

# Dimorphos post- impact orbit

Solution 516

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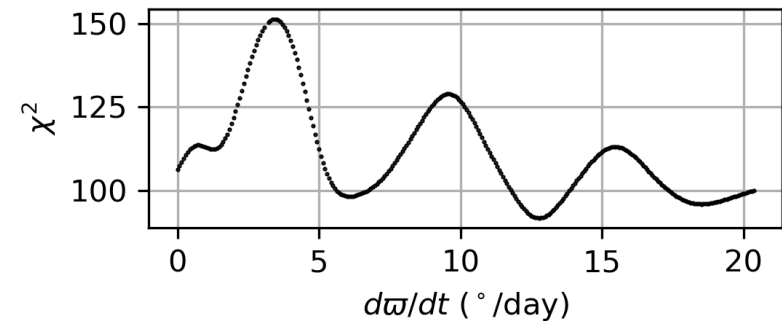
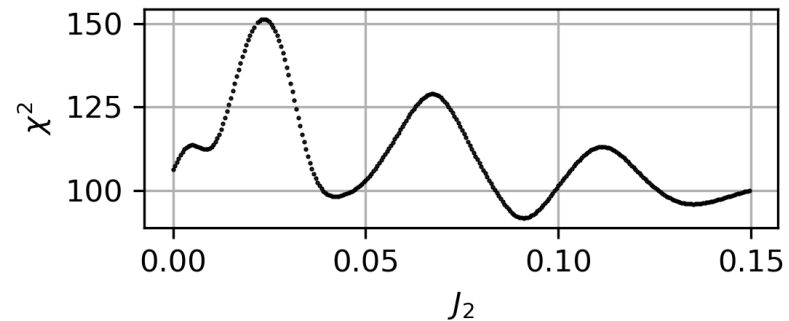
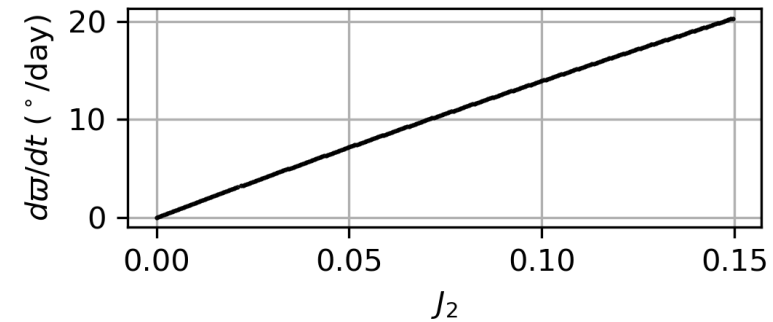
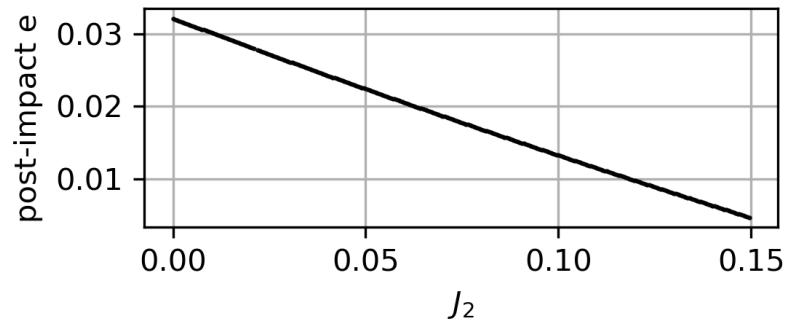
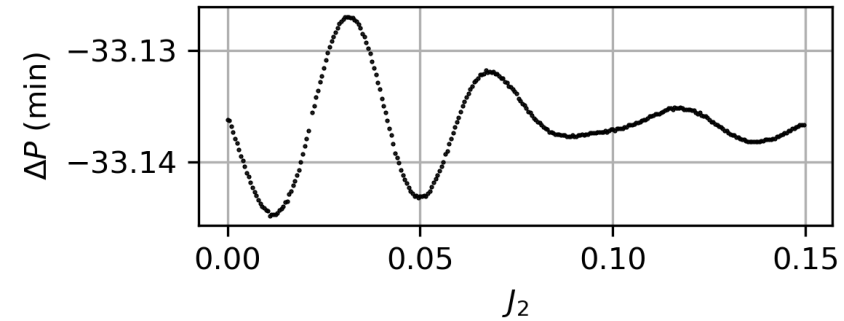
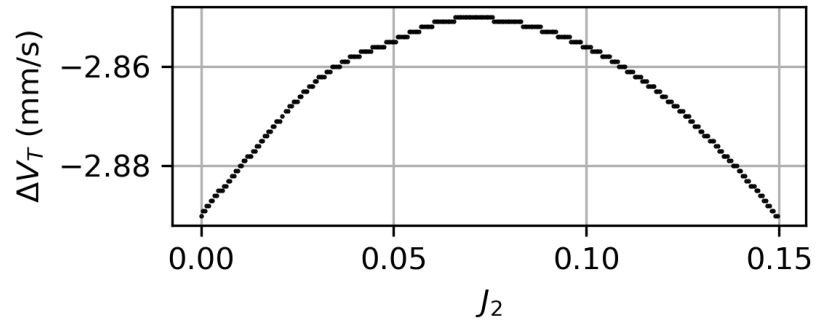
# New post-impact dynamical model

- Pre-impact orbit is still characterized by  $\lambda$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $a$ ,  $M_0$ ,  $n_0$ , and  $\dot{n}$ .
- Post-impact orbit is now characterized by parameters  $\Delta V_T$ ,  $\Delta V_R$  and  $J_2$ .
- $\Delta V_T$  and  $\Delta V_R$  are transverse and radial components of the change in the velocity of Dimorphos due to the DART impact.
- $J_2$  is the oblateness parameter of Didymos.
- Position of Dimorphos remains unchanged at the instant of impact.
- We included the secular effects of  $J_2$  on the post-impact mean-motion and orbital precession.
- We estimated all 9 parameters.

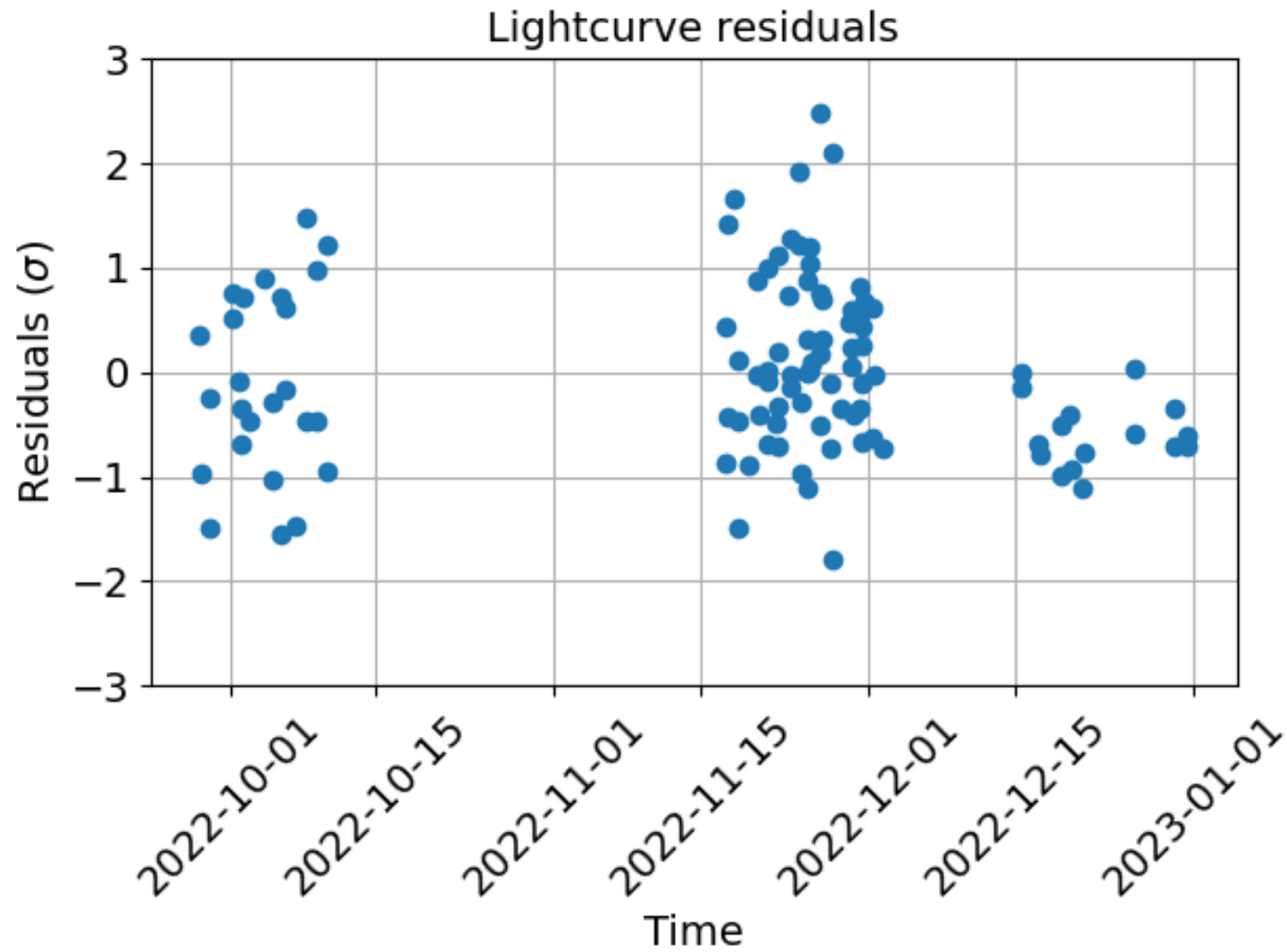
# Data

- 63 pre-impact mutual event times.
- 106 post-impact mutual event times ( $\leq$  2022-Dec-31).
- 16 pre-impact OPNAV measurements. (unchanged from s504)
- 10 post-impact radar delay (unchanged from s504).
- 12 post-impact Doppler measurements (unchanged from s504).

# Orbit parameters vs. $J_2$



# Residuals



# Solution 516 at epoch 2022 Sep 26 23:14:24.183 UTC

Parameter	Estimate +/- 1 $\sigma$ uncertainties
Orbit pole longitude ( $\lambda$ , degrees)	311.4 +/- 2.4
Orbit pole latitude ( $\beta$ , degrees)	-79.3 +/- 0.5
Pre-impact semimajor axis ( $a$ , km)	1.219 +/- 0.015
Mean anomaly at epoch ( $M_0$ , degrees)	175.8 +/- 2.4
Pre-impact period (h)	11.921489 +/- 0.000018
Mean motion at epoch ( $n_0$ , rad/sec)	(1.4640194 +/- 0.0000022) x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Rate of change of mean motion ( $\dot{n}$ , rad/sec <sup>2</sup> )	(4.9 +/- 0.7) x 10 <sup>-18</sup>
$\Delta V_R$ (mm/s)	0.3 +/- 0.2
$\Delta V_T$ (mm/s)	-2.85 +/- 0.04
$J_2$	0.090 +/- 0.004
<b>Derived parameters</b>	
Post-impact period (h)	11.3691 +/- 0.0003
Period change (min)	-33.14 +/- 0.02
Post-impact eccentricity	0.0151 +/- 0.0006
Post-impact argument of pericenter ( $\omega_0^+$ , degrees)	2.5 +/- 5
Post-impact mean anomaly ( $M_0^+$ , degrees)	173 +/- 4
$\omega_0^+ + M_0^+$ (degrees)	175.6 +/- 2.4
$d\omega/dt$ (degrees/day)	12.7 +/- 0.4
$GM_{\text{sys}}$ (m <sup>3</sup> /s <sup>2</sup> )	38.19 +/- 1.5

Full precision  $GM_{\text{sys}} = 38.1891812162139015962 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}^2$

Poorly characterized systematic errors can lead to 3x increase over the formal errors.

# Delivery

- [https://ssd.jpl.nasa.gov/ftp/eph/small\\_bodies/dart/dimorphos/](https://ssd.jpl.nasa.gov/ftp/eph/small_bodies/dart/dimorphos/)
- SPK file: 'dimorphos\_s516.bsp'
  - Contains pre-impact as well as post-impact trajectories.
  - This SPK file avoids discontinuity between the pre- and post-impact orbits by computing post-impact elements based on the DART impact velocity vector and the estimated period change.
- There are two PCK files that describe the orientation of Dimorphos:
  - 'dimorphos\_s516-preimpact.tpc': Valid for times prior to the DART impact at 2022 SEP 26 23:14:24.183 UTC
  - 'dimorphos\_s516-postimpact.tpc': Valid for times after the DART impact at 2022 SEP 26 23:14:24.183 UTC

# Post-impact lightcurve residuals

Time (one-way light-time corrected UTC)	Event type	Sigma (days)	Residuals (Sigma)
2022 SEP 28 04:28:07	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.011	0.3497
2022 SEP 28 05:14:03	End of secondary eclipse	0.008	-0.9631
2022 SEP 29 03:02:00	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.01	-0.2438
2022 SEP 29 03:39:53	End of secondary eclipse	0.0135	-1.4827
2022 OCT 01 06:11:57	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0075	0.509
2022 OCT 01 06:45:04	End of primary eclipse	0.008	0.7625
2022 OCT 01 23:12:54	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0115	-0.0765
2022 OCT 02 00:08:03	End of secondary eclipse	0.0115	-0.6806
2022 OCT 02 04:43:58	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0075	-0.3503
2022 OCT 02 05:28:45	End of primary eclipse	0.01	0.7137
2022 OCT 02 22:57:47	End of secondary eclipse	0.0075	-0.458
2022 OCT 04 08:13:37	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.01	0.8989
2022 OCT 05 00:40:10	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0085	-1.0339
2022 OCT 05 01:22:30	End of primary eclipse	0.008	-0.286
2022 OCT 05 23:39:33	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0045	0.7216
2022 OCT 05 23:56:15	End of primary eclipse	0.0055	-1.5505
2022 OCT 06 05:29:36	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.005	0.6191
2022 OCT 06 06:32:15	End of secondary eclipse	0.0055	-0.1643
2022 OCT 07 04:55:12	End of secondary eclipse	0.01	-1.4629
2022 OCT 08 08:34:39	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0065	1.4864
2022 OCT 08 08:51:21	End of primary eclipse	0.007	-0.4609
2022 OCT 09 07:12:25	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0065	0.9699
2022 OCT 09 07:33:35	End of primary eclipse	0.0085	-0.4586
2022 OCT 10 05:54:48	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.005	1.2157
2022 OCT 10 06:14:58	End of primary eclipse	0.0055	-0.9523



# Post-impact lightcurve residuals

Time (one-way light-time corrected UTC)	Event type	Sigma (days)	Residuals (Sigma)
2022 NOV 17 07:42:48	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0035	0.4455
2022 NOV 17 08:52:56	End of secondary eclipse	0.003	-0.8622
2022 NOV 17 11:58:50	Beginning of primary occultation	0.0075	1.4166
2022 NOV 17 12:34:16	End of primary occultation	0.005	-0.4361
2022 NOV 18 04:42:40	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.0065	1.6543
2022 NOV 18 11:16:30	End of primary occultation	0.0055	-0.4743
2022 NOV 18 12:04:10	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.006	0.1193
2022 NOV 18 12:33:15	End of primary eclipse	0.0125	-1.4906
2022 NOV 19 11:25:43	End of primary eclipse	0.013	-0.8827
2022 NOV 20 08:13:46	Beginning of primary occultation	0.016	0.8724
2022 NOV 20 08:45:53	End of primary occultation	0.013	-0.0174
2022 NOV 20 10:13:43	End of primary eclipse	0.0185	-0.3989
2022 NOV 21 06:49:40	Beginning of primary occultation	0.0085	1.004
2022 NOV 21 07:28:33	End of primary occultation	0.007	-0.0805
2022 NOV 21 08:08:52	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0065	0.0121
2022 NOV 21 08:57:33	End of primary eclipse	0.009	-0.6856
2022 NOV 22 02:26:26	End of secondary eclipse	0.007	-0.4852
2022 NOV 22 05:36:40	Beginning of primary occultation	0.0095	1.1235
2022 NOV 22 06:15:07	End of primary occultation	0.009	0.1888
2022 NOV 22 06:48:23	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.005	-0.3256
2022 NOV 22 07:37:20	End of primary eclipse	0.011	-0.7068
2022 NOV 23 09:43:29	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.0075	0.7386
2022 NOV 23 10:50:26	End of secondary occultation	0.0055	1.2773
2022 NOV 23 11:21:24	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0055	-0.0244
2022 NOV 23 12:34:07	End of secondary eclipse	0.008	-0.1458

# Post-impact lightcurve residuals

Time (one-way light-time corrected UTC)	Event type	Sigma (days)	Residuals (Sigma)
2022 NOV 24 08:50:47	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.011	1.9136
2022 NOV 24 09:35:16	End of secondary occultation	0.0065	1.2134
2022 NOV 24 10:01:12	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0025	-0.9666
2022 NOV 24 11:14:21	End of secondary eclipse	0.0105	-0.2877
2022 NOV 25 01:50:35	Beginning of primary occultation	0.013	0.8736
2022 NOV 25 02:26:26	End of primary occultation	0.0065	0.3068
2022 NOV 25 02:57:15	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0045	-0.0137
2022 NOV 25 03:39:18	End of primary eclipse	0.01	-1.1128
2022 NOV 25 07:16:36	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.0075	1.0391
2022 NOV 25 08:18:31	End of secondary occultation	0.0065	1.1933
2022 NOV 25 08:47:45	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0045	0.0196
2022 NOV 25 10:03:12	End of secondary eclipse	0.012	0.1005
2022 NOV 26 06:08:12	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.005	2.4934
2022 NOV 26 06:58:53	End of secondary occultation	0.0075	0.7642
2022 NOV 26 07:32:09	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0065	0.1837
2022 NOV 26 08:37:58	End of secondary eclipse	0.0085	-0.5022
2022 NOV 26 11:49:20	Beginning of primary occultation	0.008	0.694
2022 NOV 26 12:32:41	End of primary occultation	0.007	0.3103
2022 NOV 27 06:12:14	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.0055	-0.1096
2022 NOV 27 07:17:36	End of secondary eclipse	0.0085	-0.7339
2022 NOV 27 10:47:25	Beginning of primary occultation	0.007	2.096
2022 NOV 27 12:20:09	End of primary eclipse	0.0085	-1.7813
2022 NOV 28 06:07:11	End of secondary eclipse	0.0035	-0.3398
2022 NOV 29 02:12:46	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.0115	0.4831
2022 NOV 29 08:02:58	Beginning of primary occultation	0.0075	0.589

# Post-impact lightcurve residuals

Time (one-way light-time corrected UTC)	Event type	Sigma (days)	Residuals (Sigma)
2022 NOV 29 08:43:52	End of primary occultation	0.0045	0.2439
2022 NOV 29 09:10:39	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.006	0.0589
2022 NOV 29 09:59:28	End of primary eclipse	0.015	-0.3961
2022 NOV 30 00:54:00	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.0055	0.5497
2022 NOV 30 01:50:18	End of secondary occultation	0.0065	0.8123
2022 NOV 30 02:17:13	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.006	-0.3486
2022 NOV 30 06:50:06	Beginning of primary occultation	0.013	0.437
2022 NOV 30 07:29:08	End of primary occultation	0.0065	0.265
2022 NOV 30 07:52:27	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0065	-0.104
2022 NOV 30 08:36:40	End of primary eclipse	0.015	-0.6766
2022 NOV 30 12:22:53	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.011	0.6811
2022 DEC 01 05:41:51	Beginning of primary occultation	0.0165	0.6112
2022 DEC 01 07:22:56	End of primary eclipse	0.013	-0.6272
2022 DEC 01 10:56:47	Beginning of secondary occultation	0.0115	-0.0187
2022 DEC 02 05:59:34	End of primary eclipse	0.018	-0.7183
2022 DEC 15 11:23:08	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.005	-0.0001
2022 DEC 15 12:17:16	End of primary eclipse	0.0175	-0.1551
2022 DEC 17 04:04:13	End of secondary eclipse	0.008	-0.6963
2022 DEC 17 09:35:08	End of primary eclipse	0.009	-0.794
2022 DEC 19 05:53:13	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.0135	-0.9861
2022 DEC 19 07:03:56	End of primary eclipse	0.008	-0.4992
2022 DEC 20 04:49:09	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.01	-0.3977
2022 DEC 20 05:41:51	End of primary eclipse	0.0075	-0.9317
2022 DEC 21 09:06:20	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.012	-1.0997
2022 DEC 21 10:09:41	End of secondary eclipse	0.015	-0.7634

# Post-impact lightcurve residuals

Time (one-way light-time corrected UTC)	Event type	Sigma (days)	Residuals (Sigma)
2022 DEC 26 08:35:13	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.009	0.0426
2022 DEC 26 09:22:45	End of primary eclipse	0.0085	-0.5895
2022 DEC 30 03:26:21	Beginning of primary eclipse	0.007	-0.3393
2022 DEC 30 04:17:45	End of primary eclipse	0.006	-0.7111
2022 DEC 31 07:45:50	Beginning of secondary eclipse	0.008	-0.7075
2022 DEC 31 08:44:44	End of secondary eclipse	0.005	-0.6064

# Goldstone radar range post-fit residuals

Receive time (UTC)	Range (m)	Sigma (m)	Residuals (sigma)
2022 OCT 04 11:32:00	-825	150	-0.0586
2022 OCT 04 11:55:00	-900	150	-0.2392
2022 OCT 09 10:28:09	828.2	450	-0.2411
2022 OCT 09 10:38:09	965	450	0.0014
2022 OCT 09 10:48:09	942.2	450	-0.0931
2022 OCT 09 10:57:57	896	450	-0.2211
2022 OCT 09 11:37:46	908	450	-0.1183
2022 OCT 09 11:46:47	896	450	-0.0886
2022 OCT 09 11:56:47	896	450	-0.0099
2022 OCT 09 12:05:46	862	450	-0.0007

Range refers to the radar range of Dimorphos relative to Didymos.

Measurements were made in radar images taken on Oct 4 (Goldstone monostatic) and Oct 9 (Goldstone -> GBT bistatic).

Oct 9 data is de-weighted by  $3x$  ( $\approx \sqrt{8}$ ) to mitigate effects of correlated measurement errors

# Goldstone radar Doppler post-fit residuals

Receive time (UTC)	Doppler (Hz)	Sigma (Hz)	Residuals (sigma)
2022 SEP 27 11:22:02	-3.0	2.0	0.0688
2022 SEP 27 11:49:09	-5.0	2.0	-0.2457
2022 SEP 28 10:23:24	-4.0	2.0	0.2132
2022 SEP 30 10:22:13	-6.0	2.0	-0.1848
2022 OCT 01 10:05:51	-2.5	2.0	-0.135
2022 OCT 02 11:04:28	5.0	2.0	-0.6311
2022 OCT 04 09:58:15	7.0	2.0	-0.2016
2022 OCT 06 12:44:16	-8.0	2.0	-0.0987
2022 OCT 06 12:57:45	-8.0	2.0	-0.2537
2022 OCT 12 09:37:43	8.0	2.0	-0.404
2022 OCT 12 10:26:49	9.0	2.0	0.1311
2022 OCT 13 09:44:09	7.0	2.0	-0.3262

Table shows X-band (8560 MHz) Doppler measurements of Dimorphos are relative to Didymos. Measurements were made in radar echo power spectra obtained at Goldstone.

# DART OPNAV measurements

Time (TDB)	deltaRA (deg)	sigmaRA (deg)	resRA (sig)	deltaDEC (deg)	sigmaDEC (deg)	resDEC (sigma)
2022 SEP 26 23:12:07.417	-0.0514196	0.0038304	0.326	-0.0125218	0.0034673	-0.043
2022 SEP 26 23:12:14.157	-0.0534928	0.0039585	0.244	-0.0117131	0.0034132	0.32
2022 SEP 26 23:12:20.897	-0.055801	0.0040724	0.142	-0.0125985	0.0034639	0.193
2022 SEP 26 23:12:27.637	-0.0576213	0.004194	0.194	-0.0134683	0.0035253	0.083
2022 SEP 26 23:12:33.415	-0.0593477	0.0043055	0.226	-0.0143021	0.0035859	-0.025
2022 SEP 26 23:12:40.155	-0.0615916	0.0044643	0.244	-0.0140441	0.0035711	0.206
2022 SEP 26 23:12:46.895	-0.0641259	0.0046184	0.239	-0.0150902	0.0036472	0.083
2022 SEP 26 23:12:53.635	-0.0667637	0.0047804	0.258	-0.016572	0.003762	-0.136
2022 SEP 26 23:13:00.375	-0.069919	0.0049938	0.218	-0.0157601	0.0036996	0.277
2022 SEP 26 23:13:07.115	-0.0732115	0.005196	0.208	-0.0170424	0.0038	0.14
2022 SEP 26 23:13:13.855	-0.0766707	0.0054239	0.226	-0.0180365	0.0038846	0.104
2022 SEP 26 23:13:20.595	-0.0803118	0.0056719	0.275	-0.019363	0.004004	0.008
2022 SEP 26 23:13:27.335	-0.0849044	0.0059557	0.229	-0.0204015	0.0040924	0.013
2022 SEP 26 23:13:34.075	-0.0893027	0.0062723	0.296	-0.0214126	0.0041959	0.052
2022 SEP 26 23:13:40.815	-0.0948127	0.0066306	0.276	-0.0225141	0.0042994	0.102
2022 SEP 26 23:13:48.518	-0.102054	0.0070766	0.243	-0.0253911	0.0045736	-0.159

# Covariance matrix

	$\lambda$	$\beta$	$a$	$M_0$	$n_0$	$\dot{n}$	$\Delta V_R$	$\Delta V_T$	$J_2$
$\lambda$	1.6978E-03	-3.4796E-05	2.8131E-05	1.5771E-03	-1.7912E-12	-5.5225E-21	-3.7388E-11	-7.7112E-11	7.4099E-06
$\beta$	-3.4796E-05	6.0477E-05	-7.8612E-05	-2.9868E-05	2.5228E-13	8.5442E-22	-2.4653E-11	1.8436E-10	-1.0359E-05
$a$	2.8131E-05	-7.8612E-05	2.3970E-04	1.1279E-05	-4.0978E-13	-1.2960E-21	1.4951E-10	-5.6285E-10	3.2624E-05
$M_0$	1.5771E-03	-2.9868E-05	1.1279E-05	1.6957E-03	5.9184E-13	1.1619E-21	2.0433E-10	-1.9979E-11	5.2637E-06
$n_0$	-1.7912E-12	2.5228E-13	-4.0978E-13	5.9184E-13	4.7669E-20	1.4769E-28	2.3000E-18	1.1450E-18	-5.4215E-14
$\dot{n}$	-5.5225E-21	8.5442E-22	-1.2960E-21	1.1619E-21	1.4769E-28	4.6518E-37	6.3966E-27	3.5605E-27	-1.7203E-22
$\Delta V_R$	-3.7388E-11	-2.4653E-11	1.4951E-10	2.0433E-10	2.3000E-18	6.3966E-27	3.6385E-14	-4.1206E-16	-1.1753E-10
$\Delta V_T$	-7.7112E-11	1.8436E-10	-5.6285E-10	-1.9979E-11	1.1450E-18	3.5605E-27	-4.1206E-16	1.3241E-15	-7.8175E-11
$J_2$	7.4099E-06	-1.0359E-05	3.2624E-05	5.2637E-06	-5.4215E-14	-1.7203E-22	-1.1753E-10	-7.8175E-11	1.2773E-05



# Previous solution 504

Parameter	Estimate +/- 1 $\sigma$ uncertainties
<b>Orbit pole longitude (<math>\lambda</math>, degrees)</b>	<b>313.3 +/- 2.6</b>
<b>Orbit pole latitude (<math>\beta</math>, degrees)</b>	<b>-79.3 +/- 0.5</b>
<b>Pre-impact semimajor axis (<math>a</math>, km)</b>	<b>1.206 +/- 0.018</b>
Mean anomaly at epoch ( $M_0$ , degrees)	178.9 +/- 2.7
Pre-impact period (h)	11.921473 +/- 0.000022
Mean motion at epoch ( $n_0$ , rad/sec)	(1.4640214 +/- 0.0000027) x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Rate of change of mean motion ( $\dot{n}$ , rad/sec <sup>2</sup> )	(5.4 +/- 0.8) x 10 <sup>-18</sup>
<b>Post-impact period (h)</b>	<b>11.371 +/- 0.003</b>
<b>Period change (min)</b>	<b>-33.02 +/- 0.16</b>
Change in mean motion ( $\Delta n$ , rad/sec)	(7.09 +/- 0.04) x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
GM <sub>sys</sub> (km <sup>3</sup> /s <sup>2</sup> )	37.6136247195060170031
Epoch (UTC)	2022 Sep 26 23:14:24.183

	$\lambda$	$\beta$	$a$	$M_0$	$n_0$	$\dot{n}$	$\Delta n$
$\lambda$	2.05107362e-03	-7.09013795E-05	-2.94487823E-05	1.92852633E-03	-2.06274374E-12	-6.50002880E-21	2.63899355e-11
$\beta$	-7.09013795e-05	8.12550689E-05	-9.83483315E-05	-3.18380357E-05	6.77133762E-13	2.10366606E-21	-7.84642585e-11
$a$	-2.94487823e-05	-9.83483315E-05	3.08195403E-04	-1.25915120E-04	-1.26778220E-12	-3.72757114E-21	1.77115437e-10
$M_0$	1.92852633e-03	-3.18380357E-05	-1.25915120E-04	2.27757910E-03	2.71002241E-12	6.92814270E-21	-5.36094549e-10
$n_0$	-2.06274374e-12	6.77133762E-13	-1.26778220E-12	2.71002241E-12	7.26131949E-20	2.18340068E-28	-5.78675460e-18
$\dot{n}$	-6.50002880e-21	2.10366606E-21	-3.72757114E-21	6.92814270E-21	2.18340068E-28	6.65480189E-37	-1.63323264e-26
$\Delta n$	2.63899355e-11	-7.84642585E-11	1.77115437E-10	-5.36094549E-10	-5.78675460E-18	-1.63323264E-26	1.23573971e-15

- Primary ellipsoidal semi-axes: 425 x 425 x 310 m.
- Estimated  $\lambda$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $a$ ,  $M_0$ ,  $n_0$ ,  $\dot{n}$ , and  $\Delta n$ .
- Poorly characterized systematic errors can lead to 3x increase over the formal errors.