

- Review Sheet – 2-D Kinematics & Projectile Motion -

Students should know or be able to do the following:

**2-D Kinematics**

1. Students should know that motion is defined relative to some point in space.
2. Students should understand how time can be utilized in both the x- and y-dimensions.
3. Students should be able to solve 2-D kinematics problems for an unknown variable.

**Horizontal and Ground Launched Projectiles**

1. Students should know that projectiles follow a parabolic shaped path.
2. Students should be able to determine the components of velocity at any time in flight.
3. Students should understand the relationship between the following variables:
  - a. time of flight,  $v_{iy}$ ,  $d_y$  and  $a$
  - b. time of flight,  $v_{ix}$ , and  $d_x$ .
4. Students should know that, for a horizontal projectile, the following assumptions apply:

**X – direction**

- i.  $V_x = \#$  Given
- ii.  $a = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$  \*\*\*CONSTANT VELOCITY\*\*\*
- iii. Use constant velocity equations  $\rightarrow v = d / t$

**y – direction**

- i.  $V_{iy} = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- ii. object is in freefall, so  $a = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
- iii. Use kinematic equations

5. Students should know that, for a ground launched projectile, the following assumptions apply:

**x-direction**

- i. initial velocity ( $v_{ix} = v \cos \theta$ )
- ii.  $a = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$  \*\*\*CONSTANT VELOCITY\*\*\*
- iii. horizontal velocity is CONSTANT!
- iv. USE CONS. V equation to solve.

**y-direction**

- i. initial velocity ( $v_{iy} = v \sin \theta$ )
- ii. acceleration due to gravity =  $-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
- iii.  $v_{fy} = 0$  (at the top of parabolic path, or max height)
- iv. Total time = 2\* time to top
- v. Treat as a FREEFALL problem in vertical direction...
- vi. USE KINEMATIC EQ's to solve.

6. Students should be able to calculate unknown variables using kinematic equations in two directions.

## 2-D Kinematics

### Problem Solving Strategy:

1. Start with a sketch.
2. Draw / label all given information
3. Create an "x / y" table, and put information on correct side
  - a. Horizontal  $\rightarrow$  x direction
  - b. Vertical  $\rightarrow$  y direction
4. Solve for desired quantity

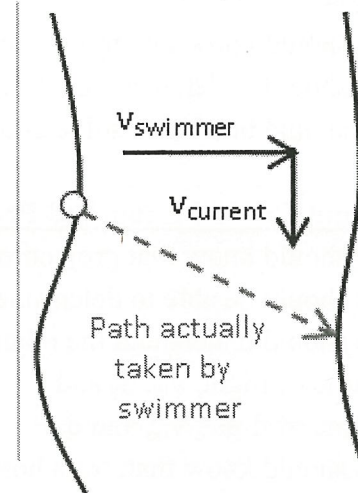
**\*\*NOTE\*\*** - Time is the ONE variable that can be used in BOTH directions.

horizontal:  $v_{\text{const}} (a_x = 0)$

vertical:  $v_{\text{const}} (a_y = 0)$

Path will be straight

ex. River prob.



### Practice Problems

1. A swimmer heads directly across a river swimming at 1.6 m/s relative to still water. She arrives at a point 40 m downstream from the point directly across the river, which is 80 m wide. Determine...

- a. the speed of the current

$$d_y = 40\text{m}$$

$$t = 50\text{s}$$

$$v_y = \frac{d_y}{t} = \frac{40\text{m}}{50\text{s}}$$

$$v_y = 0.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

- b. the magnitude of the swimmer's resultant velocity

$$v_R = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} = \sqrt{(1.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2 + (0.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2}$$

$$v_R = 1.79 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

- c. the direction of the swimmer's resultant velocity

$$\theta = \text{TAN}^{-1}\left(\frac{v_y}{v_x}\right) = \text{TAN}^{-1}\left(\frac{0.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}{1.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}\right)$$

$$\theta = 26.6^\circ$$

- d. the time it takes the swimmer to cross the river

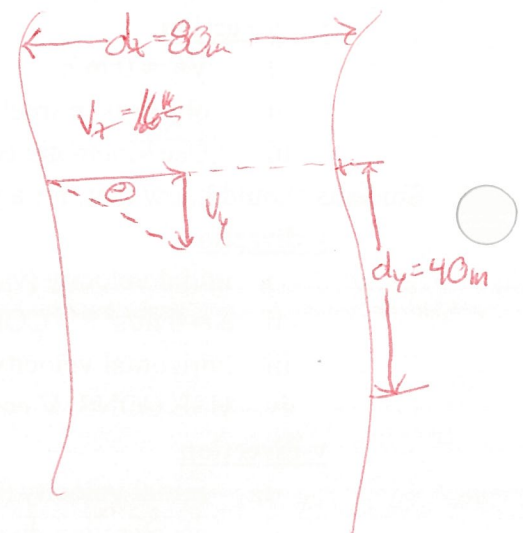
$$d_x = 80\text{m}$$

$$v_x = 1.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$t = ?$$

$$v_x = \frac{d_x}{t} \Rightarrow t = \frac{d_x}{v_x} = \frac{80\text{m}}{1.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$

$$t = 50\text{s}$$



2. A plane flies due north at a speed of 200 m/s while encountering a crosswind of 90 m/s to the east. The plane travels for 30 minutes. Determine...

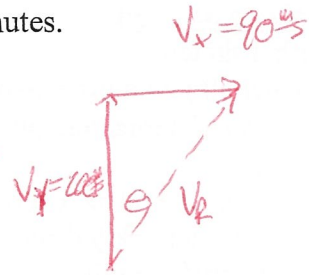
a. the total distance east that the plane has traveled at the end of 30 minutes.

$$t = 30 \text{ MIN} \left( \frac{60 \text{ S}}{1 \text{ MIN}} \right) = 1800 \text{ S}$$

$$V_x = 90 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$d_x = V_x \cdot t = 90 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \cdot 1800 \text{ S}$$

$$d_x = \underline{162,000 \text{ m}}$$



b. the total distance north that the plane has traveled at the end of 30 minutes.

$$t = 1800 \text{ S}$$

$$V_y = 200 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$d_y = V_y \cdot t = 1800 \text{ S} \cdot 200 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$d_y = \underline{360,000 \text{ m}}$$

c. the magnitude of the planes resultant velocity

$$V_R = \sqrt{V_x^2 + V_y^2} = \sqrt{(90 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2 + (200 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2}$$

$$V_R = \underline{219.3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$

d. the direction of the planes resultant velocity

$$\theta = \text{TAN}^{-1} \left( \frac{V_x}{V_y} \right) = \text{TAN}^{-1} \left( \frac{90 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}{200 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}} \right)$$

$$\theta = 24.2^\circ$$

# Projectile Motion – Horizontal & Ground Launched

## Problem Solving Strategy:

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  - a. Horizontal → x direction
  - b. Vertical → y direction
4. Solve for desired quantity

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horizontal:  $v_{\text{const}}$  ( $a_x = 0$ )  
 vertical:  $a_{\text{const}}$  ( $a_y = -9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ )

Represents parabolic path

ex. Projectiles

Horizontal  
Projectile

$$v_{iy} = 0$$

$$a_x = 0$$

$$a_y = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Ground Launched  
Projectile

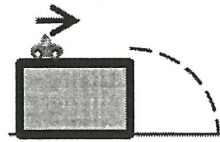
$$v_{iy} = v_i \sin \theta$$

$$v_{ix} = v_i \cos \theta$$

$$a_x = 0$$

$$a_y = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$t_{\text{top}} = 1/2 t_{\text{tot}}$$



## Practice Problems

1. A supply plane flying **horizontally** at a speed of 250 m/s east at an altitude of 490 meters drops a supply package to a crew on the ground. It falls freely without a parachute.
  - a. Sketch a path of the supply package after it leaves the plane.



- b. Determine the time required for the package to reach the ground.

$$v_{iy} = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$d = 490 \text{ m}$$

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

$$d = v_{iy}t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2d}{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(490\text{m})}{-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2}} = 10 \text{ s}$$

- c. Determine the horizontal distance from the target that the plane must drop the package.

$$v_x = 250 \text{ m/s}$$

$$t = 10 \text{ s}$$

$$d_x = v_x \cdot t = (250 \text{ m/s})(10 \text{ s})$$

$$d_x = 2,500 \text{ m}$$

- d. Determine the horizontal and vertical components of the package's velocity right before the package reaches the ground.

$$v_x = 250 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{Fy} = v_{iy} + at$$

$$v_{Fy} = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 10 \text{ s}$$

$$v_{Fy} = -98 \text{ m/s}$$



2. A player kicks a football from ground level at 24.0 m/s at an angle of 35.0 degrees above the horizontal.

a. Calculate the initial horizontal and vertical components of the football's velocity.

$$V_x = V \cos \theta = 24 \text{ m/s} \cos 35^\circ$$

$$V_x = 19.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_y = V \sin \theta = 24 \text{ m/s} \sin 35^\circ$$

$$V_y = 13.8 \text{ m/s}$$

b. Calculate the maximum height that the football reaches above the ground.

$$V_{iy} = 13.8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_f = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

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

$$V_f^2 = V_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$d = \frac{-V_i^2}{2a} = \frac{-(13.8 \text{ m/s})^2}{2(-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$d = 9.7 \text{ m}$$



c. Calculate the total amount of time that the football is in the air for.

$$V_{fy} = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_{iy} = 13.8 \text{ m/s}$$

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

$$V_f^y = V_i^y + at$$

$$t_{up} = \frac{-V_i}{a} = \frac{-13.8 \text{ m/s}}{-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

$$t_{up} = 1.41 \text{ s}$$

$$t_{TOT} = 2 \cdot t_{up} = 2 \cdot 1.41 \text{ s}$$

$$t_{TOT} = 2.82 \text{ s}$$

d. Calculate the total horizontal distance that the football travels.

$$V_x = 19.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$t_{TOT} = 2.82 \text{ s}$$

$$d_x = V_x \cdot t = 19.7 \text{ m/s} \cdot 2.82 \text{ s}$$

$$d_x = 55.6 \text{ m}$$

3. During a world record attempt to jump over a whole football field, Travis Pastrana rides his dirt bike at 35 m/s off a ramp that makes an angle of 45° to the horizontal.

a. Find the maximum height that Travis reaches during this world record attempt.

$$V_{iy} = 35 \text{ m/s} \cdot \sin 45^\circ = 24.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_f = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

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

$$V_f^2 = V_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$d = \frac{-V_i^2}{2a} = \frac{-(24.7 \text{ m/s})^2}{2(-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)} = 31.1 \text{ m}$$

b. What is the total amount of time that Travis spends in the air?

$$V_i = 24.7 \text{ m/s}$$

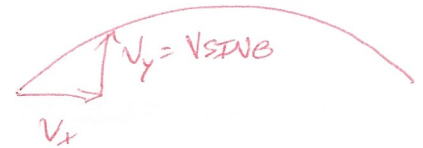
$$V_f = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

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

$$V_f^y = V_i^y + at_{up}$$

$$t_{up} = \frac{-V_i}{a} = \frac{-24.7 \text{ m/s}}{-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2} = 2.52 \text{ s}$$

$$t_{TOT} = 2 \cdot t_{up} = 5.04 \text{ s}$$



c. What is the total range that Travis travels during his flight?

$$V_x = V \cos \theta = 35 \text{ m/s} \cos 45^\circ = 24.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$t_{TOT} = 5.04 \text{ s}$$

$$V_x = \frac{d_x}{t} \Rightarrow d_x = V_x \cdot t = 24.7 \text{ m/s} \cdot 5.04 \text{ s}$$

$$d_x = 124.5 \text{ m}$$

4. A toy car is rolled off the edge of a 1m high table with a speed of 7 m/s.

a. What is the vertical velocity of the car the instant before it hits the ground.

$$v_{iy} = 0 \frac{m}{s}$$

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

$$d = 1m$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{2ad} = \sqrt{2(-9.8 \frac{m}{s^2})(-1m)}$$

$$v_f = -4.4 \frac{m}{s}$$

b. How long does it take for the car to reach the ground?

$$v_{iy} = 0 \frac{m}{s}$$

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

$$d = 1m$$

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

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2d}{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(-1m)}{-9.8 \frac{m}{s^2}}}$$

$$t = 0.45s$$

c. How far from the base of the table does the car land?

$$v_x = 7 \frac{m}{s}$$

$$t = 0.45s$$

$$d_x = v_x \cdot t = 7 \frac{m}{s} \cdot 0.45s$$

$$d_x = 3.15m$$

5. A snowboarder leaves a ramp at an angle of  $22^\circ$  to the horizontal with a speed of 15.0 m/s.

a. Find the maximum height that the snowboarder reaches.

$$v_{iy} = v \sin \theta = 15 \frac{m}{s} \sin 22^\circ = 5.6 \frac{m}{s}$$

$$v_{fy} = 0 \frac{m}{s}$$

$$d = ?$$

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

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$d = \frac{-v_i^2}{2a} = \frac{-(5.6 \frac{m}{s})^2}{2(-9.8 \frac{m}{s^2})}$$

$$d = 1.6m$$

b. What is the total amount of time that the snow boarder spends in the air?

$$v_{iy} = 5.6 \frac{m}{s}$$

$$v_{fy} = 0 \frac{m}{s}$$

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

$$t_{\text{tot}} = ?$$

$$v_f = v_i + a t_{\text{up}}$$

$$t_{\text{up}} = \frac{-v_i}{a} = \frac{-5.6 \frac{m}{s}}{-9.8 \frac{m}{s^2}}$$

$$t_{\text{up}} = 0.57s$$

$$t_{\text{tot}} = 2 \cdot t_{\text{up}}$$

$$t_{\text{tot}} = 1.14s$$

c. How far in the horizontal directions from the base of the ramp does the snowboarder land??

$$v_x = v \cos \theta = 15 \frac{m}{s} \cos 22^\circ = 13.9 \frac{m}{s}$$

$$t_{\text{tot}} = 1.14s$$

$$d_x = v_x \cdot t = 13.9 \frac{m}{s} \cdot 1.14s$$

$$d_x = 15.8m$$

d. What is the total velocity of the snowboarder at maximum height?

$$v_x = 13.9 \frac{m}{s}, v_y = 0 \frac{m}{s}$$

e. What is the acceleration of the snowboarder at maximum height?

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