## [mex48] Orbital differential equation applied to Kepler problem

Derive the orbital relation  $p/r = 1 + e \cos(\vartheta - \vartheta_0)$  with  $p = \ell^2/m\kappa$  and  $e = \sqrt{1 + 2E\ell^2/m\kappa^2}$ , which describes all orbits of the Kepler problem, from the orbital differential equation

$$\frac{d^2u}{d\vartheta^2} + u = -\frac{m}{\ell^2 u^2} F(u^{-1}),$$

where  $u \equiv 1/r$ , F(r) = -dV/dr, and  $V(r) = -\kappa/r$ . Do not reason backward. Pretend you do not know the solution.

## Solution: