- 31. (II) A hypothetical planet has a radius 1.5 times that of Earth, but has the same mass. What is the acceleration due to gravity near its surface?
- **32.** (II) A hypothetical planet has a mass 1.66 times that of Earth, but the same radius. What is g near its surface?
- 33. (II) Two objects attract each other gravitationally with a force of 2.5 × 10⁻¹⁰ N when they are 0.25 m apart. Their total mass is 4.0 kg. Find their individual masses.
- (II) Calculate the effective value of g, the acceleration of gravity, at (a) 3200 m, and (b) 3200 km, above the Earth's surface.
- 35. (II) What is the distance from the Earth's center to a point outside the Earth where the gravitational acceleration due to the Earth is \(\frac{1}{10} \) of its value at the Earth's surface?
- 36. (II) A certain neutron star has five times the mass of our Sun packed into a sphere about 10 km in radius. Estimate the surface gravity on this monster.
- 37. (II) A typical white-dwarf star, which once was an average star like our Sun but is now in the last stage of its evolution, is the size of our Moon but has the mass of our Sun. What is the surface gravity on this star?
- 38. (II) You are explaining why astronauts feel weightless while orbiting in the space shuttle. Your friends respond that they thought gravity was just a lot weaker up there. Convince them and yourself that it isn't so by calculating the acceleration of gravity 250 km above the Earth's surface in terms of g.
- 39. (II) Four 9.5-kg spheres are located at the corners of a square of side 0.60 m. Calculate the magnitude and direction of the total gravitational force exerted on one sphere by the other three.
- 40. (II) Every few hundred years most of the planets line up on the same side of the Sun. Calculate the total force on the Earth due to Venus, Jupiter, and Saturn, assuming all four planets are in a line (Fig. 5–38). The masses are M_V = 0.815M_E, M_J = 318M_E, M_S = 95.1M_E, and their mean distances from the Sun are 108, 150, 778, and 1430 million km, respectively. What fraction of the Sun's force on the Earth is this?



FIGURE 5-38 Problem 40. (Not to scale.)

- (II) Given that the acceleration of gravity at the surface of Mars is 0.38 of what it is on Earth, and that Mars' radius is 3400 km, determine the mass of Mars.
- 42. (III) Determine the mass of the Sun using the known value for the period of the Earth and its distance from the Sun. [Note: Compare your answer to that obtained using Kepler's laws, Example 5–16.]

5-8 Satellites; Weightlessness

- (I) Calculate the speed of a satellite moving in a stable circular orbit about the Earth at a height of 3600 km.
- 44. (I) The space shuttle releases a satellite into a circular orbit 650 km above the Earth. How fast must the shuttle be moving (relative to Earth) when the release occurs?

- 45. (II) At what rate must a cylindrical spaceship rotate if occupants are to experience simulated gravity of 0.60 g? Assume the spaceship's diameter is 32 m, and give your answer as the time needed for one revolution. (See Question 21, Fig 5-32.)
- 46. (II) Determine the time it takes for a satellite to orbit the Earth in a circular "near-Earth" orbit. A "near-Earth" orbit is one at a height above the surface of the Earth which is very small compared to the radius of the Earth. Does your result depend on the mass of the satellite?
- 47. (II) At what horizontal velocity would a satellite have to be launched from the top of Mt. Everest to be placed in a circular orbit around the Earth?
- 48. (II) During an Apollo lunar landing mission, the command module continued to orbit the Moon at an altitude of about 100 km. How long did it take to go around the Moon once?
- 49. (II) The rings of Saturn are composed of chunks of ice that orbit the planet. The inner radius of the rings is 73,000 km, while the outer radius is 170,000 km. Find the period of an orbiting chunk of ice at the inner radius and the period of a chunk at the outer radius. Compare your numbers with Saturn's mean rotation period of 10 hours and 39 minutes. The mass of Saturn is 5.7 × 10²⁶ kg.
- 50. (II) A Ferris wheel 24.0 m in diameter rotates once every 15.5 s (see Fig. 5-9). What is the ratio of a person's apparent weight to her real weight (a) at the top, and (b) at the bottom?
- 51. (II) What is the apparent weight of a 75-kg astronaut 4200 km from the center of the Earth's Moon in a space vehicle (a) moving at constant velocity, and (b) accelerating toward the Moon at 2.9 m/s²? State the "direction" in each case.
- 52. (II) Suppose that a binary-star system consists of two stars of equal mass. They are observed to be separated by 360 million km and take 5.7 Earth years to orbit about a point midway between them. What is the mass of each?
- 53. (II) What will a spring scale read for the weight of a 55-kg woman in an elevator that moves (a) upward with constant speed of 6.0 m/s, (b) downward with constant speed of 6.0 m/s, (c) upward with acceleration of 0.33 g, (d) downward with acceleration 0.33 g, and (e) in free fall?
- 54. (II) A 17.0-kg monkey hangs from a cord suspended from the ceiling of an elevator. The cord can withstand a tension of 220 N and breaks as the elevator accelerates. What was the elevator's minimum acceleration (magnitude and direction)?
- 55. (III) (a) Show that if a satellite orbits very near the surface of a planet with period T, the density (mass/volume) of the planet is ρ = m/V = 3π/GT². (b) Estimate the density of the Earth, given that a satellite near the surface orbits with a period of about 85 min.

* 5-9 Kepler's Laws

- * 56. (I) Use Kepler's laws and the period of the Moon (27.4 d) to determine the period of an artificial satellite orbiting very near the Earth's surface.
- * 57. (I) The asteroid Icarus, though only a few hundred meters across, orbits the Sun like the planets. Its period is 410 d. What is its mean distance from the Sun?