

2. (a) The gravitational force exerted on the baby (denoted with subscript  $b$ ) by the obstetrician (denoted with subscript  $o$ ) is given by

$$F_{bo} = \frac{Gm_o m_b}{r_{bo}^2} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2)(70 \text{ kg})(3 \text{ kg})}{(1 \text{ m})^2} = 1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ N} .$$

- (b) The maximum (minimum) forces exerted by Jupiter on the baby occur when it is separated from the Earth by the shortest (longest) distance  $r_{\min}$  ( $r_{\max}$ ), respectively. Thus

$$F_{bJ}^{\max} = \frac{Gm_J m_b}{r_{\min}^2} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2)(2 \times 10^{27} \text{ kg})(3 \text{ kg})}{(6 \times 10^{11} \text{ m})^2} = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N} .$$

- (c) And we obtain

$$F_{bJ}^{\min} = \frac{Gm_J m_b}{r_{\max}^2} = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2)(2 \times 10^{27} \text{ kg})(3 \text{ kg})}{(9 \times 10^{11} \text{ m})^2} = 5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ N} .$$

- (d) No. The gravitational force exerted by Jupiter on the baby is greater than that by the obstetrician by a factor of up to  $1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N} / 1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ N} = 100$ .