

Lecture 25  
Fri. 11.18.2016

*Introduction to Orbital Dynamics*

(Ch. 2-4 of Unit 5 12.01.15)

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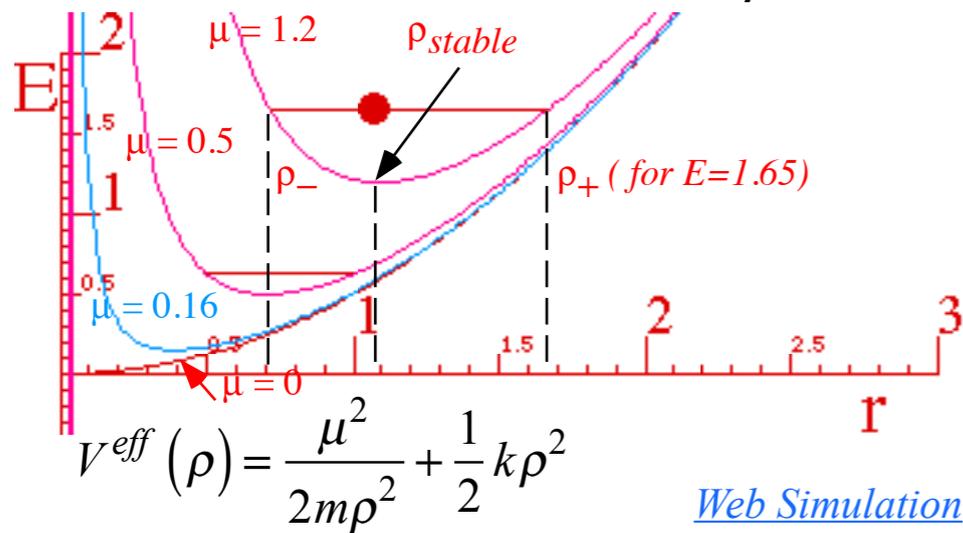
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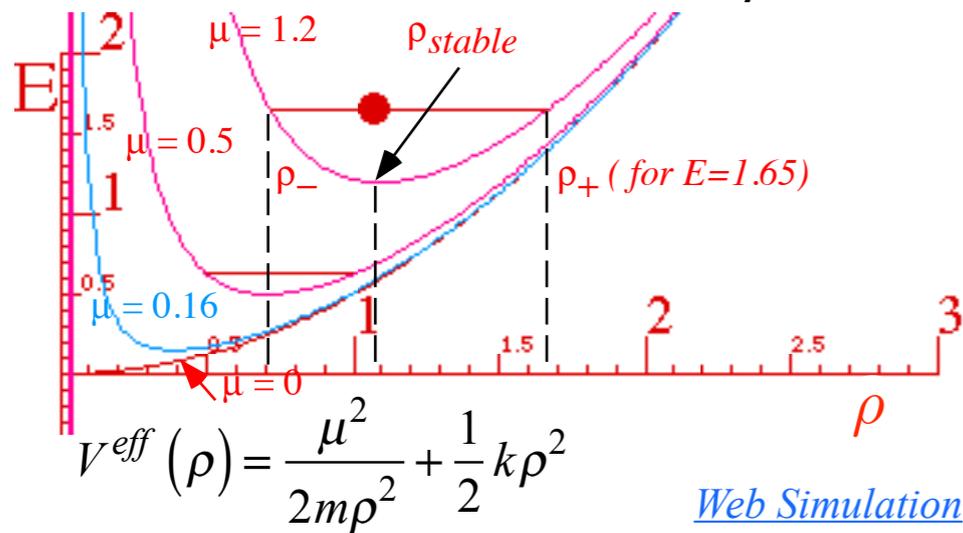
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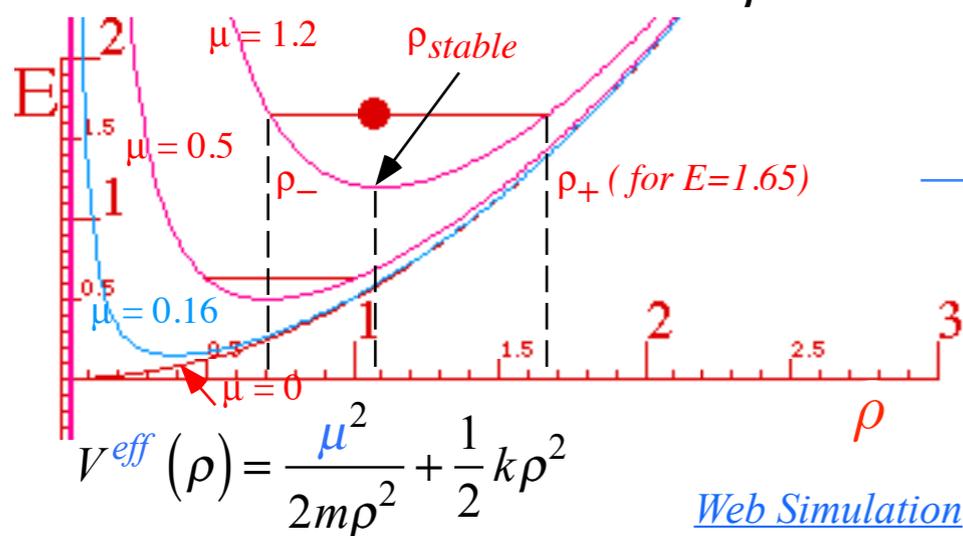
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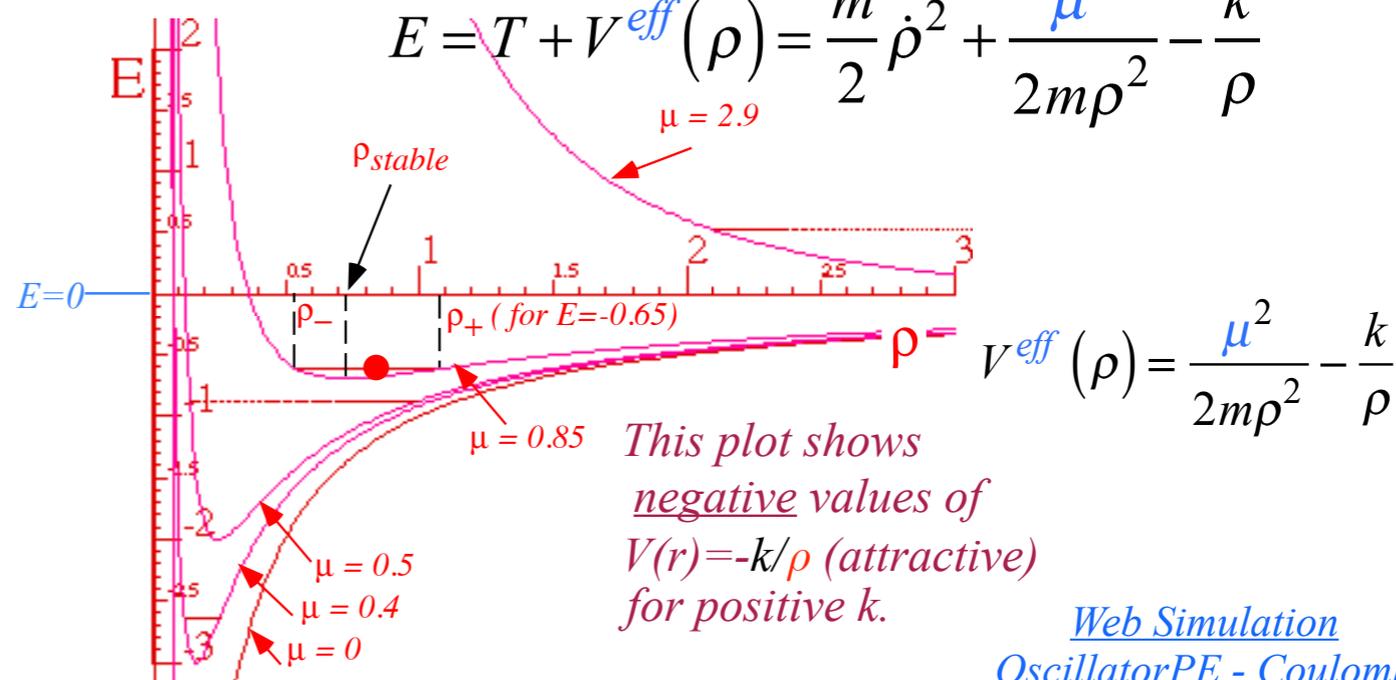
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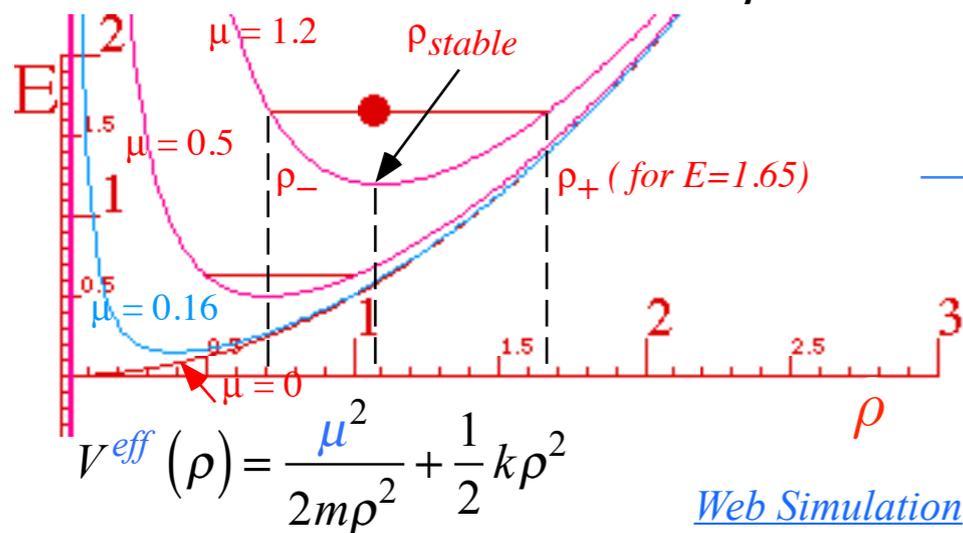
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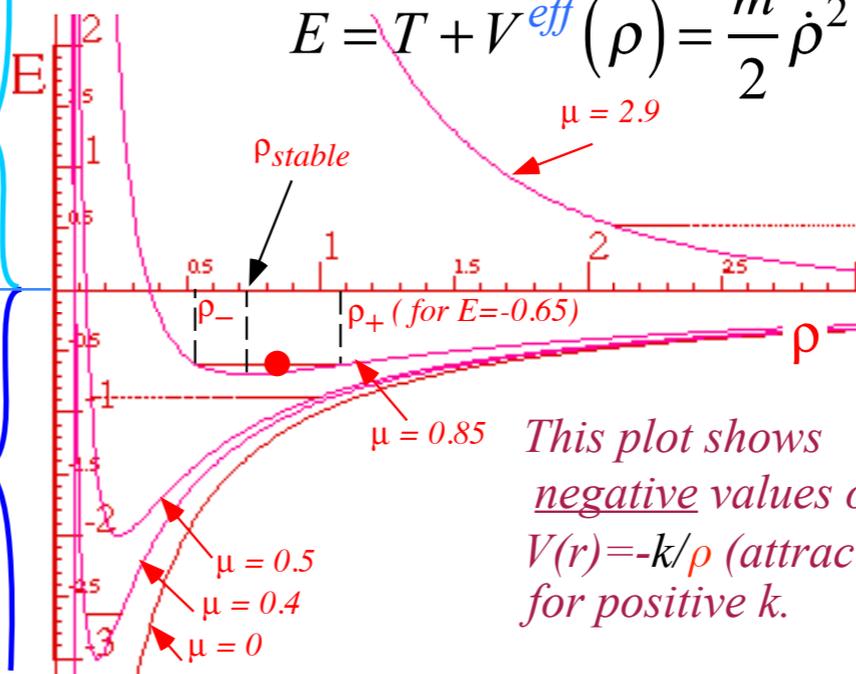
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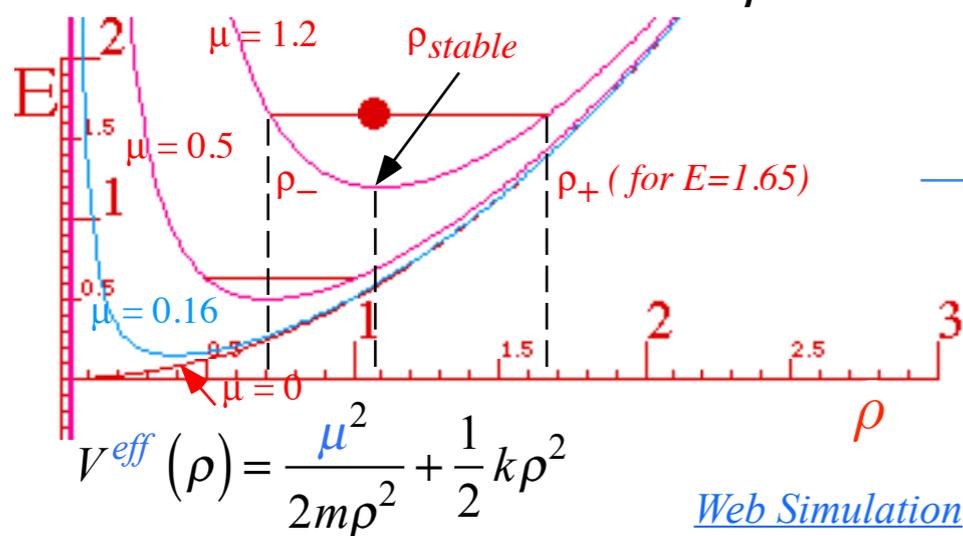
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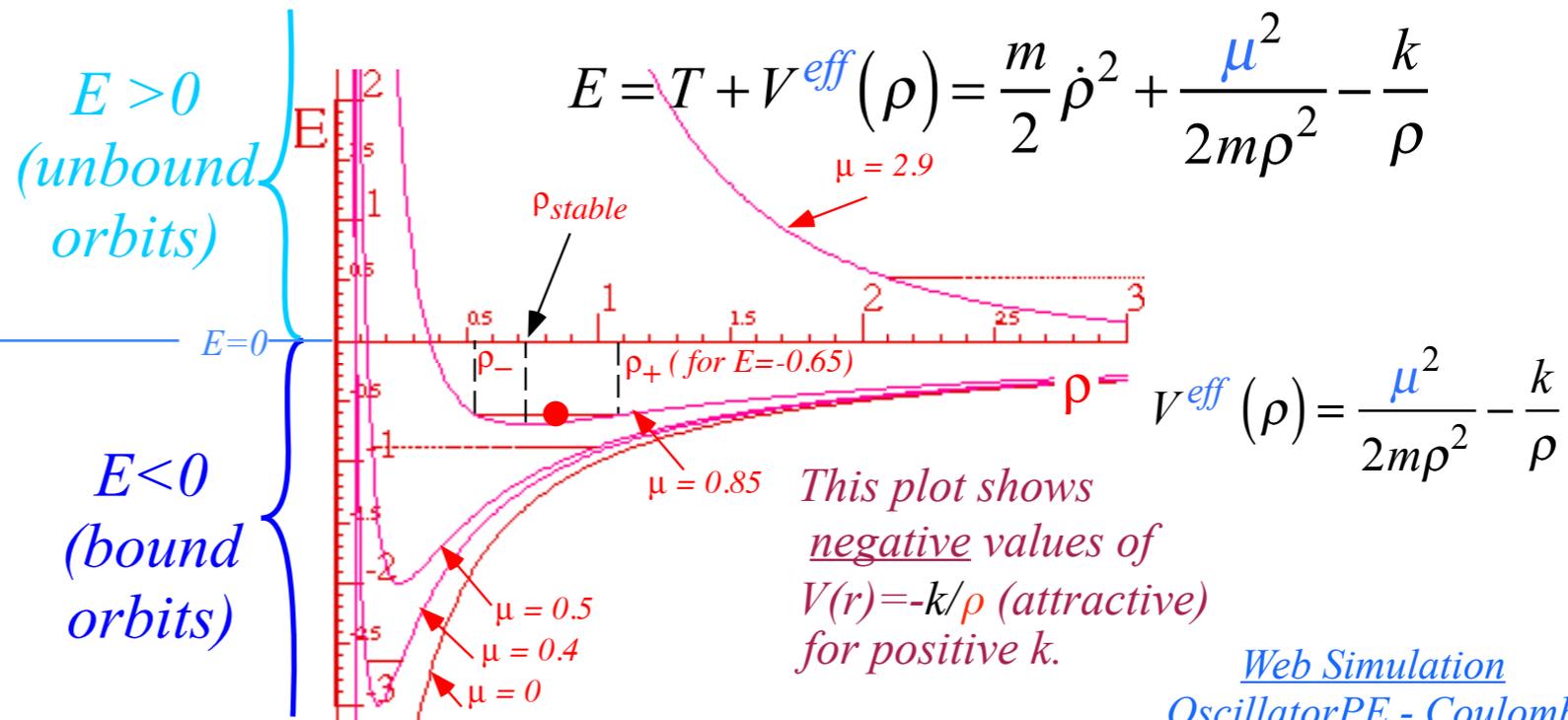
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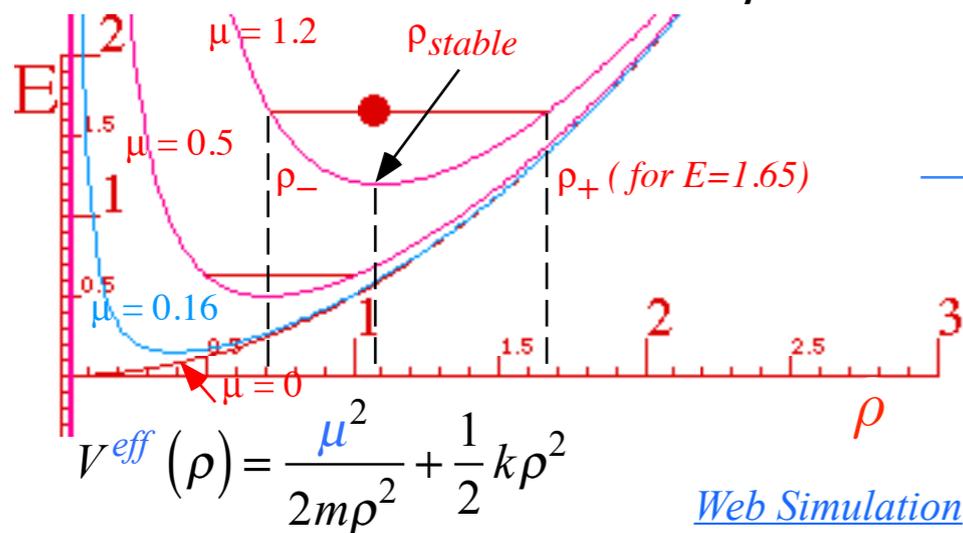
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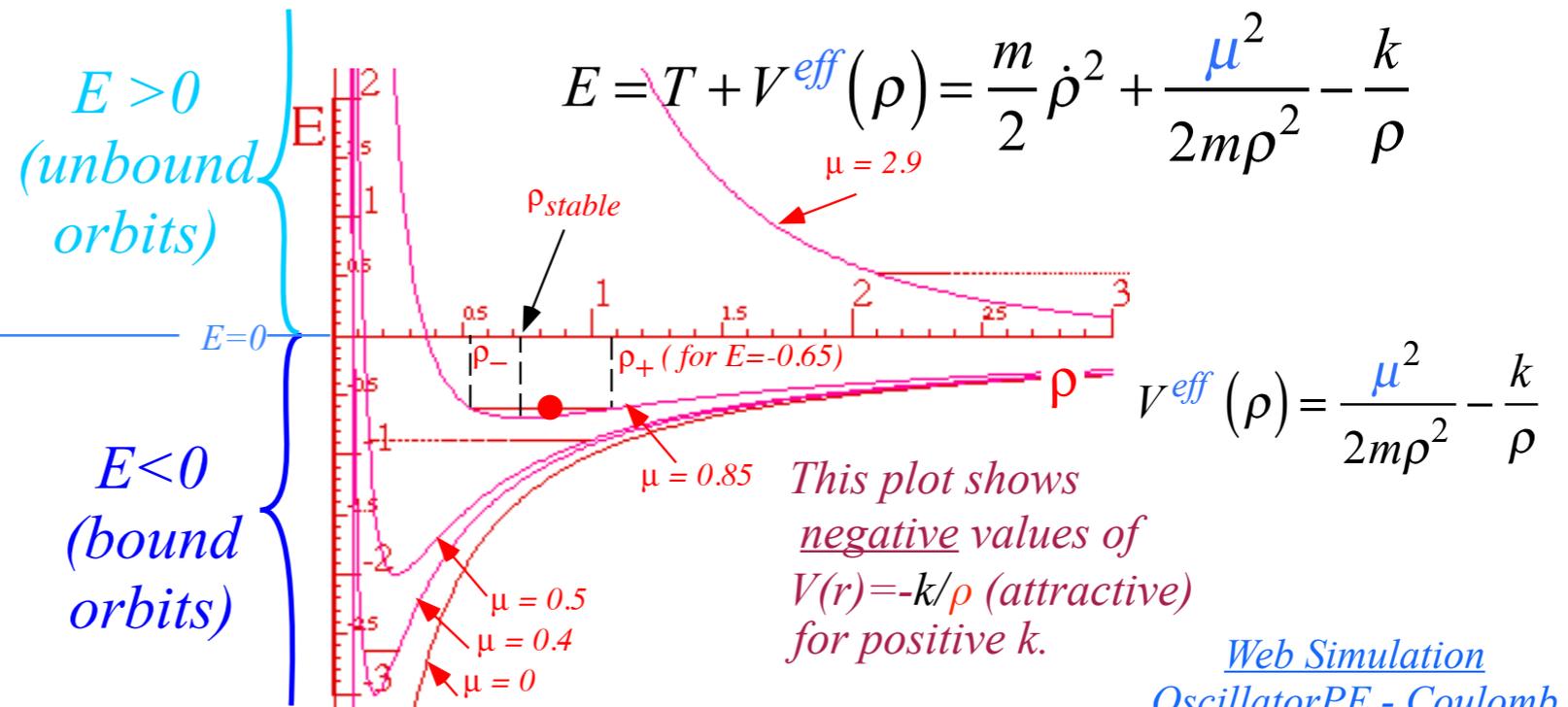
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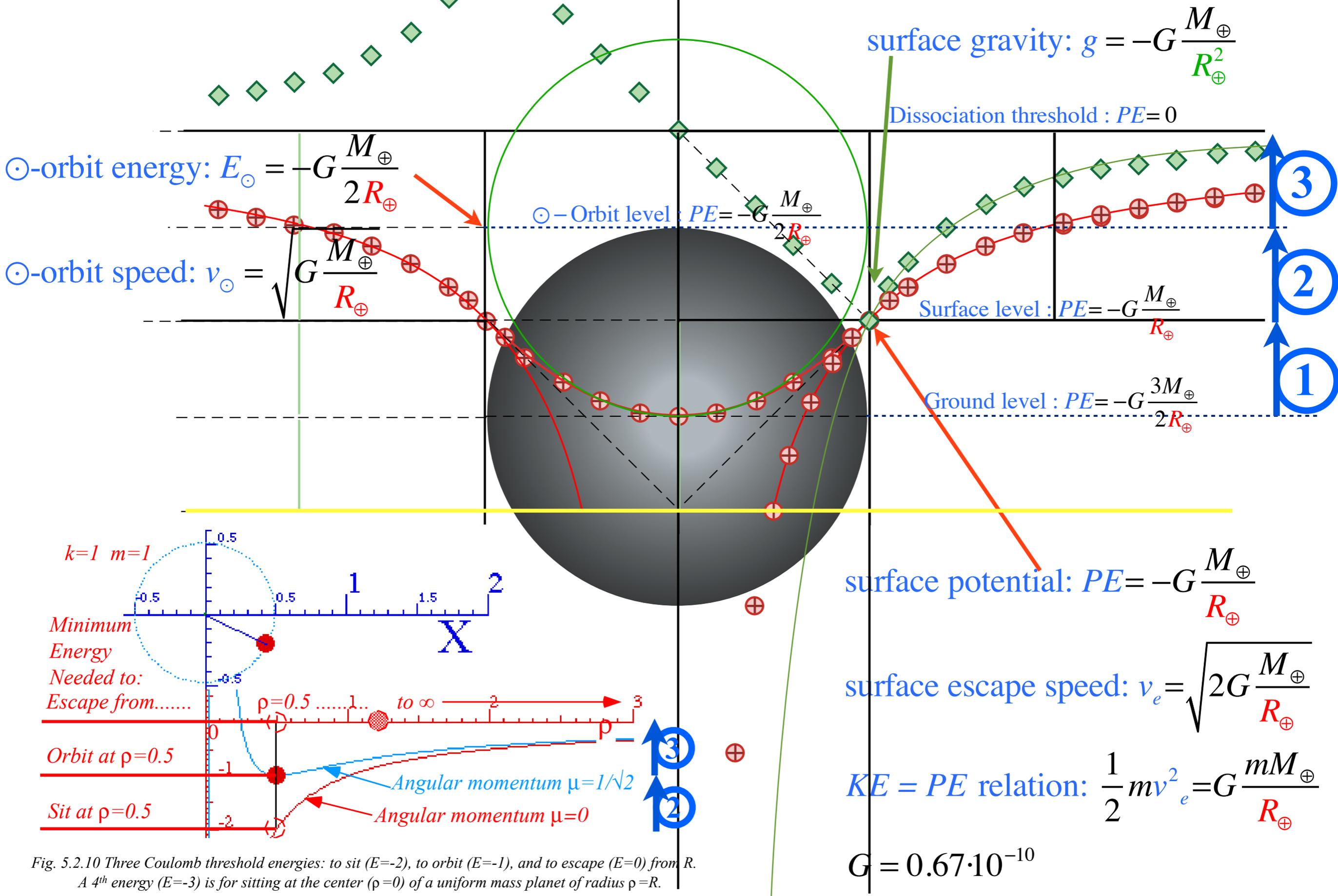


Fig. 5.2.10 Three Coulomb threshold energies: to sit ( $E=-2$ ), to orbit ( $E=-1$ ), and to escape ( $E=0$ ) from  $R$ . A 4<sup>th</sup> energy ( $E=-3$ ) is for sitting at the center ( $\rho=0$ ) of a uniform mass planet of radius  $\rho=R$ .

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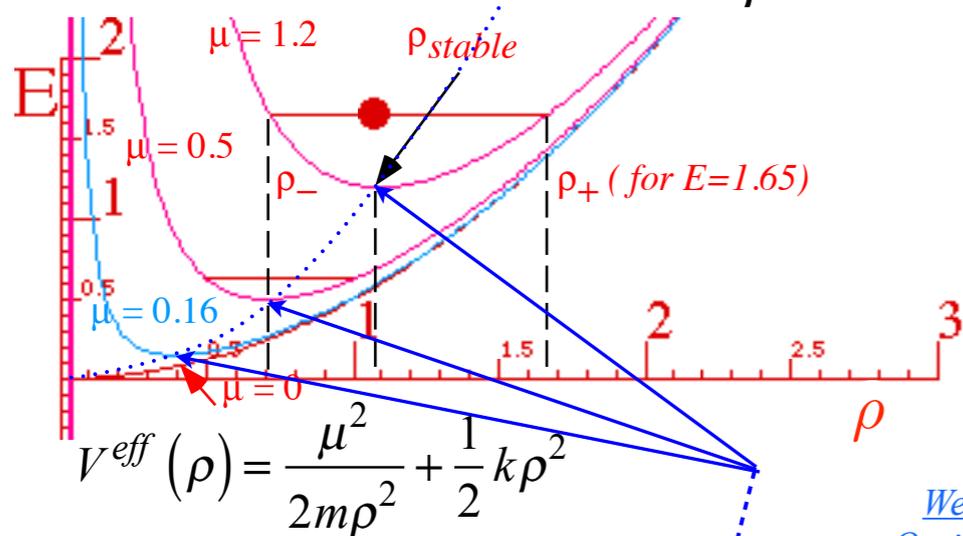
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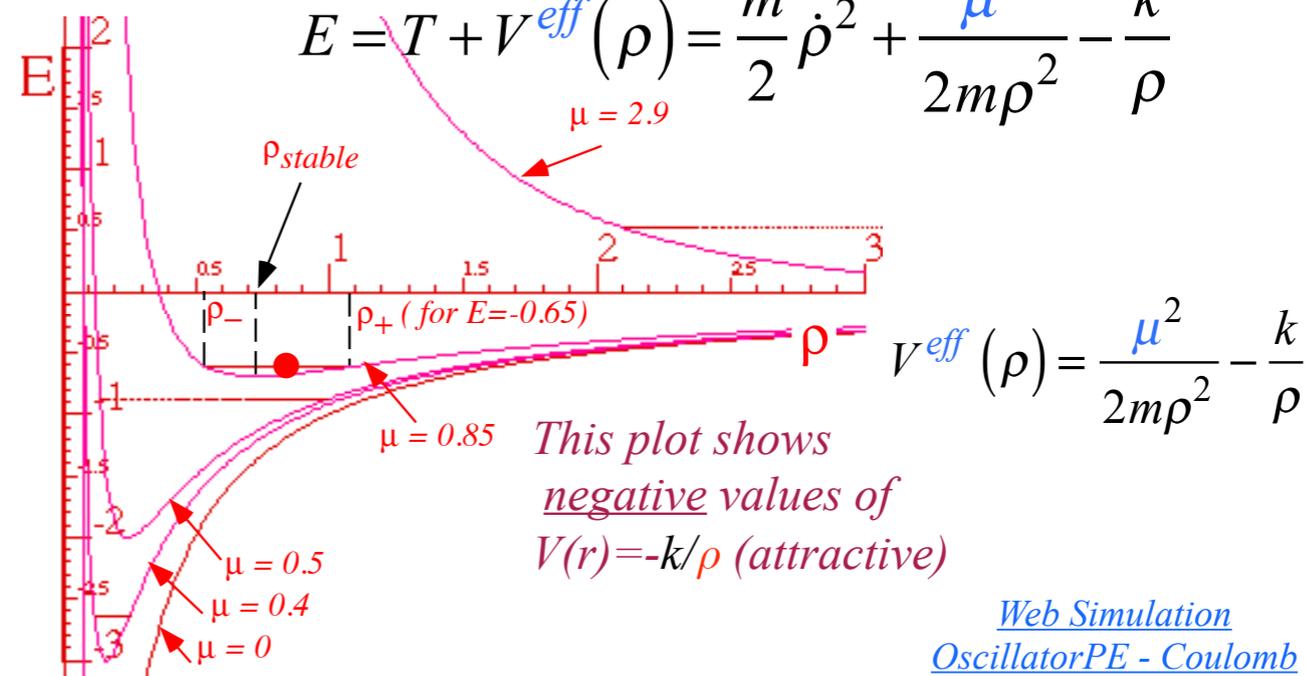
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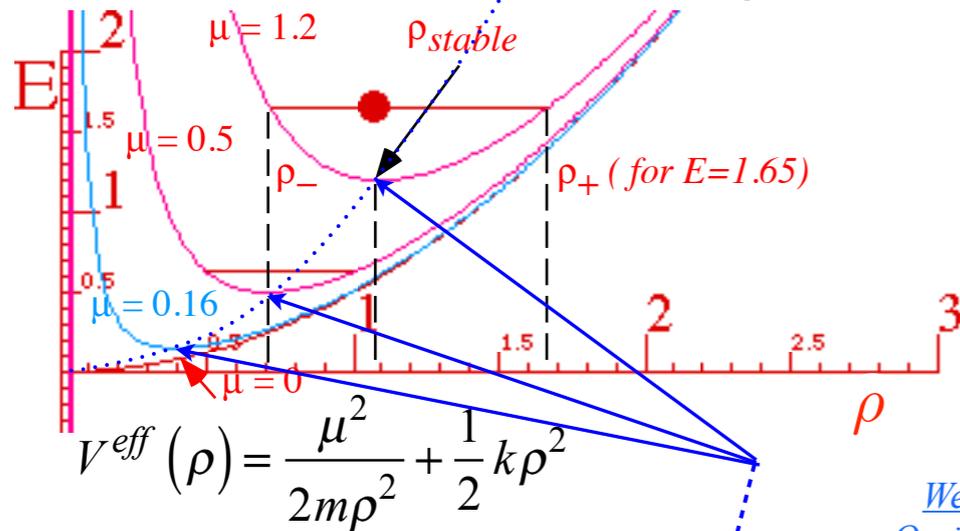
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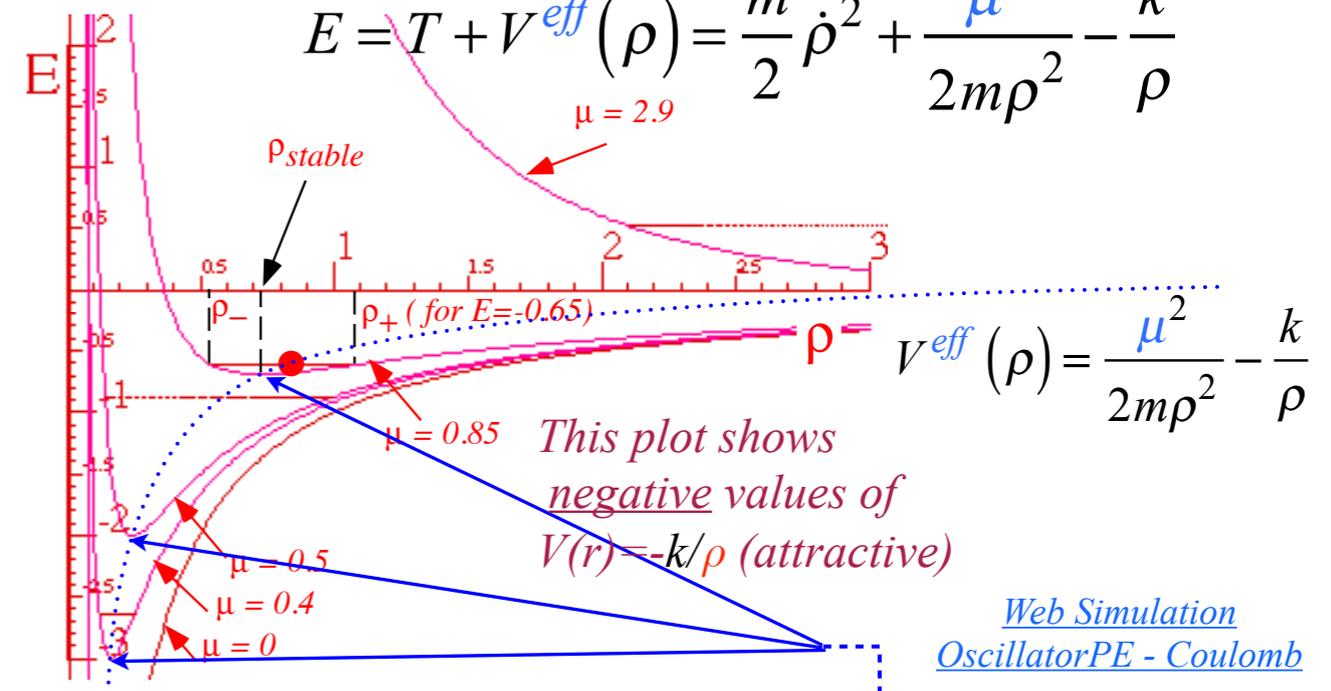
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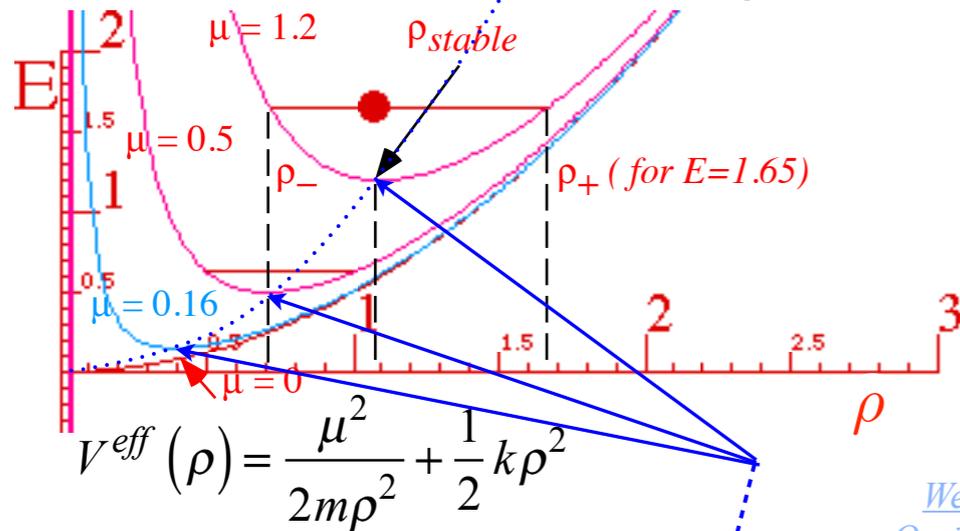
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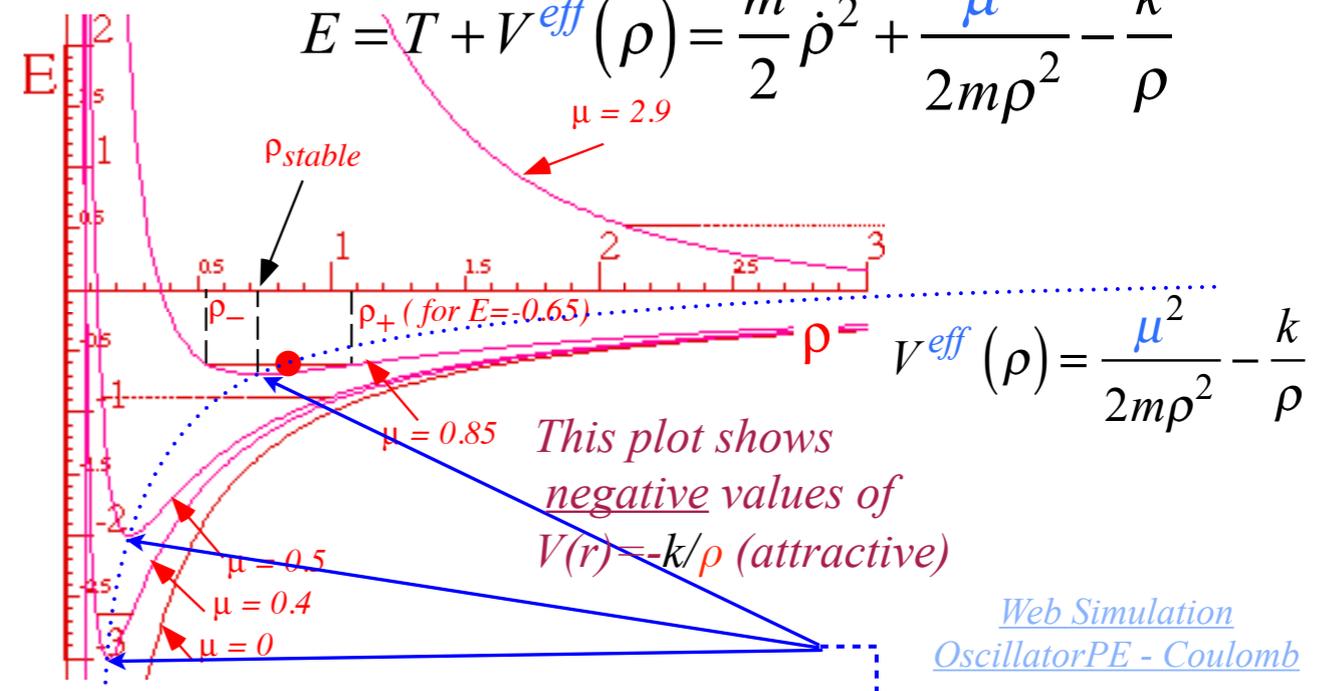
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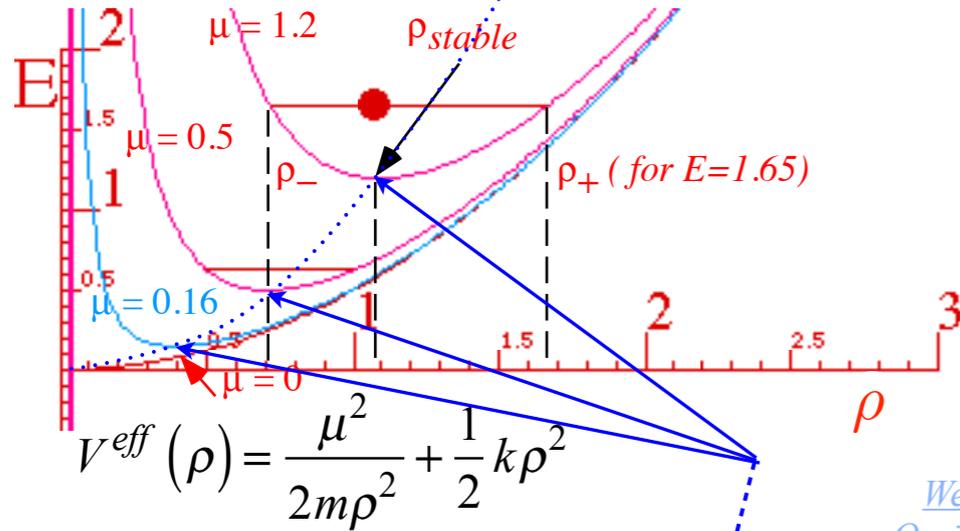
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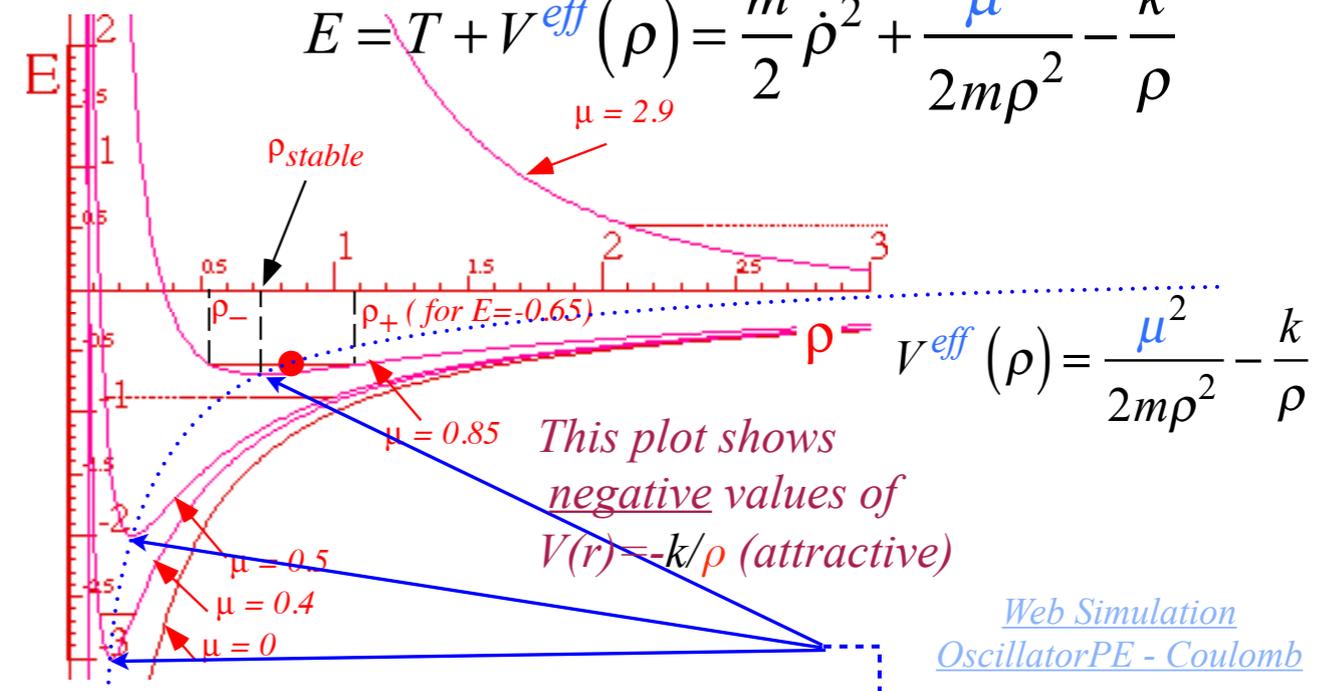
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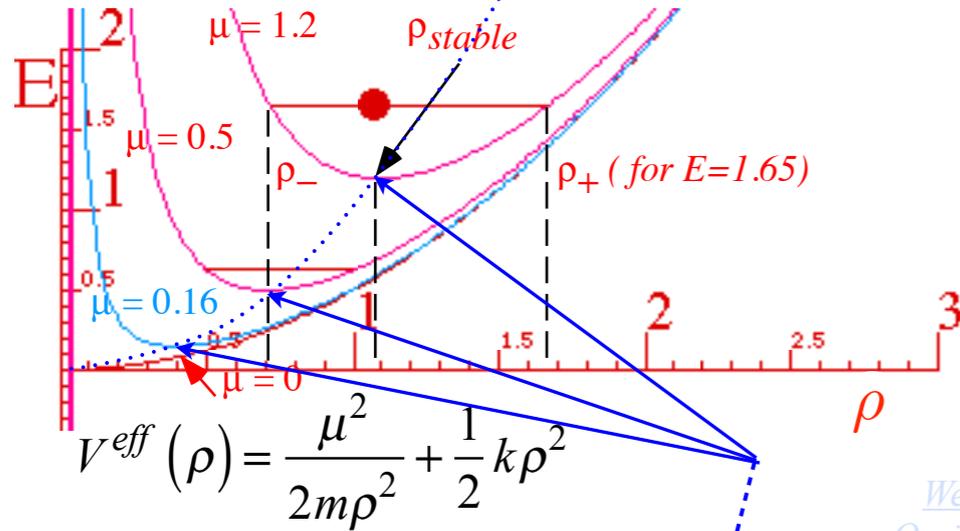
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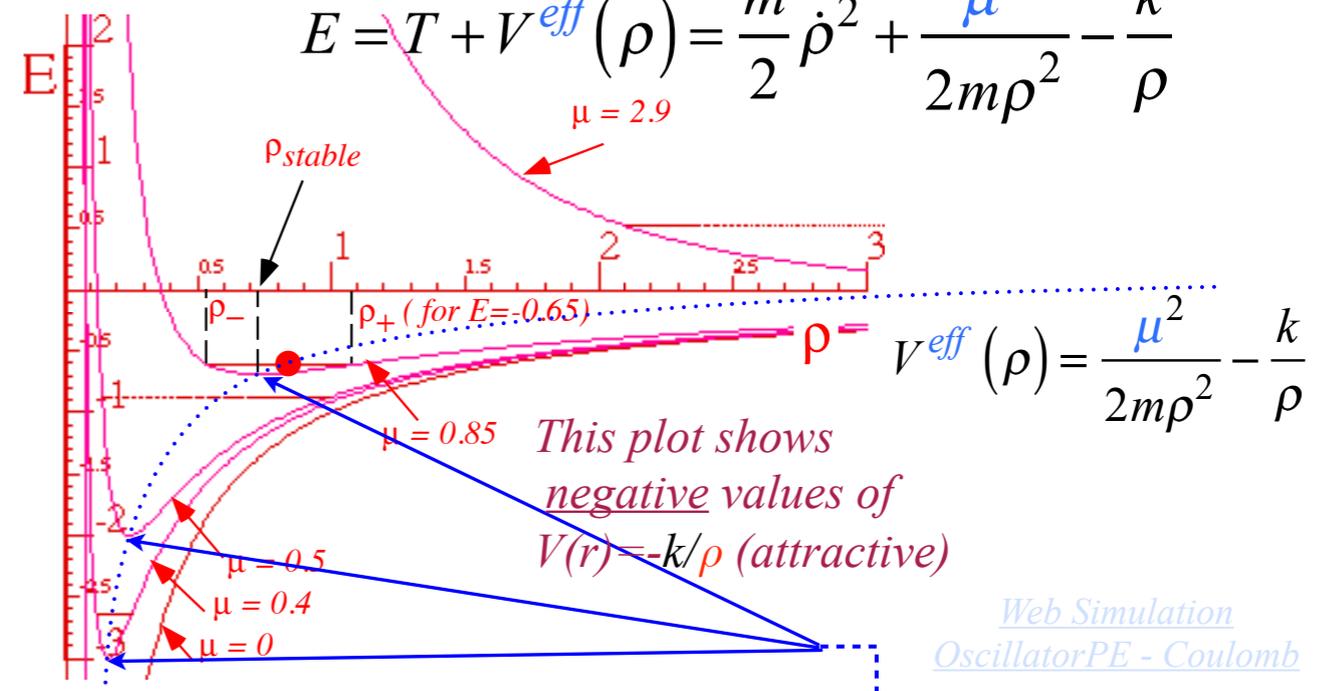
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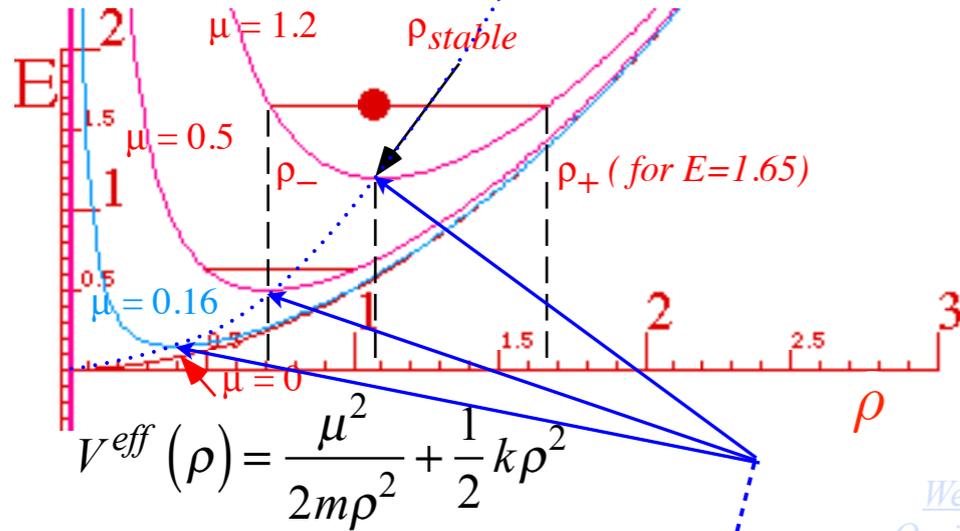
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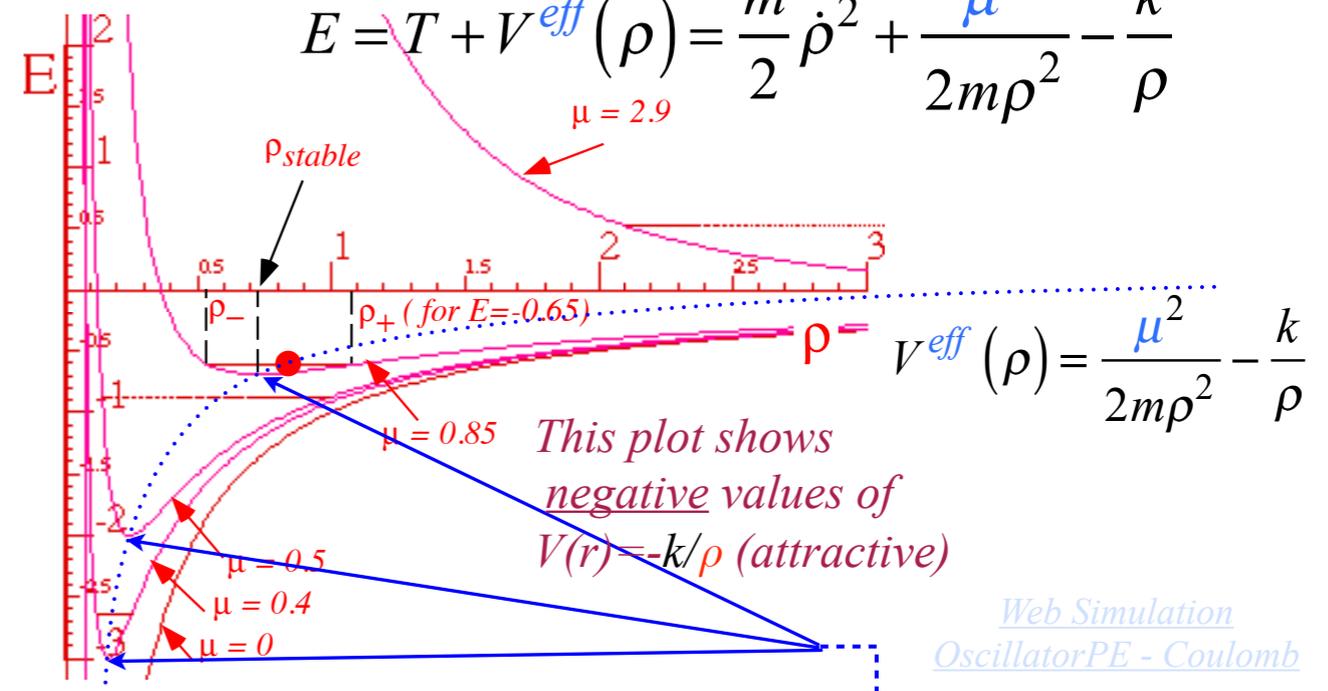
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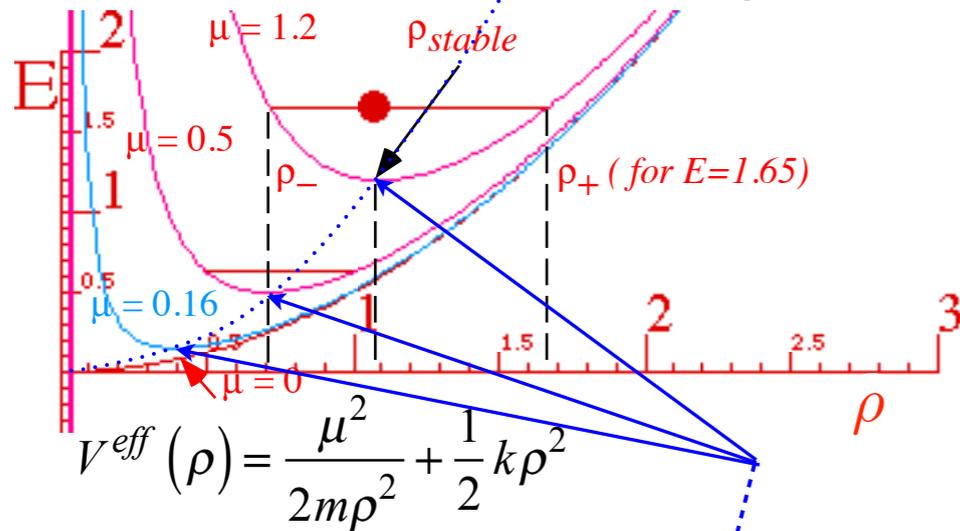
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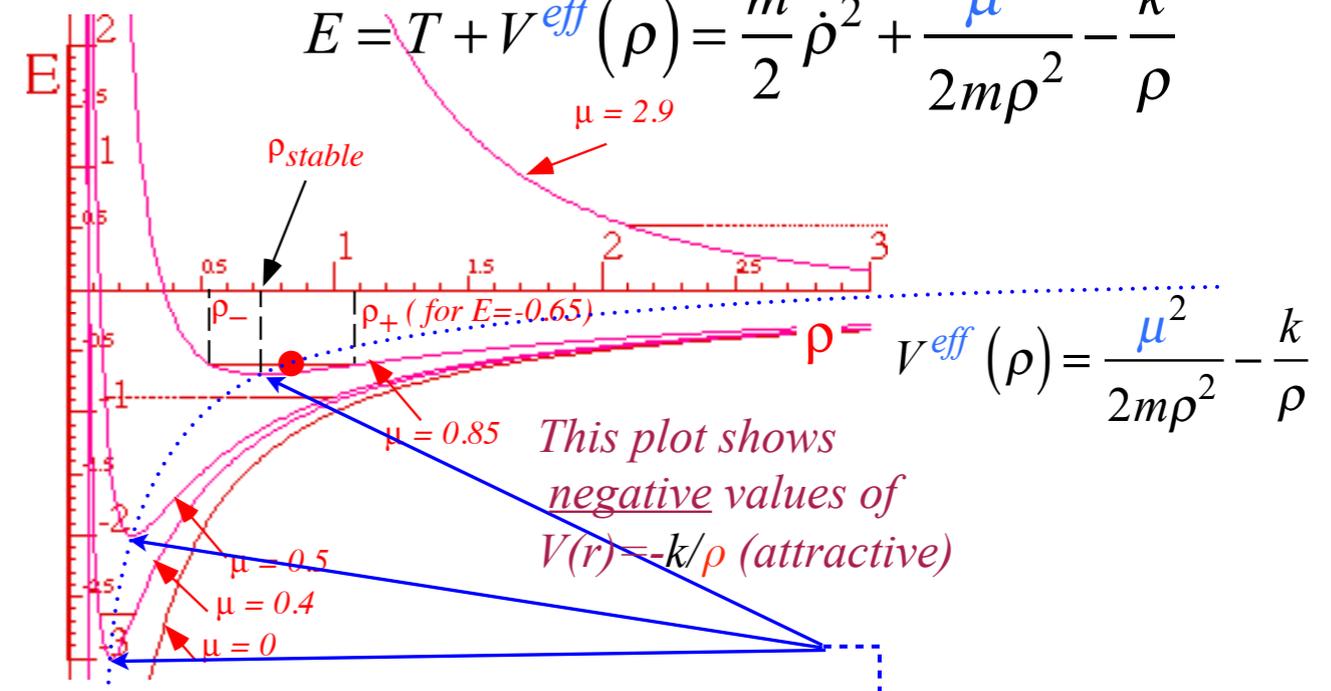
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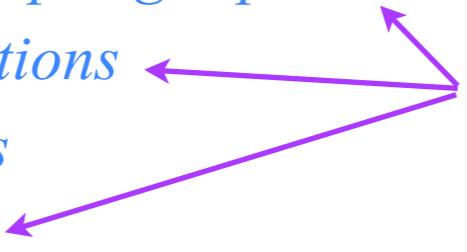
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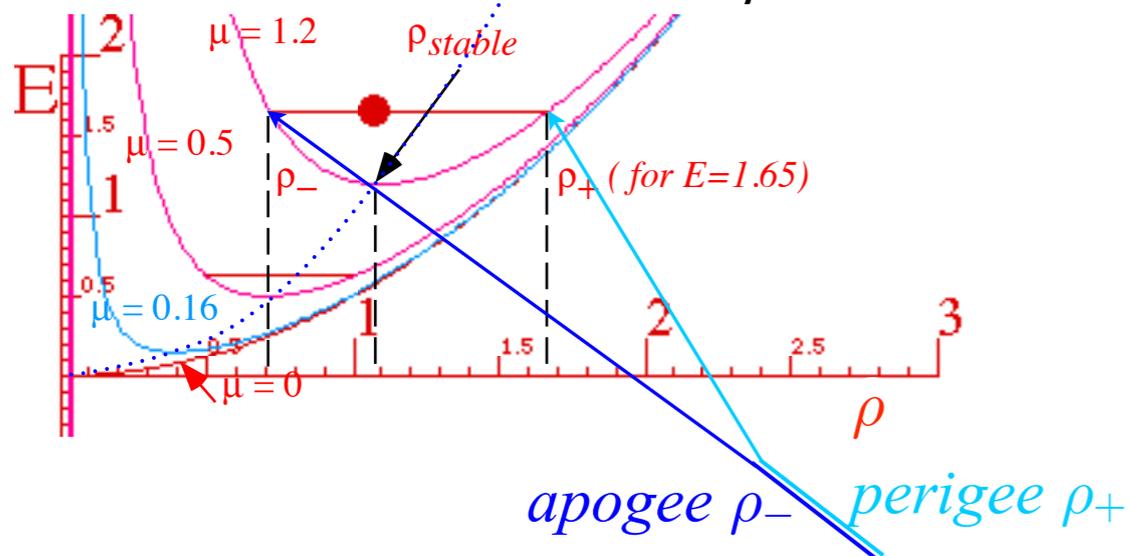
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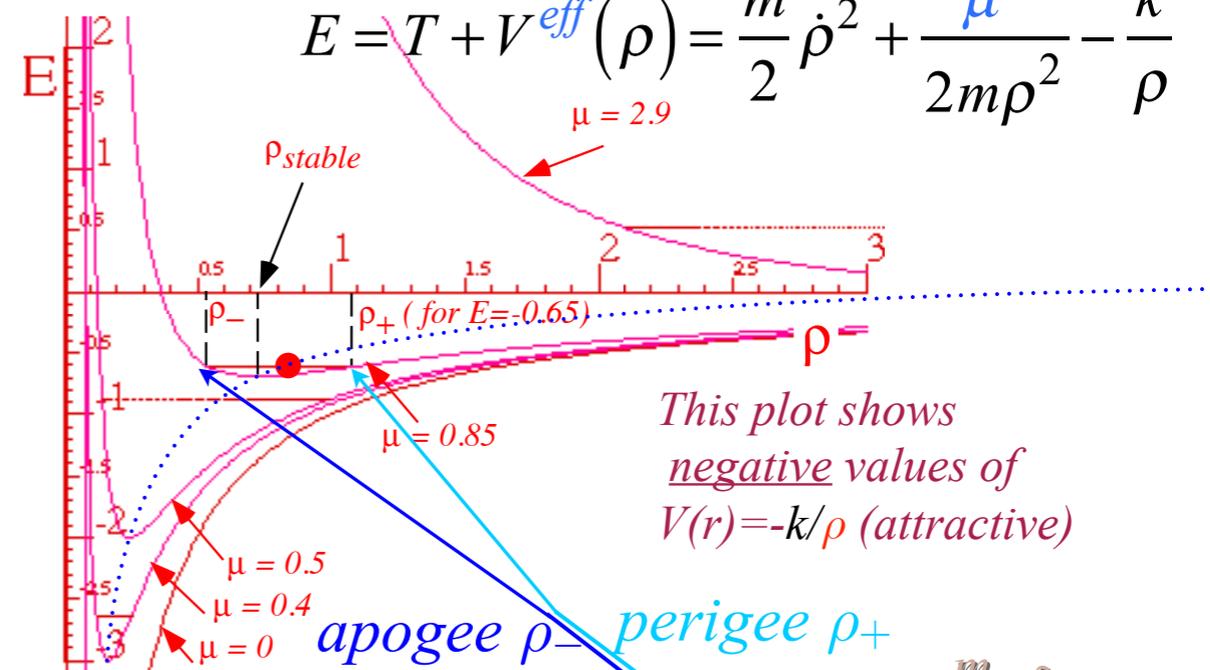
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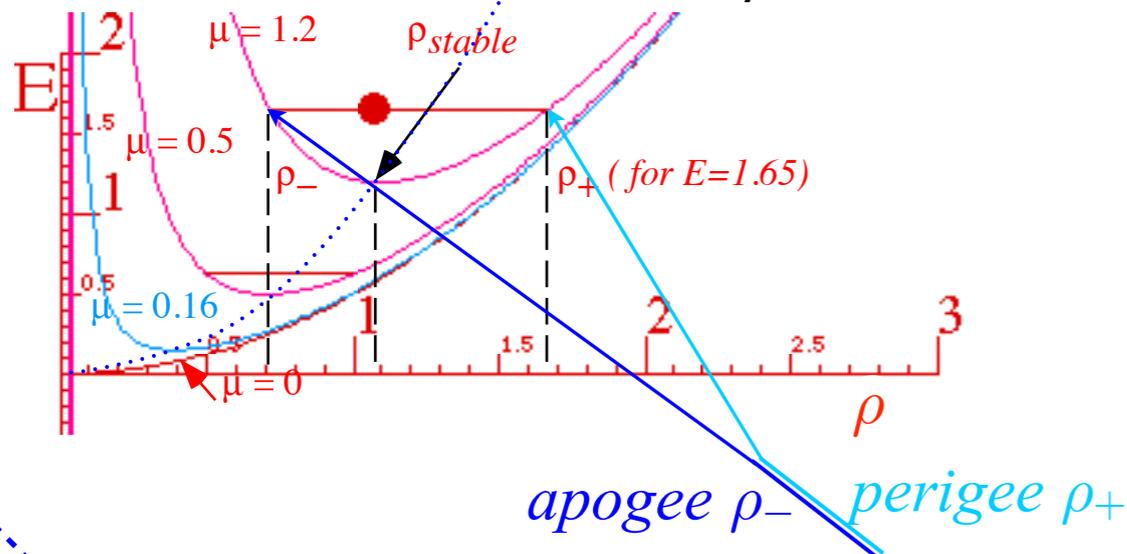
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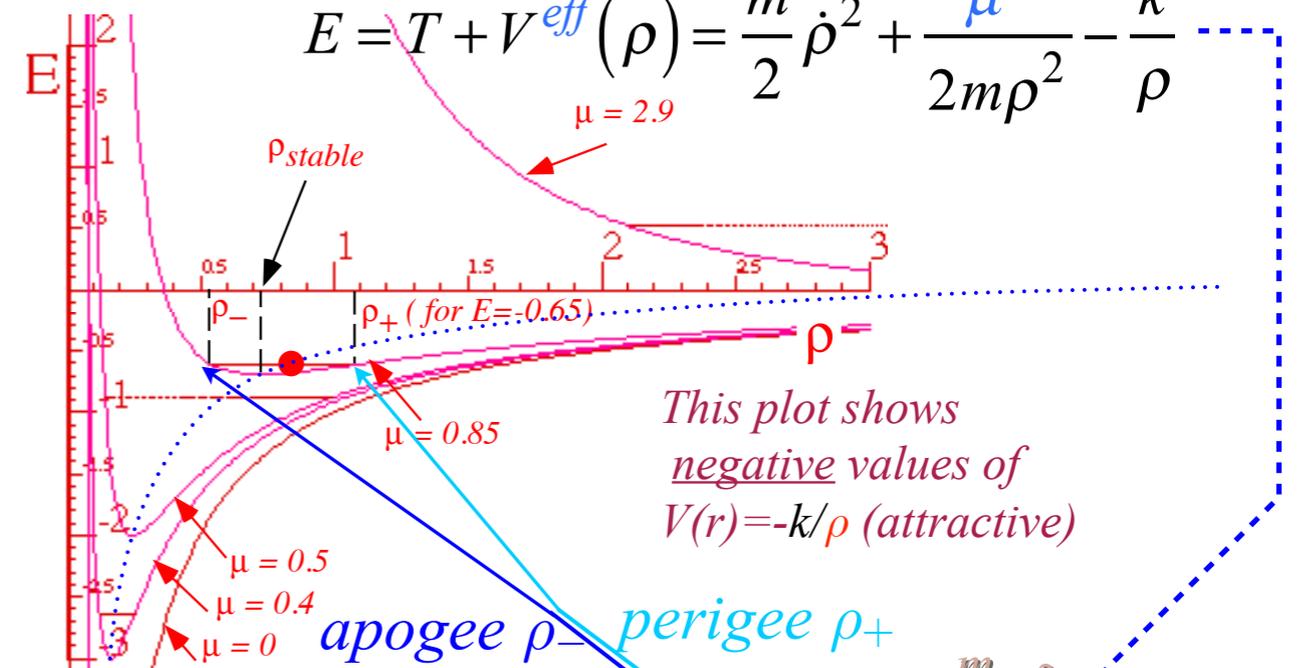
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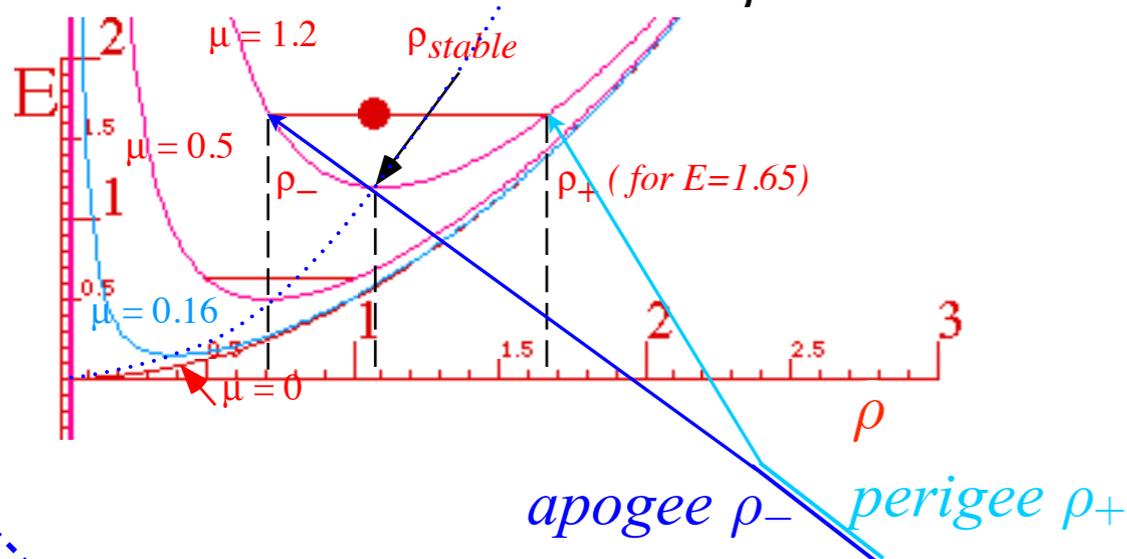
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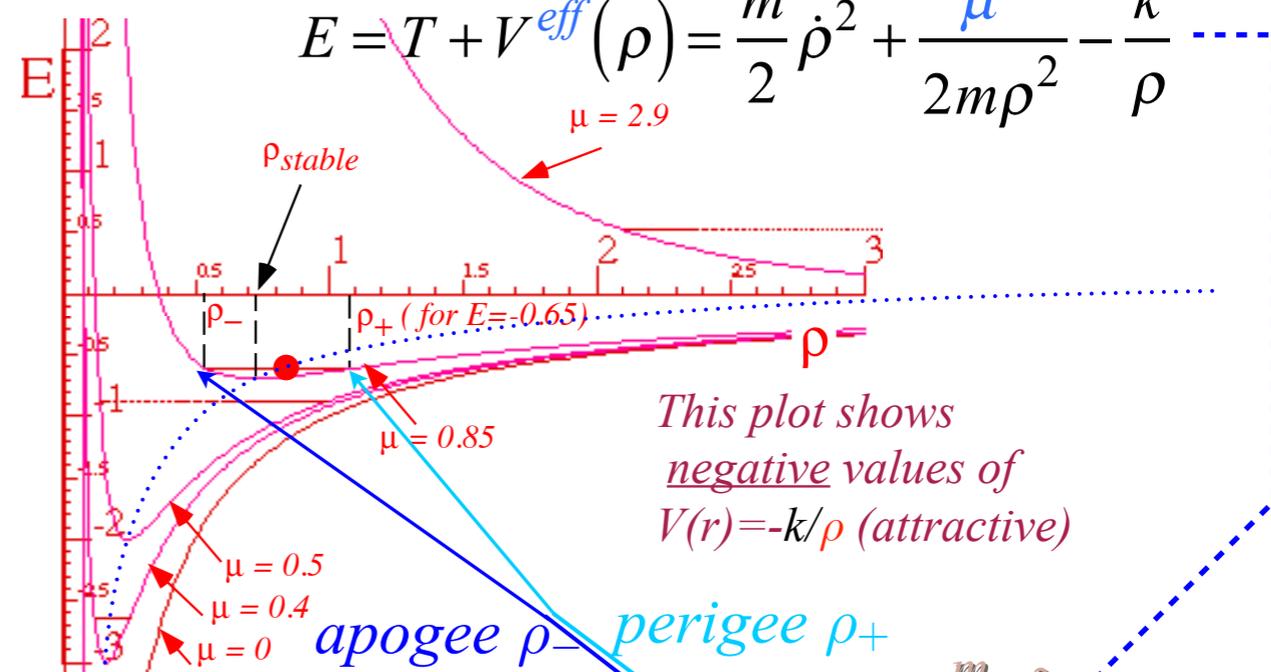
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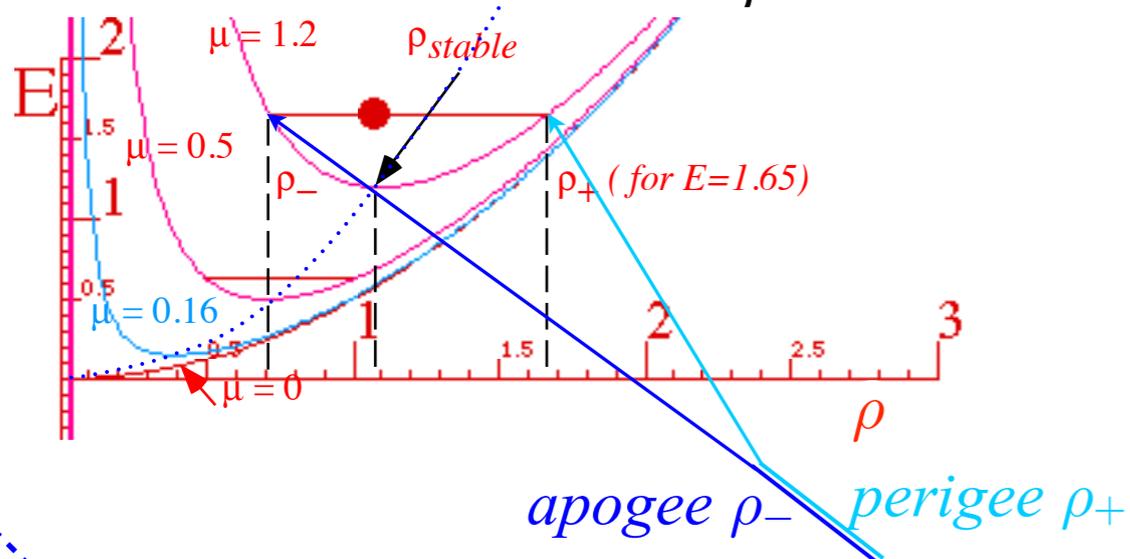
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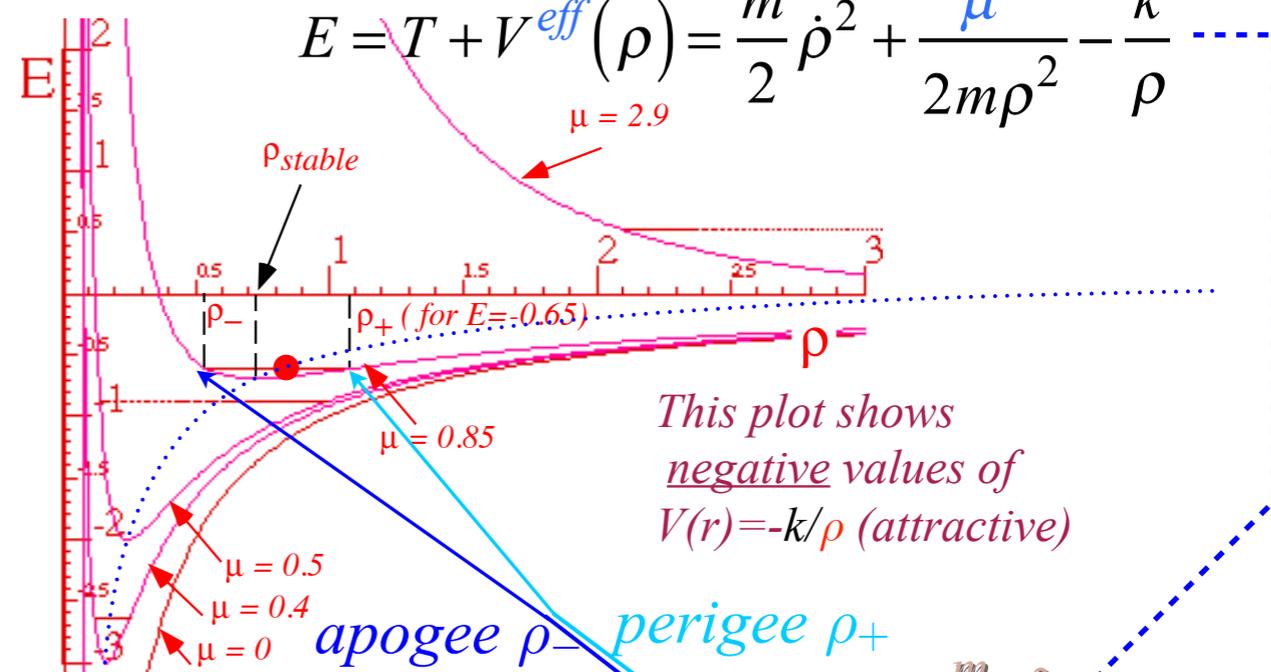
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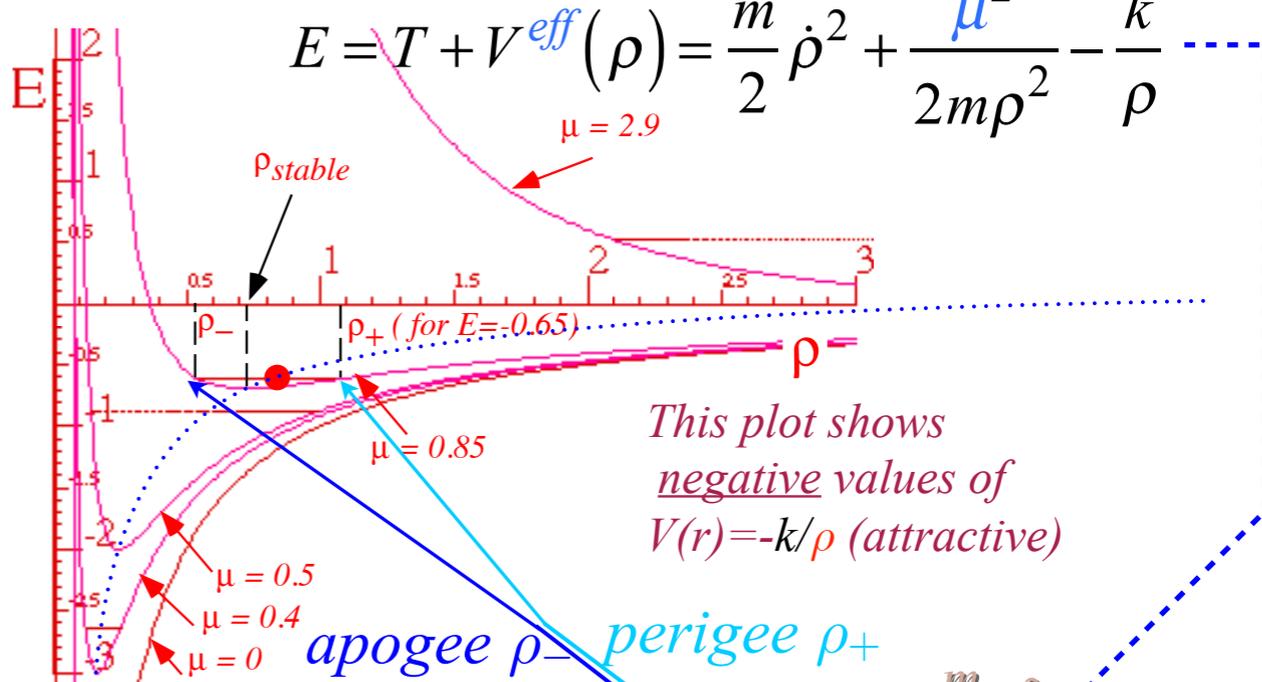
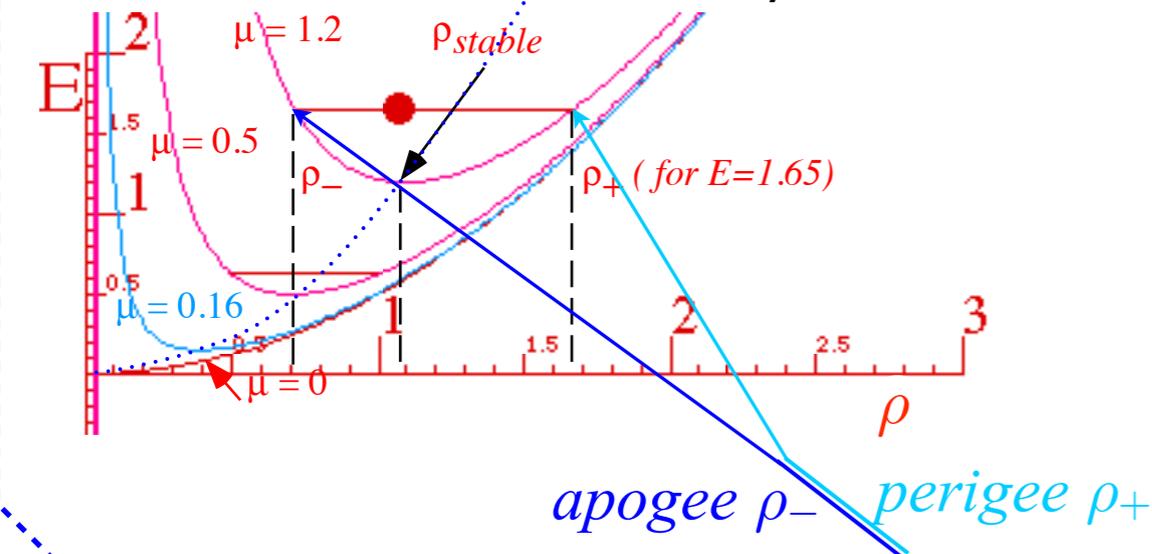
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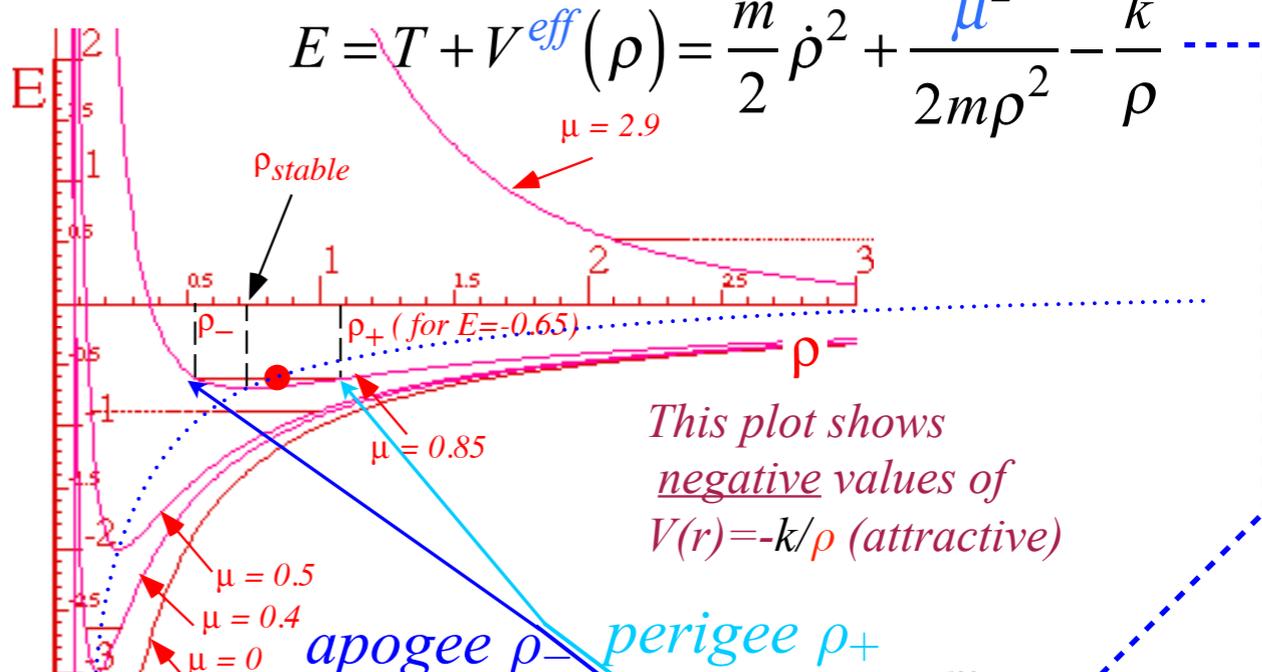
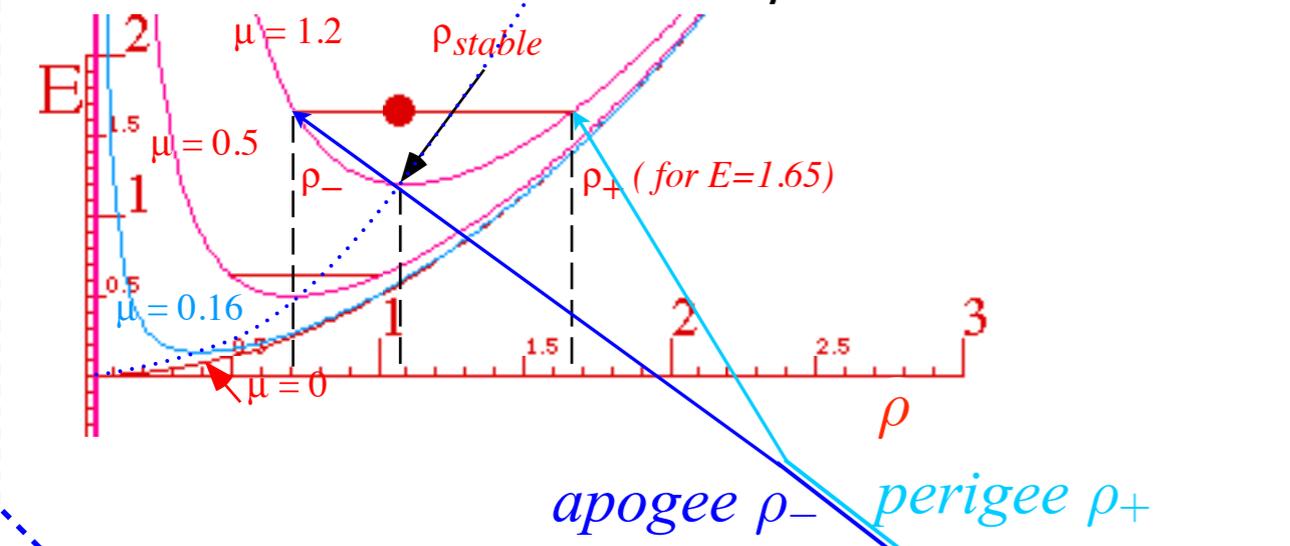
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*Notice mysterious similarity:  $E \rightarrow k$  and  $k \rightarrow 2E$*

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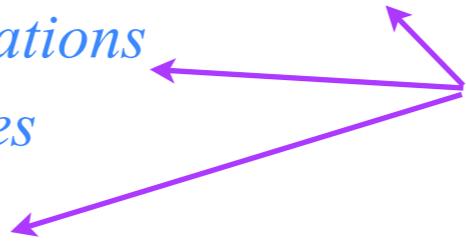
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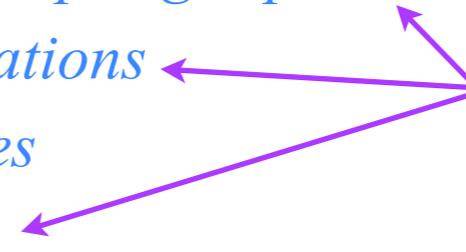
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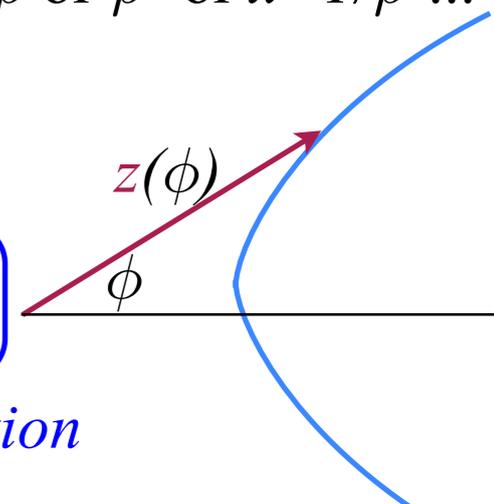
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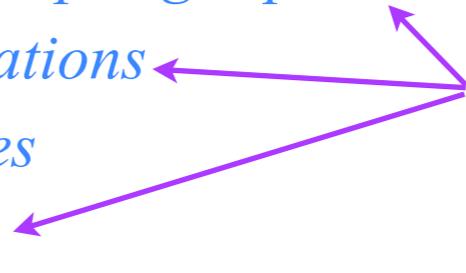
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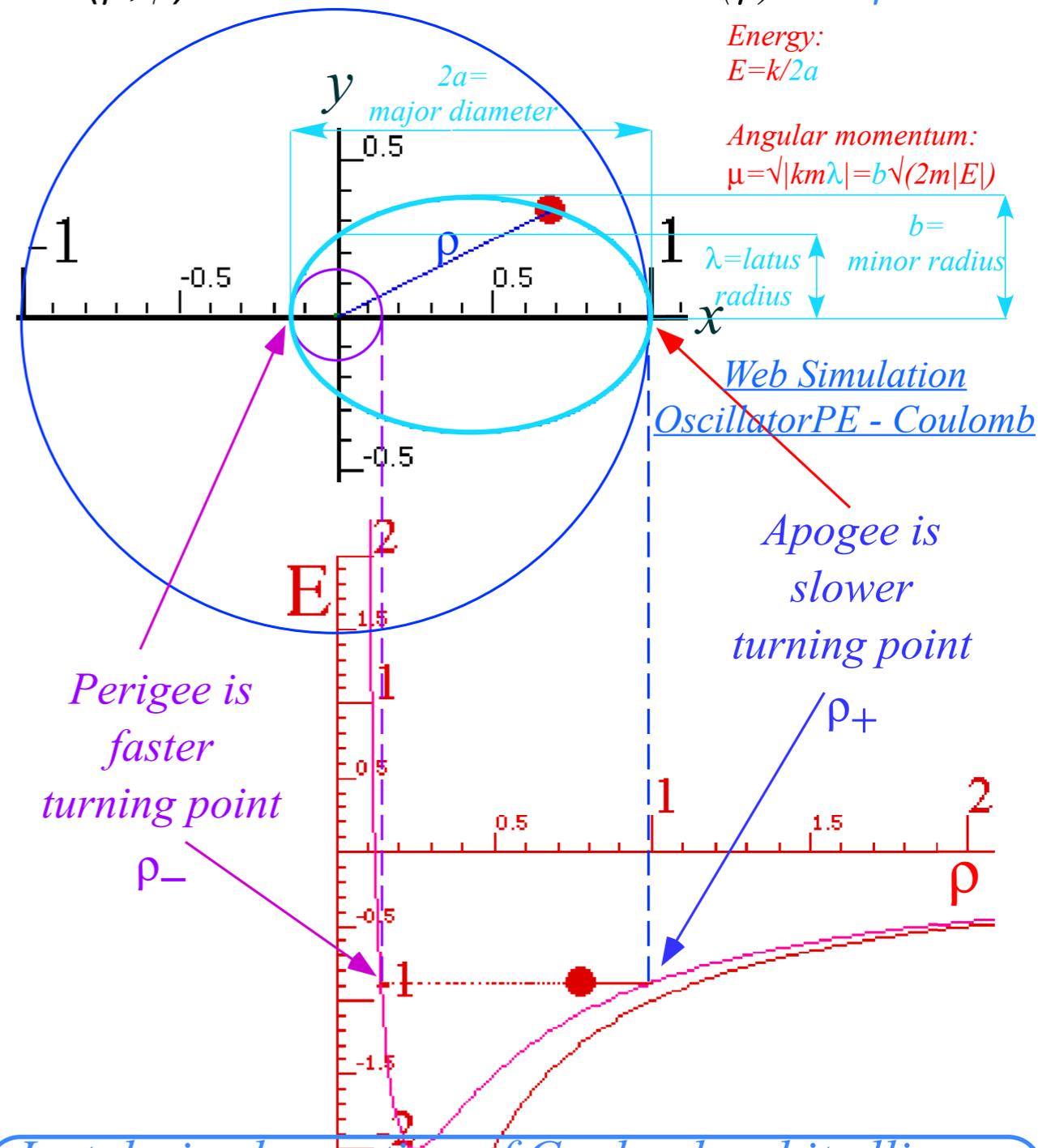
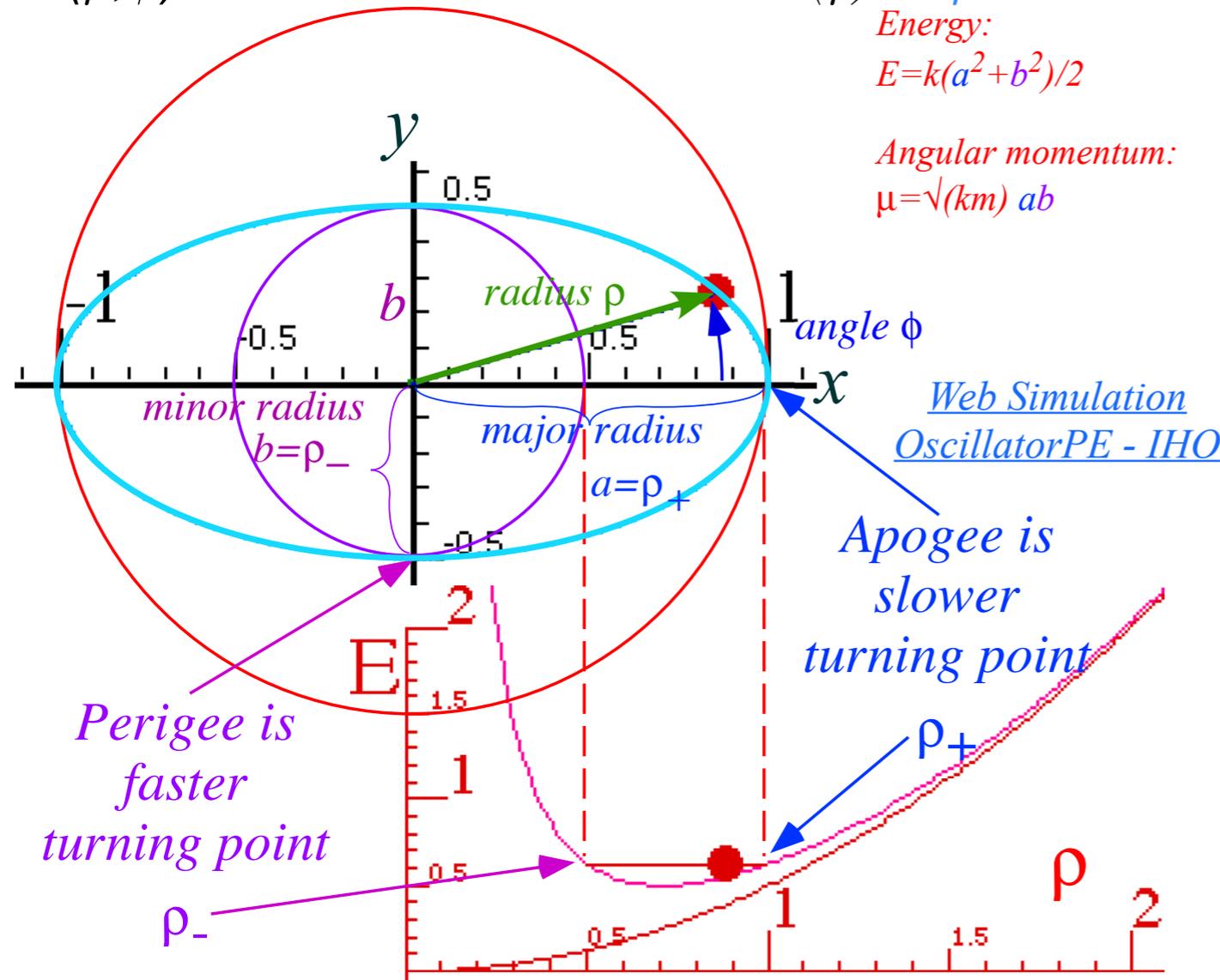
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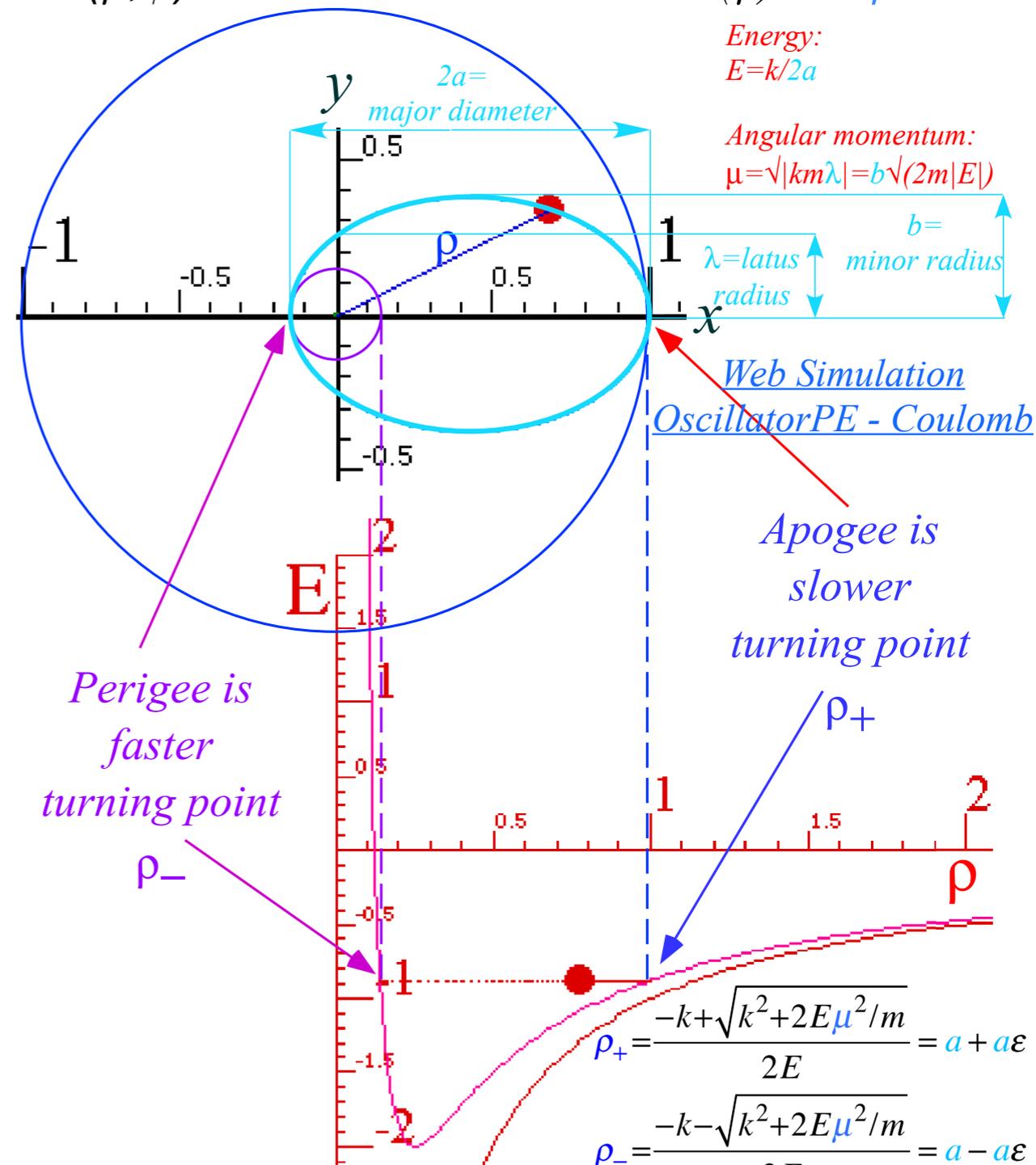
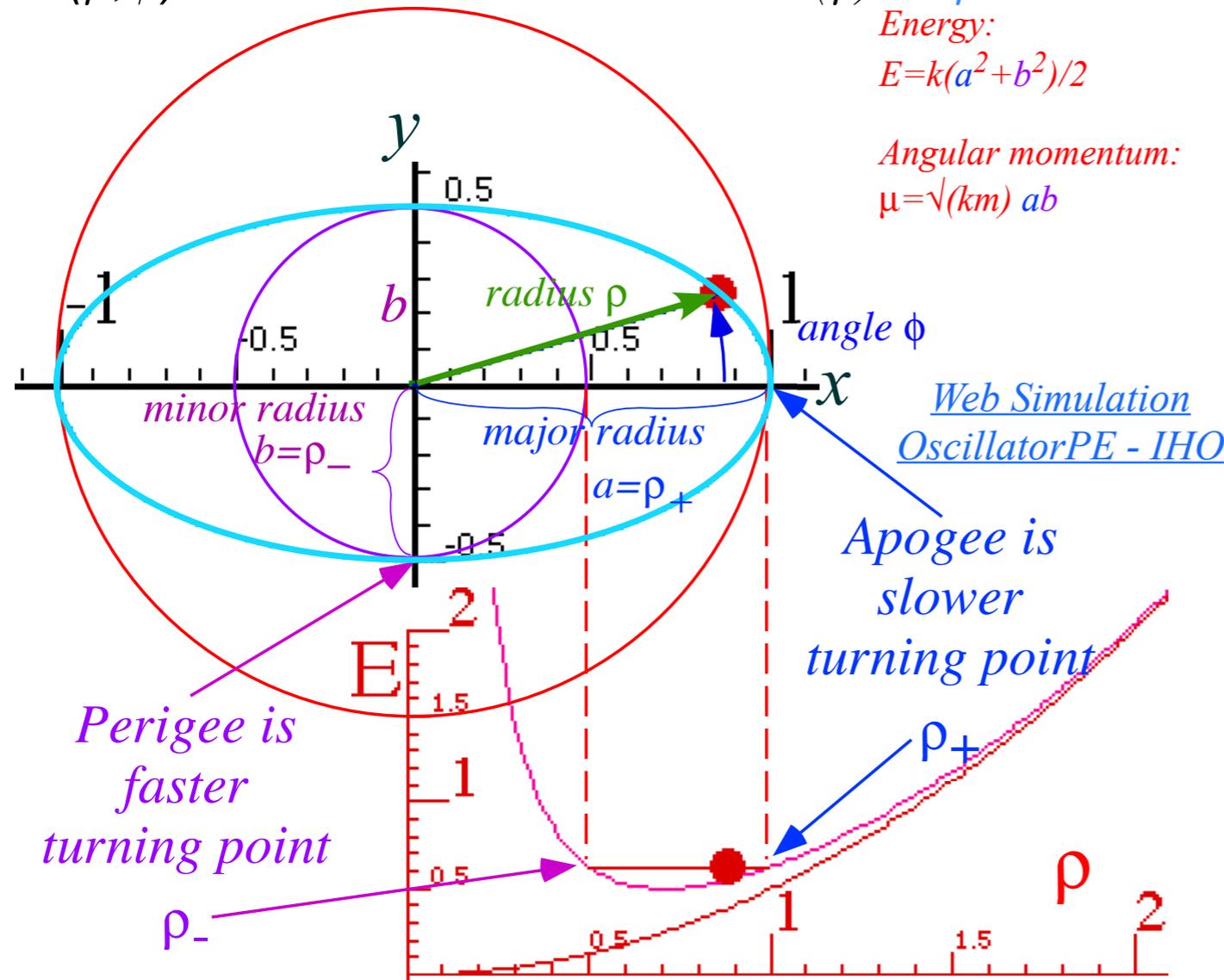
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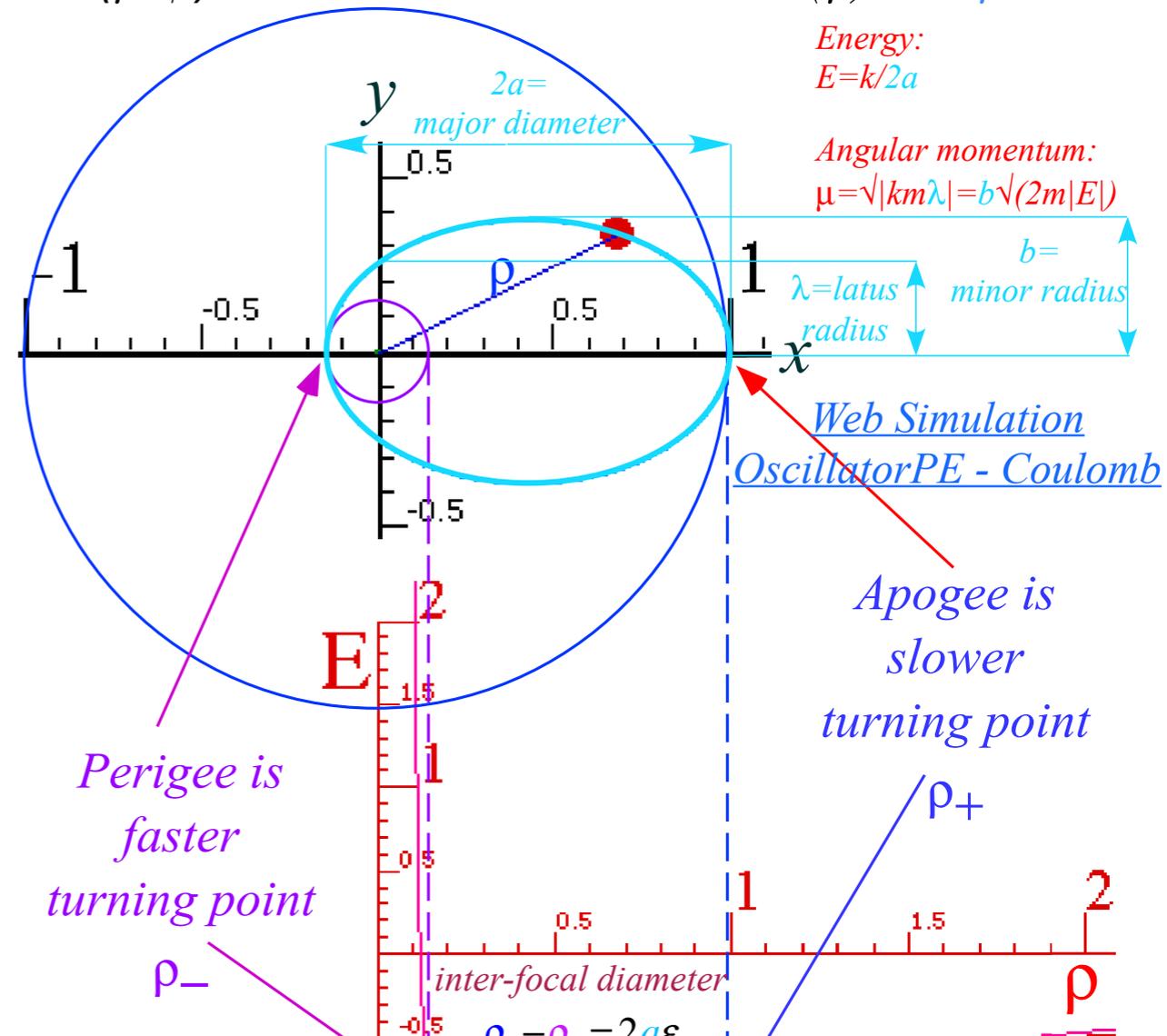
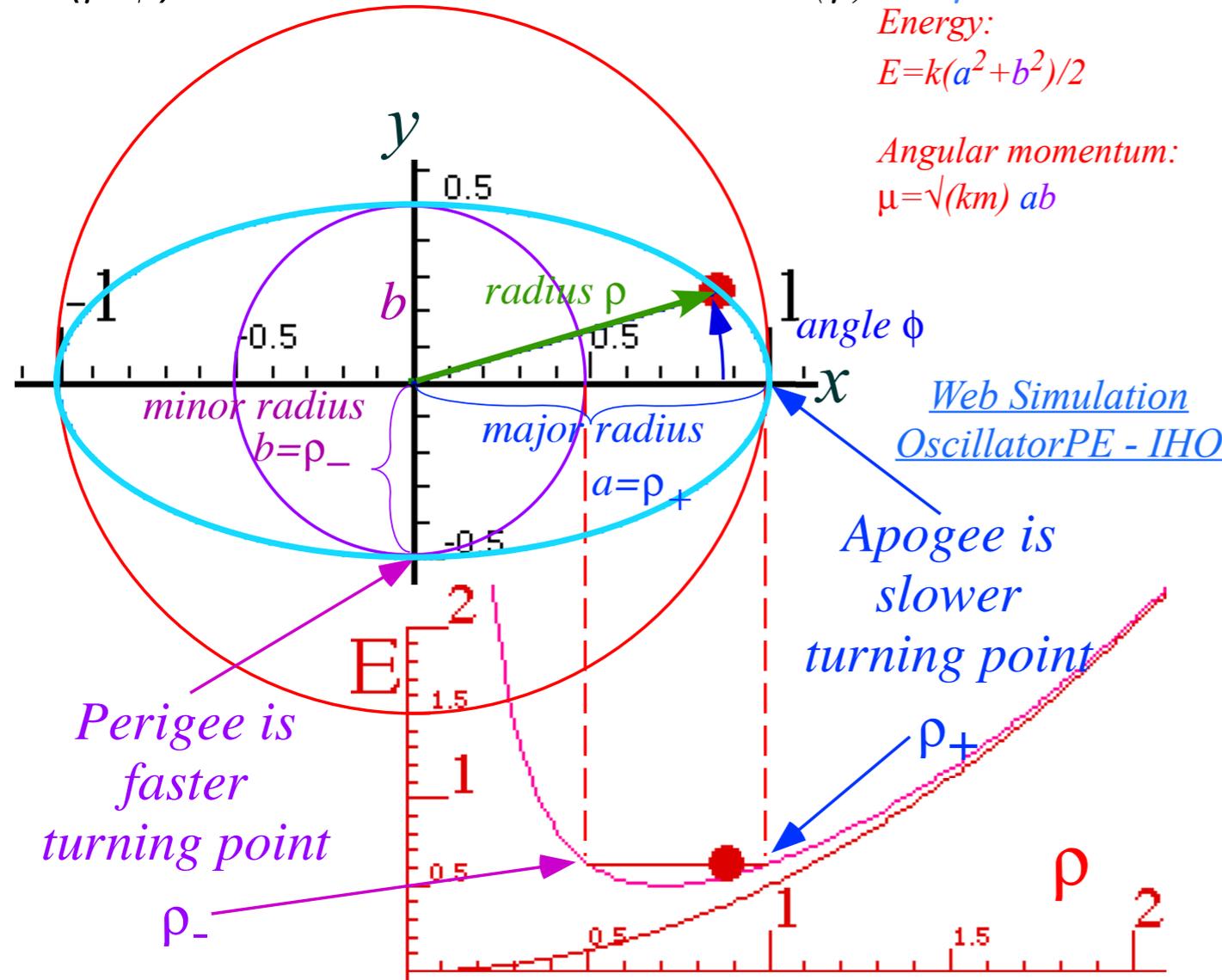
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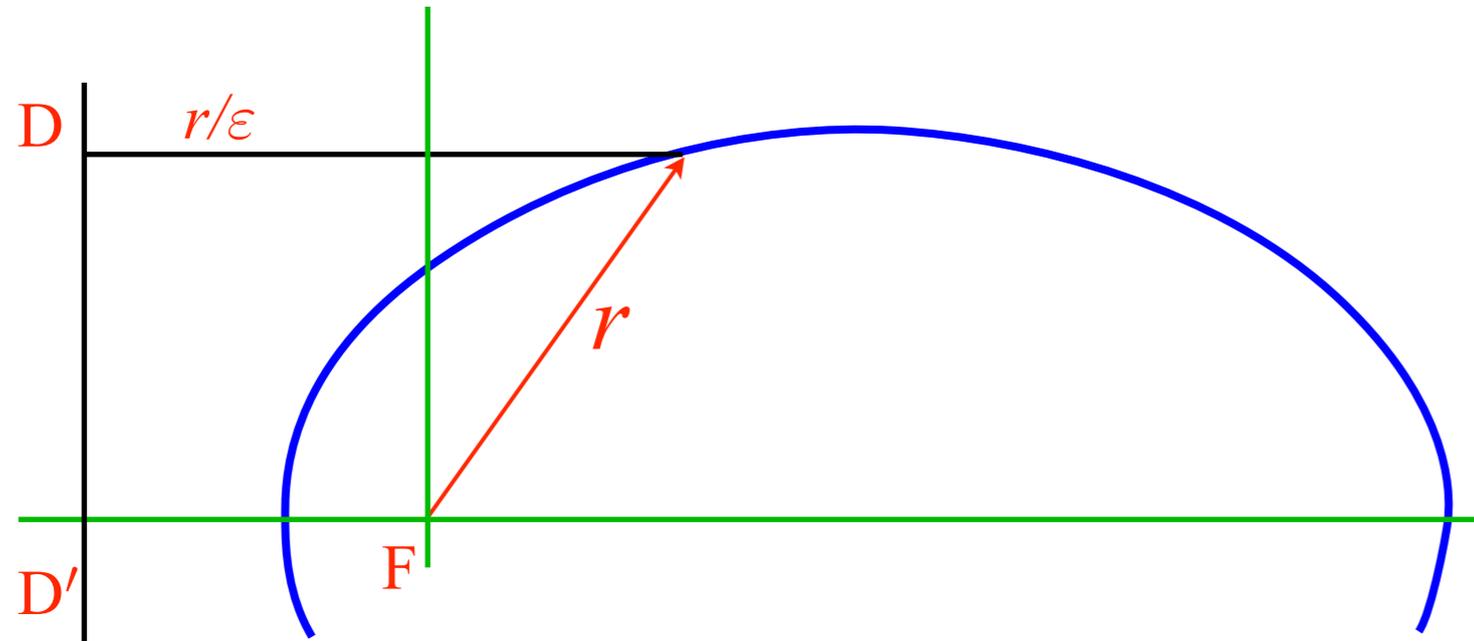
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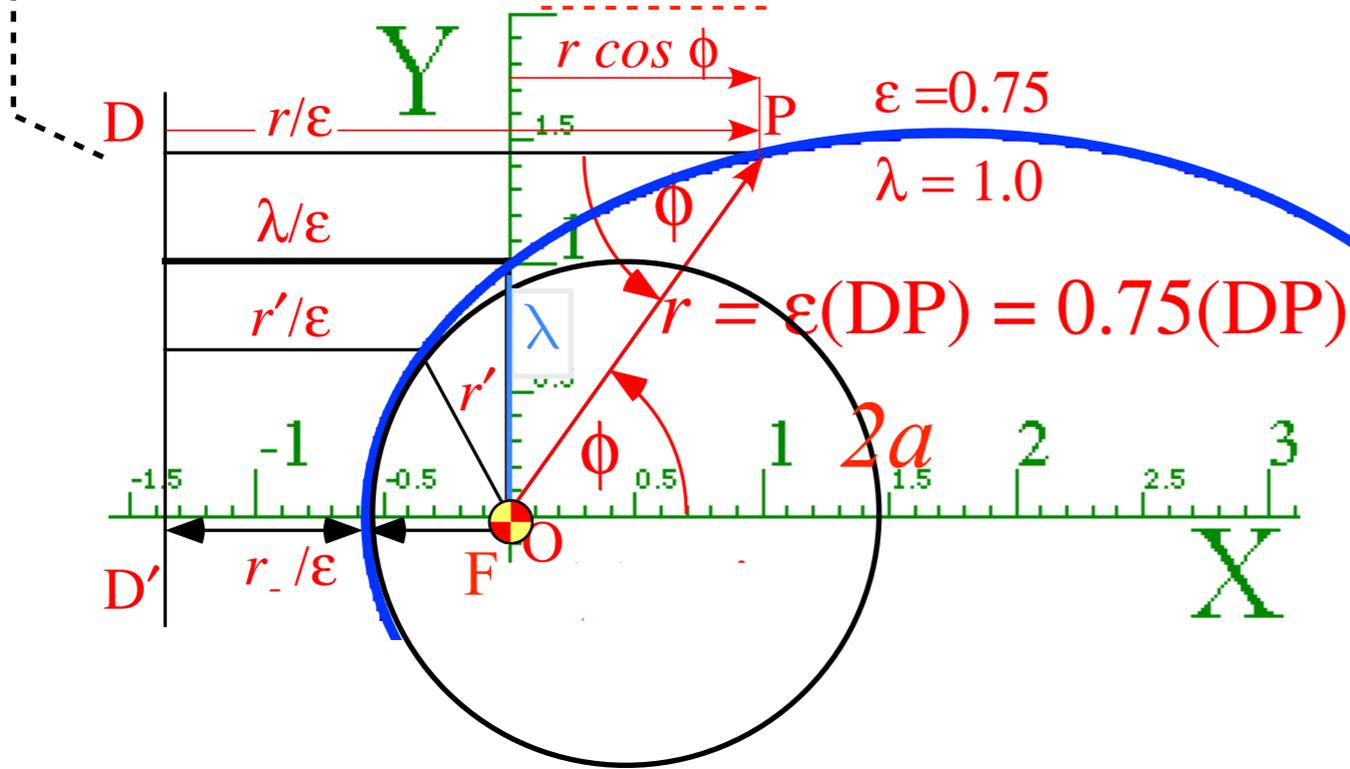
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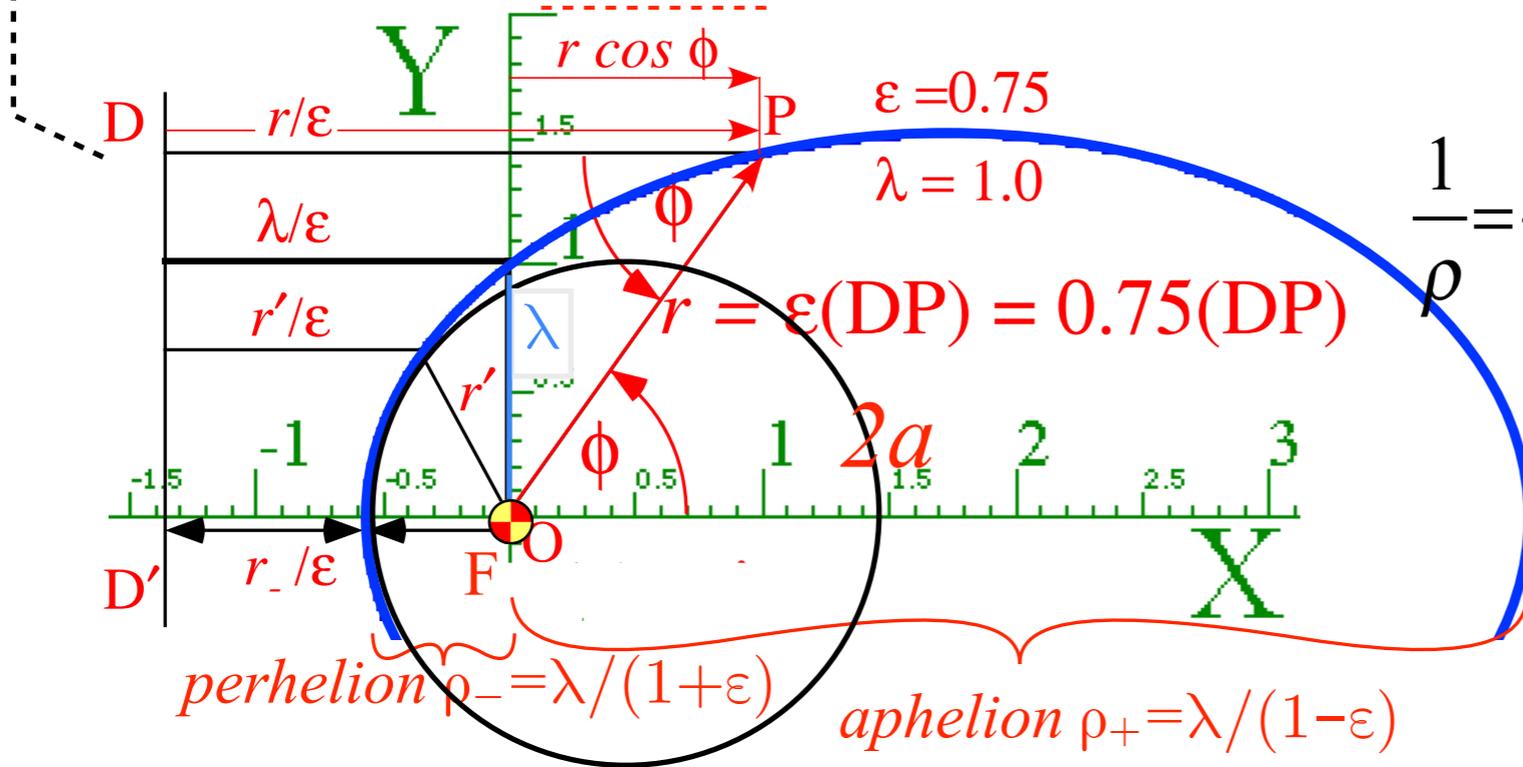
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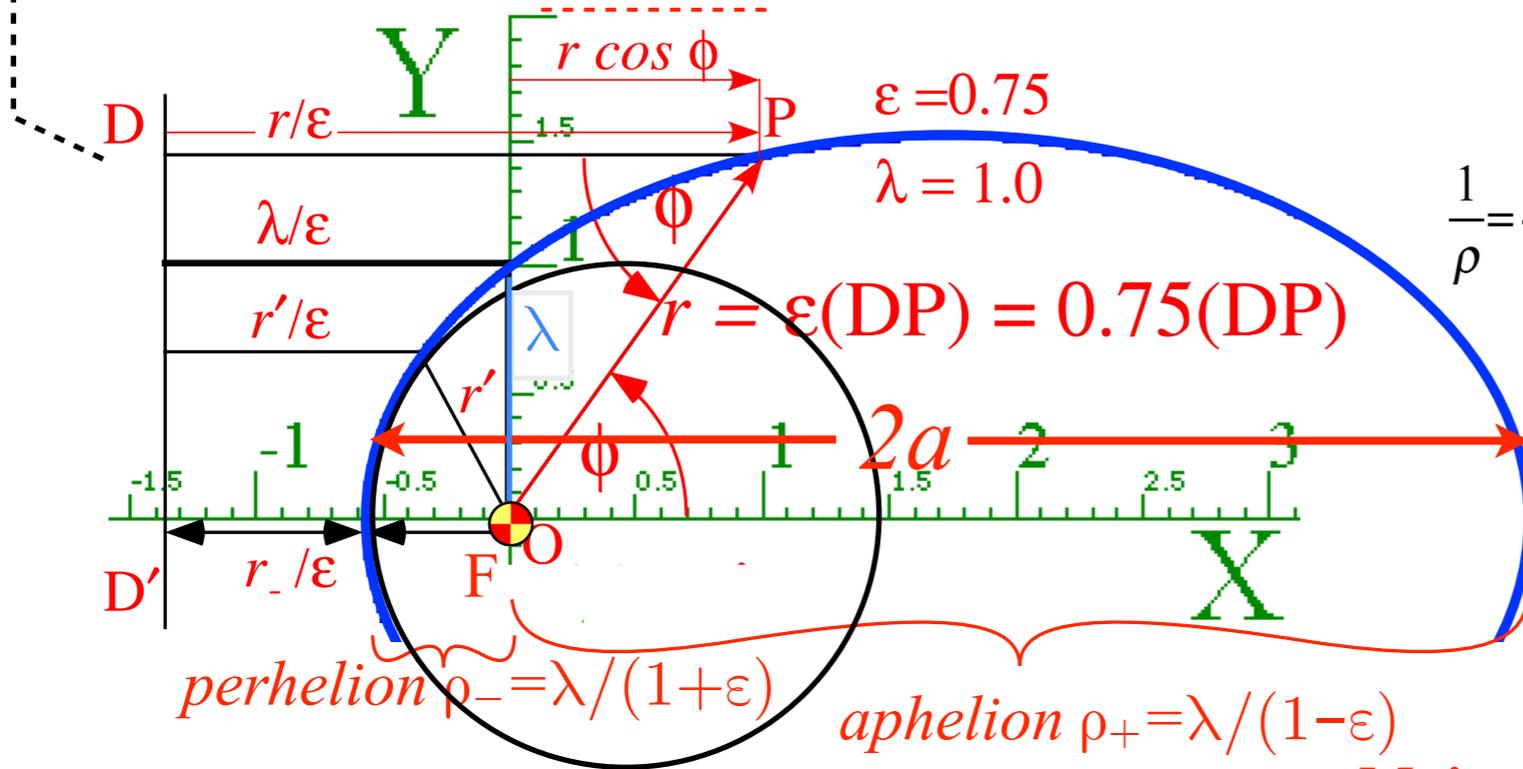
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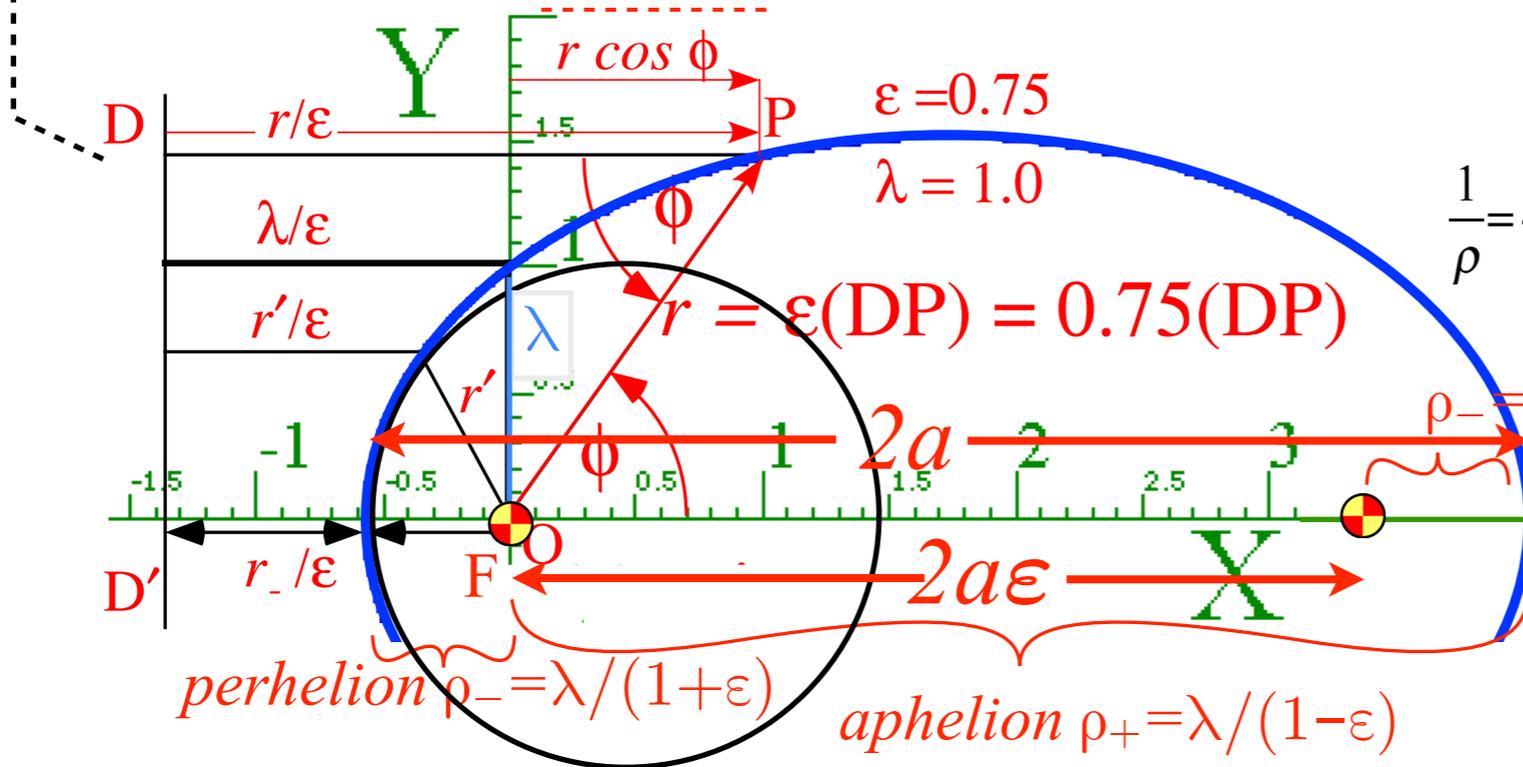


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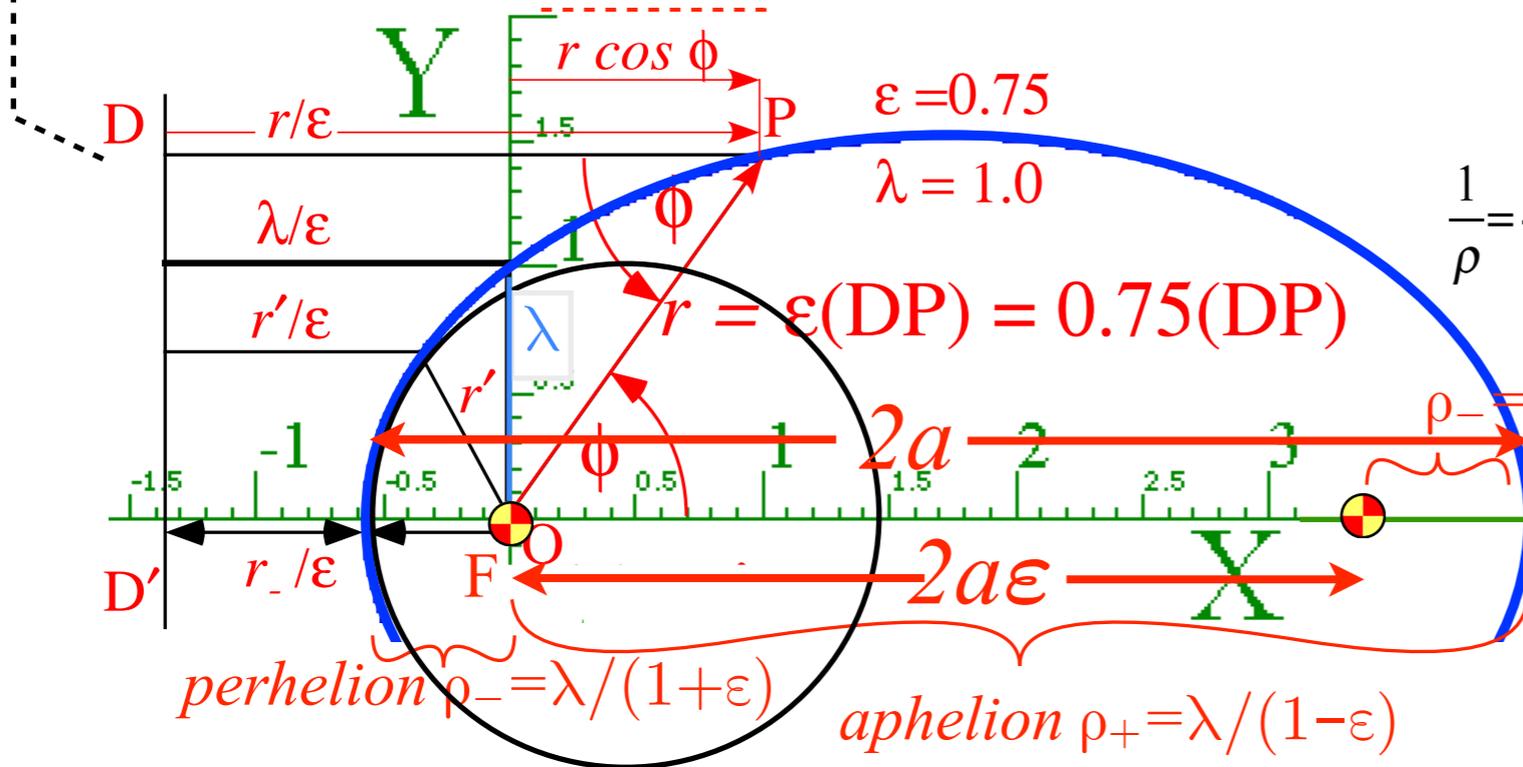
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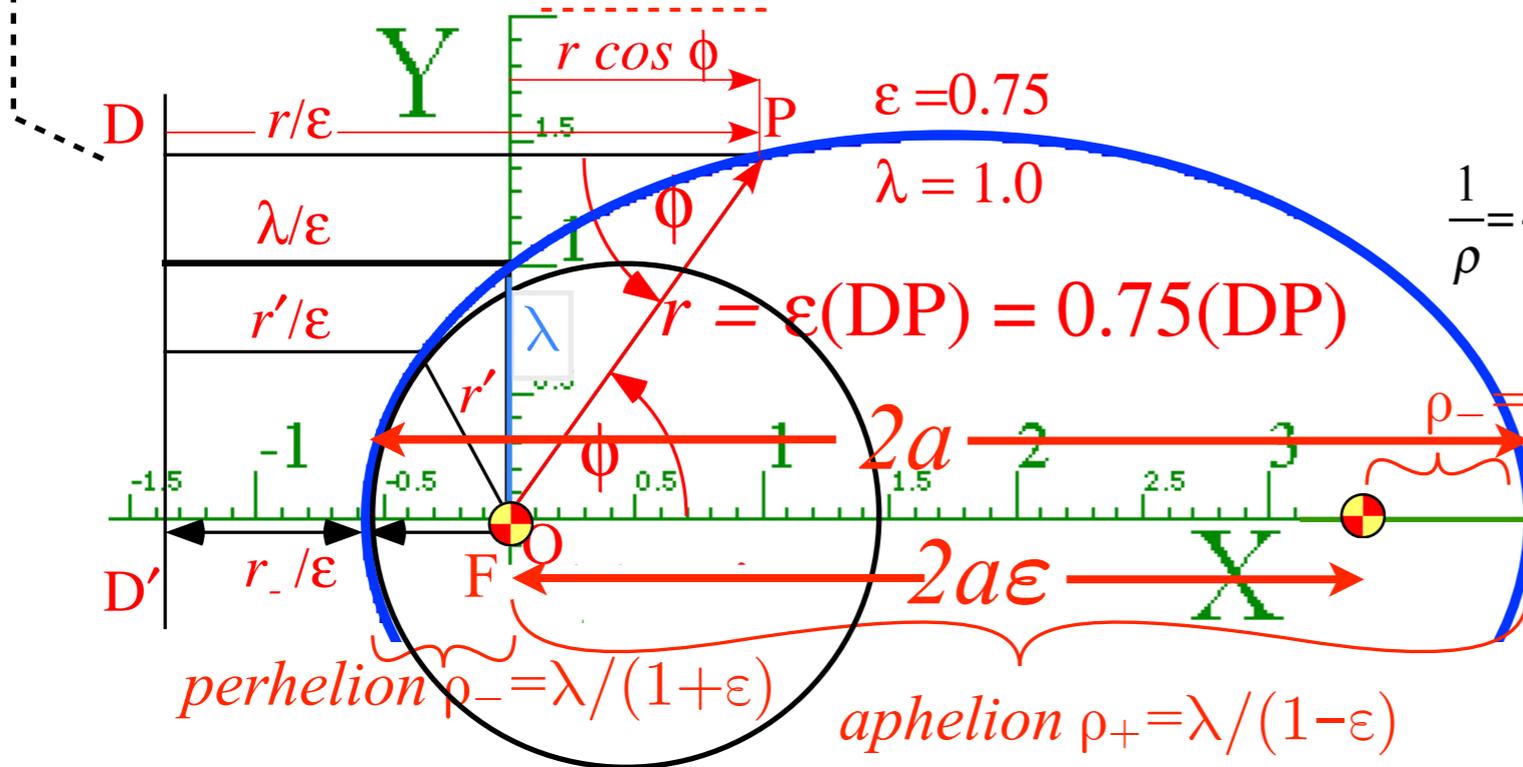
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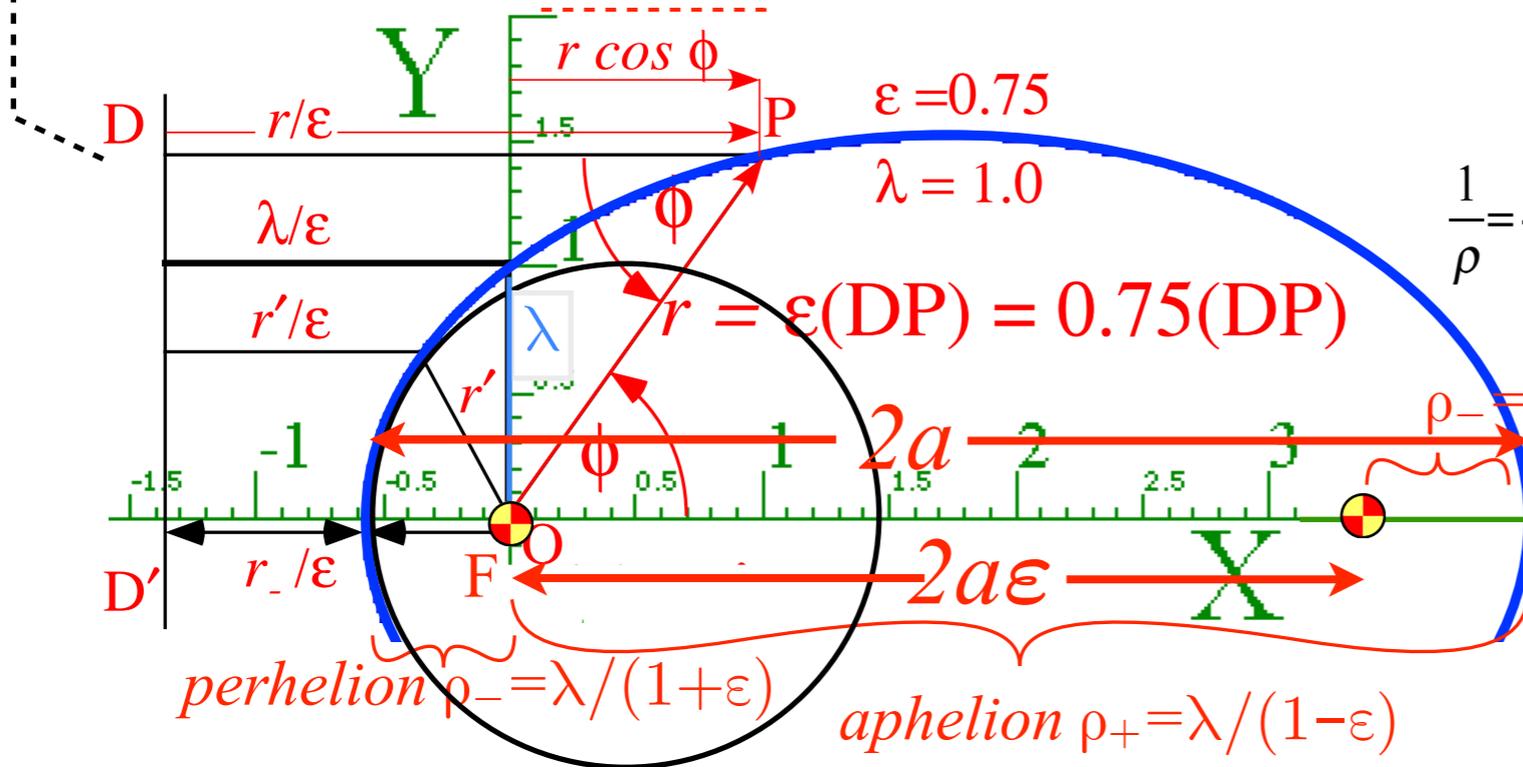
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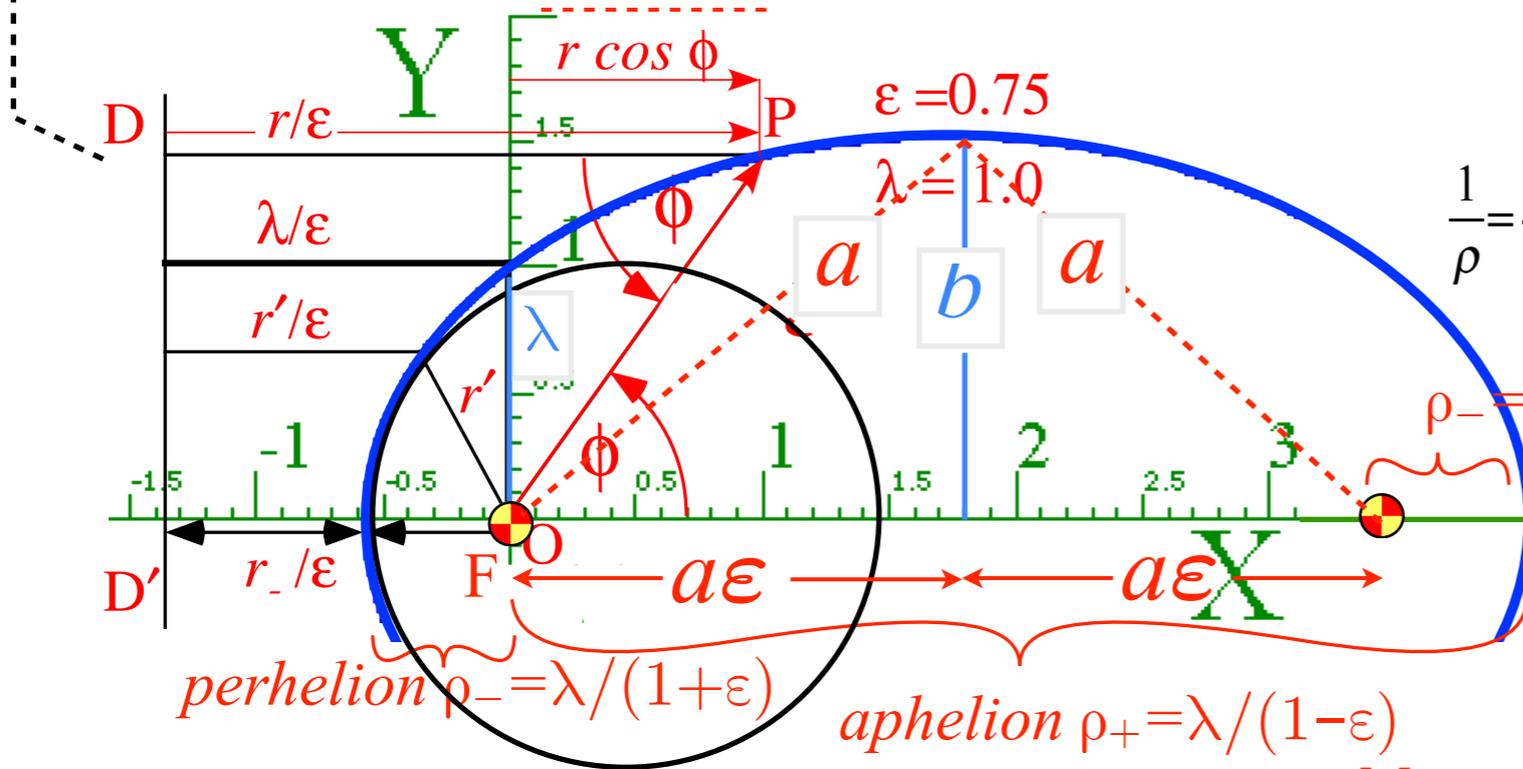
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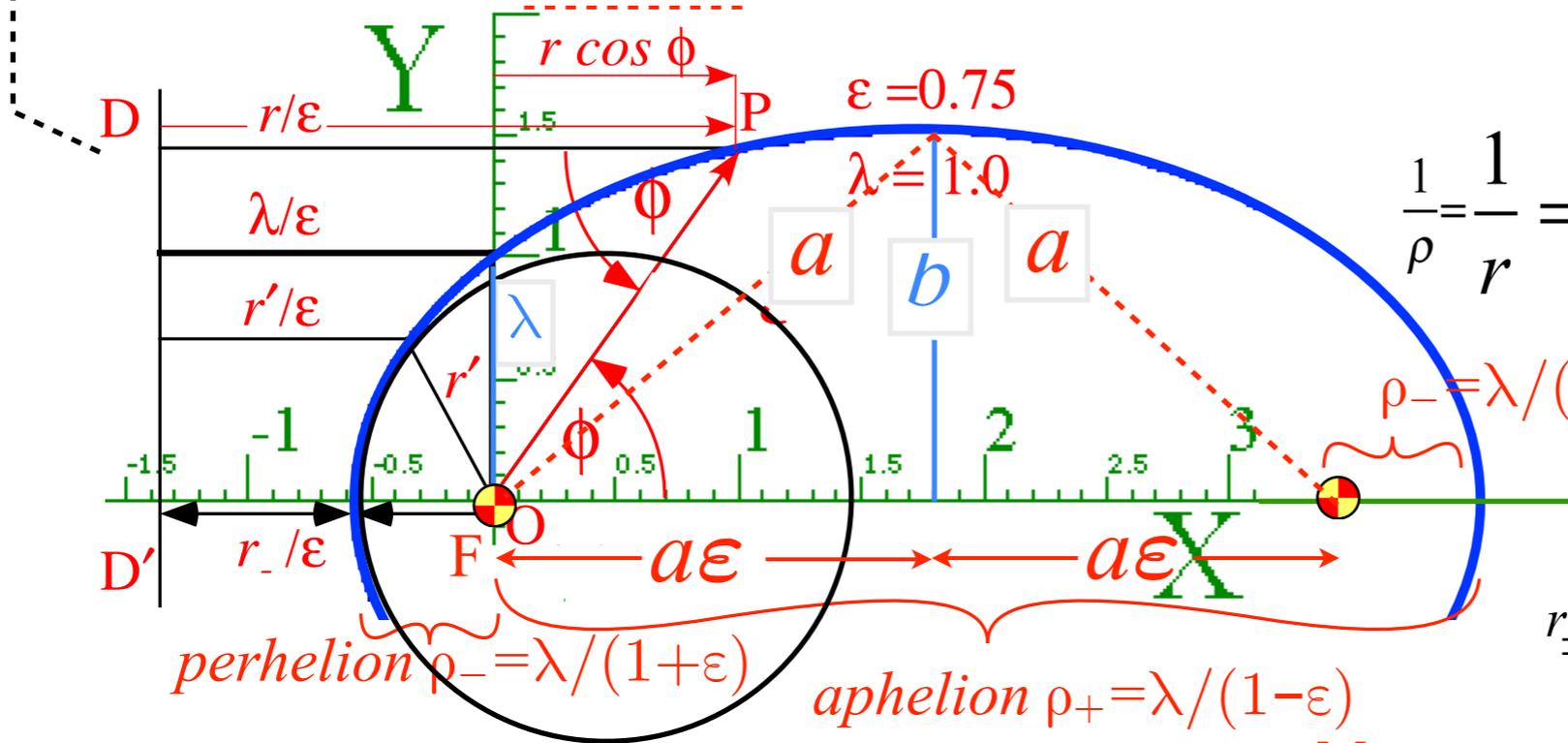
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Also important!  $\mu = \sqrt{km\lambda}$

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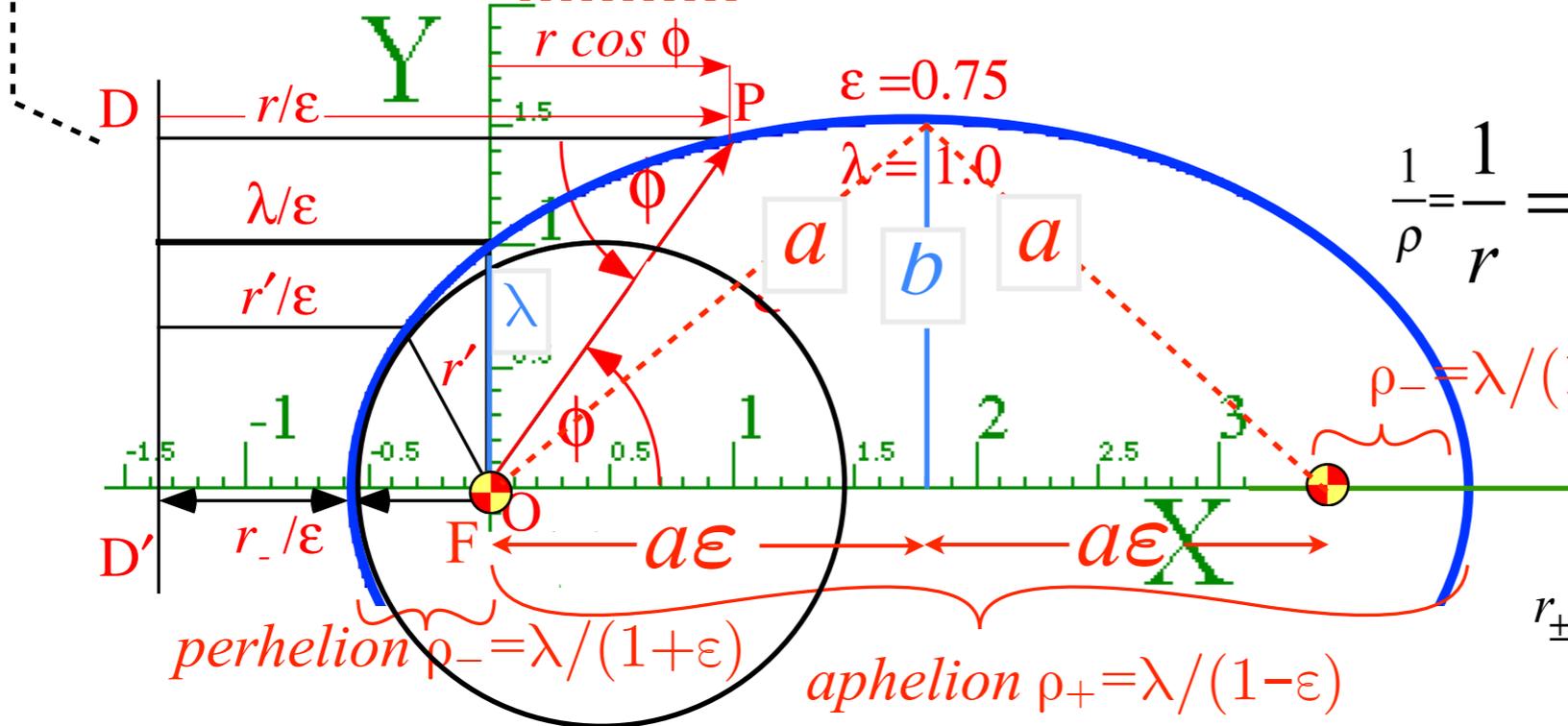
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# Geometry of ALL Coulomb conic section orbits (Let: $r \equiv \rho$ here)

$$r/\epsilon = \lambda/\epsilon + r \cos \phi \quad r = \lambda + r \epsilon \cos \phi \quad \rho \equiv r = \frac{\lambda}{1 - \epsilon \cos \phi}$$



By geometry:

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{1}{r} = \frac{1 - \epsilon \cos \phi}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{\epsilon}{\lambda} \cos \phi$$

By p.29 physics:

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All conics defined by: **Eccentricity  $\epsilon$**   
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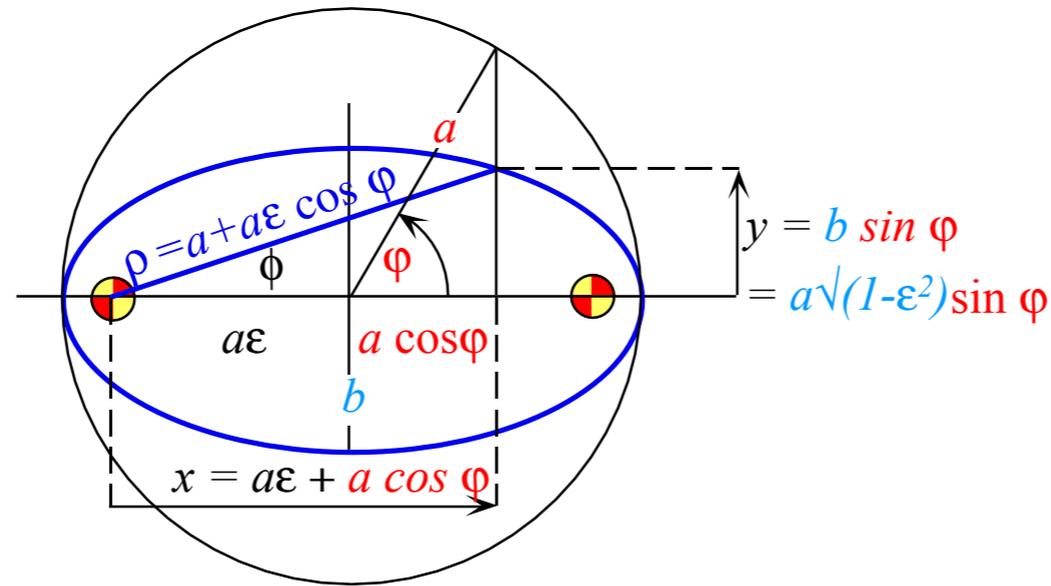
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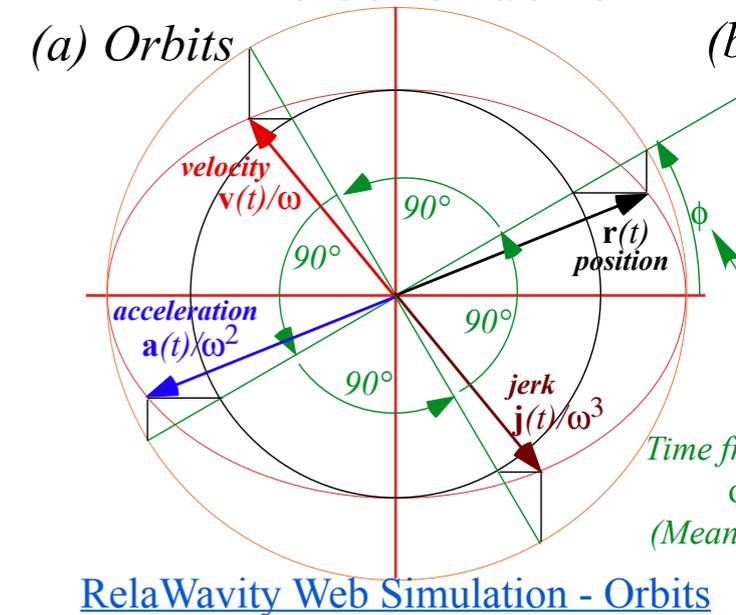
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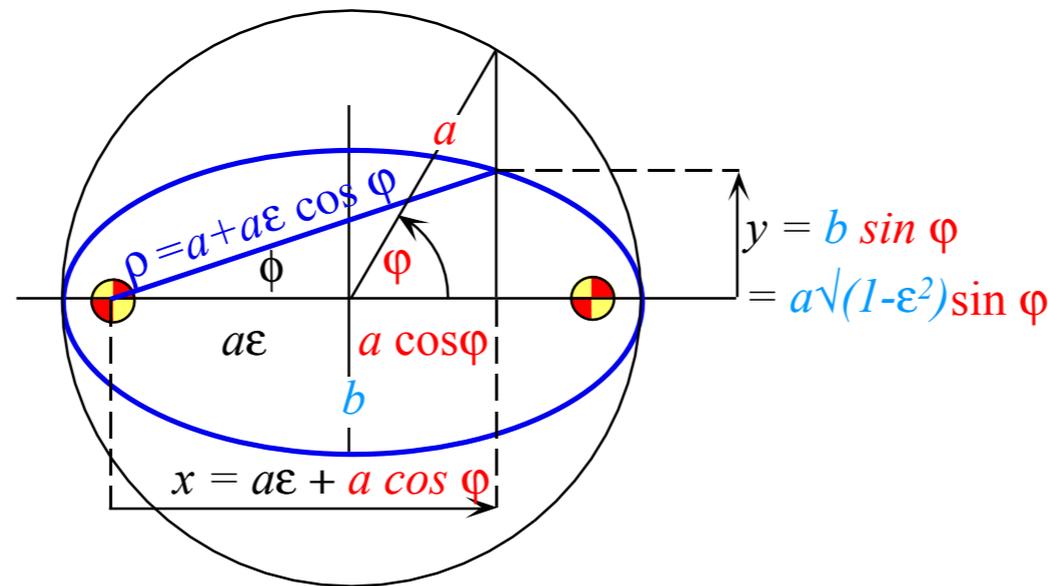
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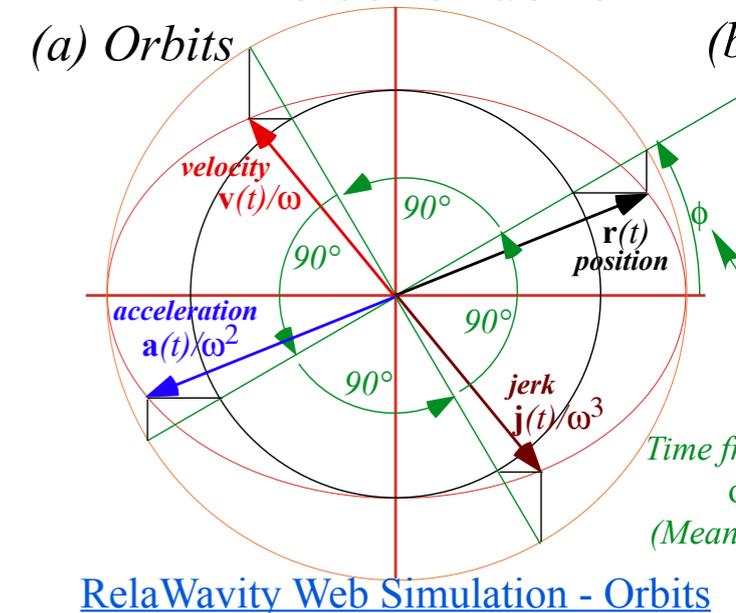
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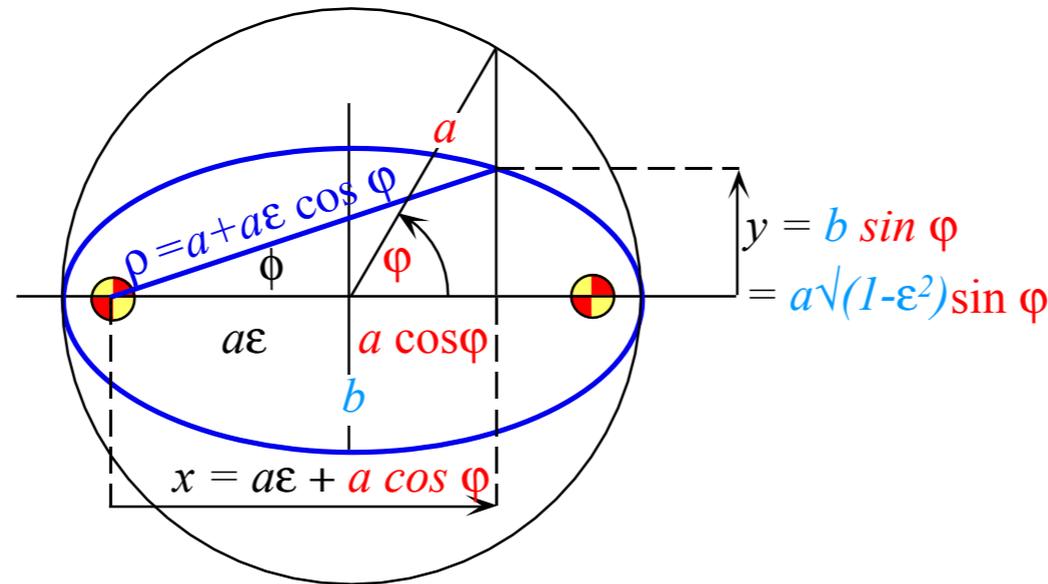
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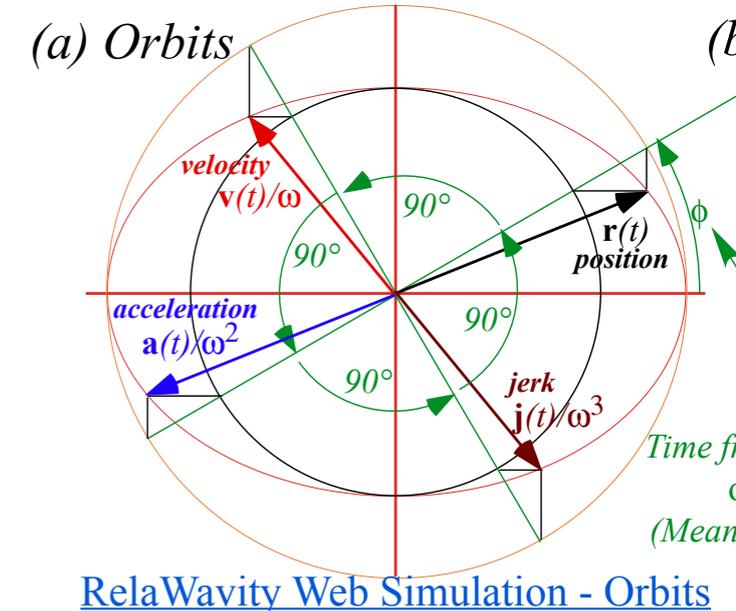
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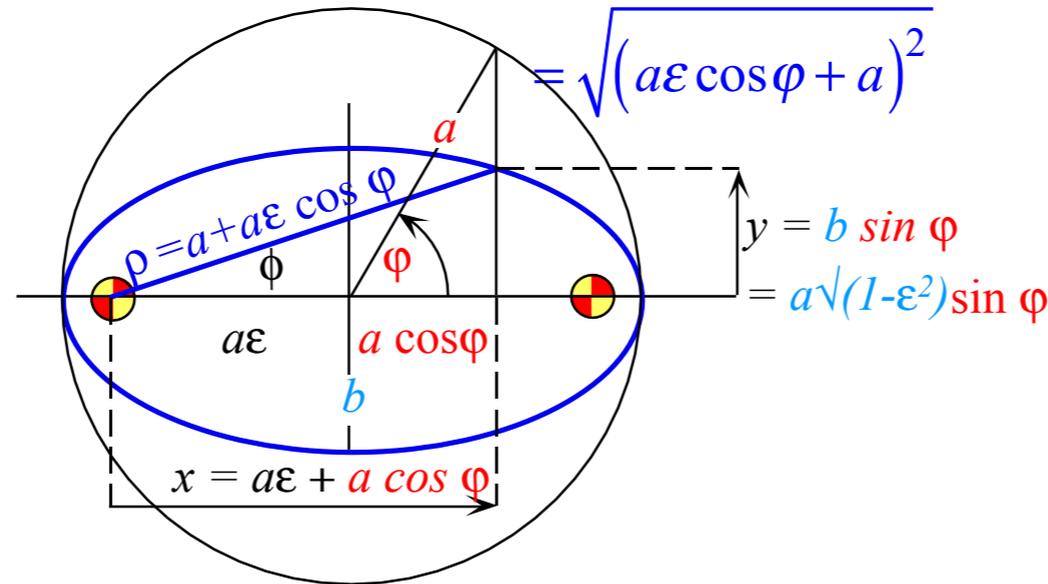
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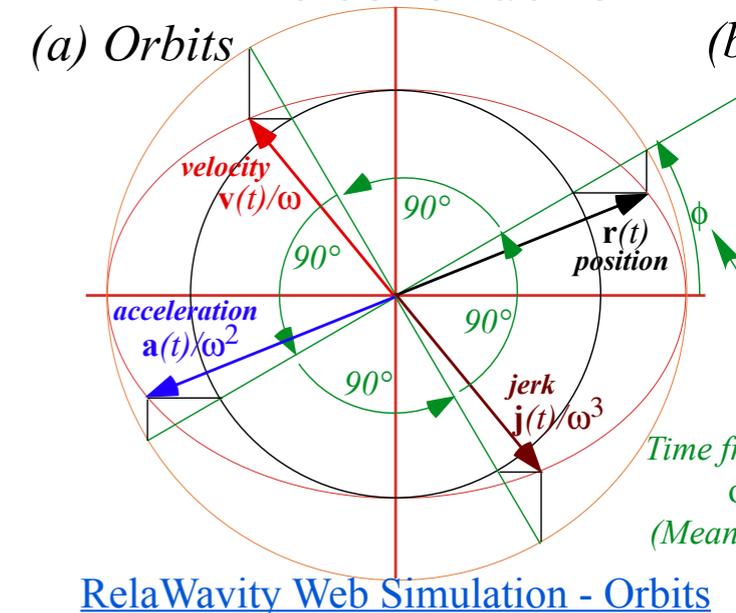
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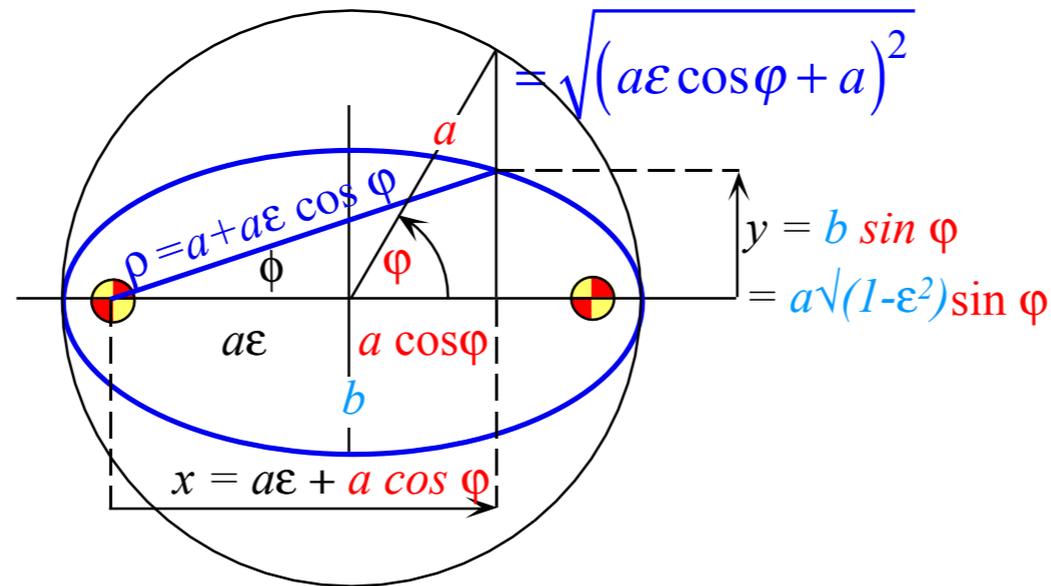
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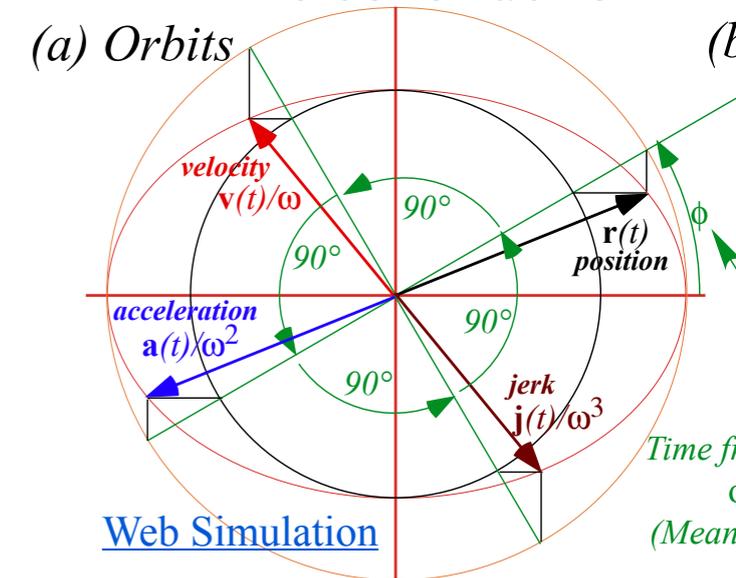
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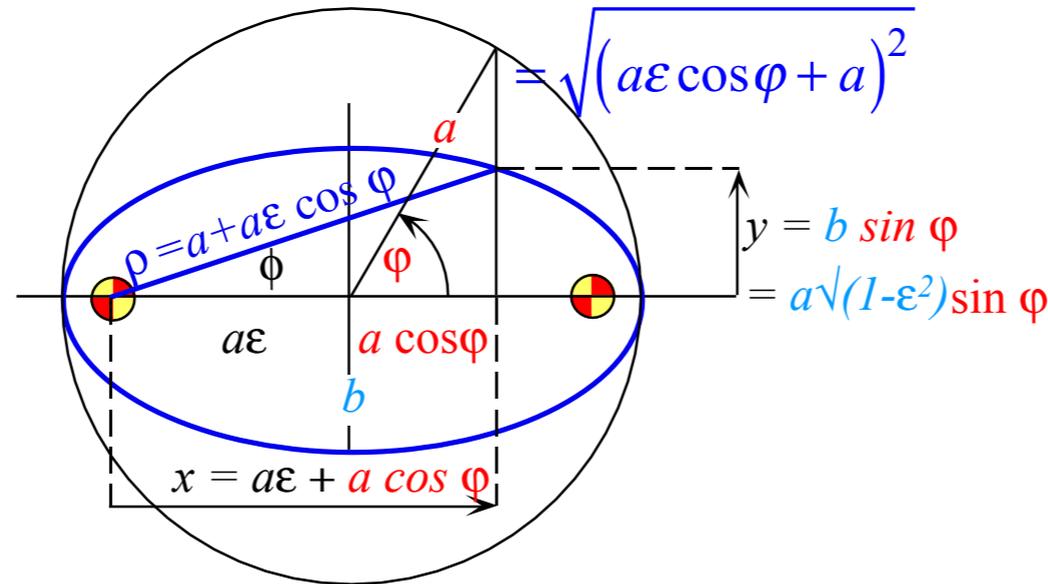
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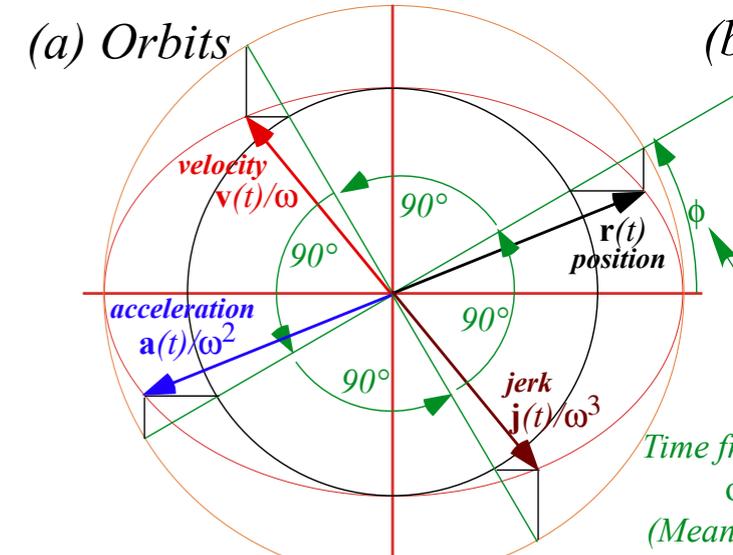
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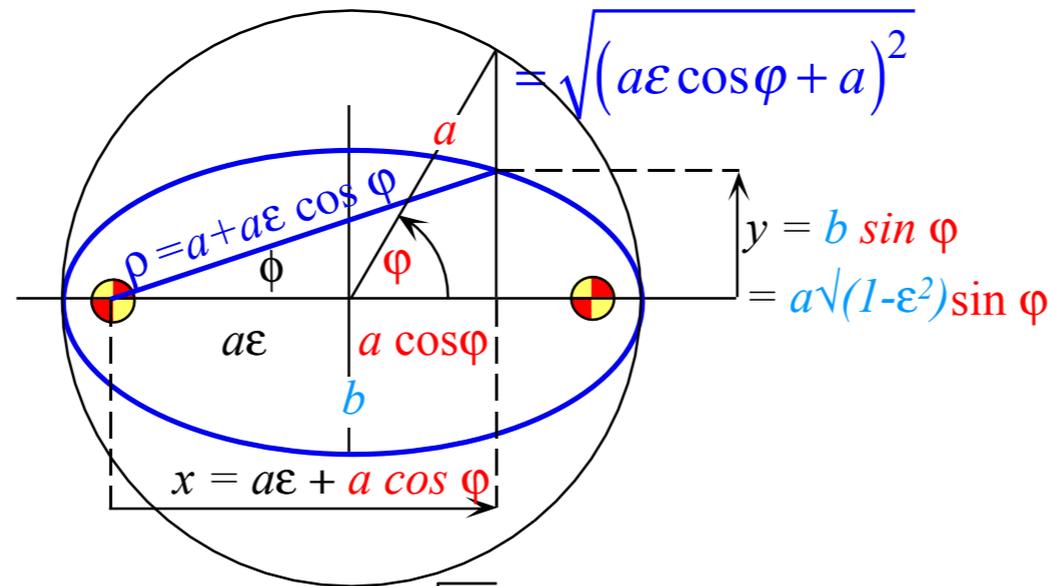
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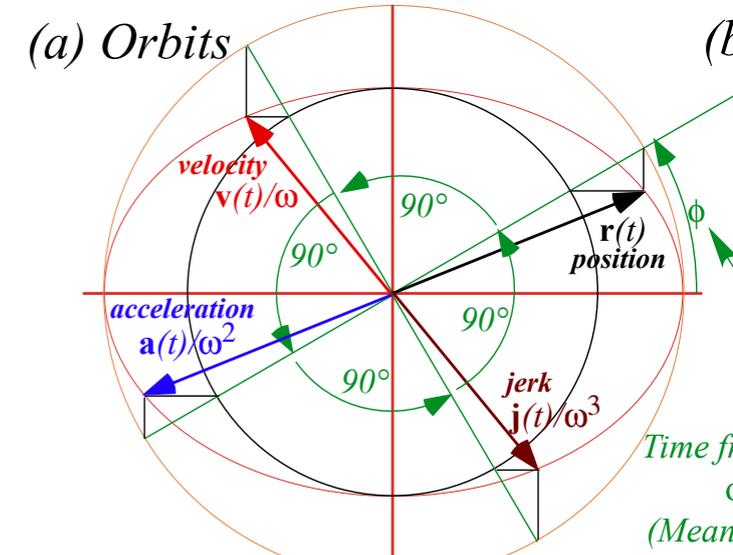
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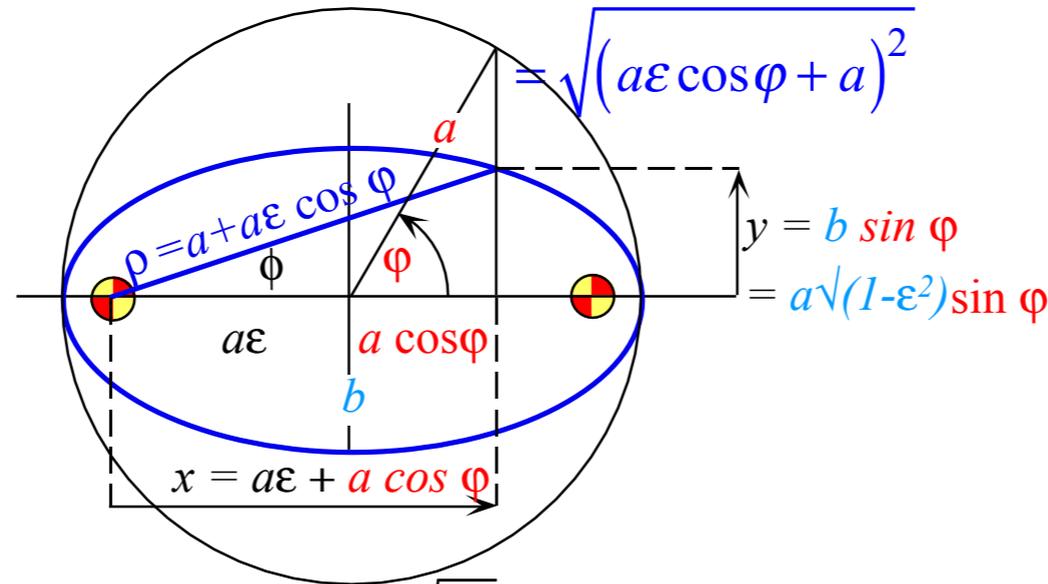
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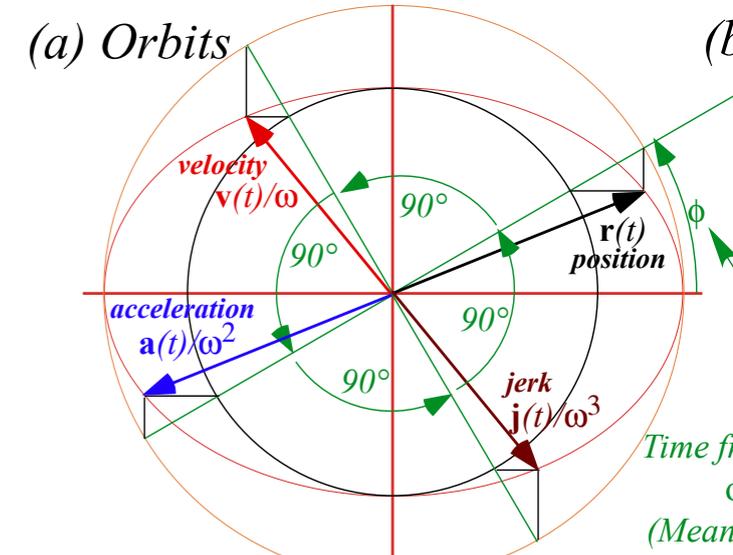
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Starting with KE-eff.-PE results on p.31:  $\frac{m}{2} \dot{\rho}^2 = E - \frac{\mu^2}{2m\rho^2} - k/\rho$  or p.33:  $\dot{\rho} = \frac{d\rho}{dt} = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m} - \frac{\mu^2}{m^2\rho^2} - \frac{2k}{m\rho}}$

## Kepler equation of time for Coulomb orbits

Throughout the history of astronomy a most important consideration was the timing of orbits.

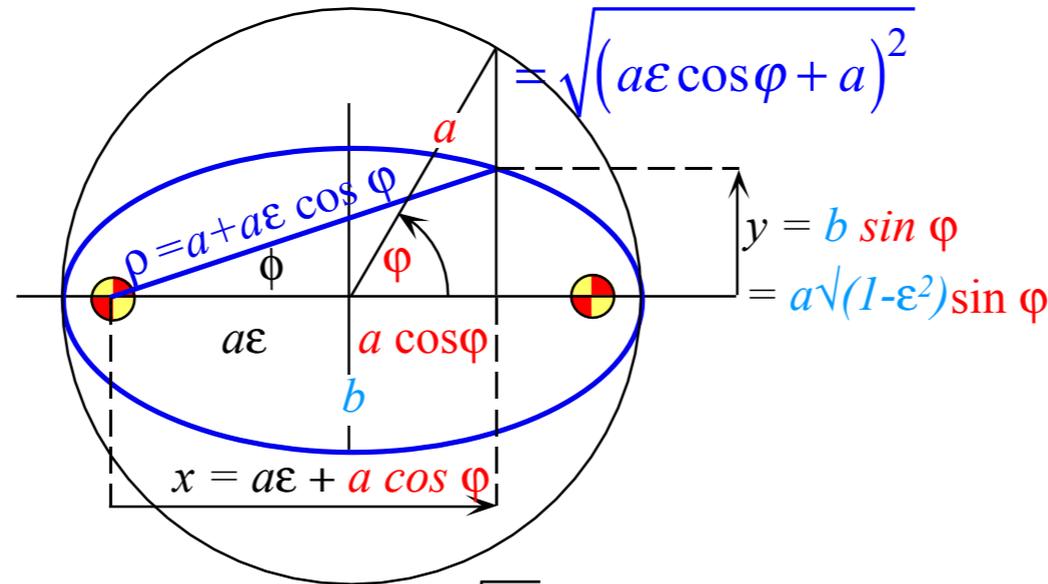
$$t_1 - t_0 = \int_{\rho_0}^{\rho_1} dt = \int_{\rho_0}^{\rho_1} \frac{d\rho}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{2E}{m} - \frac{\mu^2}{m^2\rho^2} + \frac{2k}{m\rho}\right)}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} \int_{\rho_0}^{\rho_1} \frac{\rho d\rho}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{E}{k}\rho^2 + \rho - \frac{\mu^2}{2km}\right)}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} \int_{\rho_{apogee}}^{\rho_{perigee}} \frac{-\rho d\rho}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{2a}\rho^2 + \rho - \frac{b^2}{2a}\right)}}$$

$$x = a\varepsilon + a \cos \varphi, \quad y = a\sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} \sin \varphi,$$

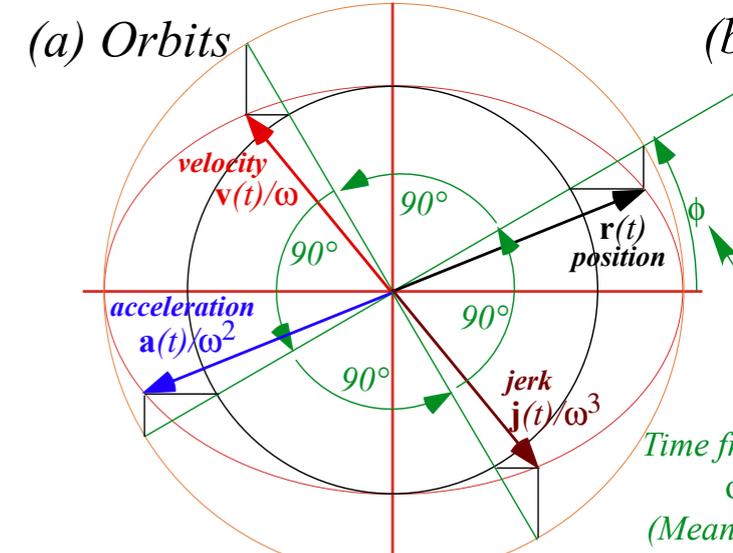
$$\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{a^2\varepsilon^2 + 2a^2\varepsilon \cos \varphi + a^2 \cos^2 \varphi + a^2 \sin^2 \varphi - a^2\varepsilon^2 \sin^2 \varphi}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2\varepsilon^2 - a^2\varepsilon^2 \sin^2 \varphi + 2a^2\varepsilon \cos \varphi + a^2} = \sqrt{a^2\varepsilon^2 \cos^2 \varphi + 2a^2\varepsilon \cos \varphi + a^2}$$

$$\rho = a(1 + \varepsilon \cos \varphi)$$



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Recall IHO orbit  
time construction



$$t = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} \int \frac{(a + a\varepsilon \cos \varphi)a\varepsilon \sin \varphi d\varphi}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{-(a + a\varepsilon \cos \varphi)^2}{2a} + a + a\varepsilon \cos \varphi - \frac{a^2(1-\varepsilon^2)}{2a}\right)}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} \int \frac{(a + a\varepsilon \cos \varphi)a\varepsilon \sin \varphi d\varphi}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{-a^2 - 2a^2\varepsilon \cos \varphi - a^2\varepsilon^2 \cos^2 \varphi + 2a^2 + 2a^2\varepsilon \cos \varphi - a^2 + a^2\varepsilon^2}{2a}\right)}}$$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{ma^3}{k}} \int (1 + \varepsilon \cos \varphi) d\varphi = \sqrt{\frac{ma^3}{k}} (\varphi + \varepsilon \sin \varphi)$$

Kepler's equations  
of orbital time

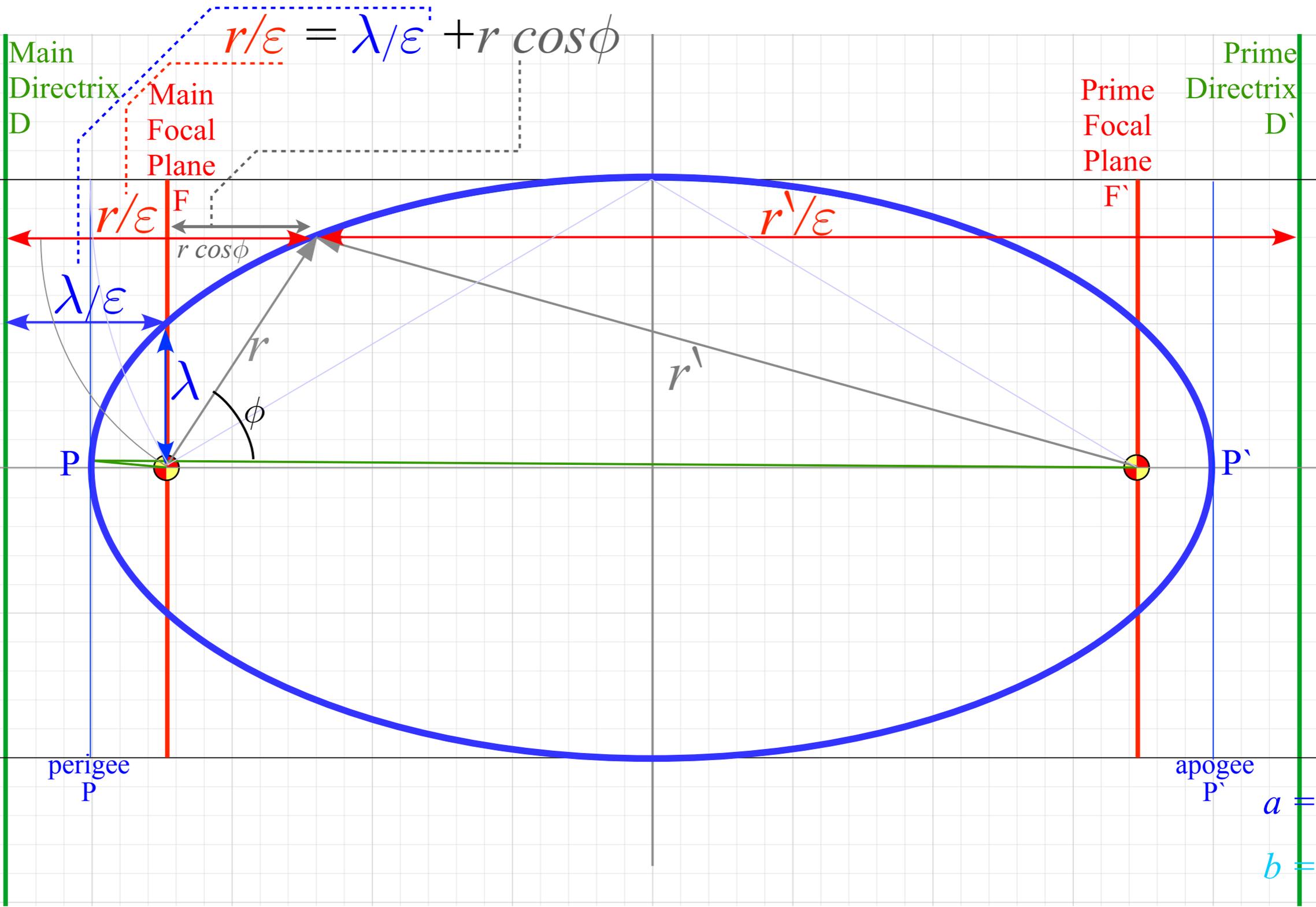
$$\text{Orbit Period} = T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_\varphi} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{ma^3}{k}}$$

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*Geometry and Symmetry of Coulomb orbits*

➔ *Detailed elliptic geometry*

*Detailed hyperbolic geometry*



$$r/\epsilon = \lambda/\epsilon + r \cos \phi$$

Main  
Directrix  
D

Main  
Focal  
Plane  
F

Prime  
Focal  
Plane  
F'

Prime  
Directrix  
D'

P

P'

perigee  
P

apogee  
P'

$$a = 4$$

$$b = 2$$

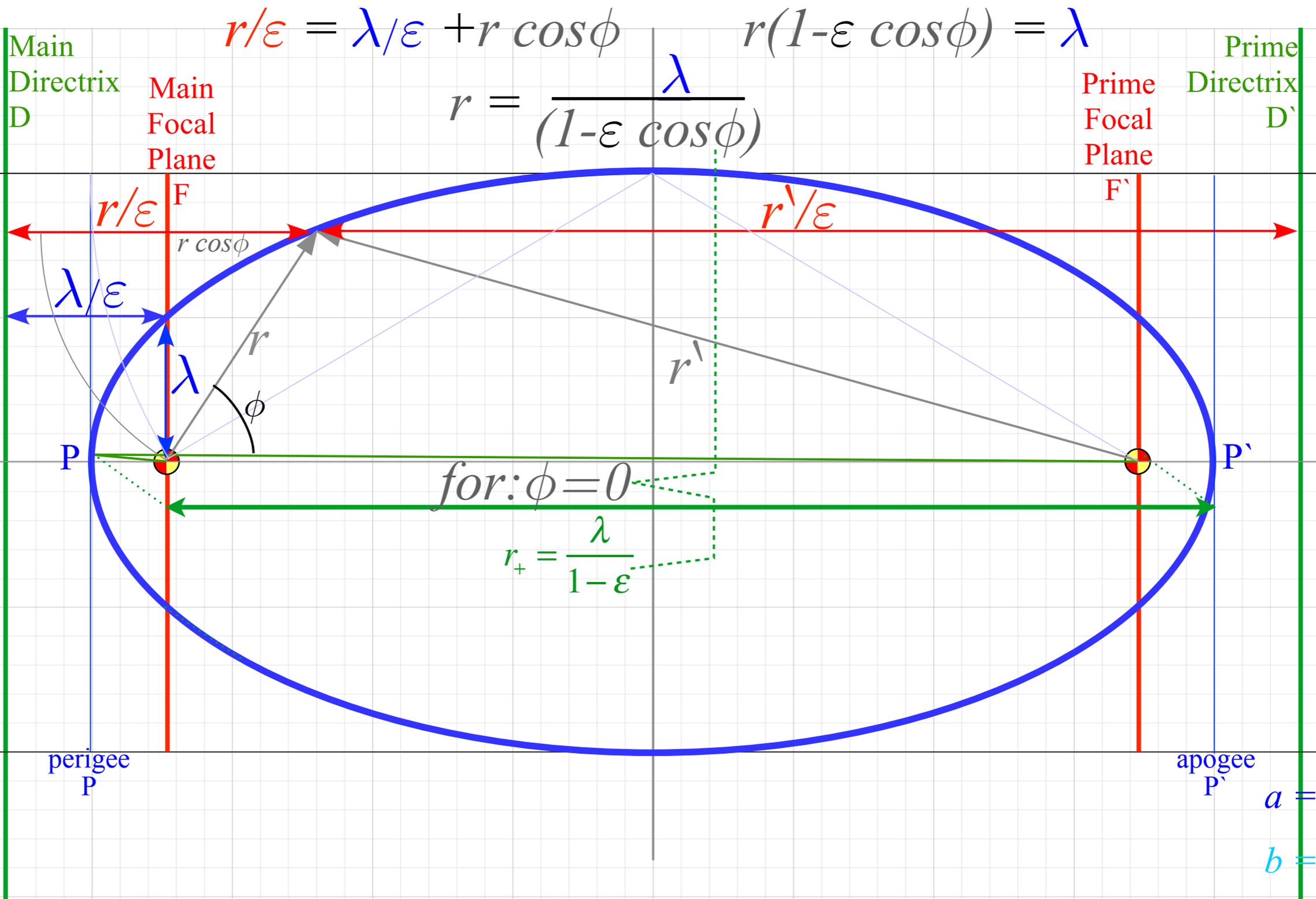
$$\epsilon = \sqrt{3}/2$$

$$\lambda = 1$$

$$\epsilon^2 = 1 - b^2/a^2$$

$$\lambda = a(1 - \epsilon^2)$$





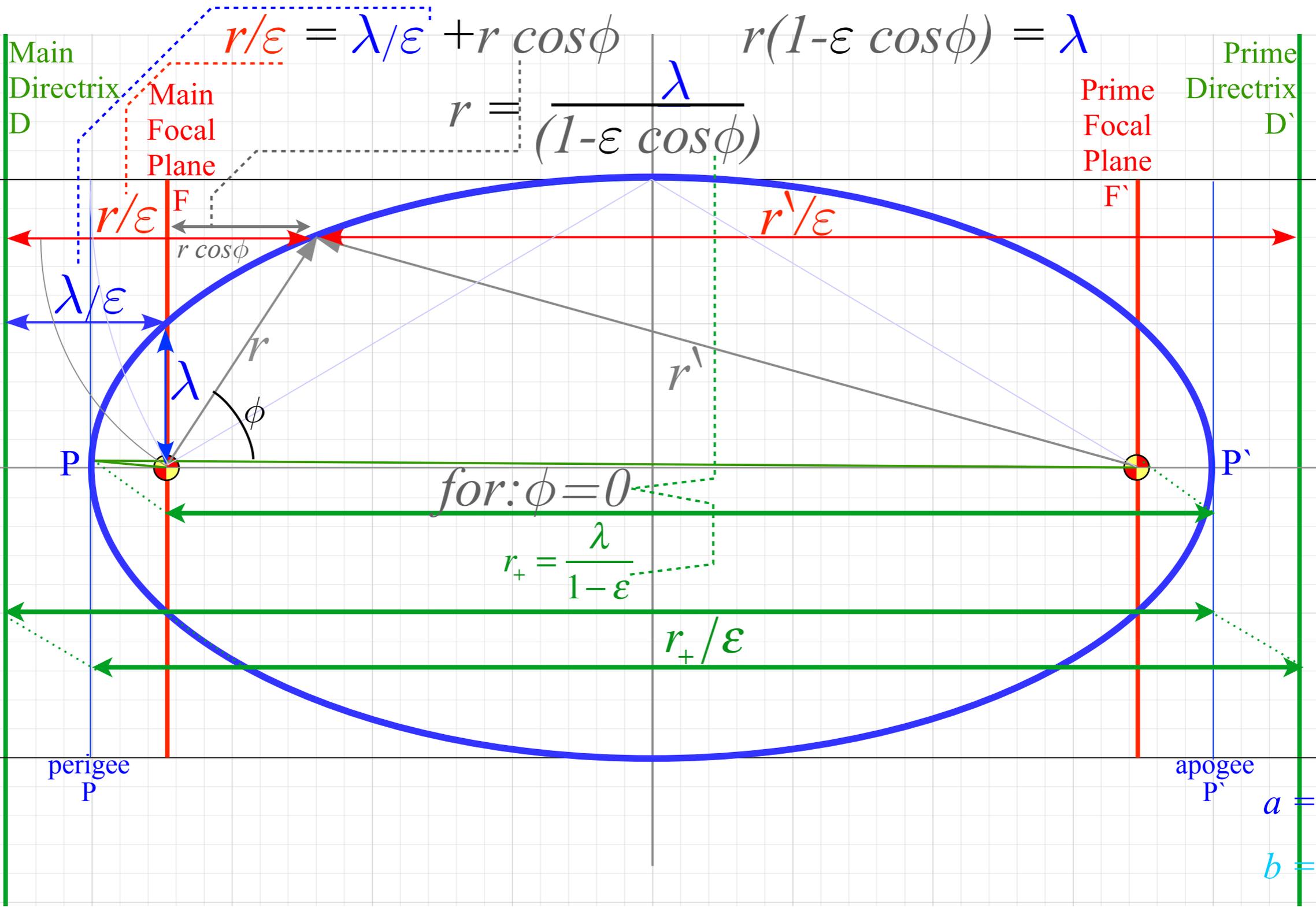
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$$r/\epsilon = \lambda/\epsilon + r \cos \phi \qquad r(1 - \epsilon \cos \phi) = \lambda$$

$$r = \frac{\lambda}{(1 - \epsilon \cos \phi)}$$

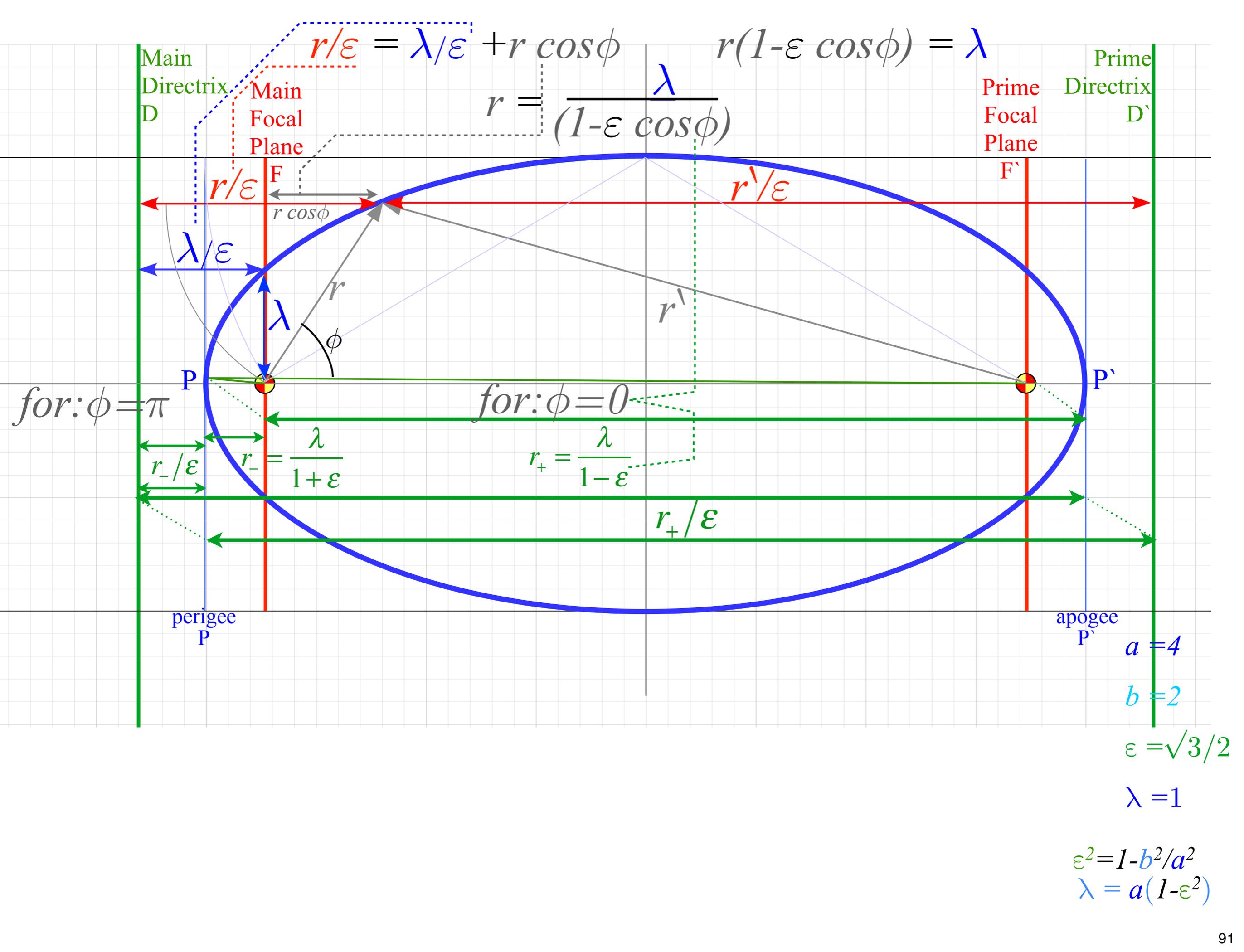
for:  $\phi = 0$

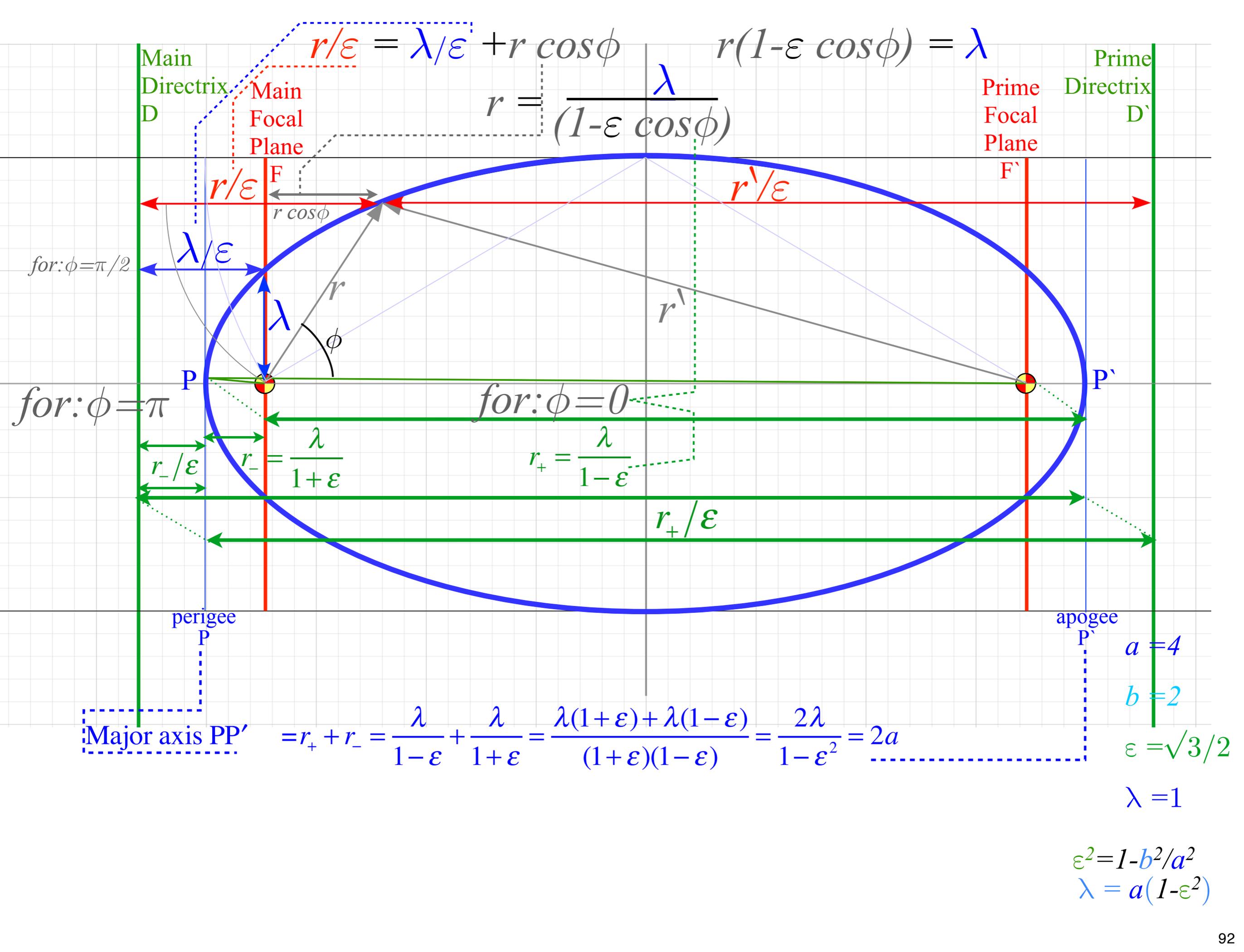
$$r_+ = \frac{\lambda}{1 - \epsilon}$$

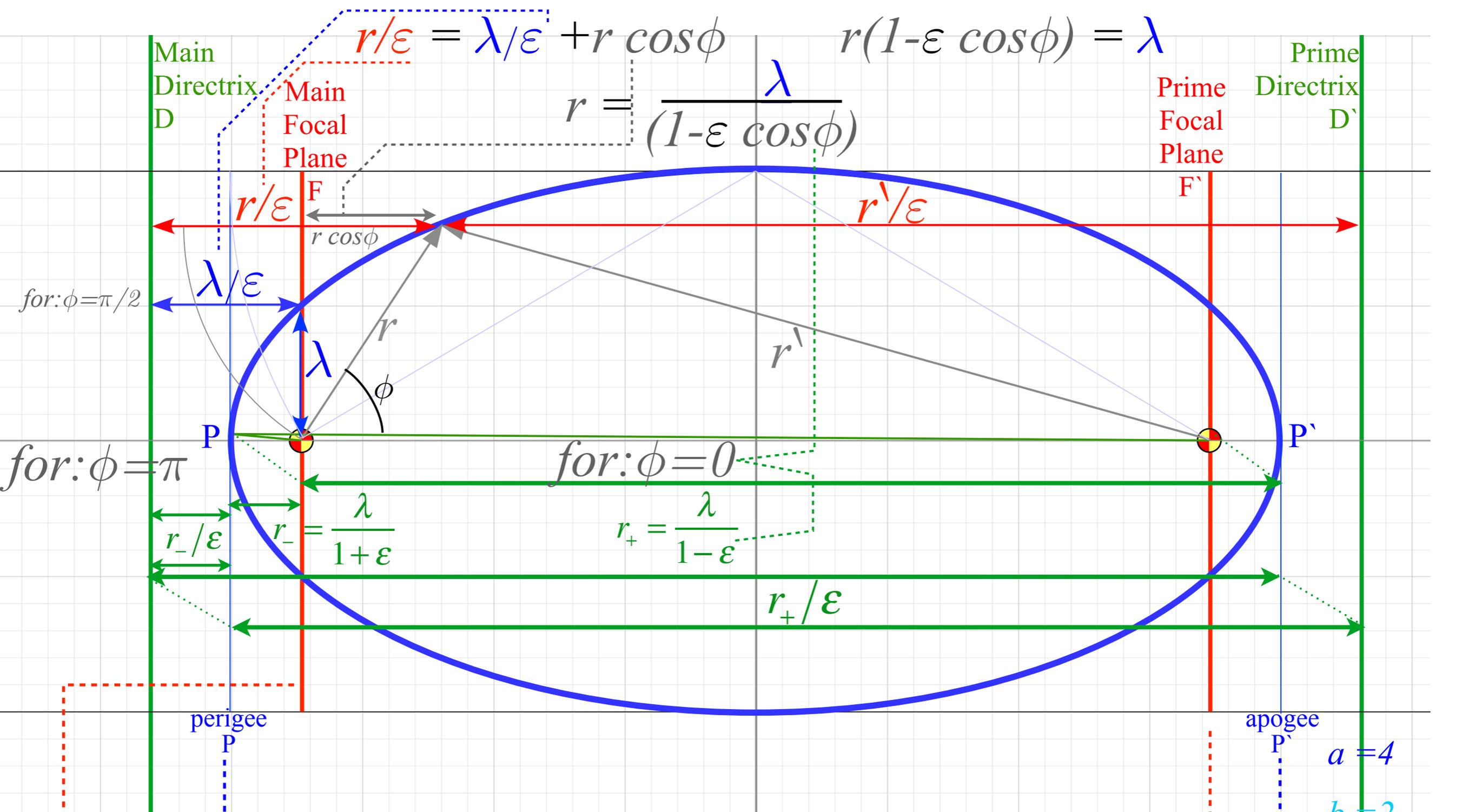
- $a = 4$
- $b = 2$
- $\epsilon = \sqrt{3}/2$
- $\lambda = 1$

$$\epsilon^2 = 1 - b^2/a^2$$

$$\lambda = a(1 - \epsilon^2)$$



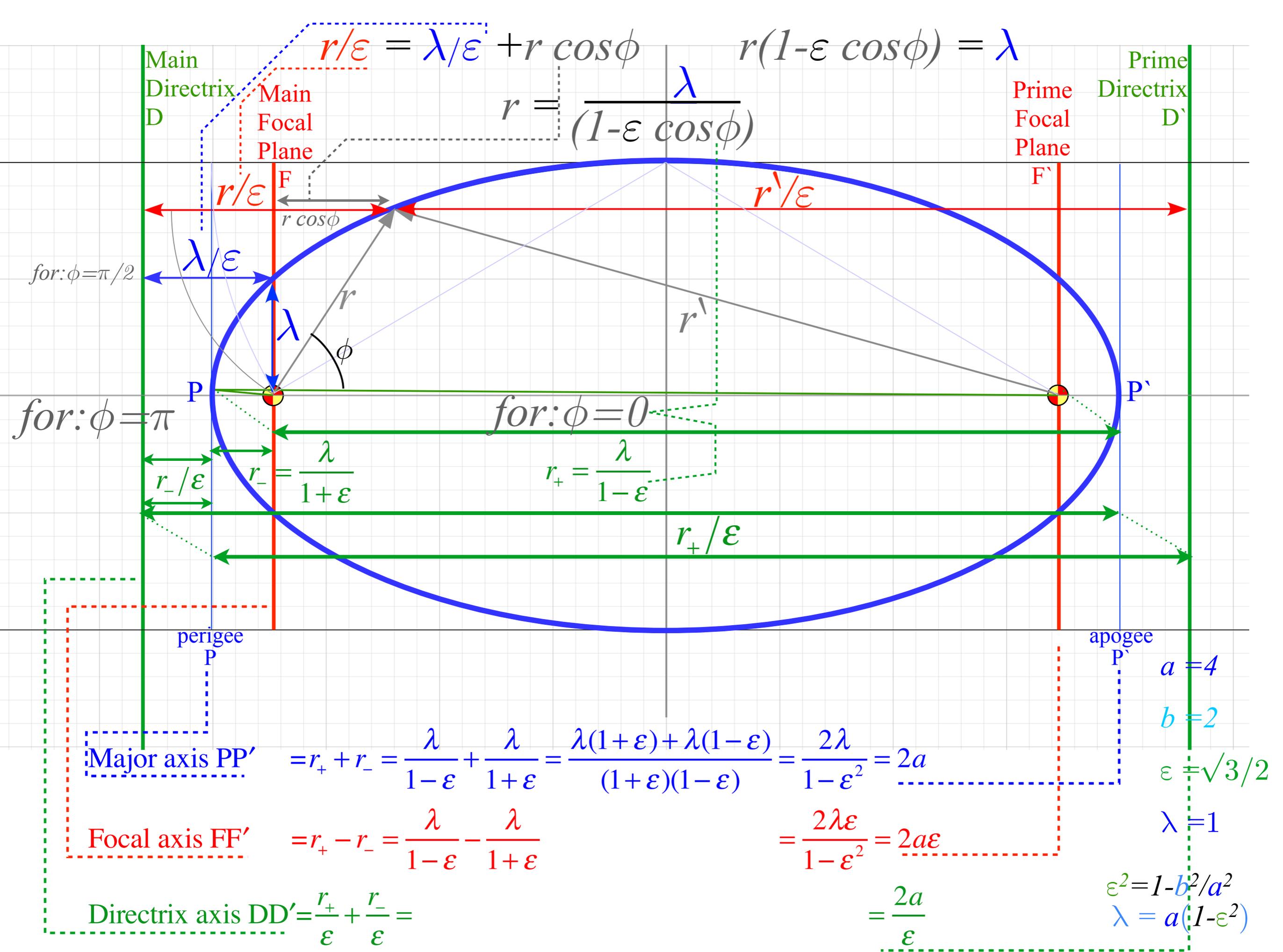


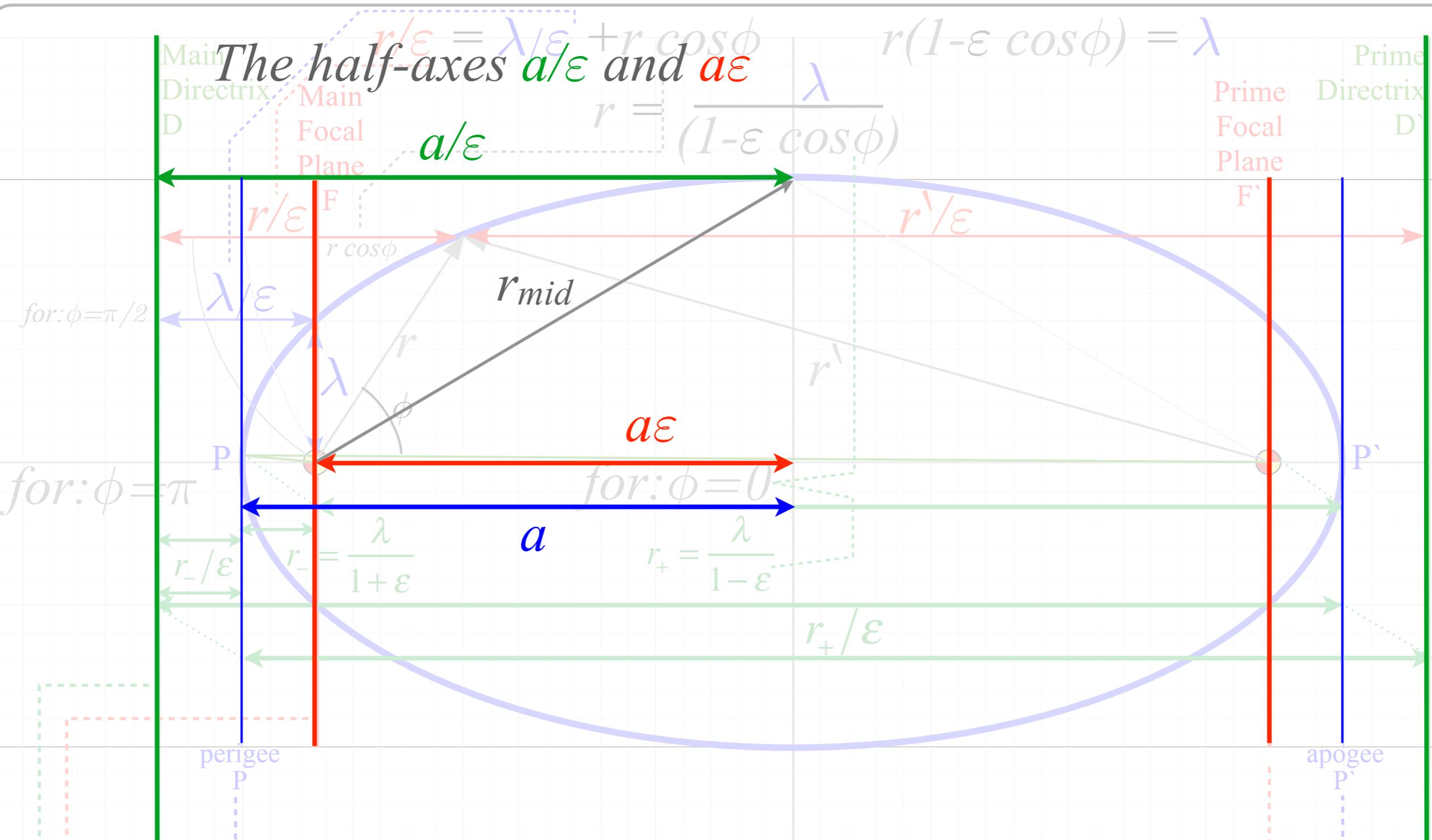


Major axis PP'       $= r_+ + r_- = \frac{\lambda}{1-\epsilon} + \frac{\lambda}{1+\epsilon} = \frac{\lambda(1+\epsilon) + \lambda(1-\epsilon)}{(1+\epsilon)(1-\epsilon)} = \frac{2\lambda}{1-\epsilon^2} = 2a$

Focal axis FF'       $= r_+ - r_- = \frac{\lambda}{1-\epsilon} - \frac{\lambda}{1+\epsilon} = \frac{2\lambda\epsilon}{1-\epsilon^2} = 2a\epsilon$

$\epsilon^2 = 1 - b^2/a^2$   
 $\lambda = a(1 - \epsilon^2)$

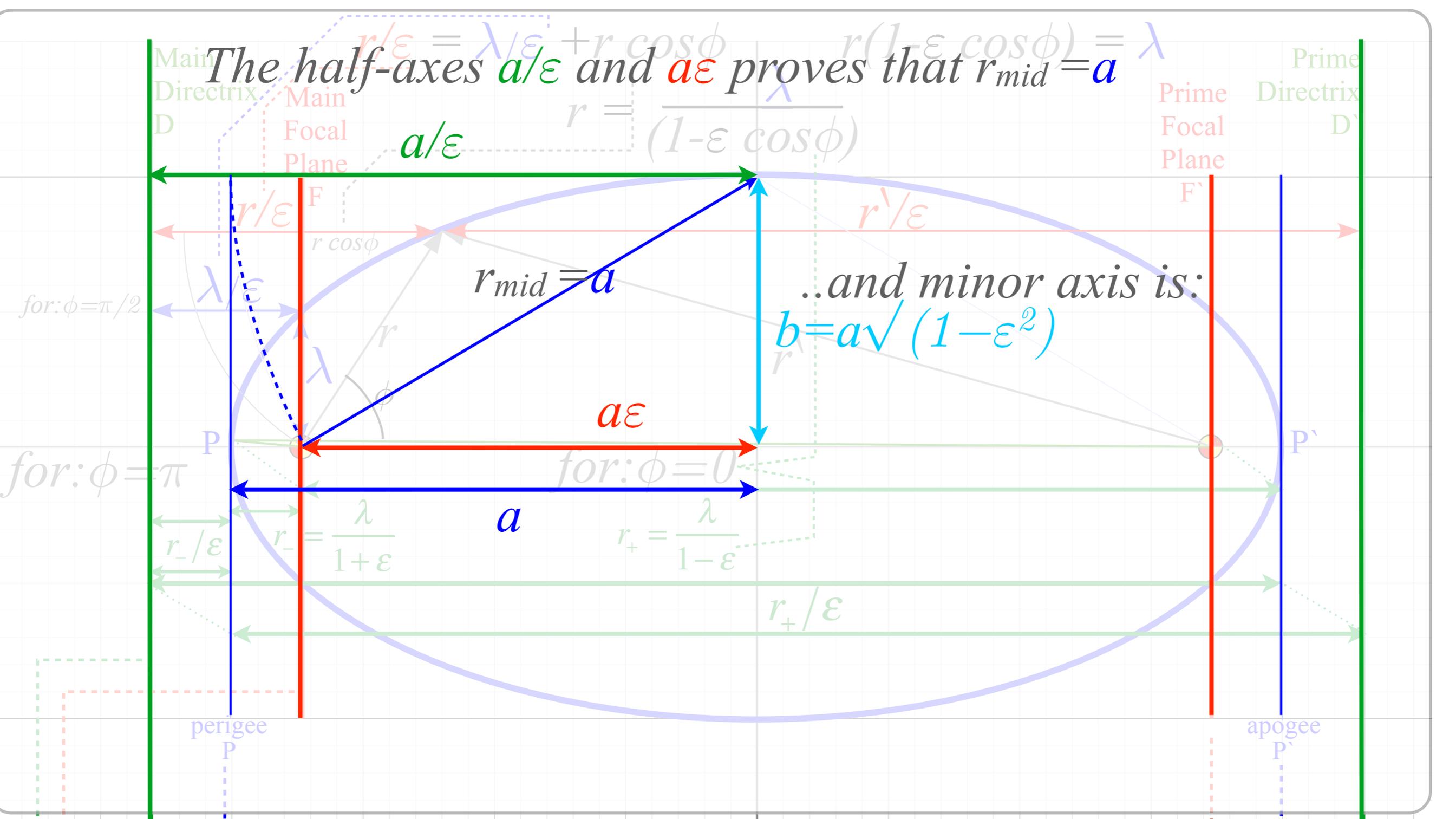




**Major axis  $PP'$**   $= r_+ + r_- = \frac{2\lambda}{1-\epsilon^2} = 2a$   
**Focal axis  $FF'$**   $= r_+ - r_- = \frac{2\lambda\epsilon}{1-\epsilon^2} = 2a\epsilon$   
**Directrix axis  $DD'$**   $= \frac{r_+}{\epsilon} + \frac{r_-}{\epsilon} = \frac{2a}{\epsilon}$



The half-axes  $a/\epsilon$  and  $a\epsilon$  proves that  $r_{mid} = a$



Major axis  $PP'$   $= r_+ + r_- = \frac{2\lambda}{1-\epsilon^2} = 2a$

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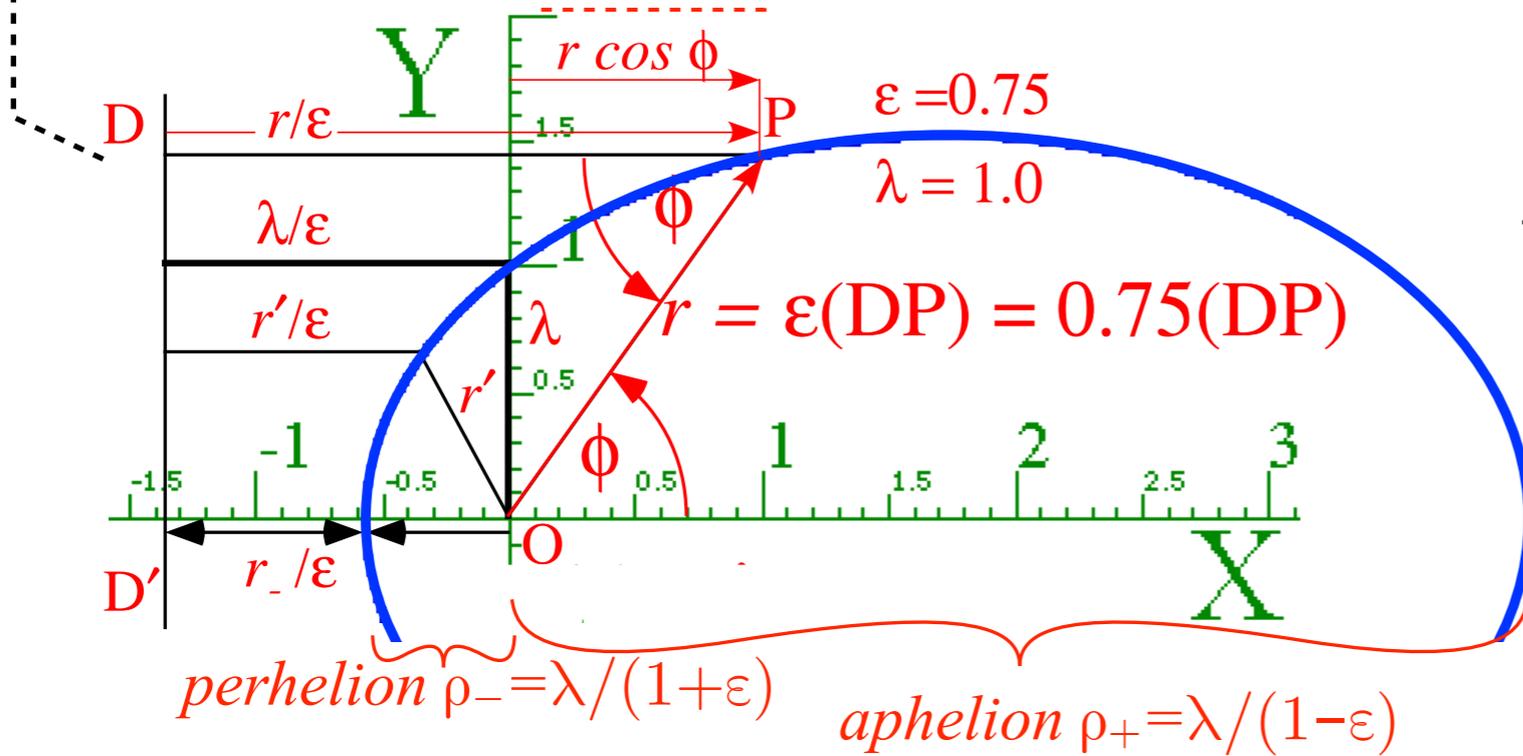
Directrix axis  $DD'$   $= \frac{r_+}{\epsilon} + \frac{r_-}{\epsilon} = \frac{2a}{\epsilon}$

# Geometry of Coulomb conic section orbits (Let: $r = \rho$ here)

$$r/\epsilon = \lambda/\epsilon + r \cos \phi$$

$$r = \lambda + r \epsilon \cos \phi$$

$$r = \frac{\lambda}{1 - \epsilon \cos \phi}$$

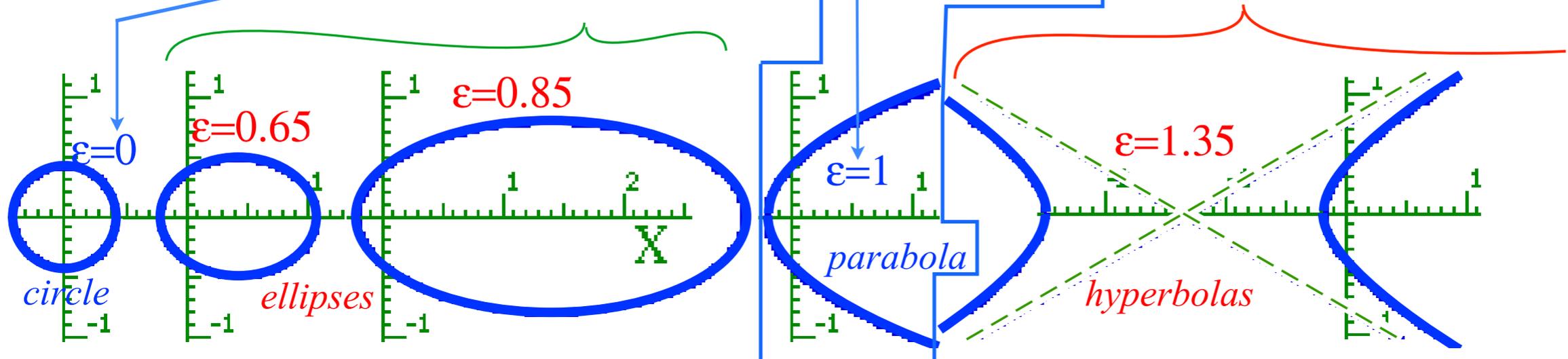


$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1 - \epsilon \cos \phi}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{\epsilon}{\lambda} \cos \phi$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{-k}{\mu^2/m} + \frac{\sqrt{k^2 + 2E\mu^2/m}}{\mu^2/m} \cos \phi$$

Becoming more and more eccentric...

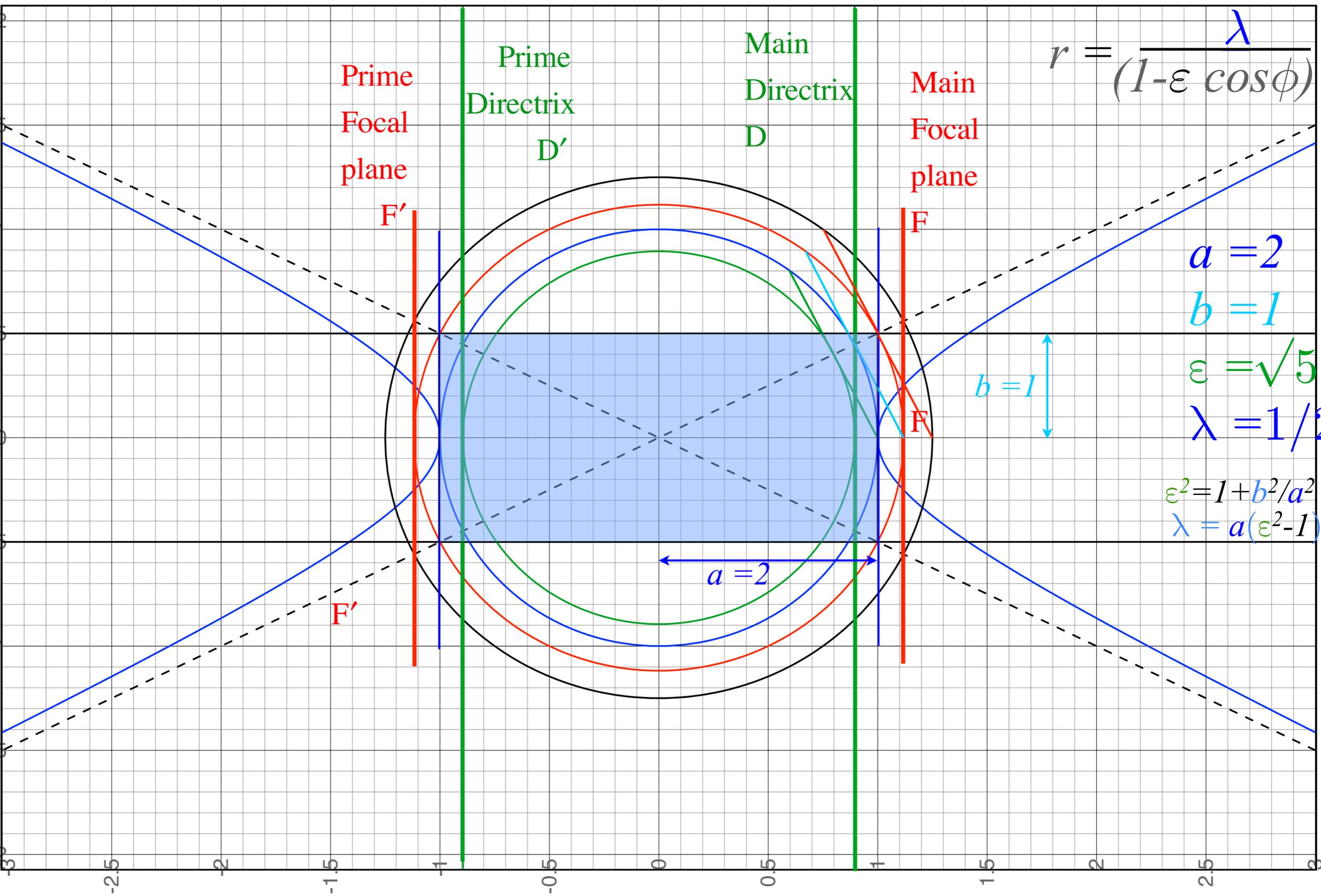
Eccentricity  $\epsilon=0$  (circle) to  $0 < \epsilon < 1$  (ellipses) to  $\epsilon=1$  (parabola) to  $\epsilon > 1$  (hyperbolas)

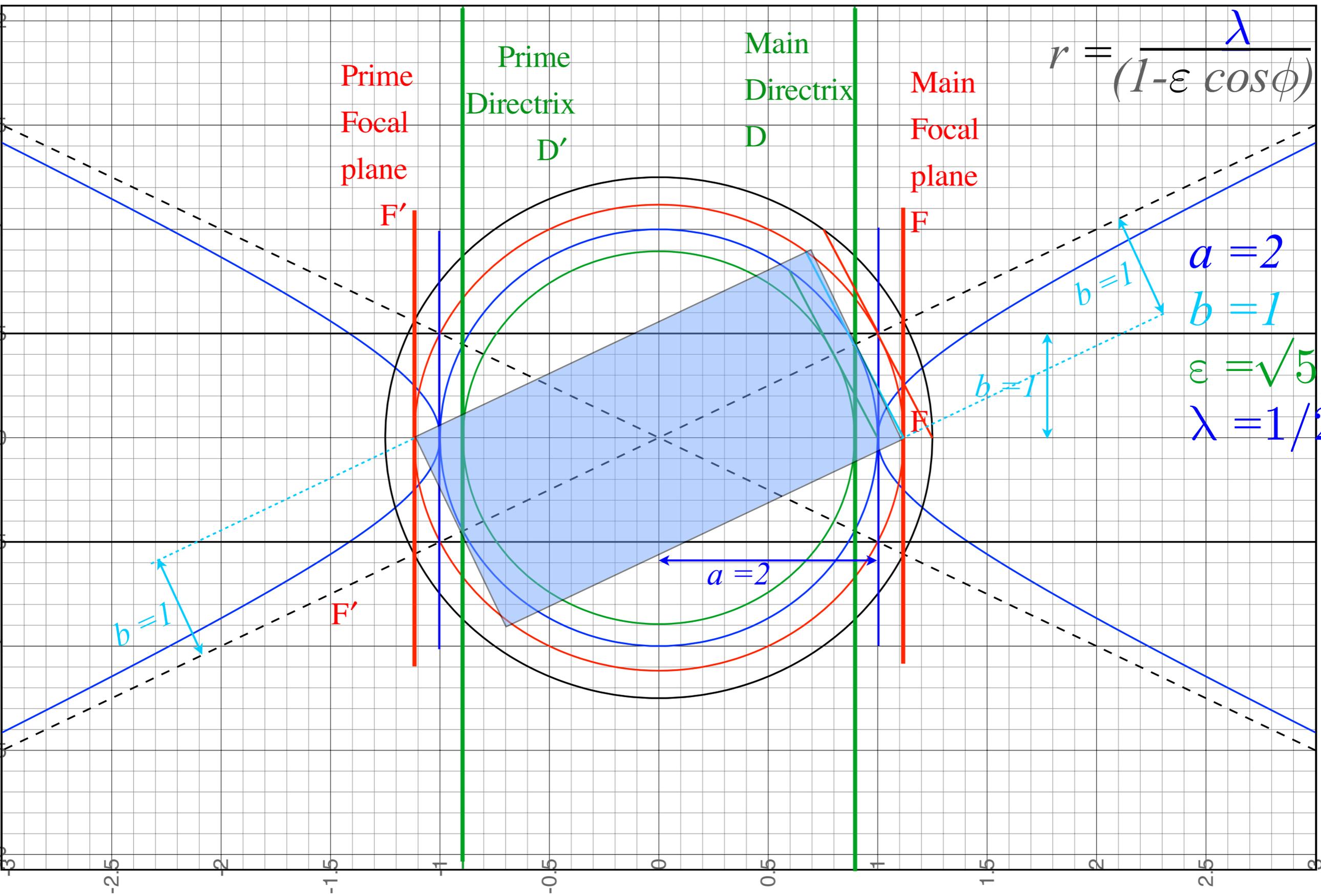


*Geometry and Symmetry of Coulomb orbits*

*Detailed elliptic geometry*

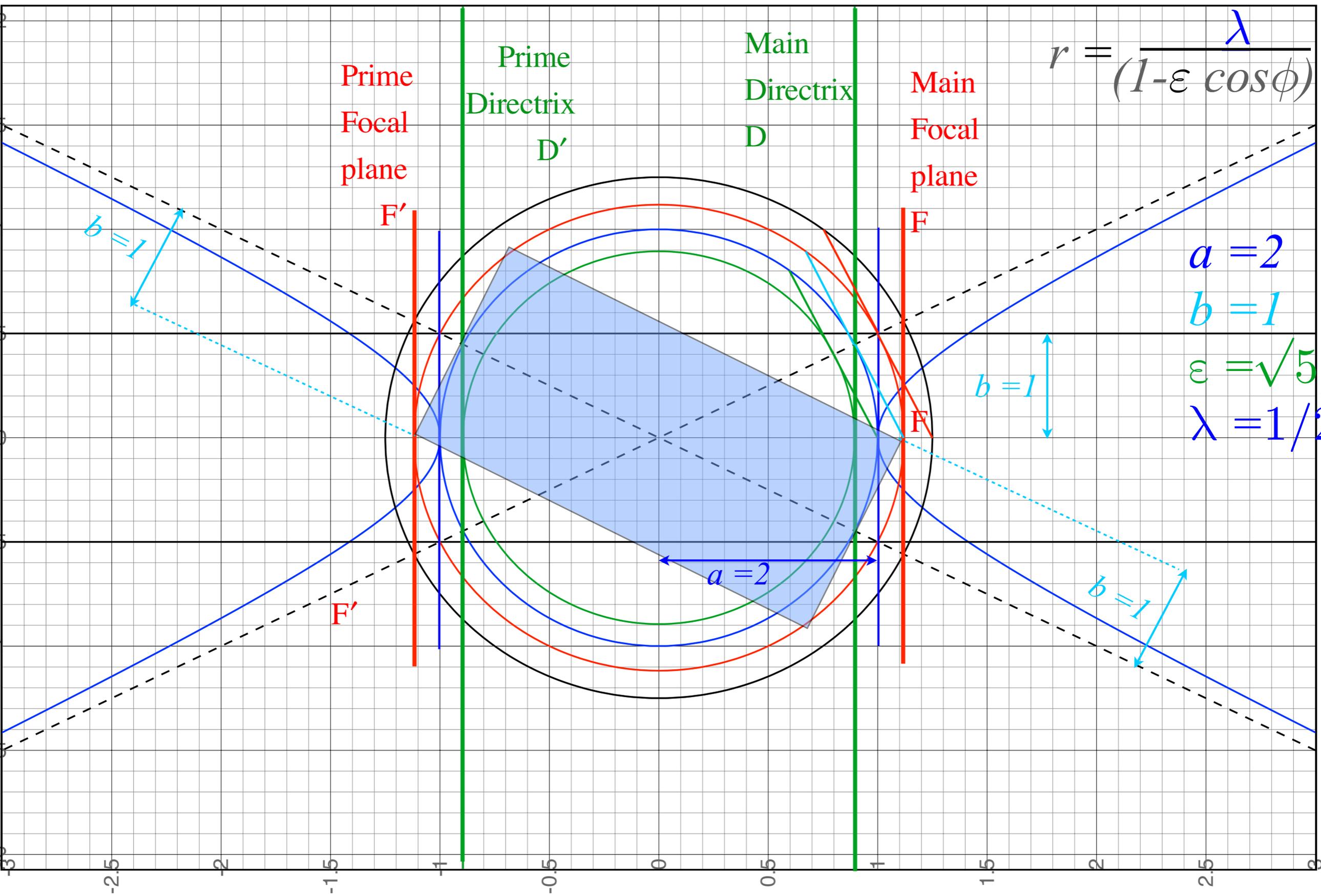
➔ *Detailed hyperbolic geometry*

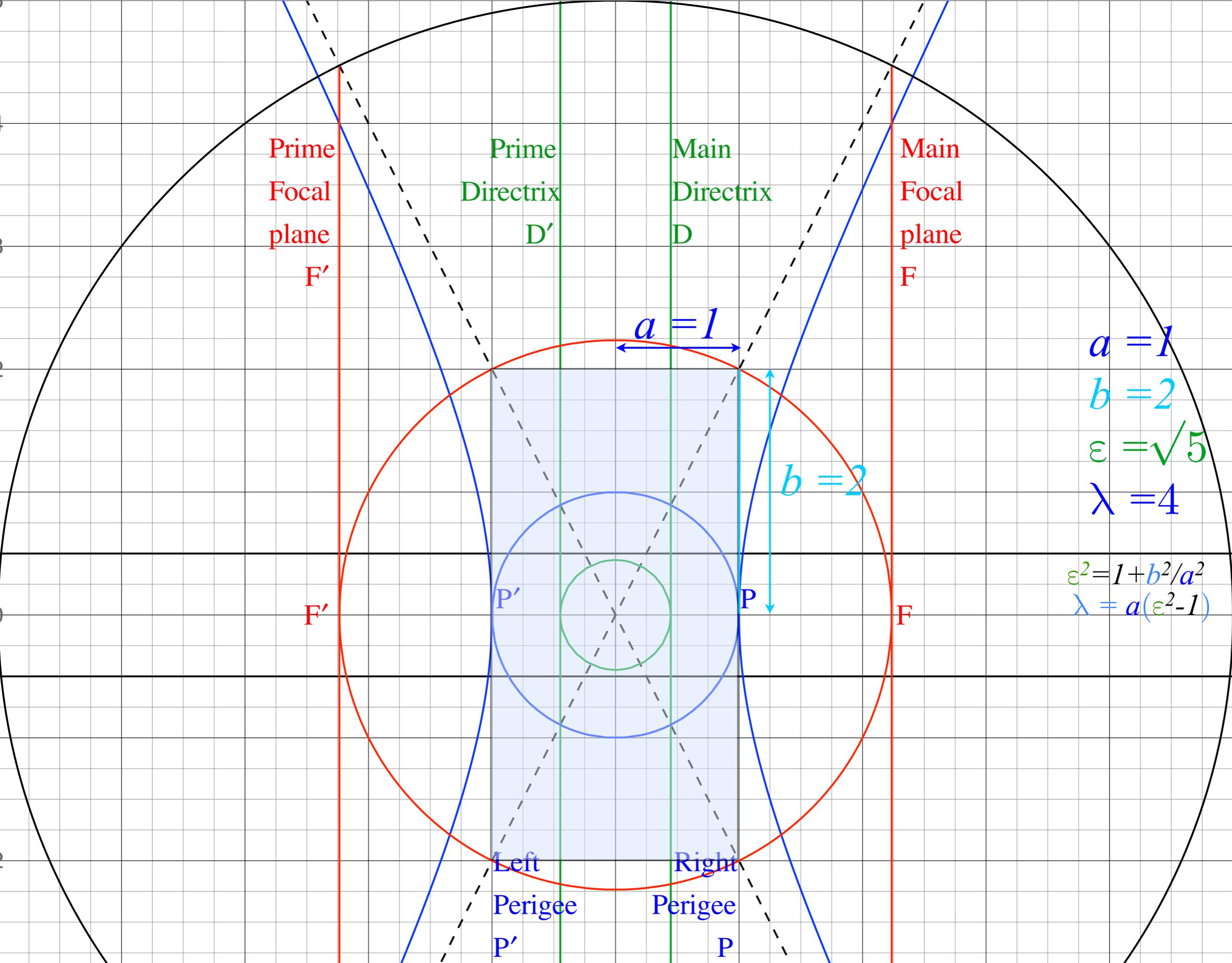


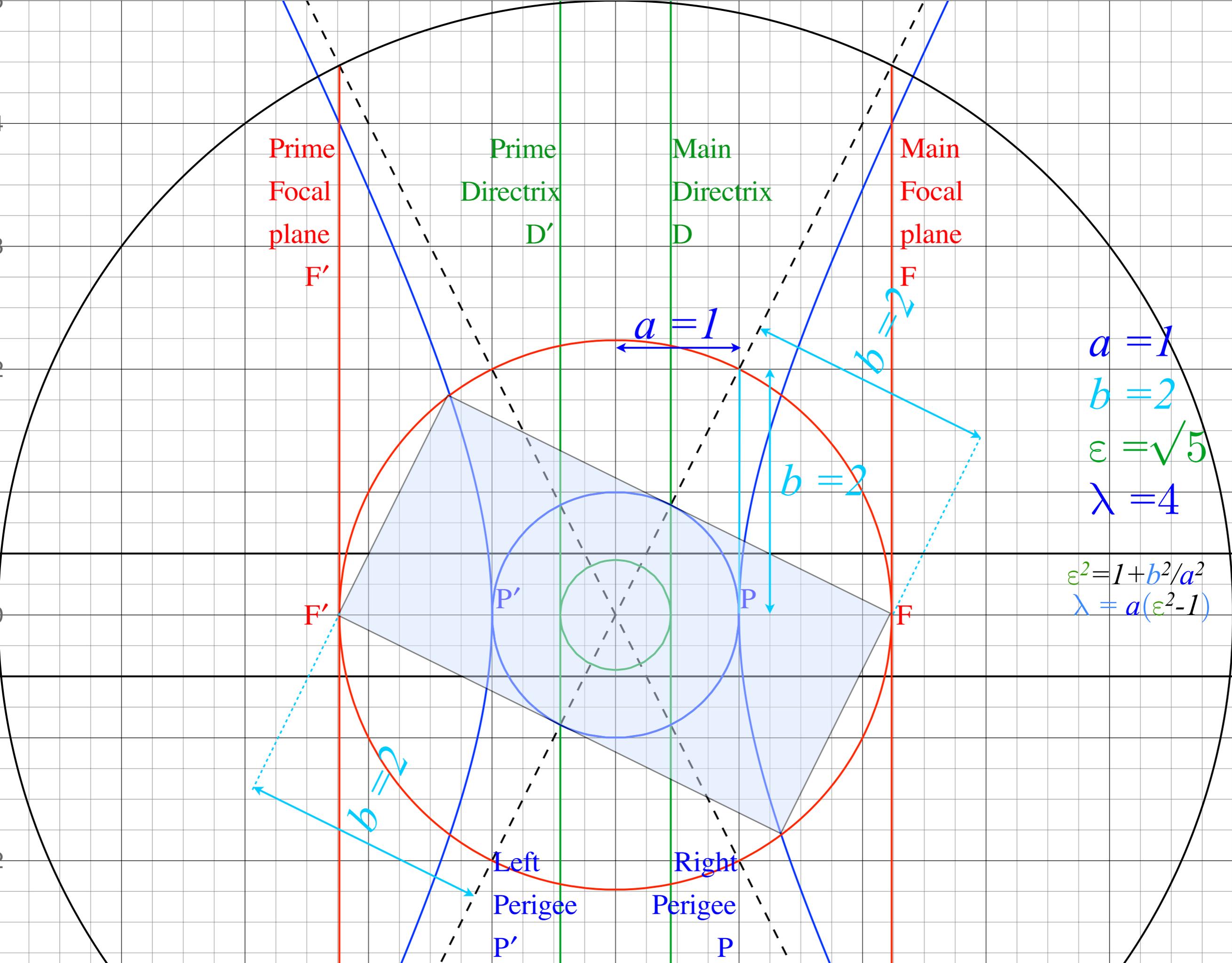


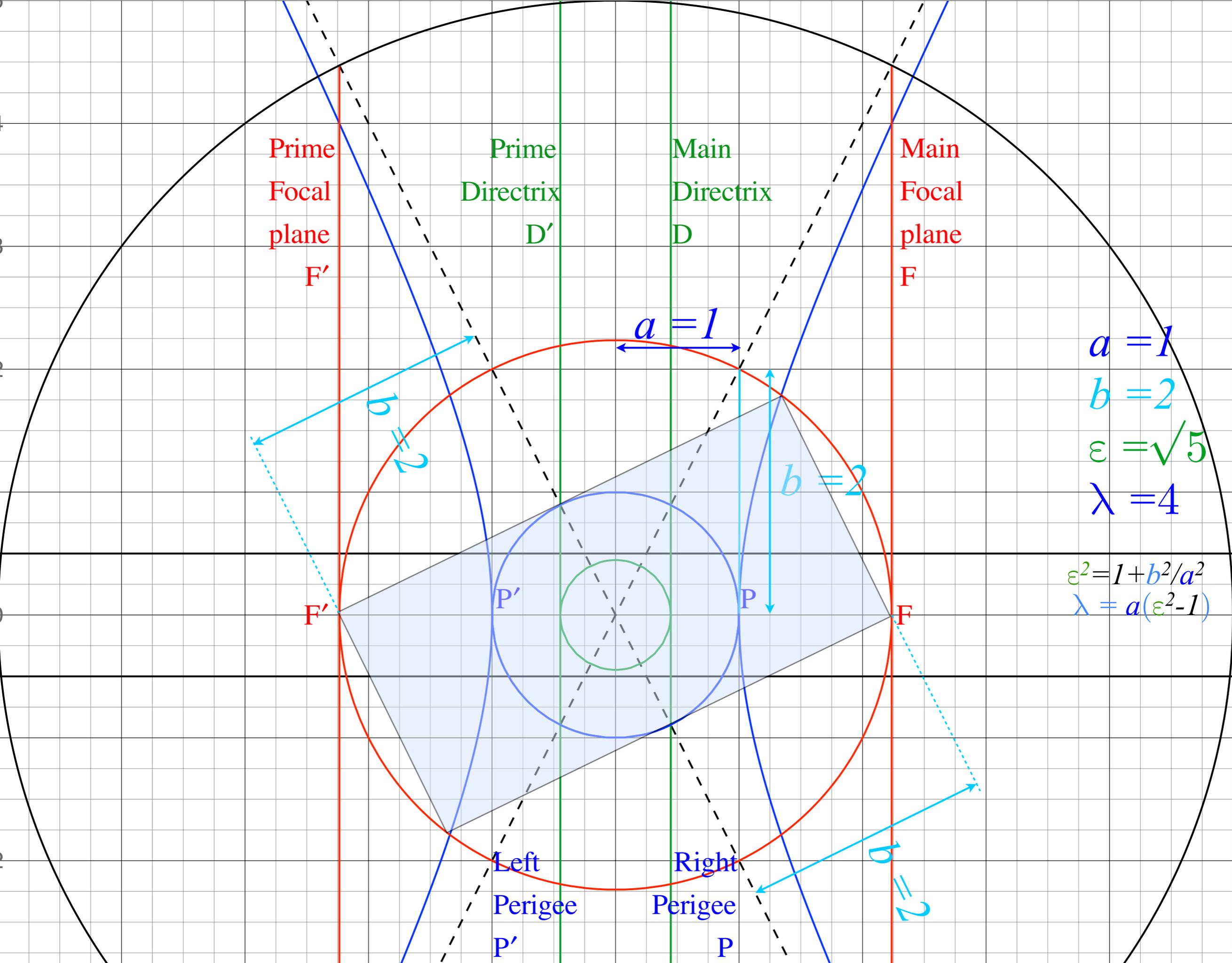
$$r = \frac{\lambda}{(1 - \epsilon \cos \phi)}$$

$a = 2$   
 $b = 1$   
 $\epsilon = \sqrt{5}/2$   
 $\lambda = 1/2$









$$a = 1$$

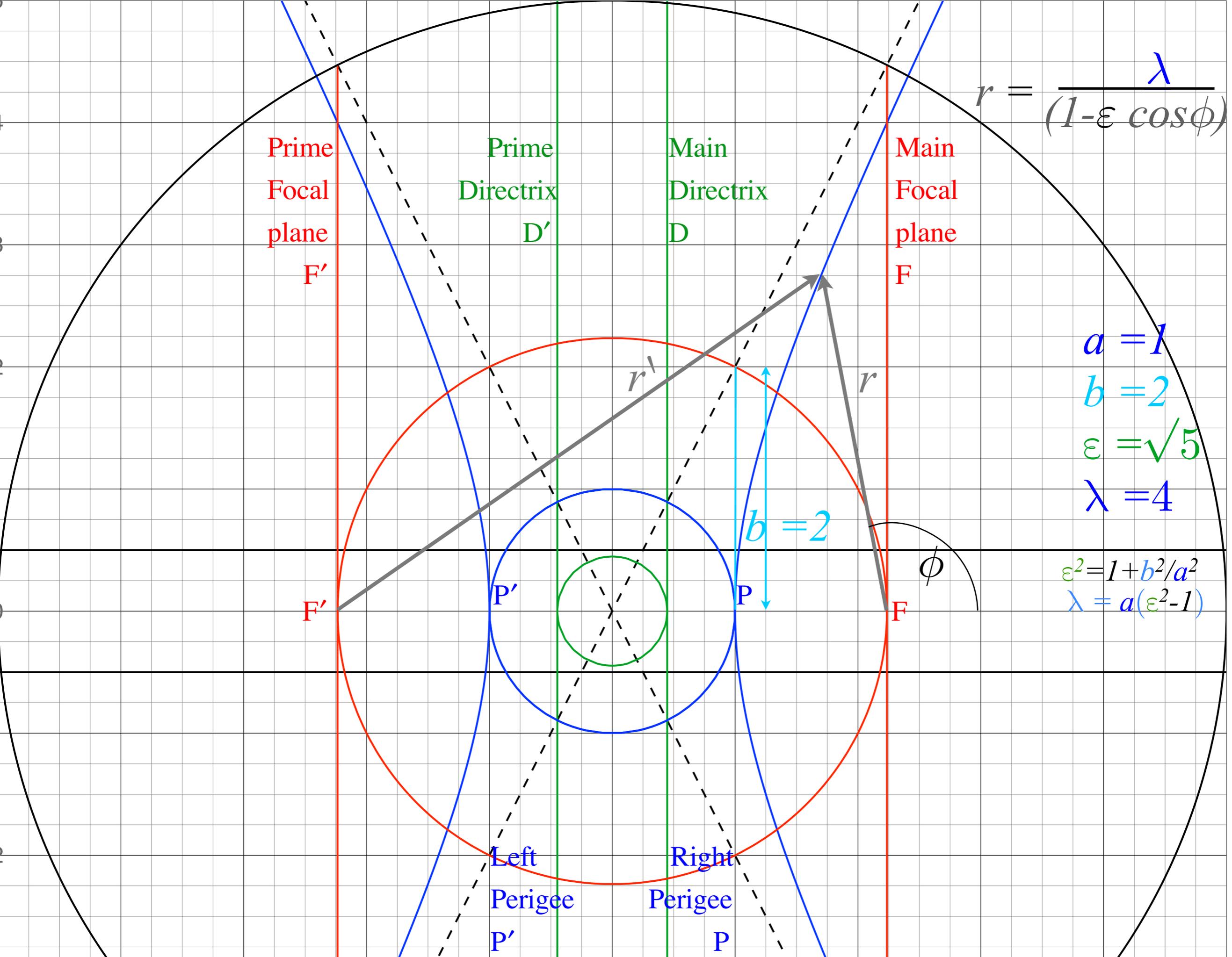
$$b = 2$$

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\lambda = 4$$

$$\epsilon^2 = 1 + b^2/a^2$$

$$\lambda = a(\epsilon^2 - 1)$$



$$r = \frac{\lambda}{(1 - \epsilon \cos \phi)}$$

Prime  
Focal  
plane  
F'

Prime  
Directrix  
D'

Main  
Directrix  
D

Main  
Focal  
plane  
F

$a = 1$   
 $b = 2$   
 $\epsilon = \sqrt{5}$   
 $\lambda = 4$

$$\epsilon^2 = 1 + b^2/a^2$$

$$\lambda = a(\epsilon^2 - 1)$$

F'

P'

P

F

$\phi$

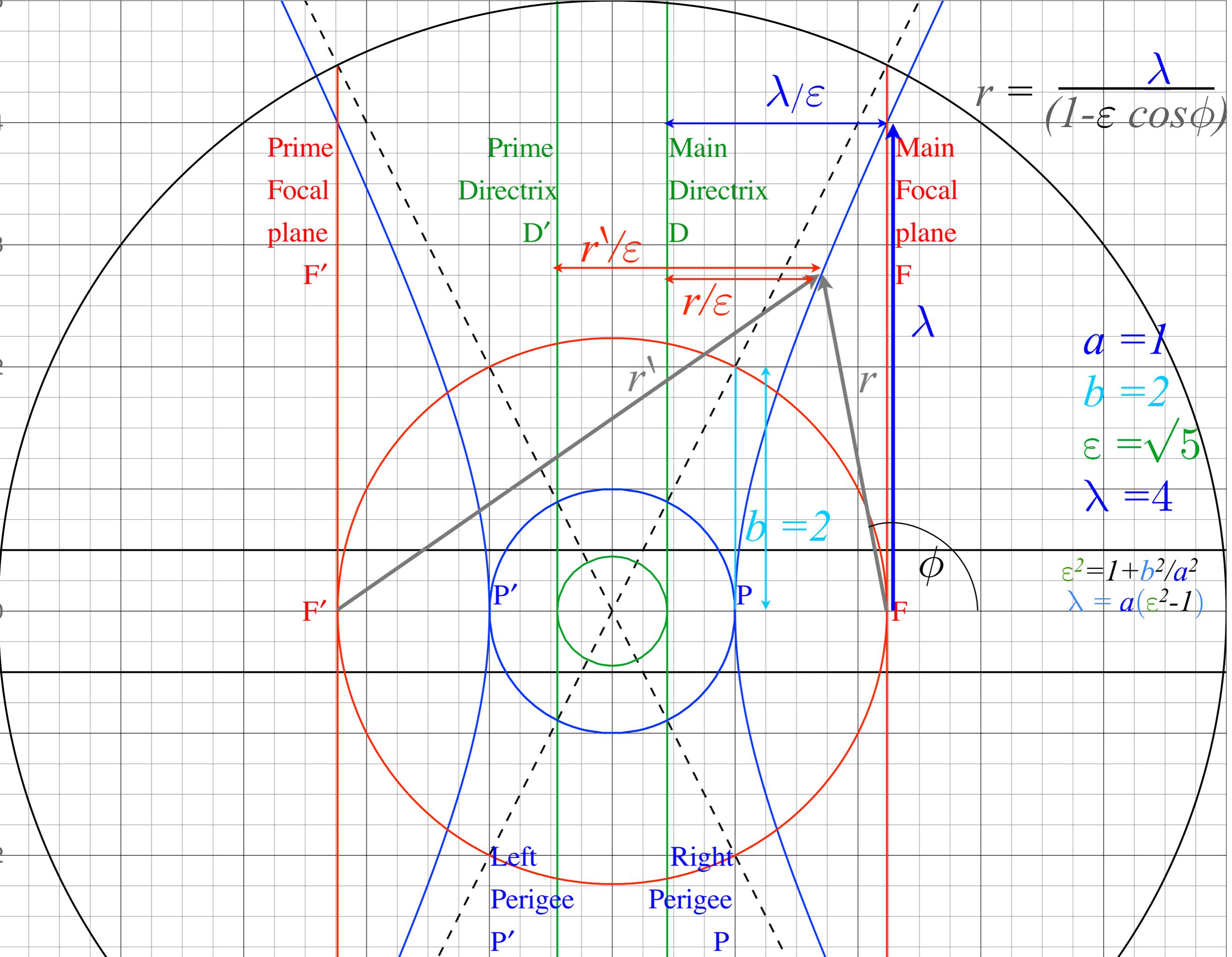
$b = 2$

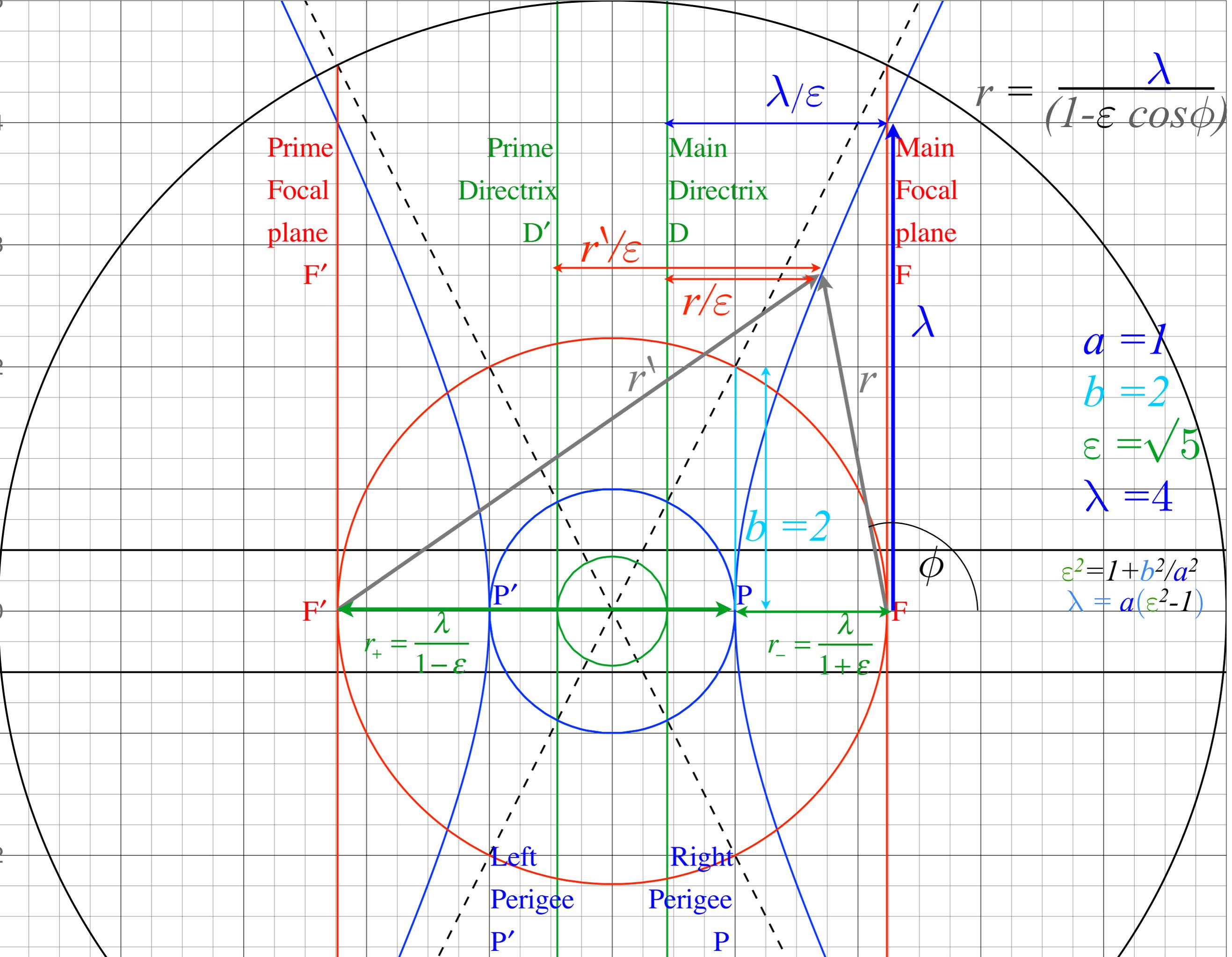
$r'$

$r$

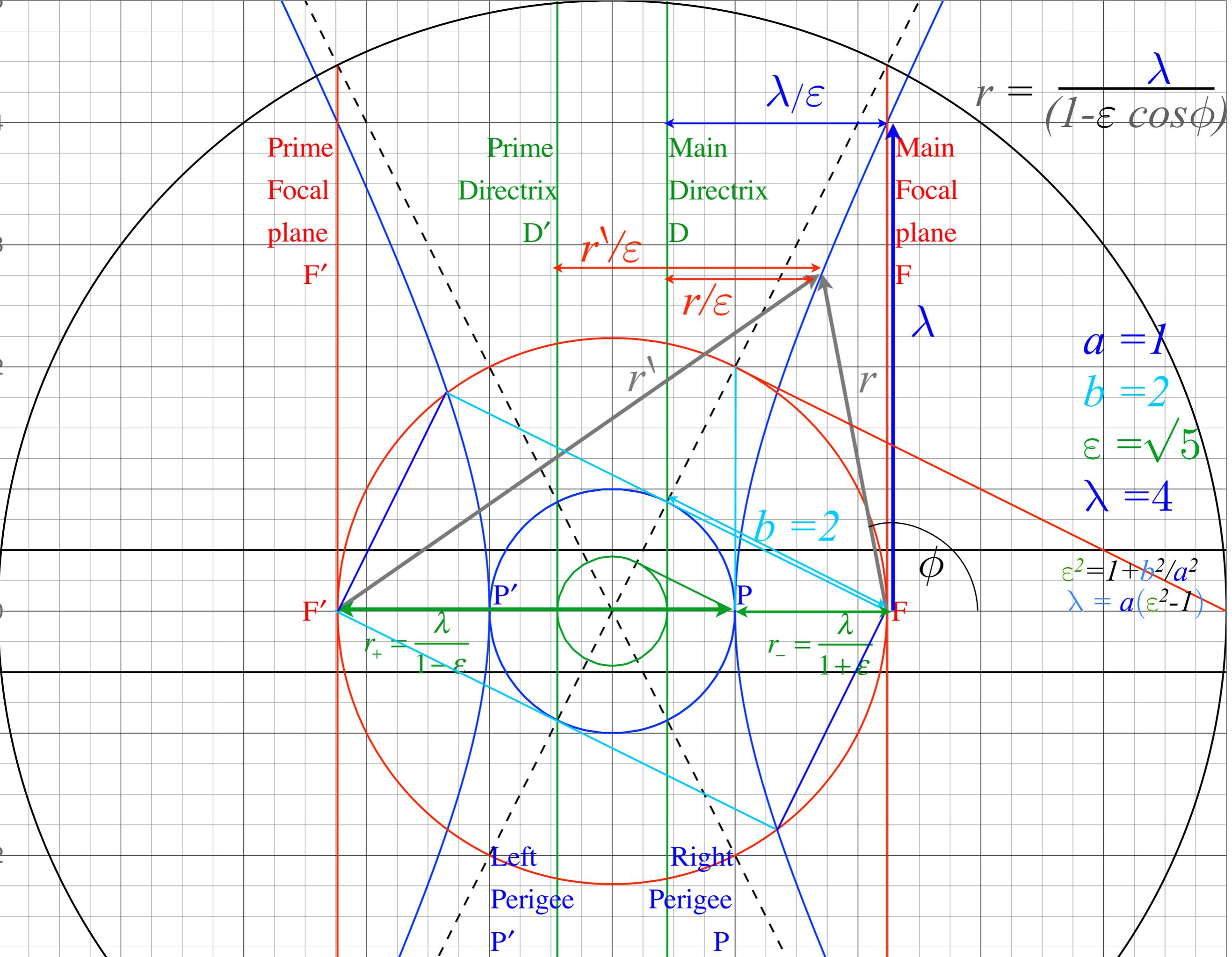
Left  
Perigee  
P'

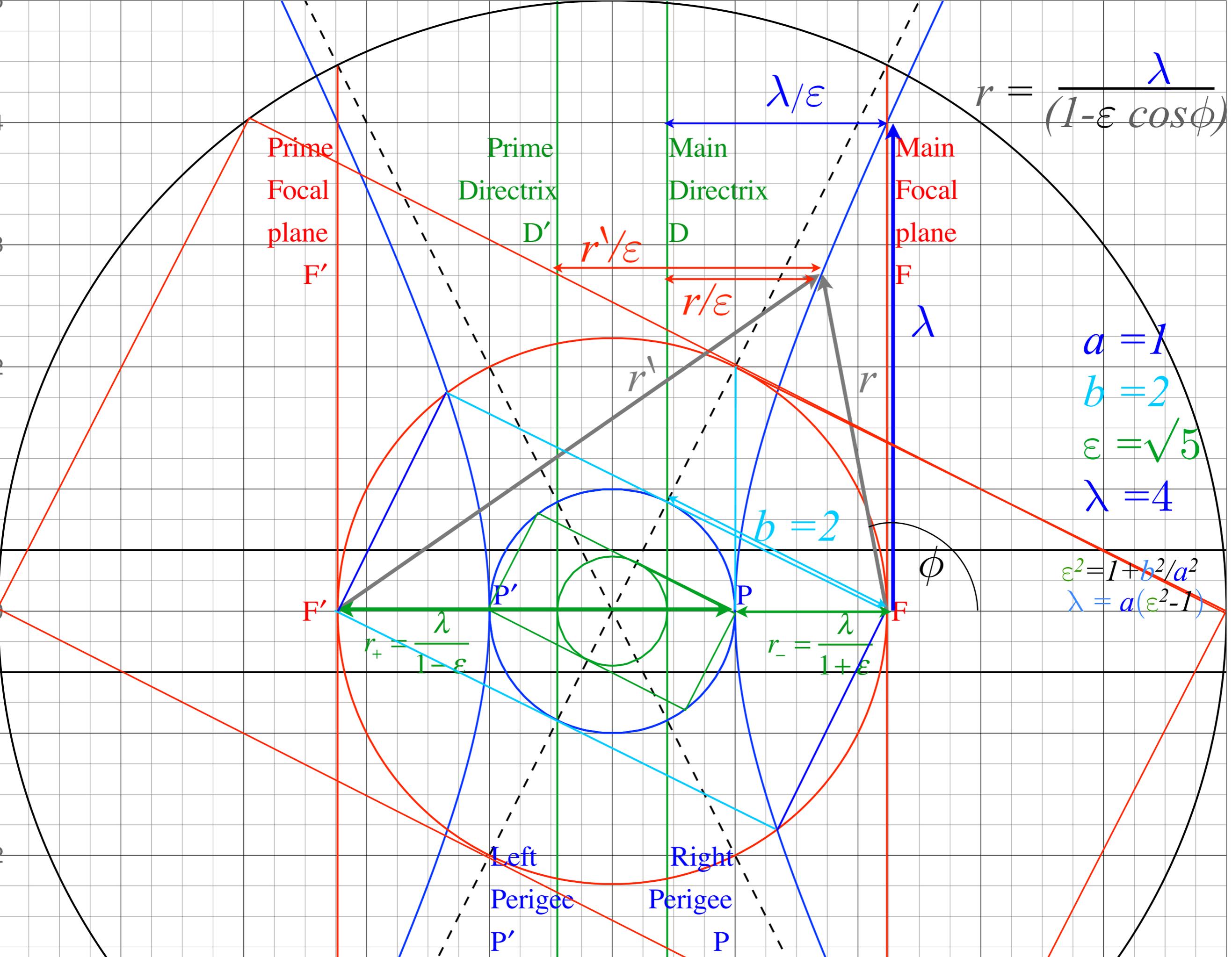
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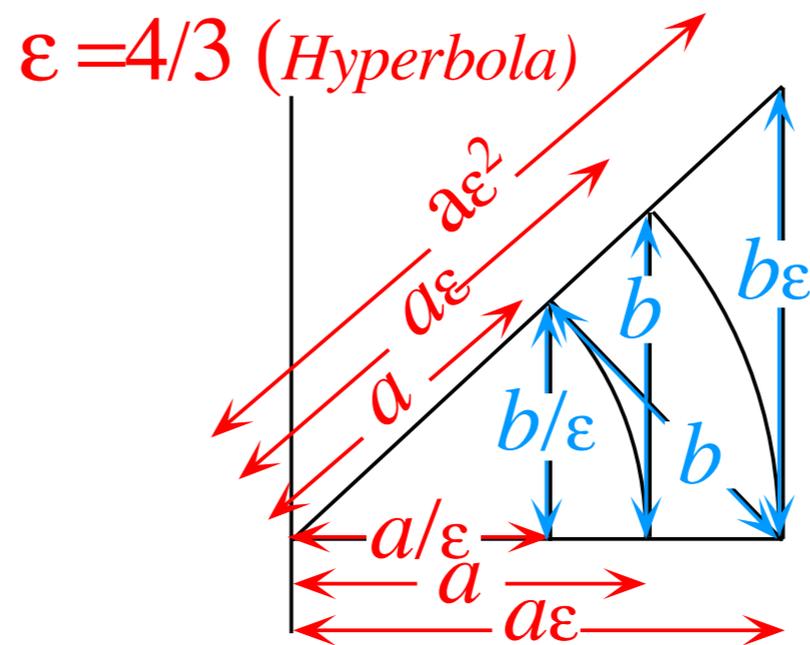
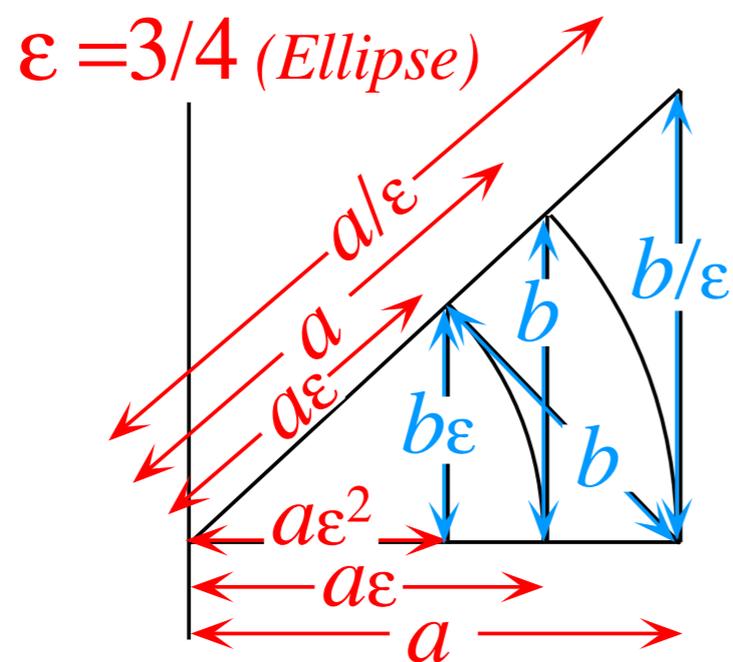
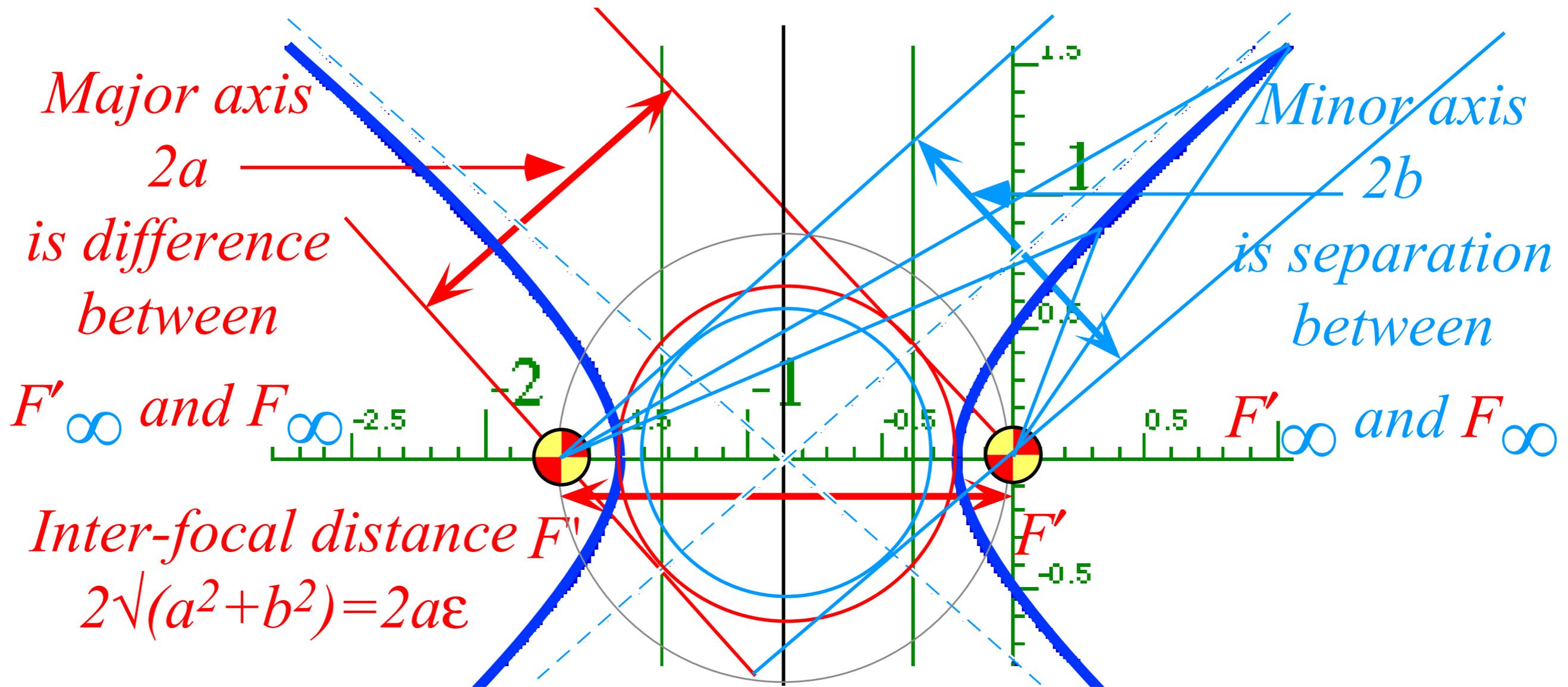


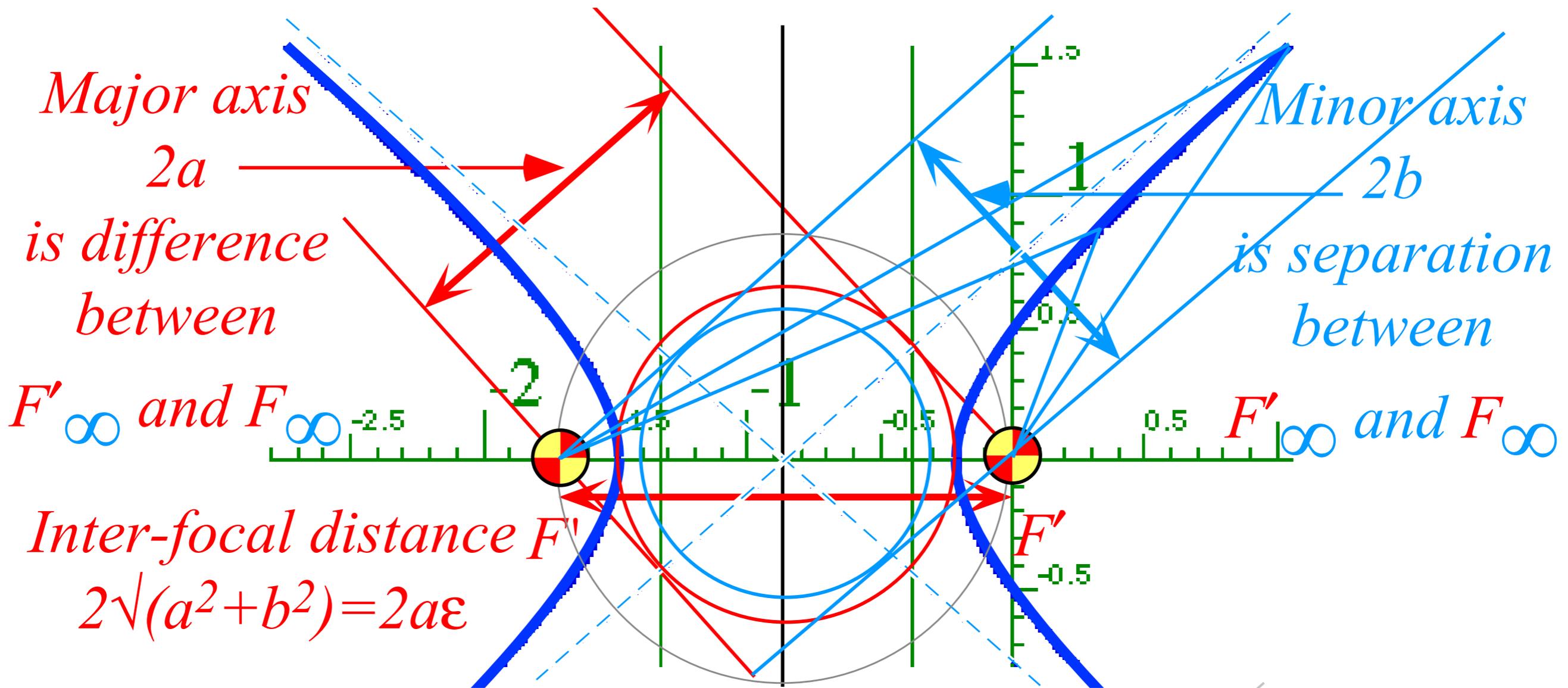




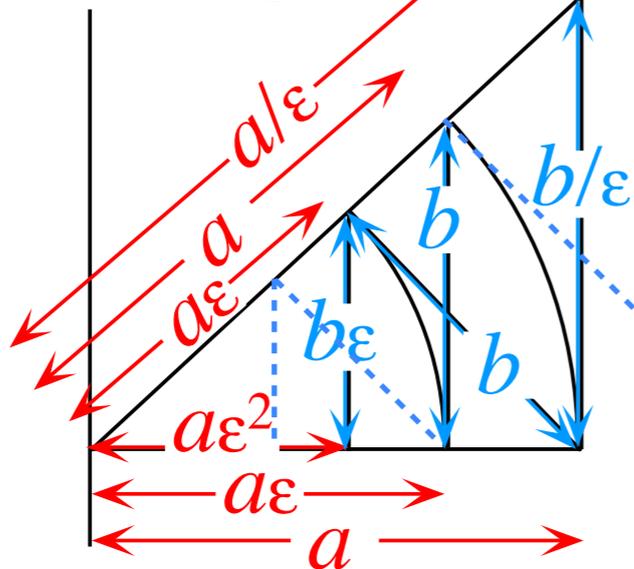




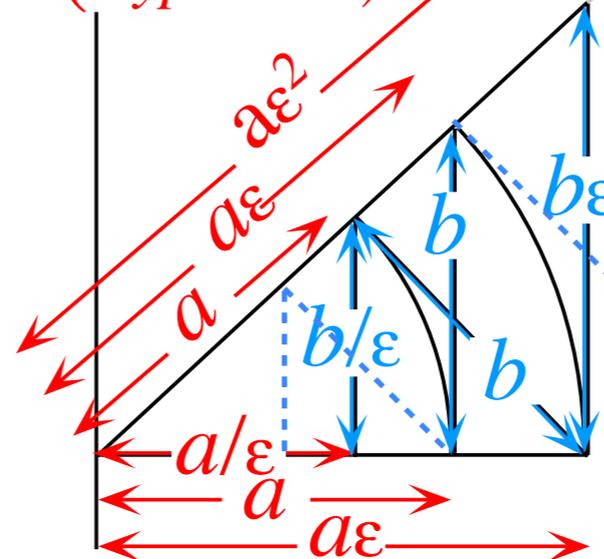




$\varepsilon = 3/4$  (Ellipse)



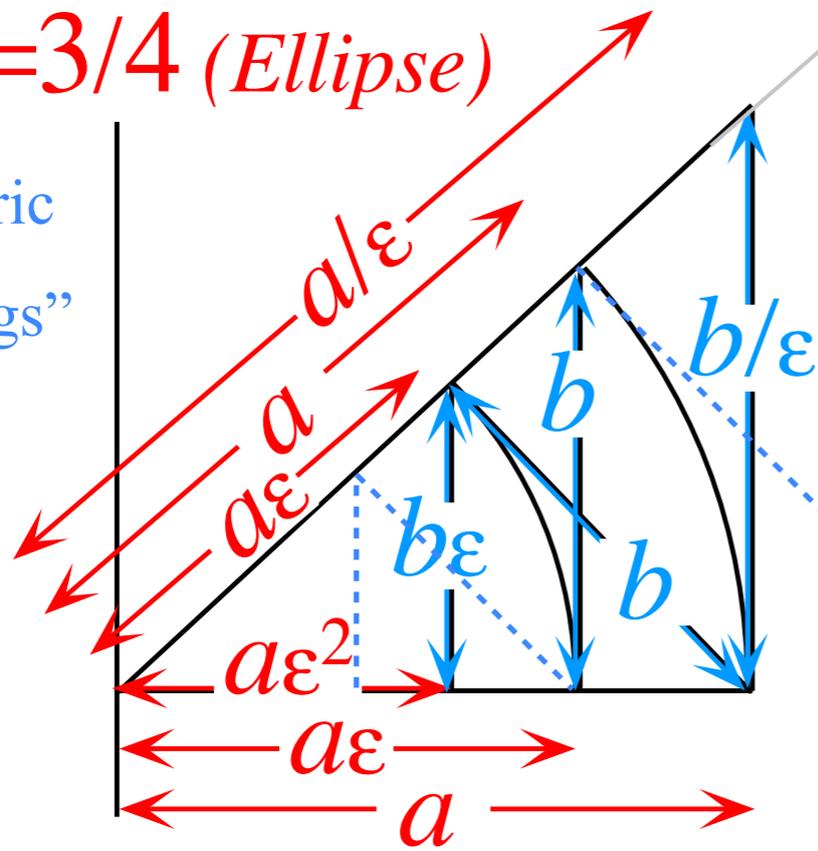
$\varepsilon = 4/3$  (Hyperbola)



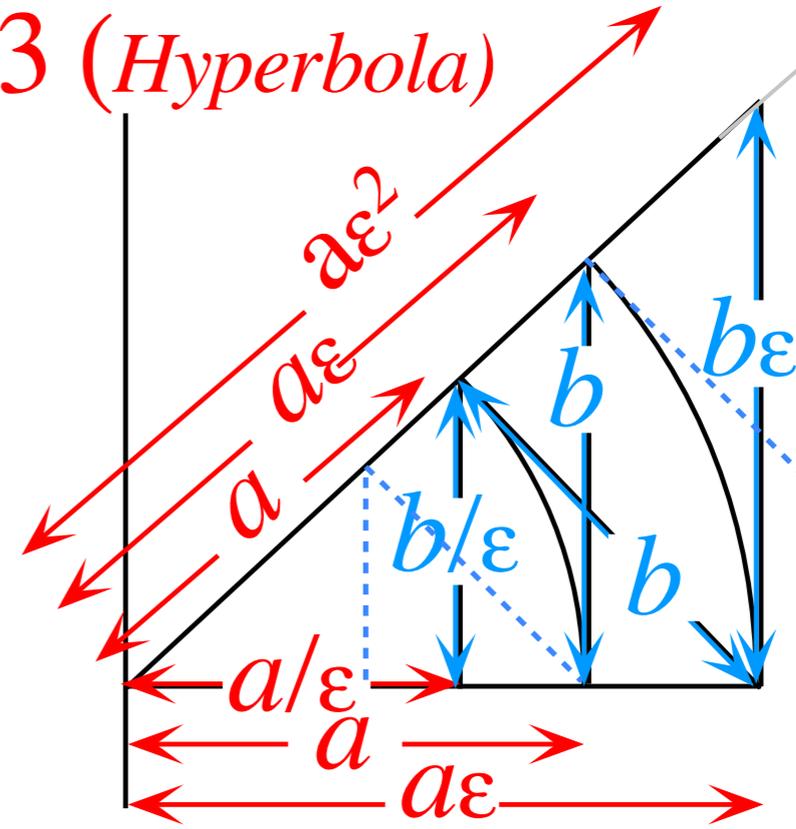
Recall geometric series "Zig-Zags"  
 Lect. 5 p.5

$\epsilon = 3/4$  (Ellipse)

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$\epsilon = 4/3$  (Hyperbola)



For the elliptic geometry ( $\epsilon < 1$ ):

$$b^2 = a^2 - a^2\epsilon^2 = a\lambda,$$

$$b = a \sqrt{1-\epsilon^2} = \sqrt{a\lambda},$$

For hyperbolic geometry ( $\epsilon > 1$ ):

$$b^2 = a^2\epsilon^2 - a^2 = a\lambda,$$

$$b = a \sqrt{\epsilon^2-1} = \sqrt{a\lambda}.$$

$(\lambda, \epsilon)$ - $(a, b)$  expressions and their inverses follow.

$$a = \lambda / (1 - \epsilon^2)$$

$$b^2 = \lambda^2 / (1 - \epsilon^2)$$

$$\lambda = a(1 - \epsilon^2) = b^2 / a$$

$$\epsilon^2 = 1 - b^2 / a^2$$

$$a = \lambda / (\epsilon^2 - 1)$$

$$b^2 = \lambda^2 / (\epsilon^2 - 1)$$

$$\lambda = a(\epsilon^2 - 1) = b^2 / a$$

$$\epsilon^2 = 1 + b^2 / a^2$$

Cartesian Parameters

Semi-major axis  
 $a = k / |2E|$

Semi-minor axis  
 $b = \mu / \sqrt{|2mE|}$

Physics

Energy  
 $E$

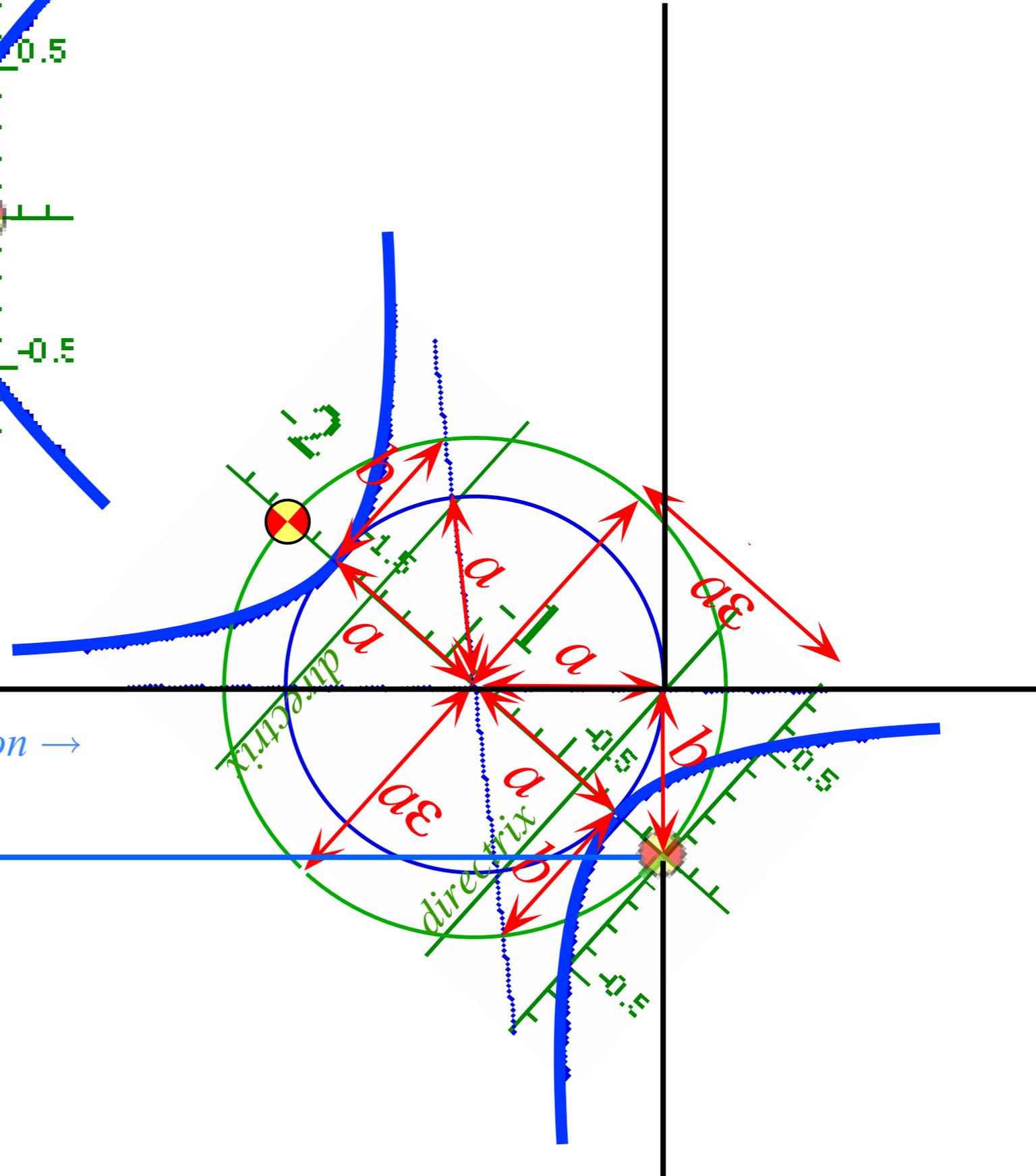
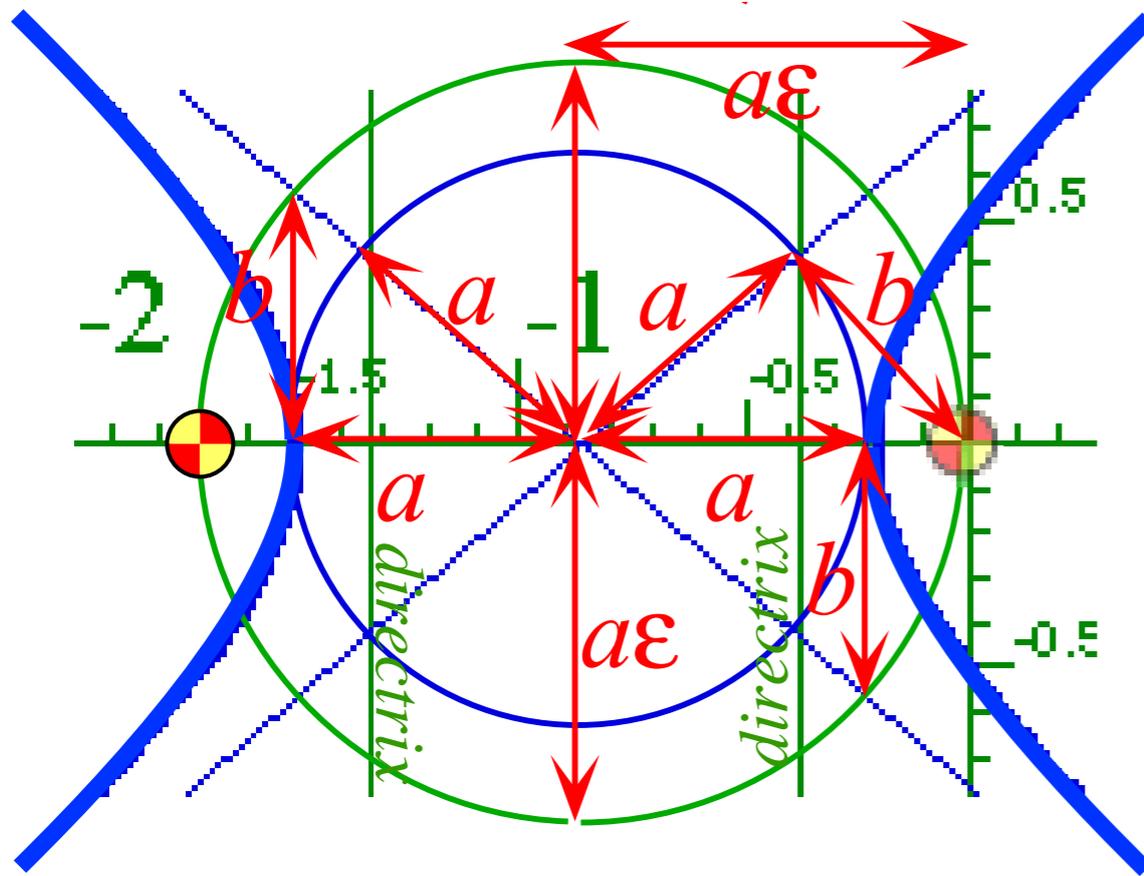
Angular momentum  
 $\mu = \ell$

Polar Parameters

Eccentricity  
 $\epsilon = \sqrt{1 + 2\mu^2 E / (k^2 m)}$

Latus radius  
 $\lambda = \mu^2 / (km)$

Rutherford scattering geometry...



Alpha-particle beam direction →

Gold nuclear target →