

Today's Topics

Monday, September 9, 2019 (Week 2, lecture 5) – Chapter 3.

0. Kepler's 3rd law

1. Galileo & Newton

2. Newton's laws

3. Conservation laws

5. Gravity

Participation Quiz

2 minutes

0 point – no answer

1 point – wrong answer

2 points – correct answer

Which of the following is equivalent to 930 km ? (only one answer is correct)

$$0.930 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$93.0 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}$$

$$93.0 \times 10^4 \text{ m}$$

Kepler's 3rd Law

T = orbital period in units of Earth years

a = semimajor axis in AU

$$T^2 = a^3$$

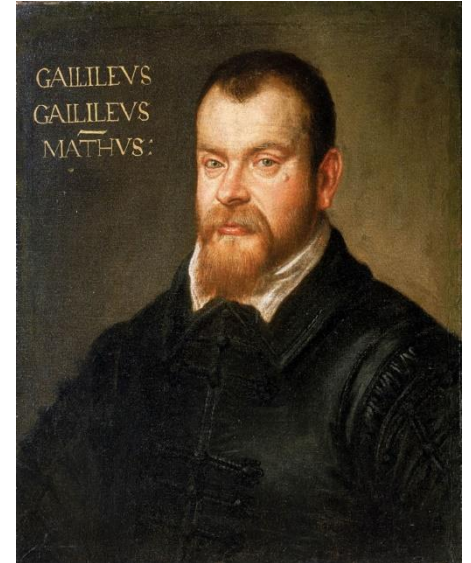
Examples

1. Martian orbit.
2. Orbital speed vs orbital radius.

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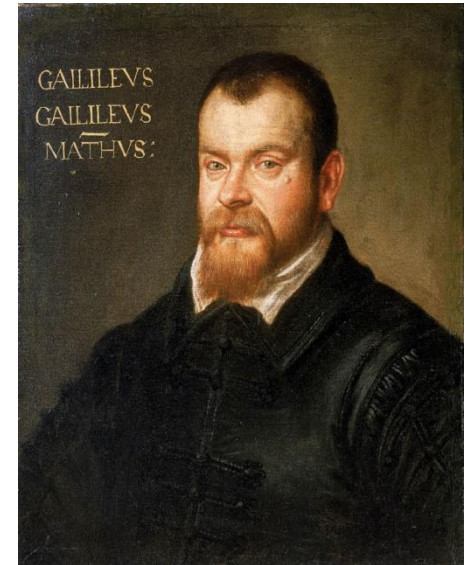
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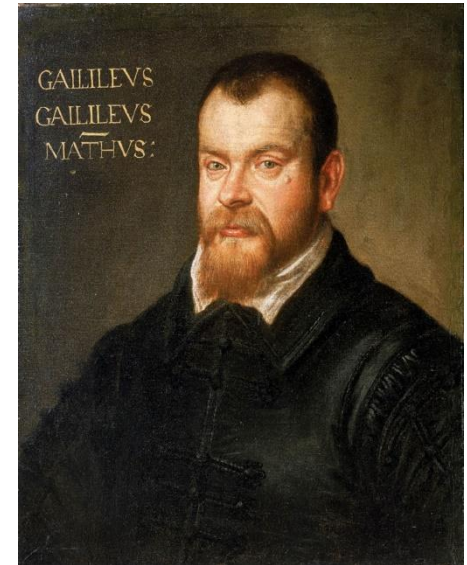
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Astronomy contributions

- Key developer of the **telescope** for astronomy.
- Discovered the moons of Jupiter.
- Discovered the **phases of Venus** (similar to Moon phases).
- Proponent of **heliocentric** view.



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Examples:

1. A car's acceleration is advertised as “0-100 km/h in 5 seconds.”
2. Acceleration due to gravity is **$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s per second}$**
 $= 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

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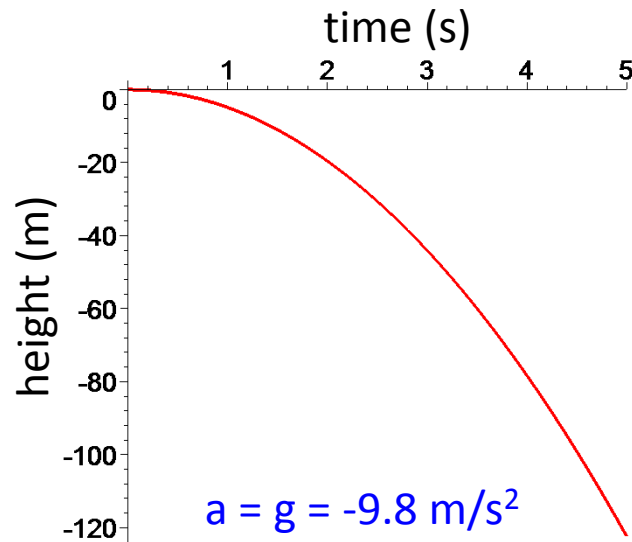
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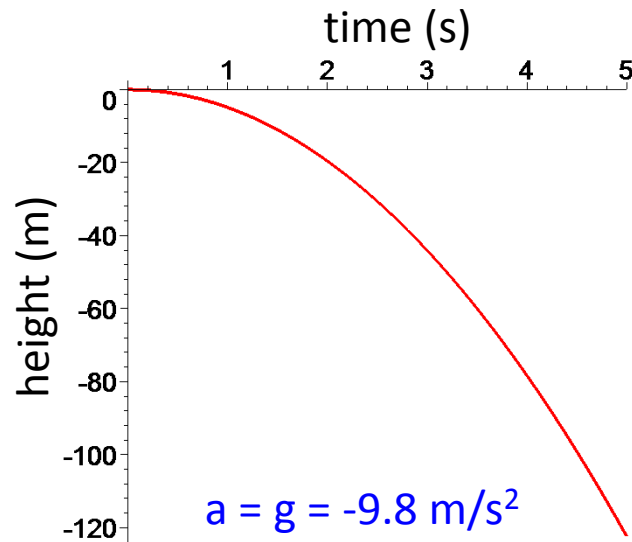
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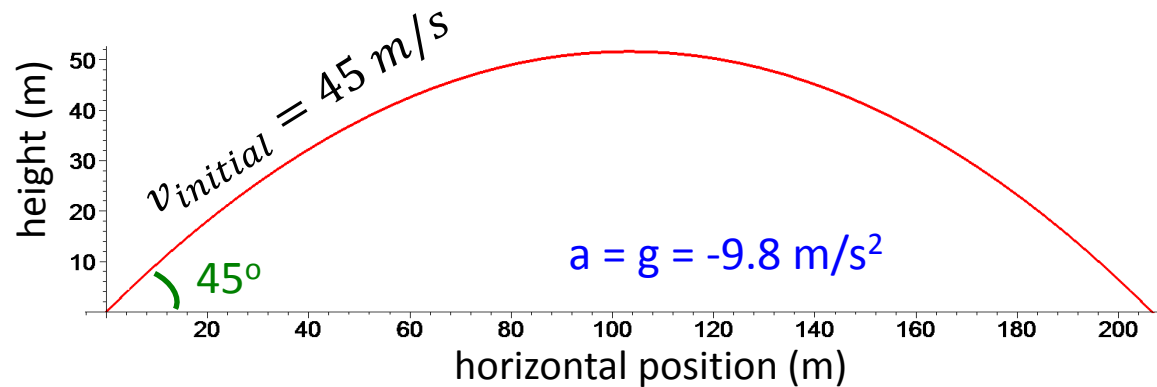
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Baseball: homerun trajectory



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Galilean relativity posits that in any inertial frame:

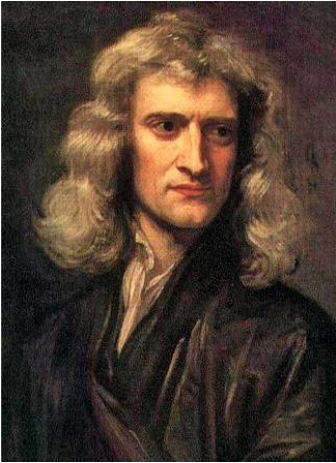
“you cannot tell that you are moving based on local measurement.”

- i.e. an inertial frame locally behaves as if it is at rest (locally).
- **corollary**: an object in uniform motion will tend to stay in uniform motion.

Examples:

- 1. Car:** You cannot tell that a car is moving (when at constant velocity) unless you look out window.
- 2. Airplane:** You cannot tell an airplane is moving (when at constant velocity) unless you look out window (or hit turbulence).

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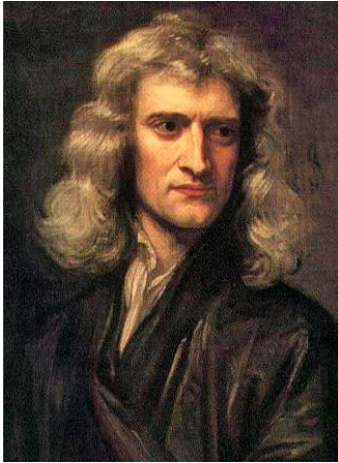


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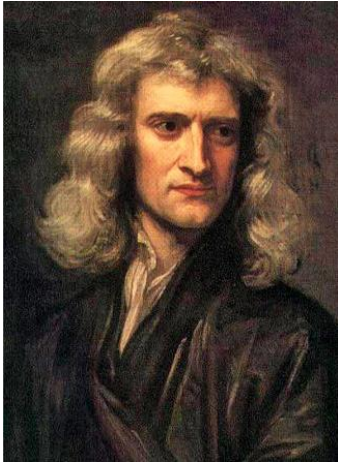
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Astronomy

- **Optics**: white light & colors, refraction.
- Invented the **reflecting telescope**.

Newton's Laws of Classical Mechanics

1st Law: An object moves at constant velocity if there is no net force acting on it.

[fine print: in an inertial reference frame]

2nd Law: Force = mass \times acceleration.

3rd Law: For any force, there is always an equal and opposite reaction force.

Newton's 1st Law

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Note: This law is a variation on the Galilean relativity statement.

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Note 1: This equation is mostly useful if you know the net force applied.

Note 2: If the acceleration is zero, then the net force is zero.

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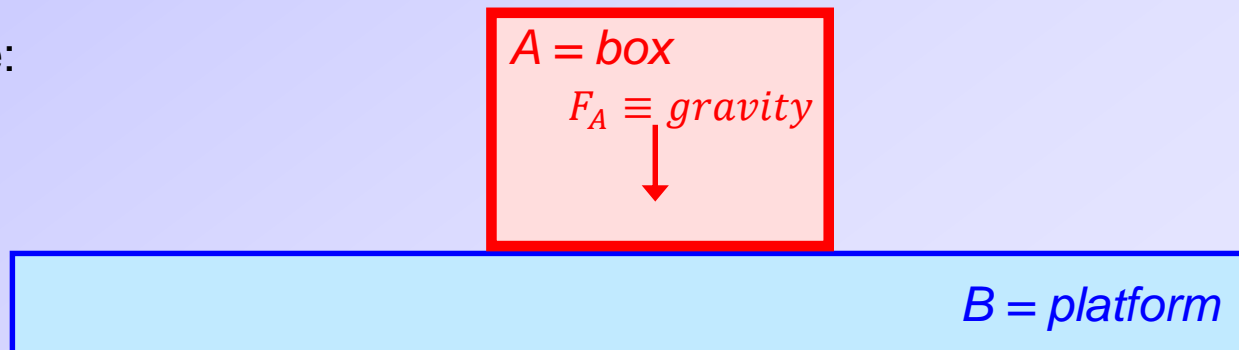
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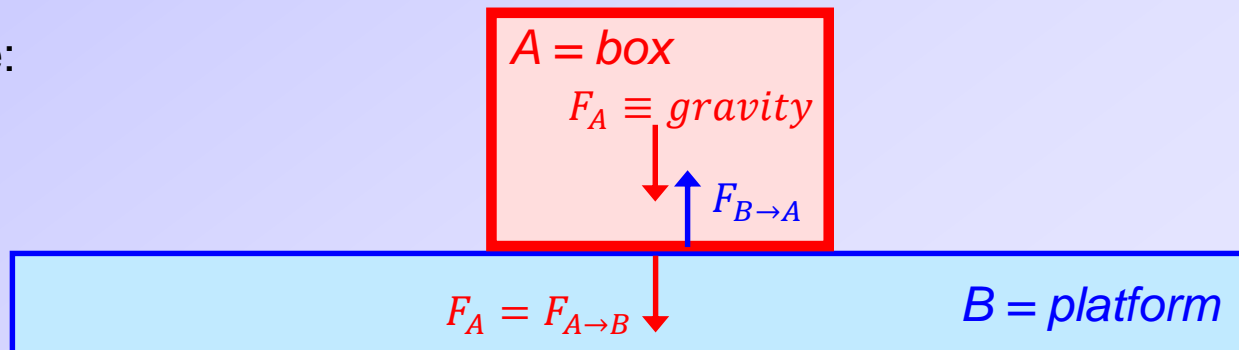


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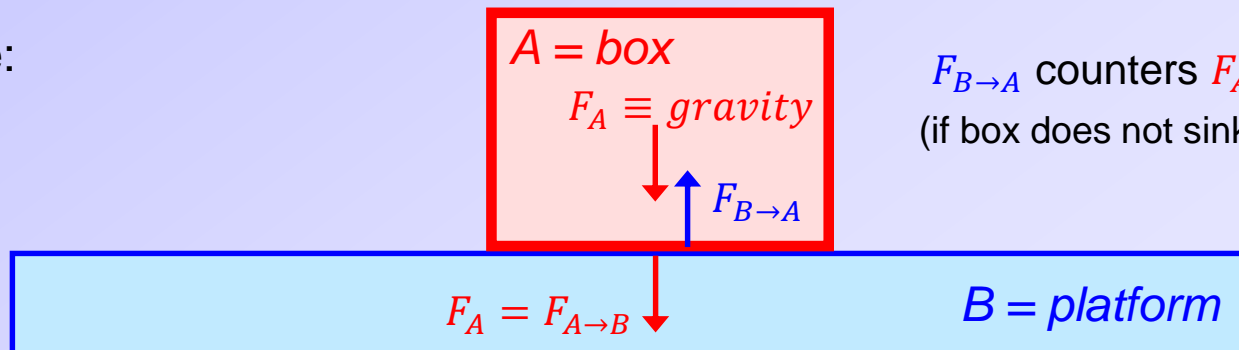


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$F_{B \rightarrow A}$ counters F_A exactly.
(if box does not sink into platform)

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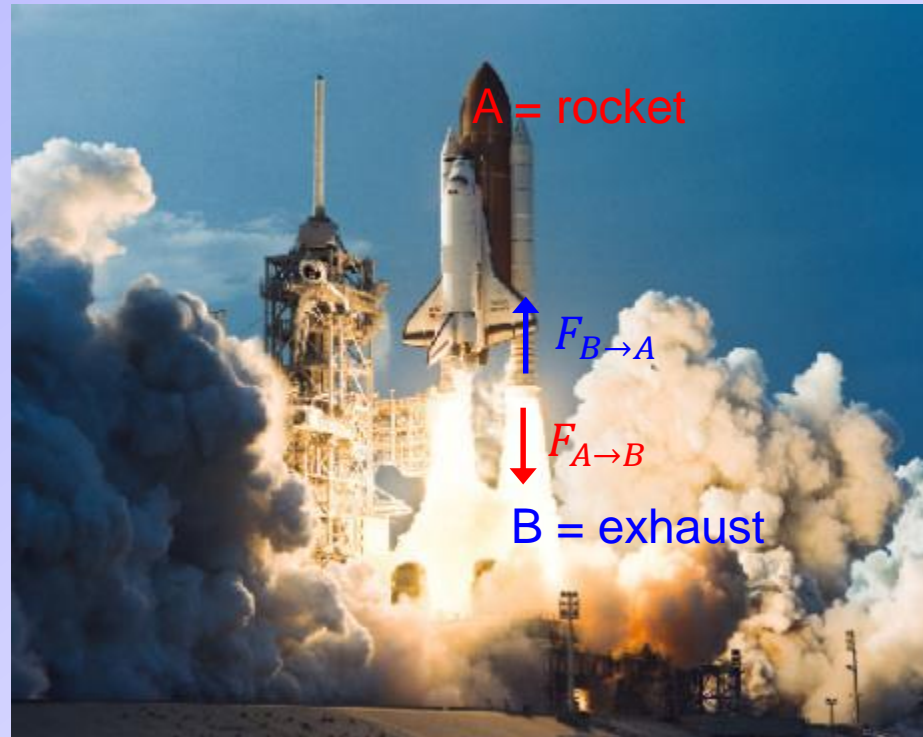


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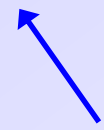
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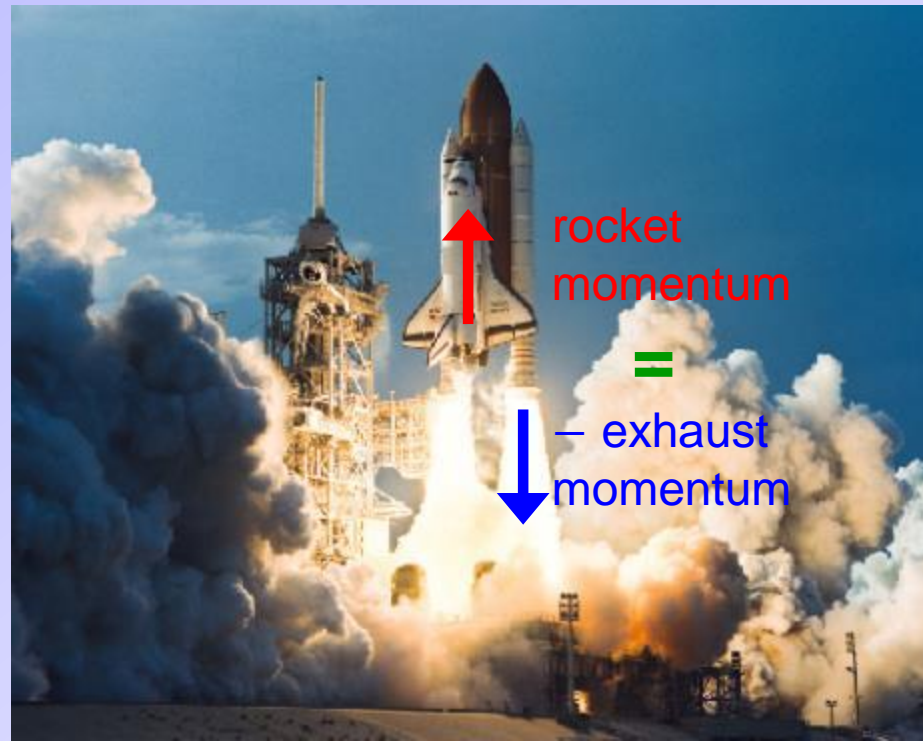
The **total momentum** of a **closed system** **never changes**.

*no external objects enter
no external forces*



Momentum Conservation: Rocket Thrust

$$\text{Momentum}_{\text{rocket}} + \text{Momentum}_{\text{exhaust}} = 0$$



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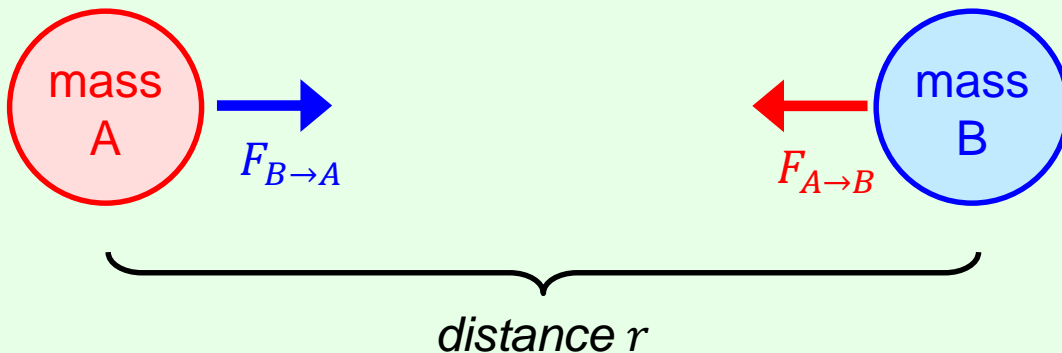
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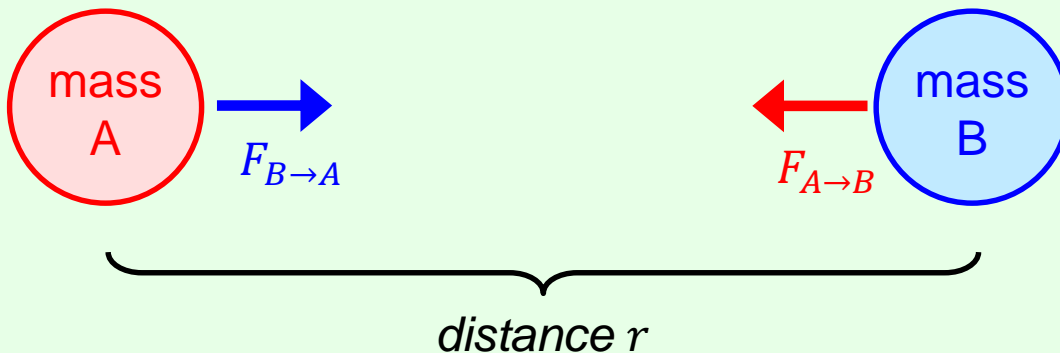
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Properties

- Falls off as $1/r^2$.
- Proportional to M_A .
- Proportional to M_B .
- G = Newton's constant
 $= 6.67430(15) \times 10^{-11}$
 $m^3 / Kg \cdot s^2$

