

## GRAVITATION

phenomenon due to which object having masses attract each other

The force with which they attract is called the force of gravitation.

(Newton's Law of Gravitation)

- 1) Force of gravitation is directly proportional to the product of their masses



$$F \propto m_1 m_2$$

- 2) Force of gravitation is inversely proportional to the square of distance between the bodies

$$F \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$F \propto \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$

(acts along the line joining their CM's)

$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$

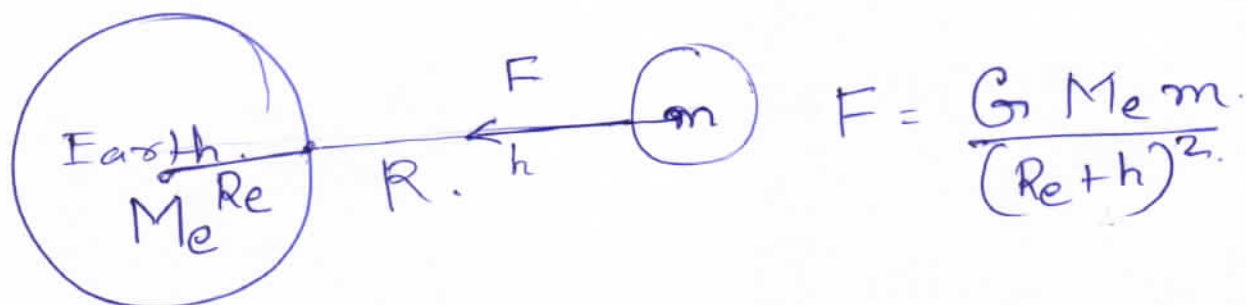
Gravitational Const. (Universal Const)

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

# Force of gravity

gravitational pull by the Earth.  
(force)

$$R_e \approx 6400 \text{ km}$$



i) If  $h \ll R_e$  (very close to surface of earth)

$$F = \frac{G M_e m}{R_e^2}$$

(as  $R_e + h \approx R_e$   
when  $h \ll R_e$ .)

$$F = m a_m$$

$$a_m = \frac{\frac{G M_e m}{R_e^2}}{m}$$

$$= \frac{G M_e}{R_e^2} = g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$g$  is  $9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$   
 $= \frac{G M_e}{R_e^2}$  near the surface of the earth.

$$h \ll R_e$$

$$g = \frac{G M_e}{R_e^2}$$

ii) When 'h' is comparable but not negligible.

$$F_h = \frac{GM_em}{(R_e+h)^2} = mg_h$$

$h \rightarrow 5\% \text{ to } 8\% \text{ of } R_e$

Other cases,  $h > 8\% R_e$ .

$$g_h = \frac{GM_e}{(R_e+h)^2}$$

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$$g_h = \frac{GM_e}{R_e^2 \left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2}$$

$$g_h = \frac{g}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2}$$

$$g_h = g \left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^{-2}$$

$$= g \left(1 - \frac{2h}{R_e}\right)$$

✓  
approximate.

(will give close results to actual if  $h < 7-8\% R_e$ .)

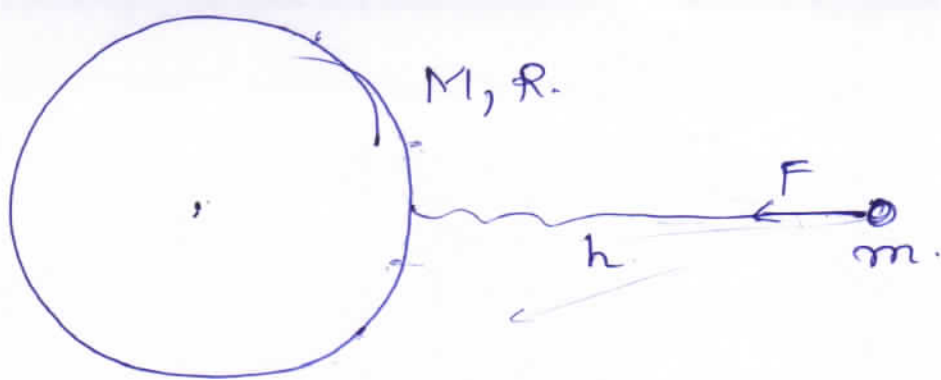
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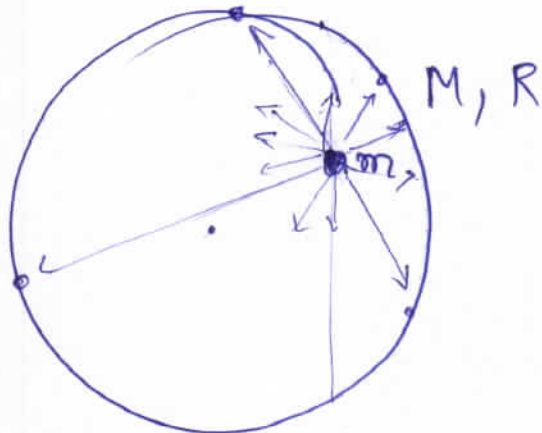
$$g_h = \frac{g}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2}$$

✓  
accurate  
& will give actual ~~g~~ at acceleration due to gravity at height h.



$$F = \frac{G M m}{(R+h)^2}$$

Spherical shell.

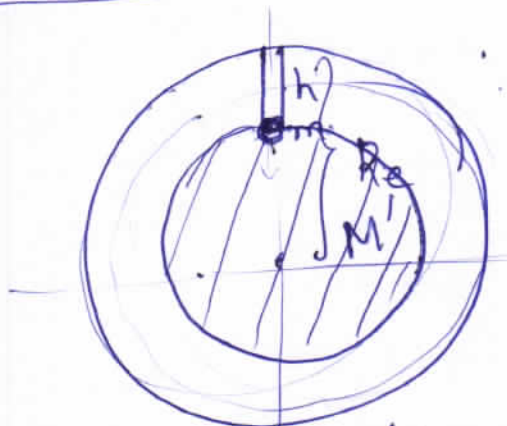


Resultant of all forces on a mass inside a spherical shell is zero due to the shell.

Spherical shell.

$$F_{\text{net}} = 0$$

→ gravity a height  $h$  inside the earth from the surface



$$F = \frac{G M' m}{(R_e - h)^2} + 0 + 0 + 0$$

due to  
Spherical  
shells

solid part

Earth (Solid sphere)  $F = m g_{-h}$

$$M' = \frac{M_e (R_e - h)^3}{R_e^3}$$

$$\frac{G M' m}{(R_e - h)^2} = m g_{-h}$$

$$\frac{G M_e (R_e - h)^3}{(R_e - h)^2 R_e^3} = g_{-h}$$



$$\frac{GM_e (R_e - h)}{R_e^3} = g - h$$

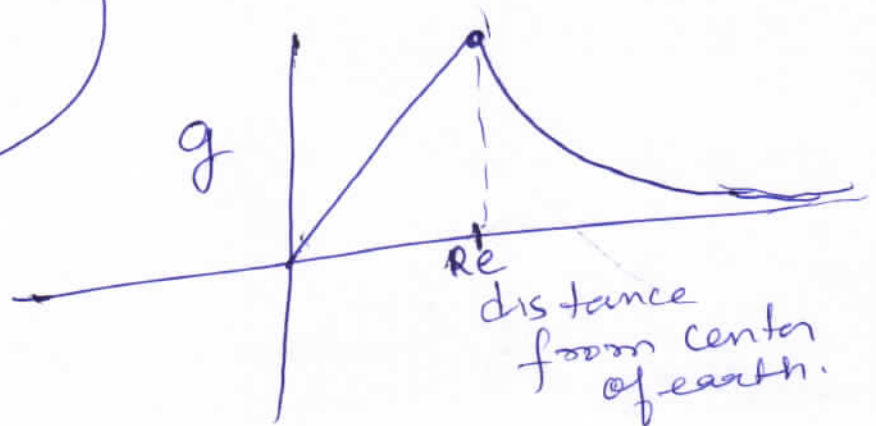
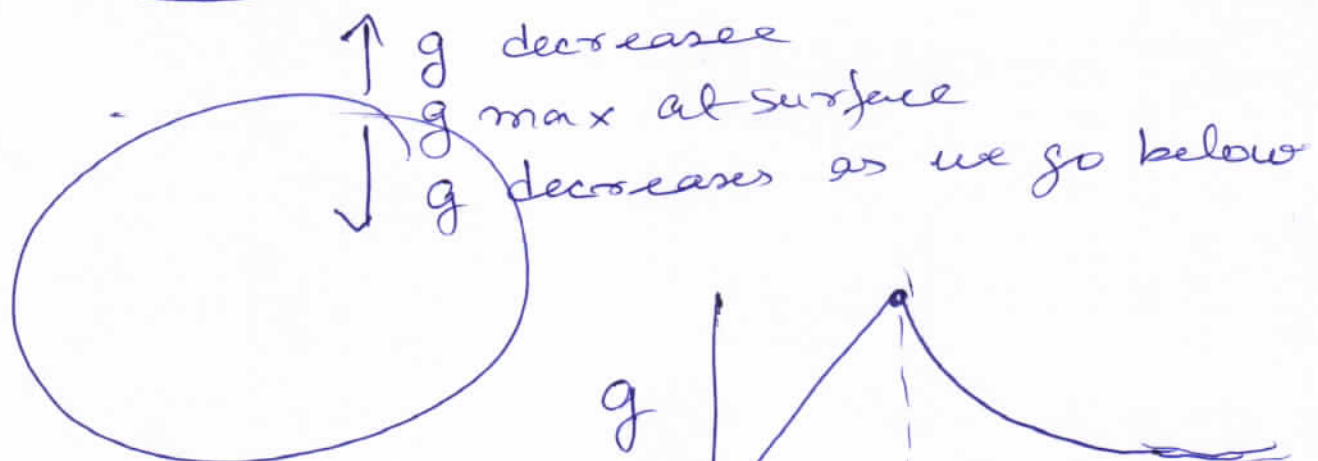
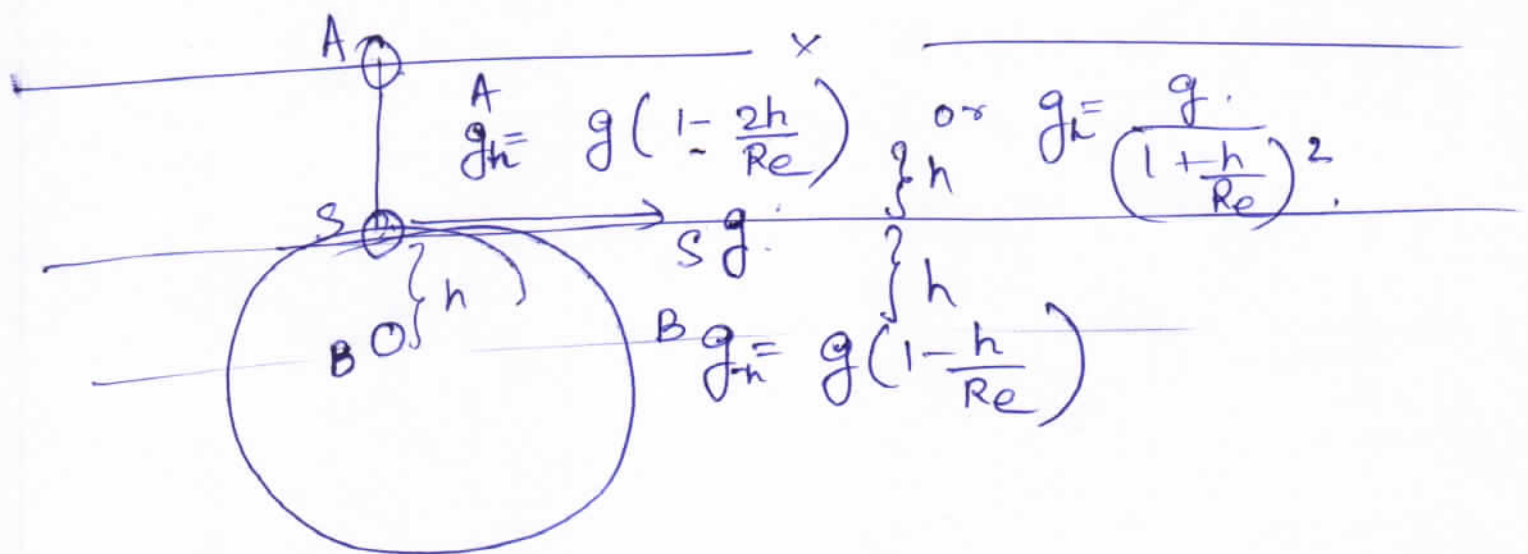
$$\frac{GM_e}{R_e^2} \left( \frac{R_e - h}{R_e} \right) = g - h$$

$$\boxed{g \left( 1 - \frac{h}{R_e} \right) = g - h}$$

actual result

(NOT

APPROXIMATE  
FORMULA)



Q) At what height  $h$ , the value of  $g$  becomes  $g/4$

Q) What is the value of  $g$  at a height  $h = R_e/4$  above surface of earth.

$$g_h = \frac{g}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2} = \frac{g}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{2^2}$$

$$1 + \frac{h}{R_e} = \pm 2$$

$$1 + \frac{h}{R_e} = +2$$

$$h = R_e$$

$$1 + \frac{h}{R_e} = -2$$

$$h = -3R_e$$

$$g_h = \frac{g}{\left(1 - \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2} = \frac{g}{4}$$

$$1 - \frac{h}{R_e} = \frac{1}{2}$$

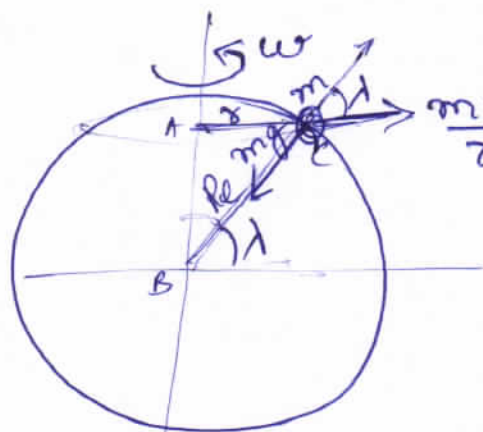
$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{h}{R_e} \Rightarrow h = \frac{3R_e}{4}$$

Q)

$$g_h = \frac{g}{\left(1 + \frac{h}{R_e}\right)^2} = \frac{g}{\left(1 + \frac{\frac{R_e}{4}}{R_e}\right)^2} = \frac{g}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2} = \frac{16g}{25}$$

Variation in  $g$ .

i) due to Rotation of Earth.



$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = m\omega^2 r$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{24 \times 60 \times 60} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = mg - m\omega^2 r \cos \lambda$$

$$mg_{\lambda} = mg - m\omega^2 r \cos \lambda$$

$$mg_{\lambda} = mg - m\omega^2 (R_e \cos \lambda) \cos \lambda$$

$$g_{\lambda} = g - \omega^2 R_e \cos^2 \lambda$$

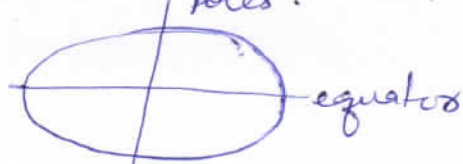
If  $\lambda = 90^\circ$  poles.

$g$  is maximum.

$\lambda = 0^\circ$  equator.

$g$  is minimum.

ii) due to shape of earth.



$$R_p < R_{eq} \Rightarrow g_p > g_{eq}$$