

uniform circular motion while the moon's motion is known to be neither uniform nor circular, so that the tight agreement may to some extent be illusory

- b. Worse, vagaries in lunar orbit not just with respect to Theorem 2, but with respect to Keplerian motion too: Kepler's first two "laws" definitely do not hold for it
- c. And there is no independent evidence that terrestrial gravity is inverse-square
4. Limitations of using area rule result to conclude that centripetal forces at work elsewhere
 - a. No mechanism to explain why always directed toward a single point; contrast with Descartes' vortex theory, which rejects idea that forces always directed toward a single center
 - b. Concern for imprecisions in area rule, vagaries in motion of the moon, and likely in motion of Jupiter and Saturn as well (based on what Kepler had said in his *Rudolphine Tables*), and the possibility of an epochal parochialism of the sort called attention to by Descartes
 - c. Worse, De Motu itself entails not one center, but four!
 - d. Would prefer much tighter evidence on how well planets conform with the area rule, or independent evidence for center-directed forces
5. Limitations of using Theorem 2 coupled with Problems 3 and 4 and Theorem 4 to conclude that inverse-square forces at work elsewhere
 - a. No independent evidence, as from comets: comets as much a challenge (from Cartesians and others) as an opportunity, and hence a lot hangs on that claim of De Motu
 - b. Vagaries in planetary motion challenge inference by challenging step from circular to Keplerian
 - c. "Building inference on inference" when prior inferences not secure because of inexactitudes
6. Note also that deceleration from resistance depends on weight of body, as does the centrifugal tension in a string retaining an object in uniform circular motion; but Corollary 5 of Theorem 2 and Theorem 4 treat centripetal force as independent of weight: what justifies the difference?
7. Upshot: loose-ends and imprecisions in phenomena leave openings in suggested evidential reasoning
 - a. Problem: at a minimum need grounds for concluding that imprecisions come from secondary effects, and not from falsity of claimed primary
 - b. Key: characterize discrepancies, separating real from observational, and then showing that they can legitimately be treated as arising from secondary effects
 - c. Newton's situation is just the opposite of resting self-satisfiedly with De Motu Version 1, for it points the way to a huge amount of additional work

II. De Motu, Version 3 (the "Augmented" Version) -- New Preliminaries

A. The New Title, Versus the Old

1. Version 3 the same as Version 1 in the proofs of the 11 propositions, indicating that Newton is not looking for better proofs (i.e. he is not revising as a mathematician)
 - a. A new first section, recasting hypotheses and then, in a correction, calling them laws
 - b. An extended scholium following Theorem 4: "Copernican Scholium"

- c. A slightly revised figure to Problem 5 followed by an extended scholium, offering more of a transition to Problems 6 and 7: "Resistance Scholium"
 - 2. The manuscript is in Humphrey Newton's hand, save for small corrections and changes in Newton's
 - a. Original manuscript lost, and never any reference to this version in letters etc. by Newton or anyone else
 - b. Date uncertain: presumably after Version 1 sent, but surely not much after first letter to Flamsteed at end of December, 1684
 - c. Presumption: mid to late November, perhaps in response to second thoughts after forwarding Version 1, or early December, following Halley's second visit
 - d. First became public in 1893 (in Rouse Ball's *Essay*)!
 - 3. New title: from *De Motu Corporum in Gyrum* to *De Motu Sphaericorum Corporum in Fluidis* -- "The Motion of Spherical Bodies in Fluids"
 - a. Sectioned: preliminaries, followed by "On the motion of Bodies in Non-Resisting Mediums" (Theorem 1 through Scholium preceding Problems 6 and 7), followed by "On the Motion of Bodies in Resisting Mediums"
 - b. Still a theory of motion under centripetal forces, but now in two distinct domains
 - 4. Unclear what significance ought to be attached to change in title
 - a. Why abandon "in Closed Circuits"?; two likely answers: fails to capture full generality of results, and incompatible with conclusions of Copernican Scholium
 - b. But why "in Fluids", for fluid in no way enters first half, unless in the form of aether as discussed in the added Scholium following Problem 5
 - c. And why "spherical", for nothing in the math requires strict spheres; maybe to support treating celestial bodies as points
 - 5. Perhaps Newton was struggling to identify the domain the theory in *De Motu* extends across
 - a. Some suggestion of a changing conception of the scope of the theory
 - b. Titles of manuscripts keep changing: next, *De Motu Corporum in Mediis Regulariter Cedentibus* -- "in Uniformly Yielding Media"
 - c. Lucasian lectures: *De Motu Corporum Liber Primus*
 - d. Title of overall work remained *De Motu Corporum* until fairly late in composition, when Newton changes to *Principia Mathematica Philosophiae Naturalis*, remarking to Halley that it will stimulate sales
- B. The New "Laws" and Definitions
 - 1. "Preliminaries" extensively recast, though in a way that has virtually no impact on any proofs (and therefore not being done to increase rigor)
 - a. Exception: now explicit that force is proportional to change of motion
 - b. But otherwise Newton has something else in view

2. Added definition (mistranslated in Hall & Hall): representations of quantities any other quantities proportional to them
 - a. E.g. as area represents time, and QR represents both force and displacement
 - b. Clarification, but unclear why added since a standard approach
3. Change from "hypotheses" to "laws," presumably with Descartes in mind, though perhaps from fact that material being taken from "Lawes of Motion" paper
 - a. In manuscript, 'hypoth' scratched out in 5 places and 'lex' added in Newton's hand, so undoubtedly added upon re-reading
 - b. Maybe because of "proof" of Copernican system
4. Newton's second law in basic form it will appear in the *Principia*: force is proportional to change in motion along a specific direction, that of the *impressed* force
 - a. From "Lawes of Motion", but implicit in Version 1, where no mention of "*impressed* forces"
 - b. Unidirectionality: impressed force a vector quantity
 - c. Proportional to displacement from uniform motion in a straight line in a given time: hence neutral between impulse and continuous forces, and fully compatible with $F=ma$
 - d. But not rate of change; Newton's focus on proportions allows dimensionality issues to be bypassed (or suppressed)
5. Laws 3 and 4: relative motions same in given space; and inertial motion of center of gravity, sort of from "Lawes of Motion" paper, but also announced for impact generally by Huygens in 1669
 - a. Latter explicit In both "Lawes" and Huygens; former, not yet published in Huygens's full paper, implicit in "lawes" and deducible from velocity of attraction=velocity of repulsion
 - b. No derivation of 4 from 3, only a comment that it is derivable; I dispute that the center of gravity principle can be derived from the relativity principle
 - c. No relevance to any proofs, only to Copernican Scholium
6. Fairly clear where Laws 3 and 4 came from: concerns over multiple centers raise interaction issue and issue of proper point to which motions should be referred
 - a. Newton presumably turns to "Lawes of Motion" for move
 - b. But equally could have turned to Huygens, for Law 3 at the base of his work on impact (though proofs unpublished, manuscript in London), and Law 4 published by him in 1669
 - c. Law 4 also just a generalization of Law 1 to systems of interacting bodies; this, though not expressly mentioned, doubtlessly behind both Newton and Huygens's statement of it
 - d. In effect, Newton extrapolating from impact, though recognizing the added warrant for doing so
7. Finally, last "law" on resistance clarified by including other factors in the claim
 - a. Now more in the form of a law, rather than just a hypothesis whose implications are being explored
 - b. But, unlike the others, much more a bare hypothesis

- C. The New Lemmas: Deriving Former Hypotheses
1. Two added lemmas, corresponding to Hypothesis 3 and inserted Hypothesis 4 of Version 1
 - a. Now deriving from "laws" material previously postulated
 - b. Thereby avoiding impact on any proof
 2. Lemma 1: the parallelogram rule, derived from Law 2
 - a. Crucial need to make directionality in Law 2 explicit
 - b. Thus explicit reduction of a feature of the old parallelogram hypothesis to a more fundamental claim; this may be the source of Law 2
 3. Lemma 2: old hypothesis 4, now derived from more fundamental considerations
 - a. Presupposes mean value theorem, referencing Galileo; unclear whether Newton realized the defects in Galileo's proof (eliminated by Huygens in *Horologium Oscillatorium*)
 - b. Let $Ab:Ad$ as $AB:AD$, with b and d arbitrary, and compare ratios of distances covered (represented by areas) as force changes versus distances covered with uniform forces
 - c. $ADEG$ an upper bound: uniform force at end of time AD ; ABF a lower bound: uniform force at $t=0$
 - d. Given bounds above and below, now take limits, obtaining result (see Appendix)
 4. Comment: key feature in proof is constraint when taking the limits -- i.e. as B, D approach A and e approaches h
 - a. Hold the ratios fixed: $AB:AD, Ab:Ad$, etc.
 - b. Conclusion then for general points b and d , via ratios
 - c. A feature of the way in which Newton takes geometric limits -- "first and last ratios"
 5. Move in "Preliminaries" in part toward more secure foundations, but even more so toward claims that are more truly foundational -- i.e. more appropriate underpinnings of the theory to follow
 - a. Toward putatively universal principles that can be said to comprise a simple, straightforward approach to conceptualizing motion
 - (1) True even of Laws 3 and 4, for they can be taken to concern the proper point to which to refer motions
 - (2) And also of Law 5, for it licenses the treatment of resistance as second-order, induced effects
 - b. Making key elements of conceptualization more clear and explicit, as distinct from derived ones
 - (1) Parallelogram rule less clearly an element in a way of conceptualizing motion
 - (2) Even more so for originally inserted Hypothesis 4
 - c. Why doing this unclear, but in spirit of response to Descartes' critique of Galileo's *Two New Sciences*, at least up to a point
 - d. Also, though, to some extent being forced to add principles in order to be in position to answer questions, such as questions about true versus relative motions