

- 1 Fig. 7 shows the trajectory of an object which is projected from a point O on horizontal ground. Its initial velocity is 40 m s^{-1} at an angle of α to the horizontal.

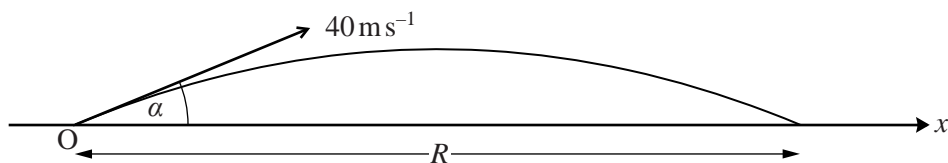


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- (i) Show that, according to the standard projectile model in which air resistance is neglected, the flight time, T s, and the range, R m, are given by

$$T = \frac{80 \sin \alpha}{g} \quad \text{and} \quad R = \frac{3200 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha}{g}. \quad [6]$$

A company is designing a new type of ball and wants to model its flight.

- (ii) Initially the company uses the standard projectile model.

Use this model to show that when $\alpha = 30^\circ$ and the initial speed is 40 m s^{-1} , T is approximately 4.08 and R is approximately 141.4.

Find the values of T and R when $\alpha = 45^\circ$. [3]

The company tests the ball using a machine that projects it from ground level across horizontal ground. The speed of projection is set at 40 m s^{-1} .

When the angle of projection is set at 30° , the range is found to be 125 m.

- (iii) Comment briefly on the accuracy of the standard projectile model in this situation. [1]

The company refines the model by assuming that the ball has a constant deceleration of 2 m s^{-2} in the horizontal direction.

In this new model, the resistance to the vertical motion is still neglected and so the flight time is still 4.08 s when the angle of projection is 30° .

- (iv) Using the new model, with $\alpha = 30^\circ$, show that the horizontal displacement from the point of projection, x m at time t s, is given by

$$x = 40t \cos 30^\circ - t^2.$$

Find the range and hence show that this new model is reasonably accurate in this case. [4]

The company then sets the angle of projection to 45° while retaining a projection speed of 40 m s^{-1} . With this setting the range of the ball is found to be 135 m.

- (v) Investigate whether the new model is also accurate for this angle of projection. [3]

- (vi) Make one suggestion as to how the model could be further refined. [1]

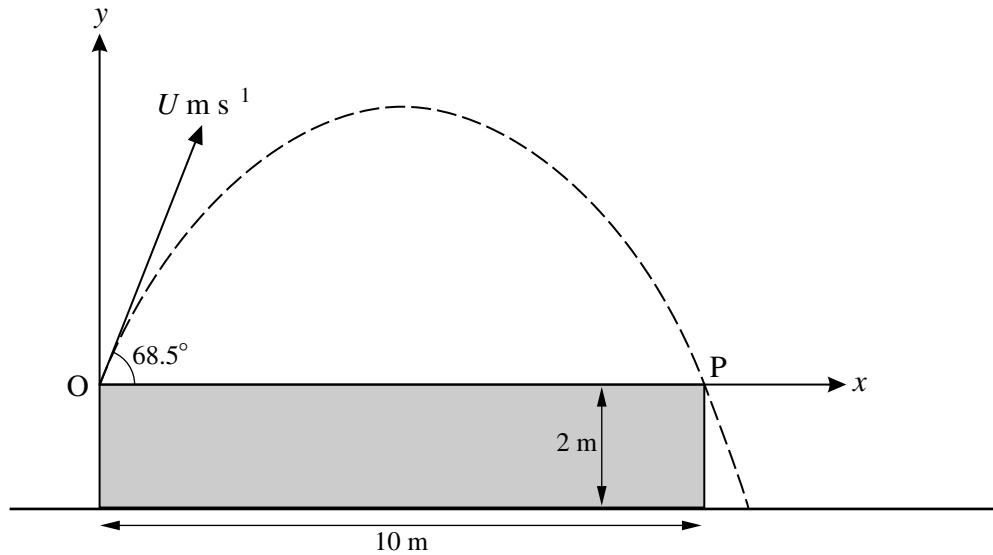


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Fig. 7 shows a platform 10 m long and 2 m high standing on horizontal ground. A small ball projected from the surface of the platform at one end, O, just misses the other end, P. The ball is projected at 68.5° to the horizontal with a speed of $U \text{ m s}^{-1}$. Air resistance may be neglected.

At time t seconds after projection, the horizontal and vertical displacements of the ball from O are x m and y m.

(i) Obtain expressions, in terms of U and t , for

(A) x ,

(B) y .

[3]

(ii) The ball takes T s to travel from O to P.

Show that $T = \frac{U \sin 68.5^\circ}{4.9}$ and write down a second equation connecting U and T .

[4]

(iii) Hence show that $U = 12.0$ (correct to three significant figures).

[3]

(iv) Calculate the horizontal distance of the ball from the platform when the ball lands on the ground.

[5]

(v) Use the expressions you found in part (i) to show that the cartesian equation of the trajectory of the ball in terms of U is

$$y = x \tan 68.5^\circ - \frac{4.9x^2}{U^2(\cos 68.5^\circ)^2}.$$

Use this equation to show again that $U = 12.0$ (correct to three significant figures).

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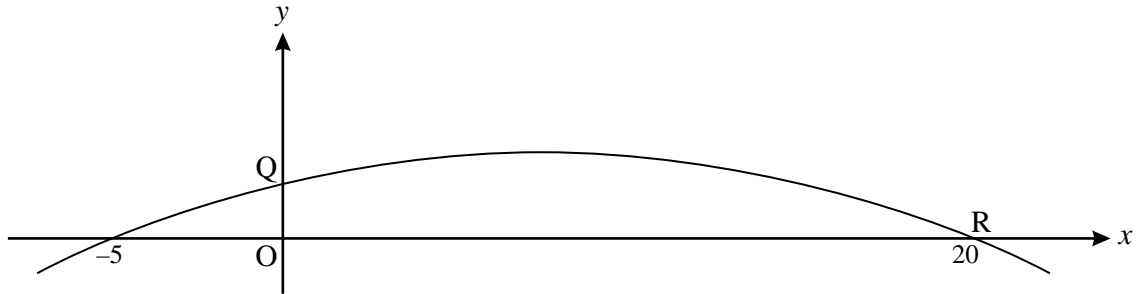


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Fig. 7 shows the graph of $y = \frac{1}{100}(100 + 15x - x^2)$.

For $0 \leq x \leq 20$, this graph shows the trajectory of a small stone projected from the point Q where y m is the height of the stone above horizontal ground and x m is the horizontal displacement of the stone from O. The stone hits the ground at the point R.

- (i) Write down the height of Q above the ground. [1]
- (ii) Find the horizontal distance from O of the highest point of the trajectory and show that this point is 1.5625 m above the ground. [5]
- (iii) Show that the time taken for the stone to fall from its highest point to the ground is 0.565 seconds, correct to 3 significant figures. [3]
- (iv) Show that the horizontal component of the velocity of the stone is 22.1 m s^{-1} , correct to 3 significant figures. Deduce the time of flight from Q to R. [5]
- (v) Calculate the speed at which the stone hits the ground. [4]

- 4 Sandy is throwing a stone at a plum tree. The stone is thrown from a point O at a speed of 35 m s^{-1} at an angle of α to the horizontal, where $\cos \alpha = 0.96$. You are *given* that, t seconds after being thrown, the stone is $(9.8t - 4.9t^2)$ m higher than O.

When descending, the stone hits a plum which is 3.675 m higher than O. Air resistance should be neglected.

Calculate the horizontal distance of the plum from O.

[6]

- 5 Small stones A and B are initially in the positions shown in Fig. 6 with B a height H m directly above A.

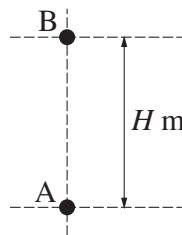


Fig. 6

At the instant when B is released from rest, A is projected vertically upwards with a speed of 29.4 m s^{-1} . Air resistance may be neglected.

The stones collide T seconds after they begin to move. At this instant they have the same speed, $V \text{ m s}^{-1}$, and A is still rising.

By considering when the speed of A upwards is the same as the speed of B downwards, or otherwise, show that $T = 1.5$ and find the values of V and H .

[7]