

5.4~6.1 GRAVITY


7th Physical Science

WHAT IS GRAVITY?

- Why we don't fly off into space
- Why Earth is a Goldilocks planet
- How we control satellites
- (2 minutes)

<http://www.grindtv.com/outdoor/blog/34091/new+video+offers+a+remarkable+space+trip+for+those+grounded+by+reality/>

<http://vimeo.com/44801709>

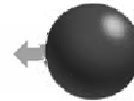
- How we “slingshot” our way through the solar system.
 - Here's a clip of Cassini (2:32)
 - <http://www.tecca.com/news/2011/03/15/saturn-fly-by-video/>
 - Have you heard of Voyager 1 and 2?
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WHAT IS GRAVITY?

AN ELEGANT EQUATION SAYS IT ALL!

- o Law of Universal Gravitation

$$F_g = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{d^2}$$



$$G = 6.67428 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2}$$
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- o Bigger Mass → _____ gravity
- o Bigger distance → _____ gravity
- o Does the bigger mass pull harder on the smaller mass?

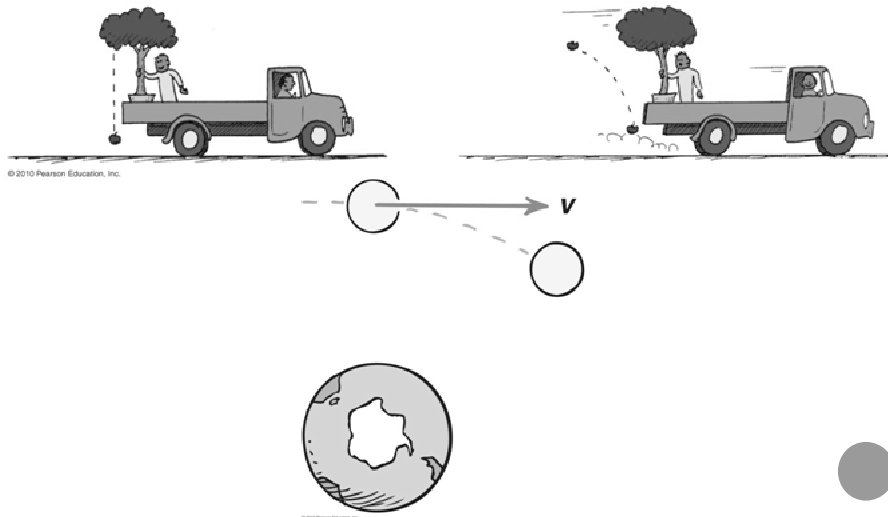


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- o Gravity = force of attraction between 2 masses

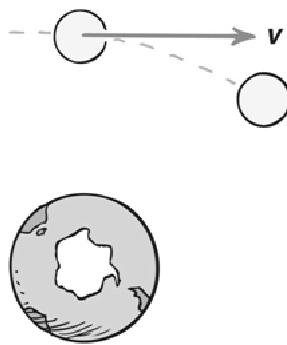


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7.1 THE MOON IS FALLING!

- o The curvature of the fall matches the Earth's



5.4 NEWTON'S LAW OF UNIVERSAL GRAVITATION

- Gravity is a FORCE
- Law of Universal Gravitation

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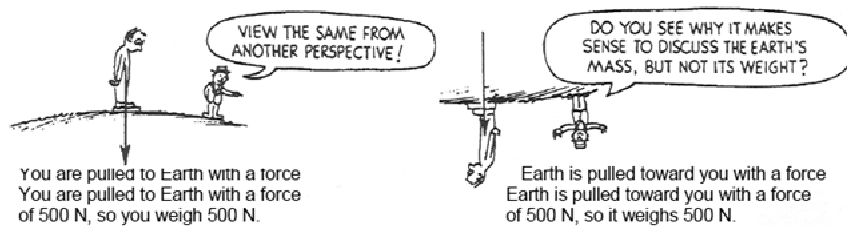


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5.4 NEWTON'S LAW OF UNIVERSAL GRAVITATION

- If the Earth pulls a person down with 500N, how hard does the person pull the Earth up?
- Why does the person fall down instead of the Earth falling up?



5.4 UNIVERSAL CONSTANT OF GRAVITATION G

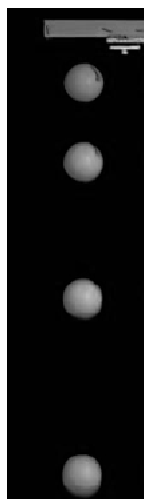
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- Calculate the gravitational acceleration on the surface of the Earth.



6.1 WHY DOES THE BALL DROP MORE AND MORE DISTANCE?



6.1 GRAVITY AND MOTION

- Positive Acceleration means that

- Acceleration on Earth:

$g =$ _____


- Speed after t seconds:


$v =$ _____


- Distance fallen in t seconds


$x =$ _____

- Why does the ball fall more distance every second?

$t = 0\text{ s}$
 $v = 0\text{ m/s downward}$

$t = 1\text{ s}$
 $v =$

$t = 2\text{ s}$
 $v =$

$t = 4\text{ s}$
 $v =$

MATH Focus

Calculating the Velocity of Falling Objects A stone at rest is dropped from a cliff, and the stone hits the ground after a time of 3 s. What is the stone's velocity when it hits the ground?

Step 1: Write the equation for change in velocity.

$$\Delta v = g \times t$$

Step 2: Replace g with its value and t with the time given in the problem, and solve.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta v &= 9.8 \frac{\text{m/s}}{\text{s}} \times 3\text{ s} \\ &= 29.4\text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

To rearrange the equation to find time, divide by the acceleration due to gravity:

$$t = \frac{\Delta v}{g}$$

Now It's Your Turn

1. A penny at rest is dropped from the top of a tall stairwell. What is the penny's velocity after it has fallen for 2 s?
2. The same penny hits the ground in 4.5 s. What is the penny's velocity as it hits the ground?
3. A marble at rest is dropped from a tall building. The marble hits the ground with a velocity of 98 m/s. How long was the marble in the air?
4. An acorn at rest falls from an oak tree. The acorn hits the ground with a velocity of 14.7 m/s. How long did it take the acorn to land?

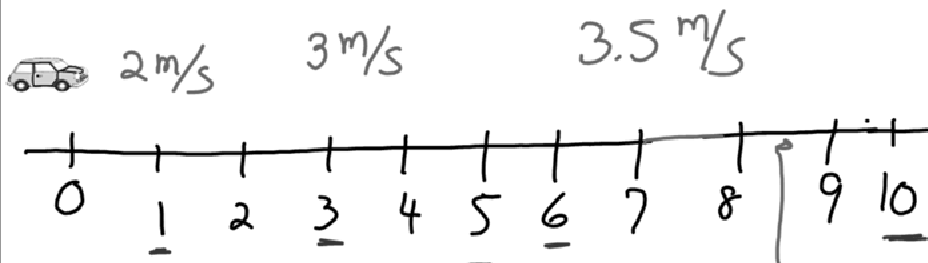
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- o Reinforcement: Falling Fast

6.1 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DECREASING ACCELERATION AND DECREASING SPEED

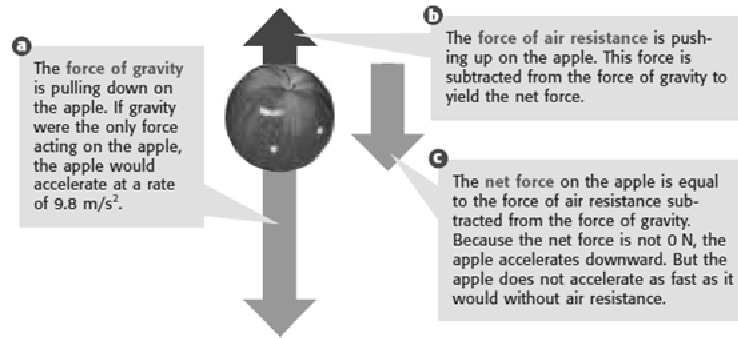
Acceleration is increasing/same/decreasing

Speed is increasing/same/decreasing

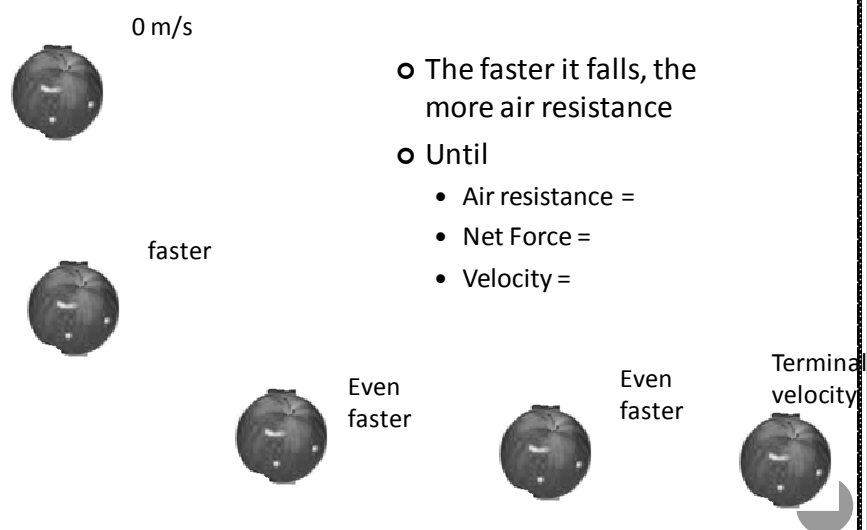


6.1 AIR RESISTANCE

Figure 3 Effect of Air Resistance on a Falling Object

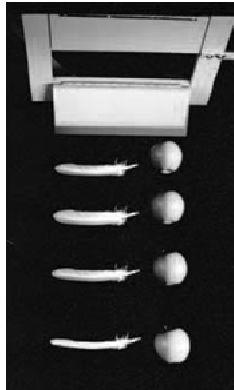


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- o Free Fall = the only force is gravity (no air resistance)

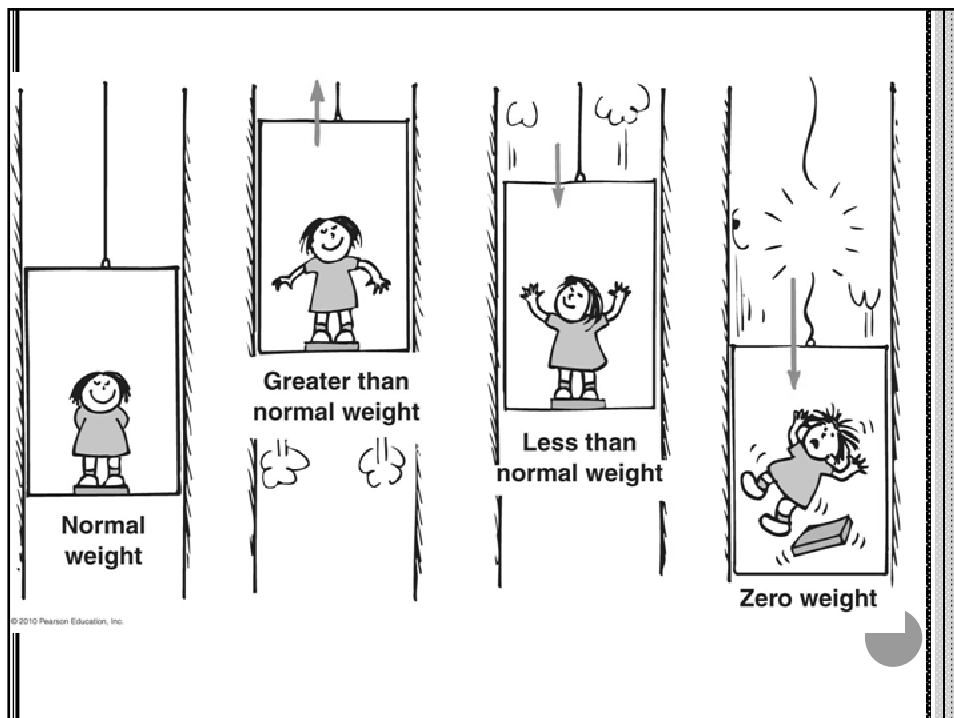


6.1 WEIGHT AND WEIGHTLESSNESS



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- o What makes you feel “heavy”?
 - The support from the floor
 - Newton’s 3rd Law: I push floor down (due to gravity), so floor pushes me up.
- o Draw the force arrows on the next page.



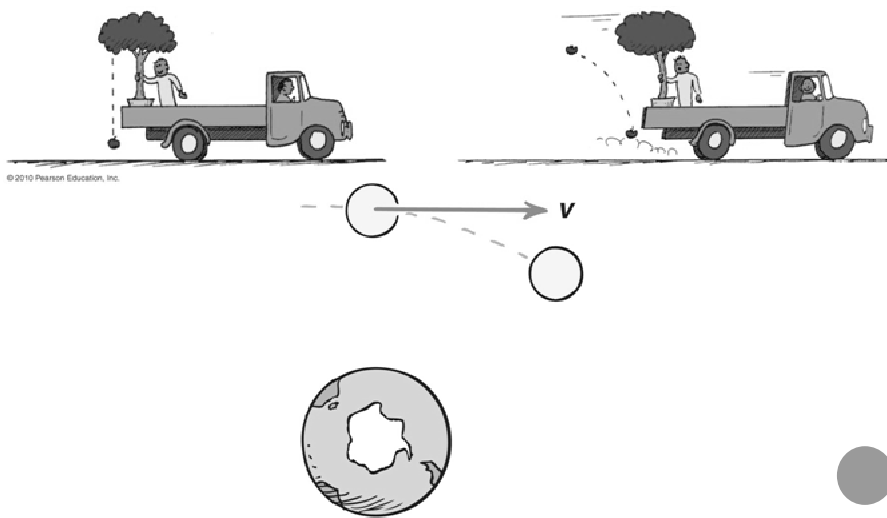
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- Weightlessness is not really the absence of gravity but the absence of _____



- There is still gravity in space. (It is 90% as strong as on the Earth!). But why do astronauts float?

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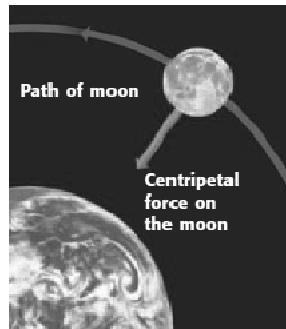
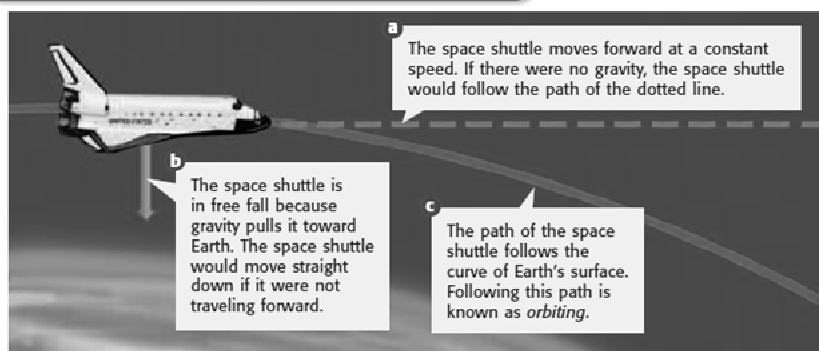


Figure 8 The moon stays in orbit around Earth because Earth's gravitational force provides a centripetal force on the moon.

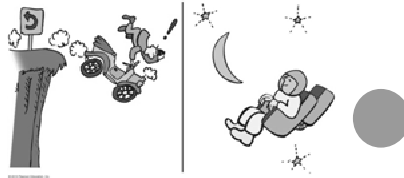
THE SPACE SHUTTLE IS FALLING!

Figure 7 How an Orbit Is Formed



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- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qtQchbUgeLE>
(parabolic flight)
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coX1u2_KBsQ&feature=related (fun in space)
- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkXrpbOEWC4&feature=related> (parabolic flight)
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6.1 PROJECTILE MOTION

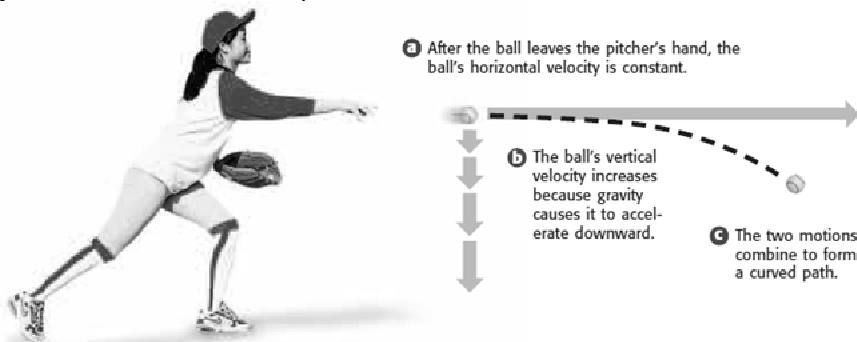
- Which will reach the ground first?
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z24_ihikEqQ&feature=related



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- Projectile = an object moving only due to gravity (no air resistance)

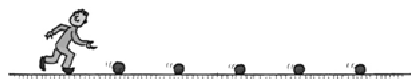
- Moves in a parabola
- There are 2 components: horizontal and vertical



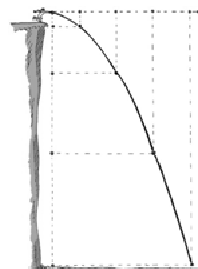
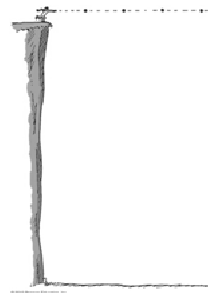
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- Projectile Motion

- Horizontal component
is/ is not affected by gravity.
Inertia?

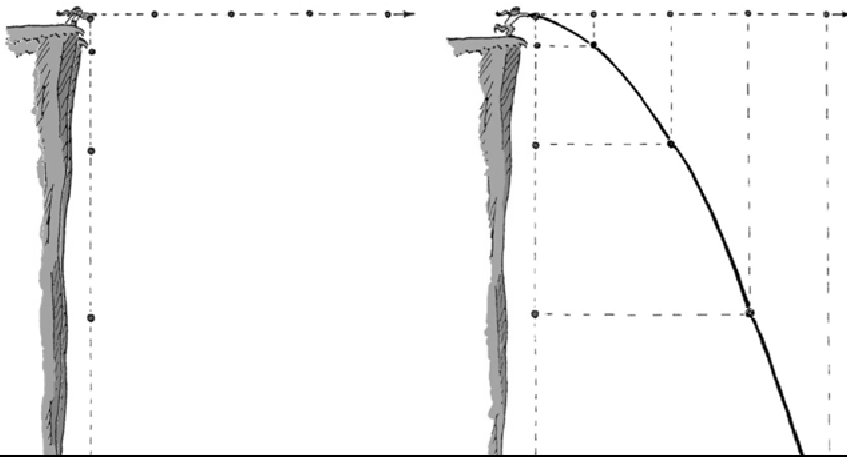


- Vertical component
is/ is not affected by gravity



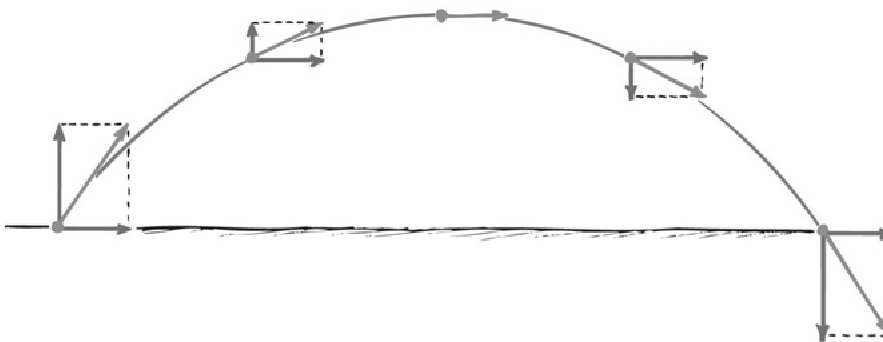
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- Put the vertical and horizontal components together and the path is a parabola



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- The curved path of any projectile is a combination of horizontal and vertical motions.



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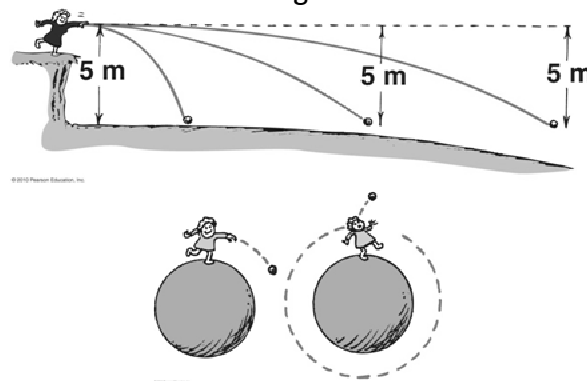
6.1 SATELLITE MOTION

- o Read the Comic



6.1 SATELLITES: FAST-MOVING PROJECTILES

- o Satellite = projectile that falls fast enough to fall around (not into) Earth.
- o Read Practice Book Pg. 33



6.1 COMPLETE THE WORKSHEETS

