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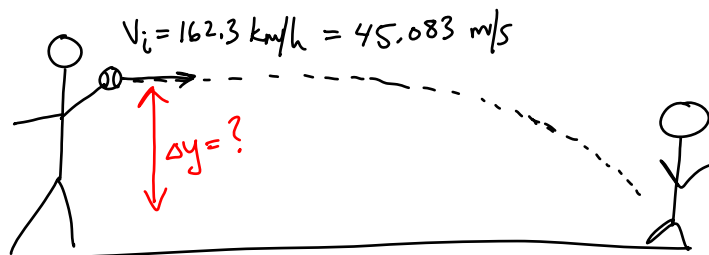
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Physics



Projectile Motion I - Horizontal

1. The fastest recorded pitch in Major League Baseball, thrown by Nolan Ryan in 1974, was clocked at 162.3 km/h (100.8 mi/h). If a pitch were thrown horizontally with this velocity, how far would the ball fall vertically by the time it reached home plate, 18.3 m (60.0 ft) away?

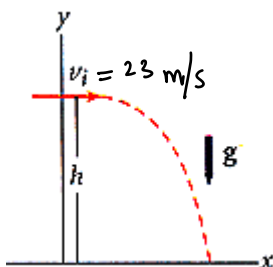


$$\begin{aligned}\Delta x &= 18.3 & \Delta y &=? & 1) \Delta x &= v_x \Delta t \\ v_{ix} &= 45.1 & v_{iy} &= 0 & \Delta t &= \frac{\Delta x}{v_x} = \frac{18.3}{45.1} \\ v_{fx} &= & v_{fy} &= & \Delta t &= .406 \text{ s} \\ a &= 0 & a &= 9.81 \\ \Delta t &= & \Delta t &= \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}2) \Delta y &= v_{iy} \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} g \Delta t^2 \\ \Delta y &= -\frac{1}{2} (9.81) (.406)^2 \\ \Delta y &= -.8082 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

2. A person standing at the edge of a seaside cliff kicks a stone over the edge with a speed of $v_i = 23 \text{ m/s}$. The cliff is $h = 48 \text{ m}$ above the water's surface.

- a. How long does it take for the stone to fall to the water?



$$\begin{aligned}\Delta x &= & \Delta y &= -48 \text{ m} \\ v_{ix} &= 23 \text{ m/s} & v_{iy} &= 0 \\ v_{fx} &= 23 \text{ m/s} & v_{fy} &=? \\ a &= 0 & a &= 9.81 \\ \Delta t &= & \Delta t &=?\end{aligned}$$

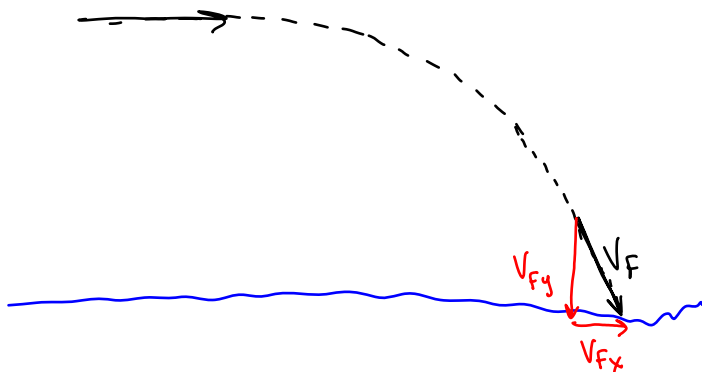
$$\begin{aligned}1) v_{yf}^2 &= v_i^2 \sin^2 \theta - 2g \Delta y \\ v_{yf}^2 &= -2(9.81)(48) \\ v_{yf} &= -30.69 \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

$$2) v_{yf} = v_i \sin \theta - g \Delta t$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{v_{yf}}{-g} = \frac{-30.69}{-9.81} = 3.13 \text{ s}$$

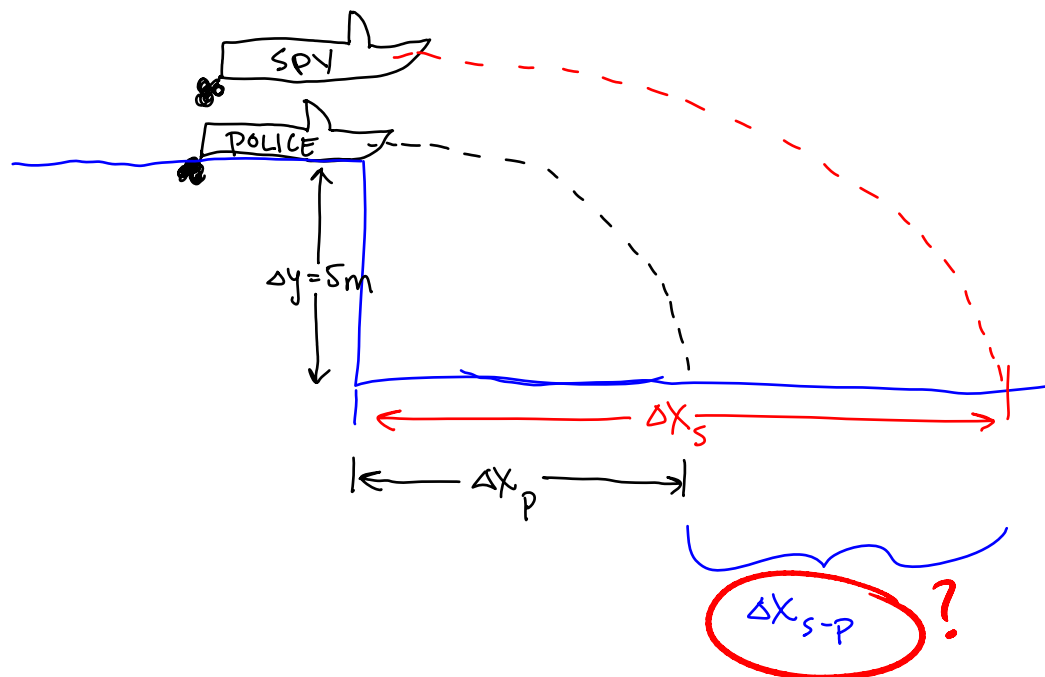
- b. With what speed does it strike the water? (Hint: you have to find V_f here, not V_{fy})

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$$\begin{aligned}V_f^2 &= v_{fy}^2 + v_{fx}^2 \\ V_f^2 &= (-30.69)^2 + (23)^2 \\ V_f &= 38.35 \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

Two boats are traveling down a river. The first boat is a spy boat, trying to run from the police boat next to them. The two boats see a 5 meter waterfall ahead, and decide to jump the waterfall. If the spy boat was traveling at 27 m/s, and the police boat was traveling at 16 m/s, how far ahead of the police boat will the spy boat be when they land? (Assume the two boats were side by side when they launched off the waterfall)



Police boat

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x &= & \Delta y &= -5 \\ V_{ix} &= 16 \text{ m/s} & V_{iy} &= 0 \\ V_{fx} &= 16 \text{ m/s} & V_{fy} &= \\ a &= & a &= 9.81 \\ \Delta t &= & \Delta t &= \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta y = \cancel{V_i \sin \theta \Delta t} - \frac{1}{2} g \Delta t^2$$

$$-5 = -\frac{1}{2} (9.81) \Delta t^2$$

$$\Delta t = 1.01 \text{ s}$$

$$\Delta x_p = V_x \Delta t$$

$$\Delta x_p = (16)(1.01)$$

$$\Delta x_p = 16.15 \text{ m}$$

SPY boat

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x &= ? & \Delta y &= -5 \text{ m} \\ V_{ix} &= 27 \text{ m/s} & V_{iy} &= 0 \\ V_{fx} &= 27 \text{ m/s} & V_{fy} &= \\ a &= & a &= \\ \Delta t &= & \Delta t &= \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta y = \cancel{V_i \sin \theta \Delta t} - \frac{1}{2} g \Delta t^2$$

$$-5 = -\frac{1}{2} (9.81) \Delta t^2$$

$$\Delta t = 1.01 \text{ s}$$

$$\Delta x_s = V_x \Delta t$$

$$= (27)(1.01)$$

$$\Delta x_s = 27.26 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta x_{s-p} = 11.11 \text{ m}$$