

Ch_4_Lesson_9_Ex_1

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clear
G= 6.7e-11;           % gravitational constant
mEarth = 5.97e24;     % mass of earth
rEarth = 6.37e6;      % radius of earth

n=2;
dt = 5;

p(1) = 500;           % initial state
v(1) = 0;
t(1) = 0;

for i = 2:n+1
    t(i) = t(i - 1) + dt;           % time at start of subinterval I
    p(i) = p(i - 1) + dt*v(i-1);    % project position to start of subinterval i
    a = -G*mEarth/(p(i-1)+rEarth)^2; % calculate accel at start of subinterval i-1
    v(i) = v(i - 1) + dt*a;        % project velocity to start of subinterval i
end

plot(t, p)           % plot the position of the apple above the surface of the Earth
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