</i> = .906	$\varpi = 206^{\circ} 27'$	a = 10.008
$b = 30^{\circ}$,	e = .868	$\varpi = 180^{\circ}$	a = 7.604

Article Nos. 104 to 113. Planogram No. 5. The Orbit-pole on a Separator.

104. If the orbit-plane rotate round a line parallel to one of the rays, the orbit-pole will describe a separator circle, and conversely. I consider the general case of a ray the six coordinates of which are (a, b, c, f, g, h), and for which the intersections with the orbit-plane are given by

$$x': y': 1 = (a, b, c) \alpha', \beta', \gamma'): - (a, b, c) \alpha, \beta, \gamma): (f, g, b) \alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'').$$

The axis of x' is parallel to the ray

$$\frac{x-A}{f} = \frac{y-B}{g} = \frac{z-C}{h},$$

that is, we have

$$\alpha:\beta:\gamma=f:g:h,$$

whence, putting for shortness

$$\Omega = \sqrt{f^2 + g^2 + h^2}$$
 and $\Pi = \sqrt{f^2 + g^2}$,

we have

$$\alpha = \frac{f}{\Omega} = \cos N \cos G, \quad \beta = \frac{g}{\Omega} = \cos N \sin G, \quad \gamma = \frac{h}{\Omega} = -\sin N,$$

and thence

$$\tan G = \frac{g}{f}, \quad \sin G = \frac{g}{\Pi}, \quad \cos G = \frac{f}{\Pi}, \quad \cos N = \frac{\Pi}{\Omega},$$

and we thus obtain the values of α' , β' , γ' ; α'' , β'' , γ'' in terms of f, g, h and the variable angle H, viz., these are

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha' &= -\frac{g \cos H}{\Pi} + \frac{hf \sin H}{\Pi \Omega}, \qquad \alpha'' = \frac{-g \sin H}{\Pi} - \frac{hf \cos H}{\Pi \Omega}, \\ \beta' &= -\frac{f \cos H}{\Pi} + \frac{gh \sin H}{\Pi \Omega}, \qquad \beta'' = -\frac{f \sin H}{\Pi} - \frac{hg \cos H}{\Pi \Omega}, \\ \gamma' &= -\frac{\Pi^2 \sin H}{\Pi \Omega}, \qquad \gamma'' = -\frac{\Pi^2 \cos H}{\Pi \Omega}, \end{aligned}$$

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where H is the angular distance of the orbit-pole, along the separator, from the point A. The foregoing values give

(a, b,
$$c \mathfrak{a} \alpha$$
, β , γ) = 0,
(a, b, $c \mathfrak{a} \alpha'$, β' , γ') = $-\frac{1}{\Pi} \{(ag - bf) \cos H + c\Omega \sin H\},$
(f, g, h $\mathfrak{a} \alpha'' \beta'', \gamma''$) = 0,

so that the coordinates x', y' of the intersection with the ray are given in the form

$$x': y': 1 = M: 0: 0,$$

that is

$$x'=\frac{M}{0}=\infty\;,\quad y'=\frac{0}{0}\;,$$

but the value of y' is determinate, viz., this is equal to the perpendicular distance of the ray from the point S.

105. In particular when the rays are the special symmetrical system before considered, then if (a, b, c, f, g, h) refer to the ray 1, we have f=0, g=1, $h=\sqrt{3}$, $\Pi=1$, $\Omega=2$, and thence

$$\begin{array}{l} \alpha \,,\,\beta \,,\,\gamma = \,0 \,\,,\,\,\frac{1}{2} \,\,\,,\,\,\,\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} \,\,,\\ \alpha' \,,\,\beta' \,,\,\gamma' = -\,\cos\,H,\,\,\,\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\sin\,H,\,\,\,-\,\frac{1}{2}\sin\,H,\\ \alpha'' \,,\,\beta'' \,,\,\gamma'' = -\,\sin\,H,\,\,\,\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\cos\,H,\,\,\,\,\frac{1}{2}\cos\,H. \end{array}$$

For the intersection with the ray 1 we have

$$x_1' = \pm \infty, \quad y_1' = 1,$$

and for the intersections with the other two lines

 $\begin{aligned} x_2' : y_2' : 1 = \\ (3, \sqrt{3}, 2) (-\cos H, \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\sin H, -\frac{1}{2}\sin H) &= -3\cos H + \frac{1}{2}\sin H \\ : -(3, \sqrt{3}, 2) (0, 1, \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}) &: \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3} \\ : (\sqrt{3}, 1, -2\sqrt{3}) (-\sin H, -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\cos H, \frac{1}{2}\cos H) &: -\sqrt{3}\sin H - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}\cos H, \end{aligned}$ and

 $x_{3}': y_{3}': 1 =$

that is, we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2}' &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{6\cos H - \sin H}{3\cos H + 2\sin H}, \qquad x_{3}' &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{6\cos H + \sin H}{3\cos H - 2\sin H}, \\ y_{2}' &= \frac{3}{3\cos H + 2\sin H}, \qquad y_{3}' &= \frac{3}{3\cos H - 2\sin H}. \end{aligned}$$

106. Writing herein

$$\cos \omega = \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}, \quad \sin \omega = \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}, \quad \tan \omega = \frac{2}{3}, \quad \omega = 33^{\circ} \, 41'$$

the formulæ are readily converted into

$$\begin{aligned} x_2' &= \frac{1}{13\sqrt{3}} \left\{ 16 - 15 \tan \left(H - \omega \right) \right\}, \qquad x_3' &= \frac{1}{13\sqrt{3}} \left\{ -16 - 15 \tan \left(H + \omega \right) \right\}, \\ y_2' &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \sec \left(H - \omega \right), \qquad \qquad y_3' &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \sec \left(H + \omega \right), \end{aligned}$$

where, in regard to this angle ω , it is to be observed that it represents the angular distance from the ecliptic along the separator to a point *B*, or what is the same thing, the complement of the angular distance on the separator, of the points *A* and *B*. We have, in fact, a right-angled spherical triangle ZAB, $\angle Z = 60^{\circ}$, $\angle A = 90^{\circ}$, $ZA = 60^{\circ}$ whence $\sin 60^{\circ} = \tan AB \cot 60^{\circ}$, that is, $\tan AB = \sin 60^{\circ} \tan 60^{\circ} = \frac{3}{2}$, or $AB = 90^{\circ} - \omega$.

Hence, $H = \pm 90^{\circ}$, the orbit-pole is on the ecliptic, $H = \pm (90^{\circ} - \omega)$, it is at a point *B* (the intersection of the separator by one of the other two separators), and H = 0, it is at the point *A* on the separator.

The foregoing values of (x_2', y_2') satisfy the equation

$$25y^2 = 39x^2 - 32x\sqrt{3} + 37,$$

and similarly the values of (x_3', y_3') satisfy

$$25y^2 = 39x^2 + 32x\sqrt{3} + 37,$$

results which would be useful for the delineation of the planogram.

107. As regards the equation of the orbit we have $x_1' = \pm \infty$, and consequently $x_1' = \pm r_1 = \theta r_1$ if for convenience θ be written to stand for ± 1 . The equation of the orbit then is

$$0 = \begin{vmatrix} r & , & x' & , & y', & 1 \\ 1 & , & \theta & , & 0, & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$r_{2}(3\cos H + 2\sin H), \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(-6\cos H - \sin H), \quad 3, \quad 3\cos H + 2\sin H$$

$$r_{3}(3\cos H - 2\sin H), \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(-6\cos H - \sin H), \quad 3, \quad 3\cos H - 2\sin H$$

that is

$$-(r\theta - x') \, 12 \sin H =$$

$$\theta' \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left(36\cos^2 H + 4\sin^2 H \right) - \theta r_2 \left(9\cos^2 H - 4\sin^2 H \right) + \theta r_3 \left(9\sin^2 H - 4\cos^2 H \right) \right\}$$

 $-12\sqrt{3}\cos H + 3\theta (3\cos H + 2\sin H)r_2 - 3\theta (3\cos H - 2\sin H)r_3$

where

$$r_2 = \frac{\sqrt{21}\cos^2 H - 4\cos H \sin H + \frac{28}{3}\sin^2 H}{3\cos H + 2\sin H}$$

$$r_{3} = \frac{\sqrt{21}\cos^{2}H + 4\cos H\sin H + \frac{28}{3}\sin^{2}H}{3\cos H - 2\sin H}$$

Hence, writing $\tan H = \lambda$, and therefore $\sec H = \sqrt{1 + \lambda^2}$, which determines the sign of $\sqrt{1 + \lambda^2}$, and moreover

$$R_{2} = \sqrt{21 - 4\lambda + \frac{28}{3}\lambda^{2}}, \quad R_{3} = \sqrt{21 + 4\lambda + \frac{28}{3}\lambda^{2}},$$
$$(3 + 2\lambda)r_{2} = R_{2}, \quad (3 - 2\lambda)r_{3} = R_{3}.$$

and thence also

which last equations, since r_2 , r_3 must be positive, determine the signs of the radicals R_2 , R_3 ; the equation of the orbit is

$$r = \theta x' + \frac{y'}{12\lambda\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}} \left\{ \frac{\theta}{\sqrt{3}} \left(36 + 4\lambda^2 \right) - \left(3 - 2\lambda \right) R_2 + \left(3 + 2\lambda \right) R_3 \right\} + \frac{-4\theta\sqrt{3} + R_2 - R_3}{4\lambda}$$

where θ it will be recollected denotes +1 or -1 at pleasure.

108. I remark that $\theta = +1$ and $\theta = -1$ may be considered as belonging to positions of the orbit-pole indefinitely near the separator on the opposite sides thereof



respectively; the annexed figure represents a portion of the blank spherogram, and the two sides of the half-separator A'C' will be traversed by the orbit-pole, if H

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extend from 0° to 90° – ω (= 56° 19′, value at B′) and thence to 90°, $\theta = \pm 1$ belonging to the side marked \pm in the figure, and $\theta = -1$ to the opposite side. But the same result may be stated, more conveniently, in reference to the blank spherogram, as follows:

 $H = 0^{\circ}$ to $H = 56^{\circ}19'$, $\theta = +1$ belongs to the outside of AB', viz. to positions within the region of convex orbits,

 $\theta = -1$, to inside of AB',

 $H = 56^{\circ} 19'$ to $H = 90^{\circ}$, $\theta = +1$ belongs to inside of B'C',

 $H = 90^{\circ}$ to $H = 123^{\circ} 41'$, $\theta = +1$ belongs to inside of C'B,

the last-mentioned values being identical with those for $H = 90^{\circ}$ to $H = 56^{\circ} 19'$, $\theta = -1$: viz. the formula for $H = 90^{\circ} + K$, $\theta = +1$ is equivalent to that for $H = 90^{\circ} - K$, $\theta = -1$.

109. I consider some particular cases.

Orbit-pole at A: here H = 0 and therefore $\lambda = 0$, $R_2 = R_3 = \sqrt{21}$; the orbit is $r = \theta x' + \frac{\theta \sqrt{3}}{\lambda} (y' - 1)$, viz. it is the right line y' - 1 = 0.

Orbit-pole in the neighbourhood of *B*. Suppose first $H = 90^{\circ} - \omega - \epsilon$, $\lambda = \cot \omega - \epsilon$ $\csc^2 \omega = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{13}{4}\epsilon$, $3 - 2\lambda$, $= \frac{13}{2}\epsilon$, is positive, and therefore R_3 is positive, and we have $R_2 = 6$, $R_3 = 4\sqrt{3}$; whence the equation is

$$r = \theta x' + \frac{y'}{9\sqrt{13}}(15\theta + 24) + 1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\theta + 1),$$

viz. $\theta = -1$, this is

$$r = +x' + \sqrt{\frac{3}{13}}y' + 1,$$

and $\theta = +1$, it is

$$r = x' + \sqrt{\frac{13}{3}} y' + 1 - \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}},$$

and so secondly, if $H = 90^{\circ} - \omega + \epsilon$, $\lambda = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{13}{4}\epsilon$, $3 - 2\lambda$, $= -\frac{13}{2}\epsilon$, is negative, or R_3 is also negative, viz. $R_2 = 6$, $R_3 = -4\sqrt{3}$, and the equation is

$$r = \theta x' - \frac{y'}{9\sqrt{13}}(15\theta - 24) + 1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\theta - 1),$$

viz. $\theta = +1$, this is

$$r = x' - \sqrt{\frac{3}{13}}y' + 1,$$

and $\theta = -1$, it is

$$r = -x' - \sqrt{\frac{13}{3}} \, y' + 1 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \, .$$

At the point *B* there are thus four orbits: viz. $H = -90^{\circ} - \omega - \epsilon$, $\theta = +1$, and $H = 90^{\circ} - \omega + \epsilon$, $\theta = -1$, these are orbits wherein the eccentricity is $=\sqrt{\frac{16}{3}}$, =2.309, agreeing with that found for the point *B* in planogram No. 1, or say for an orbit-pole near *B* in the direction of the meridian; whereas for $H = 90^{\circ} - \omega - \epsilon$, $\theta = -1$ and $H = 90^{\circ} - \omega + \epsilon$, $\theta = +1$ the eccentricity is $\sqrt{\frac{16}{13}} = 1.101$.

$$r = \theta \left(x' + \frac{y'}{3\sqrt{3}} \right) + \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}},$$

and similarly for $H = 90^{\circ} + \epsilon$, $\lambda = -\infty$, $R_2 = 2\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}\lambda$, $R_3 = -2\sqrt{\frac{7}{3}}\lambda$, $\sqrt{1 + \lambda^2} = \lambda$, and the equation still is

$$r = \theta\left(x' + \frac{y'}{3\sqrt{3}}\right) + \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}},$$

viz. θ retaining the same sign, there is no discontinuity in the passage through 90°.

The eccentricity, whether $\theta = +1$ or = -1, is $\sqrt{\frac{28}{27}}$, =1.018, agreeing with Planogram No. 2.

110. For the more complete discussion of the eccentricity, we have

$$e^{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{144\lambda^{2}(1+\lambda^{2})} \left(\frac{4\theta}{\sqrt{3}}(9+\lambda^{2}) - (3-2\lambda)R_{2} + (3+2\lambda)R_{3}\right)^{2}.$$

The eccentricity cannot be less than 1, which is evidently right, for the point 3 being at infinity, the orbit cannot be an ellipse. We may have e=1 (or the orbit a parabola), viz. this will be the case if

$$\frac{4\theta}{\sqrt{3}}(9+\lambda^2) - (3-2\lambda) R_2 + (3+2\lambda) R_3 = 0.$$

Proceeding to rationalize this equation, we have first

 $(3-2\lambda)^2 R_2^2 + (3+2\lambda)^2 R_3^2 - \frac{16}{3} (9+\lambda^2)^2 = 2 (9-4\lambda^2) R_2 R_3,$

viz. substituting for R_2 , R_3 their values $\sqrt{21-4\lambda+\frac{28}{3}\lambda^2}$ and $\sqrt{21+4\lambda+\frac{28}{3}\lambda^2}$, this is found to be

$$2(9-4\lambda^2)\sqrt{\left(21+\frac{28}{3\lambda^2}\right)^2-16\,\lambda^2=-54+336\,\lambda^2+\frac{208}{3}\,\lambda^4;}$$

or, what is the same thing,

$$(9-4\lambda^2)\sqrt{3969+3384}\,\lambda^2+784\,\lambda^4=-81+504\,\lambda^2+104\,\lambda^4$$

whence, squaring and reducing, we have

$$432 (4\lambda^8 - 248 \lambda^6 - 819 \lambda^4 + 162 \lambda^2 + 729) = 0;$$

or, what is the same thing,

$$432 (\lambda^2 + 1) (4\lambda^6 - 252 \lambda^4 - 567 \lambda^2 + 729) = 0,$$

or, finally, the condition for a parabola is

 $4\lambda^6 - 252 \ \lambda^4 - 567 \ \lambda^2 + 729 = 0.$

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111. I stop to remark that this equation may be obtained differently, as follows. Since the point 1 is at infinity on the axis of x, this line will be the axis of the parabola; or the equation of the parabola will be

$$-y^2 + 4ax + 4a^2 = 0,$$

and we have therefore

$$-y_2^2 + 4ax_2 + 4a^2 = 0,$$

$$-y_3^2 + 4ax_3 + 4a^2 = 0,$$

that is

$$1 : 4a : 4a^{2} = x_{2} - x_{3} : y_{2}^{2} - y_{3}^{2} : -y_{2}^{2} x_{3} + y_{3}^{2} x_{2}$$

and therefore

$$(y_2^2 - y_3^2)^2 = -4(x_2 - x_3)(y_2^2x_3 - y_3^2x_2)$$

as the condition for a parabola.

But the values of x_2 , y_2 ; x_3 , y_3 , ante No. 104, introducing λ in the place of H, are

$$egin{aligned} &x_2 = rac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \; rac{6-\lambda}{3+2\lambda}, &x_3 = rac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \; rac{6+\lambda}{3-2\lambda}, \ &y_2 = \; rac{3\,\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}}{3+2\lambda}, &y_3 = \; rac{3\,\sqrt{1+\lambda^2}}{3-2\lambda}, \end{aligned}$$

and thence

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 - x_3 &= -\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{9 + \lambda^2}{9 - 4\lambda^2}, \\ y_2^2 - y_3^2 &= -\frac{216\lambda (1 + \lambda^2)}{(9 - 4\lambda^2)^2}, \\ \frac{4}{3} x_3 - y_3^2 x_2 &= -\frac{36}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{(1 + \lambda^2)(9 - \lambda^2)}{(9 - 4\lambda^2)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

and substituting these values and omitting a factor $\frac{1+\lambda^2}{(9-4\lambda^2)^2}$, the result is

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$$\frac{243\lambda^2 (1+\lambda^2)}{9-4\lambda^2} = (9+\lambda^2) (9-\lambda^2),$$

viz. this is

$$(4\lambda^2 - 9)(\lambda^4 - 81) - 243\lambda^2(\lambda^2 + 1) = 0,$$

that is

$$4\lambda^6 - 252\lambda^4 - 567\lambda^2 + 729 = 0,$$

as before.

112. The equation considered as a cubic equation in λ^2 has its three roots real, but only two of them are positive; viz. there is a root not very different from 1, and which is easily approximated to by writing $\lambda^2 = 1 - x$, this gives

$$4x^3 + 240x^2 - 1068x + 86 = 0,$$

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or nearly $x = \frac{86}{1068} = 0.08$; a second approximation gives x = 0.0802; or we have $\lambda^2 = 0.09198$, $\lambda = 0.09592$, whence $H = 43^{\circ} 49'$. Substituting in the equation

$$\frac{4\theta}{\sqrt{3}}(9+4\lambda^2) - (3-2\lambda) R_2 + (3+2\lambda) R_3 = 0,$$

this will be satisfied by $\theta = -1$, viz. the parabola belongs (as it obviously should do) to a point of AB' within the triangle BB'B''.

To obtain the other positive root we may write the equation in the form

$$\lambda^2 = 63 + \frac{141.75}{\lambda^2} - \frac{182.25}{\lambda^4},$$

the approximate value $\lambda^2 = 63$, gives more nearly $\lambda^2 = 65$ and then

$$\lambda^2 = 63 + \frac{141.75}{65} - \frac{128.24}{4225}, = 65.177,$$

whence $\lambda^2 = 8.073$ or $H = 82^{\circ} 56'$. Substituting in the equation

$$\frac{4\theta}{\sqrt{3}} (9 + 4\lambda^2) - (3 - 2\lambda) R_2 + (3 + 2\lambda) R_3 = 0,$$

we have $\theta = +1$, viz. this parabola belongs to a point of B'C' within the triangle BB'B''.

The two values of e for $\theta = +1$ and $\theta = -1$, are each infinite for $\lambda = 0$, and they become equal for $\lambda = \infty$ (viz. when the orbit-pole is on the ecliptic), but not in any other case; in fact they can only do so for $9 + \lambda^2 = 0$, or else for $(3-2\lambda) R_2 = (3+2\lambda) R_3$, that is, $\lambda (288 + 128 \lambda^2) = 0$, viz., $\lambda (9 + 4\lambda^2) = 0$.

113. In further explanation I give a diagram of the eccentricity.



The base AB'C'B is here the broken line AB'C'B' of figure 10: the ordinates along the base $AC' (=90^{\circ})$ of the two continuous curves exhibit the values of e, as

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given by $\theta = +1$ and $\theta = -1$ respectively; the dotted curve on the base C'B (= C'B')is merely the upper curve on the base C'B' transferred to the base C'B; and the curve composed of the lower curve on the base AC' and of the dotted curve gives by its ordinates the value of the eccentricity as the orbit-pole moves along AB'Bwithin the triangle B'BB'': the upper curve on the base AB' gives by its ordinates the value of the eccentricity as the orbit-pole moves along AB'thereof, that is, within the convex region.

The base of the diagram is graduated not for the value of H, but for that of the angular distance (or distance in longitude) of the orbit-pole from the point A (or A'); viz. this is the angle opposite H in a right-angled spherical triangle, the sides and hypothenuse of which are 60°, H, c; writing β for the angle in question we have

$$\cos c = \frac{1}{2}\cos H$$
, $\tan \beta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\tan H\left(=\frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$,

and any position of the orbit-pole on the separator may be conveniently laid down by means of this angle β . The values of β corresponding to the before-mentioned values $\lambda = .9592$ and $\lambda = 8.073$ are $\beta = 47^{\circ} 54'$ and $\beta = 83^{\circ} 53'$ respectively.

Article Nos. 114 and 115. The Spherogram and Isoparametric Lines-General Considerations.

Considerations. 114. We first construct a blank spherogram, as already explained (and see also Plates IV. and V.), viz., we draw on the stereographic projection a hemisphere—say the northern hemisphere : the meridians being radii and the parallels of colatitude ircles with the pole as centre; the parallel of 60° is the regulator circle, and the separators are great circles touching this at the points A, A, A, in longitudes 30°, 150°, 270° respectively; the separators intersect in the points B, B, B, in the northern hemi-sphere, and they are produced to meet again in the points B, B, B, of the southern hemisphere; but instead of taking the whole northern hemisphere; the spherogram being thus bounded by portions of the separator circles, and consisting of the inner spherical triangle B, B, B, and three surrounding triangles B, B, B. The inner triangle ontains the regulator-circle, touching its sides at the points A, A, A respectively, and dividing it into an inner circular region and three surrounding regions A, B, A; these at are the *loci in quibus* of the orbit-poles which correspond to convex orbits; and to mark them off from the other regions, it is proper to shade them in the sphero-gram. Excluding them from consideration, we have the inner circular region and the outer triangular regions separated off from each other by the shaded regions, except at the points A, where these are thinned away to nothing. The points A are positions of the orbit-pole for which the orbit is indeterminate; and consequently any parameter belonging to the orbit is also indeterminate. Hence the isoparameteric line for any given value of the parameter will always pass through the points A; that is, all the isoparameteric lines will pass through these points which are thus points of connexion 59-2

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between the inner circular region and the three outer regions, but it must be recollected that for certain given values of the parameter, the points A may be isolated points on the isoparametric line.

115. It is sometimes necessary (more particularly as regards the Time-spherogram and isochronic lines) to distinguish from each other the several points A and B; and for this purpose I consider the several points, as situated in the spherogram, to be accented in the following manner:

so that the inner triangle is B'B''B''' and the outer triangles are BB'B'', $B'B^{Iv}B'''$ and $B'''B^{v}B''$ respectively; this distinction has been already partially made in Fig. 10.

Article Nos. 116 to 122. The e-spherogram and Iseccentric Lines. See Plate IV.

116. Constructing a blank spherogram as above, we may from the tables for planograms Nos. 1 and 2 lay down numerically the values of the eccentricity at the several points of each meridian for the longitudes 0° , 30° , $..330^{\circ}$, viz.

Longitudes 0°, 60°, 120°, 180°, 240°, 300°.

> LONGITUDES 10°, 210°, 330°.

Planogram No. 2 shows that e increases from 0 at the centre to ∞ at 60°, then, 60° to 63° 26′ (shaded region), it diminishes from ∞ to 4.912; on passing 63° 26′ it changes abruptly to 1.853; thence diminishes to a minimum = .628 at .59°, and again increases to 1.018 at 90°.

Planogram No. 1, part 1, shows that e increases from 0 at the centre to ∞ at 60°, then, 60° to 73° 54' (shaded region), it diminishes from ∞ to 2.309, this last value being at a point B, the termination of the spherogram.

Longitudes 30°, 150°, 210°. Planogram No. 1, part 2, and for values over 90° , part 1, shows that *e* increases from 0 at the centre to $\cdot 264$ at 60° (point *A*), $\cdot 869$ at 90° , and $2 \cdot 309$ at $100^{\circ} 6'$, point *B*.

It will be recollected that, although e has the same value, 2.309 at the two opposite points B, yet there is an abrupt change of orbit, indicated by the change of sign of $A (= \pm e)$.

117. Planogram No. 3 shows the directions at the points A of the several isoccentric lines. Planogram No. 4, if the calculations were completed, would give the

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value of the eccentricity at the several points of the ecliptic, but besides the alreadymentioned values 1.018 at 0°, 60°, &c., and .868 at 30°, 90°, &c., the only value calculated is .906 at 15°, 45°, &c. It thus appears that the eccentricity = 1.018 for longitude 0° diminishes through .906 at 15° to .868 at 30°, and then again increases through .906 at 45° to 1.018 at 60°, and so on through successive intervals of 60°.

118. Planogram No. 5, if the calculations were completed, would give the value of e for the arc AB within the shaded region (but no values have been found except those given by Planograms 1 and 2, viz. $e = \infty$ at A, = 4.912 at longitude 30° from A, and = 2.309 at B); and it would also give the value of e for the whole bounding arc ABB within the exterior triangular region. We have $e = \infty$ at A, = 1.853 at longitude 30° from A, =1 at distance $H = 43^{\circ} 49'$ from A, = 1.101 at B, and then proceeding along the arc BB, =1 at distance $H = 82^{\circ} 56'$ from A, = 1.018 on the ecliptic, and, finally, = 2.309 at B. The two values e = 1 are very important, as will presently appear, with regard to the parabolic curve.

119. It is now easy to trace the form of the iseccentric lines.

e=0, the curve is a point at the centre, and for any value less than 264 it is a trigonoid form surrounding the centre, the maxima radii being directed towards the points A. The points A belong as isolated points to all these curves.

e = 264, the curve is tricuspidal, having a cusp at each of the points A. The numerical values seem to show a singularly blunt form of cusp (the points A are, in fact, not ordinary cusps, but singular points of a higher order); but the data do not enable me to draw with certainty the precise forms of the arcs between the three cusps: the wavy form was drawn purposely, but there is no sufficient evidence for its correctness.

120. It is convenient to pass at once to the case e=1, or say the parabolic curve, locus of the orbit-pole when the orbit is a parabola. This is a three-looped curve cutting itself (having a node) at each of the points A; and it appears from planogram No. 5 that each loop touches at four points (two points, $H=43^{\circ}49'$, and two points, $H=82^{\circ}56'$), the sides of the bounding triangle *BBB*. The loop thus divides the triangle *BBB* into six regions, viz. one within the loop, two subjacent, two lateral, and one superjacent.

For any value between e = 264 and e = 1, the curve is a three-looped curve intersecting itself at the points A, and such that the loops lie wholly within those of the parabolic curve, and the remaining portions between the parabolic and cuspidal curves.

121. For any value of e > 1, we must imagine a three-looped curve intersecting itself at the points A, the loops respectively containing those of the parabolic curve, and the remaining portions within the regulator-circle lying between the regulator-circle and the parabolic curve; and we must then obliterate so much of each loop as lies in the shaded regions, or outside the spherogram; viz. instead of a continuous loop there will be thus a broken loop with detached portions thereof in the subjacent regions, the lateral regions, and the superjacent region respectively. More precisely

this is the form for any value of e from e = 1 to e = 1.101, but for this last value the unobliterated portion for each lateral region evanesces; for any value of e between e = 1.101 and e = 2.309, the unobliterated portions lie wholly within the subjacent regions and the superjacent region; for e = 2.309 the portion within the superjacent region evanesces; and for any greater value of e the unobliterated portion lies wholly within the subjacent region, the loop being thus a mere fragment.

122. The iseccentric curves within the shaded regions form a distinct system: such curves belong to the values e = 2.309 to $e = \infty$, and any one of them is a fragment of a three-looped curve intersecting itself at the points A, obtained by obliterating so much of the complete curve as lies outside the shaded regions. But it is perhaps better to disregard these curves altogether, thus in effect excluding the shaded regions from the spherogram.

Article Nos. 123 to 143. The Time-spherogram and Isochronic Lines. See Plate V.

123. We construct a blank spherogram, and lay down upon it the parabolic curve; we may then lay down (as will be explained) the numerical values, say of the times T_{13} , but in order to gain some idea of the form of the T_{13} -lines I will first consider the question in a more general manner.

124. When the orbit is a line, parabola, or hyperbola, we may distinguish it by the letters L, P, H accordingly; and by the numbers 1, 2, 3, written in the proper order, show the arrangement of the three points on the orbit; observe that if 1 be the middle point on the orbit, we may write indifferently 213 or 312, and so in other cases, the fixation of the middle number is alone material. When the orbit is a line the distances of the points are always finite; and if the orbit be, for example, L 123, then T_{12} and T_{13} are each = 0, but T_{13} is non-existent. For the parabola and hyperbola the distances are in general finite; but it is necessary to distinguish for the parabola, e.g. the case P 123 where an extreme point, and for the hyperbola, e.g. the cases H 123 and H 123 where one or each of the extreme points, is at infinity. We have in these cases respectively

P 123,	$T_{ m _{12}}$ finite,	$T_{ m _{23}}$ finite,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 31}=\infty$
P 123,	$T_{12} = \infty$,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 23}$ finite,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 31}=\infty$

and it may be added, as regards P123, that, by a continuous change of the parabolic orbit the point 1 may change over to infinity on the other half-branch of the parabola, or the arrangement become P231. And, moreover

H123,	$T_{ m _{12}}{ m finite},$	$T_{ m _{23}}$ finite,	$T_{ m _{31}}{ m non-existent.}$
H İ23,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 12}{=}\infty$,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 23}$ finite,	$T_{ m 31}$ non-existent.
H 123,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 12}\!=\infty$,	$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 23}=\infty$,	$T_{ m 31}$ non-existent.

Thus the proper symbol L 123, P 123, &c. as the case may be, will always at once indicate as to each of the times T_{12} , T_{23} , T_{31} , whether this is = 0, finite, infinite, or non-existent.

125. We may without difficulty attach to the several portions of the regulator, the separators and the parabolic curve, to each portion its proper symbol L, P, H and 123, 123, &c. as the case may be.

First, as to the regulator, it is obvious that this is separated by the points A into the three portions L213, L321, L132, respectively. And inside the regulator, adjacent to these, we have portions of the parabolic curve P213, P321, P132, respectively.

Again, for one of the separators, say $B^{iv}B'AB''B^{v}$ (see here and in all that follows the notation-diagram, No. 115); since the point 2 is here at infinity this must be at every portion thereof either $H \, 132$ or else $H \, 312$. The point B^{iv} is $H \, 132$ and the point B' is $H \, 312$; consequently, as the orbit-pole passes along the separator from B^{iv} to B', the symbol is at first $H \, 132$ and at last $H \, 312$; the transition takes place at the point of contact of the parabolic curve which is indifferently $P \, 132$ or $P \, 213$. (In further explanation of the transition, consider the orbit-pole as passing from B^{iv} to B, not on the separator, but indefinitely near it; it can only do so by twice crossing the parabolic curve near the point of contact; the orbit is first $H \, 132$, or say $H \, 132$, then $P \, 132$, then an ellipse, which when the orbit-pole again arrives at the parabolic curve changes into $P \, 312$; and it finally becomes $H \, 312$ or $H \, 312$.)

126. Again, since, on the two separators through B^{IV} , in the portions adjacent to B^{IV} , the symbols are H132 and H132, it is clear that in the adjacent portion of the parabolic curve (terminated each way by a point of contact with these separators respectively) the symbol must be P132; at the point of contact with the first-mentioned separator $B^{\text{IV}}B'AB''B^{\text{V}}$, this becomes P132, =P213; and beyond the point of contact it becomes P213, continuing so until it arrives at the next point of contact with the separator B'A'B'': there is always in the symbol for the parabolic curve this change of form as we pass through a point of contact with a separator; and there is the same change, when travelling along the loop (that is without going inside the regulator) we pass through a point A. The foregoing considerations fully explain how the proper symbol is to be attached to each portion of the regulator, the separators, and the parabolic curve: to avoid confusion, I have abstained from attaching them in the Plate.

127. Imagining the symbols attached as above, it at once appears that, for the two portions A'A and AA'' of the regulator curve, we have $T_{13} = 0$; while, for the arc A''A' of the parabolic curve we have $T_{13} = \infty$. Moreover, T_{13} can only be infinite on one of the separators through B''' and on the parabolic curve; and the symbols show that the curve T_{13} is made up, in a peculiar discontinuous manner, of portions of these two separators and of the parabolic curve, as shown by the strongly marked line of the figure; we have thus the boundary of certain *lightly* shaded regions within which (as well as within the shaded regions) T_{13} is non-existent; excluding these, the remaining regions (instead of a trilateral symmetry) have a symmetry about the axis BB'''; there are still four regions which may be distinguished as the inner region, the axial outer region, and the lateral outer regions; or, more shortly, as the inner, axial, and lateral regions.
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128. The times T_{12} , T_{23} , T_{31} are calculated, Planogram 1, part 1, for the meridian long. 90°, and ditto part 2 for the meridian long. 270°; and in Planogram 2 for the meridian long. 180°. As regards these last values, it is easy to see that, in order to pass to the meridian long. 0°, the numbers 2, 3 must be interchanged; that is, long. 0°, the T_{12} , T_{13} , T_{23} are respectively equal to the values, long. 180°, T_{13} , T_{12} , T_{23} . Moreover, the numbers 1, 2, 3 may be changed into 2, 3, 1, or into 3, 1, 2, provided the longitude is increased by 120° and 240° in the two cases respectively; that is,

$$T_{31} \text{ long. } \alpha = T_{31} \text{ long. } \alpha$$
$$= T_{12} \text{ long. } (\alpha + 120^\circ)$$
$$= T_{12} \text{ long. } (\alpha + 240^\circ)$$

129. By means of the foregoing two relations, T_{13} for the several longitudes 0°, 30°, 60°, ... 330°, is given as equal to the T_{12} , T_{23} , or T_{31} , for long. 90°, 270°, or 180°, that is, to the T_{12} , T_{23} , or T_{31} , of Planogram No. 1, part 1 or 2, or of Planogram No. 2. For example, T_{31} long. 240° = T_{12} long. 0° = T_{13} long. 180°, that is, it is equal to the T_{31} of Planogram No. 2. We thus find

Long				T_{13} is =							
0°			•	T_{12} of Pl	an. N	o. 2					
30°			•				$T_{_{23}}$ of 2	Plan. No	o. 1, pt.	2	
60°				$T_{_{12}}$	"						
90°										$T_{\scriptscriptstyle 12}$ of	Plan. No. 1, pt. 1
120°		•		$T_{_{23}}$	"						
150°							<i>T</i> ₃₁	"		A Supply	
180°				$T_{_{31}}$	"			1418 - 10			
210°	•									. T ₂₃	33
240°	•			$T_{_{12}}$	"						
270°							$T_{_{12}}$	"			fae Plate.
300°				$T_{_{23}}$	"						
330°										. T ₃₁	33

and observing that for Planogram No. 1, part 1 or 2, we have $T_{12} = T_{31}$, it hence appears as above, that the meridian 30° —210° is an axis of symmetry of the spherogram. In what precedes it has been assumed that the colatitudes only extend from 0° to 90°, but in the spherogram they extend for the meridians 30°, 150°, 270°, to the colatitude 106° 6′, the values for the colatitudes above 90° are those for the omitted portions 90° to 73° 54′ of the opposite meridian.

N.B. A meridian extends from the pole in one direction only, unless the contrary is expressed or implied, as in speaking of a meridian 0° —180°.

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130. I attend, in the first instance, to the axis of symmetry or meridian $30^{\circ}-210^{\circ}$. Proceeding along the meridian long. 30° or towards the point A, the value of T_{13} decreases from 1 at the centre to a minimum = 950 at colatitude 11° (call this the point X), and it then increases to 1983 at A, and thence to 58.62 at 90° and ∞ at the parabolic boundary of the axial region. In the opposite direction it increases from 1 at the centre to ∞ at the parabolic boundary of the inner region. The minimum value 950 on the axis of symmetry indicates a node on the isochronic curve; that is, the point X is a node on the isochronic $T_{13} = 950$. This will consist of two branches, proceeding from A', A'', respectively, cutting the axis and each other at X, then again cutting at A, and thence passing on into the axial region, and respectively terminating on the separator boundary B'AB'' thereof.

131. This curve, which I call the nodal isochronic, divides the inner region into a loop, antiloop, and two side regions. On each of the meridians 0°, 60°, the value of T_{13} diminishes from 1 at the centre to a minimum which is less, and then increases to a maximum which is greater, than '950; the value then diminishes to 0 on the regulator: on emergence of the meridian from the shaded into the axial region, the value is = '909, and it thence increases to ∞ at the parabolic boundary of the axial region; these data further determine the form of the nodal isochronic, viz., each of the two half meridians cuts the loop twice, and again cuts the curve in the axial region.

The nodal isochronic, at each of the points A', A'', continues its course into the lateral region, returning to the same point A or A', so as to form in each of the lateral regions a loop. Considering the loop as formed of two branches, each proceeding from A' or A'', the one which is the continuation of the course within the inner region I call the lower branch; the other, the upper branch; and I say that the upper branch *touches* the separator at A' or A''. The two branches and the entire loop lie on the left-hand side (or side away from A) of the meridians through A' or A''. As to the contact of the upper branch of this and other isochronics at A' or A'' with the separator, see *post* No. 142.

132. It is convenient at this point to consider the form of the isochronic curves within the axial region. The parabolic boundary thereof is an isochronic $T_{13} = \infty$, and it thence appears that for any large value of T_{13} the isochronic curve (portion of the curve) is a curve not meeting the parabolic boundary, and terminated each way in the separator boundary B'AB''. As the value of T_{13} diminishes, the curve (which is of course always symmetrical in regard to the axis) bends inwards towards the point A and for $T_{13} = 1.983$ (value on the axis at A) the curve acquires a cusp at A. I call this the cuspidal isochronic; I remark that it intersects in the axial region each of the meridians 0° and 60° .

As T_{13} further diminishes to any value between 1.983 and .950, the curve, commencing in the separator boundary, passes through A into the inner region, and, forming a loop within the loop of the nodal isochronic, emerges through A into the axial region, terminating again in the separator boundary.

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133. On the meridians 90°, 330°, through the points B', B'', respectively, the value of T_{13} diminishes from 1 at the centre to 0 at the regulator, where these meridians are considered as terminating.

On the meridians 120° , 300° (meridian at right angles to the axis of symmetry), the value of T_{13} diminishes from 1 at the centre to a minimum less than '878, and then increasing to a maximum of over '895 diminishes to 0 at the regulator. On emergence of the meridian from the shaded and half-shaded region on the parabolic boundary of the lateral region the value is $=\infty$, and it thence diminishes to 1.148 on the separator boundary $B^{\text{tv}}B'$ or $B^{\text{v}}B'$.

On the meridians 150°, 270°, which pass through A', A'', respectively, the value of T_{13} increases from 1 at the centre to 1.377 at the regulator, and thence through 2.255 at 90° to ∞ at B^{IV} or B^{V} .

And finally, on the meridians 180° , 240° , the value of T_{13} increases from 1 at the centre to ∞ at the parabolic inner boundary, and then on emergence from the half-shaded and shaded region at the separator boundary B'''A' or B'''A'', the value is $= \infty$, and it thence diminishes to a minimum under 6.343, and again increases to ∞ at the separator boundary $B'''B^{\text{rv}}$ or $B'''B^{\text{v}}$.

134. By what precedes, it appears that on the separator boundary $B^{\text{IV}}B'$ or $B^{\text{V}}B''$ of either of the lateral regions, the values of T_{13} is at each extremity $= \infty$, and at an intermediate point = 1.148; there is consequently a minimum value less than 1.148, and therefore two points at each of which the value is = 1.983.

Now resuming the consideration of the cuspidal isochronic ($T_{13} = 1.983$) as regards the remaining portions thereof, viz., those in the lateral and inner regions; and considering first the lateral region $B'''B^{IV}B'$, there will be from each of the points just referred to on the boundary $B^{IV}B'$ a branch; one (which I call the lower branch) from the point nearer B', passes, on the right-hand side of the meridian through A', to A'; the other (which I call the upper branch) proceeding from the point nearer B^{IV} , cuts the same meridian, and then on the left-hand side thereof arrives at A', touching there the separator: at A'' in the other lateral region there are in like manner an upper and a lower branch (situate symmetrically, in regard to the axis, with the upper and lower branches at A'); and continuous with the two lower branches there is a branch from A' to A'', through the antiloop of the inner region.

135. Imagine the given value of T_{13} as continuously increasing from the value 950, which belongs to the nodal isochronic; and attend in the first instance to the form within the lateral regions. There will be a loop of continually increasing magnitude (viz., the loop for a larger value of T_{13} will always wholly include that for a smaller value); each loop formed by an upper branch, which at A' touches the separator, and a lower branch the direction of which from A' is variable. So long as T_{13} is less than 1.377 (value at A' along the meridian) the lower branch, and consequently the whole loop, will lie on the left hand of the meridian; but when T_{13} is = 1.377, the lower branch touches the meridian, and for any greater value of T_{13} lies on the right of the meridian; and in either of the last-mentioned cases the loop

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is cut by the meridian, and thus lies partly on the left, and partly on the right thereof.

136. Now by what precedes there is on the separator boundary $B'B^{IV}$ of the lateral region a point where T_{13} has a minimum value less than 1.148, and consequently, for any given value, say for a value between this minimum and 1.377, there are on $B'B^{IV}$ two points where T_{13} has the given value. These points cannot lie on the loop of the curve belonging to the given value (for this loop is wholly on the left hand of the meridian); hence the complete curve for the given value of T_{13} will include (within the lateral region) besides the loop, a branch uniting the two points in question; say a link branch.

137. It follows that there is between $T_{13} = 1.377$ and 1.983, a value (to fix the ideas, say = 1.80?, it being understood that I do not attempt to determine this value) for which the loop and link branch will unite themselves together, the point of junction becoming as usual a node; viz., there will be a curve $T_{13} = 1.80$? having in the two lateral regions respectively the nodes Y, Y'; or say the curve has in each lateral region a self-intersecting loop. For any greater value of T_{13} (as for example the value 1.983 belonging to the cuspidal curve) there are two branches inclosing the self-intersecting loop; for a less value, as has been seen, instead of the self-intersecting loop, there is a loop and link branch; at least this is the case until for the minimum value < 1.148 of T_{13} on the separator boundary $B^{IV}B'$ the link branch disappears. For smaller values down to $T_{13} = .950$, which belongs to the nodal isochronic, there is no link branch, but only the loop; and as T_{13} diminishes below this value, there is still a continually diminishing loop, lying wholly on the left hand of the meridian, and with its upper branch always touching the separator; and ultimately for $T_{13} = 0$ the loop vanishes.

138. We have attended wholly to the lateral regions; but the consideration of the axial and inner regions is very easy: for any value between the values 1.983 and .950, there are in the axial region (between the nodal and cuspidal curves) two branches each proceeding from the separator to A, where they unite, and, crossing each other, pass into the inner region, forming a loop within the loop of the nodal isochronic; and, moreover, there is in the inner region a branch, the continuation of the lower branches of the lateral loops, uniting the points A', A'', and lying between the nodal and cuspidal isochronic. And for T_{13} less than .950 there are in the axial region, between the nodal curve and the separator, two branches, each proceeding from the separator to A, where, crossing each other, they enter the inner region passing outside the nodal curve (or in the side regions of the inner region) to the points A', A'', where they respectively join on to the lower branches of the lateral loops. Ultimately, for $T_{13} = 0$, the curve coincides with the finite portions AA', AA'' of the regulator circle.

139. We have finally to consider the case T_{13} greater than 1.983: there is in the axial region a branch lying outside the cuspidal curve, and extending from separator to separator; in each lateral region two branches (lying outside those of the cuspidal curve) each proceeding from A' (or A'') to the separator boundary $B'B^{\rm rv}$

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or $B''B^{v}$, an upper branch touching the separator at A' or A'', and a lower branch; and in the inner region, a branch (continuation of the lower branches) lying between the cuspidal curve and the parabolic boundary of the antiloop, and uniting the points A', A''. In the ultimate case $T_{13} = \infty$, the curve coincides with the before-mentioned discontinuous curve composed of portions of the parabolic curve and of two separators.

140. To obtain a comprehensive statement of the foregoing results, we may (as in the case of the iseccentric lines) imagine the curves completed and rendered continuous by the insertion of portions lying outside the spherogram, or within the half-shaded and shaded regions; which inserted portions are to be ultimately obliterated. The upper and under branches terminating in the separator boundary of a lateral region are thus completed into a loop; the link branch into a closed curve or oval; the vanishing of the link branch happens when the oval, on the point of passing outside the separator boundary of the lateral region, just touches this boundary; as T_{13} diminishes to the value for which this happens, and continues still further to diminish, I think it may be assumed that there is some value (to fix the ideas, say $T_{13} = 1.10$?, but I do not attempt to determine it) for which the oval becomes a conjugate point, viz., for this value $T_{13} = 1.10$? the curve will have two conjugate points (nodes) Z', Z'', outside the two lateral regions respectively.

141. We may now state the forms of the curve. The points A, A', A'', are always nodes, viz., A', A'', nodes with real branches, but A is either a conjugate point, a cusp, or a node with real branches.

 $T_{13} > 1.983$: two-looped curve, containing within it A as a conjugate point:

as T_{13} diminishes, the curve bends inwards towards A, and

 $T_{13} = 1.983$: cuspidal isochronic; A, a cusp.

 $T_{13} < 1.983$, the curve cuts itself at A, having thus acquired an internal loop: as T_{13} diminishes, changes occur first as regards the lateral loops, and afterwards as regards the internal loop; viz., each of the lateral loops is gradually pinched together until

 $T_{13} = 1.80$? there are two new nodes Y', Y", each lateral loop being a figure of 8.

As T_{13} diminishes the figure-of-8-loop breaks up into a loop and oval, which oval continually diminishes until for

 $T_{13} = 1.10$? the ovals have each become conjugate points, or there is a curve with two conjugate points Z', Z". As T_{13} diminishes the conjugate points have disappeared, and we have again a curve with an internal and two lateral loops; but in the meantime the internal loop and the branch A'A'' are continually approaching each other; and, $T_{13} = .950$, nodal isochronic, there is a node X on the axis. The curve consists of two figures of 8, each crossing itself at one of the points A', A'', and the two crossing each other at the points A, X.

As T_{13} diminishes, the curve breaks off from X on each side of the axis so as not any longer to cross the axis (except at A), that is

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 $T_{13} < 950$; curve is a chain intersecting itself at A', A, A''; viz., from each loop there pass two branches, one inside, the other outside, the regulator, uniting themselves at A with the branches from the other loop outside and inside the regulator respectively; and finally

 $T_{13} = 0$, the curve is the arc A'AA'' of the regulator circle.

142. There is not in the several curves any discontinuity of direction at the point A' or A'': the branch from A within the shaded or half-shaded region, emerges at A' or A'' into the lateral region, uniting itself with the upper branch of the loop; it can only do this in virtue of its being at A' or A'' a tangent to the separator (for otherwise it would cross the separator and regulator into the inner region); that is, the continuation thereof, or upper branch of the loop, must at the point A' or A'' touch the separator; it has been previously throughout assumed that this is so.

143. It is to be observed, both as regards the iseccentric and the isochronic curves, that there is a real meaning in the obliterated portions; viz., to any position of the orbit-pole on such obliterated portion of the curve there corresponds a conic determined by means of a given trivector, but which, by reason of its being a convex hyperbola, or hyperbola such that the three points do not lie on the same branch thereof, is not regarded as an orbit. The obliterated portions have been in the present Memoir considered only so far as they present themselves in continuity with the curves which are the loci of the pole of a proper orbit, and for the purpose of explaining the course of these curves; and the curves completed as above are not the complete loci which would be obtained if, instead of the selected conic called the orbit, we had considered simultaneously the four conics determined by means of any given trivector; such extension of the theory would, it is probable, be interesting geometrically; but it would be devoid of all astronomical significance.



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