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Physics 11 Lesson – Gravitation

- 1) g vs R graph: <https://xmphysics.com/2023/01/02/7-2-2-gravitational-field-of-a-point-mass/>
- 2) Algebraic method for determining g' after the dimensions of a planet are changed (changing mass M and radius R)
- 3) a of the Earth (or any other object) toward a falling mass
- 4) **Videos:**

Gravity <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTY1Kje0yLg>

Gravity videos and news items:

"What Happens When it Rains Space Debris" <https://www.bbc.com/reel/video/p0hdkrc2/what-happens-when-it-rains-space-debris>

Space debris timeline: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wPXck85wMSQ>

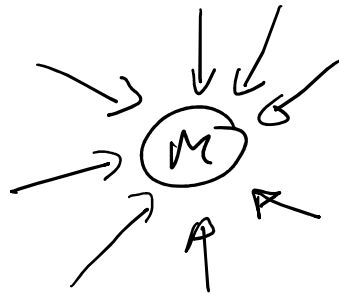
Critical amount of space junk: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVov8o9x0yI>

Space Junk Harpoon: <https://www.space.com/space-junk-harpoon-removedebris-satellite-video.html>

What if you fall into a Black Hole? <https://www.bbc.com/reel/video/p03shhgv/the-strange-fate-of-a-person-falling-into-a-black-hole>

Picture of a Black Hole: <https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-47873592>

1.
$$g = \frac{GM}{r^2}$$



$$F_g = mg$$
$$= \frac{GmM}{r^2}$$



$$2. \quad F_g = \frac{G m M}{R^2}$$



$$\therefore \cancel{m}g = \frac{G \cancel{m} M}{R^2}$$

$$\therefore g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$$

if M and/or R change...

the new g is g'

$$g' = \frac{GM'}{R'^2}$$

eg. if $M' = 5 \times M$
and $R' = \frac{R}{3}$

$$g' = \frac{G(5M)}{\left(\frac{R}{3}\right)^2} = \frac{5GM}{\frac{R^2}{9}}$$

$$\therefore g' = \frac{5GM}{1} \times \frac{9}{R^2} = 5 \times 9 \left(\frac{GM}{R^2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{g' = 45g} = g \text{ (original)}$$

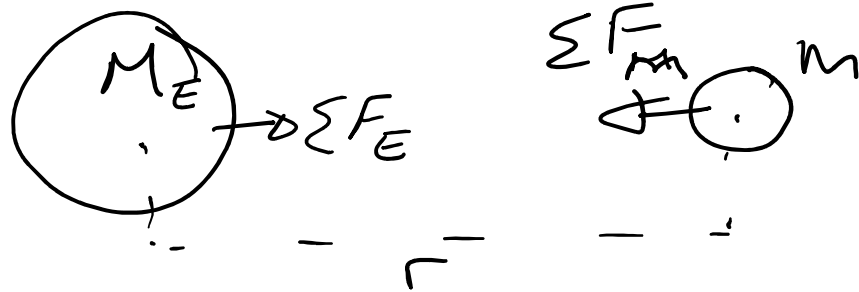
or if $M' = 2M$ and $R' = 3R$

$$g' = \frac{G(2M)}{(3R)^2}$$

$$g' = \frac{2GM}{9R^2}$$

$$\boxed{g' = \frac{2}{9}g}$$

3.



$\Sigma F_E =$ net force on the Earth

$\Sigma F_m =$ net force on the mass

$$\Sigma F_E = M_E \vec{a}_E = \frac{G m M_E}{r^2}$$

$$\Sigma F_m = m \vec{a}_m = \frac{G m M_E}{r^2}$$

$$\therefore \Sigma F_E = \Sigma F_m$$

$$\therefore M_E \vec{a}_E = m \vec{a}_m$$

$$\therefore a_E = \frac{m a_m}{M_E}$$

if $R = R_E$
 $a_m = g$

$$a_E = \frac{mg}{M_E}$$

$$m = 0.200 \text{ kg}$$

$$a_m = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$a_E = \frac{(0.200)(9.8) \text{ m/s}^2}{5.979 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}}$$

$$5.979 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$$

$$a_E = 3.29 \times 10^{-25} \text{ m/s}^2$$