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JEE (ADVANCED) SYLLABUS

Law of gravitation; Gravitational potential and field; Acceleration due to gravity; Motion of planets and satellites in circular orbits; Escape velocity.

JEE (MAIN) SYLLABUS

The universal law of gravitation. Acceleration due to gravity and its variation with altitude and depth. Kepler's laws of planetary motion. Gravitational potential energy; gravitational potential. Escape velocity. Orbital velocity of a satellite. Geo-stationary satellites



GRAVITATION



1. INTRODUCTION

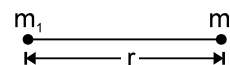
The motion of celestial bodies such as the sun, the moon, the earth and the planets etc. has been a subject of fascination since time immemorial. Indian astronomers of the ancient times have done brilliant work in this field, the most notable among them being Aryabhata the first person to assert that earth rotates about its own axis.

A millennium later the Danish astronomer Tycho Brahe (1546-1601) conducted a detailed study of planetary motion which was interpreted by his pupil Johannes Kepler (1571-1630), ironically after the master himself had passed away. Kepler formulated his important findings in three laws of planetary motion. The basis of astronomy is gravitation.

2. UNIVERSAL LAW OF GRAVITATION : NEWTON'S LAW

According to this law "Each particle attracts every other particle. The force of attraction between them is directly proportional to the product of their masses and inversely proportional to square of the distance between them".

$$F \propto \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} \quad \text{or} \quad F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$



where $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$ is the universal gravitational constant.

Dimensional formula of G :

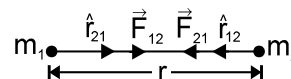
$$F = \frac{Fr^2}{m_1 m_2} = \frac{[MLT^{-2}][L^2]}{[M^2]} = [M^{-1} L^3 T^{-2}]$$

Newton's Law of gravitation in vector form :

$$\vec{F}_{12} = -\frac{Gm_1 m_2}{r^2} \hat{r}_{12} \quad \& \quad \vec{F}_{21} = -\frac{Gm_1 m_2}{r^2} \hat{r}_{21}$$

Where \vec{F}_{12} is the force on mass m_1 exerted by mass m_2 and vice-versa.

\hat{r}_{12} : position vector of m_1 w.r.t. m_2 and vice-versa



Now $\hat{r}_{12} = -\hat{r}_{21}$, Thus $\vec{F}_{21} = \frac{Gm_1 m_2}{r^2} \hat{r}_{12}$. Comparing above, we get $\vec{F}_{12} = -\vec{F}_{21}$

Important characteristics of gravitational force

- Gravitational force between two bodies form an action and reaction pair i.e. the forces are equal in magnitude but opposite in direction.
- Gravitational force is a central force i.e. it acts along the line joining the centers of the two interacting bodies.
- Gravitational force between two bodies is independent of the nature of the medium, in which they lie.
- Gravitational force between two bodies does not depend upon the presence of other bodies.
- Gravitational force is negligible in case of light bodies but becomes appreciable in case of massive bodies like stars and planets.
- Gravitational force is long range-force i.e., gravitational force between two bodies is effective even if their separation is very large. For example, gravitational force between the sun and the earth is of the order of 10^{27} N although distance between them is $1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$



Solved Example

Example 1. The centres of two identical spheres are at a distance 1.0 m apart. If the gravitational force between them is 1.0 N, then find the mass of each sphere. ($G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-2}$)

Solution : Gravitational force $F = \frac{Gm \cdot m}{r^2}$

on substituting $F = 1.0 \text{ N}$, $r = 1.0 \text{ m}$ and $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-2}$
we get $m = 1.224 \times 10^5 \text{ kg}$

Example 2. Three identical bodies of mass M are located at the vertices of an equilateral triangle with side L . At what speed must they move if they all revolve under the influence of one another's gravity in a circular orbit circumscribing the triangle while still preserving the equilateral triangle?

Solution : Let A, B and C be the three masses and O the centre of the circumscribing circle. The radius of this circle is

$$R = \frac{L}{2} \sec 30^\circ = \frac{L}{2} \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{L}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Let v be the speed of each mass M along the circle. Let us consider the motion of the mass at A. The force of gravitational attraction on it due to the masses at B and C are

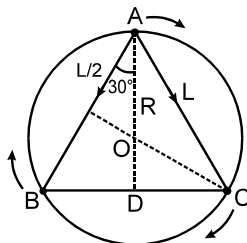
$$\frac{GM^2}{L^2} \text{ along AB and } \frac{GM^2}{L^2} \text{ along AC}$$

The resultant force is therefore

$$2 \frac{GM^2}{L^2} \cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}GM^2}{L^2} \text{ along AD.}$$

This, for preserving the triangle, must be equal to the necessary centripetal force.

That is,



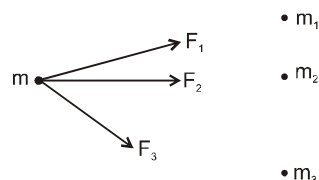
$$\frac{\sqrt{3}GM^2}{L^2} = \frac{Mv^2}{R} = \frac{\sqrt{3}Mv^2}{L} \quad [\because R = L/\sqrt{3}] \quad \text{or} \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{L}}$$



2.1. Principle of superposition

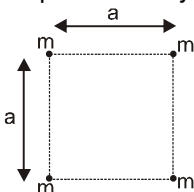
The force exerted by a particle on other particle remains unaffected by the presence of other nearby particles in space. Total force acting on a particle is the vector sum of all the forces acted upon by the individual masses when they are taken alone.

$$\vec{F} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 + \dots$$



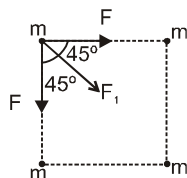
Solved Example

Example 1. Four point masses each of mass ' m ' are placed on the corner of square of side ' a '. Calculate magnitude of gravitational force experienced by each particle.





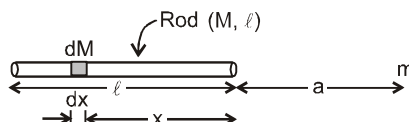
Solution :



$$F_r = \text{resultant force on each particle} = 2F \cos 45^\circ + F_1$$

$$= \frac{2G \cdot m^2}{a^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{Gm^2}{(\sqrt{2}a)^2} = \frac{G \cdot m^2}{2a^2} (2\sqrt{2} + 1)$$

Example 2. Find gravitational force exerted by point mass 'm' on a uniform rod of mass 'M' and length 'ℓ'

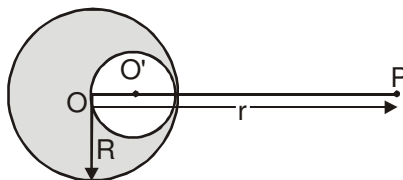


Solution : $dF = \text{force on element in horizontal direction} = \frac{G \cdot dM \cdot m}{(x+a)^2}$

where $dM = \frac{M}{\ell} dx$.

$$\therefore F = \int dF = \int_0^\ell \frac{G \cdot M m dx}{\ell (x+a)^2} = \frac{G \cdot M m}{\ell} \int_0^\ell \frac{dx}{(x+a)^2} = \frac{G \cdot M m}{\ell} \left[-\frac{1}{(x+a)} + \frac{1}{a} \right] = \frac{G M m}{(\ell+a)a}$$

Example 3. A solid sphere of lead has mass M and radius R. A spherical portion is dug out from it (see figure) such that the boundary of hollowed part passes through the centre and also touches the boundary of the solid sphere. Deduce the gravitational force on a mass m placed at P, which is distant r from O along the line of centres.



Solution : Let O be the centre of the sphere and O' that of the hollow (figure). For an external point the sphere behaves as if its entire mass is concentrated at its centre. Therefore, the gravitational force on a mass 'm' at P due to the original sphere (of mass M) is

$$F = G \frac{Mm}{r^2}, \text{ along PO.}$$

The diameter of the smaller sphere (which would be cut off) is R, so that its radius OO' is R/2. The force on m at P due to this sphere of mass M' (say) would be

$$F' = G \frac{M'm}{(r - \frac{R}{2})^2} \text{ along PO'.} \quad [\because \text{distance PO'} = r - R/2]$$

As the radius of this sphere is half of that of the original sphere, we have $M' = M/8$.

$$\therefore F' = G \frac{Mm}{8(r - \frac{R}{2})^2} \text{ along PO'}$$

As both F and F' point along the same direction, the force due to the remaining hollowed sphere is

$$F - F' = \frac{GMm}{r^2} - \frac{GMm}{8r^2(1 - \frac{R}{2r})^2} = \frac{GMm}{r^2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{8(1 - \frac{R}{2r})^2} \right\}$$



3. GRAVITATIONAL FIELD

The space surrounding the body within which its gravitational force of attraction is experienced by other bodies is called gravitational field. Gravitational field is very similar to electric field in electrostatics where charge 'q' is replaced by mass 'm' and electric constant 'K' is replaced by gravitational constant 'G'. The intensity of gravitational field at a point is defined as the force experienced by a unit mass placed at that point.

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{F}}{m}$$

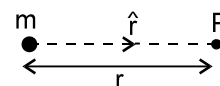
The unit of the intensity of gravitational field is N kg^{-1} .

Intensity of gravitational field due to point mass :

The force due to mass m on test mass m_0 placed at point P is given by :

$$F = \frac{GMm_0}{r^2}$$

Hence $E = \frac{F}{m_0} \Rightarrow E = \frac{GM}{r^2}$



In vector form $\vec{E} = -\frac{GM}{r^2} \hat{r}$

Dimensional formula of intensity of gravitational field = $\frac{F}{m} = \frac{[MLT^{-2}]}{[M]} = [M^0 L T^{-2}]$

Solved Example

Example 1. Find the distance of a point from the earth's centre where the resultant gravitational field due to the earth and the moon is zero. The mass of the earth is $6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ and that of the moon is $7.4 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$. The distance between the earth and the moon is $4.0 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$.

Solution : The point must be on the line joining the centres of the earth and the moon and in between them. If the distance of the point from the earth is $x \text{ km}$, the distance from the moon is $(4.0 \times 10^5 - x) \text{ km}$. The magnitude of the gravitational field due to the earth is

$$E_1 = \frac{GM_e}{x^2} = \frac{G \times 6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}}{x^2}$$

and magnitude of the gravitational field due to the moon is

$$E_2 = \frac{GM_m}{(4.0 \times 10^5 - x)^2} = \frac{G \times 7.4 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}}{(4.0 \times 10^5 - x)^2}$$

These fields are in opposite directions. For the resultant field to be zero $|E_1| = |E_2|$

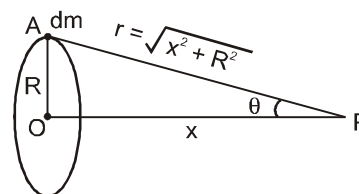
$$\text{or, } \frac{6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}}{x^2} = \frac{7.4 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}}{(4.0 \times 10^5 - x)^2} \quad \text{or, } \frac{x}{4.0 \times 10^5 - x} = \sqrt{\frac{6 \times 10^{24}}{7.4 \times 10^{22}}} = 9$$

$$\text{or, } x = 3.6 \times 10^5 \text{ km.}$$

Example 2. Calculate gravitational field intensity due to a uniform ring of mass M and radius R at a distance x on the axis from center of ring.

Solution : Consider any particle of mass dm . Gravitational field at point P due to dm

$$dE = \frac{Gdm}{r^2} \text{ along PA}$$



Component along PO is $dE \cos \theta = \frac{Gdm}{r^2} \cos \theta$

Net gravitational field at point P is

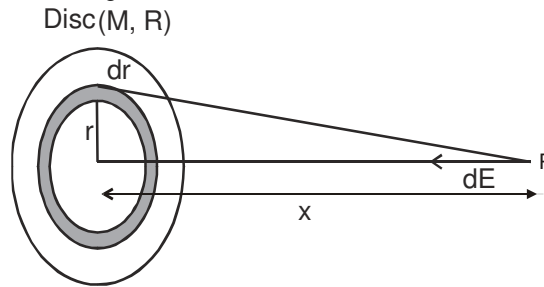
$$E = \int \frac{Gdm}{r^2} \cos \theta = \frac{G \cos \theta}{r^2} \int dm$$

$$= \frac{GMx}{(R^2 + x^2)^{3/2}} \text{ towards the center of ring}$$



Example 3. Calculate gravitational field intensity at a distance x on the axis from centre of a uniform disc of mass M and radius R .

Solution : Consider an elemental ring of radius r and thickness dr on surface of disc as shown in figure



Gravitational field due to elemental ring

$$dE = \frac{GdMx}{(x^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} \quad \text{Here } dM = \frac{M}{\pi R^2} \cdot 2\pi r dr = \frac{2M}{R^2} r dr$$

$$\therefore dE = \frac{G \cdot 2Mx r dr}{R^2 (x^2 + r^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\therefore E = \int_0^R \left(\frac{2GMx}{R^2} \right) \frac{r dr}{(x^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} \quad \therefore E = \frac{2GMx}{R^2} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} \right]$$

Example 4. For a given uniform spherical shell of mass M and radius R , find gravitational field at a distance r from centre in following two cases (a) $r \geq R$ (b) $r < R$

Solution : Field at P due to an elemental ring

$$dE = \frac{GdM}{\ell^2} \cdot \cos \alpha \quad r \geq R$$

$$dM = \frac{M}{4\pi R^2} \times 2\pi R \sin \theta R d\theta$$

$$dM = \frac{M}{2} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\therefore dE = \frac{GM \sin \theta \cos \alpha d\theta}{2\ell^2}$$

$$\text{Now } \ell^2 = R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr \cos \theta \quad \dots(1)$$

$$R^2 = \ell^2 + r^2 - 2\ell r \cos \alpha \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\therefore \cos \alpha = \frac{\ell^2 + r^2 - R^2}{2\ell r}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{R^2 + r^2 - \ell^2}{2rR}$$

differentiating (1)

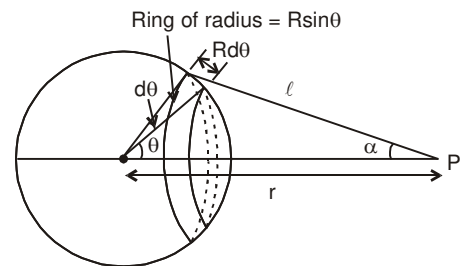
$$\therefore 2\ell d\ell = 2Rr \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\therefore dE = \frac{GM}{2\ell^2} \cdot \frac{\ell d\ell}{Rr} \cdot \frac{\ell^2 + r^2 - R^2}{(2\ell r)} \Rightarrow dE = \frac{GM}{4Rr^2} \left[1 + \frac{r^2 - R^2}{\ell^2} \right] d\ell$$

$$\therefore E = \int dE = \frac{GM}{4Rr^2} \left[\int_{r-R}^{r+R} d\ell + (r^2 - R^2) \int_{r-R}^{r+R} \frac{d\ell}{\ell^2} \right] \Rightarrow E = \frac{GM}{r^2}, \quad r \geq R$$

If point is inside the shell limit changes to $[(R - r) \text{ to } R + r]$

$E = 0$ when $r < R$.





Example 5. Find the relation between the gravitational field on the surface of two planets A & B of masses m_A , m_B & radius R_A & R_B respectively if

- They have equal mass
- They have equal (uniform) density

Solution : Let E_A & E_B be the gravitational field intensities on the surface of planets A & B.

$$\text{then, } E_A = \frac{Gm_A}{R_A^2} = \frac{G \frac{4}{3} \pi R_A^3 \rho_A}{R_A^2} = \frac{4G\pi}{3} \rho_A R_A$$

$$\text{Similarly, } E_B = \frac{Gm_B}{R_B^2} = \frac{4G}{3} \pi \rho_B R_B$$

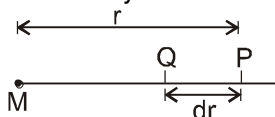
$$(i) \text{ For } m_A = m_B, \quad \frac{E_A}{E_B} = \frac{R_B^2}{R_A^2}$$

$$(ii) \text{ For } \rho_A = \rho_B, \quad \frac{E_A}{E_B} = \frac{R_A}{R_B}$$



4. GRAVITATIONAL POTENTIAL

The gravitational potential at a point in the gravitational field of a body is defined as the amount of work done by an external agent in bringing a body of unit mass from infinity to that point, slowly (no change in kinetic energy). Gravitational potential is very similar to electric potential in electrostatics.



Gravitational potential due to a point mass:

Let the unit mass be displaced through a distance dr towards mass M ,

then work done is given by $dW = F dr = \frac{GM}{r^2} dr$

Total work done in displacing the particle from infinity to point P is $W = \int dW = \int_{\infty}^r \frac{GM}{r^2} dr = \frac{-GM}{r}$.

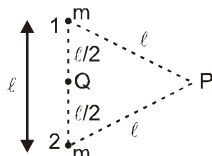
Thus gravitational potential, $V = -\frac{GM}{r}$.

The unit of gravitational potential is J kg^{-1} . Dimensional Formula of gravitational potential

$$= \frac{\text{Work}}{\text{mass}} = \frac{[ML^2T^{-2}]}{[M]} = [M^0L^2T^{-2}].$$

Solved Example

Example 1.



Find out potential at P and Q due to the two point mass system. Find out work done by external agent in bringing unit mass from P to Q. Also find work done by gravitational force.

Solution :

$$(i) \quad V_{P1} = \text{potential at P due to mass 'm' at '1'} = -\frac{Gm}{\ell}$$

$$V_{P2} = -\frac{Gm}{\ell}$$

$$\therefore V_P = V_{P1} + V_{P2} = -\frac{2Gm}{\ell}$$





$$(ii) \quad V_{Q1} = -\frac{GM}{\ell/2} \Rightarrow V_{Q2} = -\frac{Gm}{\ell/2}$$

$$\therefore V_Q = V_{Q1} + V_{Q2} = -\frac{Gm}{\ell/2} - \frac{Gm}{\ell/2} = -\frac{4Gm}{\ell}$$

Force at point Q = 0

$$(iii) \text{ work done by external agent} = (V_Q - V_P) \times 1 = -\frac{2GM}{\ell}$$

$$(iv) \text{ work done by gravitational force} = V_P - V_Q = \frac{2GM}{\ell}$$

Example 2. Find potential at a point 'P' at a distance 'x' on the axis away from centre of a uniform ring of mass M and radius R.

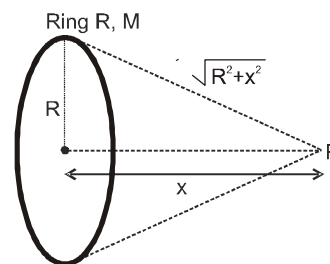
Solution : Ring can be considered to be made of large number of point masses (m_1, m_2, \dots etc)

$$V_P = -\frac{Gm_1}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}} - \frac{Gm_2}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}} - \dots$$

$$= -\frac{G}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}} (m_1 + m_2 + \dots) = -\frac{GM}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}},$$

where $M = m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + \dots$

$$\text{Potential at centre of ring} = -\frac{GM}{R}$$



5. RELATION BETWEEN GRAVITATIONAL FIELD AND POTENTIAL

The work done by an external agent to move unit mass from a point to another point in the direction of the field E, slowly through an infinitesimal distance dr = Force by external agent \times distance moved = $-E dr$.

Thus $dV = -E dr$

$$\Rightarrow E = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \quad (\because V \text{ can also be a function of } \theta)$$

Therefore, gravitational field at any point is equal to the negative gradient at that point.

Solved Example

Example 1. The gravitational field in a region is given by $\vec{E} = 20(\hat{i} + \hat{j})$ N/kg. Find the gravitational potential difference (in J/kg) between the points A(5m, 4m) and the origin (0, 0).

(A) -180 (B) 180 (C) -90 (D) zero

Answer : (A)

$$\text{Solution : } V_A - V_0 = - \int_{(0,0)}^{(5,4)} 20(\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \cdot (dx\hat{i} + dy\hat{j}) = -20 [(5-0) + (4-0)] = -180 \text{ J/kg}$$

Example 2. In the above problem, find the work to be done in slowly shifting a particle of mass 1 kg from origin (0, 0) to a point (5, 4): (In J)

(A) -180 (B) 180 (C) -90 (D) zero

Answer : (A)

$$\text{Solution : } W = m(V_f - V_i) = m(V_A - V_0) = 1(-180) = -180 \text{ J}$$



Example 3. $v = 2x^2 + 3y^2 + zx$, find gravitational field at a point (x, y, z) .

Solution : $E_x = \frac{-\partial v}{\partial x} = -4x - z$

$$E_y = -6y$$

$$E_z = -x$$

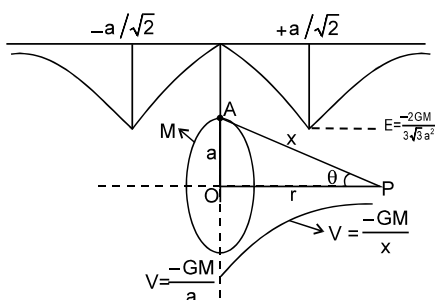
$$\therefore \text{Field} = \vec{E} = -[(4x+z)\hat{i} + 6y\hat{j} + x\hat{k}].$$



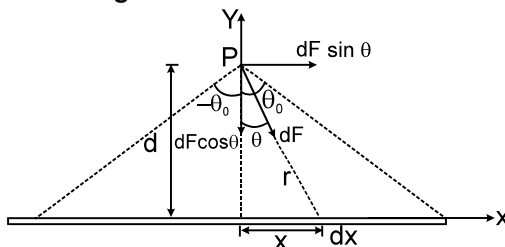
6. GRAVITATIONAL POTENTIAL & FIELD FOR DIFFERENT OBJECTS

I. **Ring.** $V = \frac{-GM}{x}$ or $\frac{-GM}{(a^2 + r^2)^{1/2}}$ & $E = \frac{-GMr}{(a^2 + r^2)^{3/2}} \hat{r}$ or $E = -\frac{GM \cos \theta}{x^2}$

Gravitational field is maximum at a distance, $r = \pm a/\sqrt{2}$ and it is $-2GM/3\sqrt{3}a^2$



II. A linear mass of finite length on its axis :



(a) Potential :

$$\Rightarrow V = -\frac{GM}{L} \ln (\sec \theta_0 + \tan \theta_0) = -\frac{GM}{L} \ln \left\{ \frac{L + \sqrt{L^2 + d^2}}{d} \right\}$$

(b) Field intensity :

$$\Rightarrow E = -\frac{GM}{Ld} \sin \theta_0 = -\frac{GM}{d\sqrt{L^2 + d^2}}$$

III. An infinite uniform linear mass distribution of linear mass density λ , Here $\theta_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

And noting that $\lambda = \frac{M}{2L}$ in case of a finite rod

we get, for field intensity $E = \frac{2G\lambda}{d}$

Potential for a mass-distribution extending to infinity is not defined. However even for such mass distributions potential-difference is defined. Here potential difference between points P_1

and P_2 respectively at distances d_1 and d_2 from the infinite rod, $v_{12} = 2G\lambda \ln \frac{d_2}{d_1}$

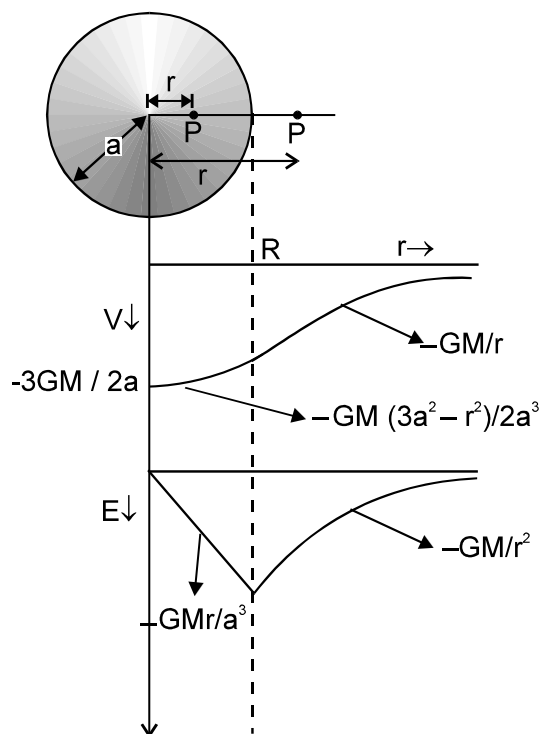


IV. Uniform Solid Sphere

(a) Point P inside the shell. $r \leq a$, then

$$V = -\frac{GM}{2a^3}(3a^2 - r^2) \text{ \& } E = -\frac{GMr}{a^3}, \text{ and at the centre } V = -\frac{3GM}{2a} \text{ and } E = 0$$

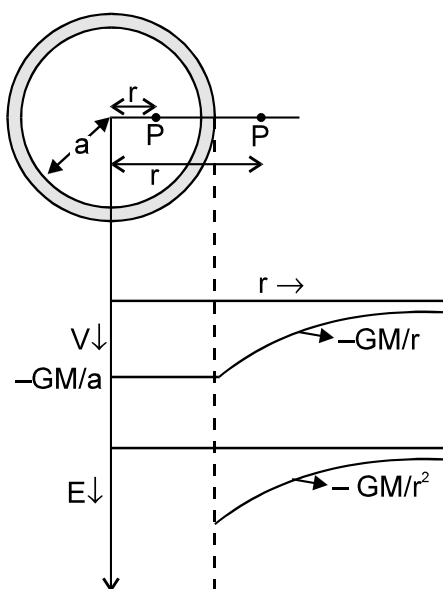
(b) Point P outside the shell. $r \geq a$, then $V = -\frac{GM}{r}$ \& $E = -\frac{GM}{r^2}$



V. Uniform Thin Spherical Shell

(a) Point P Inside the shell. $r \leq a$, then $V = -\frac{GM}{a}$ \& $E = 0$

(b) Point P outside shell. $r \geq a$, then $V = -\frac{GM}{r}$ \& $E = -\frac{GM}{r^2}$

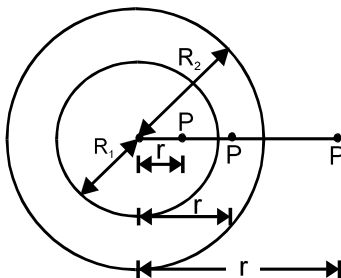




VI. Uniform Thick Spherical Shell

(a) Point outside the shell $V = -G \frac{M}{r}$; $E = -G \frac{M}{r^2}$

(b) Point inside the Shell (Inside the cavity) $V = -\frac{3}{2} GM \left(\frac{R_2 + R_1}{R_2^2 + R_1 R_2 + R_1^2} \right)$



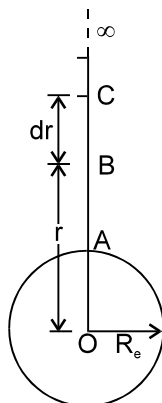
$E = 0$

(c) Point between the two surface $V = -\frac{GM}{2r} \left(\frac{3R_2^2 - r^3 - 2R_1^3}{R_2^3 - R_1^3} \right)$; $E = -\frac{GM}{r^2} \frac{r^3 - R_1^3}{R_2^3 - R_1^3}$

7. GRAVITATIONAL POTENTIAL ENERGY

Gravitational potential energy of two mass system is equal to the work done by an external agent in assembling them, while their initial separation was infinity. Consider a body of mass m placed at a distance r from another body of mass M . The gravitational force of attraction between them is given by,

$$F = \frac{GMm}{r^2}.$$



Now, Let the body of mass m is displaced from point C to B through a distance ' dr ' towards the mass M , then work done by internal conservative force (gravitational) is given by,

$$dW = F dr = \frac{GMm}{r^2} dr$$

$$\Rightarrow \int dW = \int_{\infty}^r \frac{GMm}{r^2} dr$$

\therefore Gravitational potential energy, $U = -\frac{GMm}{r}$





Increase in gravitational potential energy:

Suppose a block of mass m on the surface of the earth. We want to slowly lift this block by 'h' height.

Work required in this process = increase in P.E. = $U_f - U_i = m(V_f - V_i)$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta U = (m) \left[-\left(\frac{GM_e}{R_e + h} \right) - \left(-\frac{GM_e}{R_e} \right) \right]$$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta U = GM_em \left(\frac{1}{R_e} - \frac{1}{R_e + h} \right)$$

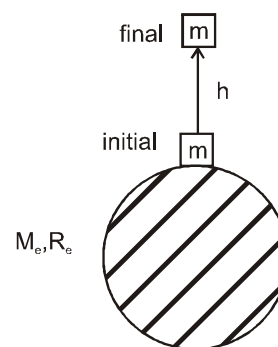
$$= \frac{GM_em}{R_e} \left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e} \right)^{-1} \right)$$

(as $h \ll R_e$, we can apply Binomial theorem)

$$W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta U = \frac{GM_em}{R_e} \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{h}{R_e} \right) \right) = (m) \left(\frac{GM_e}{R_e^2} \right) h$$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta U = mgh$$

* This formula is valid only when $h \ll R_e$



Solved Example

Example 1. A body of mass m is placed on the surface of earth. Find work required to lift this body by a height

$$(i) \quad h = \frac{R_e}{1000}$$

$$(ii) \quad h = R_e$$

Solution :

$$(i) \quad h = \frac{R_e}{1000}, \text{ as } h \ll R_e, \text{ so}$$

we can apply

$$W_{\text{ext}} = U_f - U_i = mgh$$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = (m) \left(\frac{GM_e}{R_e^2} \right) \left(\frac{R_e}{1000} \right) = \frac{GM_em}{1000R_e}$$

$$(ii) \quad h = R_e, \text{ in this case } h \text{ is not very less than } R_e, \text{ so we cannot apply } \Delta U = mgh$$

so we cannot apply $\Delta U = mgh$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = U_f - U_i = m(V_f - V_i)$$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = m \left[\left(-\frac{GM_e}{R_e + R_e} \right) - \left(-\frac{GM_e}{R_e} \right) \right]$$

$$W_{\text{ext}} = -\frac{GM_em}{2R_e}$$

**Example 2.**

Calculate the velocity with which a body must be thrown vertically upward from the surface of the earth so that it may reach a height of $10R$, where R is the radius of the earth and is equal to 6.4×10^6 m. (Earth's mass = 6×10^{24} kg, Gravitational constant $G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11}$ N-m²/kg²)

Solution :

The gravitational potential energy of a body of mass m on earth's surface is

$$U(R) = -\frac{GMm}{R}$$

where M is the mass of the earth (supposed to be concentrated at its centre) and R is the radius of the earth (distance of the particle from the centre of the earth). The gravitational energy of the same body at a height $10R$ from earth's surface, i.e. at a distance $11R$ from earth's centre is

$$U(11R) = -\frac{GMm}{11R}$$

$$\therefore \text{Change in potential energy } U(11R) - U(R) = -\frac{GMm}{11R} - \left(-\frac{GMm}{R}\right) = \frac{10}{11} \frac{GMm}{R}$$

This difference must come from the initial kinetic energy given to the body in sending it to that height. Now, suppose the body is thrown up with a vertical speed v , so that its initial kinetic energy is $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$. Then $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{10}{11} \frac{GMm}{R}$ or $v = \sqrt{\frac{20}{11} \frac{GM}{R}}$

$$\text{Putting the given values : } v = \sqrt{\frac{20 \times (6.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N-m}^2/\text{kg}^2) \times (6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg})}{11 (6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m})}} = 1.07 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s.}$$

Example 3.

Two particles of masses m_1 and m_2 , initially at rest at infinite distance from each other, move under the action of mutual gravitational pull. Show that at any instant their relative velocity of approach is $\sqrt{2G(m_1 + m_2)/R}$, where R is their separation at that instant.

Solution :**Method 1 : (Force method)**

The gravitational force of attraction on m_1 due to m_2 at a separation r is $F_1 = \frac{Gm_1m_2}{r^2}$

Therefore, the acceleration of m_1 is $a_1 = \frac{F_1}{m_1} = \frac{Gm_2}{r^2}$

Similarly, the acceleration of m_2 due to m_1 is $a_2 = -\frac{Gm_1}{r^2}$

the negative sign being put as a_2 is directed opposite to a_1 . The relative acceleration of approach is

$$a = a_1 - a_2 = \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{r^2} \quad \dots(1)$$

If v is the relative velocity, then $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dr} \frac{dr}{dt}$.

But $-\frac{dr}{dt} = v$ (negative sign shows that r decreases with increasing t).

$$\therefore a = -\frac{dv}{dr} v. \quad \dots(2)$$

From (1) and (2), we have $v dv = -\frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{r^2} dr$

Integrating, we get $\frac{v^2}{2} = \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{r} + C$

At $r = \infty$, $v = 0$ (given), and so $C = 0$.

$$\therefore v^2 = \frac{2G(m_1 + m_2)}{r}$$

Let $v = v_R$ when $r = R$. Then $v_R = \sqrt{\frac{2G(m_1 + m_2)}{R}}$

**Method 2 : (Momentum and energy conservation method) :**

Since, the particles are moving under their mutual interaction only, thus $F_{\text{external}} = 0$, conserving momentum at the time of release and at the instant when separation becomes R , we get

$$m_1 v_1 - m_2 v_2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_2 = \frac{m_1 v_1}{m_2} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Conserving total mechanical energy : } 0 = \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 v_2^2 - \frac{G m_1 m_2}{R}$$

$$\text{using equation (i) : } \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{R} \Rightarrow v_1 = m_2 \sqrt{\frac{2G}{(m_1 + m_2)R}}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } v_2 = m_1 \sqrt{\frac{2G}{(m_1 + m_2)R}}$$

$$\text{Therefore, the relative velocity is } v_R = v_1 + v_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2G(m_1 + m_2)}{R}}$$

**8. GRAVITATIONAL SELF-ENERGY**

The gravitational self-energy of a body (or a system of particles) is defined as the work done by an external agent in assembling the body (or system of particles) from infinitesimal elements (or particles) that are initially at an infinite distance apart.

8.1. Gravitational self-energy of a system of n particles

Potential energy of n particles due to their mutual gravitational attraction is equal to the sum of the potential energy of all pairs of particle, i.e.,

$$U_s = -G \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j>i}}^n \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}}, \text{ where } r_{ij} \text{ is the distance between the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ and } j^{\text{th}} \text{ particles}$$

This expression can be written as $U_s = -\frac{1}{2} G \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{m_i m_j}{r_{ij}}$ (1/2 factor arises due to the fact that all the

terms have been considered twice)

If we consider a system of ' n ' particles, each of same mass ' m ' and separated from each other by the same average distance ' r ', then self energy

$$\text{or } U_s = -\frac{1}{2} G \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \left(\frac{m^2}{r} \right)_{ij}$$

Thus on the right hand side ' i ' comes ' n ' times while ' j ' comes $(n-1)$ times. Thus $U_s = -\frac{1}{2} G n (n-1) \frac{m^2}{r}$

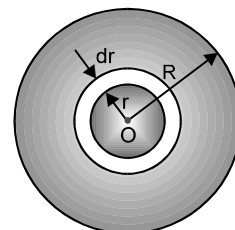
8.2. Gravitational Self energy of a Uniform Sphere (star)

$$U_{\text{sphere}} = -G \frac{\left(\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \rho \right) (4\pi r^2 dr \rho)}{r} \text{ where } \rho = \frac{M}{\left(\frac{4}{3} \right) \pi R^3}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3} G (4\pi \rho)^2 r^4 dr,$$

$$U_{\text{star}} = -\frac{1}{3} G (4\pi \rho)^2 \int_0^R r^4 dr = -\frac{1}{3} G (4\pi \rho)^2 \left[\frac{r^5}{5} \right]_0^R = -\frac{3}{5} G \left(\frac{4\pi}{3} R^3 \rho \right)^2 \frac{1}{R}.$$

$$\therefore U_{\text{star}} = -\frac{3}{5} \frac{GM^2}{R}$$





9. ACCELERATION DUE TO GRAVITY :

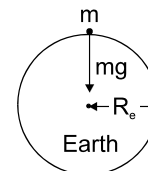
It is the acceleration, a freely falling body near the earth's surface acquires due to the earth's gravitational pull. The property by virtue of which a body experiences or exerts a gravitational pull on another body is called **gravitational mass m_g** , and the property by virtue of which a body opposes any change in its state of rest or uniform motion is called its **inertial mass m_i** thus if \vec{E} is the gravitational field intensity due to the earth at a point P, and \vec{g} is acceleration due to gravity at the same point, then $m_i \vec{g} = m_g \vec{E}$.

Now the value of inertial & gravitational mass happens to be exactly same to a great degree of accuracy for all bodies. Hence, $\vec{g} = \vec{E}$

The gravitational field intensity on the surface of earth is therefore numerically equal to the acceleration due to gravity (g) there. Thus we get,

$$g = \frac{GM_e}{R_e^2}$$

where, M_e = Mass of earth
 R_e = Radius of earth



Note :

- Here the distribution of mass in the earth is taken to be spherically symmetric so that its entire mass can be assumed to be concentrated at its center for the purpose of calculation of g. Also we have considered uniform average density throughout the whole volume of earth.



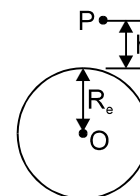
10. VARIATION OF ACCELERATION DUE TO GRAVITY

10.1. Effect of Altitude

Acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the earth is given by, $g = \frac{GM_e}{R_e^2}$

Now, consider the body at a height 'h' above the surface of the earth, then the acceleration due to gravity at height 'h' given by

$$g_h = \frac{GM_e}{(R_e + h)^2} = g \left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^{-2} \simeq g \left(1 - \frac{2h}{R_e}\right) \text{ when } h \ll R_e.$$



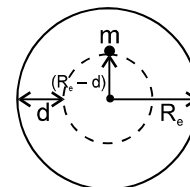
The decrease in the value of 'g' with height $h = g - g_h = \frac{2gh}{R_e}$. Then percentage

$$\text{decrease in the value of 'g'} = \frac{g - g_h}{g} \times 100 = \frac{2h}{R_e} \times 100\%$$

10.2. Effect of depth

The gravitational pull on the surface is equal to its weight i.e. $mg = \frac{GM_e m}{R_e^2}$

$$\therefore mg = \frac{G \times \frac{4}{3} \pi R_e^3 \rho m}{R_e^2} \text{ or } g = \frac{4}{3} \pi G R_e \rho \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$



When the body is taken to a depth d, the mass of the sphere of radius $(R_e - d)$ will only be effective for the gravitational pull and the outward shell will have no resultant effect on the mass. If the acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the solid sphere is g_d , then

$$g_d = \frac{4}{3} \pi G (R_e - d) \rho \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

By dividing equation (2) by equation (1)

$$\Rightarrow g_d = g \left(1 - \frac{d}{R_e}\right)$$



Important Points

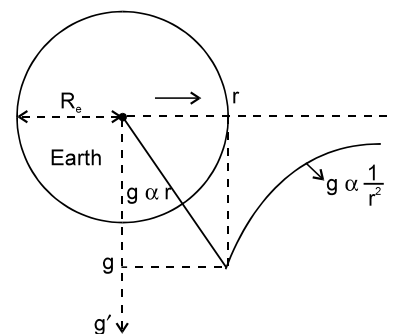
- (i) At the center of the earth, $d = R_e$, so $g_{\text{centre}} = g \left(1 - \frac{R_e}{R_e} \right) = 0$.

Thus weight (mg) of the body at the centre of the earth is zero.

- (ii) Percentage decrease in the value of 'g' with the depth

$$= \left(\frac{g - g_d}{g} \right) \times 100 \%$$

$$= \frac{d}{R_e} \times 100 \%$$



Solved Example

Example 1. The value of acceleration due to gravity at Earth's surface is 9.8 ms^{-2} . The altitude above its surface at which the acceleration due to gravity decreases to 4.9 ms^{-2} , is close to : (Radius of earth = $6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$)

- (A) $2.6 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ (B*) $6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ (C) $9.0 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ (D) $1.6 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

Solution :
$$\frac{g}{2} = \frac{GM}{(R+h)^2} = \frac{gR^2}{(R+h)^2}$$

$$R + h = \sqrt{2} R$$

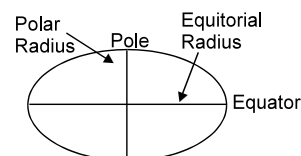
$$R = 0.41 R = 0.41 \times 6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m} = 2.6 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

10.3. Effect of the surface of Earth

The equatorial radius is about 21 km longer than its polar radius.

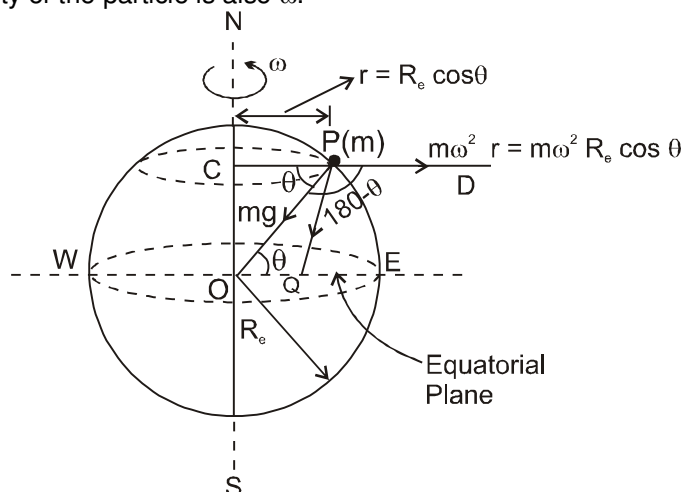
We know, $g = \frac{GM_e}{R_e^2}$ Hence $g_{\text{pole}} > g_{\text{equator}}$. The weight of the body

increase as the body taken from the equator to the pole.



10.4. Effect of rotation of the Earth

The earth rotates around its axis with angular velocity ω . Consider a particle of mass m at latitude θ . The angular velocity of the particle is also ω .



According to parallelogram law of vector addition, the resultant force acting on mass m along PQ is

$$F = [(mg)^2 + (m\omega^2 R_e \cos\theta)^2 + \{2mg \times m\omega^2 R_e \cos\theta\} \cos(180 - \theta)]^{1/2}$$

$$= [(mg)^2 + (m\omega^2 R_e \cos\theta)^2 - (2m^2 g \omega^2 R_e \cos\theta) \cos\theta]^{1/2}$$

$$= mg \left[1 + \left(\frac{R_e \omega^2}{g} \right)^2 \cos^2 \theta - 2 \frac{R_e \omega^2}{g} \cos^2 \theta \right]^{1/2}$$



The value of $\omega = 7.3 \times 10^{-5}$ rad/s, thus we ignore the term containing ω^4 and after binomial expansion and neglecting higher powers, we get

$$F \approx mg \left[1 - \frac{2R_e \omega^2 \cos^2 \theta}{g} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = mg \left[1 - \frac{R_e \omega^2 \cos^2 \theta}{g} \right] \Rightarrow g' = \frac{F}{m} = g - \omega^2 R_e \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\text{At pole } \theta = 90^\circ \Rightarrow g_{\text{pole}} = g ; \text{ At equator } \theta = 0^\circ \Rightarrow g_{\text{equator}} = g \left[1 - \frac{R_e \omega^2}{g} \right].$$

Hence $g_{\text{pole}} > g_{\text{equator}}$

$$\text{If the body is taken from pole to the equator, then } g' = g \left(1 - \frac{R_e \omega^2}{g} \right).$$

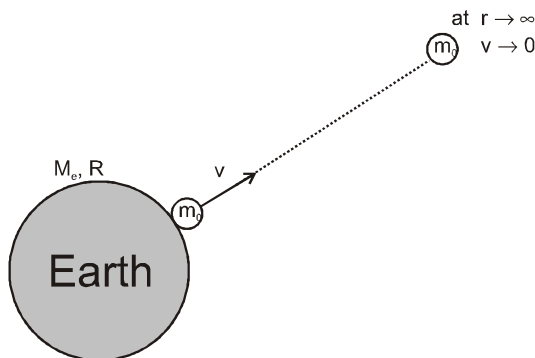
$$\text{Hence percentage change in weight} = \frac{mg - mg \left(1 - \frac{R_e \omega^2}{g} \right)}{mg} \times 100\% = \frac{m R_e \omega^2}{mg} \times 100\% = \frac{R_e \omega^2}{g} \times 100\%$$

11. ESCAPE SPEED

The minimum speed required to send a body out of the gravity field of a planet (send it to $r \rightarrow \infty$)

11.1. Escape speed at earth's surface :

Suppose a particle of mass m_0 is on earth's surface. We project it with a velocity v_e from the earth's surface, so that it just reaches $r \rightarrow \infty$ (at $r \rightarrow \infty$, its velocity become zero). Applying energy conservation between initial position (when the particle was at earth's surface) and final position (when the particle just reaches $r \rightarrow \infty$)



$$K_i + U_i = K_f + U_f$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m_0 v_e^2 + m_0 \left(-\frac{GM_e}{R} \right) = 0 + m_0 \left(-\frac{GM_e}{(r \rightarrow \infty)} \right) \Rightarrow v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2GM_e}{R}}$$

$$\text{Escape speed from earth surface is } v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2GM_e}{R}}$$

If we put the values of G , M_e , R then we get $V_e = 11.2$ km/s.

11.2. Escape speed depends on :

- Mass (M_e) and size (R) of the planet
- Position from where the particle is projected.

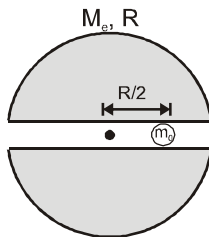
11.3. Escape speed does not depend on :

- Mass of the body which is projected (m_0)
- Angle of projection.

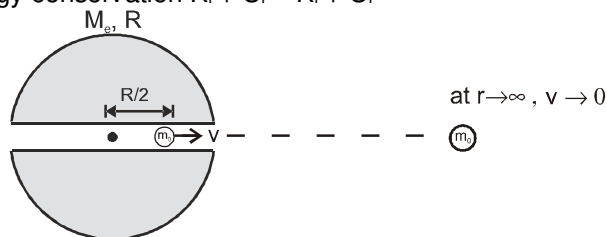
If a body is thrown from Earth's surface with escape speed, it goes out of earth's gravitational field and never returns to the earth's surface. But it starts revolving around the sun.

**Solved Example**

Example 1. A very thin groove is made in the earth along its diameter, and a particle of mass m_0 is placed at $R/2$ distance from the centre. Find the escape speed of the particle from that place.



Solution : Suppose we project the particle with speed v , so that it just reaches at $(r \rightarrow \infty)$. Applying energy conservation $K_i + U_i = K_f + U_f$



$$\frac{1}{2} m_0 v^2 + m_0 \left\{ -\frac{GM_e}{2R^3} \left(3R^2 - \left(\frac{R}{2} \right)^2 \right) \right\} = 0 + 0$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{11GM_e}{4R}} = V_e \text{ at that position.}$$

Example 2. Find radius of such planet on which the man escapes through jumping. The capacity of jumping of person on earth is 1.5 m. Density of planet is same as that of earth.

Solution : For a planet : $\frac{1}{2} mv^2 - \frac{GM_p m}{R_p} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} mv^2 = \frac{GM_p m}{R_p}$

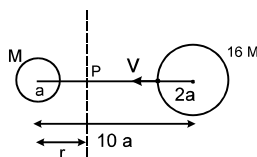
$$\text{On earth} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} mv^2 = m \left(\frac{GM_E}{R_E^2} \right) h$$

$$\therefore \frac{GM_p m}{R_p} = \frac{GM_E m}{R_E^2} \cdot h \Rightarrow \frac{M_p}{R_p} = \frac{M_E h}{R_E^2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Density } (\rho) \text{ is same} \Rightarrow \frac{(4/3)\pi R_p^3 \rho}{R_p} = \frac{(4/3)\pi R_E^3 \rho}{R_E^2} \Rightarrow R_p = \sqrt{R_E h}$$

Example 3. Distance between centres of two stars is $10a$. The masses of these stars are M and $16M$ and their radii are a & $2a$ respectively. A body is fired straight from the surface of the larger star towards the smaller star. What should be its minimum initial speed to reach the surface of the smaller star?

Solution : Let P be the point on the line joining the centres of the two planets such that the net field at this point is zero



$$\text{Then, } \frac{GM}{r^2} - \frac{G(16M)}{(10a-r)^2} = 0 \Rightarrow (10a-r)^2 = 16r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10a - r = 4r \Rightarrow r = 2a$$



Potential at point P, $V_p = -\frac{GM}{r} - \frac{G(16M)}{(10a-r)} = -\frac{GM}{2a} - \frac{2GM}{a} = -\frac{5GM}{2a}$.

Now, if the particle projected from the larger planet has enough energy to cross this point P, it will reach the smaller planet.

For this, the K.E. imparted to the body must be just enough to raise its total mechanical energy to a value which is equal to P.E. at point P.

i.e. $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{G(16M)m}{2a} - \frac{GMm}{8a} = mV_p$

or, $\frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{8GM}{a} - \frac{GM}{8a} = -\frac{5GM}{2a}$

or, $v^2 = \frac{45GM}{4a}$ or, $v_{\min} = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5GM}{a}}$

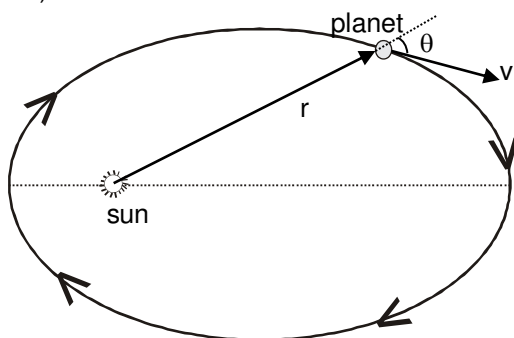


12. KEPLER'S LAW OF PLANETARY MOTION

Suppose a planet is revolving around the sun, or a satellite is revolving around the earth, then the planetary motion can be studied with help of Kepler's three laws. We may treat the sun and planets as point masses as their separations are very large. The mass of sun being very large compared to any other object in the solar system, its motion is essentially unaffected by the gravity of the planets.

12.1. Kepler's Law of orbit

Each planet moves around the sun in elliptical path with the sun at one of its focii. (In fact circular path is a subset of elliptical path)



12.2. Law of areal velocity :

To understand this law, let's understand the angular momentum conservation for the planet.

If a planet moves in an elliptical orbit, the gravitation force acting on it always passes through the centre of the sun. So torque of this gravitation force about the centre of the sun will be zero. Hence we can say that angular momentum of the planet about the centre of the sun will remain conserved (constant)

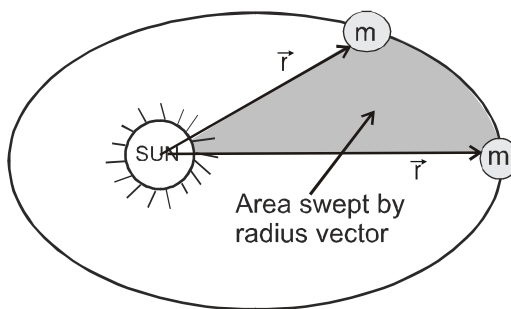
τ about the sun = 0

$\Rightarrow \frac{dL}{dt} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad L_{\text{planet, sun}} = \text{constant} \quad \Rightarrow \quad mvr \sin\theta = \text{constant}$

Now we can easily study the Kepler's law of areal velocity.



If a planet moves around the sun, the radius vector (\vec{r}) also rotates and sweeps area as shown in figure. Now let's find rate of area swept by the radius vector (\vec{r}).



Suppose a planet is revolving around the sun and at any instant its velocity is v , and angle between radius vector (\vec{r}) and velocity (\vec{v}). In dt time, it moves by a distance vdt , during this dt time, area swept by the radius vector will be OAB which can be assumed to be a triangle

$$dA = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Base}) (\text{Perpendicular height})$$

$$dA = \frac{1}{2} (r) (vdt \sin \theta)$$

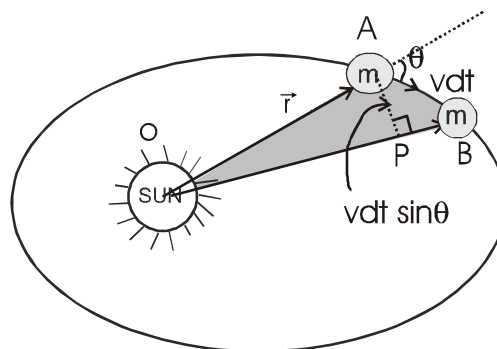
$$\text{so rate of area swept } \frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} vr \sin \theta$$

$$\text{we can write } \frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{mvr \sin \theta}{m}$$

where $mvr \sin \theta$ = angular momentum of the planet about the sun, which remains conserved (constant)

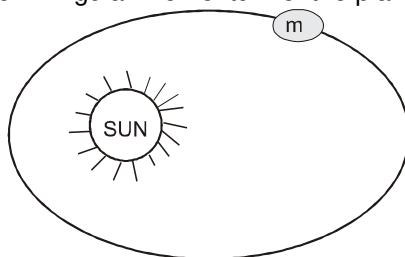
$$\Rightarrow \frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{L_{\text{planet/sun}}}{2m} = \text{constant}$$

so **Rate of area swept by the radius vector is constant**



Solved Example

Example 1. Suppose a planet is revolving around the sun in an elliptical path given by $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$. Find time period of revolution. Angular momentum of the planet about the sun is L .



Solution : Rate of area swept $\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{L}{2m} = \text{constant}$

$$\Rightarrow dA = \frac{L}{2m} dt ; \int_{A=0}^{A=\pi ab} dA = \int_{t=0}^{t=T} \frac{L}{2m} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi ab = \frac{L}{2m} T \Rightarrow T = \frac{2\pi mab}{L}$$



12.3. Kepler's law of time period :

Suppose a planet is revolving around the sun in circular

$$\text{orbit then } \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GM_s m}{r^2}$$

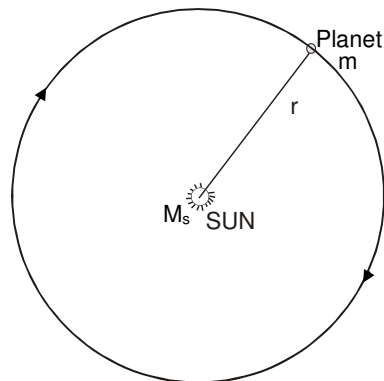
$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM_s}{r}}$$

$$\text{Time period of revolution is } T = \frac{2\pi r}{v} = 2\pi r \sqrt{\frac{r}{GM_s}}$$

$$T^2 = \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GM_s} \right) r^3 \Rightarrow T^2 \propto r^3$$

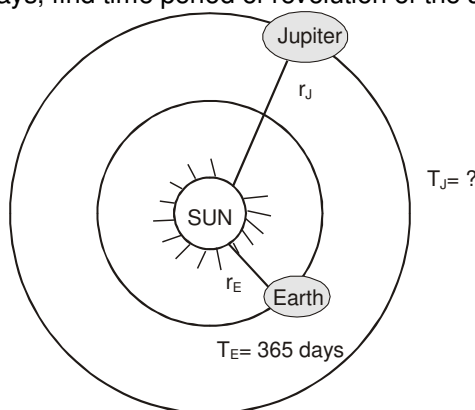
For all the planet of a sun, $T^2 \propto r^3$

* If planets are moving in elliptical orbit, then $T^2 \propto a^3$ where a = semi major axis of the elliptical path.



Solved Example

Example 1. The Earth and Jupiter are two planets of the sun. Consider the average orbital radius of the earth to be 1.5×10^8 km and that of Jupiter to be 6×10^8 km. If the time period of revolution of earth is $T = 365$ days, find time period of revolution of the Jupiter.



Solution :

For both the planets

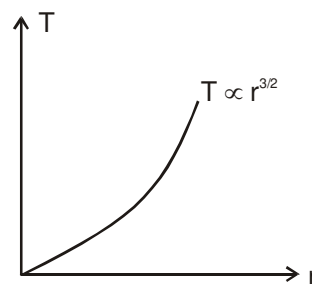
$$T^2 \propto r^3$$

$$\left(\frac{T_{\text{Jupiter}}}{T_{\text{Earth}}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{r_{\text{Jupiter}}}{r_{\text{Earth}}} \right)^3 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{T_{\text{Jupiter}}}{365 \text{ days}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{6 \times 10^8}{1.5 \times 10^8} \right)^3$$

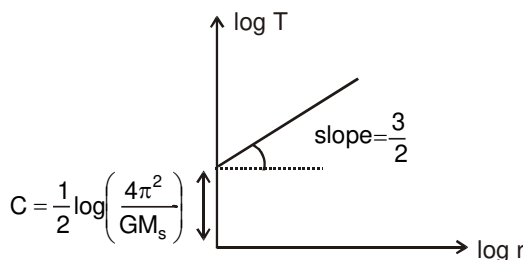
$$T_{\text{Jupiter}} = 8 \times 365 \text{ days}$$

Graph of T vs r :

Graph of $\log T$ v/s $\log r$:

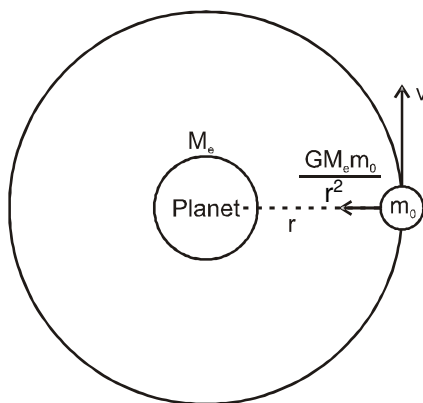


$$T^2 = \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GM_s} \right) r^3 \Rightarrow 2\log T = \log \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GM_s} \right) + 3\log r \Rightarrow \log T = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GM_s} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \log r$$





13. CIRCULAR MOTION OF A SATELLITE AROUND A PLANET



Suppose a satellite (e.g. natural satellite moon) of mass m_0 is at a distance r from a planet (e.g. earth). If the satellite does not revolve, then due to the gravitational attraction, it will fall onto surface of the planet.

To avoid the collision, the satellite revolve around the planet, for circular motion of satellite.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{GM_e m_0}{r^2} = \frac{m_0 v^2}{r} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{\frac{GM_e}{r}} \text{ this velocity is called orbital velocity } (v_0)$$

$$v_0 = \sqrt{\frac{GM_e}{r}}$$

13.1. Total energy of the satellite moving in circular orbit :

(i) $KE = \frac{1}{2} m_0 v^2$ and from equation (1)

$$\frac{m_0 v^2}{r} = \frac{GM_e m_0}{r^2} \Rightarrow m_0 v^2 = \frac{GM_e m_0}{r} \Rightarrow KE = \frac{1}{2} m_0 v^2 = \frac{GM_e m_0}{2r}$$

(ii) Potential energy $U = -\frac{GM_e m_0}{r}$

$$\text{Total energy} = KE + PE = \left(\frac{GM_e m_0}{2r} \right) + \left(\frac{-GM_e m_0}{r} \right)$$

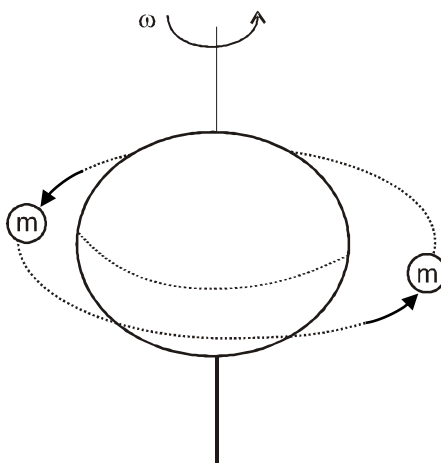
$$TE = -\frac{GM_e m_0}{2r}$$

Total energy is $-ve$. It shows that the satellite is still bounded with the planet.

14. GEO - STATIONARY SATELLITE :

We know that the earth rotates about its axis with angular velocity ω_{earth} and time period $T_{\text{earth}} = 24$ hours.

Suppose a satellite is set in an orbit which is in the plane of the equator, whose ω is equal to ω_{earth} , (or its T is equal to $T_{\text{earth}} = 24$ hours) and direction is also same as that of earth. Then, when seen from earth, it will appear to be stationary. This type of satellite is called geo- stationary satellite. For a geo-stationary satellite,



$$\omega_{\text{satellite}} = \omega_{\text{earth}}$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{\text{satellite}} = T_{\text{earth}} = 24 \text{ hr.}$$

So time period of a geo-stationary satellite must be 24 hours. To achieve $T = 24$ hour, the orbital radius of geo-stationary satellite :

$$T^2 = \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{GM_e} \right) r^3$$

Putting the values, we get orbital radius of geo stationary satellite $r = 6.6 R_e$ (here R_e = radius of the earth)

Height from the surface $h = 5.6 R_e \approx 36000 \text{ km}$

Solved Example

Example 1. A satellite is launched into a circular orbit 1600 km above the surface of the earth. Find the period of revolution if the radius of the earth is $R = 6400 \text{ km}$ and the acceleration due to gravity on earth's surface is 9.8 m/s^2 . At what height from the ground should it be launched so that it may appear stationary over a point on the earth's equator?

Solution : The orbiting period of a satellite at a height h from earth's surface is $T = \frac{2\pi r^{3/2}}{\sqrt{gR^2}}$ where $r = R + h$

$$\text{then, } T = \frac{2\pi(R+h)}{R} \sqrt{\left(\frac{R+h}{g} \right)}$$

Here, $R = 6400 \text{ km}$, $h = 1600 \text{ km} = R/4$.

$$\text{Then } T = \frac{2\pi\left(R + \frac{R}{4}\right)}{R} \sqrt{\left(\frac{R + \frac{R}{4}}{g} \right)} = 2\pi(5/4)^{3/2} \sqrt{\frac{R}{g}}$$

$$\text{Putting the given values : } T = 2 \times 3.14 \times \sqrt{\left(\frac{6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}}{9.8 \text{ m/s}^2} \right)} (1.25)^{3/2} = 7096 \text{ sec} = 1.97 \text{ hours}$$

Now, a satellite will appear stationary in the sky over a point on the earth's equator if its period of revolution round the earth is equal to the period of revolution of the earth round its own axis which is 24 hours. Let us find the height h of such a satellite above the earth's surface in terms of the earth's radius. Let it be nR . Then

$$T = \frac{2\pi(R+nR)}{R} \sqrt{\left(\frac{R+nR}{g} \right)} = 2\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{R}{g} \right)} (1+n)^{3/2} = 2 \times 3.14 \sqrt{\left(\frac{6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ meter/sec}}{9.8 \text{ meter/sec}^2} \right)} (1+n)^{3/2}$$

$$= (5075 \text{ sec}) (1+n)^{3/2} = (1.41 \text{ hours}) (1+n)^{3/2}$$



For $T = 24$ hours, we have

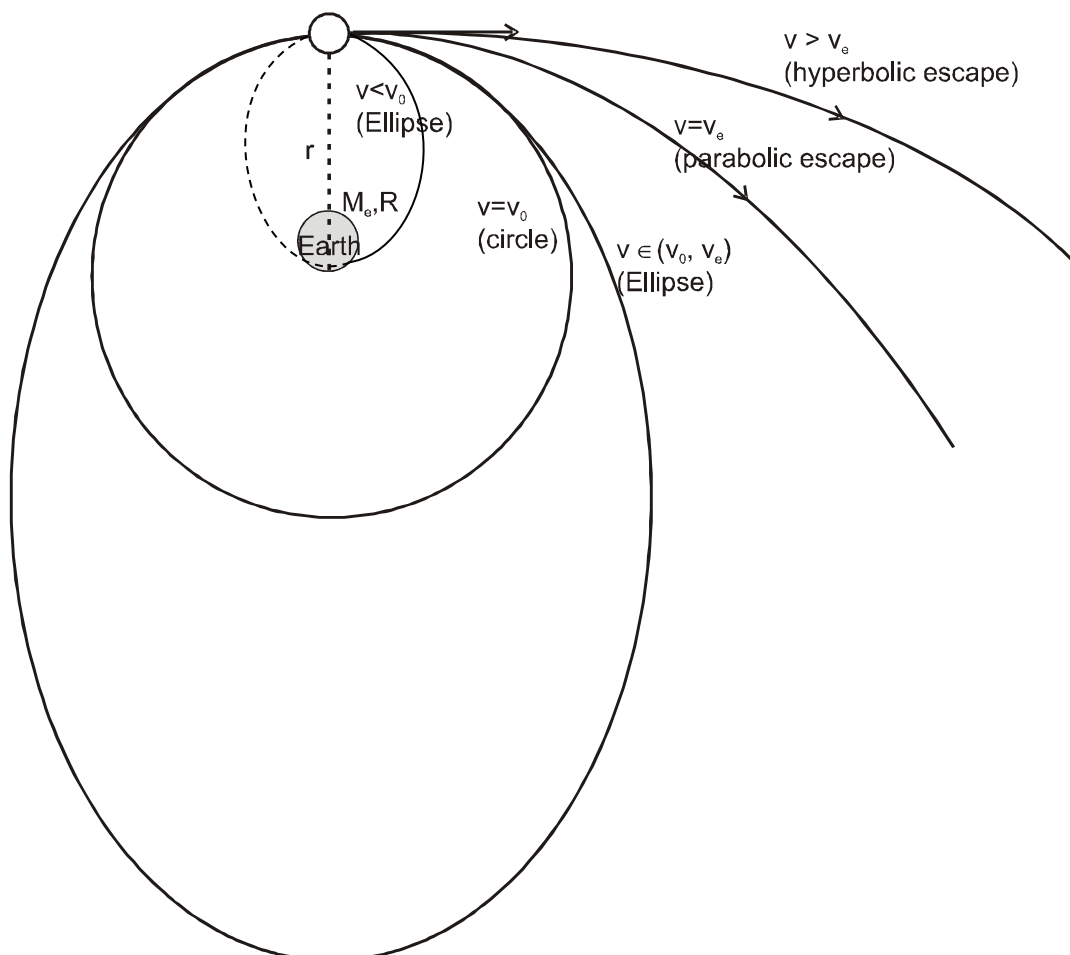
$$(24 \text{ hours}) = (1.41 \text{ hours}) (1 + n)^{3/2}$$

$$\text{or } (1 + n)^{3/2} = \frac{24}{1.41} = 17$$

$$\text{or } 1 + n = (17)^{2/3} = 6.62 \quad \text{or} \quad n = 5.62$$

The height of the geo-stationary satellite above the earth's surface is $nR = 5.62 \times 6400 \text{ km}$
 $= 3.595 \times 10^4 \text{ km}$.

15. PATH OF A SATELLITE ACCORDING TO DIFFERENT SPEED OF PROJECTION



Suppose a satellite is at a distance r from the centre of the earth. If we give different velocities (v) to the satellite, its path will be different

- (i) If $v < v_0$ (or $v < \sqrt{\frac{GM_e}{r}}$) then the satellite will move in an elliptical path and strike the earth's

surface. But if size of earth were small or a thin elliptical chute is made in earth then the satellite would complete the elliptical orbit with the centre of the earth at its farther focus. Total energy of satellite is < 0 .



(ii) If $v = v_0$ (or $v = \sqrt{\frac{GM_e}{r}}$), then the satellite will revolve in a circular orbit. Total energy of satellite is < 0 .

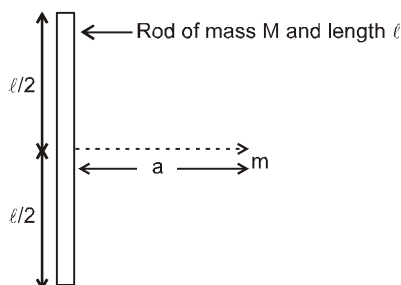
(iii) If $v_e > v > v_0$ (or $\sqrt{\frac{2GM_e}{r}} > v > \sqrt{\frac{GM_e}{r}}$), then the satellite will revolve in a elliptical orbital, and the centre of the earth will be at its nearer focus. Total energy of satellite is < 0 .

(iv) If $v = v_e$ (or $v = \sqrt{\frac{2GM_e}{r}}$), then the satellite will just escape to infinity along a parabolic path. Total energy of satellite is $= 0$.

(v) If $v > v_e$ (or $v > \sqrt{\frac{2GM_e}{r}}$), then the satellite will again escape to infinity but along a hyperbolic path. Total energy of satellite is > 0 .

SOLVED MISCELLANEOUS PROBLEMS

Problem 1. Calculate the force exerted by point mass m on rod of uniformly distributed mass M and length ℓ (Placed as shown in figure).



Solution : \therefore Direction of force is changing at every element. We have to make components of force and then integrate.
Net vertical force $= 0$.

$$dF = \text{force on element} = \frac{G \cdot dM \cdot m}{(x^2 + a^2)}$$

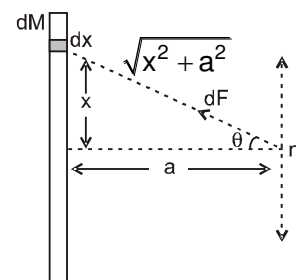
$$dF_h = dF \cos \theta = \text{force on element in horizontal direction} = \frac{G \cdot dM \cdot m}{(x^2 + a^2)} \cos \theta$$

$$\therefore F_h = \int \frac{G \cdot M \cdot m \cos \theta dx}{\ell(x^2 + a^2)} = \frac{G \cdot M \cdot m}{\ell} \int_{-\ell/2}^{\ell/2} \frac{\cos \theta \cdot dx}{(x^2 + a^2)} = \frac{G M m}{\ell a^2} \int_{-\ell/2}^{\ell/2} \frac{\cos \theta \cdot dx}{\sec^2 \theta}$$

where $x = a \tan \theta$ then $dx = a \sec^2 \theta \cdot d\theta$

$$= \frac{G M m}{\ell a} [\sin \theta]_{-\ell/2}^{\ell/2} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{x}{a}, \text{ then } \sin \theta = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}}$$

$$= \frac{G M m}{\ell a} \left[\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} \right]_{-\ell/2}^{\ell/2} = \frac{G M m \ell}{\ell a \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2}{4} + a^2}} = \frac{G M m}{a \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2}{4} + a^2}}$$



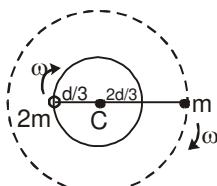


Problem 2. In a double star, two stars (one of mass m and the other of $2m$) distant d apart rotate about their common centre of mass. Deduce an expression of the period of revolution. Show that the ratio of their angular momentum about the centre of mass is the same as the ratio of their kinetic energies.

Solution : The centre of mass C will be at distances $d/3$ and $2d/3$ from the masses $2m$ and m respectively. Both the stars rotate around C in their respective orbits with the same angular velocity ω . The gravitational force acting on each star due to the other provides the necessary centripetal acceleration.

The gravitational force on either star is $\frac{G(2m)m}{d^2}$. If we consider the rotation of the smaller star,

the centripetal force ($m r \omega^2$) is $\left[m \left(\frac{2d}{3} \right) \omega^2 \right]$ and for bigger star $\left[\frac{2md\omega^2}{3} \right]$ i.e. same



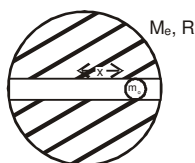
$$\therefore \frac{G(2m)m}{d^2} = m \left(\frac{2d}{3} \right) \omega^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{3Gm}{d^3}}$$

Therefore, the period of revolution is given by $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{d^3}{3Gm}}$

The ratio of the angular momentum is $\frac{(I\omega)_{\text{big}}}{(I\omega)_{\text{small}}} = \frac{I_{\text{big}}}{I_{\text{small}}} = \frac{(2m) \left(\frac{d}{3} \right)^2}{m \left(\frac{2d}{3} \right)^2} = \frac{1}{2}$,

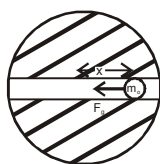
since ω is same for both. The ratio of their kinetic energies is $\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \right)_{\text{big}}}{\left(\frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \right)_{\text{small}}} = \frac{I_{\text{big}}}{I_{\text{small}}} = \frac{1}{2}$, which is the same as the ratio of their angular momentum.

Problem 3.



The earth can be assumed to be a uniform sphere of mass M_e and radius R . A small tunnel is dug in the earth as shown. A particle of mass m_0 is released from radial distance x . Find the force acting on the particle due to earth. Estimate the motion of the particle and find its time period.

Solution :



Magnitude of force acting on the particle = $(m_0) (g_{\text{earth}})$





$$= (m_0) \left(\frac{GM_e}{R^3} x \right)$$

$$\text{so } F = \left(\frac{GM_e m_0}{R^3} \right) x$$

As this form is opposite of x so we can write

$$F = - \left(\frac{GM_e m_0}{R^3} \right) x$$

Now this form $F \propto -x$, So motion of the particle will be simple harmonic motion

$$F = - \left(\frac{GM_e m_0}{R^3} \right) x$$

$$F = -Kx$$

$$\text{Comparing with the standard eqn. of SHM the force constant } k = \frac{GM_e m_0}{R^3}$$

So time period of the particle.

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m_0}{k}}$$

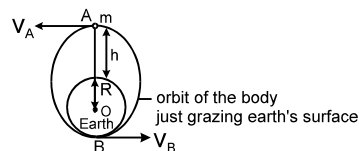
$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m_0}{\frac{GM_e m_0}{R^3}}}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R^3}{GM_e}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R}{g}}$$

Putting $R = 6400\text{km}$, $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ we get $T \approx 1\text{hr } 24 \text{ min.}$

Problem 4.

For a particle projected in a transverse direction from a height h above Earth's surface, find the minimum initial velocity so that it just grazes the surface of earth in a way that path of this particle would be an ellipse with center of earth as the farther focus, point of projection as the apogee and a diametrically opposite point on earth's surface as perigee.



Solution :

Suppose velocity of projection at point A is v_A & at point B, the velocity of the particle is v_B . Conserving angular momentum about the centre of earth at points A and B, we get :

$$mv_A (R + h) = mv_B R \Rightarrow v_B = \frac{v_A (R + h)}{R}$$

Now applying conservation of energy at points A & B

$$\frac{-GM_e m}{R + h} + \frac{1}{2} mv_A^2 = \frac{-GM_e m}{R} + \frac{1}{2} mv_B^2$$

$$\Rightarrow GM_e m \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{(R + h)} \right) = \frac{1}{2} (mv_B^2 - mv_A^2) = \frac{1}{2} mv_A^2 \left[\frac{(R + h)^2}{R^2} - 1 \right]$$

$$\therefore v_A^2 \frac{h(2R + h)}{R^2} = \frac{2GM_e h}{R(R + h)}$$

$$\therefore v_A = \sqrt{\frac{2GM_e R}{(R + h)(2R + h)}}$$



Problem 5. A rocket starts vertically upward with speed v_0 . Show that its speed v at height h is given by $v_0^2 - v^2 = \frac{2gh}{1 + \frac{h}{R}}$, where R is the radius of the earth and g is acceleration due to gravity on

earth's surface. Hence deduce an expression for maximum height reached by a rocket fired with speed 0.9 times the escape speed.

Solution : The gravitational potential energy of a mass m on earth's surface and that at a height h is given by

$$U(R) = -\frac{GMm}{R} \text{ and } U(R+h) = -\frac{GMm}{R+h}$$

$$\therefore U(R+h) - U(R) = -GMm \left(\frac{1}{R+h} - \frac{1}{R} \right) = \frac{GMmh}{(R+h)R} = \frac{mgh}{1 + \frac{h}{R}} \quad [\because GM = gR^2]$$

This increase in potential energy occurs at the cost of kinetic energy which correspondingly decreases. If v is the velocity of the rocket at height h , then the decrease in kinetic energy is $\frac{1}{2}mv_0^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2$.

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{1}{2}mv_0^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{mgh}{1 + \frac{h}{R}},$$

$$\text{or } v_0^2 - v^2 = \frac{2gh}{1 + \frac{h}{R}}$$

Let h_{\max} be the maximum height reached by the rocket, at which its velocity has been reduced to zero. Thus, substituting $v = 0$ and $h = h_{\max}$ in the last expression, we have

$$v_0^2 = \frac{2gh_{\max}}{1 + \frac{h_{\max}}{R}} \text{ or } v_0^2 \left(1 + \frac{h_{\max}}{R} \right) = 2gh_{\max}$$

$$\text{or } v_0^2 = h_{\max} \left(2g - \frac{v_0^2}{R} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad h_{\max} = \frac{v_0^2}{2g - \frac{v_0^2}{R}}$$

Now, it is given that $v_0 = 0.9 \times \text{escape velocity} = 0.9 \times \sqrt{2gR}$

$$\therefore h_{\max} = \frac{(0.9 \times 0.9)2gR}{2g - \frac{(0.9 \times 0.9)2gR}{R}} = \frac{1.62gR}{2g - 1.62g} = \frac{1.62R}{0.38} = 4.26 R$$

Problem 6. A test particle is moving in circular orbit in the gravitational field produced by a mass density $\rho(r) = \frac{K}{r^2}$. Identify the correct relation between the radius R of the particle's orbit and its period T :

- (A) TR is a constant (B) T/R^2 is a constant (C*) T/R is a constant (D) T^2/R^3 is a constant

Solution : $\int_0^R \left(\frac{G}{R^2} \frac{K}{r^2} 4\pi r^2 dr \right) m = m \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2 \times R$

$$\frac{GK4\pi}{R^2} \times R \times m = m \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2 \times R$$

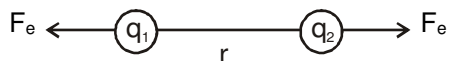
$$T^2/R^2 = \text{constant}$$

$$T/R = \text{constant}$$



COMPARATIVE STUDY OF ELECTROSTATICS AND GRAVITATION

ELECTROSTATICS

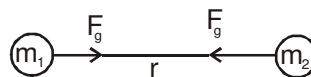


Force acting between two point charges

$$F_e = \frac{kq_1q_2}{r^2}, \quad k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

(attractive or repulsive)

GRAVITATION



Gravitation force acting between two point masses

$$F_g = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r^2} \quad (\text{always attractive})$$

all the formulae of gravitation are Similar to electrostatics. Simply K is replaced by G, and q_1, q_2 are replaced by m_1, m_2 .

Electric field (E) :-

Electrostatic force acting on unit charge

$$E = \frac{F_e}{q_0}$$

If a charge q_0 is placed in electric field E, then force acting on the charge $\vec{F} = q_0 \vec{E}$

Gravitational field (g) :-

Gravitational force acting on unit mass $g = \frac{F_g}{m_0}$

If a mass m_0 is placed in a gravity field g, then force acting on the mass is $\vec{F}_g = (m_0) \vec{g}$

(Here force is always in the direction of \vec{g})

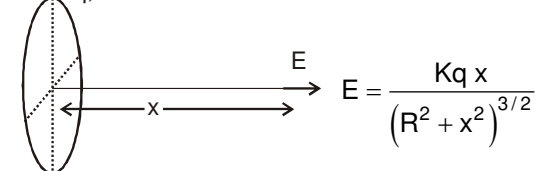
Electric field due to a point charge



$$\vec{E} = \frac{kq}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

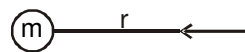
Electric field due to a uniformly charged ring

q, R



$$E = \frac{Kq x}{(R^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

Gravitation field due point mass

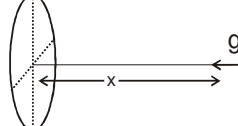


$$\vec{g} = -\frac{Gm}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

(always towards point mass)

Gravitational field due to a uniform ring

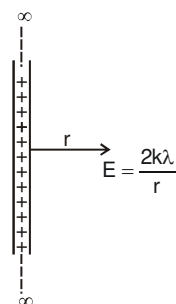
M, R



$$g = \frac{Gmx}{(R^2 + x^2)^{3/2}}$$

Electric field due to an infinitely long wire having

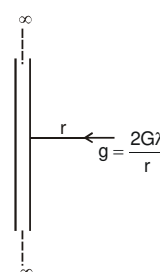
charge
length $= \lambda$



$$E = \frac{2k\lambda}{r}$$

Gravitational field due to infinitely long wire having

mass
length $= \lambda$



$$g = \frac{2G\lambda}{r}$$





Electric field due to a uniformly charged thin spherical shell

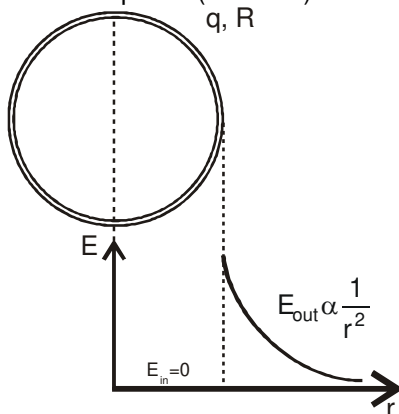
- (i) Electric field outside the sphere (for $r > R$) :

$$\vec{E}_{\text{out}} = \frac{kq}{r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{kq}{(\text{distance from centre})^2}$$

- (ii) Electric field just outside the surface

$$\vec{E}_{\text{surface}} = \frac{kq}{R^2} \hat{r}$$

- (iii) E inside the sphere (for $r < R$) : $E_{\text{in}} = 0$



Gravitational field due to uniform thin spherical shell (hollow sphere) is

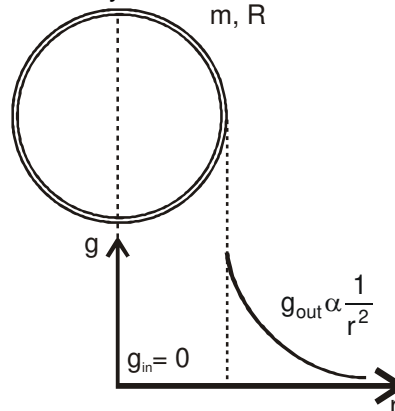
- (i) Gravity field outside the sphere (for $r > R$):

$$\vec{g}_{\text{out}} = -\frac{Gm}{r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{Gm}{(\text{distance from center})^2}$$

- (ii) gravity field just outside the surface

$$\vec{g}_{\text{surface}} = -\frac{Gm}{R^2} \hat{r}$$

- (iii) Gravity field inside the surface (for $r < R$): $g_{\text{in}} = 0$



(figure shows magnitude of \vec{g})

Electric field due to uniformly charged solid sphere

- (i) Electric field outside the sphere (for $r \geq R$)

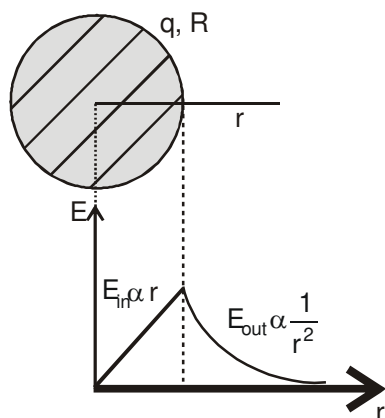
$$\vec{E}_{\text{out}} = \frac{kq}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

- (ii) Electric field at the surface of the sphere ($r = R$)

$$\vec{E}_{\text{surface}} = \frac{kq}{R^2} \hat{r}$$

- (iii) Electric field inside the sphere (for $r \leq R$)

$$\vec{E}_{\text{in}} = \frac{kq}{R^3} \cdot \vec{r}$$



Gravitational field due to uniform solid sphere

- (i) Gravitational field outside the sphere (for $r \geq R$)

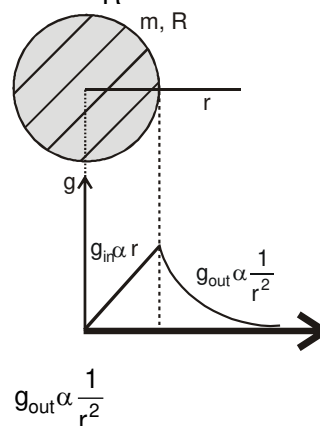
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- (iii) Gravitational field inside the sphere (for $r \leq R$)

$$\vec{g}_{\text{in}} = -\frac{Gm}{R^3} \cdot \vec{r}$$



(figure shows magnitude of \vec{g})




Electrostatic potential:

Work done by external agent to bring a unit charge from infinity to that point, slowly.

$$V_E = - \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

and potential difference

$$V_B - V_A = - \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

Gravitational potential :

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and gravitational potential difference

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Potential due a point charge

$$V = - \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$V = - \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \frac{kq}{r^2} \hat{r} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$V = - \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \frac{kq}{r^2} dr = \frac{kq}{r}$$

$$V = \frac{kq}{r}$$

Gravitational potential due to point mass

$$V_g = - \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \vec{g} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

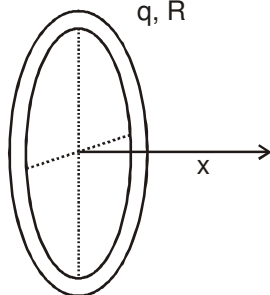
Now gravitation field due to a point mass is

$$\vec{g} = \frac{Gm}{r^2} (-\hat{r})$$

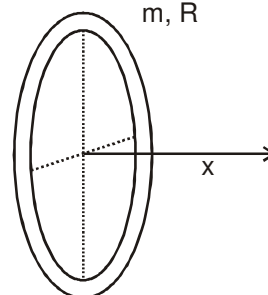
(gravitational field is always attractive so $(-\hat{r})$ is used for direction)

$$\Rightarrow V_g = - \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \frac{Gm}{r^2} (-\hat{r}) \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_g = \int_{r \rightarrow \infty}^{r=r} \frac{Gm}{r^2} = -\frac{Gm}{r} \Rightarrow V_g = -\frac{Gm}{r}$$

Electrostatic potential due to a charged ring
 q, R


$$V = \frac{kq}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}}$$

Gravitational potential due to a ring
 m, R


$$V_g = - \frac{Gm}{\sqrt{R^2 + x^2}}$$

Electrostatic potential due to uniformly charged thin spherical shell

(i) Potential outside the shell ($r > R$)

$$V_{out} = \frac{kq}{r} = \frac{kq}{(\text{distance from center})}$$

(ii) Potential at the surface of the shell ($r = R$)

$$V_{surface} = \frac{kq}{R} = \frac{kq}{(\text{Radius of sphere})}$$

(iii) Potential inside the shell ($r < R$)

$$V_{in} = \frac{kq}{R} = \frac{kq}{(\text{Radius of sphere})}$$

Gravitational field due to uniform spherical shell

(i) Gravitational potential outside the shell ($r > R$)

$$V_{out} = -\frac{Gm}{r} = -\frac{Gm}{(\text{distance from centre})}$$

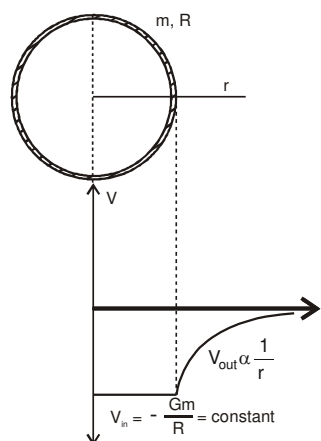
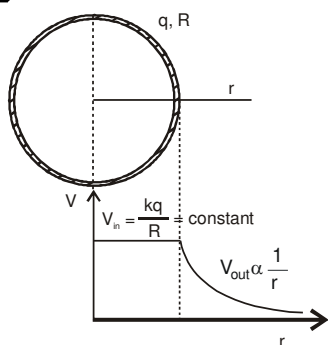
(ii) Gravitational Potential at the surface of the shell ($r = R$)

$$V_{surface} = -\frac{Gm}{R} = -\frac{Gm}{(\text{radius of the sphere})}$$

(iii) Gravitational Potential inside the shell ($r < R$)

$$V_{in} = -\frac{Gm}{R} = -\frac{Gm}{(\text{radius of the sphere})}$$





Electric potential due to a uniformly charged solid sphere

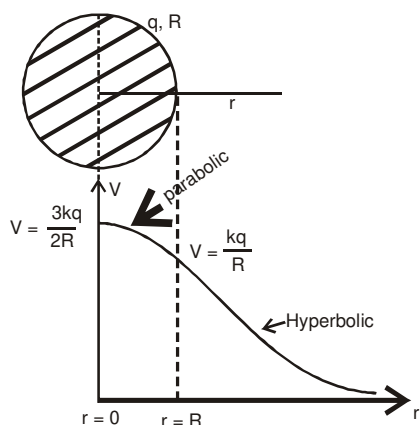
- (i) Potential at outside point ($r > R$)

$$V_{\text{out}} = \frac{kq}{r} = \frac{kq}{(\text{distance from centre})}$$
- (ii) Potential at the surface of sphere ($r = R$) :-

$$V_{\text{surface}} = \frac{kq}{R} = \frac{kq}{(\text{radius of the sphere})}$$
- (iii) Potential at a point inside the sphere ($r < R$)

$$V_{\text{in}} = \frac{kq}{2R^3} (3R^2 - r^2)$$
- (iv) Potential at centre ($r = 0$)

$$V_{\text{centre}} = \frac{3kq}{2R}$$



Gravitational potential due to a uniform solid sphere.

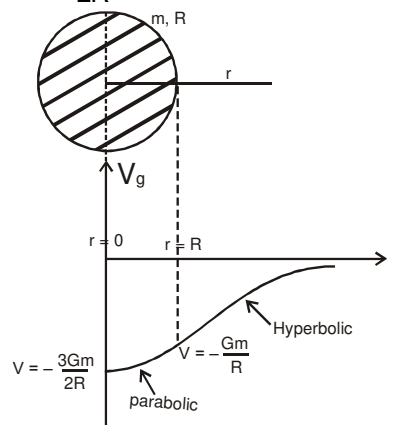
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- (iii) Gravitational potential at a point inside the sphere

$$V_{\text{in}} = -\frac{Gm}{2R^3} (3R^2 - r^2)$$
- (iv) Gravitational potential at the centre ($r = 0$)

$$V_{\text{centre}} = -\frac{3Gm}{2R}$$



Field – potential relation :

$$E = -\frac{dV}{dr}$$

If V depends on x, y, z

$$\text{then } \vec{E} = -\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \hat{k}\right)$$

$$g = -\frac{dV_g}{dr}$$

If V_g depends on x, y, z then

$$\vec{g} = -\left(\frac{\partial V_g}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial V_g}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial V_g}{\partial z} \hat{k}\right)$$





If a charge q_0 is placed in electrical potential V . Then electrical potential energy of the charge

$$U = q_0 V$$

Self electrostatics potential energy of a uniformly charged thin spherical shell is

$$U_{\text{self}} = \frac{Kq^2}{2R}$$

Electrostatic self potential energy of a uniformly charged solid sphere is

$$U_{\text{self}} = \frac{3Kq^2}{5R}$$

If a point mass m_0 is placed in gravitational potential V_g , then the gravitational potential energy of the charge.

$$U_g = (m_0) (V_g)$$

Self gravitational potential energy of a thin uniform spherical shell is

$$(U_g)_{\text{self}} = -\frac{GM^2}{2R}$$

Self gravitational potential energy of a uniform solid sphere is

$$U_{\text{self}} = -\frac{3GM^2}{5R}$$



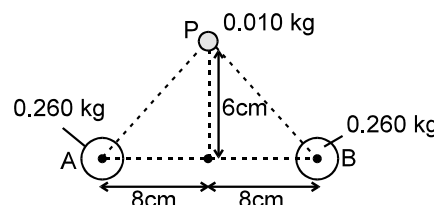
Exercise-1

Marked Questions can be used as Revision Questions.

PART - I : SUBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

Section (A) : Universal law of gravitation

- A-1.** The typical adult human brain has a mass of about 1.4 kg. What force does a full moon exert on such a brain when it is directly above with its centre 378000 km away? (Mass of the moon = 7.34×10^{22} kg)
- A-2.** Two uniform solid spheres of same material and same radius 'r' are touching each other. If the density is ' ρ ' then find out gravitational force between them.
- A-3.** Two uniform spheres, each of mass 0.260 kg are fixed at points 'A' and 'B' as shown in the figure. Find the magnitude and direction of the initial acceleration of a sphere with mass 0.010 kg if it is released from rest at point 'P' and acted only by forces of gravitational attraction of sphere at 'A' and 'B' (give your answer in terms of G).

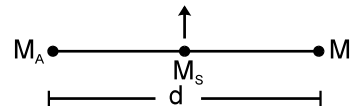


Section (B) : Gravitational field and potential

- B-1.** The gravitational potential in a region is given by $V = (20x + 40y)$ J/kg. Find out the gravitational field (in newton/kg) at a point having co-ordinates (2, 4). Also find out the magnitude of the gravitational force on a particle of 0.250 kg placed at the point (2, 4).
- B-2.** Radius of the earth is 6.4×10^6 m and the mean density is 5.5×10^3 kg/m³. Find out the gravitational potential at the earth's surface.

Section (C) : Gravitational Potential Energy and Self Energy

- C-1.** A body which is initially at rest at a height R above the surface of the earth of radius R, falls freely towards the earth. Find out its velocity on reaching the surface of earth. (Take g = acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the Earth).
- C-2.** Two planets A and B are fixed at a distance d from each other as shown in the figure. If the mass of A is M_A and that of B is M_B , then find out the minimum velocity of a satellite of mass M_s projected from the mid point of two planets to infinity.



Section (D) : Kepler's law for Satellites, Orbital speed and Escape speed

- D-1.** A satellite is established in a circular orbit of radius r and another in a circular orbit of radius 1.01 r. How much nearly percentage the time period of second-satellite will be larger than the first satellite.
- D-2.** Two identical stars of mass M, orbit around their centre of mass. Each orbit is circular and has radius R, so that the two stars are always on opposite sides on a diameter.
- Find the gravitational force of one star on the other.
 - Find the orbital speed of each star and the period of the orbit.
 - Find their common angular speed.
 - Find the minimum energy that would be required to separate the two stars to infinity.
 - If a meteorite passes through this centre of mass perpendicular to the orbital plane of the stars. What value must its speed exceed at that point if it escapes to infinity from the star system?
- D-3.** Two earth satellites A and B each of equal mass are to be launched into circular orbits about earth's centre. Satellite 'A' is to orbit at an altitude of 6400 km and B at 19200 km. The radius of the earth is 6400 km. Determine-
- the ratio of the potential energy
 - the ratio of kinetic energy
 - which one has the greater total energy
- D-4.** The Saturn is about six times farther from the Sun than The Mars. Which planet has :
- the greater period of revolution ?
 - the greater orbital speed and
 - the greater angular speed ?



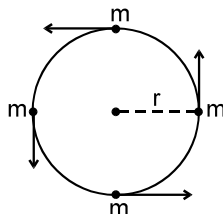
Section (E) : The Earth and Other Planets Gravity

- E-1.** The acceleration due to gravity at a height $(1/20)$ th the radius of the earth above earth's surface is 9 m/s^2 . Find out its approximate value at a point at an equal distance below the surface of the earth.
- E-2.** If a pendulum has a period of exactly 1.00 sec. at the equator, what would be its period at the south pole ? Assume the earth to be spherical and rotational effect of the Earth is to be taken.

PART - II : ONLY ONE OPTION CORRECT TYPE

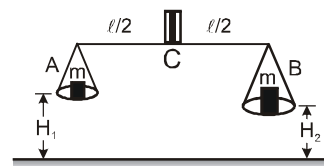
Section (A) : Universal law of gravitation

- A-1.** Four similar particles of mass m are orbiting in a circle of radius r in the same direction and same speed because of their mutual gravitational attractive force as shown in the figure. Speed of a particle is given by



- (A) $\left[\frac{Gm}{r} \left(\frac{1+2\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ (B) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{Gm}{r}}$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{r} (1+2\sqrt{2})}$ (D) zero

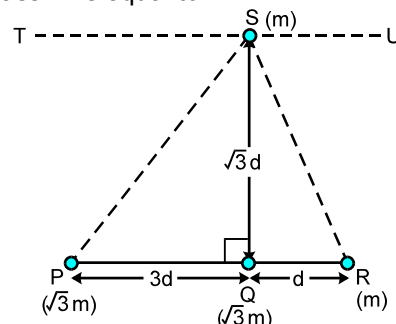
- A-2.** Two blocks of masses m each are hung from a balance as shown in the figure. The scale pan A is at height H_1 whereas scale pan B is at height H_2 . Net torque of weights acting on the system about point 'C', will be (length of the rod is ℓ and H_1 & H_2 are $\ll R$) ($H_1 > H_2$)



- (A) $mg \left(\frac{1-2H_1}{R} \right) \ell$ (B) $\frac{mg}{R} (H_1 - H_2) \ell$ (C) $\frac{2mg}{R} (H_1 + H_2) \ell$ (D) $2mg \frac{H_2 H_1}{H_1 + H_2} \ell$

- A-3.** Three particles P, Q and R are placed as per given figure. Masses of P, Q and R are $\sqrt{3}m$, $\sqrt{3}m$ and m respectively. The gravitational force on a fourth particle 'S' of mass m is equal to

- (A) $\frac{\sqrt{3}GM^2}{2d^2}$ in ST direction only
 (B) $\frac{\sqrt{3}Gm^2}{2d^2}$ in SQ direction and $\frac{\sqrt{3}Gm^2}{2d^2}$ in SU direction
 (C) $\frac{\sqrt{3}Gm^2}{2d^2}$ in SQ direction only
 (D) $\frac{\sqrt{3}Gm^2}{2d^2}$ in SQ direction and $\frac{\sqrt{3}Gm^2}{2d^2}$ in ST direction



- A-4.** Three identical stars of mass M are located at the vertices of an equilateral triangle with side L . The speed at which they will move if they all revolve under the influence of one another's gravitational force in a circular orbit circumscribing the triangle while still preserving the equilateral triangle:

- (A) $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{L}}$ (B) $\sqrt{\frac{GM}{L}}$ (C) $2\sqrt{\frac{GM}{L}}$ (D) not possible at all

Section (B) : Gravitational field and potential

- B-1.** Let gravitational field in a space be given as $E = -(k/r)$. If the reference point is at distance d_i where potential is V_i then relation for potential is :

- (A) $V = k \ln \frac{1}{V_i} + 0$ (B) $V = k \ln \frac{r}{d_i} + V_i$ (C) $V = \ln \frac{r}{d_i} + kV_i$ (D) $V = \ln \frac{r}{d_i} + \frac{V_i}{k}$



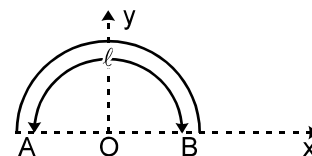
- B-2.** Gravitational field at the centre of a semicircle formed by a thin wire AB of mass m and length ℓ as shown in the figure is :

(A) $\frac{Gm}{\ell^2}$ along +x axis

(B) $\frac{Gm}{\pi\ell^2}$ along +y axis

(C) $\frac{2\pi Gm}{\ell^2}$ along +x axis

(D) $\frac{2\pi Gm}{\ell^2}$ along +y axis



- B-3.** A very large number of particles of same mass m are kept at horizontal distances of 1m, 2m, 4m, 8m and so on from (0, 0) point. The total gravitational potential at this point (0, 0) is :
 (A) $-8Gm$ (B) $-3Gm$ (C) $-4Gm$ (D) $-2Gm$

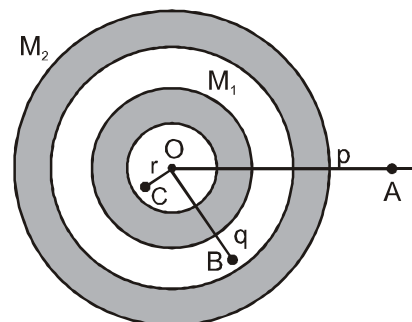
- B-4.** Two concentric shells of uniform density of mass M_1 and M_2 are situated as shown in the figure. The forces experienced by a particle of mass m when placed at positions A, B and C respectively are (given $OA = p$, $OB = q$ and $OC = r$).

(A) zero, $G \frac{M_1 m}{q^2}$ and $G \frac{(M_1 + M_2)m}{p^2}$

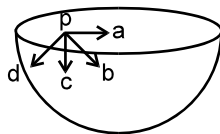
(B) $G \frac{(M_1 + M_2)m}{p^2}$, $G \frac{(M_1 + M_2)m}{q^2}$ and $G \frac{M_1 m}{r^2}$

(C) $G \frac{M_1 m}{q^2}$, $G \frac{M_1 m}{q^2}$ and zero

(D) $G \frac{(M_1 + M_2)m}{p^2}$, $G \frac{M_1 m}{q^2}$ and zero



- B-5.** Figure show a hemispherical shell having uniform mass density. The direction of gravitational field intensity at point P will be along:



(A) a

(B) b

(C) c

(D) d

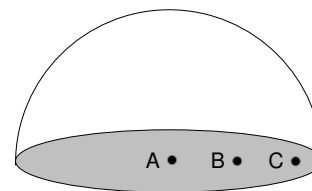
- B-6.** Mass M is uniformly distributed only on curved surface of a thin hemispherical shell. A, B and C are three points on the circular base of hemisphere, such that A is the centre. Let the gravitational potential at points A, B and C be V_A , V_B , V_C respectively. Then :

(A) $V_A > V_B > V_C$

(B) $V_C > V_B > V_A$

(C) $V_B > V_A$ and $V_B > V_C$

(D) $V_A = V_B = V_C$



Section (C) : Gravitational Potential Energy and Self Energy

- C-1.** A body starts from rest at a point, distance R_0 from the centre of the earth of mass M , radius R . The velocity acquired by the body when it reaches the surface of the earth will be

(A) $\sqrt{GM \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R_0} \right)}$

(B) $\sqrt{3GM \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R_0} \right)}$

(C) $\sqrt{2GM \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R_0} \right)}$

(D) $2\sqrt{GM \left(\frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R_0} \right)}$

- C-2.** Three equal masses each of mass ' m ' are placed at the three-corners of an equilateral triangle of side ' a '.
 (a) If a fourth particle of equal mass is placed at the centre of triangle, then net force acting on it, is equal to :

(A) $\frac{Gm^2}{a^2}$

(B) $\frac{4Gm^2}{3a^2}$

(C) $\frac{3Gm^2}{a^2}$

(D) zero

- (b) In above problem, if fourth particle is at the mid-point of a side, then net force acting on it, is equal to:

(A) $\frac{Gm^2}{a^2}$

(B) $\frac{4Gm^2}{3a^2}$

(C) $\frac{3Gm^2}{a^2}$

(D) zero



- (c) If above given three particles system of equilateral triangle side a is to be changed to side of $2a$, then work done on the system is equal to :

(A) $\frac{3Gm^2}{a}$ (B) $\frac{3Gm^2}{2a}$ (C) $\frac{4Gm^2}{3a}$ (D) $\frac{Gm^2}{a}$

- (d) In the above given three particle system, if two particles are kept fixed and third particle is released. Then speed of the particle when it reaches to the mid-point of the side connecting other two masses:

(A) $\sqrt{\frac{2Gm}{a}}$ (B) $2\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{a}}$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{a}}$ (D) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{2a}}$

Section : (D) Kepler's law for Satellites, Orbital Velocity and Escape Velocity

- D-1. Periodic-time of satellite revolving around the earth is - (ρ is density of earth)

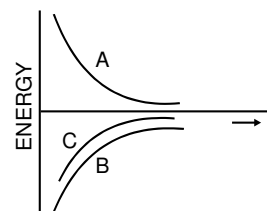
(A) Proportional to $\frac{1}{\rho}$ (B) Proportional to $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\rho}}$ (C) Proportional ρ (D) does not depend on ρ .

- D-2. An artificial satellite of the earth releases a package. If air resistance is neglected the point where the package will hit (with respect to the position at the time of release) will be

(A) ahead (B) exactly below (C) behind (D) it will never reach the earth

- D-3. The figure shows the variation of energy with the orbit radius of a body in circular planetary motion. Find the correct statement about the curves A, B and C :

- (A) A shows the kinetic energy, B the total energy and C the potential energy of the system
 (B) C shows the total energy, B the kinetic energy and A the potential energy of the system
 (C) C and A are kinetic and potential energies respectively and B is the total energy of the system
 (D) A and B are the kinetic and potential energies respectively and C is the total energy of the system.



- D-4. A planet of mass m revolves around the sun of mass M in an elliptical orbit. The minimum and maximum distance of the planet from the sun are r_1 & r_2 respectively. If the minimum velocity of the planet is $\sqrt{\frac{2GMr_1}{(r_1 + r_2)r_2}}$ then it's maximum velocity will be :

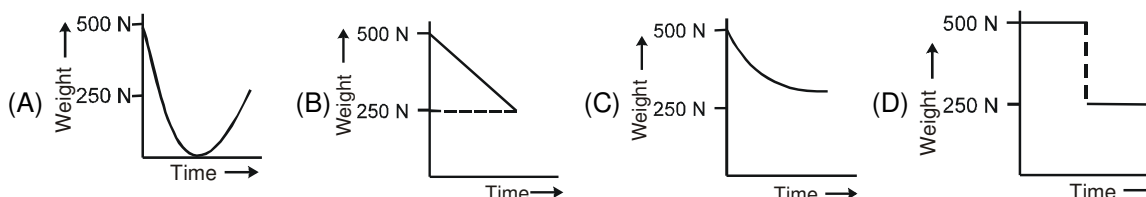
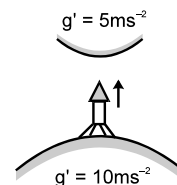
(A) $\sqrt{\frac{2GMr_2}{(r_1 + r_2)r_1}}$ (B) $g\sqrt{\frac{2GMr_1}{(r_1 + r_2)r_2}}$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{2GMr_2}{(r_1 + r_2)r_1}}$ (D) $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{r_1 + r_2}}$

- D-5. The escape velocity for a body projected vertically upwards from the surface of earth is 11 km/s. If the body is projected at an angle of 45° with the vertical, the escape velocity will be : [AIEEE2003, 4/300]

(A) $11\sqrt{2}$ km/s (B) 22 km/s (C) 11 km/s (D) $11/\sqrt{2}$ m/s

Section (E) : Earth and Other Planets Gravity

- E-1. If acceleration due to gravity on the surface of earth is 10 ms^{-2} and let acceleration due to gravitational acceleration at surface of another planet of our solar system be 5 ms^{-2} . An astronaut weighing 50 kg on earth goes to this planet in a spaceship with a constant velocity. The weight of the astronaut with time of flight is roughly given by





PART - III : MATCH THE COLUMN

1. A particle is taken to a distance r ($> R$) from centre of the earth. R is radius of the earth. It is given velocity V which is perpendicular to radius. With the given values of V in column I you have to match the values of total energy of particle in column II and the resultant path of particle in column III. Here ' G ' is the universal gravitational constant and ' M ' is the mass of the earth.

Column I (Velocity)

- (A) $V = \sqrt{GM/r}$
 (B) $V = \sqrt{2GM/r}$
 (C) $V > \sqrt{2GM/r}$
 (D) $\sqrt{GM/r} < V < \sqrt{2GM/r}$

Column II (Total energy)

- (p) Negative
 (q) Positive
 (r) Zero
 (s) Infinite

Column III (Path)

- (t) Elliptical
 (u) Parabolic
 (v) Hyperbolic
 (w) Circular

2. Let V and E denote the gravitational potential and gravitational field respectively at a point due to certain uniform mass distribution described in four different situations of column-I. Assume the gravitational potential at infinity to be zero. The value of E and V are given in column-II. Match the statement in column-I with results in column-II.

Column-I

- (A) At centre of thin spherical shell
 (B) At centre of solid sphere
 (C) A solid sphere has a non-concentric spherical cavity. At the centre of the spherical cavity
 (D) At centre of line joining two point masses of equal magnitude

Column-II

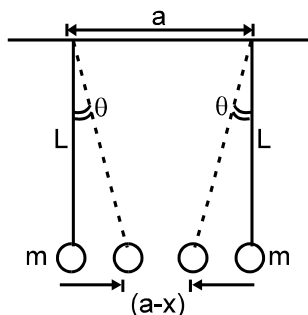
- (p) $E = 0$
 (q) $E \neq 0$
 (r) $V \neq 0$
 (s) $V = 0$

Exercise-2

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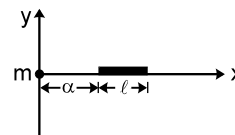
PART - I : ONLY ONE OPTION CORRECT TYPE

1. Two small balls of mass m each are suspended side by side by two equal threads of length L as shown in the figure. If the distance between the upper ends of the threads be a , the angle θ that the threads will make with the vertical due to attraction between the balls is :



- (A) $\tan^{-1} \frac{(a-x)g}{mG}$ (B) $\tan^{-1} \frac{mG}{(a-x)^2 g}$ (C) $\tan^{-1} \frac{(a-x)^2 g}{mG}$ (D) $\tan^{-1} \frac{(a^2 - x^2)g}{mG}$

2. A straight rod of length ℓ extends from $x = \alpha$ to $x = \ell + \alpha$ as shown in the figure. If the mass per unit length is $(a + bx^2)$. The gravitational force it exerts on a point mass m placed at $x = 0$ is given by

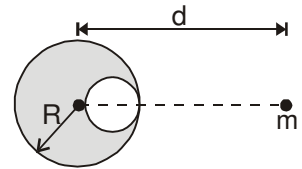


- (A) $Gm \left(a \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\alpha + \ell} \right) + b\ell \right)$ (B) $\frac{Gm(a + bx^2)}{\ell^2}$
 (C) $Gm \left(\alpha \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{a + \ell} \right) + b\ell \right)$ (D) $Gm \left(a \left(\frac{1}{\alpha + \ell} - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) + b\ell \right)$



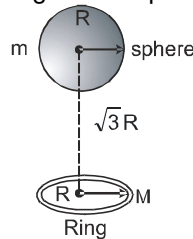


3. A spherical hollow cavity is made in a lead sphere of radius R , such that its surface touches the outside surface of the lead sphere and passes through its centre. The mass of the sphere before hollowing was M . With what gravitational force will the hollowed-out lead sphere attract a small sphere of mass ' m ', which lies at a distance d from the centre of the lead sphere on the straight line connecting the centres of the spheres and that of the hollow, if $d = 2R$:



- (A) $\frac{7GMm}{18R^2}$ (B) $\frac{7GMm}{36R^2}$ (C) $\frac{7GMm}{9R^2}$ (D) $\frac{7GMm}{72R^2}$

4. A uniform ring of mass M is lying at a distance $\sqrt{3}R$ from the centre of a uniform sphere of mass m just below the sphere as shown in the figure where R is the radius of the ring as well as that of the sphere. Then gravitational force exerted by the ring on the sphere is :



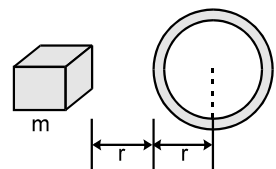
- (A) $\frac{GMm}{8R^2}$ (B) $\frac{GMm}{3R^2}$ (C) $\sqrt{3} \frac{GMm}{R^2}$ (D) $\sqrt{3} \frac{GMm}{8R^2}$

5. The gravitational potential of two homogeneous spherical shells A and B (separated by large distance) of same surface mass density at their respective centres are in the ratio 3 : 4. If the two shells coalesce into single one such that surface mass density remains same, then the ratio of potential at an internal point of the new shell to shell A is equal to :

- (A) 3 : 2 (B) 4 : 3 (C) 5 : 3 (D) 3 : 5

6. A block of mass m is lying at a distance r from a spherical shell of mass m and radius r as shown in the figure. Then

- (A) only gravitational field inside the shell is zero
(B) gravitational field and gravitational potential both are zero inside the shell
(C) gravitational potential as well as gravitational field inside the shell are not zero
(D) can't be ascertained.



7. In a spherical region, the density varies inversely with the distance from the centre. Gravitational field at a distance r from the centre is :

- (A) proportional to r (B) proportional to $1/r$ (C) proportional to r^2 (D) same everywhere

8. In above problem, the gravitational potential is -

- (A) linearly dependent on r (B) proportional to $1/r$
(C) proportional to r^2 (D) same everywhere.

9. A body of mass m is lifted up from the surface of earth to a height three times the radius of the earth. The change in potential energy of the body is (g = gravity field at the surface of the earth)

- (A) mgR (B) $3/4 mgR$ (C) $1/3 mgR$ (D) $2/3 mgR$

10. A point P lies on the axis of a fixed ring of mass M and radius R , at a distance $2R$ from its centre O . A small particle starts from P and reaches O under gravitational attraction only. Its speed at O will be :

- (A) zero (B) $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}}$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}(\sqrt{5}-1)}$ (D) $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}})}$

11. A projectile is fired from the surface of earth of radius R with a speed kv_e in radially outward direction (where v_e is the escape velocity and $k < 1$). Neglecting air resistance, the maximum height from centre of earth is :

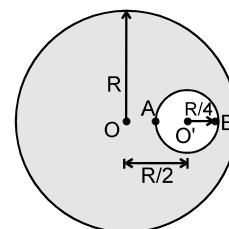
- (A) $\frac{R}{k^2+1}$ (B) $k^2 R$ (C) $\frac{R}{1-k^2}$ (D) kR



12. A satellite can be in a geostationary orbit around a planet at a distance r from the centre of the planet. If the angular velocity of the planet about its axis doubles, a satellite can now be in a geostationary orbit around the planet if its distance from the centre of the planet is :
- (A) $\frac{r}{2}$ (B) $\frac{r}{2\sqrt{2}}$ (C) $\frac{r}{(4)^{1/3}}$ (D) $\frac{r}{(2)^{1/3}}$
13. A geostationary satellite orbits around the earth in a circular orbit of radius 36000 km. Then, the time period of a spy satellite orbiting a few hundred kilometers above the earth's surface ($R_{\text{Earth}} = 6400$ km) will approximately be : [JEE (Scr) 2002, 3/84]
- (A) 1/2 hr (B) 1 hr (C) 2 hr (D) 4 hr
14. A satellite of mass m revolves around earth of radius R at a height x from its surface. If g is the acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the earth, the orbital speed of the satellite is : [AIEEE2004, 4/300]
- (A) gx (B) $\frac{gR}{R-x}$ (C) $\frac{gR^2}{R+x}$ (D) $\left(\frac{gR^2}{R+x}\right)^{1/2}$
15. If Newton's inverse square law of gravitation had some dependence on radial distance other than r^{-2} , which one of Kepler's three laws of planetary motion would remain unchanged? [Olympiad (Stage-1) 2017]
- (A) First law on nature of orbits
(B) Second law on constant areal velocity
(C) Third law on dependence of orbital time period on orbit's semi major axis
(D) None of the above
16. Assuming that the moon is a sphere of the same mean density as that of the earth and one quarter of its radius, the length of a second's pendulum on the moon (its length on the earth's surface is 99.2 cm) is
- (A) 24.8 cm (B) 49.6 cm (C) 99.2 (D) $\frac{99.2}{\sqrt{2}}$ cm

PART - II : NUMERICAL QUESTIONS

1. The two stars in a certain binary star system move in circular orbits. The first star, α moves in an orbit of radius 1.00×10^9 km. The other star, β moves in an orbit of radius 5.00×10^8 km. What is the ratio of masses of star β to the star α ?
2. Our sun, with mass 2×10^{30} kg revolves on the edge of our Milky Way galaxy, which can be assumed to be spherical, having radius 10^{20} m. Also assume that many stars, identical to our sun are uniformly distributed in the spherical Milky Way galaxy. If the time period of the sun is 10^{15} second and number of stars in the galaxy are nearly $3 \times 10^{(a)}$, find value of 'a' (take $\pi^2 = 10$, $G = 20/3 \times 10^{-11}$ in MKS)
3. The gravitational field in a region is given by $\vec{E}(3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j})$ N/kg. Find out the work done (in joule) in displacing a particle of mass 1 kg by 1 m along the line $4y = 3x + 9$.
4. In a solid sphere of radius 'R' and density ' ρ ' there is a spherical cavity of radius $R/4$ as shown in figure. A particle of mass 'm' is released from rest from point 'B' (inside the cavity). Find out Velocity (in mm/sec.) of the particle at the instant when it strikes the cavity ($R = 3$ m, $\rho = \frac{10}{\pi} \times 10^3$ kg/m³, $G = \frac{20}{3} \times 10^{-11}$ Nm²kg⁻²)
5. If g is the acceleration due to gravity on the earth's surface, the gain in the potential energy of an object of mass m raised from the surface of the earth to a height equal to the radius R of the earth $\frac{NmgR}{2}$ is. Find the value of N :





6. A ring of radius $R = 8\text{m}$ is made of a highly dense-material. Mass of the ring is $m_R = 2.7 \times 10^9\text{ kg}$ distributed uniformly over its circumference. A particle of mass (dense) $m_p = 3 \times 10^8\text{ kg}$ is placed on the axis of the ring at a distance $x_0 = 6\text{m}$ from the centre. Neglect all other forces except gravitational interaction. Determine speed (in cm/sec.) of the particle at the instant when it passes through centre of ring.
7. Assume earth to be a sphere of uniform mass density. The energy needed to completely disassemble the planet earth against the gravitational pull amongst its constituent particles is $x \times 10^{31}\text{ J}$. Find the value of x , given the product of mass of earth and radius of earth to be $2.5 \times 10^{31}\text{ kg-m}$ and $g = 10\text{ m/s}^2$.
[JEE 1992, 10 Part (b)]
8. A projectile is fired vertically up from the bottom of a crater (big hole) on the moon. The depth of the crater is $R/100$, where R is the radius of the moon. If the initial velocity of the projectile is the same as the escape velocity from the moon surface. The maximum approximate height attained by the projectile above the lunar (moon) surface is xR . Find value of x .
[JEE 2003 (Main), 4/60]
9. The time period of a satellite of earth is 5 hours. If the separation between the earth and the satellite is increased to 4 times the previous value, the new time period becomes (in hrs).
[AIEEE 2003, 4/300]
10. If the radius of earth is R and height of a satellite above earth's surface is R then find the minimum co-latitude (in degree) which can directly receive a signal from satellite. (Satellite is in equatorial plane)

PART - III : ONE OR MORE THAN ONE OPTIONS CORRECT TYPE

1. A double star is a system of two stars of masses m and $2m$, rotating about their centre of mass only under their mutual gravitational attraction. If r is the separation between these two stars then their time period of rotation about their centre of mass will be proportional to
(A) $r^{3/2}$ (B) r (C) $m^{1/2}$ (D) $m^{-1/2}$
2. Inside an isolated uniform spherical shell :
(A) The gravitation potential is not zero (B) The gravitational field is not zero
(C) The gravitational potential is same everywhere (D) The gravitational field is same everywhere.
3. A tunnel is dug along a chord of the earth at a perpendicular distance $R/2$ from the earth's centre. The wall of the tunnel may be assumed to be frictionless. A particle is released from one end of the tunnel. The pressing force by the particle on the wall and the acceleration of the particle varies with x (distance of the particle from the centre) according to :
- (A)

(B)
- (C)

(D)
4. In case of earth :
(A) Gravitational field is zero, both at centre and infinity
(B) Gravitational potential is zero, both at centre and infinity
(C) Gravitational potential is same, both at centre and infinity but not zero
(D) Gravitational potential is minimum at the centre
5. For a satellite to appear stationary w.r.t. an observer on earth
(A) It must be rotating about the earth's axis.
(B) It must be rotating in the equatorial plane.
(C) Its angular velocity must be from west to east.
(D) Its time period must be 24 hours.



6. Which of the following statements are correct about a planet rotating around the sun in an elliptic orbit:
 (A) its mechanical energy is constant
 (B) its angular momentum about the sun is constant
 (C) its areal velocity about the sun is constant
 (D) its time period is proportional to r^3
7. A planet revolving around sun in an elliptical orbit has a constant
 (A) kinetic energy (B) angular momentum about the sun
 (C) potential energy (D) Total energy
8. A satellite close to the earth is in orbit above the equator with a period of revolution of 1.5 hours. If it is above a point P on the equator at some time, it will be above P again after time :
 (A) 1.5 hours
 (B) 1.6 hours if it is rotating from west to east
 (C) 24/17 hours if it is rotating from east to west
 (D) 24/17 hours if it is rotating from west to east
9. If a body is projected with speed lesser than escape velocity :
 (A) the body can reach a certain height and may fall down following a straight line path
 (B) the body can reach a certain height and may fall down following a parabolic path
 (C) the body may orbit the earth in a circular orbit
 (D) the body may orbit the earth in an elliptic orbit
10. An orbiting satellite in circular orbit will escape if :
 (A) its speed is increased by $(\sqrt{2} - 1)$
 (B) its speed in the orbit is made $\sqrt{1.5}$ times of its initial value
 (C) its KE is doubled
 (D) it stops moving in the orbit
11. In case of an orbiting satellite if the radius of orbit is decreased :
 (A) its Kinetic Energy decreases (B) its Potential Energy decreases
 (C) its Mechanical Energy decreases (D) its speed decreases
12. An object is weighed at the equator by a beam balance and a spring balance, giving readings W_b and W_s respectively. It is again weighed in the same manner at the north pole, giving readings of W_b' and W_s' respectively. Assume that intensity of earth gravitational field is the same every where on the earth's surface and that the balances are quite sensitive.
 (A) $W_b = W_b'$ (B) $W_b = W_s$ (C) $W_b' = W_s'$ (D) $W_s' > W_s$

PART - IV : COMPREHENSION

Comprehension-1

A pair of stars rotates about their center of mass. One of the stars has a mass M and the other has mass m such that $M = 2m$. The distance between the centres of the stars is d (d being large compared to the size of either star).

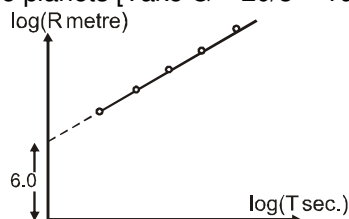
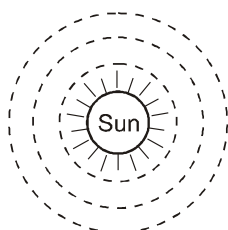
1. The period of rotation of the stars about their common centre of mass (in terms of d , m , G .) is
 (A) $\sqrt{\frac{4\pi^2}{Gm}} d^3$ (B) $\sqrt{\frac{8\pi^2}{Gm}} d^3$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{2\pi^2}{3Gm}} d^3$ (D) $\sqrt{\frac{4\pi^2}{3Gm}} d^3$
2. The ratio of the angular momentum of the two stars about their common centre of mass (L_m/L_M) is
 (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 4 (D) 9
3. The ratio of kinetic energies of the two stars (K_m/K_M) is
 (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 4 (D) 9



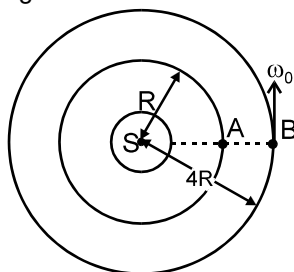
Comprehension-2

Many planets are revolving around the fixed sun, in circular orbits of different radius (R) and different time period (T). To estimate the mass of the sun, the orbital radius (R) and time period (T) of planets were noted. Then $\log_{10} T$ v/s $\log_{10} R$ curve was plotted.

The curve was found to be approximately straight line (as shown in figure) having y intercept = 6.0 (Neglect the gravitational interaction among the planets [Take $G = 20/3 \times 10^{-11}$ in MKS, $\pi^2 = 10$])



4. The slope of the line should be :
 (A) 1 (B) $3/2$ (C) $2/3$ (D) $19/4$
5. Estimate the mass of the sun :
 (A) 6×10^{29} kg (B) 5×10^{20} kg (C) 8×10^{25} kg (D) 3×10^{35} kg
6. Two planets A and B, having orbital radius R and 4R are initially at the closest position and rotating in the same direction. If angular velocity of planet B is ω_0 , then after how much time will both the planets be again in the closest position? (Neglect the interaction between planets).



- (A) $\frac{2\pi}{7\omega_0}$ (B) $\frac{2\pi}{9\omega_0}$ (C) $\frac{2\pi}{\omega_0}$ (D) $\frac{2\pi}{5\omega_0}$

Comprehension-3

An artificial satellite is moving in a circular orbit around the earth with a speed equal to half the magnitude of escape velocity from the surface of earth. R is the radius of earth and g is acceleration due to gravity at the surface of earth. (R = 6400 km)

7. Then the distance of satellite from the surface of earth is
 (A) 3200 km (B) 6400 km (C) 12800 km (D) 4800 km
8. The time period of revolution of satellite in the given orbit is
 (A) $2\pi\sqrt{\frac{2R}{g}}$ (B) $2\pi\sqrt{\frac{4R}{g}}$ (C) $2\pi\sqrt{\frac{8R}{g}}$ (D) $2\pi\sqrt{\frac{6R}{g}}$
9. If the satellite is stopped suddenly in its orbit and allowed to fall freely onto the earth, the speed with which it hits the surface of the earth.
 (A) \sqrt{gR} (B) $\sqrt{1.5gR}$ (C) $\sqrt{\frac{gR}{2}}$ (D) $\sqrt{\frac{gR}{\sqrt{2}}}$



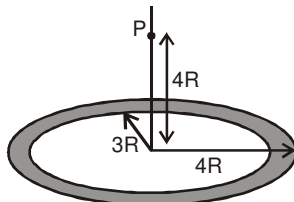
Exercise-3

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* Marked Questions may have more than one correct option.

PART - I : JEE (ADVANCED) / IIT-JEE PROBLEMS (PREVIOUS YEARS)

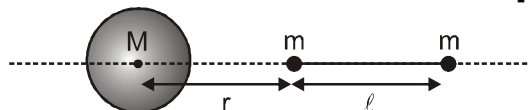
1. A thin uniform annular disc (see figure) of mass M has outer radius $4R$ and inner radius $3R$. The work required to take a unit mass from point P on its axis to infinity is : [JEE 2010; 3/163, -1]



- (A) $\frac{2GM}{7R}(4\sqrt{2}-5)$ (B) $-\frac{2GM}{7R}(4\sqrt{2}-5)$ (C) $\frac{GM}{4R}$ (D) $\frac{2GM}{5R}(\sqrt{2}-1)$
2. A binary star consists of two stars A (mass $2.2 M_s$) and B (mass $11 M_s$) where M_s is the mass of the sun. They are separated by distance d and are rotating about their centre of mass, which is stationary. The ratio of the total angular momentum of the binary star to the angular momentum of star B about the centre of mass is : [JEE 2010; 3/163]
3. Gravitational acceleration on the surface of a planet is $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{11}g$, where g is the gravitational acceleration on the surface of the earth. The average mass density of the planet is $\frac{2}{3}$ times that of the earth. If the escape speed on the surface of the earth is taken to be 11 kms^{-1} , the escape speed on the surface of the planet in kms^{-1} will be : [JEE 2010; 3/163]
4. A satellite is moving with a constant speed ' V ' in a circular orbit about the earth. An object of mass ' m ' is ejected from the satellite such that it just escapes from the gravitational pull of the earth. At the time of its ejection, the kinetic energy of the object is : [JEE 2011; 3/160, -1]
- (A) $\frac{1}{2}mV^2$ (B) mV^2 (C) $\frac{3}{2}mV^2$ (D) $2mV^2$
5. Two spherical planets P and Q have the same uniform density ρ , masses M_P and M_Q , with surface areas A and $4A$, respectively. A spherical planet R also has uniform density ρ and its mass is $(M_P + M_Q)$. The escape velocities from the planets P, Q and R, are V_P , V_Q and V_R respectively. Then [IIT-JEE 2012; Paper-2; 4/66]
- (A) $V_Q > V_R > V_P$ (B) $V_R > V_Q > V_P$ (C) $V_R/V_P = 3$ (D) $V_P/V_Q = 1/2$
6. Two bodies, each of mass M , are kept fixed with a separation $2L$. A particle of mass m is projected from the midpoint of the line joining their centres, perpendicular to the line. The gravitational constant is G . The correct statement(s) is (are) : [JEE (Advanced) 2013; 3/60, -1]
- (A) The minimum initial velocity of the mass m to escape the gravitational field of the two bodies is $4\sqrt{\frac{GM}{L}}$.
- (B) The minimum initial velocity of the mass m to escape the gravitational field of the two bodies is $2\sqrt{\frac{GM}{L}}$.
- (C) The minimum initial velocity of the mass m to escape the gravitational field of the two bodies is $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{L}}$.
- (D) The energy of the mass m remains constant.
7. A planet of radius $R = \frac{1}{10} \times (\text{radius of Earth})$ has the same mass density as Earth. Scientists dig a well of depth $R/5$ on it and lower a wire of the same length and of linear mass density 10^{-3} kgm^{-1} into it. If the wire is not touching anywhere, the force applied at the top of the wire by a person holding it in place is (take the radius of Earth = $6 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ and the acceleration due to gravity on Earth is 10 ms^{-2}) [JEE (Advanced) 2014; 3/60, -1]
- (A) 96 N (B) 108 N (C) 120 N (D) 150 N



8. A Bullet is fired vertically upwards with velocity v from the surface of a spherical planet. When it reaches its maximum height, its acceleration due to the planet's gravity is $1/4^{\text{th}}$ of its value at the surface of the planet. If the escape velocity from the planet is $v_{\text{esc}} = v\sqrt{N}$, then the value of N is (ignore energy loss due to atmosphere): **[JEE (Advanced) 2015; P-1, 4/88]**
9. A large spherical mass M is fixed at one position and two identical point masses m are kept on a line passing through the centre of M (see figure). The point masses are connected by a rigid massless rod of length ℓ and this assembly is free to move along the line connecting them. All three masses interact only through their mutual gravitational interaction. When the point mass nearer to M is at a distance $r = 3\ell$ from M , the tension in the rod is zero for $m = k\left(\frac{M}{288}\right)$. The value of k is : **[JEE (Advanced) 2015; P-2, 4/88]**



- 10*. A spherical body of radius R consists of a fluid of constant density and is in equilibrium under its own gravity. If $P(r)$ is the pressure at $r (r < R)$, then the correct option(s) is (are): **[JEE (Advanced) 2015; P-2, 4/88, -2]**
- (A) $P(r = 0) = 0$ (B) $\frac{P(r = 3R/4)}{P(r = 2R/3)} = \frac{63}{80}$ (C) $\frac{P(r = 3R/5)}{P(r = 2R/5)} = \frac{16}{21}$ (D) $\frac{P(r = R/2)}{P(r = R/3)} = \frac{20}{27}$
11. A rocket is launched normal to the surface of the Earth, away from the Sun, along the line joining the Sun and the Earth. The Sun is 3×10^5 times heavier than the Earth and is at a distance 2.5×10^4 times larger than the radius of the Earth. The escape velocity from Earth's gravitational field is $v_e = 11.2 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. The minimum initial velocity (v_s) required for the rocket to be able to leave the Sun-Earth system is closest to : (Ignore the rotation and revolution of the Earth and the presence of any other planet) **[JEE (Advanced) 2017; P-2, 3/61, -1]**
- (A) $v_s = 72 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (B) $v_s = 22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (C) $v_s = 42 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (D) $v_s = 62 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

12. A planet of mass M , has two natural satellites with masses m_1 and m_2 . The radii of their circular orbits are R_1 and R_2 respectively. Ignore the gravitational force between the satellites. Define v_1 , L_1 , K_1 and T_1 to be, respectively, the orbital speed, angular momentum, kinetic energy and time period of revolution of satellite 1; and v_2 , L_2 , K_2 and T_2 to be the corresponding quantities of satellite 2. Given $m_1/m_2 = 2$ and $R_1/R_2 = 1/4$, match the ratios in List-I to the numbers in List-II.

List-I

- P. $\frac{v_1}{v_2}$
Q. $\frac{L_1}{L_2}$
R. $\frac{K_1}{K_2}$
S. $\frac{T_1}{T_2}$

List-II

1. $\frac{1}{8}$
2. 1
3. 2
4. 8

- (A) $P \rightarrow 4$; $Q \rightarrow 2$; $R \rightarrow 1$; $S \rightarrow 3$
(C) $P \rightarrow 2$; $Q \rightarrow 3$; $R \rightarrow 1$; $S \rightarrow 4$

- (B) $P \rightarrow 3$; $Q \rightarrow 2$; $R \rightarrow 4$; $S \rightarrow 1$
(D) $P \rightarrow 2$; $Q \rightarrow 3$; $R \rightarrow 4$; $S \rightarrow 1$

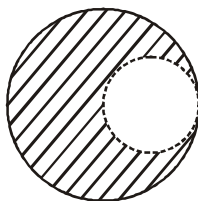
13. Consider a spherical gaseous cloud of mass density $\rho(r)$ in a free space where r is the radial distance from its centre. The gaseous cloud is made of particles of equal mass m moving in circular orbits about their common centre with the same kinetic energy K . The force acting on the particles is their mutual gravitational force. If $\rho(r)$ is constant in time. The particle number density $n(r) = \rho(r)/m$ is : (G = universal gravitational constant) **[JEE (Advanced) 2019; P-1, 3/60, -1]**

- (A) $\frac{K}{6\pi r^2 m^2 G}$ (B) $\frac{K}{\pi r^2 m^2 G}$ (C) $\frac{3K}{\pi r^2 m^2 G}$ (D) $\frac{K}{2\pi r^2 m^2 G}$



PART - II : JEE (MAIN) / AIEEE PROBLEMS (PREVIOUS YEARS)

1. Two bodies of masses m and $4m$ are placed at a distance r . The gravitational potential at a point on the line joining them where the gravitational field is zero is : [AIEEE 2011; 4/120, -1]
 (1) zero (2) $-\frac{4Gm}{r}$ (3) $-\frac{6Gm}{r}$ (4) $-\frac{9Gm}{r}$
2. Two particles of equal mass ' m ' go around a circle of radius R under the action of their mutual gravitational attraction. The speed of each particle with respect to their centre of mass is : [AIEEE 2011, 11 May; 4/120, -1]
 (1) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{4R}}$ (2) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{3R}}$ (3) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{2R}}$ (4) $\sqrt{\frac{Gm}{R}}$
3. The mass of a spaceship is 1000 kg. It is to be launched from the earth's surface out into free space. The value of ' g ' and ' R ' (radius of earth) are 10 m/s^2 and 6400 km respectively. The required energy for this work will be : [AIEEE 2012 ; 4/120, -1]
 (1) $6.4 \times 10^{11} \text{ Joules}$ (2) $6.4 \times 10^8 \text{ Joules}$ (3) $6.4 \times 10^9 \text{ Joules}$ (4) $6.4 \times 10^{10} \text{ Joules}$
4. What is the minimum energy required to launch a satellite of mass m from the surface of a planet of mass M and radius R in a circular orbit at an altitude of $2R$? [JEE (Main) 2013; 4/120]
 (1) $\frac{5GmM}{6R}$ (2) $\frac{2GmM}{3R}$ (3) $\frac{GmM}{2R}$ (4) $\frac{GmM}{3R}$
5. Four particles, each of mass M on vertices of a square, move along a circle of radius R under the action of their mutual gravitational attraction. The speed of each particle is : [JEE (Main) 2014; 4/120, -1]
 (1) $\sqrt{\frac{GM}{R}}$ (2) $\sqrt{2\sqrt{2} \frac{GM}{R}}$ (3) $\sqrt{\frac{GM}{R}(1+2\sqrt{2})}$ (4) $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{GM}{R}(1+2\sqrt{2})}$
6. From a solid sphere of mass M and radius R , a spherical portion of radius $R/2$ is removed, as shown in the figure. Taking gravitational potential $V = 0$ at $r = \infty$, the potential at the centre of the cavity thus formed is : (G = gravitational constant) [JEE (Main) 2015; 4/120, -1]



- (1) $\frac{-GM}{2R}$ (2) $\frac{-GM}{R}$ (3) $\frac{-2GM}{3R}$ (4) $\frac{-2GM}{R}$
7. A satellite is revolving in a circular orbit at a height ' h ' from the earth's surface (radius of earth R ; $h \ll R$). The minimum increase in its orbital velocity required, so that the satellite could escape from the earth's gravitational field, is close to : (Neglect the effect of atmosphere.) [JEE (Main) 2016; 4/120, -1]
 (1) \sqrt{gR} (2) $\sqrt{gR/2}$ (3) $\sqrt{gR}(\sqrt{2}-1)$ (4) $\sqrt{2gR}$
8. A rocket has to be launched from earth in such a way that it never returns. If E is the minimum energy delivered by the rocket launcher, what should be the minimum energy that the launcher should have if the same rocket is to be launched from the surface of the moon? Assume that the density of the earth and the moon are equal and that the earth's volume is 64 times the volume of the moon.

[JEE (Main), 8 April 2019_shift-1; 4/120]

- (1) $\frac{E}{4}$ (2) $\frac{E}{16}$ (3) $\frac{E}{32}$ (4) $\frac{E}{64}$



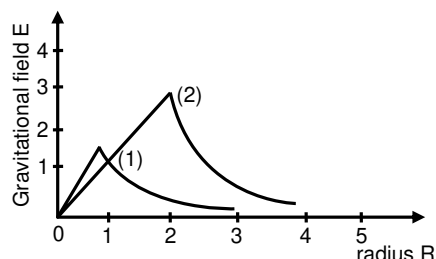
9. A satellite of mass m is launched vertically upwards with an initial speed u from the surface of the earth. After it reaches height R (R = radius of the earth), it ejects a rocket of mass $m/10$ so that subsequently the satellite moves in a circular orbit. The kinetic energy of the rocket is (G is the gravitational constant; M is the mass of the earth) :

[JEE (Main), 7 January 2020_shift-1 ; 4/100]

(1) $\frac{m}{20} \left(u^2 + \frac{113}{200} \frac{GM}{R} \right)$ (2) $5m \left(u^2 - \frac{119}{200} \frac{GM}{R} \right)$ (3) $\frac{3m}{8} \left(u + \sqrt{\frac{5GM}{6R}} \right)^2$ (4) $\frac{m}{20} \left(u - \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{3R}} \right)^2$

10. Consider two solid spheres of radii $R_1 = 1\text{m}$, $R_2 = 2\text{m}$ and masses M_1 and M_2 , respectively. The gravitational field due to sphere (1) and (2) are shown. The value of M_1/M_2 is:

[JEE (Main), 8 January 2020_shift-1 ; 4/100]



- (1) $2/3$ (2) $1/3$ (3) $1/2$ (4) $1/6$

11. An asteroid is moving directly towards the centre of the earth. when at a distance of $10R$ (R is the radius of the earth) from the earth's centre, it has a speed of 12 km/s . Neglecting the effect of earth's atmosphere, what will be the speed of the asteroid when it hits the surface of the earth (escape velocity from the earth is 11.2 km/s)? Give your answer to the nearest integer in kilometer/s

[JEE (Main) 8 January 2020_shift-2 ; 4/100]

12. A body A of mass m is moving in a circular orbit of radius R about a planet. Another body B of mass $m/2$ collides with A with a velocity which is half $\left(\frac{\vec{v}}{2} \right)$ the instantaneous velocity \vec{v} of A. The collision is

completely inelastic. Then, the combined body :

[JEE (Main) 9 January 2020_shift-1 ; 4/100]

- (1) Escapes from the planet's Gravitational field
(2) Continues to move in a circular orbit
(3) Falls vertically downwards towards the planet
(4) Starts moving in a elliptical orbit around the planet



Answers

EXERCISE-1

PART - I

Section (A) :

A-1. $4.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}$ A-2. $\frac{4}{9} \pi^2 \rho^2 G r^4$

A-3. $31.2 \text{ G m/sec}^2 = 2.1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m/s}^2$, towards mid-point

Section (B) :

B-1. $-20\hat{i} - 40\hat{j}$, $|\vec{F}| = 5\sqrt{5} \text{ N}$, $\vec{F} = -5\hat{i} - 10\hat{j}$

B-2. $6.3 \times 10^7 \text{ J/Kg}$

Section (C) :

C-1. \sqrt{gR} C-2. $2\sqrt{\frac{G(M_A + M_B)}{d}}$

Section (D) :

D-1. 1.5%

D-2. (a) $F = \frac{GM^2}{4R^2}$ (b) $\sqrt{\frac{GM}{4R}}$; $T = 4\pi\sqrt{\frac{R^3}{GM}}$

(c) $\sqrt{\frac{GM}{4R^3}}$ (d) $\frac{GM^2}{4R}$ (e) $\sqrt{\frac{4GM}{R}}$

D-3. (a) $\frac{U_A}{U_B} = \frac{25600}{12800} = 2$

(b) $\frac{K_A}{K_B} = \frac{m_A}{m_B} \frac{r_B}{r_A} = 2$

(c) B is having more energy.

D-4. (a) The Saturn (b) The Mars
(c) The Mars

Section (E) :

E-1. 9.5 m/s^2 E-2. 0.998 s

PART - II

Section (A) :

A-1. (A) A-2. (B) A-3. (C)

A-4. (B)

Section (B) :

B-1. (B) B-2. (D) B-3. (D)

B-4. (D) B-5. (C) B-6. (D)

Section (C) :

C-1. (C)

C-2. (a) (D); (b) (B); (c) (B); (d) (B)

Section (D) :

D-1. (B) D-2. (D) D-3. (D)

D-4. (A) D-5. (C)

Section (E) :

E-1. (A)

PART - III

1. I II III

A p w

B r u

C q v

D p t

2. (A) p, r; (B) p, r; (C) q, r; (D) p, r

EXERCISE-2

PART - I

1. (B) 2. (A) 3. (B)

4. (D) 5. (C) 6. (C)

7. (D) 8. (A) 9. (B)

10. (D) 11. (C) 12. (C)

13. (C) 14. (D) 15. (B)

16. (A)

PART - II

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PART - III

1. (AD) 2. (ACD) 3. (BC)

4. (AD) 5. (ABCD) 6. (ABC)

7. (BD) 8. (BC) 9. (ABCD)

10. (AC) 11. (BC) 12. (ACD)

PART - IV

1. (D) 2. (B) 3. (B)

4. (C) 5. (A) 6. (A)

7. (B) 8. (C) 9. (A)

EXERCISE-3

PART - I

1. (A) 2. 6 3. 3

4. (B) 5. (BD) 6. (BC)

7. (B) 8. 2 9. 7

10. (BC) 11. (C) 12. (B)

13. (D)

PART - II

1. (4) 2. (1) 3. (4)

4. (1) 5. (4) 6. (2)

7. (3) 8. (2) 9. (2)

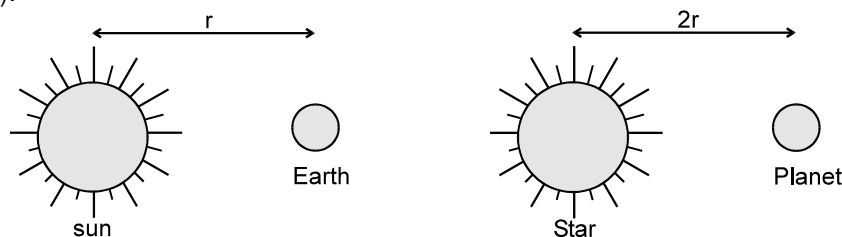
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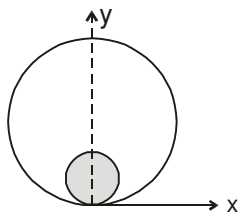
High Level Problems (HLP)

SUBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

1. Let a star be much brighter than our sun but its mass is same as that of sun. If our earth has average life span of a man as 70 years. In the earth like planet of this star system having double the distance from our star find the average life span of a man on this planet in terms of year there. (Assuming same average life).



2. Consider a spacecraft in an elliptical orbit around the earth. At the lowest point or perigee, of its orbit it is 300 km above the earth's surface at the highest point or apogee, it is 3000 km above the earth's surface.
- What is the period of the spacecraft's orbit ?
 - Find the ratio of the spacecraft's speed at perigee to its speed at apogee.
 - Find the speed at perigee and the speed at apogee.
 - It is desired to have the spacecraft escape from the earth completely. If the spacecraft's rockets are fired at perigee, by how much would the speed have to be increased to achieve this? What if the rockets were fired at apogee ? Which point in the orbit is the most efficient to use?
3. A planet A moves along an elliptical orbit around the Sun. At the moment when it was at the distance r_0 from the Sun its velocity was equal to v_0 and the angle between the radius vector r_0 and the velocity vector v_0 was equal to α . Find the maximum and minimum distance that will separate this planet from the Sun during its orbital motion. (Mass of Sun = M_s)
4. A satellite is put into a circular orbit with the intention that it hover over a certain spot on the earth's surface. However, the satellite's orbital radius is erroneously made 1.0 km too large for this to happen. At what rate and in what direction does the point directly below the satellite move across the earth's surface?
 R = Radius of earth = 6400 km
 r = radius of orbit of geostationary satellite = 42000 km
 T = Time period of earth about its axis = 24 hr.
5. What are : (a) the speed and (b) the period of a 220 kg satellite in an approximately circular orbit 640 km above the surface of the earth ? Suppose the satellite loses mechanical energy at the average rate of 1.4×10^5 J per orbital revolution. Adopting the reasonable approximation that due to atmospheric resistance force, the trajectory is a "circle of slowly diminishing radius". Determine the satellites
 (c) altitude (d) speed & (e) period at the end of its 1500th revolution. (f) Is angular momentum around the earth's centre conserved for the satellite or the satellite-earth system?
6. A planet of mass m moves along an ellipse around the Sun so that its maximum and minimum distance from the Sun are equal to r_1 and r_2 respectively. Find the angular momentum J of this planet relative to the centre of the Sun. (Mass of Sun = M_s)
7. A solid sphere of mass m and radius r is placed inside a hollow spherical shell of mass $4m$ and radius $4r$ find gravitational field intensity at :



(a) $r < y < 2r$

(b) $2r < y < 8r$

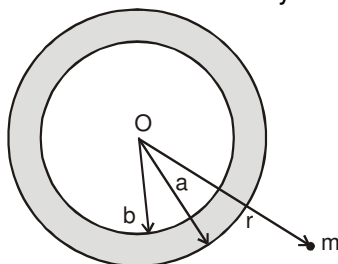
(c) $y > 8r$

here y coordinate is measured from the point of contact of the sphere and the shell.

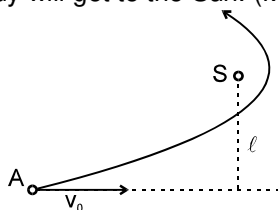




8. A sphere of density ρ and radius a has a concentric cavity of radius b , as shown in the figure.



- (a) Sketch the gravitational force F exerted by the sphere on the particle of mass m , located at a distance r from the centre of the sphere as a function of r in the range $0 \leq r \leq \infty$.
 (b) Sketch the corresponding curve for the potential energy $u(r)$ of the system.
9. (a) What is the escape speed for an object in the same orbit as that of Earth around sun (Take orbital radius R) but far from the earth? (Mass of the sun = M_s)
 (b) If an object already has a speed equal to the earth's orbital speed, what minimum additional speed must it be given to escape as in (a)?
10. A cosmic body A moves towards the Sun with velocity v_0 (when far from the Sun) and aiming parameter ℓ , the direction of the vector v_0 relative to the centre of the Sun as shown in the figure. Find the minimum distance by which this body will get to the Sun. (Mass of Sun = M_s)



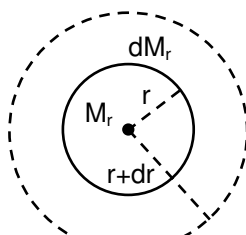
11. Two stars of mass M_1 & M_2 are in circular orbits around their centre of mass. The star of mass M_1 has an orbit of radius R_1 , the star of mass M_2 has an orbit of radius R_2 . (Assume that their centre of mass is not accelerating and distance between stars is fixed)
- (a) Show that the ratio of the orbital radii of the two stars equals the reciprocal of the ratio of their masses, that is $R_1/R_2 = M_2/M_1$.
 (b) Explain why the two stars have the same orbital period and show that the period,

$$T = 2\pi \frac{(R_1 + R_2)^{3/2}}{\sqrt{G(M_1 + M_2)}}.$$

12. Linked questions (12-16)

A star can be considered as a spherical ball of hot gas of radius R . Inside the star, the density of the gas is ρ_r at a radius r and mass of the gas within this region is M_r . The correct differential equation for variation of mass with respect to radius $\left(\frac{dM_r}{dr}\right)$ is (refer to the adjacent figure)

[OLYMPIAD 2016_STAGE-1_(ASTRONOMY)]



13. A star in its prime age is said to be under equilibrium due to gravitational pull and outward radiation pressure (p). Consider the shell of thickness dr as in the figure of question (12). If the pressure on this shell is dp then the correct equation is (G is universal gravitational constant)

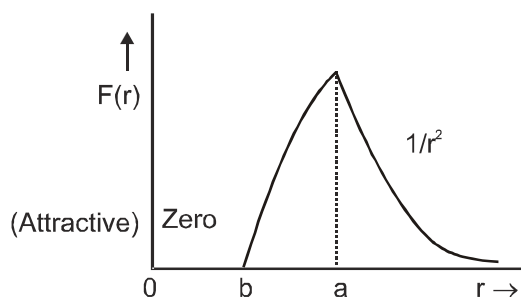
[OLYMPIAD 2016_STAGE-1_(ASTRONOMY)]



14. In astronomy order of magnitude estimation plays an important role. The derivative $\frac{dp}{dr}$ can be taken difference ratio $\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta r}$. Consider the star has a radius R , pressure at its centre is P_c and pressure at outer layer is zero if the average mass is $\frac{M_0}{2}$ and average radius $\frac{R_0}{2}$ then the expression for P_c is
[OLYMPIAD 2016_STAGE-1_(ASTRONOMY)]
15. The value of mass and radius of sun are given by $M_0 = 2 \times 10^{30}$ kg and $R_0 = 7 \times 10^5$ km respectively. The pressure at the centre is about ($G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$)
[OLYMPIAD-2016_STAGE-1_(ASTRONOMY)]
16. Assuming that the gas inside the sun behaves very much like the perfect gas, the temperature at the centre of the sun is nearly (the number density of gas particles $= \frac{2\rho}{M_H}$), Boltzmann constant $k_B = 1.4 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J.K}^{-1}$ and mass of proton $M_H = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
[OLYMPIAD-2016_STAGE-1_(ASTRONOMY)]

HLP Answers

1. $\frac{70}{(2)^{3/2}} \approx 25$ years.
2. (a) $T = \frac{4\pi}{R\sqrt{g}} a^{3/2} = 7.16 \times 10^3 \text{ sec.}$ (b) $\frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{94}{67} = 1.4$
- (c) $V_p = 896 \times 10^2 \sqrt{\frac{94}{67 \times 161}} \text{ m/sec.} = 8.35 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s,}$
 $V_a = 896 \times 10^2 \sqrt{\frac{67}{94 \times 161}} \text{ m/sec} = 5.95 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$
- (d) $\Delta V = 14 \times 10^2 \sqrt{67} - V_p = 3.09 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s, perigee}$
3. $r_m = \frac{r_0}{2-\eta} [1 \pm \sqrt{1 - (2-\eta)\eta \sin^2 \alpha}]$, where $\eta = r_0 v_0^2 / GM_S$.
4. $V_{\text{rel}} = \frac{3\Delta r R \pi}{rT} = \frac{\pi}{189} \text{ m/sec} \approx 1.66 \text{ cm/sec.}, \text{ to the east along equator}$
5. (a) $\frac{448}{\sqrt{3520}} \text{ km/s} = 7.527 \text{ km/s}$ (b) $\frac{220\pi}{7} \sqrt{3520} \text{ sec.} \approx 1.63 \text{ hour}$
- (c) $\left[\frac{22 \times 14 \times 64^2 \times 7040}{22 \times 14 \times 64^2 + 7040 \times 6} - 6400 \right] \text{ km} \approx 411.92 \text{ km}$ (d) $\frac{448}{\sqrt{3406}} \text{ km/sec.} \approx 7.67 \text{ km/s}$
- (e) $\frac{1703\pi}{56} \sqrt{3406} \text{ sec.} \approx 1.55 \text{ hour}$ (f) No
6. $J = m\sqrt{2GM_S r_1 r_2 / (r_1 + r_2)}$
7. (a) $\left(\frac{Gm}{r^3} (y-r) (-\hat{j}) \right)$ (b) $\left(\frac{Gm}{(y-r)^2} (-\hat{j}) \right)$ (c) $\left(\frac{4Gm}{(y-4r)^2} + \frac{Gm}{(y-r)^2} \right) (-\hat{j})$
8. (a) Force will be due to the mass of the sphere upto the radius r
 In case (i) $0 < r < b$; Mass $M = 0$, therefore $F(r) = 0$
 In case (ii) $b < r < a$; Mass $M = \frac{4}{3}\pi\rho (r^3 - b^3)$, therefore $F(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi G\rho m \left(r - \frac{b^3}{r^2} \right)$
 (iii) $a < r < \infty$; Mass $\frac{4}{3}\pi\rho M = (a^3 - b^3)$, therefore $F(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi G\rho m \left(\frac{a^3 - b^3}{r^2} \right)$

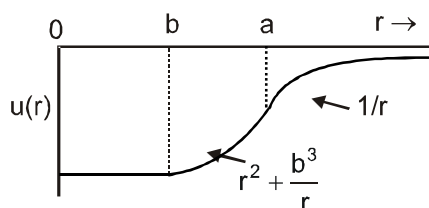


$$(b) U_f - U_i = - \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \vec{F}_c \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$(i) 0 < r < b ; \quad u(r) = -2\pi G \rho m (a^2 - b^2)$$

$$(ii) b < r < a ; \quad u(r) = \frac{-2\pi G \rho m}{3r} (3ra^2 - 2b^3 - r^3)$$

$$(iii) a < r < \infty ; \quad u(r) = \frac{-4\pi G \rho m}{3r} (a^3 - b^3)$$



$$9. \quad (a) \sqrt{\frac{2GM_s}{R}} \quad (b) (\sqrt{2} - 1) \sqrt{\frac{GM_s}{R}}$$

$$10. \quad r_{\min} = (GM_s / v_0^2) [\sqrt{1 + (\ell v_0^2 / GM_s)^2} - 1]$$

$$11. \quad M_\alpha = \frac{4\pi^2 [1.5 \times 10^{12}]^3}{3G[44.5 \times 365 \times 86400]^2} = 3.376 \times 10^{29} \text{ kg}, \quad M_\beta = 2M_\alpha = 6.75 \times 10^{29} \text{ kg}$$

$$12. \quad \frac{dM_r}{dr} = \rho_r 4\pi r^2$$

$$13. \quad \frac{dp}{dr} = -\frac{GM_r}{r^2} \rho_r$$

$$14. \quad P_c = \frac{GM_0^2}{R_0^4} \times \left(\frac{3}{2\pi} \right)$$

$$15. \quad 5 \times 10^{14} \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$16. \quad 2.10 \times 10^7$$

