

6-3-Theory-Springs

Springs:

In demo

Suspended mass

length

\vec{F}_{spring}

50g

10cm

0.5N

100g

20cm

1N

150g

29cm

1.5N

200g

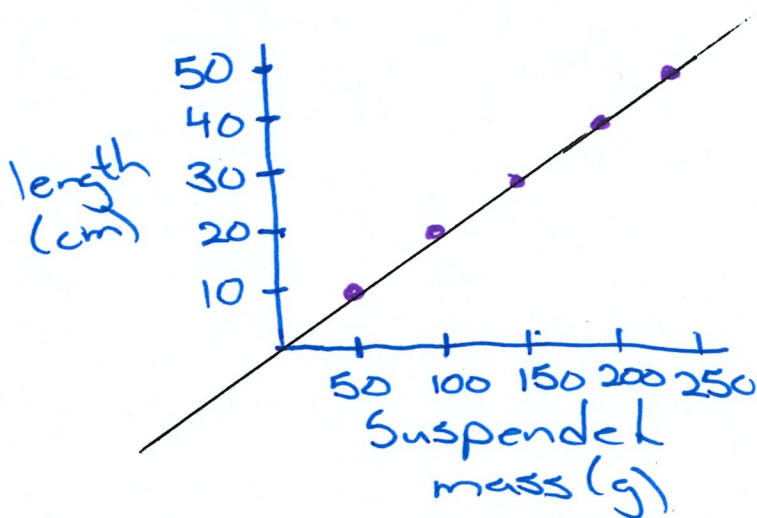
39cm

2N

250g

49cm

2.5N



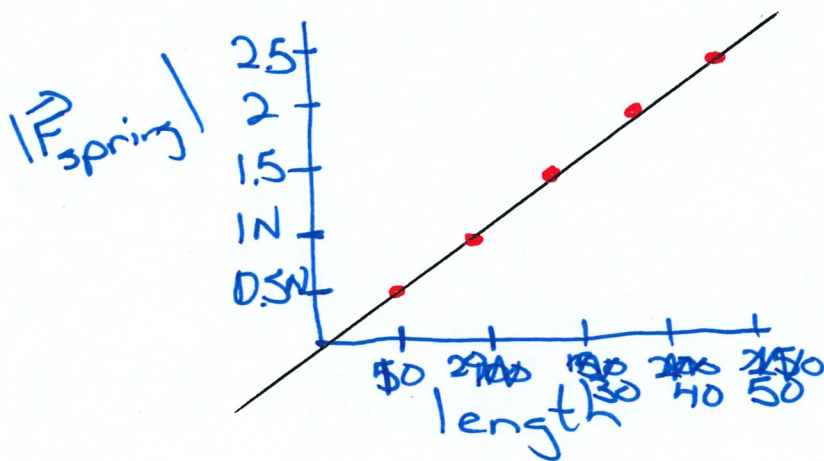
linear!

Equilibrium $\rightarrow \vec{F}_{\text{net}} = 0$



mag. of spring force = $|\vec{F}_s|$

$$|\vec{F}_{\text{spring}}| = mg$$



$$|\vec{F}_{\text{spring}}| = k |\Delta l|$$

Spring constant
N/m
depends on
material, shape
etc

change in
spring's
length

A restoring force - push towards
spring not stretched or
compressed

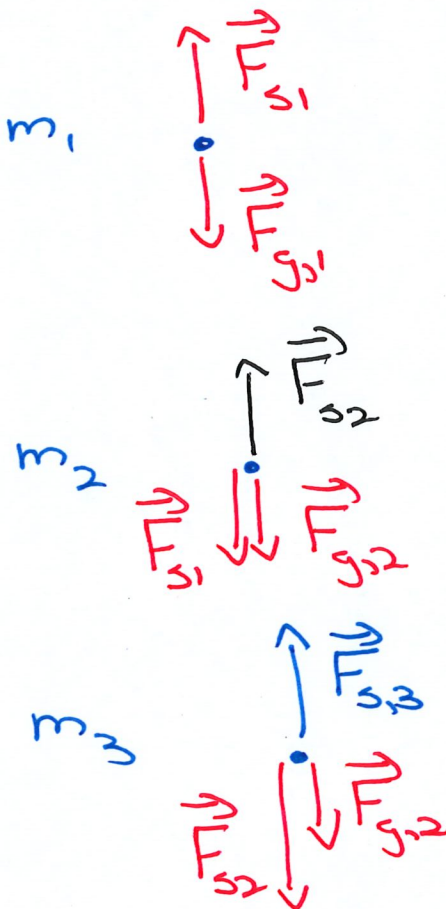
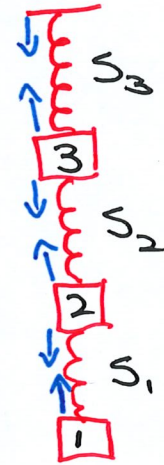
Caveat: Only stretch/compress along
spring's axis.

6-4-Example-Forces I

Forces - I

Three identical springs of unstretched length $0.1m$ are used to support three identical $1kg$ masses. The bottom mass is supported by a spring from the middle mass, which is in turn supported by a spring from the upper mass, which is in turn held in place by a spring. $k = 150 N/m$

- What is the length of the lowest spring?
- What is the length of the middle spring?
- What is the length of the upper spring?



$$0 = \vec{F}_{s1,1} + \vec{F}_{g,1}$$

$$0 = \vec{F}_{s1,2} + \vec{F}_{s2,2} + \vec{F}_{g,2}$$

$$0 = \vec{F}_{s2,3} + \vec{F}_{s3,3} + \vec{F}_{g,3}$$

$$|\vec{F}_{\text{spring}}| = k |\Delta \vec{l}|$$

$$\vec{F}_{s1,1} = -\vec{F}_{s1,2}$$

$$\vec{F}_{s2,2} = -\vec{F}_{s2,3}$$

$$\vec{F}_{s1,1} = -\vec{F}_{s1,1} = -(-mg\hat{k}) = 9.8N\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_{s2,2} &= -\vec{F}_{s2,2} - \vec{F}_{s1,2} = -\vec{F}_{s2,2} - (-\vec{F}_{s1,1}) \\ &= -(-mg\hat{k}) - (-9.8N\hat{k}) \\ &= 19.6N\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_{s3,3} &= -\vec{F}_{s3,3} - \vec{F}_{s2,3} = -\vec{F}_{s3,3} - (-\vec{F}_{s2,2}) \\ &= -(-mg\hat{k}) - (-19.6N\hat{k}) \\ &= 29.4N\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{F}_{s1}| = k |\Delta \vec{l}_1|$$

$$9.8N = 150N/m |\Delta \vec{l}_1|$$

$$|\Delta \vec{l}_1| = 0.0653m$$

$$\text{spring 1} \rightarrow 0.1653m$$

$$|\vec{F}_{s2}| = k |\Delta \vec{l}_2|$$

$$19.6\text{N} = 150\text{N/m} |\Delta \vec{l}_2|$$

$$|\Delta \vec{l}_2| = 0.1307\text{m}$$

$$\text{spring 2} = 0.2307\text{m}$$

$$|\Delta \vec{l}_3| = 0.1940\text{m}$$

$$\text{spring 3} = 0.294\text{m}$$

Newtonian Gravity

$$|\vec{F}_g| \propto \frac{m_1 m_2}{(\text{separation})^2}$$

Attractive.

\vec{r}_1
 \vec{r}_2
 m_1
 m_2
 $6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$
 $\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|^2} \left(\frac{\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \right)$
 (separation)²
 mass 1 towards mass 2

Strictly only true for spherically symmetric or point objects, but humans \approx spheres
 \Rightarrow for extended object center of mass

6-6-Example-Forces II

Forces - II

A 200kg mass is at $3m\hat{i} + 5m\hat{j}$. A 250kg mass is at $5m\hat{i} - 2m\hat{j}$. A 300kg mass is at $2m\hat{j}$.

- What is the gravitational force on the 300kg mass by the 200kg mass?
- * • What is the total gravitational force on the 300kg mass?

- Rule for force on one mass by another

- Find $\vec{F}_{\text{on 300 by 200}}$

- Find $\vec{F}_{\text{on 300 by 250}}$

- Add them!

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on A by B}} = -G \frac{m_A m_B}{|\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B|^2} \frac{\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B}{|\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B|}$$

$$300\text{kg} = \text{"A"} \rightarrow m_A = 300\text{kg} \quad \vec{r}_A = 2m\hat{j}$$

$$200\text{kg} = \text{"B"} \rightarrow m_B = 200\text{kg} \quad \vec{r}_B = 3m\hat{i} + 5m\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B = 2m\hat{j} - (3m\hat{i} + 5m\hat{j})$$

$$= -3m\hat{i} - 3m\hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B| = \sqrt{(-3m)^2 + (-3m)^2} = 4.243m$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on A by B}} = - \left(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2} \right) \frac{300\text{kg} \cdot 200\text{kg}}{(4.243\text{m})^2} \left(\frac{-3\hat{m}_i - 3\hat{m}_j}{(4.243\text{m})} \right)$$

$$= 1.57 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{i} + 1.57 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{j}$$

$$300\text{kg} = A \rightarrow m_A = 300\text{kg} \quad \vec{r}_A = 2\hat{m}_j$$

$$250\text{kg} = B \rightarrow m_B = 250\text{kg} \quad \vec{r}_B = 5\hat{m}_i - 2\hat{m}_j$$

$$\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B = (2\hat{m}_j) - (5\hat{m}_i - 2\hat{m}_j)$$

$$= -5\hat{m}_i + 4\hat{m}_j$$

$$|\vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_B| = \sqrt{(-5\text{m})^2 + (4\text{m})^2} = \sqrt{41\text{m}^2} = 6.403\text{m}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on 300 by 250}} = - \left(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2} \right) \frac{300\text{kg} \cdot 250\text{kg}}{(6.403\text{m})^2} \left(\frac{-5\hat{m}_i + 4\hat{m}_j}{6.403\text{m}} \right)$$

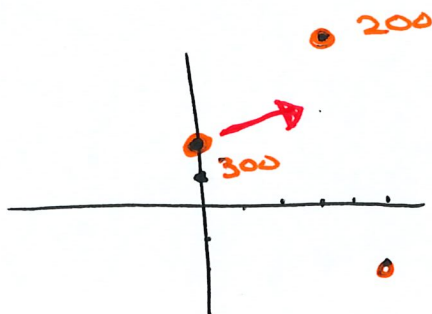
$$= 9.53 \times 10^{-8} \text{N} \hat{i} - 7.62 \times 10^{-8} \text{N} \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net on 300}} = \vec{F}_{\text{on 300 by 200}} + \vec{F}_{\text{on 300 by 250}}$$

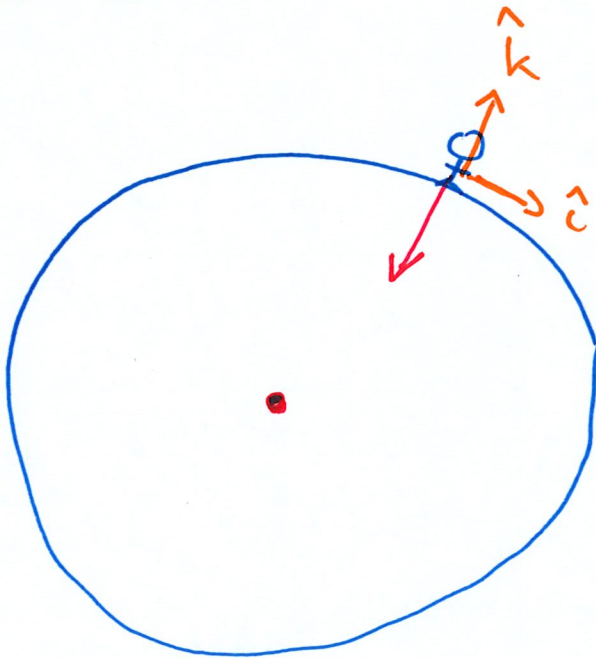
$$= 1.57 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{i} + 1.57 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{j}$$

$$+ (0.95 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{i} - 0.76 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{j})$$

$$= 2.52 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{i} + 0.81 \times 10^{-7} \text{N} \hat{j}$$



Correspondence between $1/r^2$
Newtonian gravity & $-mg\hat{k}$ near
surface.



$$\vec{F} = -G \frac{m_E m_P}{R_E^2} (\text{in to center})$$

$$\vec{F} = -m_P g \hat{k}$$

$$g = \frac{G M_E}{R_E^2} = \frac{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2} 5.99 \times 10^{24} \text{kg}}{(6.4 \times 10^6 \text{m})^2}$$

$$\approx 10 \text{ N/kg}$$