

## Slope-Map

### Short description

Creates a slope map given an asteroid shape model, spin state and total mass

'ejectaGell' creates the slope map. Satisfies ALG-RS-015

Helper libraries include:

anal.a, elliptics.a, file.a, geometry.a, gravity.a, matrix.a, orbel.a, poly.a, twobody.a, unirotd.a, vector.a, visutils.a

### Author of algorithm

Daniel Scheeres

### Change History

V 1.0 Initial entry by Dan Scheeres

### Detailed Description including error handling

The methodology underlying this algorithm can be found in:

D.J. Scheeres, *Orbital Motion in Strongly Perturbed Environment: Applications to Asteroid, Comet and Planetary Satellite Orbiters*, Chapter 10, Springer, 2012. pp 231-242

The methodology consists of taking a faceted shape model of an asteroid, its estimated spin state and epoch of evaluation, and the total mass or bulk density of the asteroid. The algorithm then proceeds to compute a range of conditions on the surface of the body, evaluated at the center of each surface facet. Included in these computations are the slope angle, the slope vector, the total and normal surface acceleration, the surface geopotential, and other quantities of potential interest.

The program is written in FORTRAN and accesses a number of support libraries that are written in FORTRAN and authored and developed by D.J. Scheeres over the last two decades.

Error codes are still being developed

### Parameters

#### Input Parameters

Normalized moments of inertia

Spin state specification

Shape model vertex and face file

Total mass or bulk density

#### Output Parameters

Output file: NESC with entries

Entry Number Entry value

1 Face number (integer)

2 Face center position vector: x (km) \*

3 y \*

4 z \*

5 Position latitude (deg) \*

6 longitude (deg) \*  
7 radius (km) \*  
8 Face normal vector latitude (deg) \*  
9 longitude (deg) \*  
10 Jacobi energy ( $\text{km}^2/\text{s}^2$ )  
11 Return speed (m/s)  
12 Escape speed (m/s) \*  
13 Difference between escape and return speeds (m/s)  
14 Jacobian potential speed (m/s) <-- "Potential" \*  
15 Slope (deg) \*  
16 Area ( $\text{km}^2$ ) \*  
17 tangent surface acceleration ( $\text{mm}/\text{s}^2$ ) \*  
18 normal surface acceleration ( $\text{mm}/\text{s}^2$ ) \*  
19 total surface acceleration ( $\text{mm}/\text{s}^2$ ) \*  
20 Jacobi distance 1  
21 Jacobi distance 2  
22 acceleration tangent angle (deg)  
23 acceleration tangent magnitude  
24 acceleration normal magnitude  
25,26,27 slope vector  
28 tilt angle  
29,30,31 slant vector

Output file: NESCstat with Max/Min and lat/lon values for above quantities:  
11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 15, 28  
and Average slope (15) and total surface area

Example call

~/ejectaGell-V