

# Parallel Time Methods for Computing a Satellite's Trajectory

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# Introduction

- In many applications, one needs to account and predict as accurately as possible for the orbit of natural or manmade satellites
- This requires solving a system of second order differential equations to determine numerically the satellite's trajectory
- The end result is a mass of computations particularly on long time spans (a week, a month, a year, ...)

# Introduction

- In 1998, S. Rault and J. Erhel [1], [2] proposed a multiple shooting method to solve this sort of equations in parallel based on previous work by Chartier and Philippe [5].
- Another parallel approach that has been devised in 2006 by [3] for reaction-diffusion on long-time, used in 2009 for a membrane problem, has been adapted to the satellite problem by J. Erhel, N. Karam and N. Nassif ,[4] is called: “Adaptive Parallel Time Integration (APTI)”

# Introduction

Plan of this talk:

- Presentation of APTI and implementation the Satellite Problem
- A modified version of the Parareal algorithm implemented on the same problem
- A comparison on the satellite model between the 3 performances

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# Satellite Trajectory

Newton's second law



**General Equation of a Satellite's Trajectory:**

$$\vec{F} = m\vec{r} \quad (1)$$

where:

$m$  is the mass of the satellite

$\vec{r}$  is the position-vector of the satellite with respect to the center of the earth

$\vec{r}$  is the acceleration vector of the satellite

$\vec{F}$  is the force vector applied on the satellite

# Satellite Trajectory

**Keplerian Motion:** In the proximity of the earth, the central gravitational attraction is considered the only force that is applied to the satellite:

$$\vec{F} = -GM \frac{m}{\|\vec{r}\|^3} \vec{r} = -\mu \frac{m}{\|\vec{r}\|^3} \vec{r} \quad (2)$$

where  $G$  is the universal gravitational constant,  $M$  the earth's mass and

$$\mu = GM = 3986005 \times 10^8 m^3/s^2 \quad (3)$$

# Satellite Trajectory

## Resulting Equation of Motion:

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\frac{\mu}{\|\vec{r}\|^3} \vec{r} \quad (4)$$

- The satellite moves in a fixed plane along an ellipse having the center of the earth as one focus
- The motion of the satellite is periodic of period:

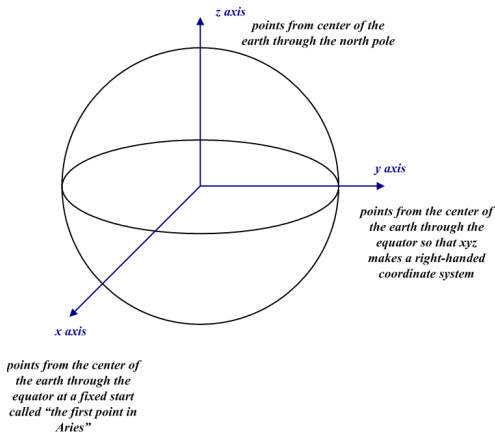
$$P = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a^3}{\mu}} \quad (5)$$

- Thus it is enough to solve the problem for 1 period

# Reference Coordinate Systems

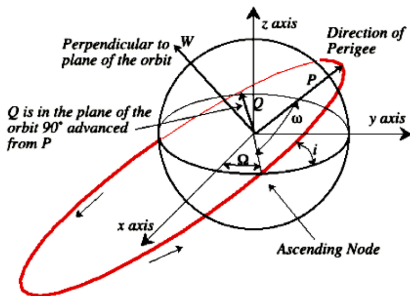
- To fully describe the trajectory of the satellite, 6 coordinates are needed
- Classical coordinate systems:
  - Earth Centered Inertial Coordinate Frame (ECI)
  - Perifocal Coordinate Frame (PQW)

# Earth Centered Inertial Coordinate Frame (ECI)



- This frame is a Cartesian coordinate system
- Centered on the Earth
- The X-axis goes from the center of the Earth through the earth's equator at the "the vernal equinox"
- The Z-axis is parallel to the Earth's axis of rotation
- The Y-axis is obtained by applying the right-hand rule

## Perifocal Coordinate Frame (PQW)



- Cartesian coordinate system
- The X-axis points from the center of the Earth towards the perigee
- The Y-axis points from the center of the Earth, orthogonal to the X-axis in the Keplerian plane
- The Z-axis points from the center of the earth, orthogonal to the elliptical plane

# Equivalent System of First Order ODE's for the Keplerian case

Using the components  $(x, y, z)$  of the position vector and the components  $(\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z})$  of the velocity vector  $\vec{r}$ , one can rewrite the problem as a first-order initial value problem of dimension 6, of the general form (S), in which one seeks  $Y$  which satisfies:

$$(S) \begin{cases} \frac{dY}{dt} = F(Y) = F_K(Y), & t > 0, \\ Y(0) = Y_0 \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{where: } Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ Y_3 \\ Y_4 \\ Y_5 \\ Y_6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \end{pmatrix}$$

# The case of a Perturbed Keplerian motion

- In actuality, the orbit of the satellite is not Keplerian
- Many other forces perturb the central gravitational attraction
- Their order of magnitude to that of the central attraction of the earth [2]:

*The sun's gravitational attraction* :  $10^{-8}$

*The moon's gravitational attraction* :  $10^{-7}$

*Force due to the flattening of the earth* :  $10^{-3}$

*Central gravitational attraction of the earth* : 1

- We only consider the force caused by the flattening of the earth since it is by far the most significant

# The $J_2$ -Perturbed Gravitational Potential of The Earth

$$u(J_2) = -\frac{\mu}{r} \left\{ 1 + \left( \frac{r_{eq}}{r} \right)^2 J_2 P_2(\sin \varphi) \right\} \quad (7)$$

where:

- $\mu = 3986005 \times 10^8 m^3/s^2$
- $r_{eq}$  is the equatorial radius:  $r_{eq} = 6378.137 km$
- $J_2$  is the zonal harmonic:  $J_2 = -11.10^{-4}$
- $r = \|\vec{r}\|_2$  is the norm of the position vector  $\vec{r}$
- $P_2(\sin \varphi)$  is the Legendre polynomial of degree 2, in the variable  $\sin \varphi$ , where  $\varphi$  is the latitude:  

$$P_2(\sin \varphi) = \frac{3}{2} \sin^2 \varphi - \frac{1}{2}$$

# Principal Differential Equation for the $J_2$ -model

- The force per unit mass deriving from the potential  $u(J_2)$  is equal to  $-\vec{\nabla} u(J_2)$
- The force applied to the satellite is expressed as:  
 $\vec{F} = -m\vec{\nabla} u(J_2)$
- The general equation of motion (1) reduces to a second-order differential equation:

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = -\vec{\nabla} u(J_2) \quad (8)$$

## $J_2$ -perturbed Motion as a System of ODE's

The differential equation (8) modelizing the  $J_2$  problem along with a set of initial conditions, yields a second-order initial value problem, in which one seeks  $\vec{r}$  where:

$$\begin{cases} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{f}(\vec{r}), & t > 0 \\ \vec{r}(0) = \vec{r}_0, \\ \dot{\vec{r}}(0) = \vec{r}_0, \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

with:  $\vec{f}(\vec{r}) = -\vec{\nabla} U$ .

# Equivalent System of First Order ODE's

$\Rightarrow$  one can rewrite the problem as a first-order initial value problem of dimension 6, of the general form (S), in which one seeks  $Y$  which satisfies:

$$(S) \begin{cases} \frac{dY}{dt} = F(Y) = F_K(Y) + F_P(Y), & t > 0, \\ Y(0) = Y_0 \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

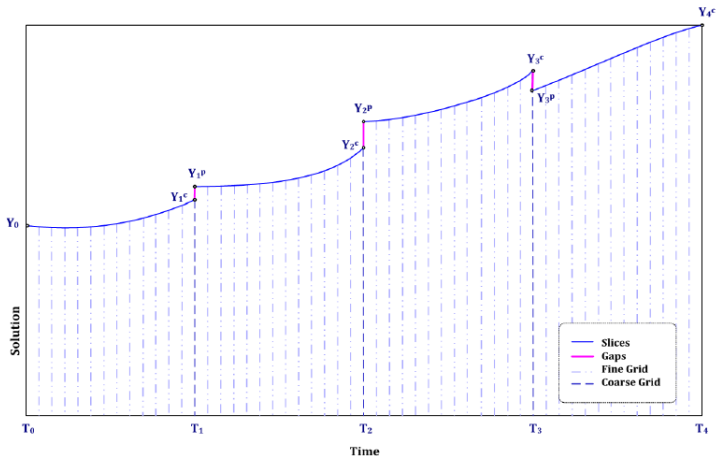
$$\text{where: } Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ Y_3 \\ Y_4 \\ Y_5 \\ Y_6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{z} \end{pmatrix}$$

$F(Y)$  can be split into a sum of two terms, a Keplerian term and a perturbing term:

$$F(Y) = \begin{pmatrix} Y_4 \\ Y_5 \\ Y_6 \\ -\mu \frac{1}{R^3} \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ Y_3 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{3\mu J_2 r_{eq}^2}{2} \left(1 - 5 \frac{Y_3^2}{R^2}\right) \frac{Y_1}{R^5} \\ \frac{3\mu J_2 r_{eq}^2}{2} \left(1 - 5 \frac{Y_3^2}{R^2}\right) \frac{Y_2}{R^5} \\ \frac{3\mu J_2 r_{eq}^2}{2} \left(3 - 5 \frac{Y_3^2}{R^2}\right) \frac{Y_3}{R^5} \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

with  $R = r = \sqrt{Y_1^2 + Y_2^2 + Y_3^2}$

# Time Parallelism

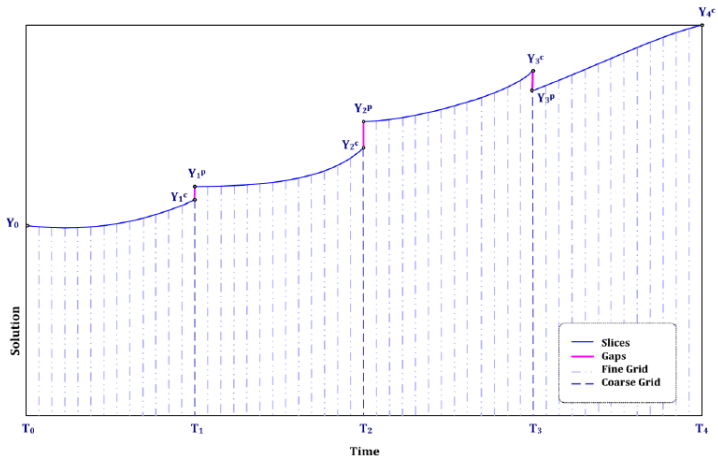


# General Steps of Multiple-Shooting Methods

1. Coarse grid discretization: The interval of integration  $[T_0, T]$  is decomposed into  $N$  time slices  $\implies$  coarse time grid  $[T_0 \dots T_N]$
2. Initial Prediction: of the solution values  $\{Y_n^p\}$  at every time grid point
3. Iterative process: *Do until convergence* of all slices:
  - (a) Parallel integration: on each slice  $[T_{n-1}, T_n]$ , using a fine grid to solve the independent initial value sub-problems:  

$$\frac{dY}{dt} = F(Y), \quad T_{n-1} < t \leq T_n, \quad Y(T_{n-1}) = Y_{n-1}^p.$$

$$\implies \text{computed value } Y_n^c \text{ at the end of each slice } [T_{n-1}, T_n].$$
  - (b) Check for convergence: on every slice by evaluating the "gaps" between predicted values  $\{Y_n^p\}$  and computed values  $\{Y_n^c\}$ :  
**If**  $\forall n \frac{\|Y_n^p - Y_n^c\|}{\|Y_n^p\|} \leq \epsilon_{tol}$ : convergence achieved and iterative process stops  
**Else**: iterations continue
    - (c) Corrective process: update the predicted values at the onset of each slice



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# Adaptive Parallel Time Integration (**APTI**)

The novelty in this approach is brought about by:

- Automatically generating a coarse grid of unequally sized time-slices
- Allowing predictions and corrections at the beginning of each of the coarse grid slices without using a sequential Finite Difference type method as in Parareal

# Equivalent Initial Value Shooting Problems

Let  $E : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the **End Of Slice**(EOS) function, which is problem dependent and chosen such that  $E(Y(t)) = 0$  is satisfied infinitely many times.

IVP  $\Rightarrow$  is equivalent to a sequence of Initial Value Shooting Problems where one seeks on the  $i^{th}$  slice the solution  $Y_i$  and the time  $T_i$ :

$$(S_i) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dY}{dt} = F(Y), & T_{i-1} < t \leq T_i \\ Y(T_{i-1}) = Y_{i-1}, \\ E(Y(T_i)) = 0, \end{cases} \quad \text{and } \forall t \in (T_{i-1}, T_i), E(Y(t)) \neq 0$$

# Core of the method

## Main features:

- The (non-uniform) coarse grid  $\{[T_{i-1}, T_i] \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$  is automatically generated by the End of Slice condition
- We seek relations between  $Y_{i-1} = Y(t_{i-1})$  and  $Y_i = Y(t_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ :
  - For the Keplerian motion:  $Y_i = Y_{i-1}, \forall i$
  - For the perturbed motion:  $Y_i - Y_{i-1} = D_i Z_i$ :  
 $D_i = \text{diag}(\alpha_i),$   
 $\alpha_i(j) = Y_{i-1}(j)$  if  $Y_{i-1}(j) \neq 0$  and  
 $\alpha_i(j) = 1$  if  $Y_{i-1}(j) = 0$

# Change of variables

$$\{Y, t\} \Rightarrow \{Z, s\}:$$

$$\begin{cases} t = T_{i-1} + \beta_i s, & \beta_i > 0 \\ Y(t) = Y_{i-1} + D_i Z(s), \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

Where  $\beta_i$  is a time rescaling factor and  $D_i = \text{diag}(\alpha_i) \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$  is an invertible diagonal matrix. For example, for a 3 dimensional problem the matrix  $D_i$  is given by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_{i-1}(1) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Y_{i-1}(2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Y_{i-1}(3) \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} Y_{i-1}(1) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Y_{i-1}(3) \end{pmatrix}$$

respectively, if  $Y_{i-1}(j) \neq 0, j = 1, 2, 3$  and if  $Y_{i-1}(j) \neq 0, j = 1, 3$  and  $Y_{i-1}(2) = 0$ .

## Resulting Rescaled Systems

Original IVP (S)  $\Leftrightarrow$  sequence of rescaled Initial Value Shooting Problems where one seeks  $Z_i(s_i)$  and  $s_i$  on the slice  $[T_{i-1}, T_i]$ :

$$(S'_i) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dZ}{ds} = G_i(Z), & 0 < t \leq s_i \\ Z(0) = 0, \\ H_i(Z(s_i)) = 0, \text{ and } \forall s < s_i, H_i(Z(s)) \neq 0 \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

where  $G_i(Z) = \beta_i D_i^{-1} F(Y_{i-1} + D_i Z)$ . Letting:  $Z(s_i) = Z_i$ , then:

$$Y_i - Y_{i-1} = D_i Z_i,$$

i.e., the study of the behavior of  $\{Y_i\}_i$  is equivalent to that of  $\{Z_i\}_i$  or equivalently if for  $\{Y_i(j) \neq 0, \forall i \forall j\}$ , we define the **ratio vectors**  $\{R_i\}_i$ ,  $R_i(j) = \frac{Y_i(j)}{Y_{i-1}(j)}$  then:

$$Z_i = R_i - e, \text{ with } e = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T.$$

# Main Tasks of the APTI Approach

- **1. Initialization** Sequential procedure determines  $n_s$  slices, such that:  $\{Z_n\}_n \{R_n\}_n$  stabilize at the  $n_s^{th}$  slice:  $n_s \ll N$ ,  $N$ : total number of slices  $N$  of the coarse mesh.
- **2. A prediction procedure:** Use extrapolation on the calculated solutions in terms of  $\{Z_i | i = 1, 2, ..n_s\}$  or  $\{R_i | i = 1, 2, ..n_s\}$  on the first  $n_s$  slices to predict sequence  $\{Z_i | i > n_s\}$  and  $\{Y_i^p | i > n_s\}$ :

$$Y_i(j) = Y_l(j) * (R_{l+1}(j)) * (R_{l+2}(j))... * (R_i(j)), \quad l = n_s$$

- **3. Parallel Runs and Gaps Computation:** Slices numbered  $i: i > n_s$  are assigned to available processors based on a cyclic distribution. Obtain  $n_{conv} > n_s$  the number of slices at which the method converges.
- **4. Correction** if  $n_{conv} < N$ , then update  $n_s$  by  $n_{conv}$ ; repeat 2, 3, 4 else Stop.

# APTI Algorithm I

## ● Step 1: Preliminary Sequential Run

- Solve the first  $n_s$  slices of the rescaled shooting value problems
- computes the successive rescaled solutions  $\{Z_i\}$  which can be equivalent to ratio vectors  $\{R_i\} = \{Y_i./Y_{i-1}\}$
- keeps going until the detection of a ratio property up to a certain tolerance  $\epsilon_R$

## ● Step 2: Iterative Process

### ● 2.1: Predict

To predict on the slices  $i > n_s$ , every processor:

- fits the last few ratios into an appropriate mathematical model
- then extrapolates in order to compute predicted solution values  $Y_i^p$

# APTI Algorithm II

- **2.2:** Parallel Run on the Remaining Slices

- The remaining slices (slices numbered  $i$ , where  $i > n_s$ ) are assigned to the processors available based on a cyclic distribution
- For instance, if there are two available processors, one takes on the computations of the odd numbered slices and the other takes the even numbered slices
- Every processor will solve the rescaled problem on the  $i^{\text{th}}$  slice starting with the predicted solution value  $Y_{i-1}^p$  to get a calculated value  $Y_i^c$

# APTI Algorithm III

- **2.3:** Calculate the Gaps Each processor:
  - reaches the end of every slice by calculating  $Y_i^c$
  - calculates the relative gaps between  $Y_i^c$  and the predicted value  $Y_i^p$ , for  $i > n_s$  as follows:

$$G_i = \frac{Y_i^c - Y_i^p}{\max(|Y_i^c|, |Y_i^p|)} \quad (15)$$

- checks if  $\|G_i\|_\infty \leq \epsilon_G$  where  $\epsilon_G$  is some chosen tolerance on the relative gaps
- proceeds to solve the next slice assigned to it

# APTl Algorithm IV

- **2.4:** End of iteration:
  - Whenever at an assigned slice, a processor reaches  $\|G_i\|_{\infty} > \epsilon_G$  it has then reached its own  $n_{last}$
  - Every processor sends  $n_{last}$  to a master processor
- **2.5:** Update  $n_s$ 
  - Based on  $\{n_{last}\}$ , master processor calculates  $n_{conv}$ , updates  $n_s$  by  $n_{conv}$  and broadcasts the new  $n_s$  to all processors.
  - Step (2) is repeated until convergence occurs for all slices

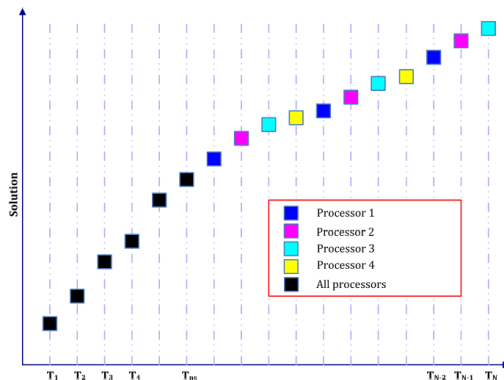


Figure : Cyclic Distribution on 4 processors

# Increase Speed-Up through a Duplication Approach I

In the "classical" implementation of APTI:

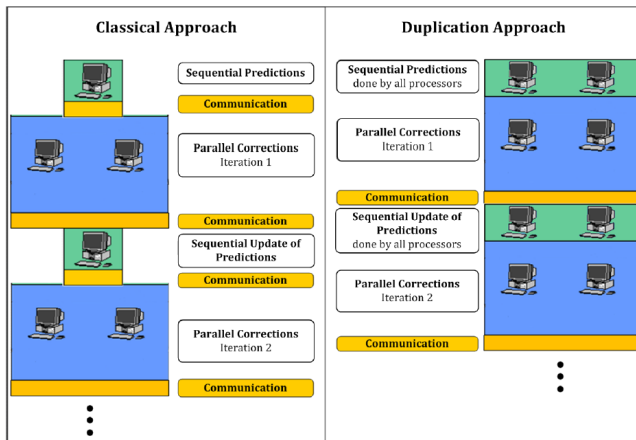
1. One processor finds the predicted values  $Y_i^p$  then sends them to all other processors
2. Then every processor solves in parallel the slices assigned to it in, to get the computed values  $Y_i^c$
3. All the processors send the computed values to the master processor
4. All processors wait until the master computes the new predictions and sends these predictions back to them
5. This process is repeated until convergence of all slices

# Increase Speed-Up through a Duplication Approach II

While in the duplication approach:

- The sequential predictions are done by all the processors at the same time
- Only 1 communication step in each iteration rather than 2

# Increase Speed-Up through a Duplication Approach III



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# Parareal Algorithm

- Parareal was a turning point in the time parallel solution of time-dependent differential equations
- It is a predictor corrector scheme
- It is an iterative procedure  $\Rightarrow$  it consists of iterating until convergence is reached
- And in every iteration, predictions and corrections are done

# Parareal

The Parareal algorithm is defined using two propagation operators:

- $F(T_2, T_1, u_1)$  provides an accurate approximation of the solution  $u(T_2)$  given the initial condition  $u(T_1) = u_1$
- $G(T_2, T_1, u_1)$  provides a less accurate approximation of the solution  $u(T_2)$  given the initial condition  $u(T_1) = u_1$ , for example:
  - on a coarser grid
  - or using a lower order method
  - or even an approximation using a simpler model

# Parareal

- The algorithm starts with the initial condition  $U_0^0 = u_0$
- It then obtains an initial approximation at iteration 0 of  $U_n^0, n = 0, \dots, N$  at times  $T_0, T_1, \dots, T_N$  using the sequential computation of  $U_{n+1}^0 = G(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^0)$
- It then performs for  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  the correction iteration:

$$U_{n+1}^{k+1} = G(t_{n+1}, t_n, U_n^{k+1}) + F(t_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^k) - G(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^k) \quad (16)$$

# Parareal Algorithm

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 $U_0^0 = u_0$ 
//Iteration 0
//Initial prediction
for  $n = 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
     $\hat{G}_{n+1}^0 = G(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^0)$ 
     $U_{n+1}^0 = \hat{G}_{n+1}^0$ 
end for
//Parareal Iterations
for  $k = 0$  to  $K_{max}$  do
     $U_0^{k+1} = u_0$ 
    //Parallel Step
    for  $n = 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
         $\hat{F}_{n+1}^k = F(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^k)$ 
    end for
    //Sequential Step
    for  $n = 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
        // Predict
         $\hat{G}_{n+1}^{k+1} = G(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^{k+1})$ 
        //Correct
         $U_{n+1}^{k+1} = \hat{G}_{n+1}^{k+1} + \hat{F}_{n+1}^k - \hat{G}_{n+1}^k$ 
    end for
    //Check for convergence
    if  $|U_{n+1}^{k+1} - U_{n+1}^k| < \epsilon \forall n$  then
        BREAK
    end if
end for

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# Implementation

In our implementation:

- We divided the time interval  $[0, T]$  into  $N$  coarse intervals each of size  $\delta T = \frac{T}{N}$
- We chose the two propagation operators such that:
  - The G operator is given by the classical fourth order Runge Kutta method with coarse time step  $\delta T = \frac{T}{N}$
  - The F operator is given by the classical fourth order Runge Kutta method with fine time step  $\tau = \frac{\delta T}{N_f} = \frac{T}{N * N_f}$ , where  $N_f$  is the number of fine slices in every coarse slice

# Modified Parareal

- In real applications, execution time is far more important than the number of iterations made before convergence
- Parareal suffers from a performance issue in its current form
- In every iteration, the parallel fine propagation step and the sequential coarse prediction and correction steps are performed on all the slices for  $n = 0$  to  $N - 1$
- When performing experiments, we noticed that some slices converge before the last iteration
- Hence, performing computations on the slices that have already converged is a redundant task

# Modified Parareal

- We suggest a modified version of the Parareal algorithm
- Here computations at every iteration are done on the slices that have not converged yet
- The number of operations (both parallel and sequential) at every iteration will decrease significantly
- This version will decrease the execution time of the algorithm without changing the number of iterations the algorithm takes to converge

# Modified Parareal: Algorithm

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 $U_0^0 = u_0$ 
//Iteration 0, Initial prediction
for  $n = 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
     $\hat{G}_{n+1}^0 = G(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^0)$ 
     $U_{n+1}^0 = \hat{G}_{n+1}^0$ 
end for
num_converged_slices = 0
//Parareal Iterations
for  $k = 0$  to  $K_{max}$  do
     $U_0^{k+1} = u_0$ 
    //Parallel Step
    for  $n = \text{num\_converged\_slices}$  to  $N - 1$  do
         $\hat{F}_{n+1}^k = F(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^k)$ 
    end for
    //Sequential Step

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for  $n = \text{num\_converged\_slices}$  to  $N - 1$  do
    // Predict
     $\hat{G}_{n+1}^{k+1} = G(T_{n+1}, T_n, U_n^{k+1})$ 
    //Correct
     $U_{n+1}^{k+1} = \hat{G}_{n+1}^{k+1} + \hat{F}_{n+1}^k - \hat{G}_{n+1}^k$ 
end for
//Update the number of converged slices
if  $|U_{n+1}^{k+1} - U_{n+1}^k| < \epsilon$  then
    num_converged_slices + = 1
end if
//Check for convergence
if num_converged_slices =  $N$  then
    BREAK
end if
end for

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# Notations

$N$	Number of slices
$N_f$	Number of fine slices used by the fine propagator of Parareal
$n_s$	Number of sequential slices computed by APTI before the parallel computations start
$\tau$	Time step (in sec) of integration used by the fine RK4 propagator
$T_s$	Time (in sec) needed to solve the problem sequentially
$n_l$	Number of iterations it takes the algorithm to converge
$n_p$	Number of MATLAB workers used
$T_{n_p}$	Time (in sec) needed to solve the problem in parallel using $n_p$ workers
$S_{n_p}$	Speed-up achieved while using $n_p$ workers
$E_{rel}$	Relative error of the parallel solution with respect to the sequential solution

# Definitions

- The parallel speed-up  $S_{n_p}$  is evaluated as the ratio of the sequential execution time to the parallel execution time while using  $n_p$  MATLAB workers:

$$S_{n_p} = \frac{T_s}{T_{n_p}} \quad (17)$$

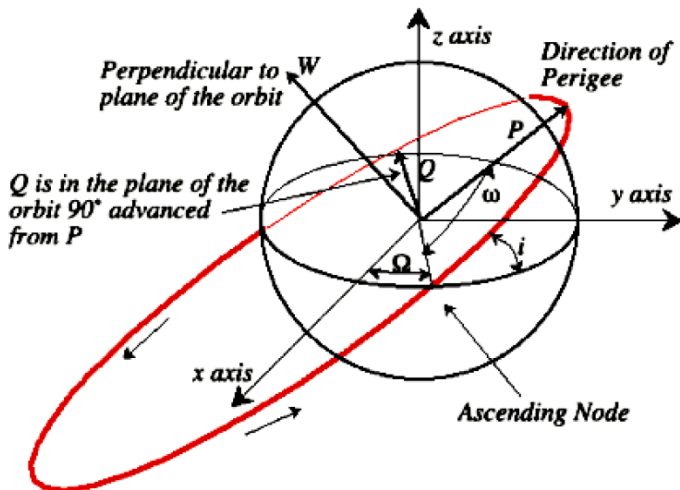
- The relative error is a measure of the difference between the solution given by the parallel solver  $Y^P$  and the solution given by the sequential solver  $Y^S$ :

$$E_{rel} = \frac{\|Y^P - Y^S\|}{\|Y^P\|} \quad (18)$$

# Choice of an EOS condition for the Satellite Problem

- In a  $J_2$  perturbed motion, the satellite will not follow a closed elliptic path
- It will follow a trajectory that is always tangential to an instantaneous ellipse: the osculating ellipse
- All of the instantaneous ellipses have the center of the earth at one focus
- $\implies$  The satellite will certainly pass through the initial Keplerian plane  $\implies$  Introduce a new coordinate frame, the **IPQW-frame**: the **PQW-frame** corresponding to the initial conditions

# IPQW frame



## Choice of an EOS for APTI

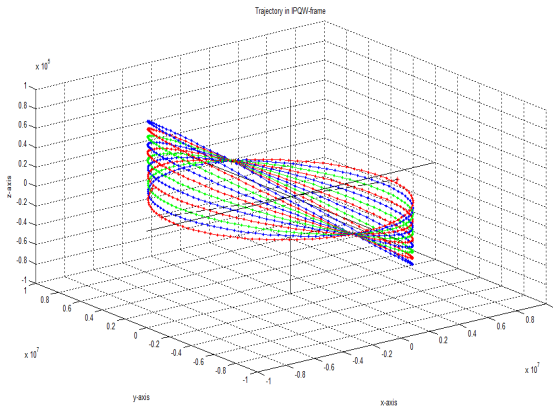
$\implies$  EOS condition: End the  $i^{th}$  slice when the satellite crosses the xy-plane of the IPQW frame, after completing a rotation, i.e.:

$$Y_{i,3} = 0 \quad (19)$$

for the second time, after being satisfied at the previous slice  $Y_{i-1,3} = 0$ .

*P.S. Having crossed the xy-plane at the end of the  $i - 1$  slice, the satellite will cross this plane twice in order to make an almost full rotation about the center of the earth*

# Orbit of a satellite in a $J_2$ perturbed motion (11 rotations)



## Results: Period of 1 day

- We applied APTI, Parareal and Modified Parareal algorithms to the satellite problem
- Time period of 1 day
- Set of 6 initial conditions, with:
  - $e$  ranging from 0.0005(nearly circular) to 0.5(eccentric)
- Used 2,4 and 8 MATLAB workers

## Period of 1 day

	APTI	Parareal 1	Parareal 2	Parareal 3	Parareal 4	Parareal 5	Parareal 6
N	14	24	48	144	864	1728	2880
Number of Iterations	7	24	48	13	2	2	2
SS_2\$	1.44	0.05	0.02	0.08	0.63	0.63	1.22
SS_4\$	1.6	0.07	0.04	0.12	1.04	1.05	1.84
SS_8\$	1.54	0.08	0.04	0.12	1.02	0.93	1.67
Rel Error	E-15	E-12	E-12	E-8	E-10	E-11	E-11

# Average performance results for a period of 1 day

	<b>APTI</b>	<b>Parareal</b>	<b>Modified Parareal</b>
N	14	2880	2880
$n_s$	4	-	-
$n_l$	7	2	2
$E_{rel}$	e-15	0	0
$S_2$	1.44	1.04	1.26
$S_4$	1.60	1.88	2.29
$S_8$	1.54	3.15	3.80

- All 3 algorithms achieved speed-up even when using 2 workers
- Parareal achieved speed-up higher than APTI

- APTI is at a disadvantage because for this relatively short period of time, the chosen EOS condition required choosing 14 total slices, a very small number of slices compared to 2880 slices for Parareal
- APTI needed to compute 4 slices sequentially before starting the parallel process  $\implies$  30% of the slices were computed sequentially  $\implies$  thus the relatively bad performance of APTI
- Modified Parareal outperforms classic Parareal since it achieves on average speed-up of 1.21 versus Parareal

## Period of 20 days

	<b>APTI</b>	<b>Parareal</b>	<b>Modified Parareal</b>
N	270	5760	5760
$n_s$	35	-	-
$n_l$	8	19	19
$E_{rel}$	e-05	e-05	e-05
$S_2$	2.60	0.12	0.20
$S_4$	3.47	0.20	0.35
$S_8$	3.26	0.31	0.52

- Only APTI achieved speed-up versus sequential
- Parareal and Modified Parareal fail to do so
- APTI outperforms Parareal since the total time of integration is relatively large  $\implies$  enforcing a reasonable total number of slices

- APTI has faster convergence rate since it required 8 iterations to converge while Parareal needed 19 iterations
- Modified Parareal outperforms classic Parareal since it takes on average half of the execution time  $\implies$  achieving almost twice the speed-up

Note: The speed-up for Parareal increased as the number of workers increased, but we could not test it with more workers due to a licence for very few MATLAB workers

## Period of 43 days

	<b>APTI</b>	<b>Parareal</b>	<b>Modified Parareal</b>
N	579	12384	12384
$n_s$	46	-	-
$n_l$	10	38	38
$E_{rel}$	e-05	e-04	e-04
$S_2$	2.86	0.05	0.09
$S_4$	4.29	0.08	0.15
$S_8$	4.85	0.11	0.21

- Only APTI achieved speed-up versus sequential
- APTI has 4 times better convergence rate based on  $n_l$
- Modified Parareal took almost  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the execution time of Parareal  $\implies$  almost 2 times the speed-up

# Period of 108 days

N	1500
$n_s$	46
$n_l$	21
$E_{rel}$	e-03
$S_2$	3.14
$S_4$	5.12
$S_8$	6.19

- We evaluated APTl on a set of 8 initial conditions
- Average performance results are very promising since:
  - APTl shows fast convergence rate: it converges after 21 iterations which is negligible compared to the number of slices 1500
  - Speed-up is significant while using 2,4 and 8 workers

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# Conclusion

The results have shown that:

- Parareal outperforms APTl for relatively small integration periods
  - since the chosen EOS condition enforced choosing a relatively small number of slices
  - The small total number of slices was not significant enough to get a valuable speed-up

# Conclusion

- APTI outperforms Parareal (in execution time and  $n_I$ ) for relatively large integration periods
  - when the total number of slices becomes much larger
- We tested APTI's efficiency for predicting the orbit of a satellite in a  $J_2$  perturbed motion for up to 108 days
- We also tested that modified Parareal takes less execution time than Parareal  $\implies$  doubling speed-up