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## Announcements

- 1) All grades posted on Canvas  
All solutions posted incl. test.
- 2) Term Paper (optional) "abstract" due Oct. 12  
1 page, example on course page.  
must give 3 references you have consulted  
5-10 pp.  
Due after T giving  
Ideas for topics on course page
- 3) Read Ch. 9, Noninertial frames

# Chapter 9

Inertial (nonaccelerating) ref frames.

Newton:  $\exists$  one absolute coordinate system  $S$  for universe  $S'$  constant velocity wrt  $S$   
 $\Rightarrow S'$  is inertial frame.

"Galilean relativity" physical laws are same in all inertial frames, i.e. result of expt. same.

Example: Throw a ball straight up while driving in car at const.  $\vec{v}$ .

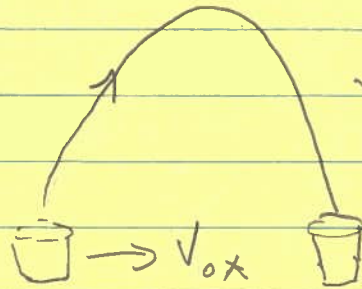
To you  $S$



$$y = v_{0y}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$
$$x = 0$$

ball lands in cup

To observer on side of road  $S_0$



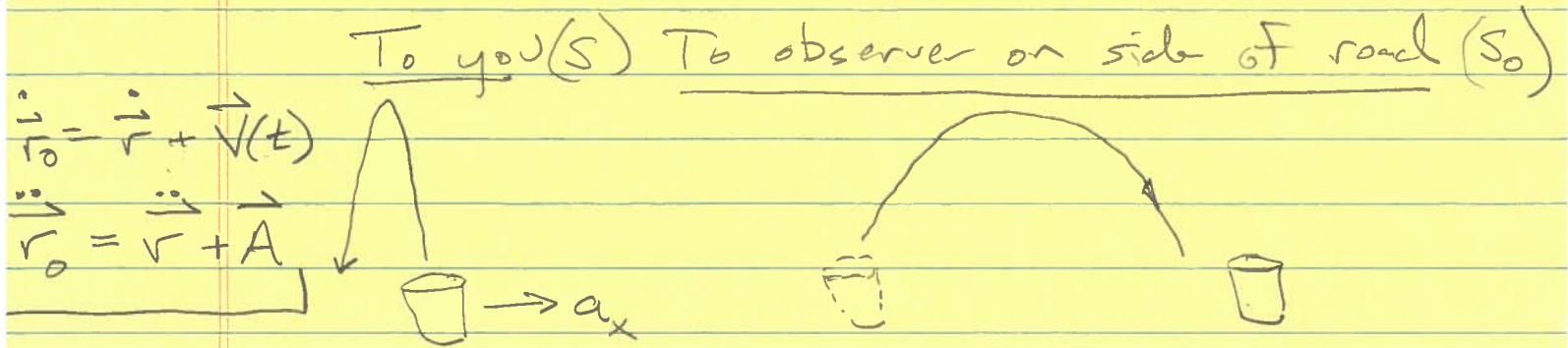
$$y = v_{0y}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$
$$x = v_{0x}t$$

$m\vec{r}'' = \vec{F}$   
for both  
 $\vec{r}'_0 = \vec{r} + \vec{V}$   
 $\vec{r}''_0 = \vec{r}''$   
since  $\vec{V} = 0$

Historical note: we give Galileo credit for this, but it was really Newton. G believed that physical laws didn't change for frames moving at the earth's surface, i.e. it was important for him that Earth was rotating.

G's Ex: tennis game in a moving ship.

Q what if car is accelerating?



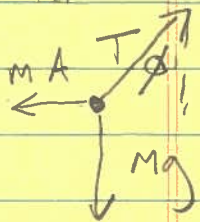
Acceleration evidently equivalent to an external force exerted opposite to  $\vec{a}$

Eqn. of motion in accelerated frame

$$m \ddot{\vec{r}} = m \ddot{\vec{r}}_0 - \underbrace{m \vec{A}}_{\text{inertial force}} \quad \left( \text{Newton's law in noninertial frame} \right)$$

$$= \vec{F}_{\text{tot}} - \vec{F}_{\text{inertial}}$$

Ex. 2 | Pendulum in accelerating frame



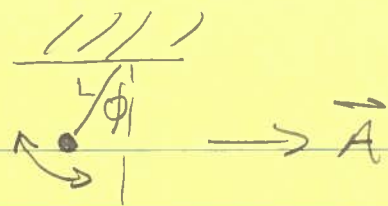
$$m \ddot{\vec{r}} = \vec{T} - mg \hat{y} - m \vec{A} \equiv \vec{T} + m \vec{g}'_{\text{eff}}$$

$$\vec{g}'_{\text{eff}} = -g \hat{y} - \vec{A}$$

Equilibrium  $\ddot{\vec{r}} = 0 \quad \vec{T} = -m \vec{g}'_{\text{eff}}$

$$g_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{g^2 + A^2} \quad \begin{aligned} T_y = T \cos \phi &= mg \\ T_x = T \sin \phi &= mA \end{aligned} \quad \tan \phi = A/g$$

Small oscillations



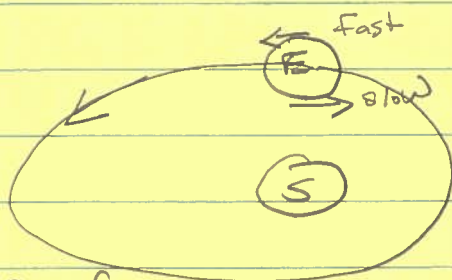
$$\delta\phi = \phi - \phi_{eq} \quad \delta\ddot{\phi} = -\frac{g_{eff}}{L} \sin\delta\phi \approx -\frac{g_{eff}}{L} \delta\phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = \frac{g_{eff}}{L} = \frac{\sqrt{g^2 + A^2}}{L}$$

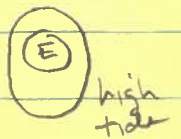
Tides why? why 2/day? Height?

Important historically; correct explanation given by Newton (Principia 1687)

Galileo believed tides occurred because of "interference" of Earth's rotation + revolution around sun



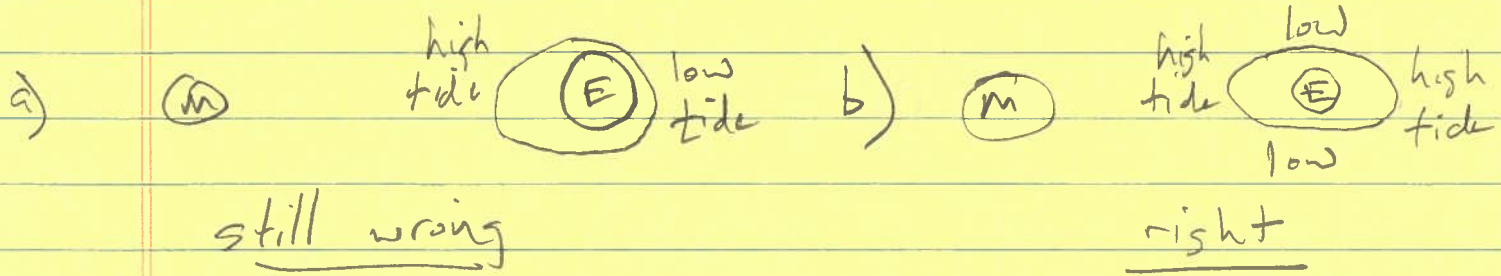
water higher when  $v = \text{slow}$



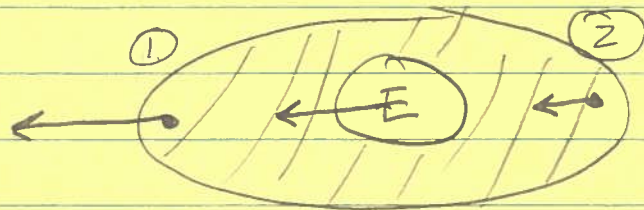
Easily falsifiable:  $\Rightarrow$  only 1 tide/day, doesn't explain variations with lunar motion  
But Galileo felt it was proof that Earth moved! Went to Rome to explain to Pope Urban VIII, led to trial for heresy by inquisition.

Suppose shocking idea of G was correct, but it was due to moon (believed by ancients)

Then we might have picture like a)

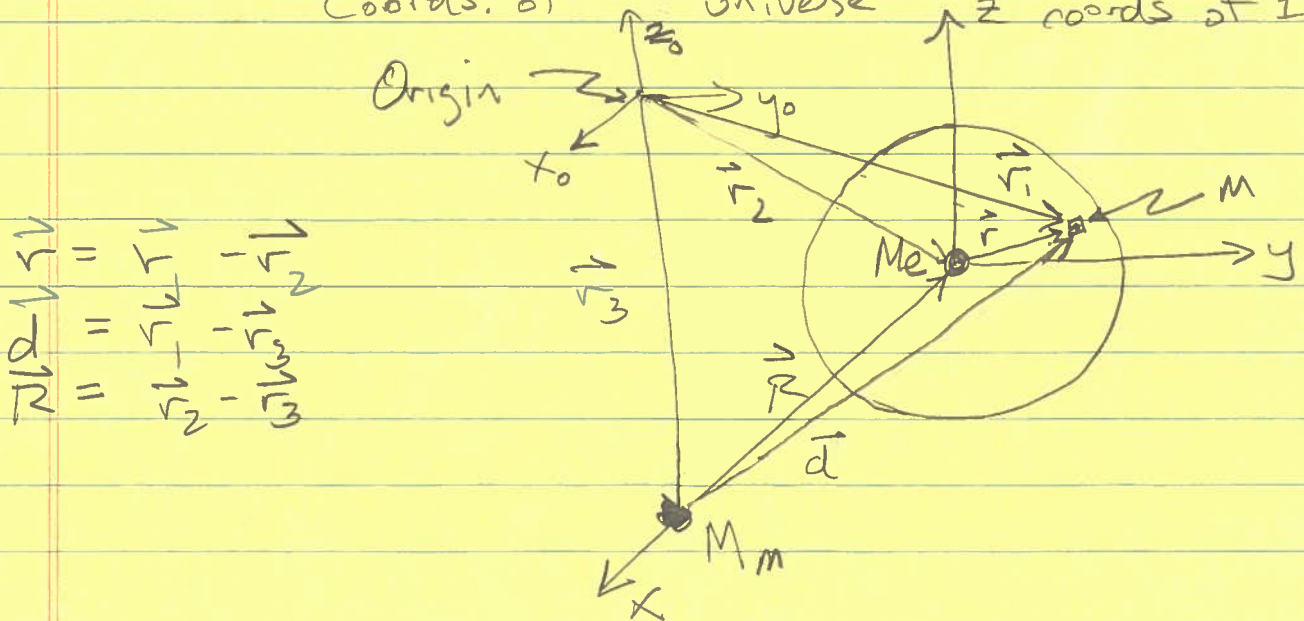


Newton's thing gives to):  $1/r^2$  force is larger (more attractive) at points on ocean closest to moon, weakest on far side, "average" in middle



Every point mass is accelerating towards moon, but 1 is largest, 2 weakest.

"Coords. of universe"      "z" coords of Earth



Motion of water (m)

$$M \ddot{\vec{r}}_1 = - \frac{GM M_e}{r^2} \hat{r} - \frac{GM M_m}{d^2} \hat{d}$$

Earth                      Moon

Motion of Earth:

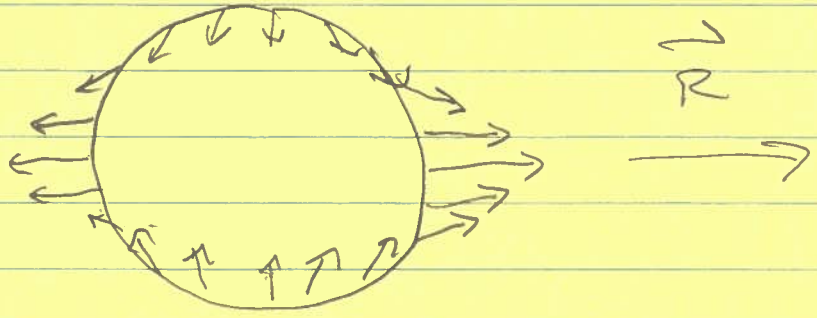
$$M_e \ddot{\vec{r}}_2 = - \frac{GM_e M_m}{R^2} \hat{R}$$

Relative motion of water (m) + Earth:

$$(\ddot{\vec{r}}_1 - \ddot{\vec{r}}_2) = \ddot{\vec{r}} = \frac{-GM_e \hat{r}}{r^2} - \frac{GM_m \hat{d}}{d^2} + \frac{GM_m \hat{R}}{R^2}$$

} tide generating force

(Last term not a force on m, but rather represents inertial force)



tide-generating force

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We want force on small packet of water  $m$ :

$$\textcircled{1} \quad m \ddot{\vec{r}}_1 = - \frac{GM_e m}{r^2} \hat{r} - \frac{GM_m m}{d^2} \hat{d}$$

but Earth itself is attracted, too:

$$\textcircled{2} \quad M_e \ddot{\vec{r}}_2 = - \frac{GM_e M_m}{R^2} \hat{R}$$

$\textcircled{1}/m$ ,  $\textcircled{2}/M_e$ , subtract:

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} = - \frac{GM_e}{r^2} \hat{r} - GM_m \left( \frac{\hat{d}}{d^2} - \frac{\hat{R}}{R^2} \right)$$

accel. due to  
E's grav.

tidal accel.  
due to  $M_m$

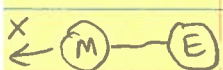
Express in terms of potential ( $\frac{PE}{mass}$ )

$$U(\vec{r}) = - \int_{\infty}^{\vec{r}} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}'$$

$$\bar{\Phi}(\vec{r}) = \frac{U(\vec{r})}{m} = - \frac{1}{m} \int_{\infty}^{\vec{r}} \vec{F}(\vec{r}') \cdot d\vec{r}'$$

$$\vec{r} = \frac{\vec{F}(\vec{r})}{m} = - \vec{\nabla} \bar{\Phi}(\vec{r})$$

★ "Calculate"  $\bar{\Phi}$ , noting  $-\hat{R} \parallel \hat{x}$  "without loss of generality"



$$\text{Guess: } \bar{\Phi}(\vec{r}) = - \frac{GM_e}{r} - \frac{GM_m}{d} + \frac{GM_m x}{R^2}$$