

Ch 3 : Fundamental Forces

- We know how objects respond to forces
(\vec{F} principle)
 - But what causes a force?
(+ how can we predict?)
 - Every interaction
 - leaf blowing in wind
 - chemical rxn
 - boiling water
 - planets orbiting
 - etc...
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- i due to a combination of just 4 fundamental
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Four Forces

- gravitational force
- electromagnetic force
- strong force
(holds nuclei together)
- weak force
(responsible for radioactivity)

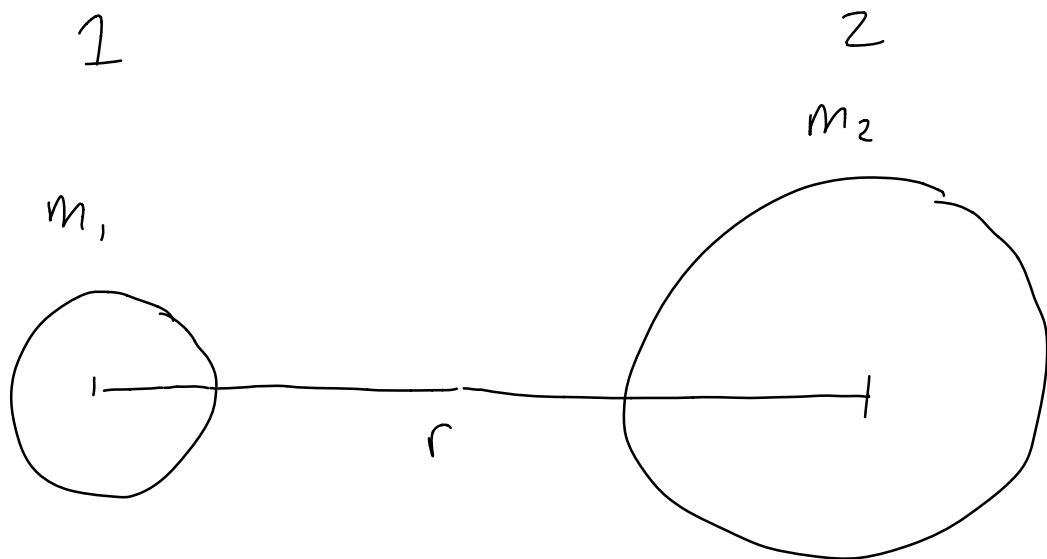
Any interaction you can imagine,
one (or more) of these four interactions
is responsible

- Standard model?

Gravitational Force

- we've been using mg but that's just an approximation on Earth

Two objects (planets, people, protons, etc)



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

Direction: toward m_2

$$G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$$

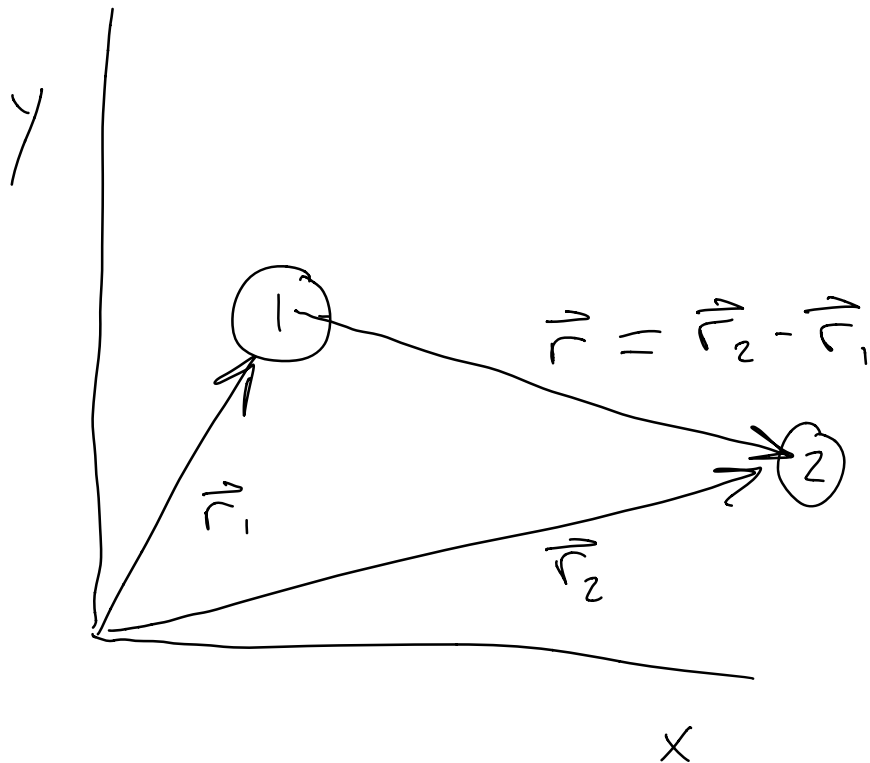
r : center 2 center

Double r , $\frac{1}{4} F$

Double m , $2 \times F$

Combine magnitude & direction

\vec{r} points from cause of force to object experiencing force



$$\vec{F}_{on2 \leftarrow 1} = - \frac{G m_1 m_2}{|\vec{r}|^2} \hat{r}$$

Ex:

Star at $\vec{r}_{\text{star}} = \langle 2 \times 10'', 1 \times 10'', 1.5 \times 10'' \rangle \text{ m}$
mass = $4 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$

Planet at $\vec{r}_{\text{planet}} = \langle 3 \times 10'', 3.5 \times 10'', -0.5 \times 10'' \rangle,$
mass = $3 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$

What is

$\vec{F}_{\text{on planet by star}}?$

Object 1 is causing the force

object 2 is experiencing the force

Step 1: Find \vec{r}

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_{\text{planet}} - \vec{r}_{\text{star}}$$

$$= \langle 3 \times 10'', 3.5 \times 10'', -0.5 \times 10'' \rangle \text{ m} \\ - \langle 2 \times 10'', 1 \times 10'', 1.5 \times 10'' \rangle \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r} = (1 \times 10'', 2.5 \times 10'', -2 \times 10'') \text{ m}$$

Step 2:

Find $|\vec{r}|$

$$|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{(1 \times 10'')^2 + (2.5 \times 10'')^2 + (-2 \times 10'')^2}$$

$$|\vec{r}| = 3.35 \times 10'' \text{ m}$$

Step 3:

$$\text{Calculate } |\vec{F}| = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{|\vec{r}|^2}$$

$$|\vec{F}| = \left(6.7 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2} \right) \times \frac{(3 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg})(4 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg})}{(3.35 \times 10'' \text{ m})^2}$$

$$|\vec{F}| = 7.15 \times 10^{21} \text{ N}$$

Step 4:

Find $-\hat{r}$

$$\hat{r} = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|}$$

$$-\hat{r} = \frac{-\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|}$$

$$= - \frac{\langle 1 \times 10'', 2.5 \times 10'', -2 \times 10'' \rangle \text{ m}}{3.35 \times 10'' \text{ m}}$$

$$-\hat{r} = \langle -0.298, -0.745, 0.596 \rangle$$

Step 5:

$$\vec{F} = |\vec{F}| \cdot (-\hat{r})$$

$$\vec{F} = 7.15 \times 10^{21} \text{ N} \langle -0.298, -0.745, 0.596 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F} = \langle -2.13 \times 10^{21}, -5.53 \times 10^{21}, 4.26 \times 10^{21} \rangle \text{ N}$$

$\vec{F}_{\text{on planet by Star}}$

$$= \langle -2.13 \times 10^{21}, -5.53 \times 10^{21}, 4.26 \times 10^{21} \rangle \text{ N}$$

$\vec{F}_{\text{on star by planet?}}$

Step 1

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1 = \vec{r}_{\text{star}} - \vec{r}_{\text{planet}}$$

$$\vec{r} = \langle -1 \times 10'', 2.5 \times 10'', +2 \times 10'' \rangle \text{ m}$$

Step 2

$|\vec{r}|$ is same

$$|\vec{r}| = 3.35 \times 10'' \text{ m}$$

Step 3

$|\vec{F}|$ is same

$$7.15 \times 10^{21} \text{ N}$$

Step 4

$-\hat{r}$ is opposite of before

$$-\hat{r} = \langle 0.298, 0.745, 0.596 \rangle$$

Step 5:

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on star by planet}} = 7.15 \times 10^{21} \text{ N} \langle 0.298, 0.745, 0.596 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 2.13 \times 10^{21}, 5.53 \times 10^{21}, 4.26 \times 10^{21} \rangle \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{on star by planet}} = -\vec{F}_{\text{on planet by star}}$$

This is not an accident!

Things to note about gravity:

-It is *Universal*.

-Every object that has mass experience a gravitational attraction to every other object that has mass

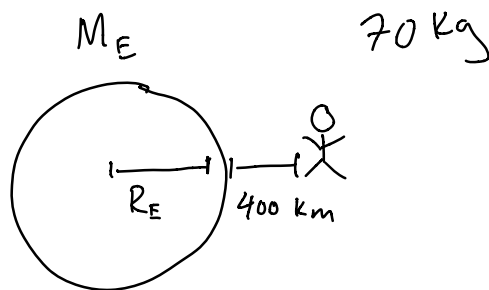
-Saturn is exerting a small force on me right now (and vice versa!)

-This pen is exerting a small force on Jamie (and vice versa!)

-Gravity is *everywhere*

-It is often said that there is no gravity in space, because astronauts float there

Let's see if that's true:



$$|\vec{F}| = \frac{G M_E m_A}{(R_E + 400 \text{ km})^2}$$
$$= \frac{(6.7 \times 10^{-11})(6 \times 10^{24})(70)}{(6.4 \times 10^6 + 4 \times 10^5)^2}$$

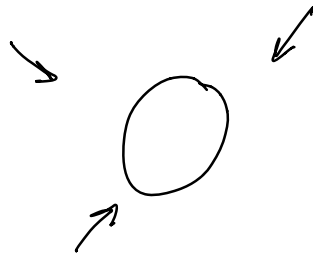
$$|\vec{F}| = 630 \text{ N}$$

$$a = \frac{F}{m} = \frac{630}{70} = 9.0 \text{ m/s}^2 \quad (g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

What's happening?

Apparent weightlessness

- Falling inside an elevator
- Spaceships "falls" around the earth
- There is no "up" and "down"



If $F_{\text{grav}} = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r^2}$, what is mg ?

If we are close to the surface of Earth

$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G M_E m}{(R_E + y)^2} \quad R_E \gg y$$

$$R_E = 6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

$$y = 100 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{if } y/R_E \ll 1$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| \approx \left(\frac{G M_E}{R_E^2} \right) m = gm, \quad g = \frac{G M_E}{R_E^2} \approx 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

We could do the same thing for the moon!

$$g_{\text{moon}} = \frac{GM_{\text{moon}}}{R_m^2} \approx 1.7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$M = 7.3 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$$

$$R_m = 1.7 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

$$F = ma = mg$$

$$a = g$$