Announcements



- New WebWorK due Wednesday!
- Lab tonight for Group B!
 - Already posted for you to print on the website
 - Meet in Collins 324
- Poll: rembold-class.ddns.net

APOD!





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Kepler

- Derived entirely from Brahe's naked eye observations
- Only "proof" was that they explain everything nice and simple

Galileo

- Strongly believed in Copernicus's heliocentric solar system
- Wanted to prove that the Earth orbited the Sun
- Did not invent the telescope, but was almong the first to use it to study the heavens
- Widely published his findings

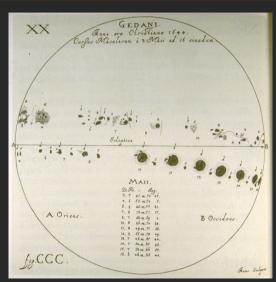
The Observations of Galileo





Sunspots!





More Modern Phases of Venus





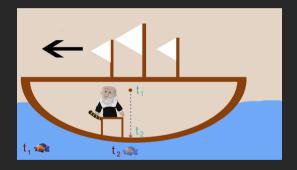
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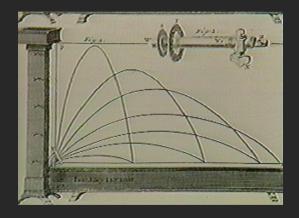


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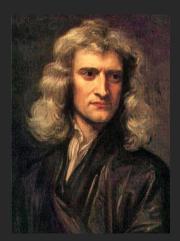
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Galileo: 1564-1642

Good Sir Isaac





Isaac Newton: 1642-1727

- Was able to relate the behavior of orbiting bodies to the behavior of bodies on Earth
- Short and Succinct: Summarized everything in four sentences...

Newton's First Law



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A body continues in a state of rest or uniform motion in a straight line unless acted on by a force.

- Implications for astronomy?
 - A object that falls when released must be feeling a force
 - An object moving in a circle must have a force acting upon it, else it would travel in a straight line
- Generally thought of as the inertia law



Newton's Second Law

The force on an object is equal to the mass of the object multiplied by its acceleration.

$\mathsf{F} = \mathsf{ma}$

- An acceleration is analogous to a change in motion
- Such a change in motion depends only on the force applied and the mass of the object
- The change in motion is in the same direction as the force!

Force Examples





A ball dropping must feel a force to accelerate downwards!



A ball curving at a constant speed must still feel a force turning it!

Basic Units



- To compare our equations and answers, we really need a standard way of measuring things.
- In science (or if you live anywhere besides the US or England) this is the SI metric system
 - Meters for distance
 - Seconds for time
 - Kilograms for mass
- All other SI units are defined in terms of these base units

$$1\,\mathrm{N}=1\,\mathrm{kgm/s^2}$$

- For most physics formula:
 - SI Units In = SI Units Out
 - Non-SI Units In = IT IS A MYSTERY Out

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The Standards



Meters

- Originated in France
- 1/10 millionth of the equator to North Pole distance
- Now defined officially by the wavelength of the orange-red light of burning Krypton

Second

- Defined as 1/86400 of a solar day
- Irregularies in Earth's rotation made this tricky
- Now defined in terms of atomic vibrations in Cesium atoms

Kilogram

 The mass of this cylindrical block of metal:



The Newton



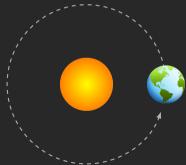
- The SI unit for force is the Newton (N)
 - A 1 N force accelerates a 1 kg mass by 1 m/s each second



Circular Motion

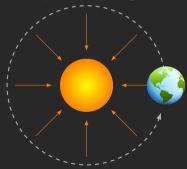


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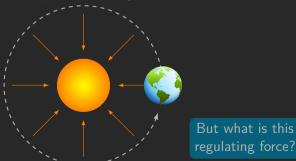
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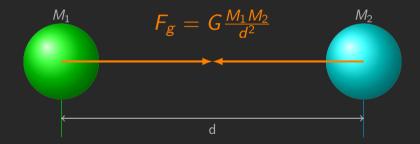
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- Gravity! The universal attractor
 - Anything with mass attracts anything else with mass
 - Strength of force depends on the masses involved
 - Strength of the force diminished rapidly with distance



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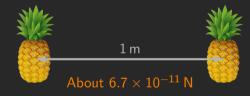
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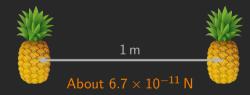


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- G indicates the scale of the gravitational force in your units
- $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \,\mathrm{Nm^2/kg^2}$
- You must be using standard units to match G!

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Gravitational Force on You!



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