

Why is it easier to climb a Mountain via  
a zigzag route rather than climb straight up?

Do as group Exercise

Power

We've discussed work + different forms of energy  
often the time distribution of the input/output  
of work/energy is important

$$\text{Ave. Power} \equiv \frac{\Delta W}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{instantaneous Power} = \frac{dW}{dt}$$

unit of Power is the Watt  $\equiv \text{J/s}$

ex  
A 100 Watt light bulb is one that  
converts 100 Joules of electrical energy  
into heat and light energy every second.

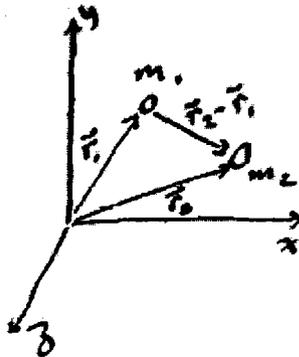
A closer look at Gravity and Grav. Pot. energy

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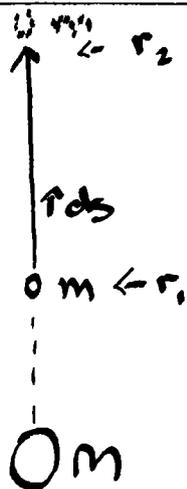
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$$\vec{F}_{12} = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|^2} \frac{(\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1)}{|\vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1|}$$

↑  
r̂ from 1 to 2



Now... do same for gravity as we did

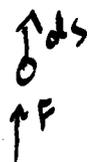


for Spring

slowly move mass  $m$  away from mass  $M$  along radial direction

What is the work done by me to move  $m$  ~~gravity on~~  $m$ ?

$$W = \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$



$$|d\vec{s}| = |d\vec{r}|$$

Force  $\vec{F}$  exert and  $d\vec{s}$  are ~~not~~ in same direction

$$W = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \# \frac{GMm}{r^2} dr$$

dot product gives "-" due to  $\vec{F}_{grav}$  and  $d\vec{s}$  pointing in opposite directions

$$W = \# GMm \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{1}{r^2} dr$$

$$W = -\frac{GMm}{r} \Big|_{r_1}^{r_2} = -\frac{GMm}{r_2} + \frac{GMm}{r_1} \quad \textcircled{+} \text{ 11}$$

Recall

$$F = \frac{GMm_2}{r^2}$$

$\Rightarrow$

on earth

$$F = \frac{GM_E m}{R_E^2}$$

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$



defining grav potential energy of system

$$PE = -\frac{GMm}{r}$$



when I move particle out from  $r_1$  to  $r_2$

sign chosen to make this  $\oplus$

$$\Delta PE = -\frac{GMm}{r_2} + \frac{GMm}{r_1} \quad \oplus$$

Particle ~~has~~ near a Mass

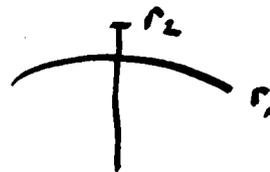
Particle has 0 potential energy at  $\infty$

" - potential energy at finite  $r$

but  $\Delta PE$  going from small  $r$  to larger  $r$  is  $\oplus$

$$\Delta PE = \frac{GMm}{r_1} - \frac{GMm}{r_2}$$

$$\Delta PE = \frac{GMm(r_2 - r_1)}{r_1 r_2}$$



let  $r_1 =$  Surface of Earth (radius)  $= R_E$

$M \hat{=} M_E$

$r_2 =$  Small distance above surface of Earth

$\therefore r_2 = r_1 + \Delta r$  where  $\Delta r \ll r_1$

$$\Delta PE = \frac{GM_E m (R_E + \Delta r - R_E)}{R_E (R_E + \Delta r)} \approx \frac{GM_E m (\Delta r)}{R_E^2} = mgh$$

$\equiv g$

$\uparrow$   
 $h$



Bowling  
Ball  
 $M$

wood  
 $m$

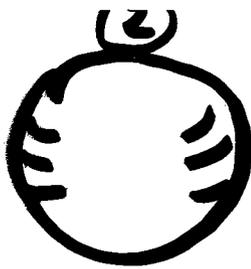
$$\underline{\underline{M > m}}$$

Dropped  
in a  
Vacuum  
on Earth

- ① Bowling Ball hits 1<sup>st</sup>
- ② Wood hits ~~2<sup>nd</sup>~~ 1<sup>st</sup>
- ③ Both hit at the same time



$M$



$M$



$\frac{1}{2}M$



$2M$



$\frac{1}{2}M$

5 homogeneous planets have relative sizes and masses as shown.

A body of mass  $m$  would weigh least on which planet

Our concept of gravity comes about from Thinking about  
The Force of one object on another



what is the condition in space created by  
\$M\_1\$ that causes a force on \$M\_2\$ ??

Useful to think of the space around \$M\_1\$, independent  
of any other mass. We say \$M\_1\$ creates a condition  
in the space such that if a "TEST Mass" were  
there it would feel a gravitational force due  
to \$M\_1\$.

We say \$M\_1\$ <sup>sets up</sup> ~~has~~ a "gravitational Field"  
in the space surrounding it ... out to \$r = \infty\$.

Suppose we place a little "test mass"  
of small arbitrary mass in some  
position

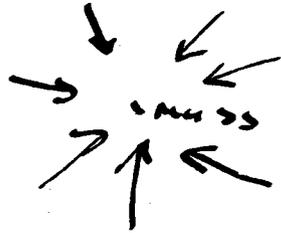


$$\vec{F}_{\text{of } M \text{ on } M_{\text{TEST}}} = \frac{GM M_{\text{TEST}}}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\frac{\vec{F}}{M_{\text{TEST}}} = \frac{\text{Force of } M \text{ on a mass}}{\text{unit mass}} = -\frac{GM}{r^2} \hat{r} \equiv \text{Gravitational Field}$$

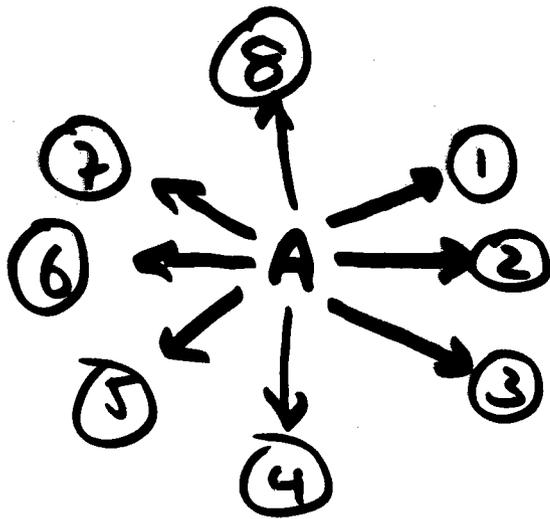
it is a vector field

$\vec{F}$   
Unit TEST MASS =  $g$  = gravitational field  
vector field at each point



can visualize w/ "lines of force" that represent how a test mass would move at each point

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



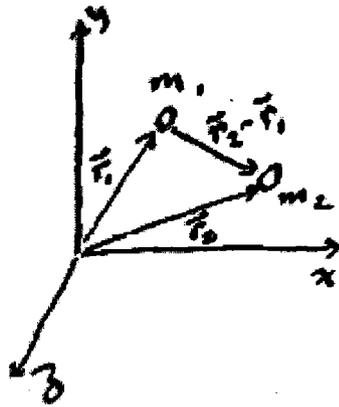
Point A exists near two planets as shown. Which vector most closely gives the direction of the gravitational field at point A?

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$\vec{r}$  from 1 to 2

Finally, I discussed at some length several different views of the essence of the gravitation force:

- 1) Newton – action at a distance
- 2) Einstein – curvature of spacetime
- 3) Quantum – exchange of virtual gravitons

We have functioning theories of gravitation for 1 and 2. Working on 3. Who is right? Discussed truth versus scientific models. Discussed regions of applicability of models.