

# Web Visualization of a Trajectory Generated from the General Mission Analysis Tool (Part 3)

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## Introduction

A Web-based Mission Visualization System (WMVS) needs a standard file format for storing orbital trajectories. Part 3 of this tutorial series explains how to write a JavaScript web-app to convert a fixed width text data file exported from the General Mission Analysis Tool (GMAT) and convert the file into JavaScript Object Notation (JSON). Assuming the reader has read the previous tutorials, he or she may recall that Part 1 explained how to perform this conversion in Excel. In addition to the converter, this tutorial will explain how to create a generic web-based mission visualizer that reads JSON files.

## Prerequisites and Objectives

The trajectory file converter and the generic web-based mission visualizer rely upon the HTML5 File Reader Application Programming Interface (API). Several websites and books provide tutorial on how to use the File Reader API. Chuck Hudson and Tom Leadbetter's book "HTML5 Developer's Cookbook" provided example code that enabled the development of the file converter described in this tutorial. Figure 1 presents the fixed width text file containing Cartesian coordinates and the user interface of the JSON converter. A Browse button on the converter enables selection of a text file.

Sat. UTCGregorian	Sat. EarthMJ2000Eq. X	Sat. EarthMJ2000Eq. Y	Sat. EarthMJ2000Eq. Z
22 Jul 2014 11:29:10.811	137380	-75679.6	21487.6
22 Jul 2014 11:30:10.811	137394	-75652.8	21492.7
22 Jul 2014 11:33:00.381	137433	-75576.9	21507.2
22 Jul 2014 11:41:06.513	137542	-75358.2	21548.3
22 Jul 2014 12:07:06.014	137873	-74644.6	21676.7
22 Jul 2014 12:52:06.014	138365	-73366.1	21886.5
22 Jul 2014 13:37:06.014	138755	-72033.8	22080.1
22 Jul 2014 14:22:06.014	139043	-70648.3	22257.4
22 Jul 2014 15:07:06.014	139227	-69210.5	22418
22 Jul 2014 15:52:06.014	139307	-67720.8	22561.8
22 Jul 2014 16:37:06.014	139281	-66179.9	22688.4
22 Jul 2014 17:22:06.014	139148	-64588.2	22797.5
22 Jul 2014 18:07:06.014	138907		
22 Jul 2014 18:52:06.014	138556		
22 Jul 2014 19:37:06.014	138092		
22 Jul 2014 20:22:06.014	137515		
22 Jul 2014 21:07:06.014	136821		
22 Jul 2014 21:52:06.014	136008		
22 Jul 2014 22:37:06.014	135074		
22 Jul 2014 23:22:06.014	134015		
23 Jul 2014 00:07:06.014	132828		
23 Jul 2014 00:52:06.014	131509		
23 Jul 2014 01:37:06.014	130054		
23 Jul 2014 02:22:06.014	128459		
23 Jul 2014 03:07:06.014	126718		
23 Jul 2014 03:52:06.014	124826		
23 Jul 2014 04:37:06.014	122776		
23 Jul 2014 05:22:06.014	120562		
23 Jul 2014 06:07:06.014	118176		
23 Jul 2014 06:52:06.014	115609		
23 Jul 2014 07:37:06.014	112851		
23 Jul 2014 08:22:06.014	109891		
23 Jul 2014 09:07:06.014	106715		
23 Jul 2014 09:52:06.014	103308		
23 Jul 2014 10:37:06.014	99652.6		
23 Jul 2014 11:22:06.014	95728.2		
23 Jul 2014 12:07:06.014	91509.6		

**Trajectory Fixed Width Data File to JSON Converter**

Select a trajectory data file:  SatOrbit.txt

```
{
  "coordinates": [
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "11:29:10.811",
      "X": 137380,
      "Y": -75679.6,
      "Z": 21487.6
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "11:30:10.811",
      "X": 137394,
      "Y": -75652.8,
      "Z": 21492.7
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "11:33:00.381",
      "X": 137433,
      "Y": -75576.9,
      "Z": 21507.2
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "11:41:06.513",
      "X": 137542,
      "Y": -75358.2,
      "Z": 21548.3
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "12:07:06.014",
      "X": 137873,
      "Y": -74644.6,
      "Z": 21676.7
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "12:52:06.014",
      "X": 138365,
      "Y": -73366.1,
      "Z": 21886.5
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "13:37:06.014",
      "X": 138755,
      "Y": -72033.8,
      "Z": 22080.1
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "14:22:06.014",
      "X": 139043,
      "Y": -70648.3,
      "Z": 22257.4
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "15:07:06.014",
      "X": 139227,
      "Y": -69210.5,
      "Z": 22418
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "15:52:06.014",
      "X": 139307,
      "Y": -67720.8,
      "Z": 22561.8
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "16:37:06.014",
      "X": 139281,
      "Y": -66179.9,
      "Z": 22688.4
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "17:22:06.014",
      "X": 139148,
      "Y": -64588.2,
      "Z": 22797.5
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "18:07:06.014",
      "X": 138907,
      "Y": -62946.4,
      "Z": 22888.8
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "18:52:06.014",
      "X": 138556,
      "Y": -61254.7,
      "Z": 22961.9
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "19:37:06.014",
      "X": 138092,
      "Y": -59513.6,
      "Z": 23016.3
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "20:22:06.014",
      "X": 137515,
      "Y": -57723.5,
      "Z": 23051.8
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "21:07:06.014",
      "X": 136821,
      "Y": -55884.6,
      "Z": 23067.6
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "21:52:06.014",
      "X": 136008,
      "Y": -53997.3,
      "Z": 23063.4
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "22:37:06.014",
      "X": 135074,
      "Y": -52061.8,
      "Z": 23038.5
    },
    {
      "Date": "22 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "23:22:06.014",
      "X": 134015,
      "Y": -50078.4,
      "Z": 22992.2
    },
    {
      "Date": "23 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "00:07:06.014",
      "X": 132828,
      "Y": -48047.1,
      "Z": 22923.9
    },
    {
      "Date": "23 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "00:52:06.014",
      "X": 131509,
      "Y": -45968.3,
      "Z": 22832.9
    },
    {
      "Date": "23 Jul 2014",
      "Time": "01:37:06.014",
      "X": 130054,
      "Y": -43842.1,
      "Z": 22718.2
    }
  ]
}
```

Figure 1 A text file with Cartesian coordinates and an a generated JSON file

Objectives of this tutorial include:

1. Present a walk-through of the code within the text to JSON converter
2. Explain how to incorporate the File Reader API functions into a visualization
3. Provide the source code in the appendices

## Fixed Width Text to JavaScript Object Notation Conversion Demo

Part 1 of this tutorial series explained how to generate a fixed width text file from the GMAT. Such a file can provide date, time, and Cartesian coordinates for a spacecraft. This section of the tutorial provides a code walk-through of a JavaScript web-app that converts a trajectory text file into JavaScript Object Notation (JSON). A subsequent section will walk-through a web-based mission visualization that uses the JSON object. Appendix A provides the source code for the text to JSON converter. Appendix B provides the source code for the web-based mission visualization that uses the JSON object. Appendix C provides an example trajectory data file that was exported from the GMAT. The following Uniform Resource Locator (URL) leads to the text to JSON converter, which was depicted in Figure 1.

[http://daoneil.github.io/spacemission/X3Dom/Data\\_to\\_JSON\\_Converter6.html](http://daoneil.github.io/spacemission/X3Dom/Data_to_JSON_Converter6.html)

The reader may use a trajectory data file produced during Part 1 of the tutorial or use the trajectory data provided in Appendix C. If you are using the data from Appendix C, please copy and paste the data into a text file named MolniyaOrbit.txt. After opening the text to JSON converter in your web-browser, click on the Browse button to select a local file on your computer. Navigate to the appropriate directory or folder and select MolniyaOrbit.txt. Within a second or two, the web-page display the trajectory in JSON format as depicted in Figure 1. Copy and paste the JSON formatted data into a text file and name it MolniyaOrbit.json.

## Web-Based Mission Visualization Using an Uploaded JSON File Demo

Figure 2 presents a screenshot of a web-based mission visualization that uses an uploaded JSON file. The following URL leads to this demonstration.

[http://daoneil.github.io/spacemission/X3Dom/JSON\\_Trajectory\\_Reader\\_with\\_Model\\_appendix.html](http://daoneil.github.io/spacemission/X3Dom/JSON_Trajectory_Reader_with_Model_appendix.html)

A Browse button enables you to navigate through your directories or folders to select a local file. Please select the MolniyaOrbit.json file that you generated in the previous section. After uploading the JSON file, the simulation will display a satellite moving along the

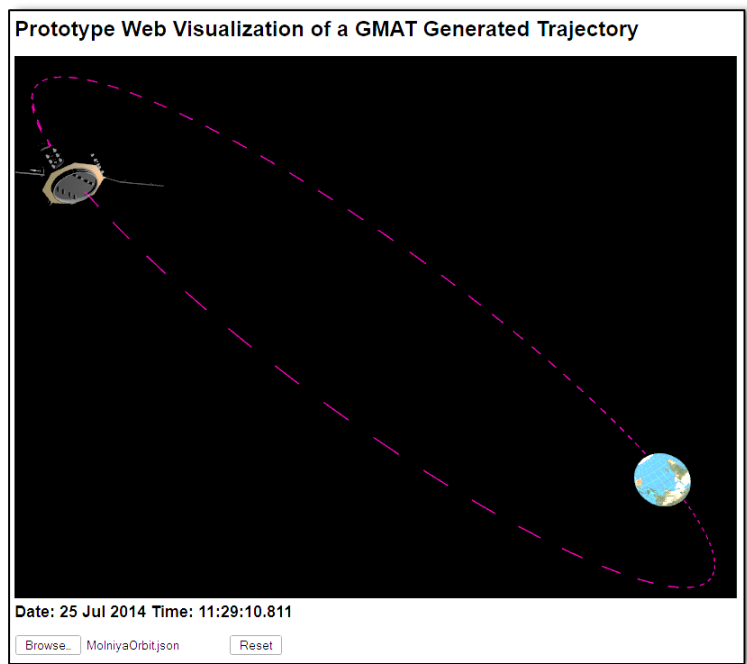


Figure 2 Web-based mission visualization that displays an uploaded JSON object

trajectory. With your mouse, you can interact with the simulation:

- Right-button click and drag to rotate the model
- Left-button click and drag to zoom in and out
- Middle-button click and drag to pan around the scene

When the simulation stops, you can restart it by clicking the Reset button.

## Text to JSON Converter Code Walk-Through

This section presents a few code snippets. Refer to Appendix A to view the code snippets within the context of the program. Within the header, a Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) section formats the text area:

```
<style>
...
#fileDisplayArea {
  margin-top: 2em;
  width: 100%;
  overflow-x: auto;
}
</style>
```

After loading, the page calls the `handleFile` function, i.e., `<body onload="handleFile()">`.

The `handleFile` function adds an event listener to a file input button. If there is a change to the file input, a file variable gets the file name.

```
function handleFile() {
  var fileInput = document.getElementById('fileInput');
  ...
  fileInput.addEventListener('change', function(e) {
    var file = fileInput.files[0];
```

The HTML5 File Reader API includes several events that you overwrite. The following code snippet overwrites the `onload` event. Comments explain the first few lines. The last line is a `for` loop that steps through each line of the text file.

```
reader.onload = function(e) {
  dat = reader.result;          // Get the contents of the file.
  ...
  while (curChar != "\n") {     // Find the end of line.
    lineWidth = lineWidth + 1 ; // Count characters in a line.
    curChar = dat[lineWidth] ;
  }
  curPos = lineWidth + 1;      // Advance to the next line.

  var iNumLines = dat.length/lineWidth ;
  ...
  for (var i = 0; i < iNumLines; i++) {
    ...
```

Within the `for` loop there are several calls to an `extract data` function, which parses a slice of the current line of text and returns the text string for a record variable named `rec`. The following code snippet excludes the calls to `extract data`, so refer to the appendix. The following codes

snippet presents an if branch and determines whether there are more lines in the text file. After populating the rec variable with the date, time, and Cartesian coordinates, the fileDisplayArea InnerHTML property is populated with the JSON formatted data. The closing bracket with the comment about the next line of text closes the for-loop in the previous code snippet. The next few lines change the comma to square and curly brackets to complete the JSON object. A call to the readAsText event causes text reader to load the text file. If the file is not of type text, an error message will be written into the file display area.

```

if (curPos < totalChar) {           // Have we reached end of the file?
    ...
    fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = fileDisplayArea.innerHTML +
        "{" + '"Date":' + '"' + rec.date + '"' + "," +
        + '"Time":' + '"' + rec.time + '"' + "," +
        + '"X":' + rec.X + "," +
        + '"Y":' + rec.Y + "," +
        + '"Z":' + rec.Z ;
    fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = fileDisplayArea.innerHTML + "}, \n"
} // end if
    ...
} // next line of text
var sTraJSON = fileDisplayArea.innerHTML.toString() ;
var iLastCharNum = sTraJSON.length ;

sTraJSON = sTraJSON.substring(0,iLastCharNum -3) ;
sTraJSON = sTraJSON + "]}";

fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = sTraJSON ;
}

reader.readAsText(file) ;

} else {
    fileDisplayArea.innerText = "File not supported!"
}
});

```

## Web-Based Mission Visualization using a JSON File Code Walk-Through

Both Part 1 and Part 2 of this tutorial series presented X3D code. Part 2 explained how to texture-map a globe. Appendix B includes the same X3D code to display the Earth, so this section will not walk-through that code; refer to Part 2 for a walk-through of the X3D code.

When the web-based mission visualization web-page loads, it calls the startUpdate function, i.e., `<body onload="startUpdate()">`. This function reads the JSON file, determines the initial position, reads an X3D file for the satellite, and then steps through each line in the JSON file to draw the trajectory and move the satellite model.

The following code snippet includes the declaration of the startUpdate function, which includes a function to retrieve a selected file and the File Reader API onload event function to return the result from the file reader. The mission variable contains the parsed JSON file that provides the date, time, and Cartesian coordinates that define the trajectory.

```

function startUpdate() {
...
function handleFileSelect(evt) {
    var files = evt.target.files; // FileList object
    f = files[0];
    var reader = new FileReader();

    // Closure to capture the file information.
    reader.onload = (function(theFile) {
        return function(e) {

            mission = JSON.parse(e.target.result); // Parse trajectory object.

```

A for-loop within the onload function iteratively stores the mission coordinates in a segment coordinates variable named segCoords and appends the segment coordinates to an orbitCoords string. An X3D line object uses the orbitCoords string to position points that draw the orbit. These actions are expressed in the following code snippet.

```

for (var segment in mission.coordinates) {
...
var segCoords = [mission.coordinates[segment].X/10000, ...

orbitCoords = orbitCoords + segCoords[0] + " " + segCoords[1] ...

var line = document.createElement('IndexedLineSet');
    line.setAttribute("coordIndex", segIndex);
var coords = document.createElement('Coordinate');
    coords.setAttribute("point", orbitCoords);

```

Part 2 of this tutorial series generated a green block to represent a satellite. The web-app in Appendix B goes a step further by including an X3D model of a satellite. The first five lines of the following code snippet establishes an initial position and creates a transform with attributes to translate the model to the position and scale it. An Inline command links the X3D model of a satellite. The satellite model is appended as a child of the Earth. Finally, a setInterval command periodically calls an update position function.

```

/*-----
* Create a satellite model
*-----*/
var pos = [mission.coordinates[0].X/10000, mission.coordinates[0].Y/10000,
           mission.coordinates[0].Z/10000]
var t = document.createElement('Transform');
    t.setAttribute("translation", pos[0] + " " + pos[1] + " " + pos[2] );
    t.setAttribute("id", 'satPosition');
    t.setAttribute("scale", 0.07 + " " + 0.07 + " " + 0.07) ;

    var satModel = document.createElement('Inline') ;
    satModel.setAttribute('url', "TrianaSatellite.x3d") ;

    t.appendChild(satModel) ;
var objsat = document.getElementById('theEarth');
objsat.appendChild(t);
setInterval(function () {updatePosition() }, 50);
    };
}) (f);

```

The last function in the web-app is the reset function, which sets the position of the satellite to the first position in the orbital trajectory.

## Future Work

The HTML5 File Reader API also provides a drag-and-drop capability. Potentially, a future version could add the drag-and-drop functions to enable uploading of multiple trajectory files. Other improvements could a user interface that enables selection from several spacecraft models. Additional user interface widgets could include a slider-bar for stepping through the orbital trajectory so the user can see the spacecraft at different points in the trajectory.

## Conclusion

This three part tutorial explained how to generate a trajectory data file from the GMAT, convert the file into JSON, and how to move an X3D model along the trajectory. The code walk-throughs and reusable example code ought to provide the reader a starting point for designing and developing a web-based mission visualization system.

## Appendix A -- Source code for the text to JSON converter

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>Trajectory Data File Reader</title>
</head>
<style>
html {
  font-family: Helvetica, Arial, sans-serif;
  font-size: 100%;
  background: #333;
}

#page-wrapper {
  width: 850px;
  background: #FFF;
  padding: 1em;
  margin: 1em auto;
  min-height: 300px;
  border-top: 5px solid #69c773;
  box-shadow: 0 2px 10px rgba(0,0,0,0.8);
}

h1 {
  margin-top: 0;
}

img {
  max-width: 100%;
}

#fileDisplayArea {
  margin-top: 2em;
  width: 100%;
  overflow-x: auto;
}
</style>
<body onload="handleFile()">
<script>
var dat = new Blob(); // a blob to hold the content of the uploaded file
var rec = {}; // a record for date, time, and Cartesian coordinates
var records = new Array(); // an array of records <-- Presently, not used.
var recCount = 0; // a counter for the records in the array
var curPos = 0; // current position within the current line of text
var curChar = ""; // current character within the current line of text
var curEOL = 0; // calculated End Of Line using curPos + linewidth
var lineWidth = 0; // number of characters in the line of text
var totalChar = 0; // Calculated number of characters in the file

function extractData(someText) {
  var theData = "";
  var currentPosition = 0;
  var maxChar = someText.length;

  while (theData == "") {
    if (someText[currentPosition] == " ") {
```

```

// Find the next non-blank character.
while (someText[currentPosition] == " ") {
    currentPosition = currentPosition + 1 ;
} // end while
} // end if
else {
// Update the global current position.
curPos = curPos + currentPosition ;
while (someText[currentPosition] != " ") {
    theData = theData + someText[currentPosition] ;
    currentPosition = currentPosition + 1 ;
} // end while
} // end else
} // end while

return theData ;
} // end extractData

function handleFile() {
var fileInput = document.getElementById('fileInput');
var fileDisplayArea = document.getElementById('fileDisplayArea');

fileInput.addEventListener('change', function(e) {
    var file = fileInput.files[0];
    totalChar = file.size; // Get total number of characters.
    var textType = /text.*/;
    if (file.type.match(textType)) {
        var reader = new FileReader();

        reader.onload = function(e) {
            dat = reader.result; // Get the contents of the file.
            curChar = dat[0] ; // Start at the first character
            while (curChar != "\n") { // Find the end of line.
                lineWidth = lineWidth + 1 ; // Count characters in line.
                curChar = dat[lineWidth] ;
            }
            curPos = lineWidth + 1; // Advance to the next line.

            var iNumLines = dat.length/lineWidth ;
            fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = '{"coordinates":[ \n' ;
            for (var i = 0; i < iNumLines; i++) {
                curEOL = curPos +lineWidth ;

                rec.date = dat.slice(curPos, curPos+12);
                curPos = curPos + 12;
                rec.time = dat.slice(curPos, curPos+12);

                curPos = curPos + 12 ;

            if (curPos < totalChar) { // Have we reached end of the file?
                rec.X = "" ;
                rec.X = extractData(dat.slice(curPos, curEOL)) ;
                curPos = curPos + rec.X.length + 1 ;

                rec.Y = "" ;
                rec.Y = extractData(dat.slice(curPos, curEOL)) ;
                curPos = curPos + rec.Y.length + 1;
            }
        }
    }
}

```



```

rec.Z = "" ;
rec.Z = extractData(dat.slice(curPos, curEOL)) ;

fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = fileDisplayArea.innerHTML +
    "{" + '"Date":' + '"' + rec.date + '"' + "," +
    + '"Time":' + '"' + rec.time + '"' + "," +
    + '"X":' + rec.X + "," +
    + '"Y":' + rec.Y + "," +
    + '"Z":' + rec.Z ;
fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = fileDisplayArea.innerHTML + "}, \n";
} // end if

    curPos = curEOL + 1 ;
} // next
var sTraJSON = fileDisplayArea.innerHTML.toString() ;
var iLastCharNum = sTraJSON.length ;

sTraJSON = sTraJSON.substring(0,iLastCharNum -3) ;
sTraJSON = sTraJSON + "]}";

fileDisplayArea.innerHTML = sTraJSON ;
}

    reader.readAsText(file) ;

} else {
    fileDisplayArea.innerText = "File not supported!"
    }
});
}
</script>
<div id="page-wrapper">

    <h1>Trajectory Fixed Width Data File to JSON Converter</h1>
    <div>
        Select a trajectory data file:
        <input type="file" id="fileInput">
    </div>
    <pre id="fileDisplayArea"></pre>

    </div>
</body>
</html>

```

## Appendix B – Source code for the web-based mission visualization

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<head>
  <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="chrome=1" />
  <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
<title>Trajectory from GMAT</title>
  <meta name="author" content="Daniel A. O'Neil">
  <meta name="copyright" content="? Daniel A. O'Neil" />
<style>
  p.case { clear: both; border-top: 0px; solid: #fff; }
</style>
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="x3dom.css" />
<script src="missionfile.js" type="text/javascript"></script>
</head>
<body onload="startUpdate()">

<h1>Prototype Web Visualization of a GMAT Generated Trajectory</h1>

  <p class="case">
    <X3D xmlns="http://www.web3d.org/specifications/x3d-namespace"
showStat="false" showLog="false" x="0px" y="0px" width="800px"
height="600px">
      <Scene>
        <background DEF='bgnd' transparency='0' skyColor='0.0 0.0 0.0' >
          </background>
        <Transform id="theEarth" translation="0 0 0">
          <Shape>
            <Appearance>
              <ImageTexture url='EarthImage.jpg' />
            </Appearance>
            <Sphere radius='0.65' />
          </Shape>
        </Transform>
        <Viewpoint fieldOfView="0.785398" position="6 5.5 6.5"
orientation="1 -1 0 -0.785" description=""/>
      </Scene>
    </X3D>
  </p>

  <p class="case" align="center">

  <p id="demo"></p>

<script>

// Replace the following line with the JSON file reader.
var step = 0 ;
var jsonObj = null
var mission = null ;

function startUpdate() {
// Generate line segments from points around the trajectory.
var segIndex = 0 ; // segment counter
var orbitCoords = "" ;
```

```

function handleFileSelect(evt) {
    var files = evt.target.files; // FileList object
    f = files[0];
    var reader = new FileReader();

    // Closure to capture the file information.
    reader.onload = (function(theFile) {
        return function(e) {

            mission = JSON.parse(e.target.result); // Parse trajectory object.

            for (var segment in mission.coordinates) {
                var s = document.createElement('Shape'); // Shape Node
                s.setAttribute("id", "segment" + segIndex);
                var app = document.createElement('Appearance'); // Appearance Node
                var mat = document.createElement('Material'); // Material Node
                mat.setAttribute("id", "Mat" + segIndex);
                mat.setAttribute("diffuseColor", 1 + " " + 0 + " " + 0);
                mat.setAttribute("emissiveColor", 1 + " " + 0 + " " + 0.3);
                app.appendChild(mat);
                s.appendChild(app);

                var segCoords = [mission.coordinates[segment].X/10000,
mission.coordinates[segment].Y/10000, mission.coordinates[segment].Z/10000] ;

                orbitCoords = orbitCoords + segCoords[0] + " " + segCoords[1] + " " +
segCoords[2] + " " ;

                var line = document.createElement('IndexedLineSet');
                line.setAttribute("coordIndex", segIndex);
                var coords = document.createElement('Coordinate');
                coords.setAttribute("point", orbitCoords);

                line.appendChild(coords) ;

                s.appendChild(line);
                var ot = document.getElementById('theEarth');
                ot.appendChild(s);

                segIndex = segIndex + 1 ;
            }

            /*-----
            * Create a satellite model
            *-----*/
            var pos = [mission.coordinates[0].X/10000, mission.coordinates[0].Y/10000,
mission.coordinates[0].Z/10000]
            var t = document.createElement('Transform');
            t.setAttribute("translation", pos[0] + " " + pos[1] + " " + pos[2] );
            t.setAttribute("id", 'satPosition');
            t.setAttribute("scale", 0.07 + " " + 0.07 + " " + 0.07) ;

            var satModel = document.createElement('Inline') ;
            satModel.setAttribute('url', "TrianaSatellite.x3d") ;

            t.appendChild(satModel) ;

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var objsat = document.getElementById('theEarth');
    objsat.appendChild(t);

        setInterval(function () {updatePosition() }, 50);

    };
    }) (f);
    reader.readAsText (f);
}
document.getElementById('files').addEventListener('change', handleFileSelect,
false);

};

function updatePosition() {
    pos = [mission.coordinates[step].X/10000,
mission.coordinates[step].Y/10000, mission.coordinates[step].Z/10000] ;
    var Xpos = pos[0] ;
    var Ypos = pos[1] ;
    var Zpos = pos[2] ;
    document.getElementById('satPosition').setAttribute('translation', Xpos
+ " " + Ypos + " " + Zpos);

document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML =
"<p>" + "<H2>" + "Date: " + mission.coordinates[step].Date + " Time: " +
mission.coordinates[step].Time + "</H2>" + "<p>"

// }
step = step + 1 ;
};

function resetPosition() {
    step = 0 ;
    pos = [mission.coordinates[step].X/10000,
mission.coordinates[step].Y/10000, mission.coordinates[step].Z/10000] ;
    var Xpos = pos[0] ;
    var Ypos = pos[1] ;
    var Zpos = pos[2] ;
    document.getElementById('satPosition').setAttribute('translation', Xpos
+ " " + Ypos + " " + Zpos);

        setInterval(function () {updatePosition() }, 60);
} ;
</script>
<script type="text/javascript" src="x3dom.js"></script>
<input type="file" id="files" name="files[]" multiple />
<input type="button" id="reset" value="Reset" onclick="resetPosition();" />
</body>
</html>

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## Appendix C – Trajectory data file exported from the GMAT

Sat.UTCGregorian	Sat.EarthMJ2000Eq.X	Sat.EarthMJ2000Eq.Y	Sat.EarthMJ2000Eq.Z
22 Jul 2014 11:29:10.811	137380	-75679.6	21487.6
22 Jul 2014 11:30:10.811	137394	-75652.8	21492.7
22 Jul 2014 11:33:00.381	137433	-75576.9	21507.2
22 Jul 2014 11:41:06.513	137542	-75358.2	21548.3
22 Jul 2014 12:07:06.014	137873	-74644.6	21676.7
22 Jul 2014 12:52:06.014	138365	-73366.1	21886.5
22 Jul 2014 13:37:06.014	138755	-72033.8	22080.1
22 Jul 2014 14:22:06.014	139043	-70648.3	22257.4
22 Jul 2014 15:07:06.014	139227	-69210.5	22418
22 Jul 2014 15:52:06.014	139307	-67720.8	22561.8
22 Jul 2014 16:37:06.014	139281	-66179.9	22688.4
22 Jul 2014 17:22:06.014	139148	-64588.2	22797.5
22 Jul 2014 18:07:06.014	138907	-62946.4	22888.8
22 Jul 2014 18:52:06.014	138556	-61254.7	22961.9
22 Jul 2014 19:37:06.014	138092	-59513.6	23016.3
22 Jul 2014 20:22:06.014	137515	-57723.5	23051.8
22 Jul 2014 21:07:06.014	136821	-55884.6	23067.6
22 Jul 2014 21:52:06.014	136008	-53997.3	23063.4
22 Jul 2014 22:37:06.014	135074	-52061.8	23038.5
22 Jul 2014 23:22:06.014	134015	-50078.4	22992.2
23 Jul 2014 00:07:06.014	132828	-48047.1	22923.9
23 Jul 2014 00:52:06.014	131509	-45968.3	22832.9
23 Jul 2014 01:37:06.014	130054	-43842.1	22718.2
23 Jul 2014 02:22:06.014	128459	-41668.6	22578.9
23 Jul 2014 03:07:06.014	126718	-39448.1	22413.9
23 Jul 2014 03:52:06.014	124826	-37180.5	22222.2
23 Jul 2014 04:37:06.014	122776	-34866.2	22002.5
23 Jul 2014 05:22:06.014	120562	-32505.3	21753.2
23 Jul 2014 06:07:06.014	118176	-30098.1	21472.9
23 Jul 2014 06:52:06.014	115609	-27644.9	21159.6
23 Jul 2014 07:37:06.014	112851	-25146.1	20811.3
23 Jul 2014 08:22:06.014	109891	-22602.3	20425.6
23 Jul 2014 09:07:06.014	106715	-20014.3	19999.8
23 Jul 2014 09:52:06.014	103308	-17383.1	19530.8
23 Jul 2014 10:37:06.014	99652.6	-14710.3	19014.7
23 Jul 2014 11:22:06.014	95728.2	-11997.9	18447.3
23 Jul 2014 12:07:06.014	91509.8	-9248.86	17823.2
23 Jul 2014 12:52:06.014	86967.4	-6467.29	17135.9
23 Jul 2014 13:37:06.014	82064.3	-3659.21	16377.5
23 Jul 2014 14:22:06.014	76754.2	-833.407	15537.9
23 Jul 2014 15:07:06.014	70978.2	1996.83	14603.8
23 Jul 2014 15:42:47.351	66015.5	4231.28	13784.5
23 Jul 2014 16:14:45.146	61239.5	6211.26	12981.6
23 Jul 2014 16:43:20.220	56663.5	7951.03	12198.9
23 Jul 2014 17:08:54.363	52289.8	9467.93	11438.4
23 Jul 2014 17:31:47.084	48117.9	10778.4	10701.4
23 Jul 2014 17:52:15.897	44145.3	11898.2	9988.66
23 Jul 2014 18:12:38.357	39935.3	12942.2	9221.22
23 Jul 2014 18:28:50.962	36373.4	13704.4	8561.65
23 Jul 2014 18:44:59.590	32609.3	14381.3	7853.71
23 Jul 2014 18:57:54.044	29420.7	14843.9	7244.57
23 Jul 2014 19:10:45.090	26063.7	15212	6593.16
23 Jul 2014 19:20:43.564	23314.9	15414.6	6051.37
23 Jul 2014 19:31:00.241	20333.1	15523.9	5454.26
23 Jul 2014 19:40:19.768	17479	15509.4	4872.58
23 Jul 2014 19:47:54.609	15041.5	15393.8	4367.03
23 Jul 2014 19:54:26.674	12846.8	15198.5	3904.09
23 Jul 2014 20:00:08.125	10858.8	14937.9	3477.63
23 Jul 2014 20:05:11.727	9027.54	14618.6	3078.04
23 Jul 2014 20:10:13.770	7143.92	14200.2	2659.39
23 Jul 2014 20:14:47.726	5381.99	13714.4	2259.74
23 Jul 2014 20:18:56.205	3742.03	13166.8	1879.65
23 Jul 2014 20:22:43.925	2208.59	12557.3	1515.96
23 Jul 2014 20:25:46.115	965.985	11982.2	1214.33
23 Jul 2014 20:28:47.087	-275.232	11321.9	905.742
23 Jul 2014 20:31:30.966	-1397.15	10637.3	619.35
23 Jul 2014 20:33:59.684	-2404.93	9936.78	354.826
23 Jul 2014 20:36:17.646	-3322.16	9213.97	106.822
23 Jul 2014 20:38:28.799	-4169.28	8458.01	-129.734

23 Jul 2014 20:40:36.645	-4962.21	7654.68	-359.289
23 Jul 2014 20:42:44.536	-5712.84	6785.65	-585.814
23 Jul 2014 20:44:55.140	-6424.59	5833.41	-811.489
23 Jul 2014 20:47:05.204	-7067.92	4825.77	-1027.94
23 Jul 2014 20:49:10.008	-7615.52	3811.11	-1225.49
23 Jul 2014 20:51:12.320	-8080.33	2780.67	-1407.52
23 Jul 2014 20:53:12.395	-8464.65	1744.18	-1573.67
23 Jul 2014 20:55:11.875	-8775.96	698.077	-1725.76
23 Jul 2014 20:57:16.831	-9027.72	-401.824	-1870.28
23 Jul 2014 20:59:36.631	-9224.96	-1628.4	-2014.43
23 Jul 2014 21:01:54.390	-9339.41	-2823.22	-2139.03
23 Jul 2014 21:04:06.968	-9382.49	-3953.1	-2243.58
23 Jul 2014 21:06:20.802	-9367.1	-5069.01	-2335.03
23 Jul 2014 21:08:39.894	-9296.47	-6199.26	-2416.45
23 Jul 2014 21:11:07.144	-9169.45	-7361.01	-2489.06
23 Jul 2014 21:13:45.296	-8982.27	-8568.04	-2553.25
23 Jul 2014 21:16:37.225	-8728.98	-9832.71	-2608.87
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23 Jul 2014 21:27:01.532	-7501.3	-14037.4	-2715.27
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23 Jul 2014 21:35:40.529	-6253.4	-17132.7	-2723.53
23 Jul 2014 21:40:36.622	-5488.39	-18763	-2705.96
23 Jul 2014 21:46:03.170	-4615.81	-20462.4	-2672.34
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23 Jul 2014 21:59:31.570	-2379.75	-24293.7	-2541.85
23 Jul 2014 22:07:21.455	-1055.71	-26315.5	-2443.66
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23 Jul 2014 22:25:19.625	1992.47	-30505.7	-2178.29
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23 Jul 2014 22:46:56.246	5616.8	-34898.8	-1812.87
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23 Jul 2014 23:28:12.026	12295.6	-41908.4	-1047.5
23 Jul 2014 23:44:52.571	14893.8	-44359.2	-726.394
24 Jul 2014 00:03:17.418	17695.6	-46865.3	-368.534
24 Jul 2014 00:23:38.154	20711.7	-49423.6	28.5123
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24 Jul 2014 01:38:30.971	31153.1	-57363.4	1480.61
24 Jul 2014 02:08:57.952	35131.5	-60073.1	2060.57
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24 Jul 2014 03:19:58.987	43887.2	-65520.4	3380.66
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24 Jul 2014 04:46:18.042	53665.1	-70851.7	4918.35
24 Jul 2014 05:31:18.042	58431.5	-73184.7	5690.38
24 Jul 2014 06:16:18.042	62992.1	-75259.7	6442.33
24 Jul 2014 07:01:18.042	67360.2	-77104.6	7174.56
24 Jul 2014 07:46:18.042	71547.2	-78742	7887.44
24 Jul 2014 08:31:18.042	75562.8	-80190.8	8581.38
24 Jul 2014 09:16:18.042	79415.6	-81466.9	9256.79
24 Jul 2014 10:01:18.042	83113.3	-82583.8	9914.04
24 Jul 2014 10:46:18.042	86662.3	-83553.1	10553.5
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24 Jul 2014 18:16:18.042	115000	-86841.8	16032.3
24 Jul 2014 19:01:18.042	117191	-86648.8	16493.2
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24 Jul 2014 21:16:18.042	123120	-85602.2	17784.4
24 Jul 2014 22:01:18.042	124887	-85106	18184.6
24 Jul 2014 22:46:18.042	126552	-84539.8	18569.7
24 Jul 2014 23:31:18.042	128114	-83905.6	18939.8
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25 Jul 2014 02:31:18.042	133354	-80722.5	20269.1
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25 Jul 2014 04:01:18.042	135375	-78763.8	20842.6
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25 Jul 2014 09:16:18.042	139287	-70134.7	22355.5
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