

Single Stage Rocket Parameters

Initial mass	$m_0 = 100 \text{ kg}$
Propellant mass	$m_p = 20 \text{ kg}$
Average I_{sp}	$I_{sp} = 255 \text{ sec}$
Launch Angle	$\theta_0 = 70^\circ$
Burn time	$t_{burn} = 2 \text{ sec}$
Neglect drag	$C_D = 0$

Find:

- (a) Initial and burnout acceleration
- (b) Burnout velocity, flight angle, position
- (c) Apogee, range, time of flight

Calculations

From

$$(a_x)_x = \frac{F \cos \theta - g}{m_0},$$

$$(a_x)_y = \frac{F \sin \theta - g}{m_0}$$

$$F = \dot{m}_p I_{sp} g = \frac{m_p}{t_{burn}} (I_{sp} g) = \frac{20}{2} (255 \cdot 9.81) = 2510.5 \text{ N}$$

so

$$(a_x)_x = \frac{F \cos \theta - g}{m_0} = \frac{(2510.5) \cos(70^\circ) - 9.81}{100} = 7.75 \text{ m/s}^2,$$

$$(a_x)_y = \frac{F \sin \theta - g}{m_0} = \frac{(2510.5) \sin(70^\circ) - 9.81}{100} = 22.11 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$a_0 = \sqrt{(a_x)_x^2 + (a_x)_y^2} = 23.66 \text{ m/s}^2$$

From

$$(u_p)_x = -c \ln \left(\frac{m_f}{m_0} \right) \cos \theta_0 = -(255 \cdot 9.81) \ln \left(\frac{80}{100} \right) \cos(70^\circ) = 160.42 \text{ m/s},$$

$$(u_p)_y = c \ln \left(\frac{m_f}{m_0} \right) \sin \theta_0 - g t_p = (255 \cdot 9.81) \ln \left(\frac{80}{100} \right) \sin(70^\circ) - (9.81 \cdot 2) = 507.82 \text{ m/s}$$

$$u_p = \sqrt{(u_p)_x^2 + (u_p)_y^2} = 534.53 \text{ m/s}$$

so

$$\theta_p = \arctan \left(\frac{(u_p)_y}{(u_p)_x} \right) = 71.14^\circ$$

From (gravity loss) \dot{g}_{t_p}

$$\dot{g}_{t_p} = -c \ln(M_{t_p}) - u_p = 18.7 \text{ m/s} \implies \dot{g} = \frac{18.7}{2} = 4.145 \text{ m/s}^2$$

power flight:

$$y_f = ct_p \left[1 - \ln \left(\frac{m_f}{m_0} \right) \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} g t_p \right] = 2510.5(2) \left(1 - \ln \left(\frac{80}{100} \right) \sin(71.14^\circ) - \frac{(9.81 \cdot 2)}{2} \right) = 483.11 \text{ m}$$

unpowered:

$$y_z = \frac{(u_p)_y^2}{2g} = \frac{(507.82)^2}{2 \cdot 9.81} = 13247.1 \text{ m}$$

so zenith location

$$y_z = 13977.21 \text{ m} \quad (\text{will be zenith location}) = \text{apogee}$$

From

$$g_0 = g \left[\frac{R_e}{R_e + h} \right] = 9.81 \left[\frac{6378383}{6378383 + 483.11} \right] = 9.78 \text{ m/s}^2$$

so

$$(a_g)_x = \frac{F \cos \theta - g}{m_f} = \frac{(2510.5) \cos(71.14^\circ) - 9.78}{80} = 10.1 \text{ m/s}^2,$$

$$(a_g)_y = \frac{F \sin \theta - g}{m_f} = \frac{(2510.5) \sin(71.14^\circ) - 9.78}{80} = 20.01 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$a_g = \sqrt{(a_g)_x^2 + (a_g)_y^2} = 22.38 \text{ m/s}^2$$

From

$$t_{f_{max}} = \sqrt{\frac{2y_z}{g}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 13977.21}{9.81}} = 53.97 \text{ sec} + t_{f_{max}} = t_f = 53.97 \text{ sec} \quad (\text{only effect by gravity})$$

since no drag

$$x_p = ct_p \left[1 - \ln \left(\frac{m_f}{m_0} \right) \cos \theta_0 \right] = 2510.5(2) \left(1 - \ln \left(\frac{80}{100} \right) \cos(70^\circ) \right) = 140.42 \text{ m}$$

so

$$x_f = 140.42(51.17) + 140.07 = 10011.72 \text{ m}$$

From

$$t_{down} = \sqrt{\frac{2y_z}{g}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot (13977.21)}{9.81}} = 53.97 \text{ sec} \quad \text{TOF} = t_f + t_{down} = 53.97 + 53.97 = 107.94 \text{ sec}$$

so

$$x_{range} = x_f + x_{down} = 10011.72 + 10008.05 = 20019.77 \text{ m}$$

KE input

$$\text{KE}_{\text{input}} = \frac{1}{2}m_0 [(u_0)_x^2 + (u_0)_y^2] = 0.5(100) ((140.42)^2 + (507.82)^2) = 13.09 \text{ MJ}$$