# PHYS 1443 – Section 001 Lecture #8

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- Motion Under Resistive Forces
- Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation
- Kepler's Third Law
- Satellite Motion
- Motion in Accelerated Frames

Today's homework is homework #4, due 10pm, Monday, June 20!!



## Announcements

- Mid-term exam
  - In the class on Tuesday, June 21, 2011
  - Covers: CH 1.1 what we finish Monday, June 20 plus
     Appendices A and B
  - Mixture of free response problems and multiple choice problems
- Quiz 2 results
  - Class average: 21.5/35
    - Equivalent to 61.4/100
    - Previous result: 62.5/100
  - Top score: 35/35



#### Reminder: Special Project for Extra Credit

A large man and a small boy stand facing each other on **frictionless ice**. They put their hands together and push against each other so that they move apart. a) Who moves away with the higher speed, by how much and why? b) Who moves farther in the same elapsed time, by how much and why?

- Derive the formulae for the two problems above in much more detail and explain your logic in a greater detail than what is in this lecture note.
- Be sure to clearly define each variables used in your derivation.
- Each problem is 10 points.
- Due is Monday, June 20.



## Reminder: Special Project for Extra Credit

A 92kg astronaut tied to an 11000kg space craft with a 100m bungee cord pushes the space craft with a force P=36N in space. Assuming there is no loss of energy at the end of the cord, and the cord does not stretch beyond its original length, the astronaut and the space craft get pulled back to each other by the cord toward a head-on collision. Answer the following questions.

- What are the speeds of the astronaut and the space craft just before they collide? (10 points)
- What are the magnitudes of the accelerations of the astronaut and the space craft if they come to a full stop in 0.5m from the point of initial contact? (10 points)
- What are the magnitudes of the forces exerting on the astronaut and the space craft when they come to a full stop? 6 points)
- Due is Wednesday, June 22.



## **Special Project**

- Derive the formula for the gravitational acceleration  $(g_{in})$  at the radius  $R_{in}$  (<  $R_E$ ) from the center, inside of the Earth. (10 points)
- Compute the fractional magnitude of the gravitational acceleration 1km and 500km inside the surface of the Earth with respect to that on the surface. (6 points, 3 points each)
- Due at the beginning of the class Monday, June 27



#### 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 the opposite direction of the movement.

These forces are proportional to such factors as speed. They almost always increase with increasing speed.  $\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{D}} = -b\mathbf{v}$ 

Two different cases of proportionality:

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





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#### 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.



#### Free Fall Acceleration & Gravitational Force

The weight of an object with mass m is mg. Using the force exerting on an object of mass m on the surface of the Earth, one can obtain

What would the gravitational acceleration be if the object is at an altitude *h* above the surface of the Earth?

What do these tell us about the gravitational acceleration?

The gravitational acceleration is independent of the mass of the object
The gravitational acceleration decreases as the altitude increases
If the distance from the surface of the Earth gets infinitely large, the weight of the object approaches 0.



$$mg = G \frac{R_E^2}{R_E^2}$$

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

$$F_g = mg' = G \frac{M_E m}{r^2} = G \frac{M_E m}{(R_E + h)^2}$$

$$g' = G \frac{M_E}{(R_E + h)^2}$$
Distance from the center of the Earth to the object at the

 $m\sigma - C M_E m$ 

altitude h.

### Ex. 6.2 for Gravitational Force

The international space station is designed to operate at an altitude of 350km. Its designed weight (measured on the surface of the Earth) is 4.22x10<sup>6</sup>N. What is its weight in its orbit?



The total weight of the station on the surface of the Earth is

$$F_{GE} = mg = G \frac{M_E m}{R_E^2} = 4.22 \times 10^6 N$$

Since the orbit is at 350km above the surface of the Earth, the gravitational force at that altitude is

$$F_{O} = mg' = G \frac{M_{E}m}{(R_{E} + h)^{2}} = \frac{R_{E}^{2}}{(R_{E} + h)^{2}} F_{GE}$$

Therefore the weight in the orbit is

$$F_{O} = \frac{R_{E}^{2}}{\left(R_{E} + h\right)^{2}} F_{GE} = \frac{\left(6.37 \times 10^{6}\right)^{2}}{\left(6.37 \times 10^{6} + 3.50 \times 10^{5}\right)^{2}} \times 4.22 \times 10^{6} = 3.80 \times 10^{6} N$$

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## **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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## **Gravitational Acceleration**



## Period of a Satellite in an Orbit



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



## Example of Kepler's Third Law

Calculate the mass of the Sun using the fact that the period of the Earth's orbit around the Sun is  $3.16 \times 10^7$ s, and its distance from the Sun is  $1.496 \times 10^{11}$ m.

Using Kepler's third law. 
$$T^2 = \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GM_s}\right)r^3 = K_s r^3$$
  
The mass of the Sun, M<sub>s</sub>, is  $M_s = \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GT^2}\right)r^3$   
 $= \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times (3.16 \times 10^7)^2}\right) \times (1.496 \times 10^{11})^3$   
 $= 1.99 \times 10^{30} kg$ 



## **Geo-synchronous Satellites**

Global Positioning System (GPS)



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#### Ex. Apparent Weightlessness and Free Fall



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.





### The Law of Gravity and Motions of Planets

•Newton assumed that the law of gravitation applies the same whether it is to the apple or to the Moon.

•The interacting bodies are assumed to be point like objects.



Newton predicted that the ratio of the Moon's acceleration  $a_{\mathcal{M}}$  to the apple's acceleration g would be

$$\frac{a_M}{g} = \frac{\left(1 / r_M\right)^2}{\left(1 / R_E\right)^2} = \left(\frac{R_E}{r_M}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{6.37 \times 10^6}{3.84 \times 10^8}\right)^2 = 2.75 \times 10^{-4}$$

Therefore the centripetal acceleration of the Moon,  $a_{\mathcal{M}}$  is  $a_M = 2.75 \times 10^{-4} \times 9.80 = 2.70 \times 10^{-3} \, m/s^2$ 

Newton also calculated the Moon's orbital acceleration  $a_{\mathcal{M}}$  from the knowledge of its distance from the Earth and its orbital period, T=27.32 days=2.36x10<sup>6</sup>s

$$a_{M} = \frac{v^{2}}{r_{M}} = \frac{\left(2\pi r_{M}/T\right)^{2}}{r_{M}} = \frac{4\pi^{2}r_{M}}{T^{2}} = \frac{4\pi^{2} \times 3.84 \times 10^{8}}{\left(2.36 \times 10^{6}\right)^{2}} = 2.72 \times 10^{-3} \, m/s^{2} \approx \frac{9.80}{\left(60\right)^{2}}$$

This means that the distance to the Moon is about 60 times that of the Earth's radius, and its acceleration is reduced by the square of the ratio. This proves that the inverse square law is valid. Thursday, June 16, 2011 Thursday, June 16, 2011

#### **Motion in Accelerated Frames**

Newton's laws are valid only when observations are made in an inertial frame of reference. What happens in a non-inertial frame?

Fictitious forces are needed to apply Newton's second law in an accelerated frame.

This force does not exist when the observations are made in an inertial reference frame.



## **Example of Motion in Accelerated Frames**

A ball of mass m is hung by a cord to the ceiling of a boxcar that is moving with an acceleration *a*. What do the inertial observer at rest and the non-inertial observer traveling inside the car conclude? How do they differ?

