# PHYS 1441 – Section 002 Lecture #13

Monday, March 4, 2013 Dr. **Jae**hoon **Yu** 

- Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation
- Motion in Resistive Force
- Work done by a constant force



# Announcements

- Quiz 3 Results
  - Class average: 21/40
    - Equivalent to 52.5/100
    - Previous scores: 65/100 and 60/100
  - Top score: 39/40
- Midterm comprehensive exam
  - Wednesday, Mar. 20
  - In SH103
  - Covers CH1.1 through what we learn this Wednesday
  - Will prepare a 150 problem mid-term preparation set for you
    - Will distribute in class this Wednesday
- Spring break next week
  - No class during the week!



# Special Project #4

- Using the fact that g=9.80m/s<sup>2</sup> on the Earth's surface, find the average density of the Earth.
  - Use the following information only but without computing the volume explicitly
    - The gravitational constant  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} N \cdot m^2 / kg^2$
    - The radius of the Earth

$$R_E = 6.37 \times 10^3 \, km$$

- 20 point extra credit
- Due: Monday, Mar. 25
- You must show your OWN, detailed work to obtain any credit!!



#### Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation

People have been very curious about the stars in the sky, making observations for a long~ time. The data people collected, however, have not been explained until Newton has discovered the law of gravitation.

Every object in the Universe attracts every other object with a force that is directly proportional to the product of their masses and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between them.

How would you write this  
law mathematically? 
$$F_g \propto \frac{m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^2}$$
 With G  $F_g = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^2}$   
G is the universal gravitational  
constant, and its value is  $G = 6.673 \times 10^{-11}$  Unit?  $N \cdot m^2 / kg^2$ 

This constant is not given by the theory but must be measured by experiments.

This form of forces is known as <u>the inverse-square law</u>, because the magnitude of the force is inversely proportional to the square of the distances between the objects.



## **Ex. Gravitational Attraction**

What is the magnitude of the gravitational force that acts on each particle in the figure, assuming  $m_1=12$ kg,  $m_2=25$ kg, and r=1.2m?



$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$
  
=  $(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2) \frac{(12 \text{ kg})(25 \text{ kg})}{(1.2 \text{ m})^2}$   
=  $1.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ N}$ 



# Why does the Moon orbit the Earth?

Earth M<sub>E</sub>



# **Gravitational Force and Weight**

Gravitational Force,  $\mathcal{F}_{a}$ 

*The attractive force exerted on an object by the Earth* 

$$\vec{F}_G = m\vec{a} = m\vec{g}$$

Weight of an object with mass M is

$$W = \left| \overrightarrow{F}_G \right| = M \left| \overrightarrow{g} \right| = Mg$$

What is the SI unit of weight?

Since weight depends on the magnitude of gravitational acceleration, **g**, it varies depending on geographical location.

By measuring the forces one can determine masses. This is why you can measure mass using the spring scale.



### **Gravitational Acceleration**

$$W = G \frac{M_E m}{r^2}$$

W = mg

$$mg = G \frac{M_E m}{r^2}$$

$$g = G \frac{M_E}{r^2}$$

Gravitational acceleration at distance r from the center of the earth!

What is the SI unit of g?







Mass of earth =  $M_{\rm E}$ 

# Magnitude of the gravitational acceleration on the surface of the Earth

 $F_{G} = G \frac{M_{E}m}{r^{2}} = G \frac{M_{E}m}{R_{E}^{2}}$  $= mg^{r^{2}}$ Gravitational force on the surface of the earth:  $g = G \frac{M_E}{R_E^2} \qquad \begin{array}{l} G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \,\mathrm{N \cdot m^2/kg^2} \\ M_E = 5.98 \times 10^{24} \,\mathrm{kg}; \ R_E = 6.38 \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{m} \end{array}$  $= \left( 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \,\mathrm{N \cdot m^2/kg^2} \right) \frac{\left( 5.98 \times 10^{24} \,\mathrm{kg} \right)}{\left( 6.38 \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{m} \right)^2}$  $= 9.80 \,\mathrm{m/s^2}$ 



### **Example for Universal Gravitation**

Using the fact that g=9.80 m/s<sup>2</sup> on the Earth's surface, find the average density of the Earth.

Since the gravitational acceleration is

$$F_{g} = G \frac{M_{E}m}{R_{E}^{2}} = mg \quad \text{Solving for g} \quad \mathcal{G} = G \frac{M_{E}}{R_{E}^{2}} = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{M_{E}}{R_{E}^{2}}$$

$$\text{Solving for M}_{\text{E}} \qquad M_{E} = \frac{R_{E}^{2}g}{G}$$
Therefore the density of the ensity of the Earth is
$$\rho = \frac{M_{E}}{V_{E}} = \frac{\frac{R_{E}^{2}g}{G}}{\frac{4\pi}{3}R_{E}^{3}} = \frac{3g}{4\pi GR_{E}}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 9.80}{4\pi \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.37 \times 10^{6}} = 5.50 \times 10^{3} kg / m^{3}$$
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# Satellite in Circular Orbits

There is only one speed that a satellite can have if the satellite is to remain in an orbit with a fixed radius.



Ex. Orbital Speed of the Hubble Space Telescope Determine the speed of the Hubble Space Telescope orbiting at a height of 598 km above the earth's surface.

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM_E}{r}}$$
  
=  $\sqrt{\frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \,\mathrm{N \cdot m^2/kg^2})(5.98 \times 10^{24} \,\mathrm{kg})}{6.38 \times 10^6 \,\mathrm{m} + 598 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{m}}}$   
= 7.56×10<sup>3</sup> m/s (16900 mi/h)



# Period of a Satellite in an Orbit



This is applicable to any satellite or even for planets and moons.



# **Geo-synchronous Satellites**

Global Positioning System (GPS)

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#### Ex. Apparent Weightlessness and Free Fall





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## In each case, what is the weight recorded by the scale?



#### Ex. Artificial Gravity

At what speed must the surface of the space station move so that the astronaut experiences a push on his feet equal to his weight on earth? The radius is 1700 m.







#### Motion in Resistive Forces

Medium can exert resistive forces on an object moving through it due to viscosity or other types frictional properties of the medium.

Some examples?

Air resistance, viscous force of liquid, etc

These forces are exerted on moving objects in opposite direction of the movement.

These forces are proportional to such factors as speed. They almost always increase with increasing speed.  $F_{D} = -bv$ 

Two different cases of proportionality:

- 1. Forces linearly proportional to speed: Slowly moving or very small objects
- 2. Forces proportional to square of speed: Large objects w/ reasonable speed





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