

Projectile motion

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Q. A body is thrown at an angle θ_0 with the horizontal such that it attains a speed

equal to $\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$ times the speed of projection when the body is at half of its maximum height. Find the angle θ_0 .

Sol.

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} u \quad (\text{given})$$

$$v^2 = \frac{2}{3} u^2$$

$$v_x^2 + v_y^2 = \frac{2}{3}(u_x^2 + u_y^2)$$

$$u_x^2 + \frac{u_y^2}{2} = \frac{2}{3} u_x^2 + \frac{2}{3} u_y^2$$

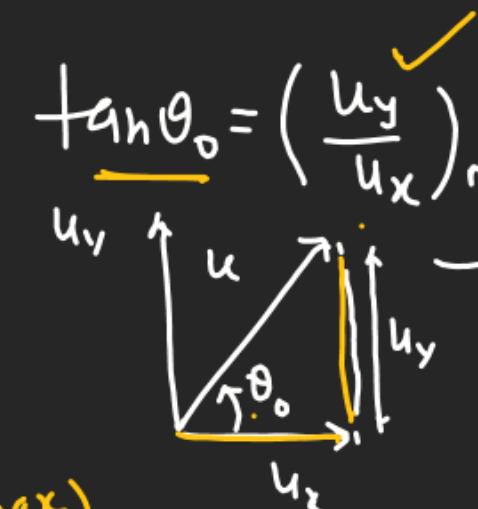
$$(u_x^2 - \frac{2}{3} u_x^2) = \left(\frac{2}{3} u_x^2 - \frac{u_y^2}{2}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{u_x^2}{3} = \frac{4u_x^2 - 3u_y^2}{6} \Rightarrow$$

$$H_{\max} = \left(\frac{u_y^2}{2g}\right) v$$

$$v_y^2 = u_x^2 - g\left(\frac{H_{\max}}{2}\right)$$

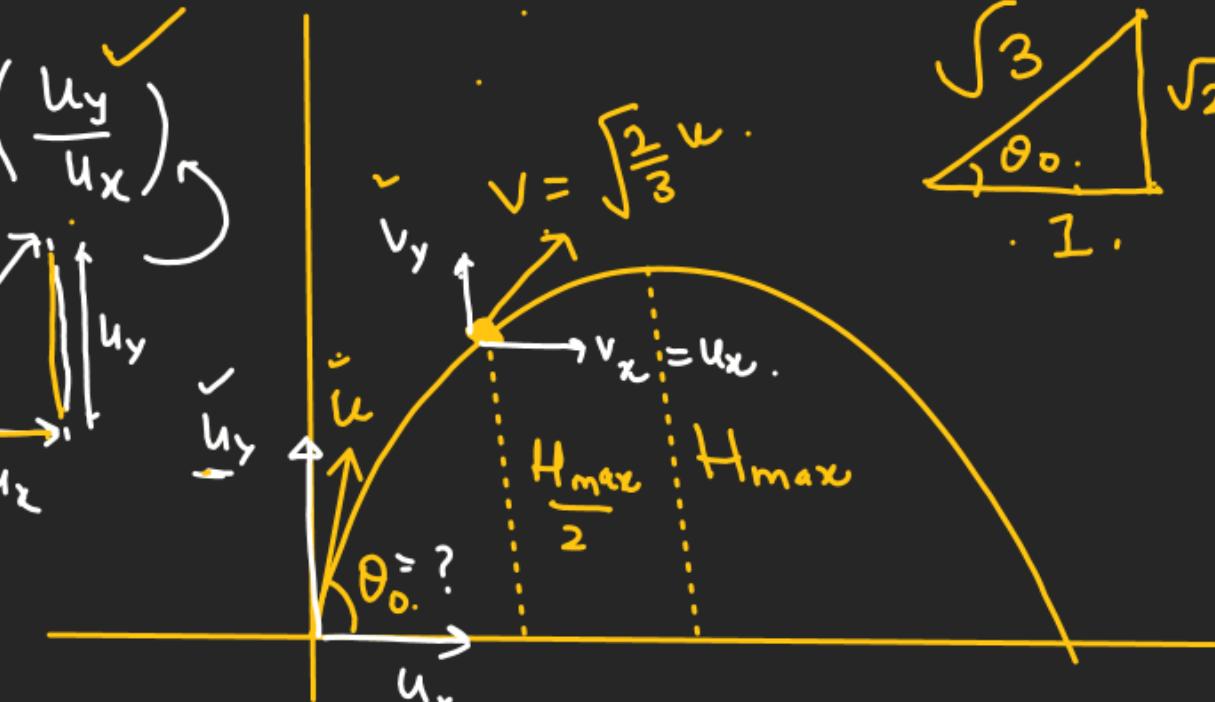
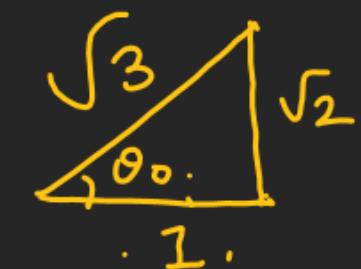
$$v_y^2 = u_y^2 - g\left(\frac{u_y^2}{2g}\right)$$

$$v_y^2 = \left(\frac{u_y^2}{2}\right)$$



$$\frac{u_x^2}{3} = \frac{u_y^2}{6} \Rightarrow \frac{u_y}{u_x} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sin \theta_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \\ \theta_0 = \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$



$$\tan \theta_0 = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta_0 = \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2})$$

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Q. ✓ A body is projected with velocity v_1 from the point A as shown in Fig. At the same time, another body is projected vertically upwards from B with velocity v_2 . The point B lies vertically below the highest point of first particle. For both the bodies to collide, v_2/v_1 should be = ??.

a. 2

$$H_{\max} = \left(\frac{v_{1y}^2}{2g} \right)$$

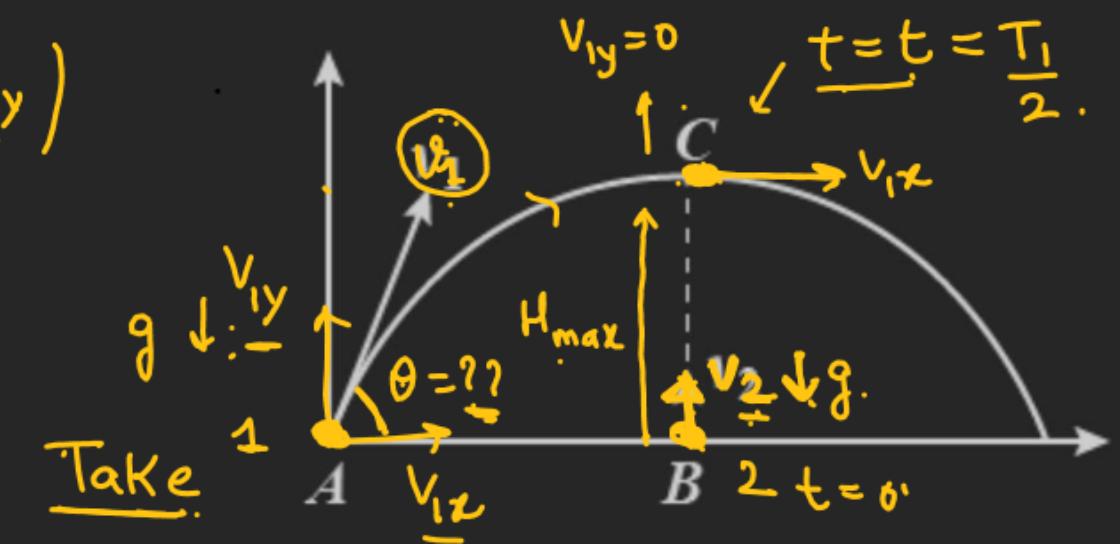
b. $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$

For particle-2

$$\text{Collision time } T_1 = \frac{(2v_{1y})}{g}$$

$$t = \frac{T_1}{2}$$

$$t = \left(\frac{v_{1y}}{g} \right)$$



c. 0.5 ✓

$$H_{\max} = v_{2t} - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$\frac{v_{1y}^2}{2g} = v_2 \left(\frac{v_{1y}}{g} \right) - \frac{1}{2} g \left(\frac{v_{1y}}{g} \right)^2$$

$$\frac{v_{1y}^2}{2g} + \frac{v_{1y}^2}{2g} = v_2 \cdot v_{1y} \Rightarrow \boxed{v_{1y} = v_2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v_{1y}}{v_{1x}}$$

$$v_{1x} = \sqrt{3} v_{1y}$$

$$\frac{v_1^2}{v_2^2} = \frac{v_{1x}^2 + v_{1y}^2}{v_{2y}^2} = \frac{3v_{1y}^2 + v_{1y}^2}{v_{2y}^2} = 4$$

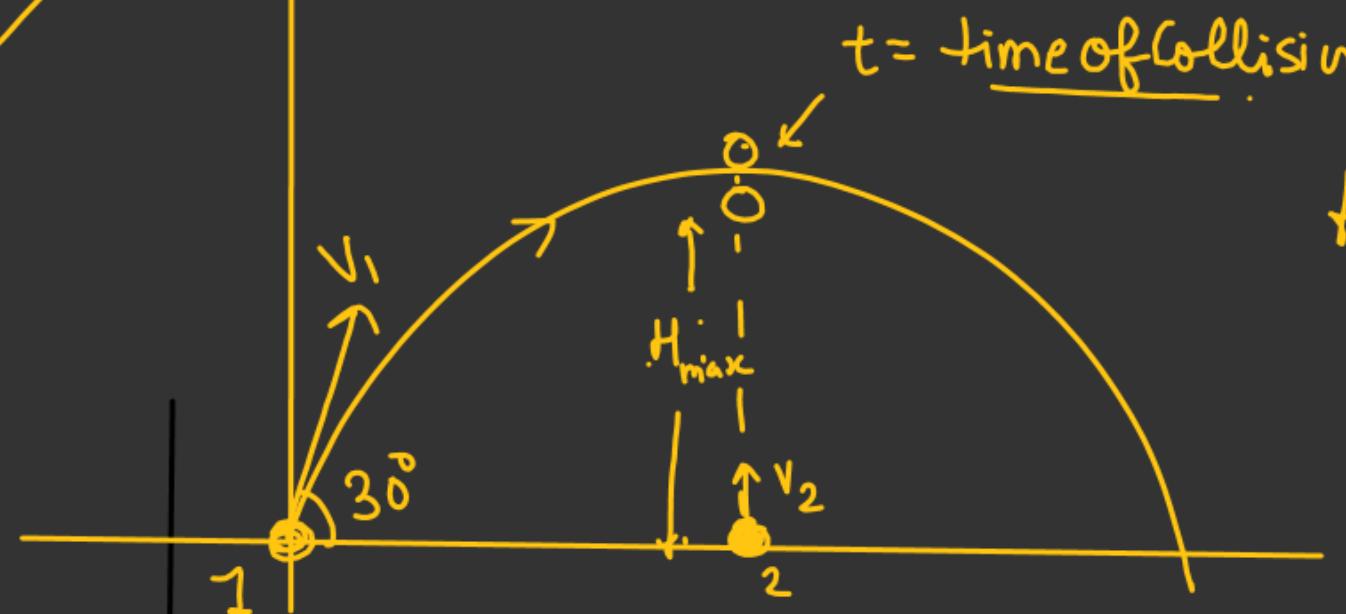
$$v_1 = \sqrt{(v_{1x}^2 + v_{1y}^2)}$$

$$v_{1x} = \sqrt{3} v_{1y} = \sqrt{3} v_2$$

$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{v_{1y}}{v_{2y}} = \frac{v_{1y}}{v_{1y}} = 1$$

Another
Method:



$t = \text{time of collision}$

$$H_{\max} = \left(\frac{V_1^2 \sin^2 30}{2g} \right)$$

$$= \frac{V_1^2}{2g} \times \frac{1}{4} = \left(\frac{V_1^2}{8g} \right)$$

For particle-2

$$H_{\max} = V_2 t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

$$\frac{V_1^2}{8g} = V_2 \left(\frac{V_1}{2g} \right) - \frac{1}{2} g \left(\frac{V_1}{2g} \right)^2$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{V_1^2}{8g} &= \frac{V_1}{2g} \left[V_2 - \frac{V_1}{4} \right] \\ \frac{V_1}{4} + \frac{V_1}{4} &= V_2 \\ \frac{V_1}{2} &= V_2 \\ \frac{V_2}{V_1} &= \frac{1}{2} = 0.5 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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Q. A staircase contains three steps each 10 cm high and 20 cm wide. What should be the minimum horizontal velocity of the ball rolling off the uppermost plane so as to hit directly the lowest plane? (in ms^{-1})

Soln. In x-direction
 $40 = ut \quad \text{--- (1)}$

In y-direction

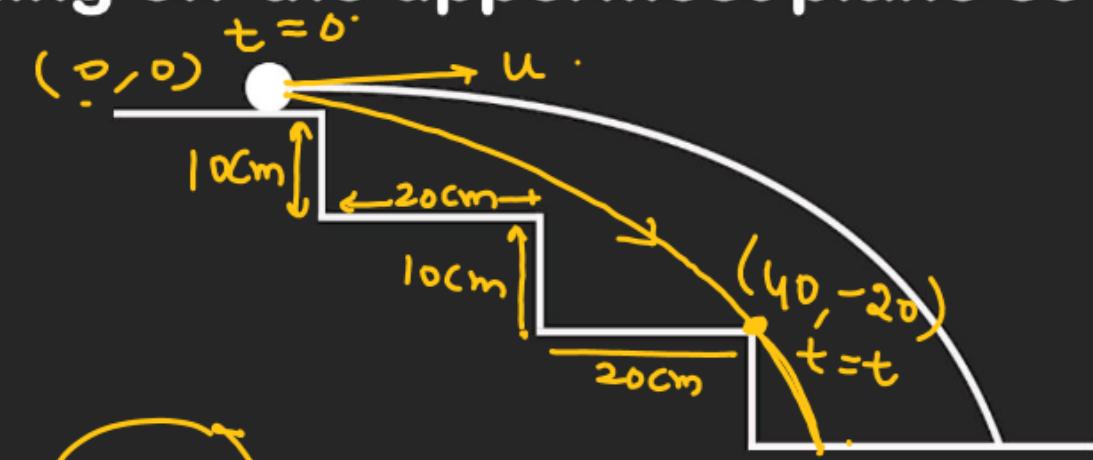
$$+20 = +\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times t^2$$

$$t^2 = 4$$

$t = 2 \text{ sec}$

$$u = \frac{40}{t}$$

$$u = \frac{40}{2} = 20 \text{ m/s}$$



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- Q. A student and his friend while experimenting for projectile motion with a stopwatch, taken some approximate readings. As one throws a stone in air at some angle, other observes that after 2.0 s it is moving at an angle 30° to the horizontal and after 1.0 s, it is travelling horizontally. Determine the magnitude and the direction of initial velocity of the stone.

Sol $\Rightarrow T = 6 \text{ sec}$.

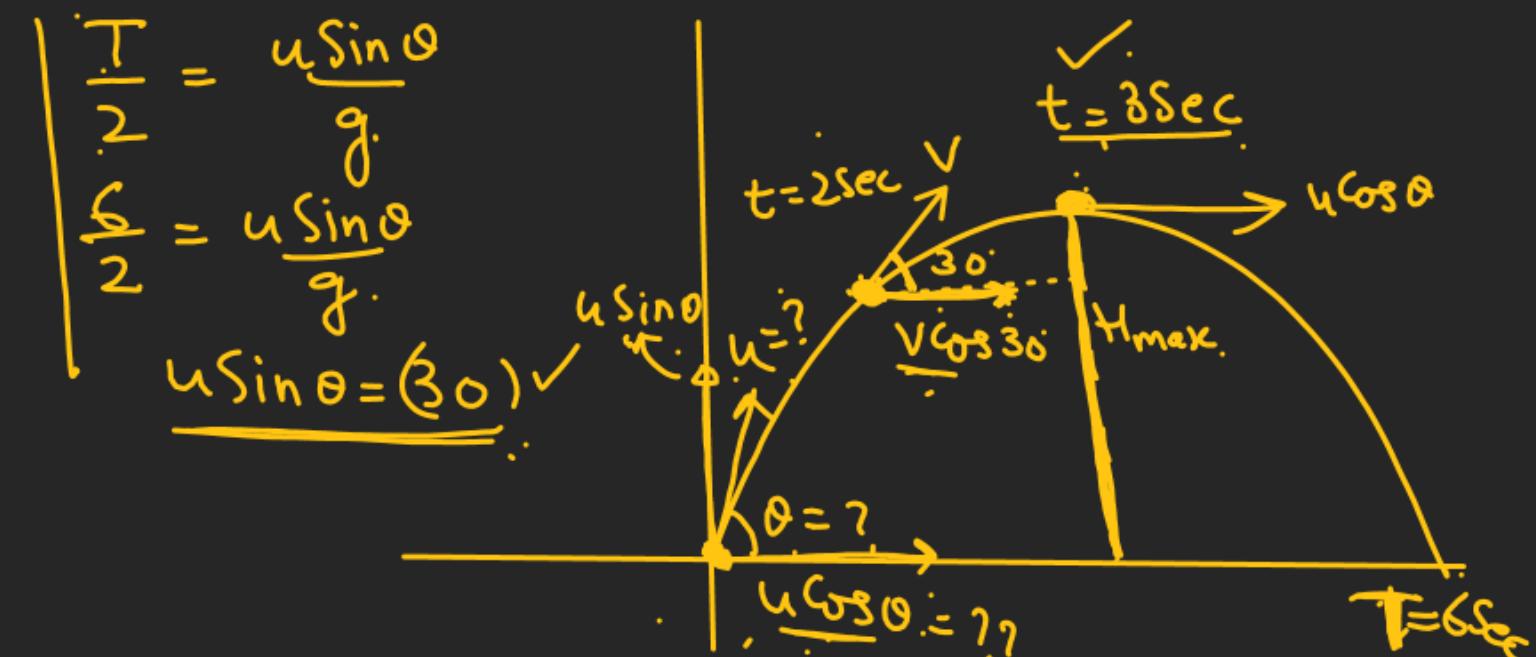
$$\begin{aligned} V_y &= u_y - gt \\ \downarrow \\ \theta &= \arctan \frac{V_y}{u_x} = \arctan \frac{u \sin \theta - gt}{u \cos \theta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}v}{2} = (u \cos \theta)$$

$$\frac{u \sin \theta}{u \cos \theta} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\theta = 30^\circ$$



($V_y = u_y - gt$) From $t=0$ to $t=2\text{ sec}$

$$\frac{V}{2} = (u \sin \theta) - g \times 2$$

$$\frac{V}{2} = (30 - 20)$$

$$\frac{V}{2} = 10$$

$$\boxed{V = 20} \quad \checkmark$$

$$u^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)$$

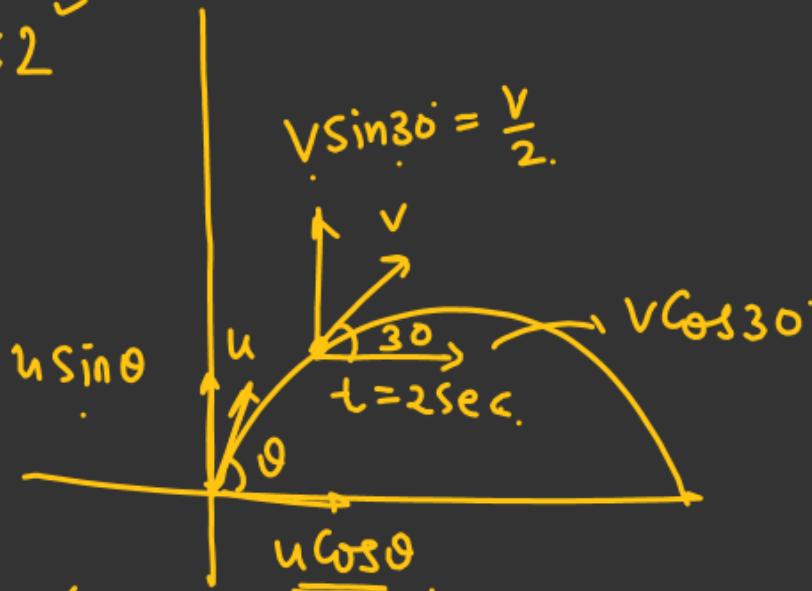
$$= (300 + 900)$$

$$u^2 = 1200$$

$$u = \sqrt{1200}$$

$$= 10 \times 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 20\sqrt{3} \quad \checkmark$$



$$\begin{aligned} \underline{u \cos \theta} &= \underline{V \cos 30} \\ &= 20 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 10\sqrt{3} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{30}{10\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{\theta = 60^\circ} \quad \checkmark$$

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Q. A particle moves in the plane xy with constant acceleration \underline{a} directed along the negative y -axis. The equation of motion of the particle has the form $y = k_1x - k_2x^2$, where k_1 and k_2 are positive constants. Find the velocity of the particle at the origin of coordinates.

$$y = k_1x - k_2x^2$$

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for Roots

$$y = 0$$

$$y = k_1x \left[1 - \frac{k_2}{k_1}x \right]$$

$$x(k_1 - k_2x) = 0$$

$$x = 0, \quad x = \left(\frac{k_1}{k_2} \right)$$

$$\boxed{y = x \tan \theta \left[1 - \frac{x}{R} \right]}$$

$$u_2 = \sqrt{\frac{5}{K_2} (K_1^2 + 1)}$$

$$\begin{cases} \tan \theta = K_1 \\ R = \frac{K_1}{K_2} \end{cases}$$

$$R = \frac{u^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$$

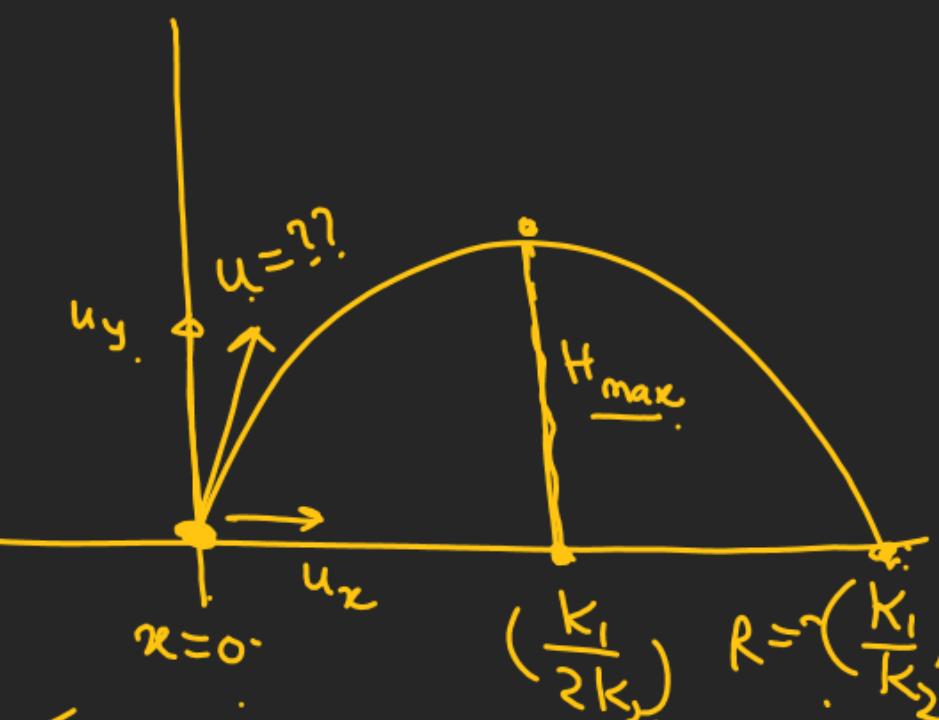
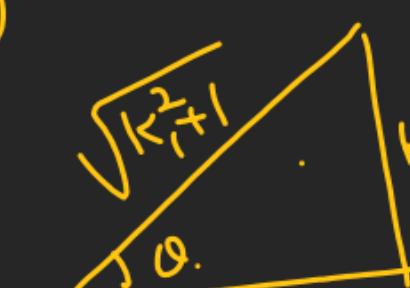
$$\frac{1}{K_2} = \frac{u^2}{g} \times 2 \times \sin \theta \times \cos \theta = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{K_1}{K_2} &= \frac{2u^2}{g} \times \frac{K_1}{\sqrt{K_1^2 + 1}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{K_1^2 + 1}} \\ \frac{1}{K_2} &= \frac{2u^2}{g(K_1^2 + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$y = 0$$

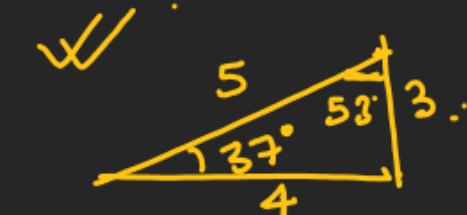
$$x(k_1 - k_2x) = 0$$

$$x = 0, \quad x = \left(\frac{k_1}{k_2} \right)$$



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- Q. A particle is projected from point O on the ground with velocity $u = 5\sqrt{5}$ m/s at angle $\alpha = \tan^{-1}(0.5)$. It strikes at a point C on a fixed smooth plane AB having inclination of 37° with horizontal as shown in Fig. If the particle does not rebound, calculate

$$x_1 = \frac{10}{3} + x_0 = \left(\frac{10}{3} + \frac{4y}{3}\right)$$

(a) coordinates of point C in reference to coordinate system as shown in the figure.

(b) maximum height from the ground to which the particle rises. ($g = 10$ m/s²).

$$(\tan \alpha = 0.5 = \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$R = \frac{2u^2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha}{g}$$

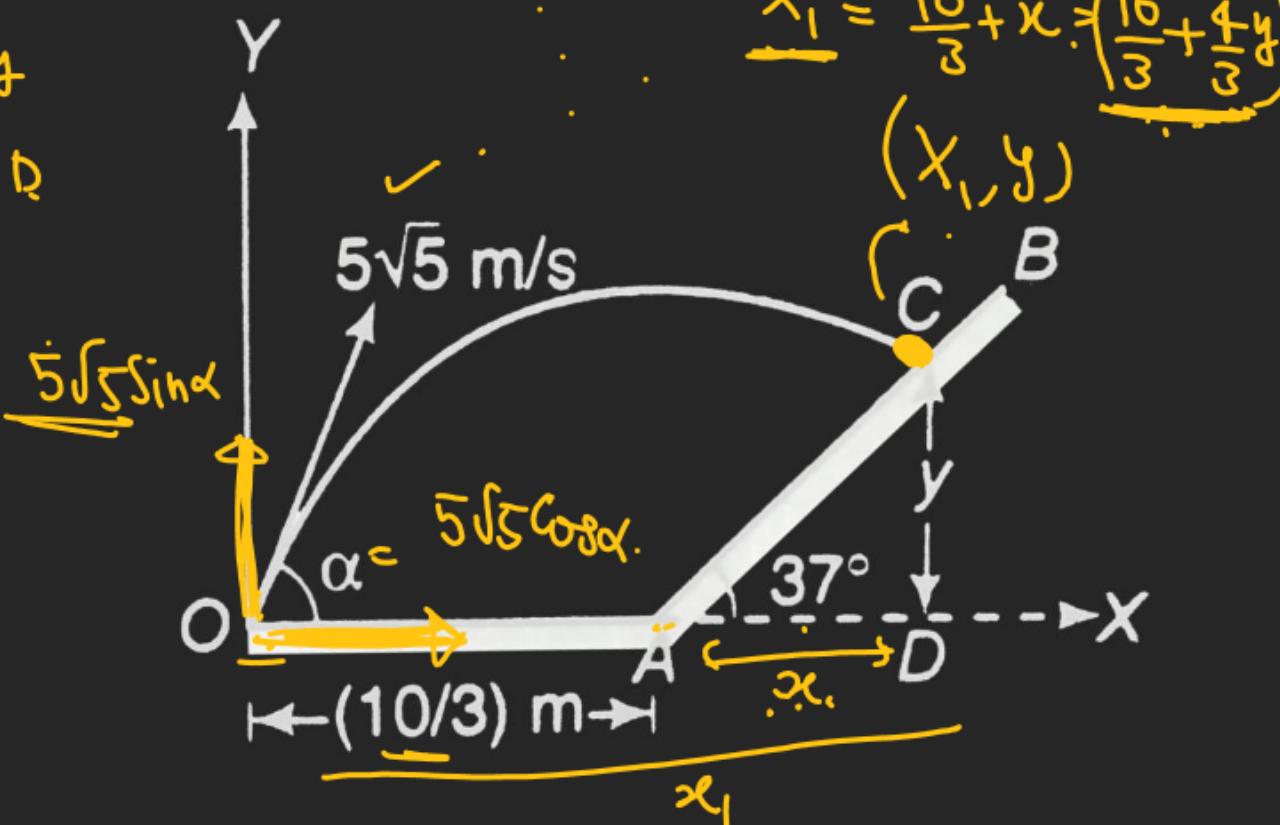


$$\frac{3}{4} = \tan 37^\circ = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{4y}{3}\right)$$

$$y = x_1 \tan \alpha \left[1 - \frac{x_1}{R} \right]$$

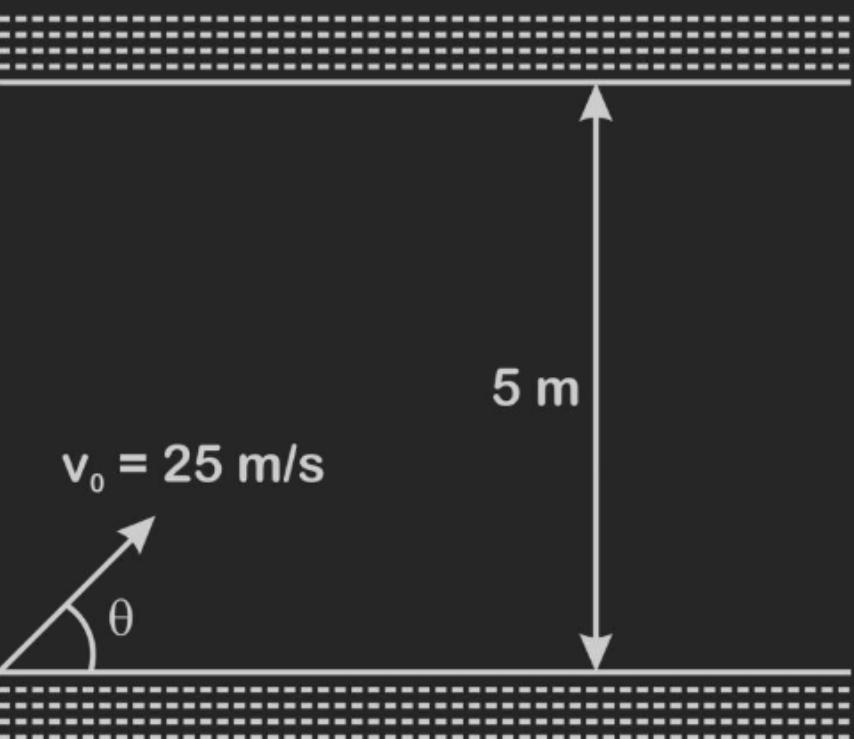
$$= \left[\frac{(5\sqrt{5})^2 \times 2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}}{10} \right] = 10 \text{ m}$$



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- Q. A projectile is launched with a speed $v_B = 25 \text{ m/s}$ from the floor of a 5 m high tunnel as shown in figure. Determine the maximum horizontal range R of the projectile and the corresponding launch angle θ .



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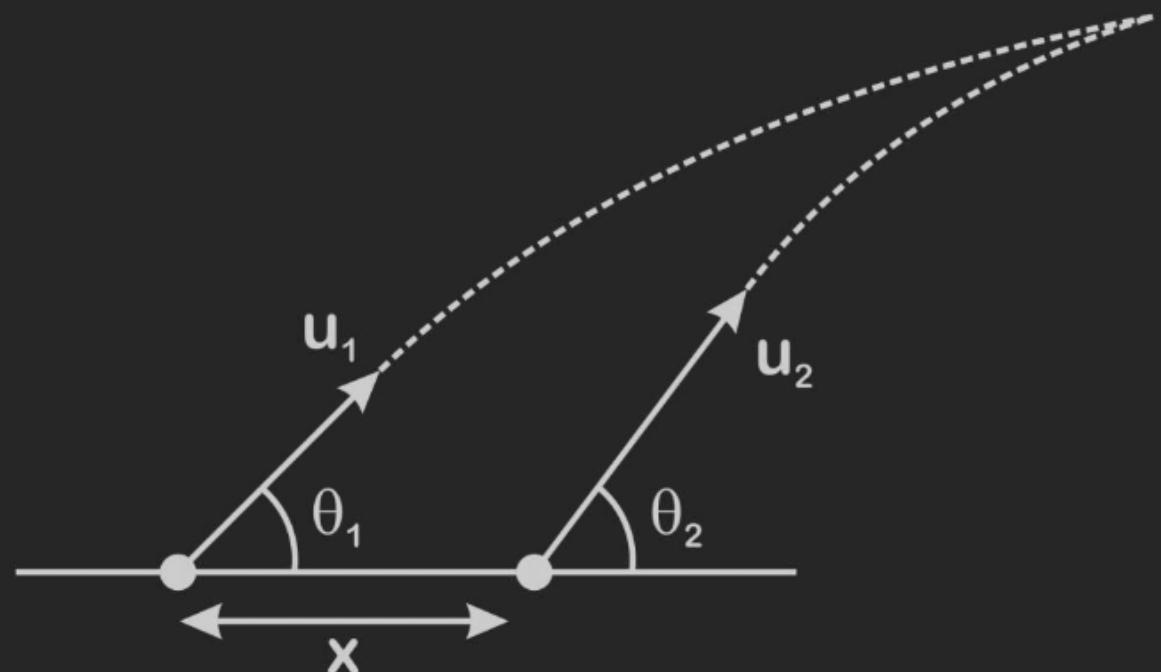
Q. Two particles are projected simultaneously from the level ground as shown in figure. They may collide after a time :

(a) $\frac{x \sin \theta_2}{u_1}$

(b) $\frac{x \cos \theta_2}{u_2}$

(c) $\frac{x \sin \theta_2}{u_1 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_1)}$

(d) $\frac{x \sin \theta_1}{u_2 \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_1)}$



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Q. A particle is projected from the ground. If the equation of the trajectory is

$y = x - \frac{x^2}{2}$, then the time of flight is:

(a) $\frac{2}{\sqrt{g}}$

(b) $\frac{3}{\sqrt{g}}$

(c) $\frac{9}{\sqrt{g}}$

(d) $\sqrt{\frac{2}{g}}$

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Q. A projectile moves from the ground such that its horizontal displacement is $x = Kt$ and vertical displacement is $y = Kt(1 - \alpha t)$, where K and α are constants and t is time. Find out total time of flight (T) and maximum height attained (Y_{\max}) its

(a) $T = \alpha, Y_{\max} = \frac{K}{2\alpha}$

(b) $T = \frac{1}{\alpha}, Y_{\max} = \frac{2K}{\alpha}$

(c) $T = \frac{1}{\alpha}, Y_{\max} = \frac{K}{6\alpha}$

(d) $T = \frac{1}{\alpha}, Y_{\max} = \frac{K}{4\alpha}$

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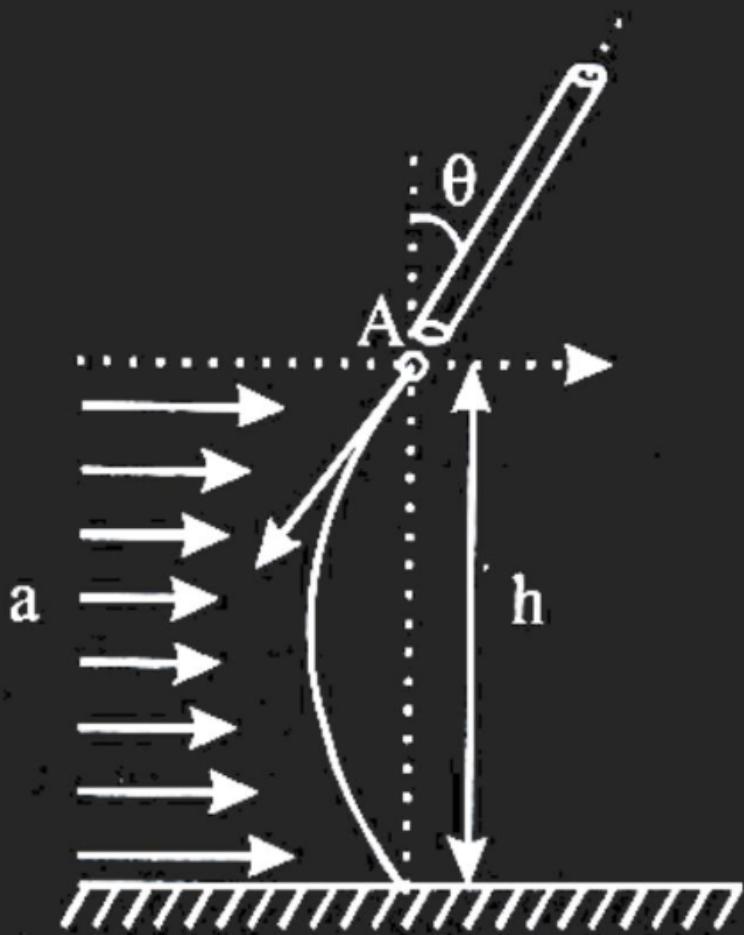
Q. A particle is ejected from the tube at A with a velocity v at an angle θ with the vertical y-axis. A strong horizontal wind gives the particle a constant horizontal acceleration a in the x-direction. If the particle strikes the ground at a point directly under its released position and the downward y-acceleration is taken as g then

$$(a) h = \frac{2v^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{a}$$

$$(b) h = \frac{2v^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{g}$$

$$(c) h = \frac{2v^2}{g} \sin \theta \left(\cos \theta + \frac{a}{g} \sin \theta \right)$$

$$(d) h = \frac{2v^2}{a} \sin \theta \left(\cos \theta + \frac{g}{a} \sin \theta \right)$$



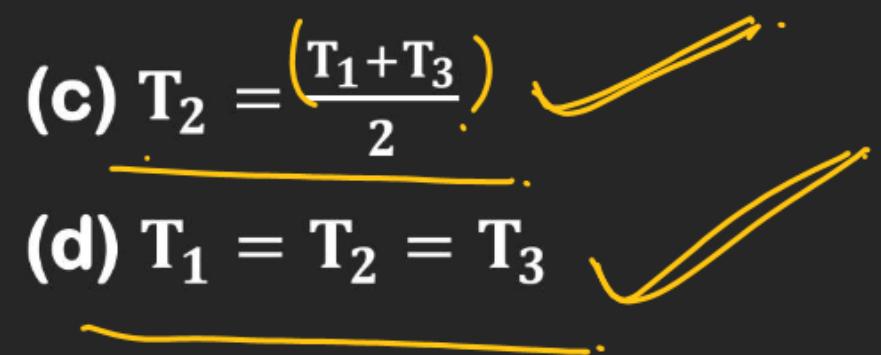
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Q. Trajectories are shown in figure are for three kicked footballs, ignoring the effect of the air on the footballs. If T_1 , T_2 and T_3 are their respective time of flights then:

(a) $T_1 > T_3$

(b) $T_1 < T_3$



(d) $T_1 = T_2 = T_3$

$T_1 = T_3 = T_2$

$$H_{\max} = \frac{U_y^2}{2g}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (H_{\max})_1 &= (H_{\max})_2 = (H_{\max})_3 \\ (U_1)_y &= (U_2)_y = (U_3)_y \end{aligned}$$

$$T = \left(\frac{2U_y}{g} \right) \quad \underline{T_1 = T_2 = T_3}$$

