International J. of Math. Sci. & Engg. Appls. (IJMSEA) ISSN 0973-9424, Vol. 7 No. VI (November, 2013), pp. 239-259

ANALYTICAL ORBIT PREDICTION FOR HIGH ECCENTRICITY ORBITS WITH OBLATE ATMOSPHERE USING UNIFORMLY REGULAR KS CANONICAL ELEMENTS

P. S. RAJENDRAN¹ AND M. XAVIER JAMES RAJ²

 1 Research Scholar, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu and Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, India 2 Head, Orbital Analytics Section, Applied Mathematics Division, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Trivandrum - 695 022, India

Abstract

A non singular analytical theory for orbit predication of artificial satellite having high eccentricity orbit under the influence of oblate atmosphere is developed in terms of uniformly regular KS canonical elements. The fourth order series expansion includes the new independent variable λ and c. Only two of the nine equations are analytically solved to obtain the solution. The developed theory is compared with the numerically integrated values as well as fourth order KS analytical theory for 1000 revolutions. The comparisons shows the superiority of the present solution over the KS theory for a wide range of perigee altitudes, eccentricities and inclinations, which establishes that the present theory is one of the best analytical theories.