

Test: Projectile Motion

Each question is worth 4 marks.

Part A: Multiple Choice (2 marks each)

- 1) A golfer drives her golf ball from the tee down the fairway in a high arcing shot. When the ball is at the highest point of its flight:
- A) The velocity and acceleration are both zero.
 - B) The horizontal velocity is zero and the vertical velocity is zero.
 - C) The horizontal velocity is non-zero and the vertical velocity is zero.
 - D) The velocity is non-zero and the acceleration is zero.
- 2) Which of the following does not exhibit projectile motion?
- A) a frog jumping from land into water
 - B) a bullet fired from a gun
 - C) a baseball thrown to home plate
 - D) a train moving along a flat track

Part B: Extended Answers (4 marks each)

- 3) A soccer player kicks a ball with an initial speed of 15 m/s at an angle of 33° above the horizontal. **What is the maximum height reached by the ball?**

$$V_x = \frac{15 \text{ m}}{\text{s}} \cos 33^\circ = 12.58 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_{iy} = \frac{15 \text{ m}}{\text{s}} \sin 33^\circ = 8.17 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

Vert

$$\Delta d_y = 0$$

$$V_{iy} = 8.17 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$V_f = 0$$

$$a = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$V_f^2 = V_i^2 + 2a \Delta d$$

$$\Delta d_y = \frac{-V_i^2}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-\left(8.17 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}\right)^2}{2(-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})}$$

$$= \frac{33.54 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}{19.6 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.4 \text{ m}}}$$

- 4) A reindeer standing on the roof of a house 11 m high kicks a rock. The rock rolls off the roof and hits the ground 1.5 s later, 6.0 m away from the house. **What is the velocity of the rock just before it hits the ground?**

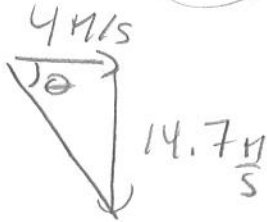
Horizontal

$$\Delta t = 1.5 \text{ s}$$

$$\Delta d_x = 6.0 \text{ m}$$

$$v_x = \frac{6.0 \text{ m}}{1.5 \text{ s}}$$

$$= 4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$



Vertical

$$\Delta t = 1.5 \text{ s}$$

$$v_{iy} = 0$$

$$v_f = ?$$

$$a = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$v_f = v_i + at$$

$$= (0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}) + (-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(1.5 \text{ s})$$

$$= -14.7 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$v_{\text{mag}} = \sqrt{4^2 + 14.7^2}$$

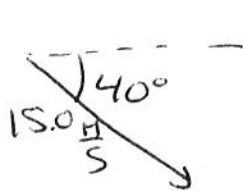
$$= 15 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{14.7}{4}\right)$$

$$= 75^\circ$$

Ans $15 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}, -75^\circ$

- 5) From the edge of a roof where he is waiting for Santa, an elf throws a snowball at a snowman on the ground, 25.0 m from apartment building. The snowball leaves the elf's hand at a velocity of 15.0 m/s at an angle of 40.0° below the horizontal. The snowball hits the ground right at the snowman's feet. **How high is the roof of this apartment building?**



$$v_x = 11.49 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$v_{iy} = -9.64 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

Horizontal

$$v_x = 11.49 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\Delta t = ?$$

$$\Delta d_x = 25 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{25 \text{ m}}{11.49 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$

$$= 2.18 \text{ s}$$

Vertical

$$\Delta d_y = ?$$

$$v_{iy} = -9.64 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$a = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$\Delta t = 2.18 \text{ s}$$

$$\Delta d_y = v_i \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a (\Delta t)^2$$

$$= (-9.64 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})(2.18 \text{ s})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(2.18 \text{ s})^2$$

$$= -44.3 \text{ m}$$

Ans: 44.3 m

- 6) Because it was overflowing, Santa's sled dropped a present while traveling 44.1 m above the ground. The present was found on the ground beneath, 87.0 m away from the point directly below where it was dropped. **How fast was Santa's sled going when it dropped the present?**

Hor

$$\Delta d_x = 87.0 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = ? \text{ s}$$

$$v_x = ? \text{ s}$$

$$v_x = \frac{87.0 \text{ m}}{3 \text{ s}}$$

$$= 29.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

Vert

$$\Delta d_y = -44.1 \text{ m}$$

$$a = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$v_{iy} = 0$$

$$\Delta t = ?$$

$$\Delta d_y = v_i \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a (\Delta t)^2$$

$$(\Delta t)^2 = \frac{2 \Delta d_y}{a}$$

$$= \frac{2(-44.1 \text{ m})}{-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

$$(\Delta t)^2 = 9 \text{ s}^2 \quad \Delta t = 3 \text{ s}$$

Ans: $29.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

- 7) While Ms. McRae wasn't looking, Ms. Broden threw a snowball at her. When the ball left Ms. Broden's hand, it was 1.22 m above the ground, and traveling at 8.00 m/s at an angle of 30.0° above the horizontal. On its way down, the snowball hit Ms. McRae in the head, 1.62 m above the ground. **How far from Ms. McRae was Ms. Broden standing when she threw the snowball?**

$$v_{iy} = 4.0 \text{ m/s} \quad v_x = 6.93 \text{ m/s}$$

Vert

$$\Delta d_y = -0.4 \text{ m}$$

$$v_{iy} = 4.0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$a = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$\Delta t = ?$$

$$v_f = v_i + a \Delta t$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{v_f - v_i}{a}$$

$$= \frac{-2.86 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} - 4.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}{-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a \Delta d = [0.700 \text{ s}]$$

$$= (4.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2 + 2(-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(0.4 \text{ m})$$

$$= 8.16 \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$v_f = 2.86 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

Hor

$$\Delta d_x = v_x \Delta t$$

$$= (6.93 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})(0.7 \text{ s})$$

Ans: 4.85 m

- 8) During a race, Kevin and Isabelle are both running at a constant speed of 3.0 m/s. Kevin is 20 m ahead of Isabelle. Seeing that the finish line is quickly approaching, Isabelle starts to accelerate at a rate of 1.0 m/s². Kevin and Isabelle cross the finish line at the same time.

When Isabelle started to accelerate, how far was she from the finish line?

Kevin

$$v = 3.0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\Delta d = x$$

$$\Delta t = y$$

$$\Delta d = v \Delta t$$

$$x = 3.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} y$$

Isabelle

$$v_i = 3.0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$a = 1.0 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\Delta d = x + 20 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = y$$

$$\Delta d = v_i \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a (\Delta t)^2$$

$$x + 20 \text{ m} = 3.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} y + \frac{1}{2} (1.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}) y^2$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \cancel{3.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} y} + 20 \text{ m} = \cancel{3.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} y} + \frac{1}{2} (1.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}) y^2$$

$$20 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} (1.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}) y^2$$

$$40 \text{ s}^2 = y^2$$

~~$$20 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} (1.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}) y^2$$~~

$$6.32 \text{ s} = y$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x = 3.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} y$$

$$= 3.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} (6.32 \text{ s})$$

$$= 18.96 \text{ m}$$

$\textcircled{3}$ Isabelle

$$\Delta d = x + 20 \text{ m}$$

$$= 18.96 \text{ m} + 20 \text{ m}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{39 \text{ m}}}$$

- 9) During a volleyball game, a player serves the ball. She hits the ball while standing 1.00 m behind the line. When the ball leaves her hand, it is 1.86 m above the ground and travels at a velocity of 12.0 m/s 28.0° above the horizontal. Consider the dimension of a volleyball court illustrated below.



- a) Does her serve make it past the net?

Hor

$$\Delta d_x = 10 \text{ m}$$

$$v_x = 10.59 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{\Delta d_x}{v_x}$$

$$= \frac{10 \text{ m}}{10.59 \text{ m/s}}$$

$$= 0.944 \text{ s}$$

Vert

$$\Delta t = 0.944 \text{ s}$$

$$v_{iy} = 5.63 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\Delta d_y = v_{iy} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a (\Delta t)^2$$

$$= (5.63 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})(0.944 \text{ s})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (-9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(0.944 \text{ s})^2$$

$$= 0.948$$

$$+ 1.86$$

$$\hline 2.81 \text{ m} \rightarrow \text{yes!!!}$$

- b) Does it land in or out?

Vert

$$v_{iy} = 5.63 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\Delta d = -1.86 \text{ m}$$

$$a = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$v_f = v_i + a \Delta t$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{v_f - v_i}{a}$$

$$= \frac{-8.26 - 5.63}{-9.8}$$

$$= 1.42 \text{ s}$$

Hor

$$\Delta d_x = v_x \Delta t$$

$$= (10.59)$$

$$(1.42)$$

$$= 15 \text{ m}$$

\rightarrow in

$\Delta t?$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2 a \Delta d$$

$$v_f = 8.26 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$