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$$r = |\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|$$

$$= \sqrt{\left[\underbrace{(x_i - x_j)^2}_x + \underbrace{(y_i - y_j)^2}_y + \underbrace{(z_i - z_j)^2}_z \right]}$$

Gravitational
potential

$$V(r) = -\frac{GM_G M_E}{r} = -\frac{\gamma}{r}$$

$\propto 1/r^3$

$$V(r) \propto -\frac{V_0}{r^{1/2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{D_0}{r^6}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} V(r) = -\gamma \vec{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{r} \right)$$

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

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

$$x: \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{x}{r^3}$$

$$y: \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{y}{r^3}$$

$$z: \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{z}{r^3} \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{F} = -\gamma \left(\frac{x}{r^3} \vec{i} + \frac{y}{r^3} \vec{j} + \frac{z}{r^3} \vec{k} \right)$$

$$\vec{r} = x \vec{i} + y \vec{j} + z \vec{k} \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{F} = -\gamma \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} = -\gamma \frac{1}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{1}{r^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\vec{D} \times \vec{F}$$