

Plot for assignment 27 set 7.

Calculation of r_{\min} :

$$\begin{split} U_{\text{eff}}'(r) &= \frac{\alpha}{r^2} - \frac{L^2}{\mu \, r^3} \\ 0 &= \alpha - \frac{L^2}{\mu \, r^{\text{min}}} \\ r^{\text{min}} &= \frac{\alpha \, \mu}{L^2} = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad \alpha = \mu = L = 1 \; . \end{split}$$

The orbit is a circle with radius $r^{\min} = 1$.