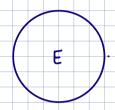


E = -7611 -1

Gravitational Potential Calculations

Example: Surface of the Earth

How much energy does it take to lift a 20kg mass 100m?

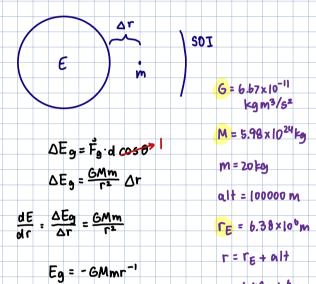


= 19600 J

= 6.48 × 106 m

Example: Into Space

How much energy does it take to lift a 20kg mass to a height of 100km?



$$\Delta E = E_{0}' - E_{0}$$

$$= \frac{GMm}{r} - \left(\frac{-GMm}{r_{E}}\right)$$

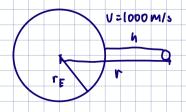
$$= GMm\left(\frac{1}{r_{E}} - \frac{1}{r}\right)$$

$$= 6.67 \times 10^{-11} (5.88 \times 10^{24}) (20) \left(\frac{1}{6.38 \times 10^{6}} - \frac{1}{648 \times 10^{6}}\right)$$

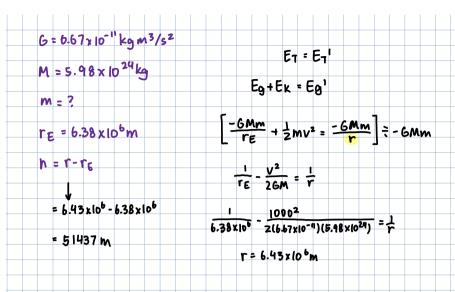
$$= 1.93 \times 10^{7} \text{ J}$$

Example 2: Within Sphere of Influence

How high will a ball go if you throw it up at 1km/s?

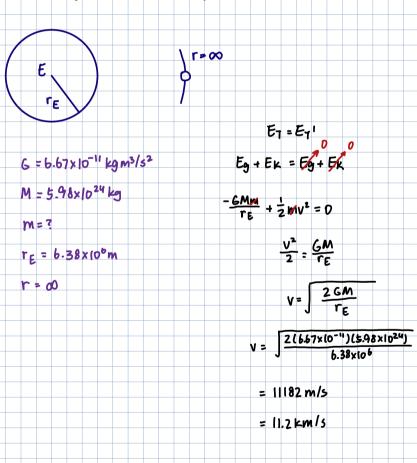


Eg = -GMm



Example 4: Escape Velocity (Escape Earth's gravity/SOI)

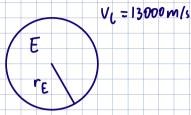
How fast can you throw a ball so it just leaves Earth?



Example 5: Deep Space

A ball is thrown at 13km/s. How fast would it travel once it reached deep space?

r = 00



$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ kg m}^3/\text{s}^2$$

$$M = 5.48 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$$

$$TE = 6.38 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

$$m = ?$$

$$\frac{-6M_{\text{IM}}}{\text{re}} + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$V' = \int \frac{-2(6.67 \times 10^{-4})(5.48 \times 10^{24})}{6.35 \times 10^{6}} + 13000^{2}$$