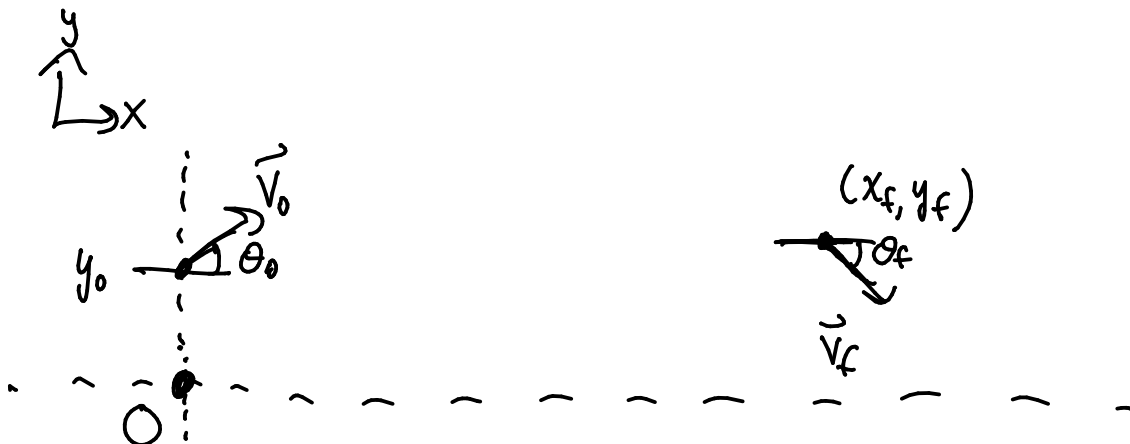


Typical 2D Projectile Motion

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1. Object w/ initial position $\vec{r}_0 = x_0 \hat{i} + y_0 \hat{j}$
2. Object has an initial velocity
 $\vec{V}_0 = V_{0x} \hat{i} + V_{0y} \hat{j} = V_0, \theta_0$
3. Constant Acceleration (note: $g \equiv +9.8/\text{s}^2 \approx 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)
 $\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j}$; a_x, a_y constant
4. Goals range from solving for
time of flight, final speeds,
final positions, initial velocities, etc.

Sketch \vec{a} specified; Often $\vec{a} = -g \hat{j}$



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In general we use the equations

$$s_f = s_o + v_{o_s} t + \frac{1}{2} a_s t^2 \quad \begin{aligned} v_s &= v_{o_s} + a_s t \\ v_s^2 &= v_{o_s}^2 + 2a_s \Delta s \end{aligned}$$

as needed for each direction. So in general we rewrite them for x and y knowing that time is the quantity that links all of the quantities/equations together.

This leads to an interesting result where the total horizontal distance or range R of an object that lands at the same height it is launched at can be calculated with:

$$\underline{R = \frac{v_o^2}{g} \sin(2\theta_o)} \quad [\text{when } \vec{a} = -g\hat{j}]$$

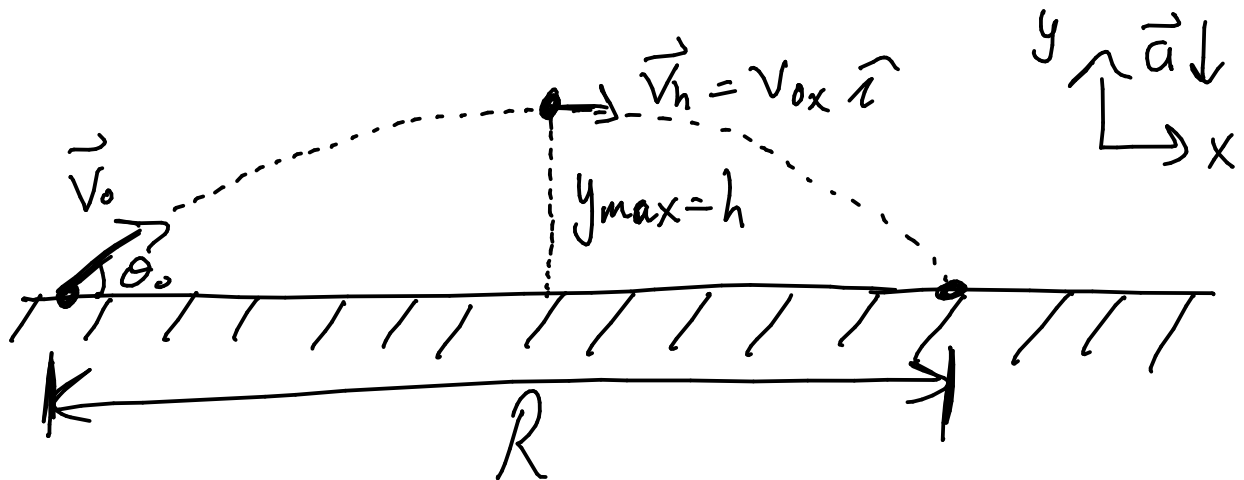
which has a maximum value when $\theta_o = 45^\circ$

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ball w/ $v_0 = 30.3 \frac{m}{s}$ lands at the same height as launched and travels max x-distance before landing.

(a) Calc. t in air. (b) Calc. R_{max}



x: $a_x = 0$

$$v_x = v_{0x}$$

$$x = x_0 + v_{0x} t$$

$$v_{0x} = v_0 \cos \theta_0$$

$$v_{0y} = v_0 \sin \theta_0$$

y: $a_y = -g \approx -10.0 \frac{m}{s^2}$

$$v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t$$

$$y = y_0 + v_{0y} t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$$

$$v_y^2 = v_{0y}^2 - 2g \Delta y$$

Notice that when $\vec{a} = a_y \hat{j}$, or $a_x = 0$, the x equations are a lot simpler than in general like for y.

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Need to Know / Figure Out to Solve

(a) If $y_f = y_o$, then $t_{\text{air}} = 2t_{\text{maxy}}$. t_{maxy} @ $v_y = 0$
or $v_{oy} - gt = 0 \Rightarrow t_{\text{maxy}} = \frac{v_{oy}}{g} = \frac{v_o \sin \theta_o}{g}$

(b) max x-distance or max Range = R_{max} occurs
at $\theta_o = 45^\circ$ b/c $\sin(2\theta_o) = \text{max} = 1$ @
 $2\theta_o = 90^\circ \rightarrow \theta_o = 45^\circ$ for $R = \frac{v_o^2 \sin(2\theta_o)}{g}$.

(a) $t = 2t_h = \frac{2 v_o \sin \theta_o}{g}$

(b) $R = \frac{v_o^2}{g} \sin(2\theta_o)$

$v_o = 30.3 \frac{m}{s}$
 $g \approx 10.0 \frac{m}{s^2}$
 $\theta_o = 45^\circ$

$t = \frac{2(30.3)(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})}{(10.0)} s = \boxed{4.29 s}$

$R = \frac{(30.3)^2}{(10.0)} (1) m = \boxed{91.8 m}$

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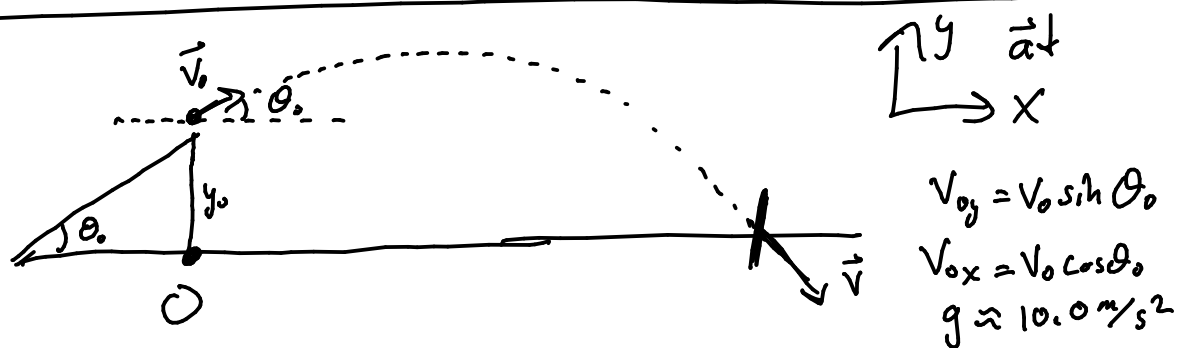
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Proj. mot. ($\vec{a} = -g \hat{y}$) : $\vec{V}_0 = 6.6 \frac{m}{s}$, 58.0° from horizontal

$y_0 = 1.2 \text{ m}$, $x_0 = 0$. Calculate

(a) $y_{\max} = h$ (b) x @ $y = h$

(c) total air time (d) v when skater lands



(a) y_{\max} when $V_y = 0$ so I can use either

$$\begin{cases} V_y = V_{0y} - g t = 0 \\ y_f = y_0 + V_{0y} t - \frac{g}{2} t^2 = h \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad V_y^2 = V_0^2 - 2g(h - y_0) = 0.$$

$V_{0y}^2 - 2g(h - y_0) = 0$ is better for (a), but keep in mind $t_h = \frac{V_{0y}}{g} = 0.467 \text{ s}$ is need for other parts.

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$$(a)^2 \quad v_{oy}^2 - 2g(h - y_0) = 0 \rightarrow h = \frac{v_{oy}^2}{2g} + y_0$$

$$\boxed{h = 2.77 \text{ m}}$$

$$(b) \quad x_h = v_{ox} t_h = \frac{v_{ox} v_{oy}}{g} = \frac{v_o^2}{g} \cos \theta_o \sin \theta_o$$

$$\boxed{x_h = 1.63 \text{ m}}$$

$$(c) \quad t_{air} = 2t_h = \boxed{0.93 \text{ s}}$$

$$(d) \quad v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$$

$$v_x = v_{ox}$$

$$v_y = v_{oy} - g t_{air}$$

$$v_x = 3.50 \text{ m/s}, \quad v_y = -3.74 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\boxed{v = 5.1 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$