

A small object is projected horizontally with speed $V \text{ m s}^{-1}$ from a point O above horizontal ground. At time $t \text{ s}$ after projection, the horizontal and vertically upwards displacements of the object from O are $x \text{ m}$ and $y \text{ m}$ respectively.

- (i) Express x and y in terms of t and hence show that the equation of the path of the object is $y = -\frac{5x^2}{V^2}$. [3]

The object passes through points with coordinates $(a, -a)$ and $(a^2, -16a)$, where a is a positive constant.

- (ii) Find the value of a . [3]
- (iii) Given that the object strikes the ground at the point where $x = 5a$, find the height of O above the ground. [2]