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Príklad 1

**PROBLEM:** If the solar system were immersed in a uniformly dense spherical cloud of weakly-interacting massive particles (WIMPs) then objects in the solar system would experience gravitational forces from both the Sun and the cloud of WIMPs such that

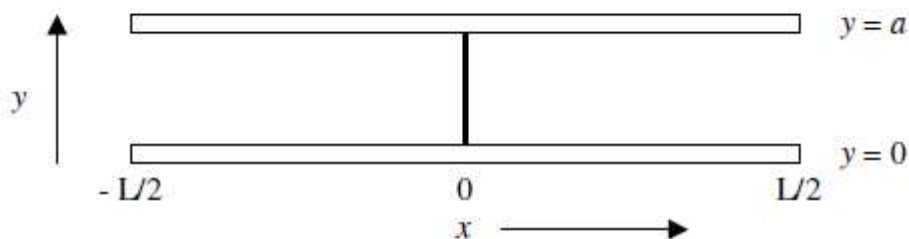
$$F_r = -\frac{k}{r^2} - br$$

Assume that the extra force due to the WIMPs is very small (that is  $b \ll k/r^3$ ). Work to first order in  $b$ .

- Find the frequency of radial oscillations for a nearly circular orbit. 5
- Find the average angular velocity. 3
- Find the rate of precession of the perihelion to lowest order in  $b$  using the results of (a) and (b). 2

Príklad 2

**PROBLEM:** As shown in the figure, two parallel conducting plates of dimension  $L \times L$  are separated by a distance  $a \ll L \rightarrow \infty$  and are at electrical potential  $V = 0$ . A thin charged membrane of height  $a$  and length  $L$  is inserted perpendicular to the plates at  $x = 0$ . The potential on this membrane is  $V(0, y) = V_0 \sin(\pi y/a)$ . The plates and the membrane extend a distance  $L$  in the direction perpendicular to the plane of the figure.



- Find the electrical potential,  $V(x, y)$ , in the region between the plates to the right of the membrane (i.e., for  $x > 0$ ). (You may ignore values of  $x \geq L/2$ .)
- Find the sign and magnitude of the charge density,  $\sigma(x)$ , on the conducting plates at  $y = 0$  and  $y = a$  to the right of the membrane,  $x > 0$ .
- Find the magnitudes and directions of the forces on the entire upper and lower plates.

Príklad 3

**PROBLEM:** In studying the hydrogen atom one takes the proton to be a point charge with mass  $M$ . Suppose instead that the proton charge is distributed uniformly within the volume of a sphere with radius  $r_0 = 10^{-15}$  m.

- (a) Using perturbation theory, calculate the shift in energy of the  $1s$  level of hydrogen to first order in the perturbation.
- (b) Give an order of magnitude estimate of the ratio of the  $2p$  and  $1s$  level shifts.

Príklad 4

**PROBLEM:** Molecules of an ideal gas have internal energy levels that are equidistant,  $E_n = n\varepsilon$ , where  $n = 0, 1, \dots$  and  $\varepsilon$  is the level spacing. The degeneracy of  $n$ th level is  $n + 1$ . Find the contribution of these internal states to the energy of the gas of  $N$  molecules at temperature  $T$ .