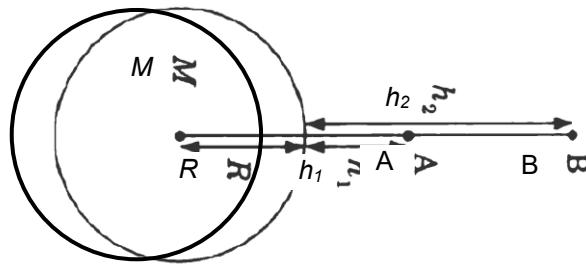


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An object of mass m located at A at a height h_1 from the Earth's surface is brought to position B at a height h_2 measured with respect to the Earth's surface.



If h_1 and h_2 are of same order of magnitude as the radius R of the Earth, what is the expression for the increase in gravitational potential energy in this process?

A

$$mg(h_2 - h_1)$$

B

$$GMm \left(\frac{1}{R+h_1} - \frac{1}{R+h_2} \right)$$

C

$$GMm \left(\frac{1}{h_1} - \frac{1}{h_2} \right)$$

D

$$-\frac{GMm}{R+h_2}$$

