

Answer on Question 76294, Physics, Other

Question:

Two spherical objects have masses of 200 kg and 500 kg . Their centers are separated by a distance of 25 m . Find the gravitational attraction between them.

Solution:

We can find the gravitational attraction between the spherical objects from the Newton's universal law of gravitation:

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

here, $G = 6.67 \cdot 10^{-11}\text{ Nm}^2/\text{kg}^2$ is the gravitational constant; m_1 , m_2 are the masses of the objects, respectively; r is the distance between the centers of the objects.

Then, we get:

$$F_{attr} = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} = 6.67 \cdot 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2} \cdot \frac{200\text{ kg} \cdot 500\text{ kg}}{(25\text{ m})^2} = 1.067 \cdot 10^{-8}\text{ N}.$$

Answer:

$$F_{attr} = 1.067 \cdot 10^{-8}\text{ N}.$$

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