

projectile in free fall!

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PROJECTILE MOTION PROBLEM-SOLVING

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Last year's exam equation sheet.

POTENTIALLY USEFUL INFORMATION:

1 m = 3.281 ft	1 mile = 1609 m	$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
$v_{\text{avg}} = (x_f - x_i)/(t_f - t_i)$	$a_{\text{avg}} = (v_f - v_i)/(t_f - t_i)$	$\Delta x = x_f - x_i$
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$x = x_0 + v_{\text{avg}}t$	$\sin \theta = \text{opp/hyp}, \cos \theta = \text{adj/hyp}, \tan \theta = \text{opp/adj}, V^2 = V_x^2 + V_y^2$	
1 kg = 2.2 pounds	quadratic: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$	$x = (-b \pm (b^2 - 4ac)^{1/2})/2a$

What are you getting stuck on in problem-solving?

PRACTICE MORE!
And come talk to me or the TAs.

You won't do well if you wait then cram.

- Topics: Chapters 1—3 including:
 - Units, conversion, and estimation.
 - Horizontal kinematics and free-fall.
 - Graphing x , v , and a vs. time.
 - Vectors, vector components.
 - Projectile motion.

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Practice Exams

- **This weekend, take this like a real test.**
Did you pass? Where did you get stuck?
- **Posting answer keys next Wednesday.**
<https://sarahspolaor.faculty.wvu.edu/classes/physics-101-fall-2018>
- **Your exam:**
 - 20 questions
 - 3 hours
 - ~25-50% conceptual, ~50-75% calculations

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Exam logistics

- **INFORM ME OF CONFLICTS BY 12 SEPT.**
[otherwise you might not take exam]
- **September 19, 7-10 pm**
- **Bring:**
 - Pencil, eraser, non-graphing calculator
- **Location: White Hall**
 - ****Last name A-L: G09 (main building entrance)****
 - ****Last name M-Z: B51 (regular classroom)****
- **If your phone is seen, you will be asked to leave.**

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Note: WebAssign Things

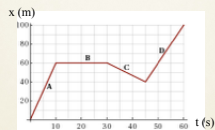
- “Your answer is within 10%”
 - > Round off at more digits in calculation (at least 3-4).
 - > Otherwise you did the calculation wrong.
- Answer keys can be accessed after due date.
- If you've missed an assignment:
 - Don't access answer key.
 - Request automatic extension.

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Questions?

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Warm-up: Graphing

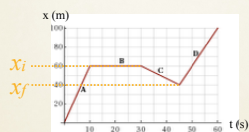


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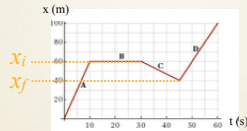


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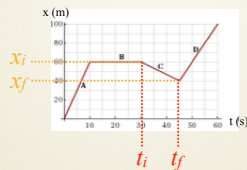
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- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 8
- E. 16



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A ball is launched from the edge of a 15.0m tall building at 16 m/s at an angle of 60 degrees from the horizontal.

1. **How much time** does it take to fall?
2. **How far from the base of the cliff** does it hit the ground? (Need the time first)
3. **How fast** it is moving vertically when it hits the ground? (y component of final velocity)
4. What is the **magnitude of its velocity** when it hits the ground?
5. What is the **angle that it hits the ground** from the horizontal?

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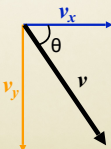
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What is the **angle it hits the ground** in reference to horizontal?

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Vector math!

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Projectile motion or that trig mountain problem?

[note: this clicker not graded]

- A. More projectile motion practice
- B. Trig mountain

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Does this problem require analysis of horizontal or vertical movement?

- A. Vertical
- B. Horizontal
- C. Both



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Remember!

Treat X and Y movements separately until asked for actual speed/velocity!

(or total velocity, net velocity, magnitude of velocity)

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Remember!

The time will be the same for x and y parts.

If you don't have enough information for x or y components, solve for time and reassess what you can determine.

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* ONLY IF you define +y as up (like we usually do!)

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We don't have enough info to solve for Δy !

So solve for time in the x-dimension.

Now you can solve for Δy !

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That trig problem...

A woman measures the angle of elevation of a mountaintop. Suppose the mountain height is y , the woman's original distance from the mountain is x , and the angle of elevation she measures from the horizontal to the top of the mountain is θ . If she moves a distance d closer to the mountain and measures an angle of elevation ϕ , find a general equation for the height of the mountain y in terms of d , ϕ , and θ , neglecting the height of her eyes above the ground.

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