

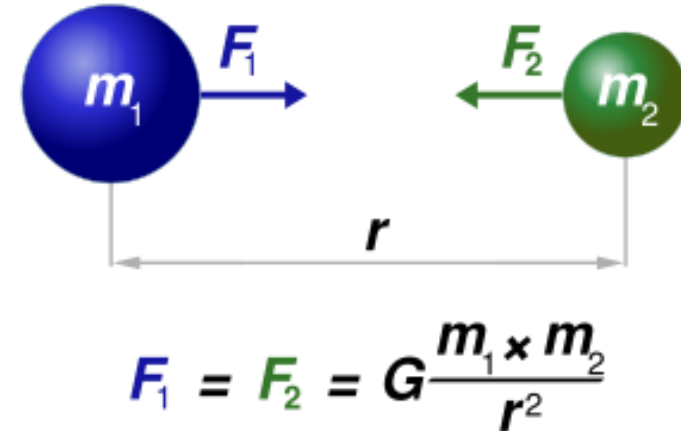


KEPLER LAW

And application to
exoplanet

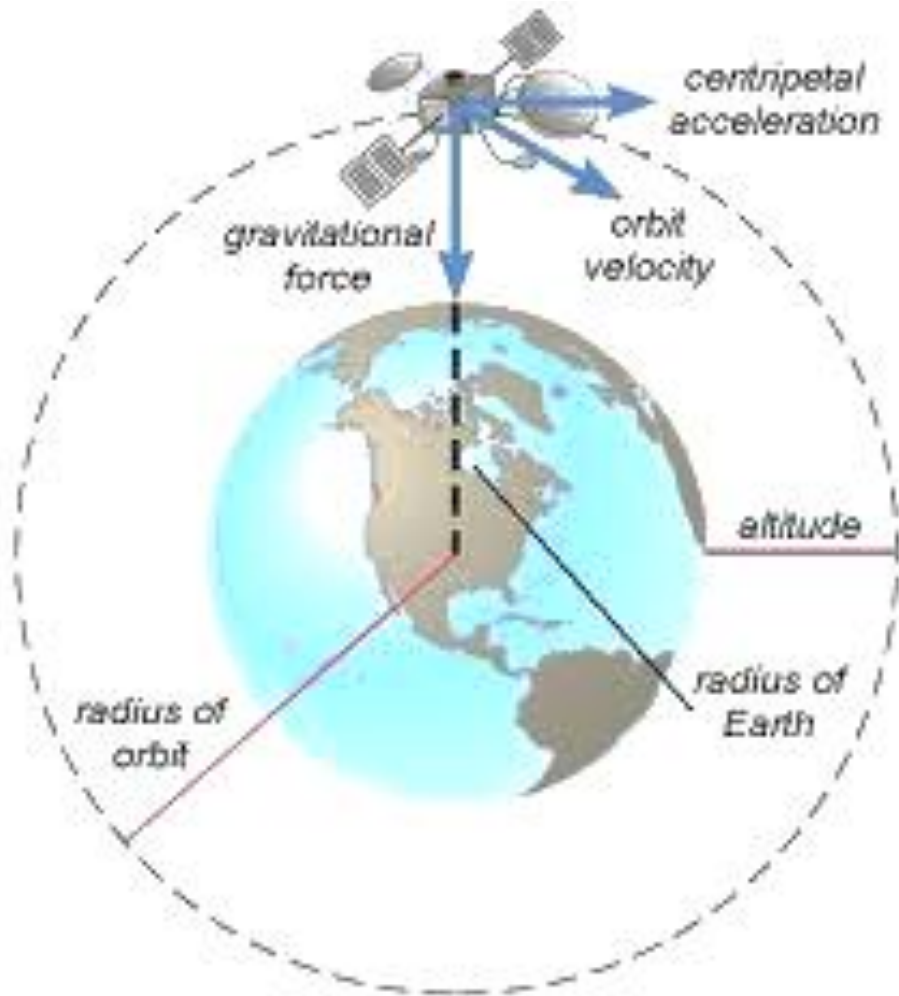
All is about gravitational force

$$F = \frac{GM_1M_2}{r^2}$$



- F – Attraction force between masses
- M_1 – Mass of object 1
- M_2 – Mass of object 2
- r – Distance (between CM of the two masses)
- G – Gravitational constant = 6.67×10^{-11} N m² per kg²

SIMPLE CASE: CIRCULAR MOTION



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

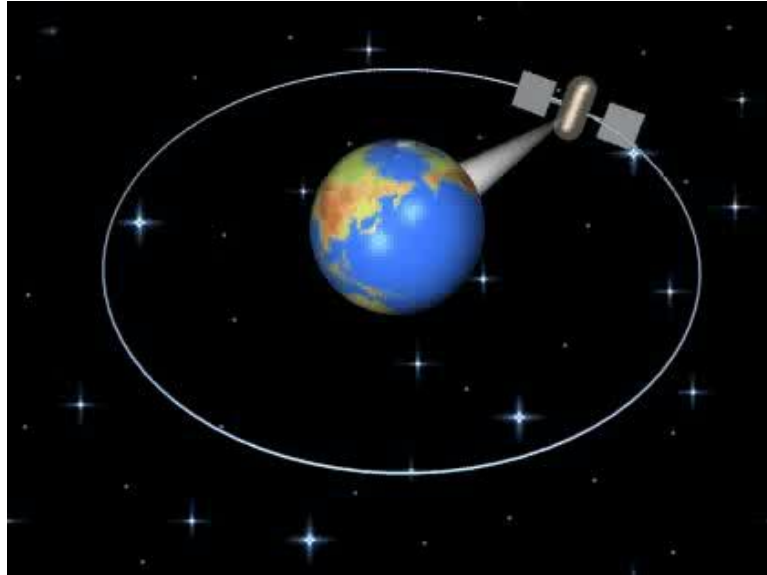
- v velocity of an object in n circular motion
- r Distance between the two masses (CM)
- T Time to complete one orbit: a period.

Circular Motion

**Under an influence
of Earth Gravity**

$$F_c = F_g$$

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = G \frac{Mm}{r^2}$$



$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}$$

To calculate orbital velocity (constant for circular orbit).

Constant v in a circular orbit $v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$

Re-arranging, we have $T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{GM} r^3$

However....

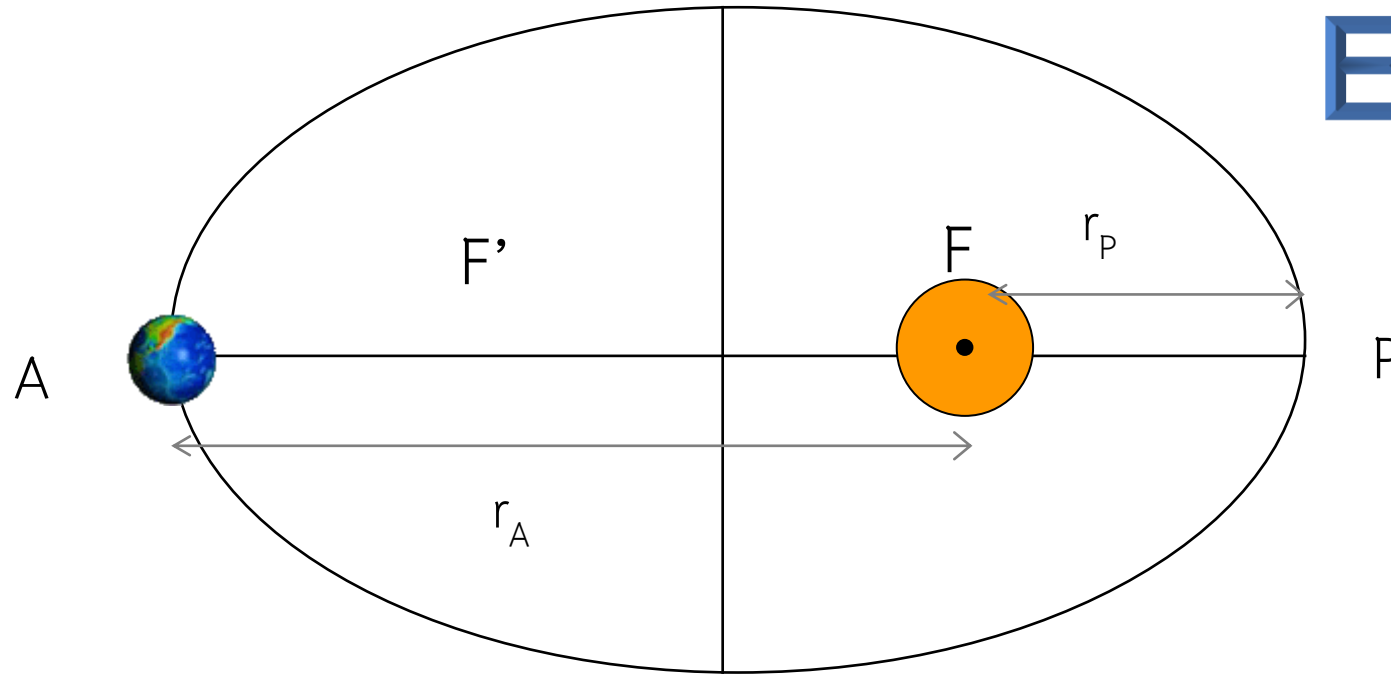
The motions of objects in our
(and any) solar system are
“**Elliptical Orbit**”

Kepler's law



Astronomer
Johannes Kepler
(1571-1630)

Elliptical Orbit

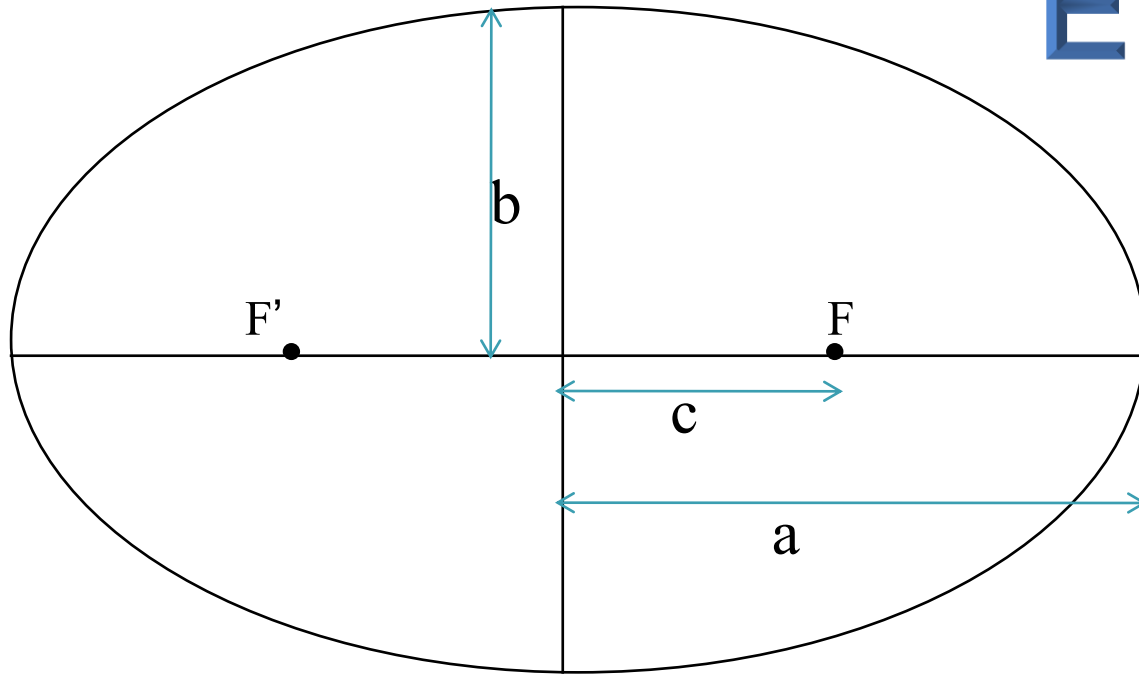


Earth and other planets orbit around the Sun with elliptical orbits, while the Sun stays at one of the focal points of the ellipse (Kepler's FIRST law).

P – A position nearest to the Sun (perihelion)

A – A position furthest from the Sun (aphelion)

Ellipse Geometry



- a** – Semi-major axis
- b** – Semi-minor axis
- c** – Focal length

They have a relationship as

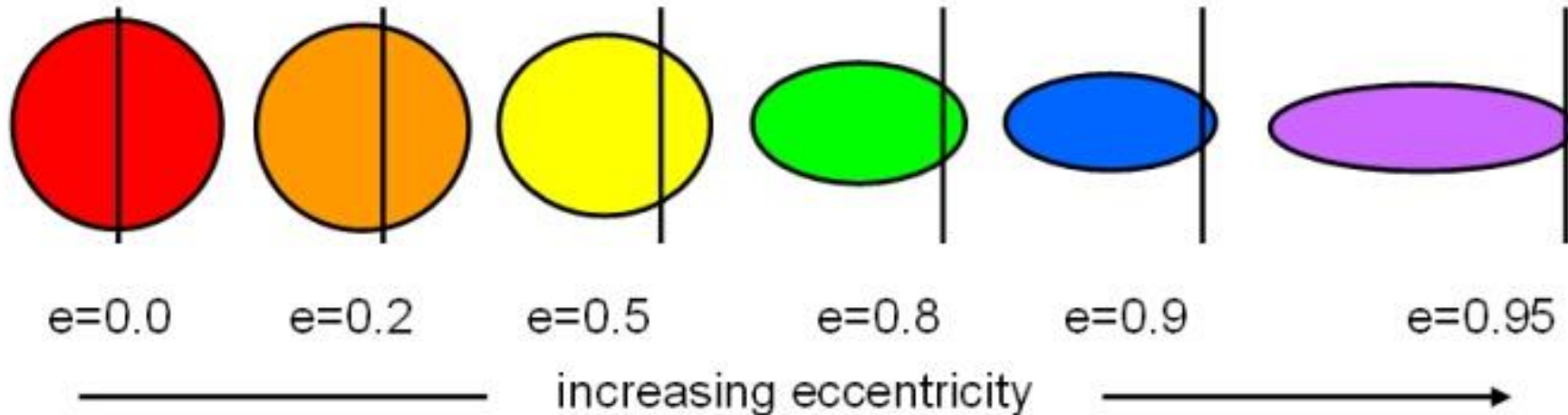
$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2$$

ELLIPTICITY (ECCENTRICITY), e

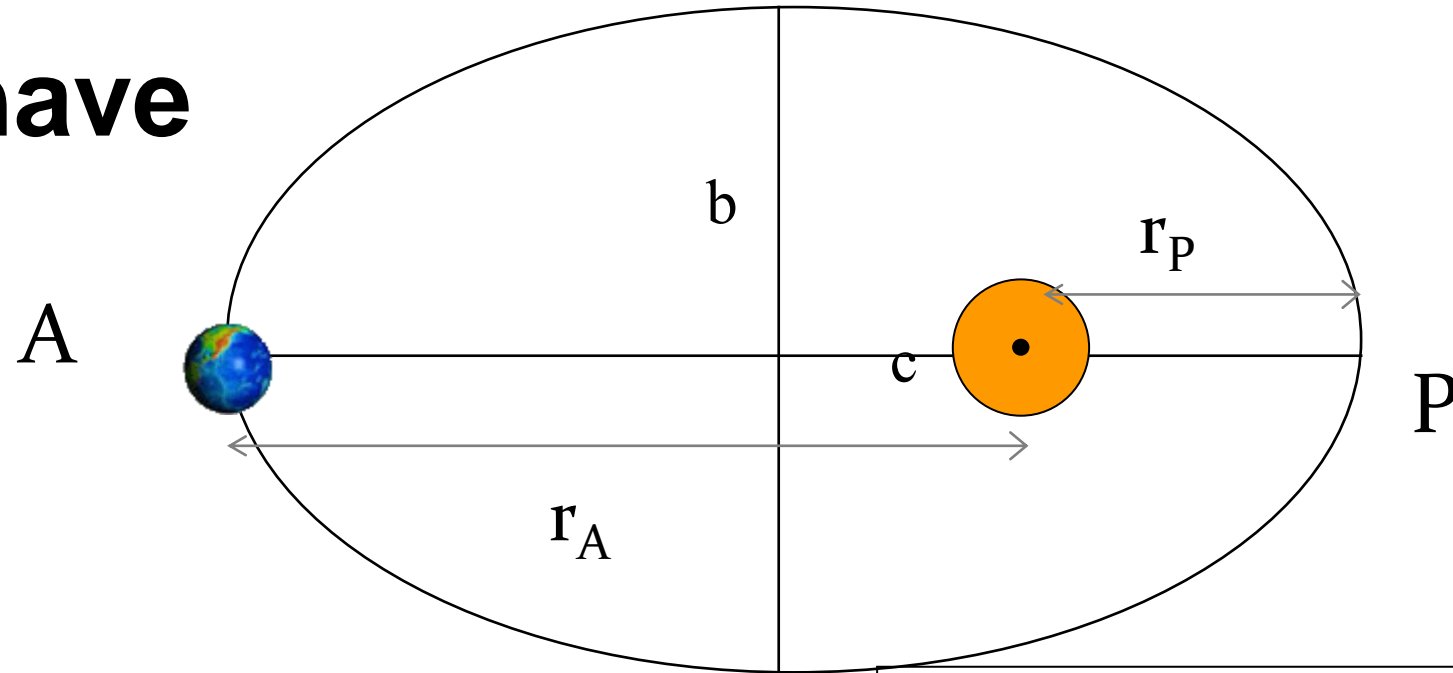
Definition

$$e = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\therefore c = a \times e$$



Now we have



$$r_P = a - c$$

$$r_P = a - ae$$

$$\therefore r_P = a(1 - e)$$

$$r_A = a + c$$

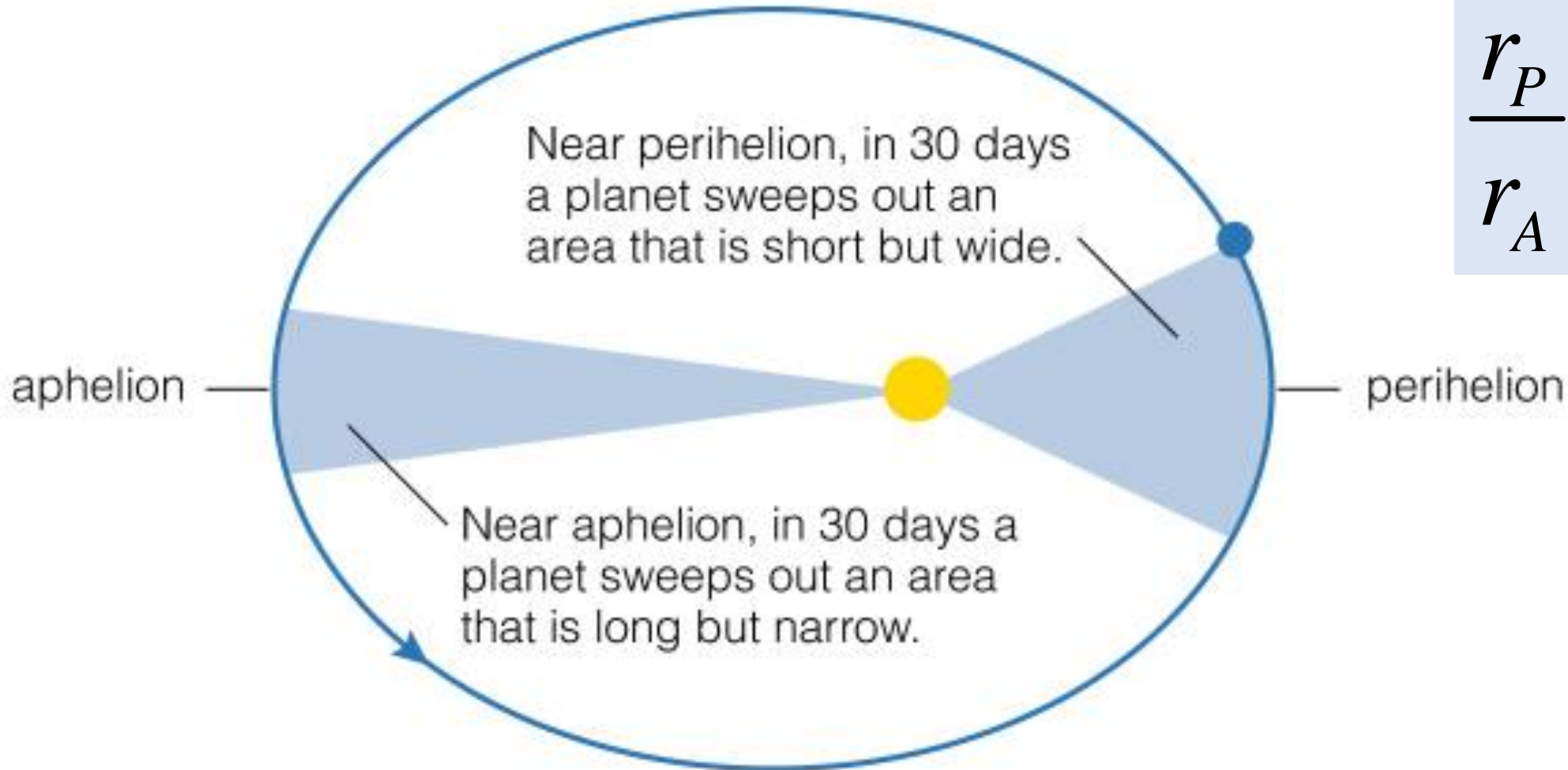
$$r_A = a + ae$$

$$\therefore r_A = a(1 + e)$$

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$$\frac{r_A}{r_P} = \frac{1 + e}{1 - e}$$

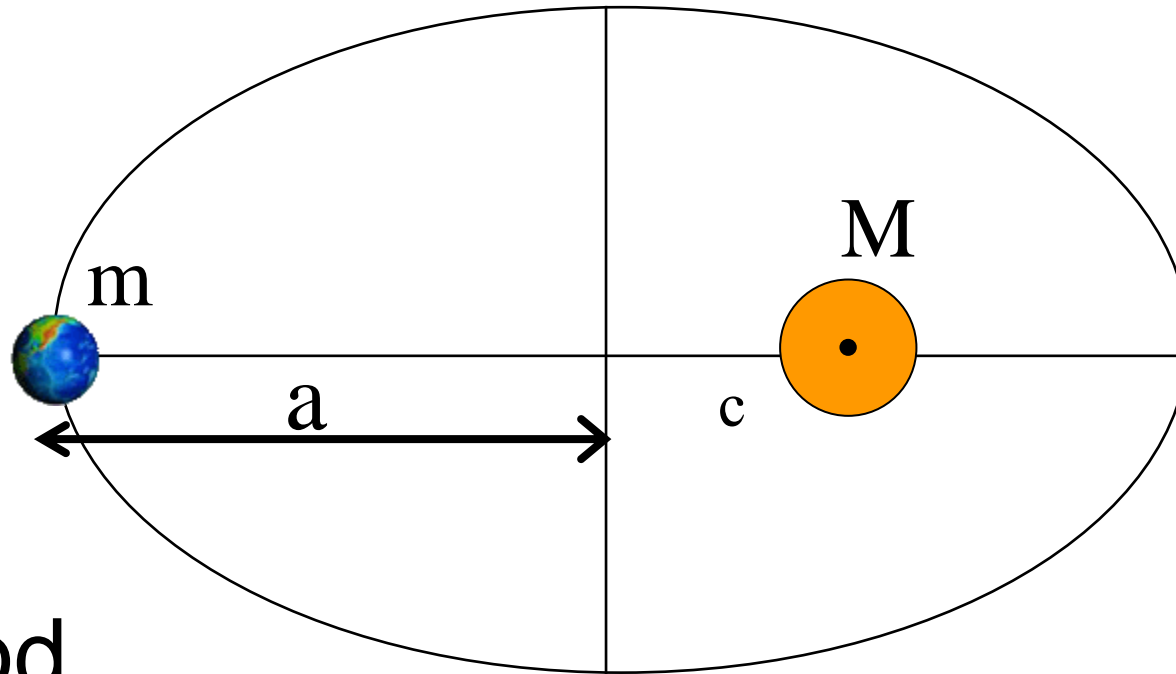
Kepler's Second law



$$\frac{r_P}{r_A} = \frac{v_A}{v_P}$$

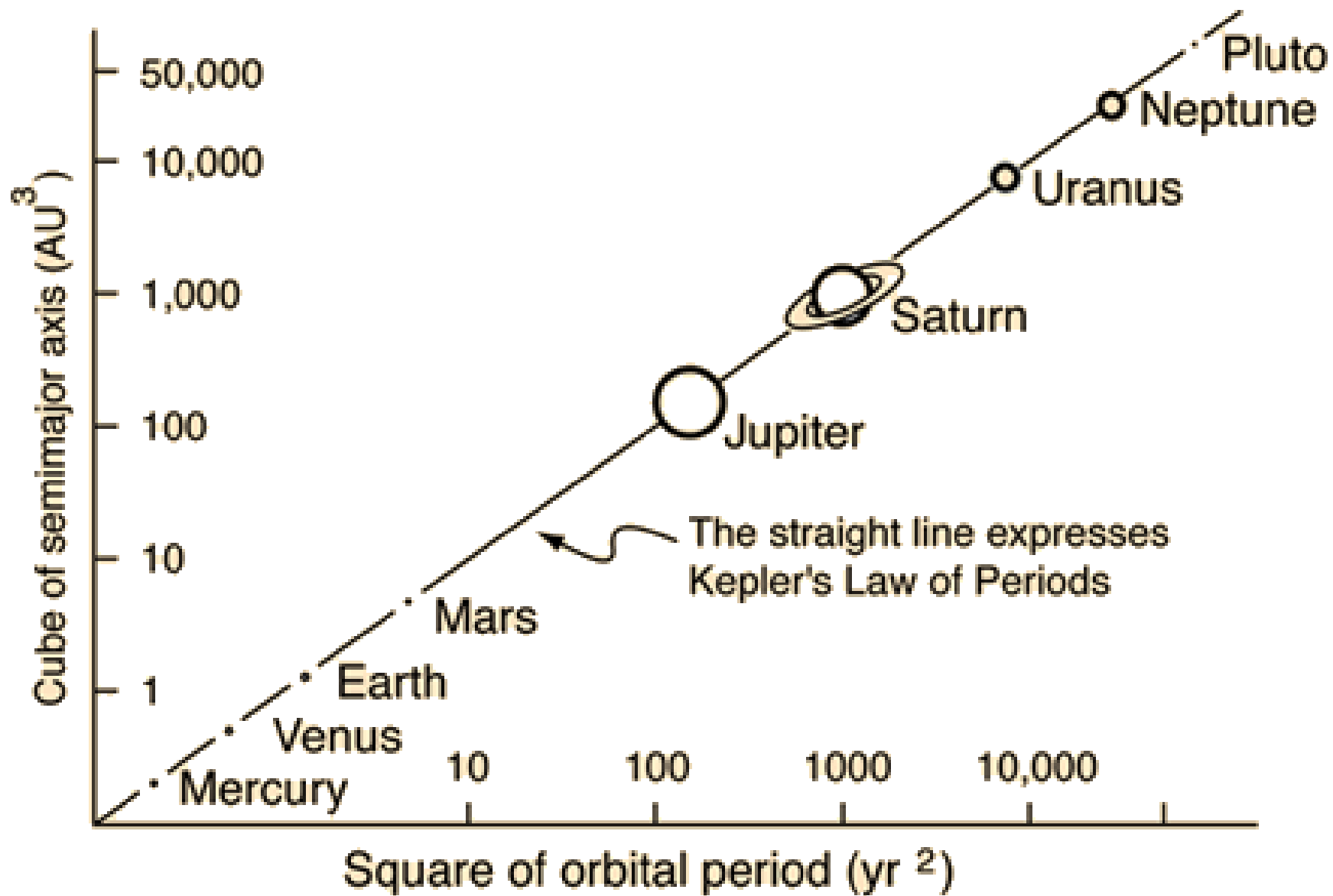
The areas swept out in 30-day periods are all equal.

Kepler's Third Law



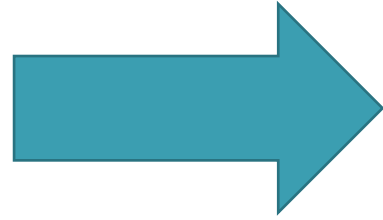
T – Orbital Period

$$T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{G(M+m)} a^3$$



Simplified Kepler's third law

$$T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{G(M+m)} a^3$$



$$T^2 = a^3$$

SI unit

T has a unit of 'seconds'

a has a unit of 'meter'

BEWARE!!! The equation of the right is only for our solar system

T has a unit of 'years'

a has a unit of A.U. (Astronomical Unit)

Astronomical Unit (AU)
1.496×10¹¹ m, or about 150 million
kilometers