

Forces

A quick review of what we know and
then some more...

Four fundamental forces

- Gravitational, (long range, attractive, unidirectional)
- Electromagnetic (works both ways)
- Strong nuclear (holds protons and neutrons together)
- Weak nuclear (occurs in some radioactivity)

Examples of forces

- Contact forces (push, pull, friction)
- Long range forces (electromagnetic, gravitational)

Gravity

- Force of gravity = weight.
- Mass = amount of matter.
- We say $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ but it can also be 9.80 N/kg .
- If my monkey has a mass of 5.50 kg what is his weight?

$$w = mg$$

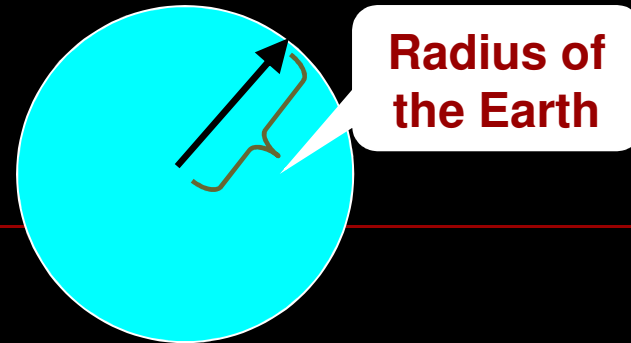
$$w = (5.50\text{kg}) \cdot (9.80 \text{ N/kg})$$

$$w = 53.9\text{N}$$

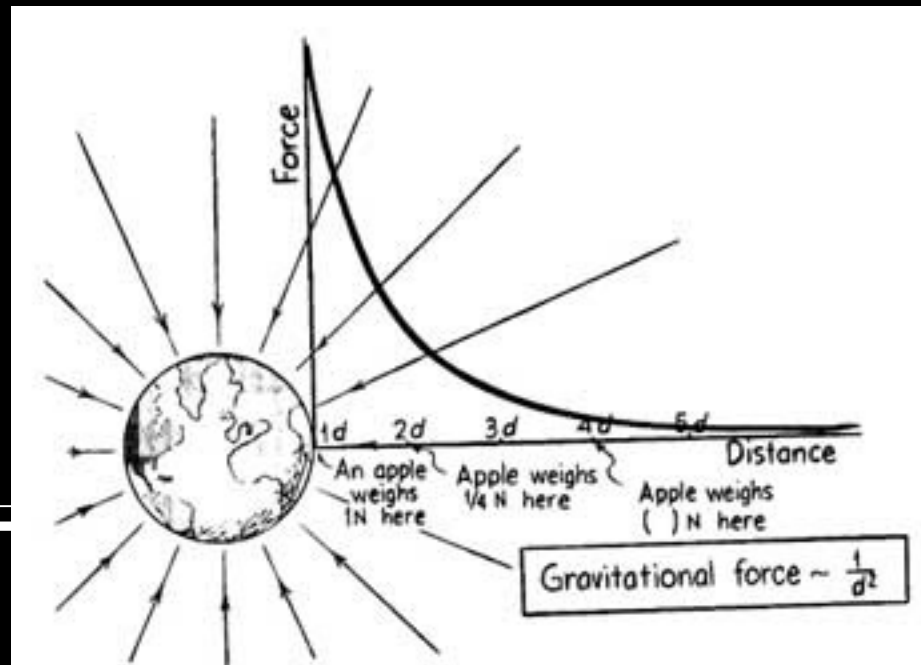
Is g a constant?

- No!!
- Where does it change and why?
- What about the Moon? ($g = 1.6\text{N/kg}$)
- What is the inverse squared relationship and when do we need to consider its effect?
- What would happen to the w of the monkey if l doubled and then tripled its distance from earth?

monkey continued



- If R is doubled then w is quartered.
- So if R is tripled then w is _____ of its value.

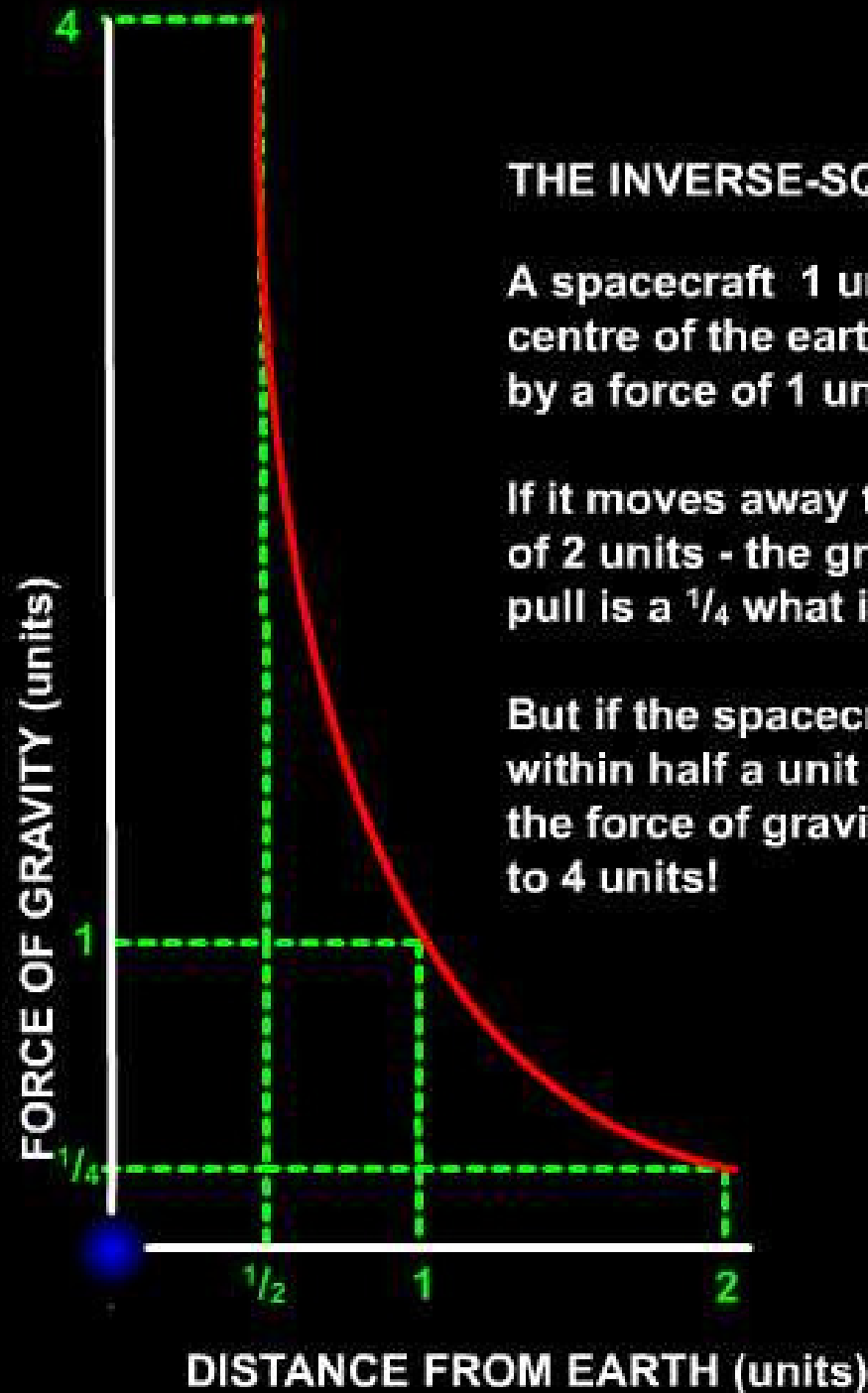


THE INVERSE-SQUARE LAW

A spacecraft 1 unit from the centre of the earth is attracted by a force of 1 unit.

If it moves away to a distance of 2 units - the gravitational pull is a $\frac{1}{4}$ what it was.

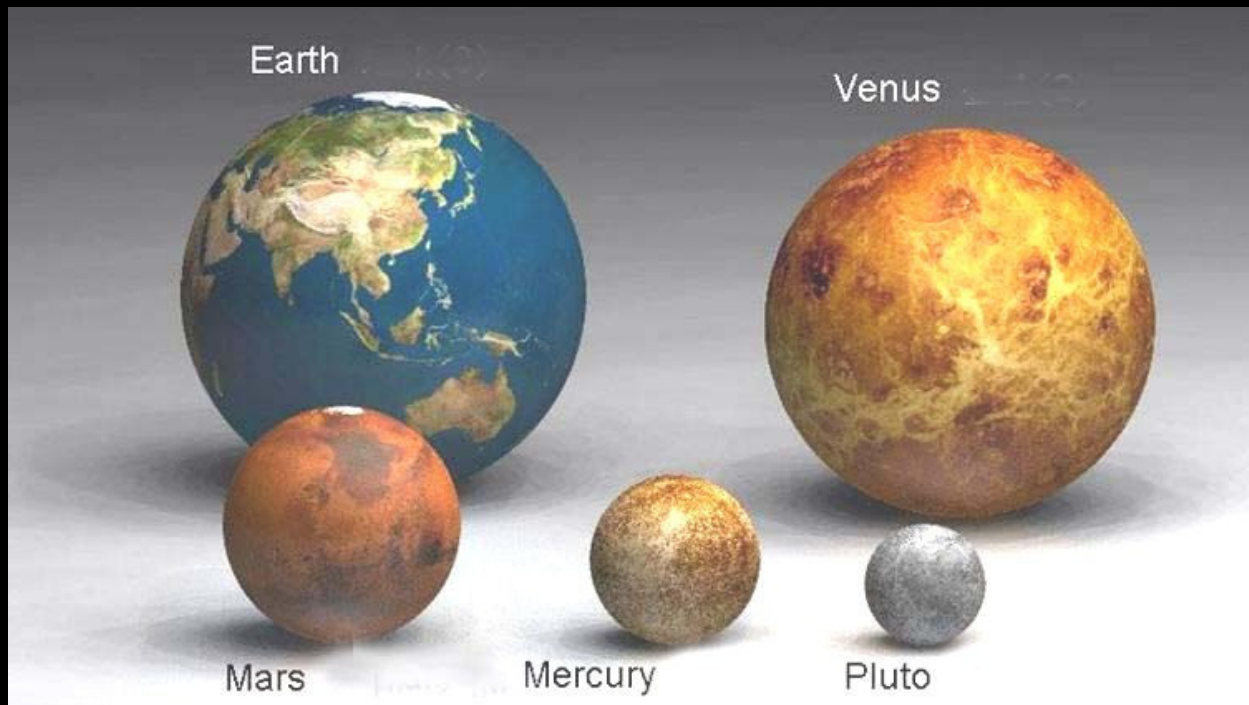
But if the spacecraft gets to within half a unit of earth then the force of gravity increases to 4 units!



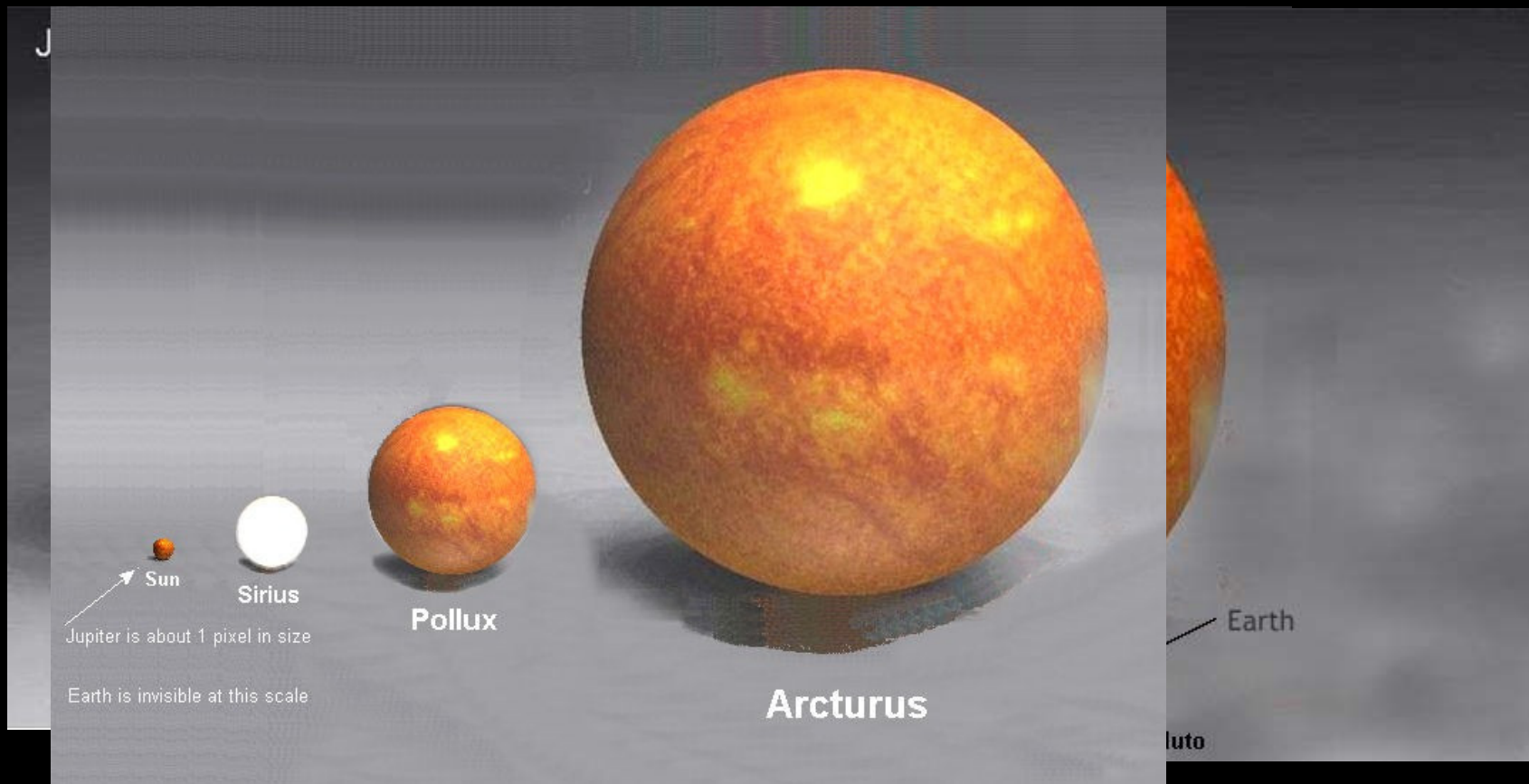
Where does Gravity come from?

- Always the centre of the Earth, Moon, ...
- What determines how much force of gravity objects will exert on one another?
 - Mass (direct relationship)
 - Distance. (inverse squared relationship)

$g = 9.80\text{N/kg}$ on Earth



A sense of scale...



Universal Law of Gravitation

Newton's law of universal gravitation states that any two objects of masses m_1 and m_2 separated by a distance r will exert a gravitational force on each other. This gravitational force is an attractive force and is directly proportional to the product of the masses ($F \propto m_1 m_2$) and inversely proportional to r^2 ($F \propto 1/r^2$).

Universal Law of Gravitation

$$F_{\text{grav}} = \frac{Gm_1m_2}{R^2}$$

G = Universal Gravitational Constant

$$G = 6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$$

What is the F_{grav} on a 6.00 kg monkey here on the Earth's surface?

$$W = mg$$

$$w = (6.00\text{kg})(9.80 \text{ N/kg})$$

$$w = 58.8\text{N}$$

$$F_{\text{grav}} = \frac{G \cdot m_1 \cdot m_2}{R^2}$$

$$F = \left(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 / \text{kg}^2 \right) \left(\frac{6.00\text{kg} \times 5.97 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}}{(6.38 \times 10^6 \text{ m})^2} \right)$$

$$F = 58.7\text{N}$$

4 U 2 Try

- Page 110, Practice Questions
- Also Page 124 do questions # 18, 19, 20, 21, 22.