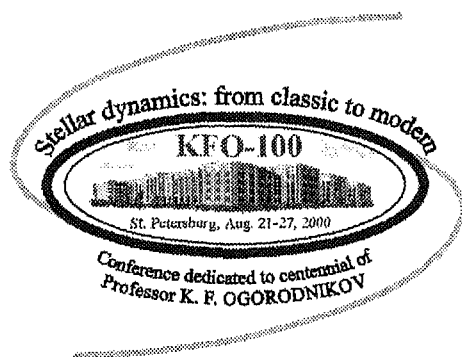


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where A_i are the coefficients of a globule's potential; Ω is the circular velocity around the Galaxy, κ is the epicyclic frequency. It has been worked out the equation

$$\pi G \rho \left(A_2 - \frac{a^2}{b^2} A_1 \right) = \frac{1}{R} \frac{d\Phi}{dR} + \frac{2(\Phi_0 - \Phi)}{R^2},$$

from which it follows, that as a function of globule position the latter can have the form both the prolated (from the center of the Galaxy) or the oblate spheroid. On some critical distance these two kinds of the forms are divided by a sphere.

On the Problem of Angular Momentum Distribution in Axially Symmetric Galaxies

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1. The constructing axially symmetric models for gravitating equilibrium galaxies is frequently carried out through the distribution of the angular momentum $L[M(R)]$ as a function from mass inside a cylindrical surface with a value of L given on it. Such approach is physically more evident, than an *a priori* choice of a distribution law for an angular velocity. As the function $L(R)$ is an invariant at the absence of turbulence and viscosity, then the study of observational distribution of the angular momentum in galaxies can clarify their origin.
2. In this paper the problem of internal distribution of the angular momentum in classical homogeneous Maclaurin's spheroids is considered. An exact expression of such distribution was found to be the following:

$$L(R) = L_t \left\{ 1 - \frac{5}{2} \left(1 - \frac{M(R)}{M_t} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{M(R)}{M_t} \right)^{5/3} \right\}.$$

Disappointing error in considering this problem in some reviews and monographs is revealed. Then the correct expression for the angular momentum is used for determining angular velocity distribution in galaxies with real density distribution.