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SCIENTIFIC CONCEPTS **G**TERMS NAMED AFTER ROLAND EOTVOS









OCAPILLARITY SURFACE TENSION OF LIQUIDS

EÖTVÖS RULE (Eötvös law of capillarity) The Eötvös rule enables the prediction of the surface tension of an arbitrary liquid pure substance at all temperatures.

EÖTVÖS CONSTANT The Eötvös constant is a constant 2.1×10⁻⁷ J/(K·mol^{2/3}) in the Eötvös rule, connecting the surface tension, the molecular weight, and the specific volume with the temperature deviation from the critical temparation.

EÖTVÖS NUMBER The Eötvös number is a dimensionless number measuring the importance of gravitational forces compared to surface tension forces, characterizing the shape of bubbles or drops moving in a surrounding fluid.



MASS & GRAVITATIONAL MASS

EÖTVÖS EXPERIMENT (EPF experiment, Eötvös-type experiment) a famous physics experiment that measured the correlation between inertial mass and gravitational mass, demonstrating that the two were one and the same, something that had long been suspected but never demonstrated with the same accuracy.

EÖTVÖS PARAMETER The Eötvös parameter is a measure in the Eötvös experiment (a difference of the ratios of gravitational and inertial masses divided by their average for the two sets of test masses).

OLABORATORY **GFIELD INSTRUMENT**

EÖTVÖS TORSION BALANCE (Eötvös pendulum) The ingenious device made it first possible to measure gravity gradients with unprecedented 10⁻⁹s⁻²=1E accuracy. The Eötvös torsion balance (named as horizontal variometer by Eötvös) had a vertical torsion wire carrying a horizontal light bar. A platinum mass was attached to one end of the horizontal bar, while the other end carried a weight of equal mass suspended by a wire. The main feature of this instrument was that the two weights were not at the same level.

OGRAVITATION ON A ROTATING PLANET

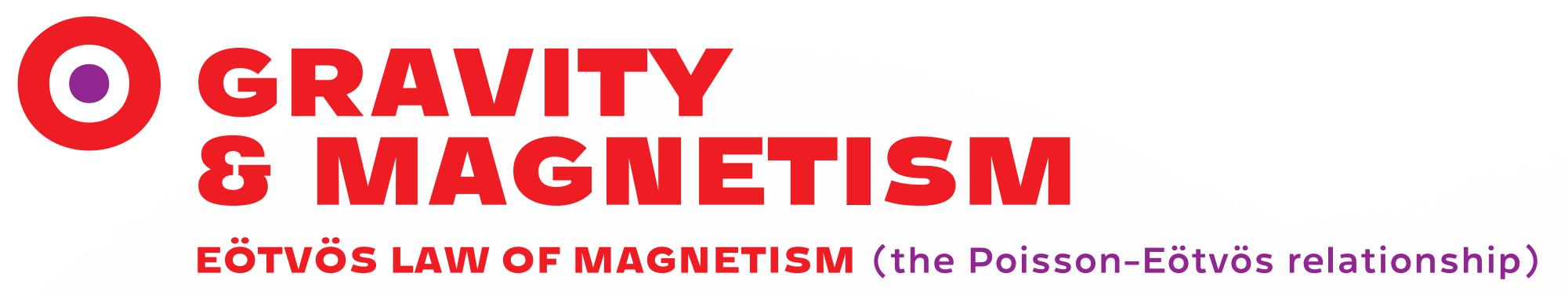
EÖTVÖS EFFECT It is the change in perceived gravitational force caused by the change in centrifugal acceleration resulting from eastbound or westbound velocity. When moving eastbound, the object's angular velocity is increased (in addition to the earth's rotation), and thus the centrifugal force also increases, causing a perceived reduction in gravitational force.

EÖTVÖS CORRECTION This is the correction necessary if the instrument is on a moving platform, such as a ship or aircraft.





gravity gradient tensor, and its elements are the gravity gradients.



This expresses the general link between gravity and magnetic anomalies.



PHYSICAL UNIT **GNATURE FORMS** NAMED AFTER R. EOTVOS



EÖTVÖS (unit) The eötvös (or eotvos) is a unit of acceleration divided by distance. The symbol of the eötvös unit is E. **1 eötvös = 1E=10**⁻⁹ s⁻².



O MINERAL

LORÁNDITE Lorándite is a mineral (thallium arsenic sulfosalt), being used for detection of solar neutrino. It was discovered in 1894 and named after Roland Eötvös.



O NOUNTAIN PEAK

EÖTVÖS PEAK (Cima di Eötvös, Eötvösspitze) The Eötvös Peak is the second highest, or south-western Cadin peak in the Dolomites (2837m)



EXAMPLES ROUTES & CAVES

VIA EÖTVÖS (+Via Eötvös Dimai) First climbing route of Croda da Lago. (Via Eötvös Dimai is named after his daughters.)

EÖTVÖS-ÚT (Eötvös Loránd-turistaút, Etveska, Eötvösova cesta) A hiking trail above Banska Stiavnica (Selmecbánya, Schemnitz), named after Roland Eötvös (1896)

EÖTVÖS CAVES Aggtelek Karstic Mts and Krecsunesd / Crăciunești (Șura de Sus)



D NOON CRATER

EÖTVÖS CRATER The Eötvös crater is the remains of a lunar impact crater on the far side of the Moon. It lies to the northnorthwest of the walled plain Roche, and east-southeast of the equally ruined Bolyai.



ASTEROID

12301 EÖTVÖS The 12301 Eötvös is a main belt asteroid with an orbital period of 3.65 years. It was discovered in 1991.

Eötvös Torsion Balance: the Large Double Version

EÖTVÖS TENSOR The Eötvös tensor is a 3×3 (x,y,z) symmetrical





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