

## Kepler questions

1. A satellite is put in orbit around Jupiter at an altitude of  $6.0 \times 10^7$  m.

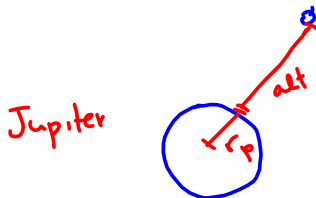
a) What is its period of orbit?

b) What is its orbital speed?  $v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$

$$r = r_p + \text{alt.}$$

$$= 7.15 \times 10^7 + 6.0 \times 10^7 \text{ m}$$

$$= 1.315 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$$



Recall: For any object orbiting Jupiter

$$K = \frac{r^3}{T^2}$$

$$\frac{r_{Al}^3}{T_{Al}^2} = \frac{r_{sat}^3}{T_{sat}^2}$$

$$\frac{(1.81 \times 10^8 \text{ m})^3}{(42780 \text{ s})^2} = \frac{(1.315 \times 10^8 \text{ m})^3}{T_{sat}^2}$$

$$T_{sat}^2 = \frac{(1.315 \times 10^8 \text{ m})^3}{(1.81 \times 10^8 \text{ m})^3} (42780 \text{ s})^2$$

$$a) \quad T_{sat} = \underline{\underline{26492 \text{ s}}}$$

Using Almathea

$$r_{Al} = 1.81 \times 10^5 \text{ km} = 1.81 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$$

$$T_{Al} = 11 \text{ h } 53 \text{ m}$$

$$= 11 \times 3600 + 53 \times 60 \text{ s}$$

$$= 42780 \text{ s}$$

$$v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi (1.315 \times 10^8)}{2.65 \times 10^4}$$

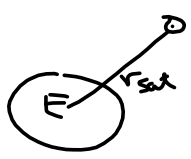
$$= 3.1 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{31 \text{ km/s}}}$$

## Synchronous, geostationary

2. What is the radius of orbit of a geosynchronous satellite orbiting the Earth?

What is the importance/significance of this satellite orbit?



$T_{\text{sat}} = 1 \text{ day}$

$r_{\text{moon}} = 3.84 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$

$T_{\text{moon}} = 27.3 \text{ days}$

$$\frac{r_{\text{moon}}^3}{T_{\text{moon}}^2} = \frac{r_{\text{sat}}^3}{T_{\text{sat}}^2}$$

$$\frac{(3.84 \times 10^8 \text{ m})^3}{(27.3 \text{ d})^2} = \frac{r_{\text{sat}}^3}{(1 \text{ d})^2}$$

$r_{\text{sat}} = 4.24 \times 10^7 \text{ m}$

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