tide = distortion due to gravity

Physics of Tides: <u>https://youtu.be/3RdkXs8BibE</u>

scale greatly exagerated!













This bulging on both sides of the Earth can be shown mathematically by VECTORS



Consider the arrows which represent the force of the Moon on different parts of Earth. These are called vectors. Their length indicates gravitational strength. Their direction is toward the center of the Moon. If you subtract the center vector in the diagram from all the other vectors,



If you subtract the center vector in the top diagram from all the other vectors,







Earth spins but the bulge always points toward the Moon, so we experience 2 low tides and 2 high tides in 24 hrs





this person would experience a low tide





At sunset, this person would experience a high tide





At midnight, this person would experience a low tide





At sunrise, this person would experience a high tide



high tide



low tide

But the Sun plays a role, too, in tides on Earth, although only about half as much as the Moon





If Sun and Moon pull in different directions it affects the height and depth of the tides — the bulge must face toward the Moon at all times





When Moon and Sun are in a straight line through Earth either at New Moon or...





... at Full Moon the highs will be extreme and the lows will be extreme —

Spring Tides





When Moon and Sun are at 90 degrees relative to Earth either at 3rd Quarter or...





At 1st Quarter the highs are weak and the lows are weak

Neap Tides





Earth spins 29 times for each time the Moon goes around once, yet Earth's bulge faces toward the Moon at all times

This causes FRICTION and the Earth is slowing its rotation

Our 24 hr day is getting longer by 0.0017 sec per century

Fossil evidence shows that about 400 million yrs ago, one day was 22 hrs!

The Moon's spin slowed fast a long time ago — the result is that now the Moon's rotation rate = orbital period

This is why the SAME side of the Moon always faces EARTH — we call this phenomenon TIDAL LOCK

Video:



It's a way to do bookkeeping for the Universe!

Energy can be thought of as the POTENTIAL to put a force on something else.



For example, MONEY has the POTENTIAL to buy things



For example, the higher you climb...



... the greater Gravitational Potential Energy you have.



And the faster you'll be going when you hit the ground. The bookkeeper takes back the energy you borrowed.



The potential energy turned into Kinetic Energy on the way down.



It's easy to see with a pendulum. Here it has no potential or kinetic energy.



Here it has gravitational potential energy but no kinetic energy.


Now it has all kinetic energy.



Now it has all potential energy again.



Energy is conserved. It can be transformed, but it cannot be created or destroyed.

The Energy the Universe was born with is still the total Energy it has today — though it has transformed many times.

to make the stars and Earth and you and me!



Energy in all its forms has a unit. A Joule.

One Joule is the energy needed to move about 2 lbs one yard

or in metric units, the energy to move 1 N one meter.



Light has Energy.

Each color (wavelength) of light has a tiny amount of energy.

Visible light carries only 4 x 10⁻¹⁹J in each photon.

But there is so much light, it is easier to talk about how much Energy you receive per second.

Energy per second is called POWER



A 100 Watt lightbulb USES 100 J of energy per second to radiate light.



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in astronomy, light power is called LUMINOSITY



Mass has energy, too. Einstein calculated how much by





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 $40 \times 10^{12} \rightarrow 40$ trillion dollars!!

What is the difference between TEMPERATURE and HEAT?

TEMPERATURE

is a measure of the average speed of atoms



TEMPERATURE Scales



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Heat is the energy transferred by collisions. For ex., by the atmosphere to you on a hot day.



HEAT

For ex., this wool and hunk of iron are at the same room temperature. Which would FEEL warmer to your hand?

wool







For ex., the TEMPERATURE of the Sun's Corona is 100 million degrees, but your hand would freeze solid in this gas!

It all comes down to ENERGY — bookkeeping the universe

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When mass moves inward, it starts to rotate.

When a spinning object moves mass centrally, the object spins faster



And like making a pizza, spin-up flattens.





Look at the very inner disk





Planets build up by <u>accretion</u>:

colliding dust and gas stick together.



Computer models show that there were from 150 to 200 planets formed early on

Once planets built up there were one billion years of the Era of Bombardment The <u>rocky</u> planets built up slowly in the inner region



The <u>rocky</u> planets built up slowly in the inner region and large <u>gas giants</u> in the outer region



VIDEO: The Formation of the Solar System

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1QTc5YeO6w

The Formation of the Solar System in 4K (Ultra HD)



Why isn't the Earth made of mostly H gas?



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The rocky planets with high T, $V_{avg of gas} > V_{esc}$ so we can't hold onto H or He as the Sun can.

The Gas Giants with low T, $V_{avg of gas} < V_{esc}$ so they can hold onto H and He as the sun can

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