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CH 5: CQ 24, 29, 39; Ex 10, 18, 21; CH 6: CQ 6, 11; Ex 4, 9

Ch 5

CQ 24. The force on an object at a height h above the surface of the Earth is given by

$$F = \frac{G M_E m}{(R_E + h)^2}$$

where M_E is the mass of the earth, m the mass of the object and R_E is the radius of the Earth.

When h is much smaller than R_E , the force can be approximated by

$$F = \frac{G M_E m}{R_E^2} = m \left(\frac{G M_E}{R_E^2} \right) = mg.$$

is a good approximation, when $h \ll R_E$, and is easy to use. But if h is not small compared to R_E then we cannot neglect it in the denominator and Force is then given by

$$F = \frac{G M_E m}{r^2} \quad \text{where} \quad r = R_E + h$$

CQ 29 We would expect the value of g to be larger because uranium has a larger density of mass than the average surface material of the earth, and would therefore attract nearby masses more strongly than the average location.

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Q39. When the tide along the American Western seaboard is high, the tide in Japan would be low; since Japan is 90° west of San Francisco and tidal bulges occur on opposite sides of the Earth, i.e. 180° apart.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex 10. } F_{\text{Shuttle}} &= \frac{G M_E m}{(R_E + 400 \text{ km})^2} = \frac{G M_E m}{R_E^2} \left(\frac{R_E^2}{(R_E + 400 \text{ km})^2} \right) \\ &= F_{\text{Earth}} \left(\frac{R_E}{R_E + 400 \text{ km}} \right)^2 \\ &= F_{\text{Earth}} \left(\frac{6400 \text{ km}}{6400 \text{ km} + 400 \text{ km}} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{\text{Shuttle}} = F_{\text{Earth}} \times (0.886)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex 18 } g_{\text{Mars}} &= \frac{G M_{\text{Mars}}}{R_{\text{Mars}}^2} = \frac{G (0.11) M_E}{(0.53 R_E)^2} = \frac{0.11}{(0.53)^2} \frac{G M_E}{R_E^2} \\ &= \frac{0.11}{(0.53)^2} g_{\text{Earth}} \\ &= (0.391) \times 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$g_{\text{MARS}} = 3.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

[Text's answer of 3.94 is an overestimate, even if $g = 10.0$ is used]

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ERROR CORRECTION

Ch 5 Ex 22) The following is the solution to Ch 5 Ex 22; see p 44 for Ch 5 Ex 21.
Gravitational field of the earth at a distance of $5R_E$ is given by

$$\frac{F_g}{m} = \frac{GM_E}{(5R_E)^2} = \frac{1}{25} \frac{GM_E}{R_E^2}$$

The field is reduced by a factor of 25,
from $g_0 = 9.8$ to $g_{5R_E} = 0.39 \text{ m/sec}^2$.

Ch 6

CQ 6 Padding dashboards lengthens the time for the body to stop. Then the change in momentum takes place over a longer period of time and therefore the magnitude of the force is reduced (because $\vec{\Delta P} = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta t = \text{Impulse}$).

CQ 11) The initial momentum = $m v = 2 \text{ kg} \times 4 \text{ m/s} = 8 \text{ kg m/s}$ acting downward. The final momentum is zero.
∴ the impulse is 8 kg m/s directed

Ex 4

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{you}} v_{\text{you}} &= m_{18 \text{ wheels}} \times v_{18 \text{ wheels}} \\ v_{\text{you}} &= \frac{m_{18 \text{ wheels}} \times v_{18 \text{ wheels}}}{m_{\text{you}}} \\ &= \frac{24,000 \text{ kg} \times 1 \text{ mph}}{60 \text{ kg}} \\ &= \boxed{400 \text{ mph.}} \end{aligned}$$

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Ex 9) Impulse = Change in momentum = $\text{Avg Force} \times \Delta t$

Final momentum = 0, Initial momentum = $m v$
 $= 1500 \text{ kg} \times 30 \text{ m/s}$

Impulse = $0 - 1500 \text{ kg} \times 30 \text{ m/s}$

$- 45,000 \text{ kg m/s}$

Average force = $\frac{\text{Change in momentum}}{\Delta t}$

$= \frac{- 45,000 \text{ kg m/s}}{8 \text{ s}}$

$= - 5625 \text{ kg m/s}^2$

$= - 5,625 \text{ N}$

Error Correction:

In error the solution to Ex 22 was provided above. The solution to Ch 5 Ex 21, which was assigned, follows

Given: R_{SV} = Distance sun to Venus = $0.72 R_E$, where R_E is EARTH to SUN distance. At Venus sun's Gravity Field is

$\frac{F_V}{m} = G \frac{M_S}{(R_{SV})^2}$

At earth the " " " " $\frac{F_E}{m} = G \frac{M_S}{(R_E)^2}$

& the ratio is $\frac{F_V/m}{F_E/m} = \frac{M_S/(R_{SV})^2}{M_S/(R_E)^2} = \left[\frac{(R_E)}{(R_{SV})} \right]^2 = \left(\frac{1}{0.72} \right)^2 = 1.93$

Thus the sun's field at Venus is $1.93 \times \text{stronger}$ than it is at earth.

— end of HW Solutions #4