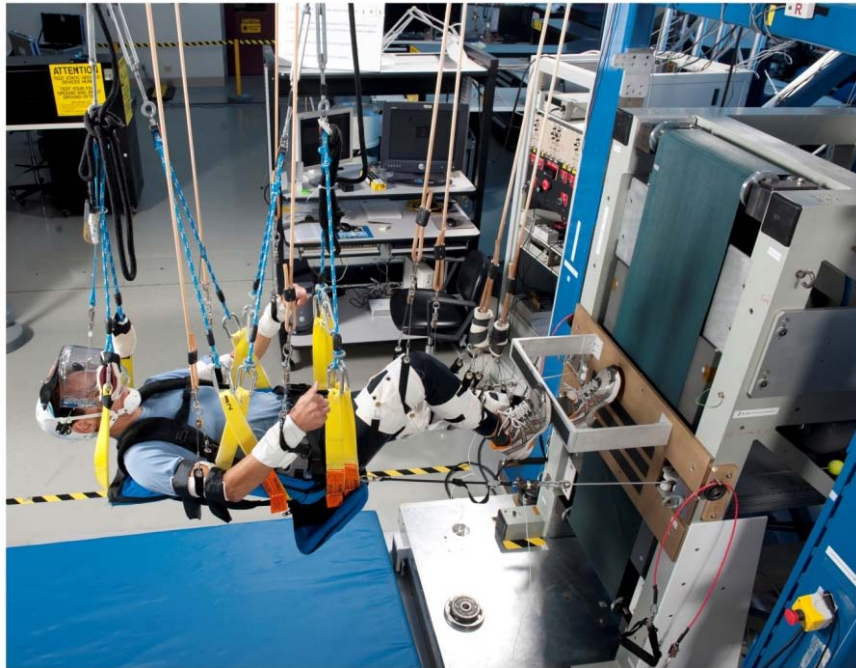




Simulating Space Exercise on Earth

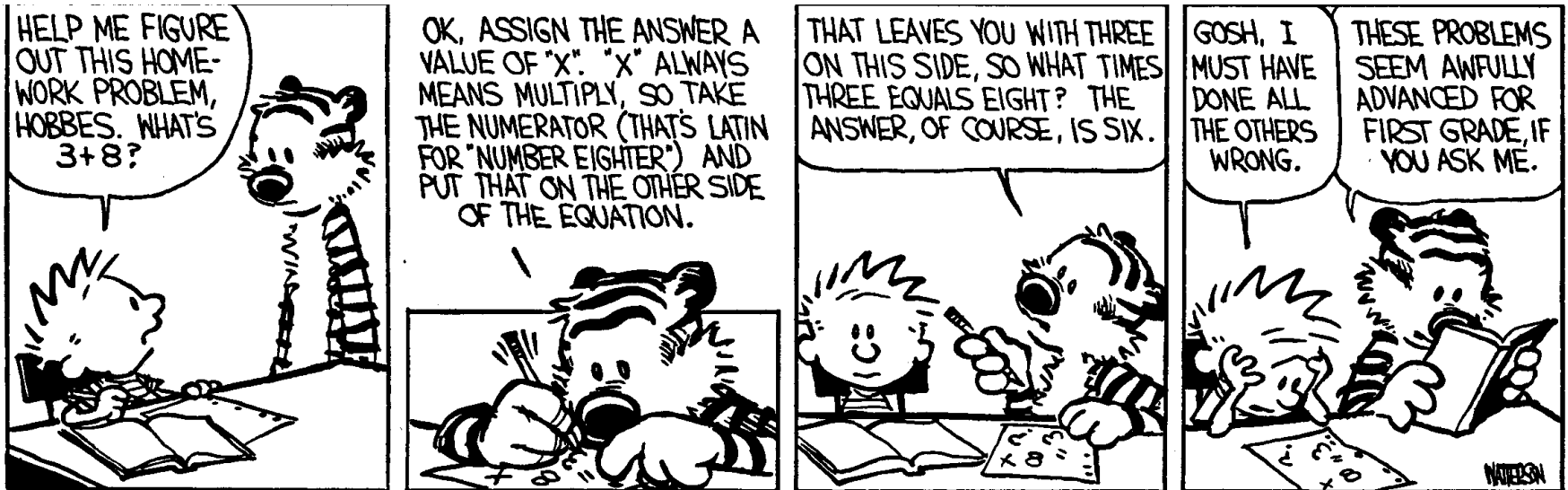


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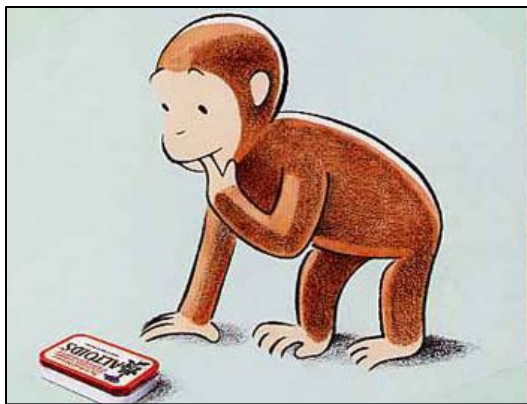
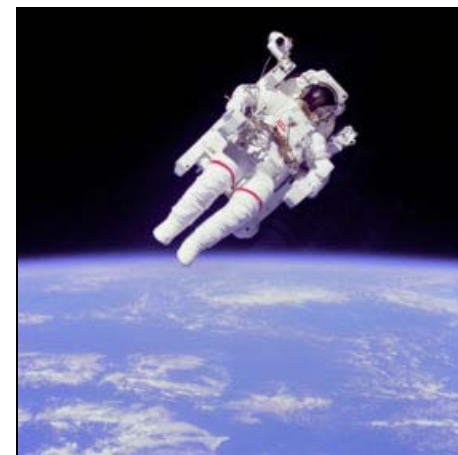
What is an Engineer?

- Engineers design and build structures and devices
- Engineering: the application of science and mathematics by which the properties of matter and the sources of energy in nature are made useful to people
- College: 4 year degree (Bachelor's)
- Mechanical, Civil, Electrical, Chemical, Biomedical



Characteristics of an Engineer

- Creative
- Organized
- Persistent
- Curious
- Do research
- Ask questions
- Interest in science and/or math





International Space Station







Current ISS Exercise Equipment

Astronauts exercise 1-2 hours a day...



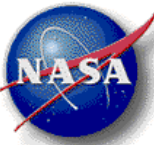
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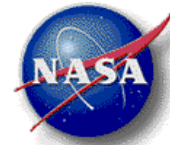


Resistive Exercise Device



How do we simulate zero-g exercise on Earth?





Zero-gravity Locomotion Simulator

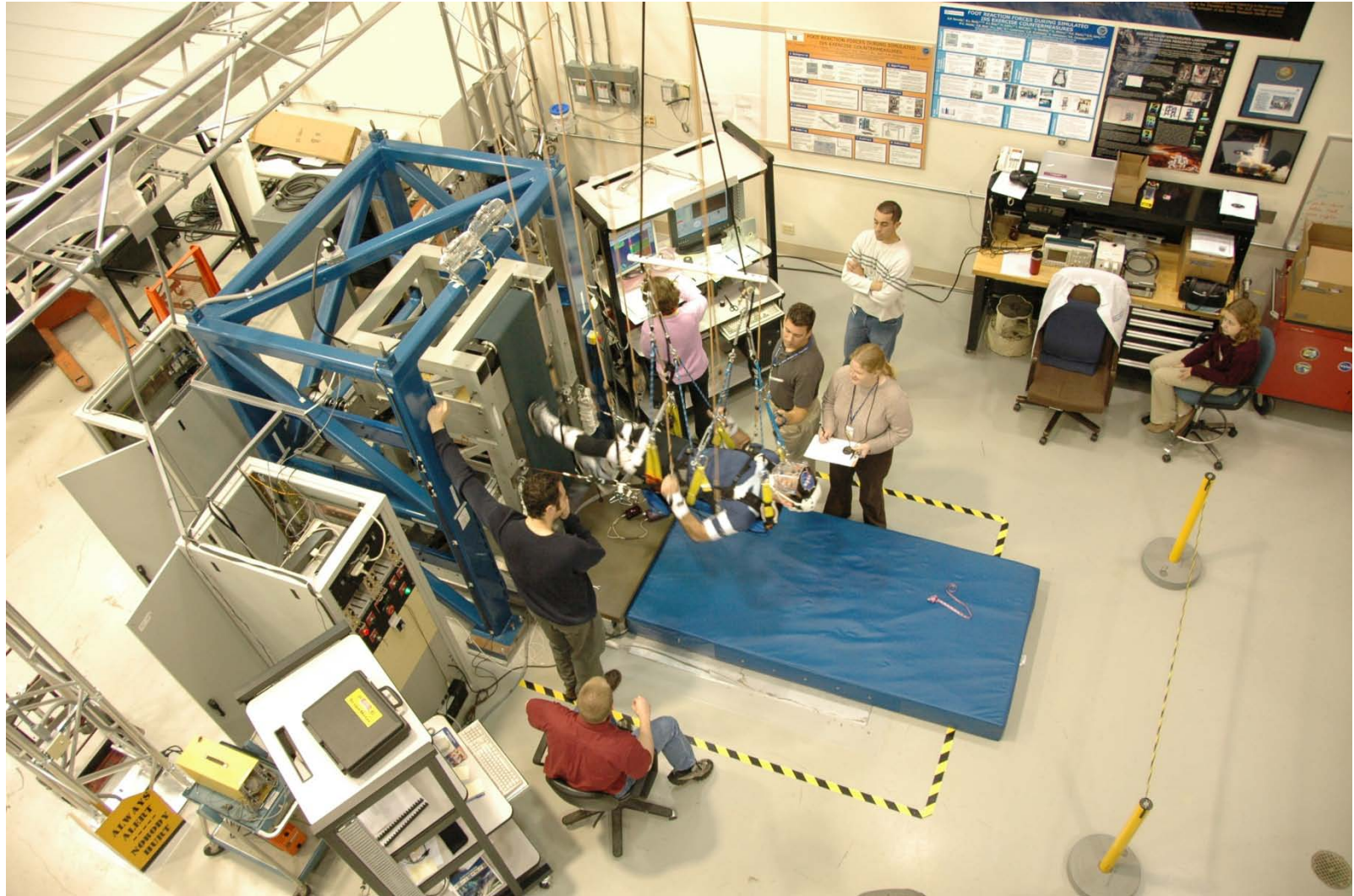


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Exercise Countermeasures Lab



Effects of Microgravity on Bone

On-orbit – the skeleton is *unloaded*

- decrease in weight - bearing activity
- decrease in muscle strength and volume
- decrease in bone density
- changes in bone architecture



Final Shuttle Launch – Atlantis

July 8, 2011



Apollo 11 Moon Landing

July 20, 1969

