

Extra projectile Motion Problems

****Assume zero air resistance for all problems****

1. An object hits the ground (height = 0) at an angle of 62° , relative to horizontal. Prior to hitting the ground, its X displacement was 3m. When it hits the ground, its y-velocity is -10m/s. Find "everything:"
 - Initial velocities (x, y, and overall speed)
 - Launch angle
 - Time aloft
 - Initial height
 - Final velocities (x and overall speed)

2. An apple is dropped out of the window of a moving car. If the car was traveling a speed of 20m/s, and the apple travels a horizontal distance of 11m, what was the height of the apple's release point?

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1.

| y | x | both |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| $V_{oy} = 5.68 \text{ m/s}$ | $\Delta x = 3 \text{ m}$ | $\theta_0 = 71^\circ$ |
| $V_y = -10 \text{ m/s}$ | $V_x = 1.88 \text{ m/s}$ | $\theta = 62^\circ$ |
| $\Delta y = -3.46$ | $\Delta t = 1.6 \text{ s}$ | $V_0 = 6 \text{ m/s}$ |
| $a = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ | 3 | $V = 10.1 \text{ m/s}$ |
| $\Delta t = 1.165$ | 1.88 m/s | |

$v = v_0 + at$
 $-10 = v_0 + (-9.8)(1.65)$
 $v_0 = 5.68 \text{ m/s}$

$\Delta y = v_{oy}t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
 $\Delta y = -3.46$

$\tan 62 = \frac{10 \text{ m/s}}{V_x}$

$\theta_0 = 71^\circ$

2.

$v_{oy} = 0$
 $v_{ox} = 20 \text{ m/s}$
 $\Delta x = 11 \text{ m}$
 $\Delta y = ?$

$\frac{\Delta x}{v_x} = \Delta t$
 $\frac{11 \text{ m}}{20 \text{ m/s}} = 0.55 \text{ s} = \Delta t$

$\Delta y = v_{oy}t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
 $\Delta y = 0 + \frac{1}{2}(-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.55 \text{ s})^2$
 $\Delta y = -1.48 \text{ m}$

Release Point
 height = 1.48 m