

Start w/ demo:


2 objects of different mass

Q: which one will hit the ground first?

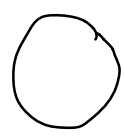
Do it a few times

- Measure the masses

$m_1$


$$\vec{F}_{\text{grav}} = \langle 0, -m_1 g, 0 \rangle$$

$m_2$


$$\vec{F}_{\text{grav}} = \langle 0, -m_2 g, 0 \rangle$$

So the force is greater on the heavier mass.

Why do they fall at the same rate?

$$\Delta p_y = F_y \Delta t$$

$$m a_y = -m g$$

$$\boxed{a_y = -g}$$

All objects fall at same rate!

Why does a feather take so long to fall?

Ex: If someone weighs 150 lbs on Earth,  
how much will they weigh on Mars?

$$1 \text{ lb} = 4.5 \text{ N}$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = 150 \text{ lb} \times \frac{4.5 \text{ N}}{1 \text{ lb}} = 675 \text{ N}$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = m g_{\text{earth}} = m (9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = 675 \text{ N}$$

$$m = \frac{675 \text{ N}}{9.81 \text{ m/s}^2} = \frac{675 \text{ N}}{9.81 \text{ N/kg}} = 68.8 \text{ kg}$$

$$m = 68.8 \text{ kg}$$

What is  $m$  on Mars?

still 68.8 kg

$$|\vec{F}_{g,\text{mars}}| = m g_{\text{mars}}$$

$$g = \frac{GM_{\text{mars}}}{R_{\text{mars}}^2}$$

$$M = 6.4 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg} \quad (\text{about } 1/10 \text{ of Earth})$$

$$R_{\text{mars}} = 3.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m} \quad (\text{about } 1/2 \text{ of Earth})$$

$$g_m = \frac{(6.7 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{N m}^2}{\text{kg}^2})(6.4 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg})}{(3.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m})^2} = 3.7 \text{ N/kg}$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = mg_{\text{mars}} = (68.8 \text{ kg})(3.7 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{kg}}) = 255 \text{ N}$$

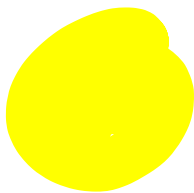
$$255 \text{ N} \times \frac{1 \text{ lb}}{4.5 \text{ N}} = 57 \text{ lb}$$

150 lb on Earth  $\rightarrow$  57 lb on Mars

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Briefly: how do orbits work?

Scenario  
Sun



Earth (not moving)

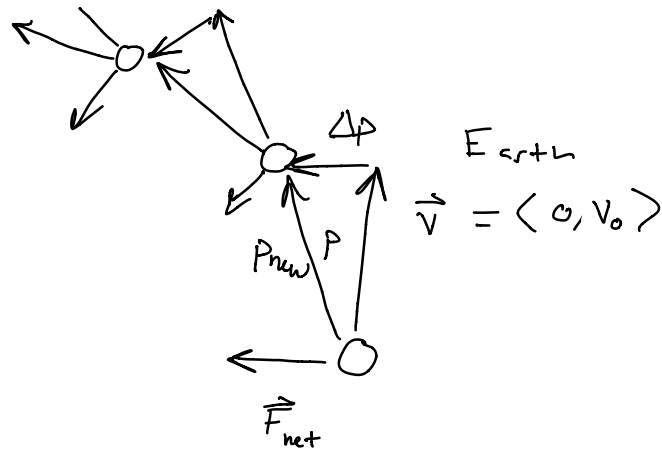
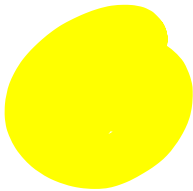
$$\vec{v} = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$$



$$\Delta \vec{p} = \vec{F}_{\text{net}} \Delta t$$

- gains velocity toward sun
- moves toward sun
- boom

Scenario  
Sun



$$\Delta \vec{p} = \vec{F}_{net} \Delta t$$

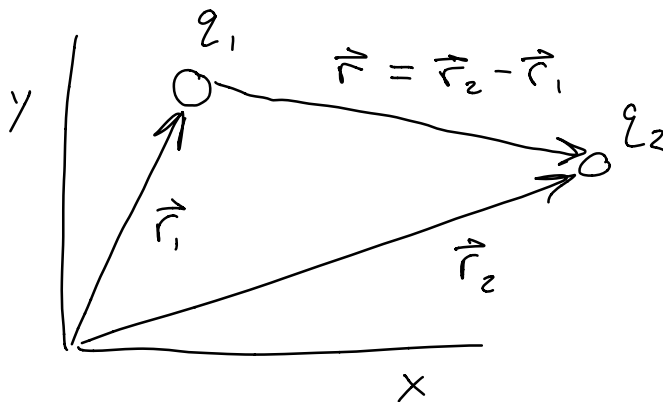
Let's look at EM force

mass interacts with mass via gravity

another property of matter is charge

Charge interacts w/ charge via electromagnetism

→ Equations are very similar!



$$\vec{F}_{on2 by 1} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r} \quad \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{C}^2}$$

Charge measured in Coulombs

ELEC

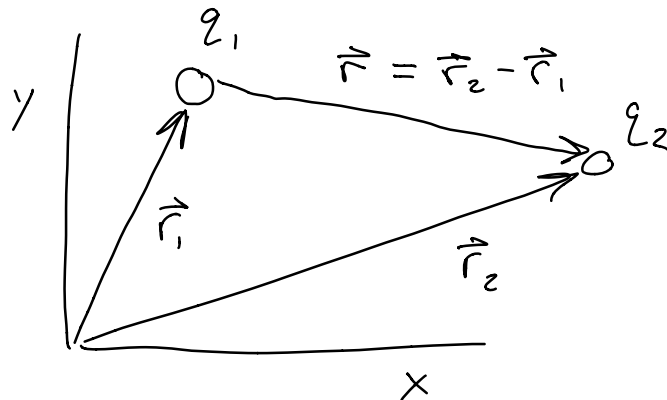
$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r}$$

GRAV

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r}$$

$$(\text{constant}) \frac{(\text{property})(\text{property})}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r}$$

Unlike grav, charge can be either positive or negative



$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r}$$

if  $q_1 q_2$  is positive,  $\hat{F} = \hat{r}$  (repel)

$q_1 q_2$  is negative,  $\hat{F} = -\hat{r}$  (attract)

$q_1$	$q_2$	
+	+	Repel
-	-	Repel
+	-	attract
-	+	attract

Ex: Electron @  $\langle -3, 2, 0 \rangle \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$

$\alpha$  particle @  $\langle 6, -4, 0 \rangle \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$

$$q_e = -1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$q_\alpha = 3.2 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

What is  $\vec{F}_{\text{on } e \text{ by } \alpha}$ ?

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_e - \vec{r}_\alpha = \langle -3, 2, 0 \rangle \times 10^{-9} \text{ m} - \langle 6, -4, 0 \rangle \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r} = \langle -9, 6, 0 \rangle \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$$

$$|\vec{r}| = 1.08 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}$$

$$\hat{r} = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|} = \langle -0.832, 0.555, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r}$$

$$= \left( 9 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{C}^2} \right) \frac{(-1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{C})(3.2 \times 10^{-19} \text{C})}{(1.08 \times 10^{-8} \text{m})^2} \langle -0.832, 0.558, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = \langle 3.28, -2.19, 0 \rangle \times 10^{-12} \text{ N}$$

isn't  $10^{-12} \text{ N}$  small?

mass of electron is  $9 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$

$$a = \frac{F}{m} = \frac{10^{-12}}{10^{-30}} = 10^{18} \text{ m/s}^2 \quad (!)$$

Also note:

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on } 2 \text{ by } 1} = - \vec{F}_{\text{on } 1 \text{ by } 2}$$

Technically, this is not the entire net force

Both particles have mass, so they also interact gravitationally!

Ex:



$$q_p = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$m_p = 1.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

Grav Force

$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} = \frac{(6.7 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2})(1.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})(1.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})}{r^2}$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{2 \times 10^{-64} \text{ N}}{r^2}$$

Elec Force

$$|\vec{F}_e| = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{|q_1 q_2|}{|\vec{r}|^2} = \frac{(9 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{C}^2})(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})}{r^2}$$

$$|\vec{F}_e| = \frac{2 \times 10^{-28} \text{ N}}{r^2}$$



$$\frac{|\vec{F}_e|}{|\vec{F}_g|} \approx 10^{36} \quad (!)$$

Electric Force is  $\sim 10^{36}$  x stronger

Takes a lot of mass for gravity to be important