

## Gravity, Part 2

Some useful numbers for this sheet.  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$

Mass of Earth:  $6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$   
 Mass of Moon:  $7.4 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$

Radius of Earth:  $6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$   
 Radius of Moon:  $1.74 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

Distance Earth-Moon:  $3.8 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$

Distance Earth-Sun:  $1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$

- The earth exerts a gravitational force of 7000 N on a satellite. What force does the satellite exert on the earth?  
 $7000 \text{ N!}$  (Newton's 3rd Law!)
- The Law of Universal Gravitation states that the gravitational force increases as the mass increases and decreases as the distance increases.
- Calculate the force of attraction between a 300 kg mass and a 550 kg mass that are 20 cm apart.

$20 \text{ cm} = .2 \text{ m}$

$$F = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(300)(550)}{(.2)^2} = 2.75 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}$$

or  
 $.000275 \text{ N}$

- If the earth shrank to half its current size, but kept the same mass, how much would a 45 kg child weigh on the surface of the earth?

$\frac{1}{2} (6.4 \times 10^6) = 3.2 \times 10^6$

$$F = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(6 \times 10^{24})(45)}{(3.2 \times 10^6)^2} = \boxed{1760 \text{ N}}$$

OR normally  $w = mg$   
 $= (45)(10)$   
 $= 450 \text{ N}$   
 If we  $\frac{1}{2}$  radius, then we  $\frac{1}{2} d$   $\therefore$

- Imagine you and a friend are on a planet with a mass of  $3.67 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$  and a radius of  $7 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ .

a. How much would you weigh on that planet on this planet if your mass were 60 kg?

$$\frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(3.67 \times 10^{24})(60)}{(7 \times 10^6)^2} = \boxed{300 \text{ N}}$$

b. How much would your dog weigh on that planet if your dog's mass were 30 kg?

$$\frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(3.67 \times 10^{24})(30)}{(7 \times 10^6)^2} = \boxed{150 \text{ N}}$$

c. How much would a big 120 kg rock weigh on that planet?

$$\frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(3.67 \times 10^{24})(120)}{(7 \times 10^6)^2} = \boxed{600 \text{ N}}$$

d. Do you notice any pattern with your answers to parts a, b and c? (Hopefully you do.)  
 They are all 5 times the mass of dog/rock!

$$\rightarrow \therefore \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(3.67 \times 10^{24})}{(7 \times 10^6)^2} = 5!$$

e. What is the acceleration due to gravity on that planet?

$5 \text{ m/s}^2$  !

$F_g \rightarrow \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{2})^2}$   
 $= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}}$   
 $= 4x!$   
 $\therefore 1800 \text{ N}$   
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 from rounded off  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$

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6. Two masses are placed so that their centers are 0.26 m apart. The force between them is  $2.75 \times 10^{-12}$  N.  
 a. If one mass is 0.025 kg, what is the other mass?

$$2.75 \times 10^{-12} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) (0.025) m}{(0.26)^2}$$

$m = 0.11 \text{ kg}$

- b. Calculate  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  if the masses are identical.

$$2.75 \times 10^{-12} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) (m)(m)}{(0.26)^2} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) m^2}{(0.26)^2}$$

$$m^2 = 0.00279$$

- c. Calculate  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  if  $m_1 = 2m_2$

$$\swarrow = 2m_2^2$$

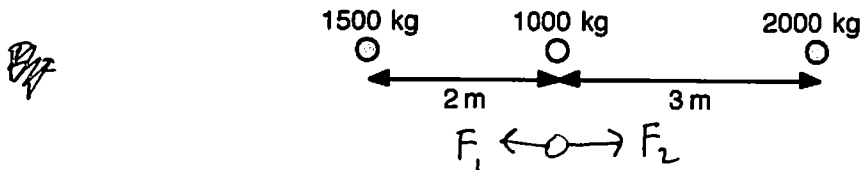
$$2.75 \times 10^{-12} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) (2m_2)(m_2)}{(0.26)^2}$$

$m = 0.053 \text{ kg}$

$$m_2^2 = 0.00139 \quad \boxed{m_2 = 0.037 \text{ kg}}$$

$m_1 = 2m_2 = 0.075 \text{ kg}$

7. Calculate the net force on the 1000 kg mass in the diagram below.



$$F_1 = G \frac{(1500)(1000)}{2^2}$$

$$F_2 = G \frac{(1000)(2000)}{3^2}$$

$$F_1 = 2.50 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$$

$$F_2 = 1.48 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$$

opposite directions,  
so subtract!

$$F_1 - F_2 = 1.02 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$$

←  
to left

8. Instead of 2000 kg, what should the third mass be so that the net force on the middle mass is zero?

$$\text{So } F_1 = F_2 \quad G \frac{(1500)(1000)}{2^2} = G \frac{(1000) m}{3^2}$$

$$2.5 \times 10^{-5} = G \frac{(1000) m}{3^2}$$

$m = 3375 \text{ kg}$

- Answers: 1) 7000 N      2) increases; decreases    3) 0.000275 N    4) 1760 N  
 5. a) 300 N      b) 150 N      c) 600 N      d) all 5x the mass; all proportional    e) 5 m/s<sup>2</sup>  
 6. a) 0.11 kg      b) 0.053 kg      c) 0.0373 kg & 0.0747 kg  
 7)  $1.02 \times 10^{-5}$  N to the left    9) 3375 kg