

AHS REGULAR PHYSICS PROGRAM

Direction: Answer the questions below on a sheet of size 2 paper.

1. In the equation $F_g = GMm/r^2$, F_g is the gravitational force, G is gravitational constant ($6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ kg m}^2/\text{s}^2$), M and m are two point masses and r is the distance between the two point masses.

- What happens to F_g if M and m are doubled?
- What happens to F_g if r is halved? doubled?
- What happens to F_g if m is doubled and r is one fourth its original value?
- What relationship exists between F_g and m , F_g and r , m and r ?

2. In the equation $F_c = mv_{\text{tan}}^2/r$, F_c is the centripetal force, m is mass, v_{tan} is tangential velocity and r is radius of the circular path. Determine the relation that exists between the following variables: F_c and m , F_c and v_{tan} , F_c and r , m and v_{tan} , m and r .

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