

Answer on Question 71971, Physics, Other

Question:

What is the force of gravitational attraction between two spherical 200 kg masses whose centers are 3.00 meters apart?

Solution:

We can find the force of gravitational attraction, F , between two spherical masses by applying the Newton's law of universal gravitation:

$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2},$$

here, G is the universal gravitational constant; m_1 , m_2 are the masses of first and second objects, respectively; r is the distance between the centers of two objects.

Then, we get:

$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} = 6.67 \cdot 10^{-11} \frac{Nm^2}{kg^2} \cdot \frac{200 kg \cdot 200 kg}{(3.00 m)^2} = 2.96 \cdot 10^{-7} N.$$

Answer:

$$F = 2.96 \cdot 10^{-7} N.$$

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