



DEVIL PHYSICS
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LESSON 2-1C

PROJECTILE MOTION

FLUID RESISTANCE

Introduction Videos

- Projectile Motion 1
- Useful Applications of Projectile Motion

Essential Idea:

- Motion may be described and analyzed by the use of graphs and equations.

Nature Of Science:

- Observations: The ideas of motion are fundamental to many areas of physics, providing a link to the consideration of forces and their implication. The kinematic equations for uniform acceleration were developed through careful observations of the natural world.

International-Mindedness:

- International cooperation is needed for tracking shipping, land-based transport, aircraft and objects in space.

Theory Of Knowledge:

- The independence of horizontal and vertical motion in projectile motion seems to be counter-intuitive.
- How do scientists work around their intuitions?
- How do scientists make use of their intuitions?

Understandings:

- Projectile motion
- Fluid resistance and terminal speed

Applications And Skills:

- Analyzing projectile motion, including the resolution of vertical and horizontal components of acceleration, velocity and displacement.
- Qualitatively describing the effect of fluid resistance on falling objects or projectiles, including reaching terminal speed.

Guidance:

- Calculations will be restricted to those neglecting air resistance.
- Projectile motion will only involve problems using a constant value of g close to the surface of the Earth.
- The equation of the path of a projectile will not be required.

Data Booklet Reference:

$$v = u + at$$

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

$$s = \frac{(v + u)t}{2}$$

Utilization:

- Diving, parachuting and similar activities where fluid resistance affects.
- The accurate use of ballistics requires careful analysis.
- Quadratic functions (see Mathematics HL sub-topic 2.6; Mathematics SL sub-topic 2.4; Mathematical studies SL sub-topic 6.3).
- The kinematic equations are treated in calculus form in Mathematics HL sub-topic 6.6 and Mathematics SL sub-topic 6.6.

Aims:

- Aim 2: much of the development of classical physics has been built on the advances in kinematics

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- Aim 6: experiments, including use of data logging, could include (but are not limited to): determination of g , estimating speed using travel timetables, analyzing projectile motion, and investigating motion through a fluid

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- Aim 7: technology has allowed for more accurate and precise measurements of motion, including video analysis of real-life projectiles and modeling/simulations of terminal velocity

One Dimensional Motion

WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Horizontal Motion

$$t_1 = 0$$
$$v_1 = 0$$

Acceleration

$$a = 15 \frac{\text{km/h}}{\text{s}}$$



at $t = 1.0 \text{ s}$
 $v = 15 \text{ km/h}$



at $t = 2.0 \text{ s}$
 $v = 30 \text{ km/h}$



at $t = t_2 = 5.0 \text{ s}$
 $v = v_2 = 75 \text{ km/h}$



Kinematic Equations for Horizontal Motion

$$v = v_0 + at$$

$$[a = \text{constant}]$$

$$x = x_0 + v_0t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$[a = \text{constant}]$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(x - x_0)$$

$$[a = \text{constant}]$$

$$\bar{v} = \frac{v + v_0}{2}$$

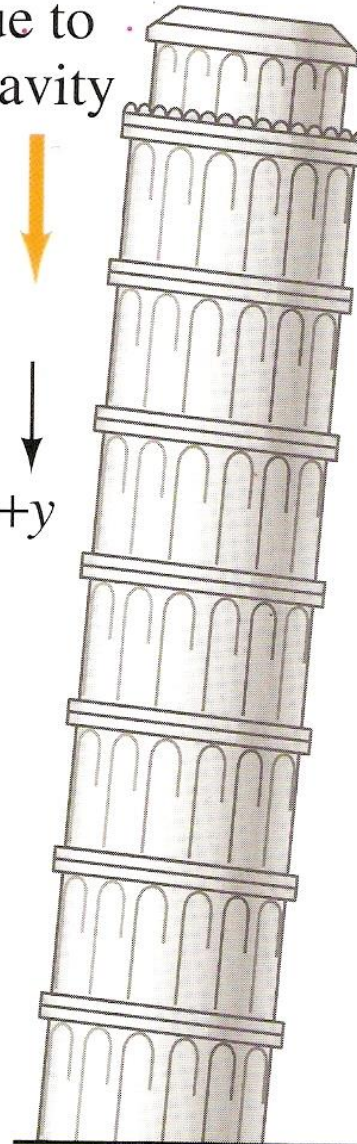
$$[a = \text{constant}]$$

Vertical Motion – Drop Problems

Acceleration due to gravity



+y



----- $y = 0$

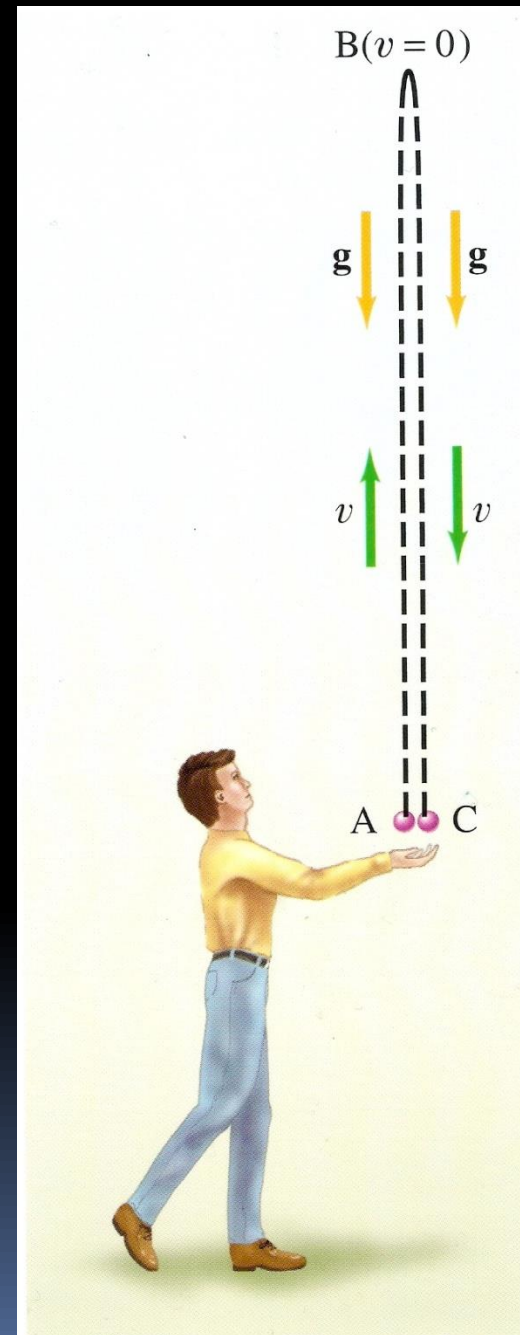
$y_1 = 4.90 \text{ m}$
(After 1.00 s)

$y_2 = 19.6 \text{ m}$
(After 2.00 s)

$y_3 = 44.1 \text{ m}$
(After 3.00 s)

+y

Vertical Motion with Vertical Velocity



Kinematic Equations

Horizontal

$$v_x = v_{x0} + a_x t$$

$$x = x_0 + v_{x0} t + 1/2 a_x t^2$$

$$v_x^2 = v_{x0}^2 + 2a_x (x - x_0)$$

Vertical

$$v_y = v_{y0} + a_y t$$

$$y = y_0 + v_{y0} t + 1/2 a_y t^2$$

$$v_y^2 = v_{y0}^2 + 2a_y (y - y_0)$$

Kinematic Equations

- IB Style

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$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

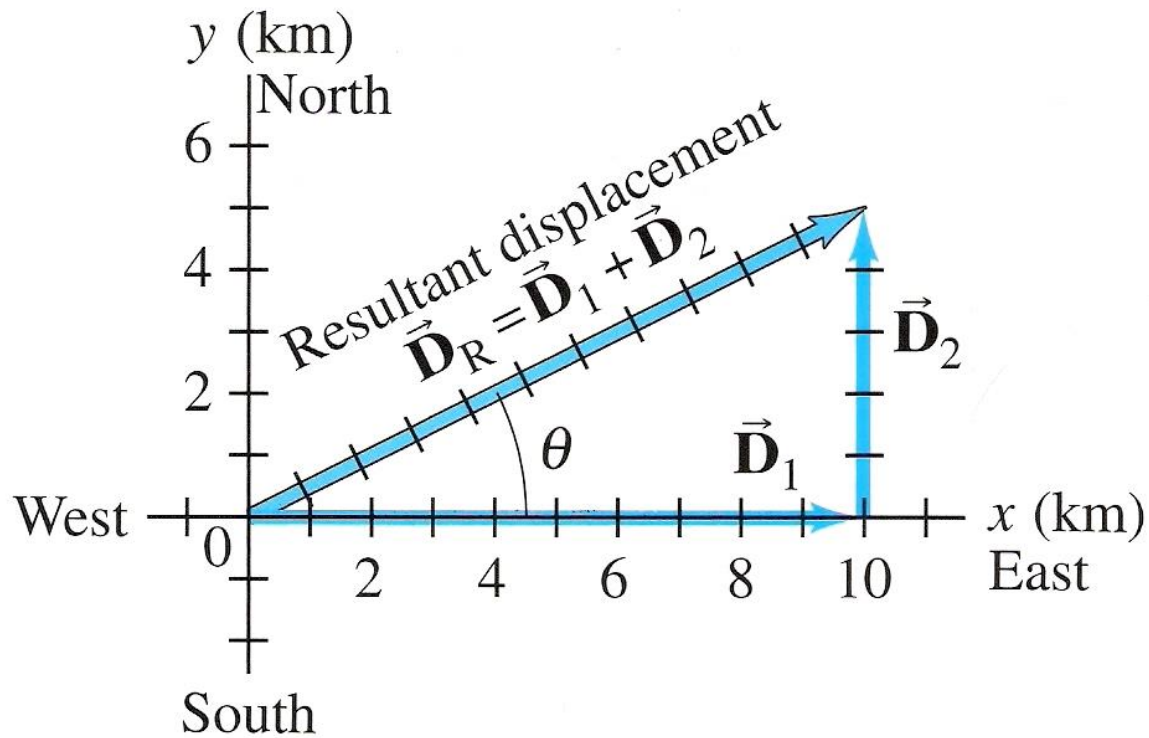
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Vectors

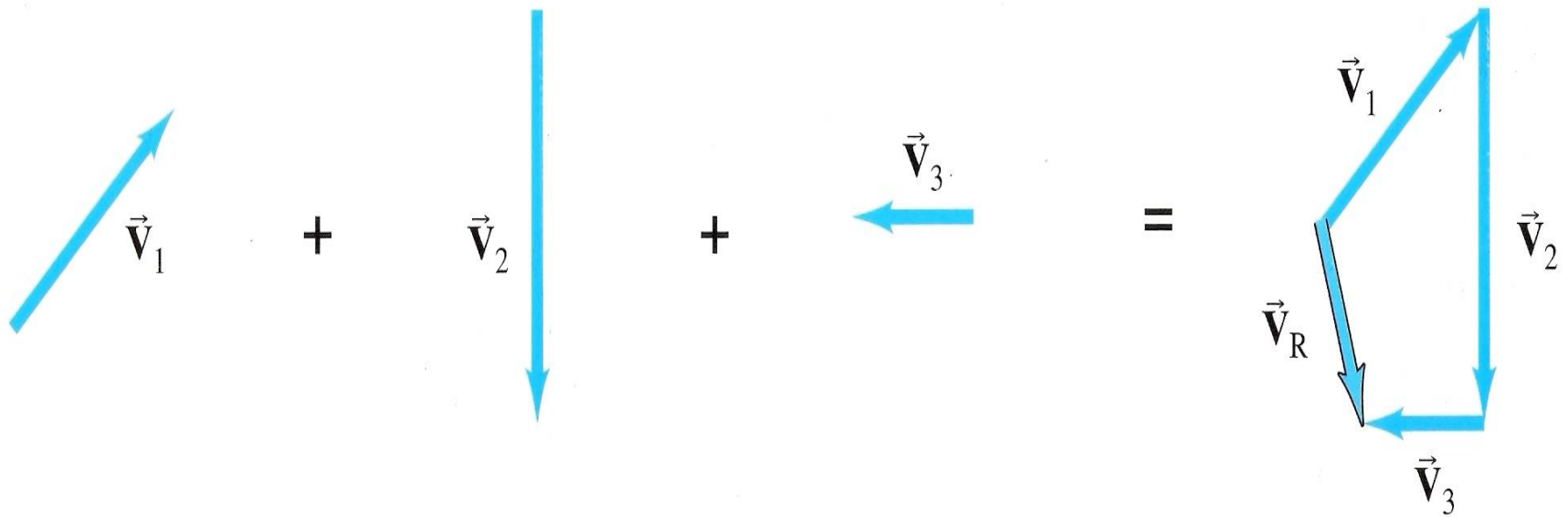
WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Vectors and Scalars

Figure 3-3 A person walks 10.0 km east and then 5.0 km north



Vector Addition - Graphically



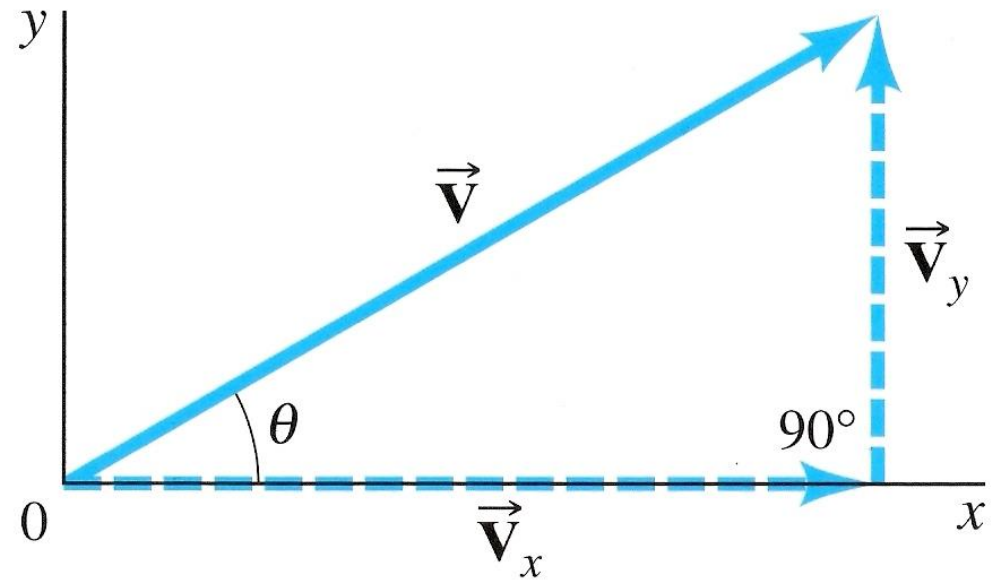
Vector Subtraction - Graphically

The diagram illustrates the graphical method for vector subtraction. It shows the equation:

$$\vec{V}_2 - \vec{V}_1 = \vec{V}_2 + (-\vec{V}_1)$$

The result is shown as a triangle formed by the vectors \vec{V}_2 , $-\vec{V}_1$, and their resultant $\vec{V}_2 - \vec{V}_1$.

Breaking Vectors Down Into Components



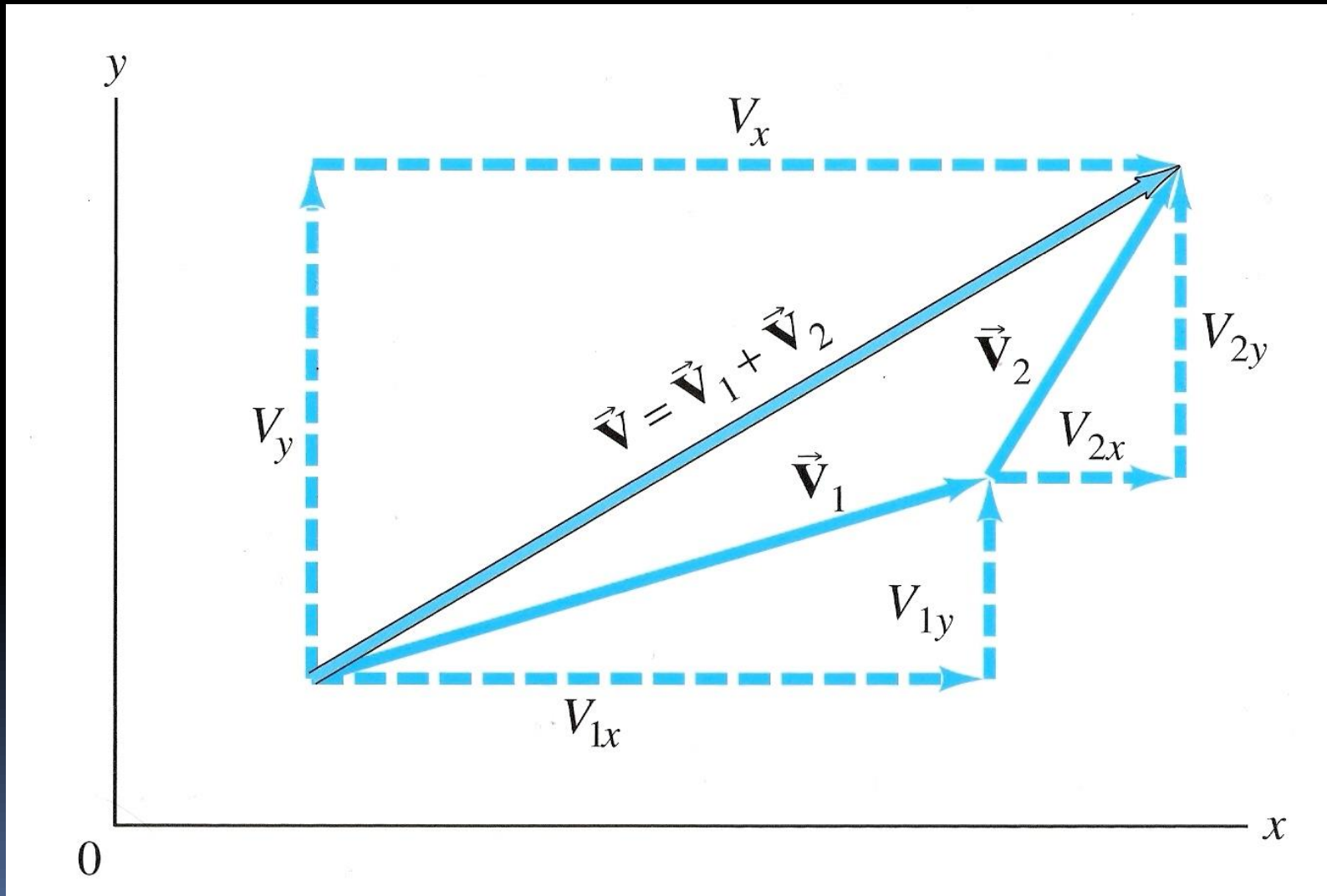
$$\sin \theta = \frac{V_y}{V}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{V_x}{V}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{V_y}{V_x}$$

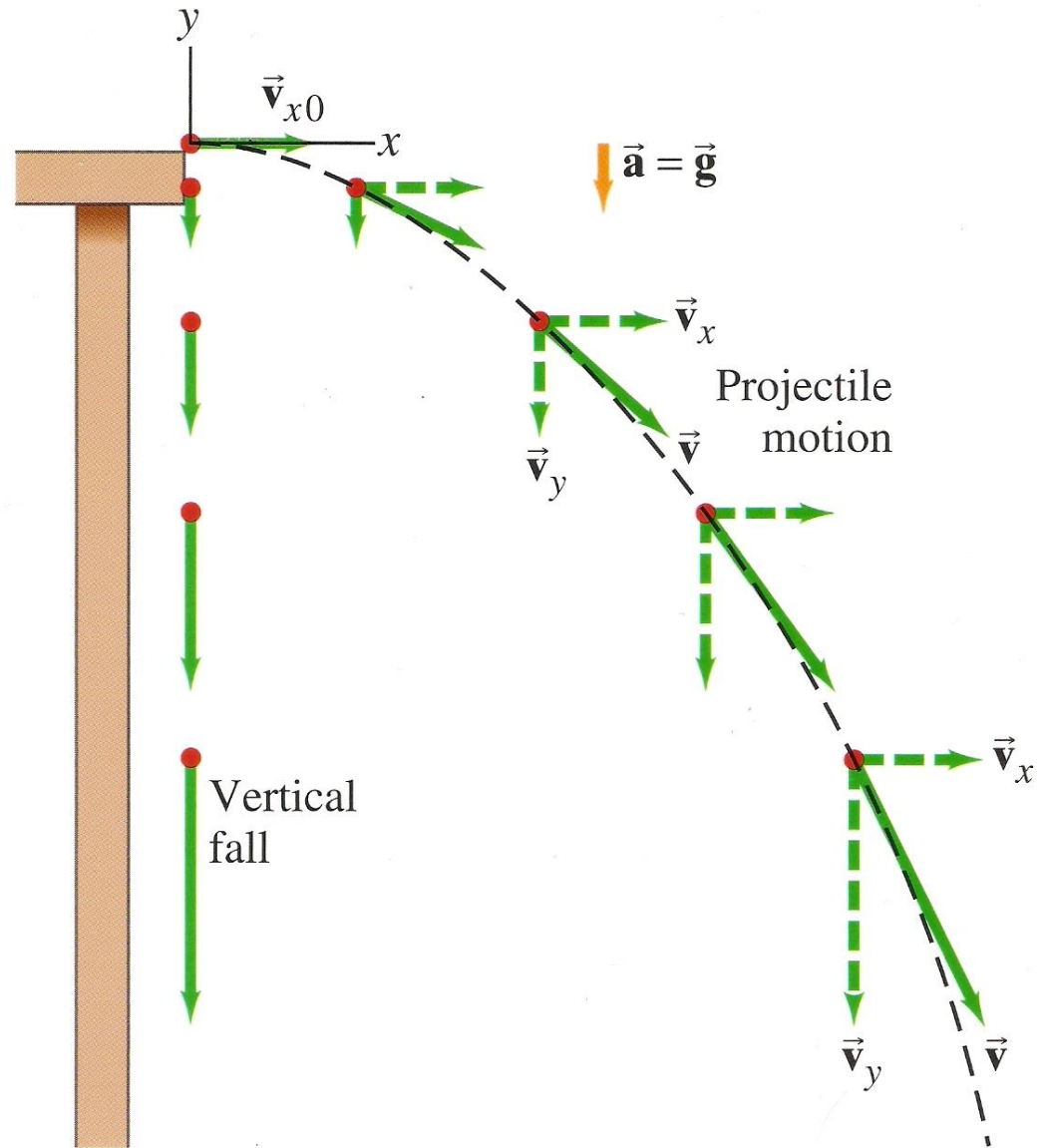
$$V^2 = V_x^2 + V_y^2$$

Adding Vectors Using Components

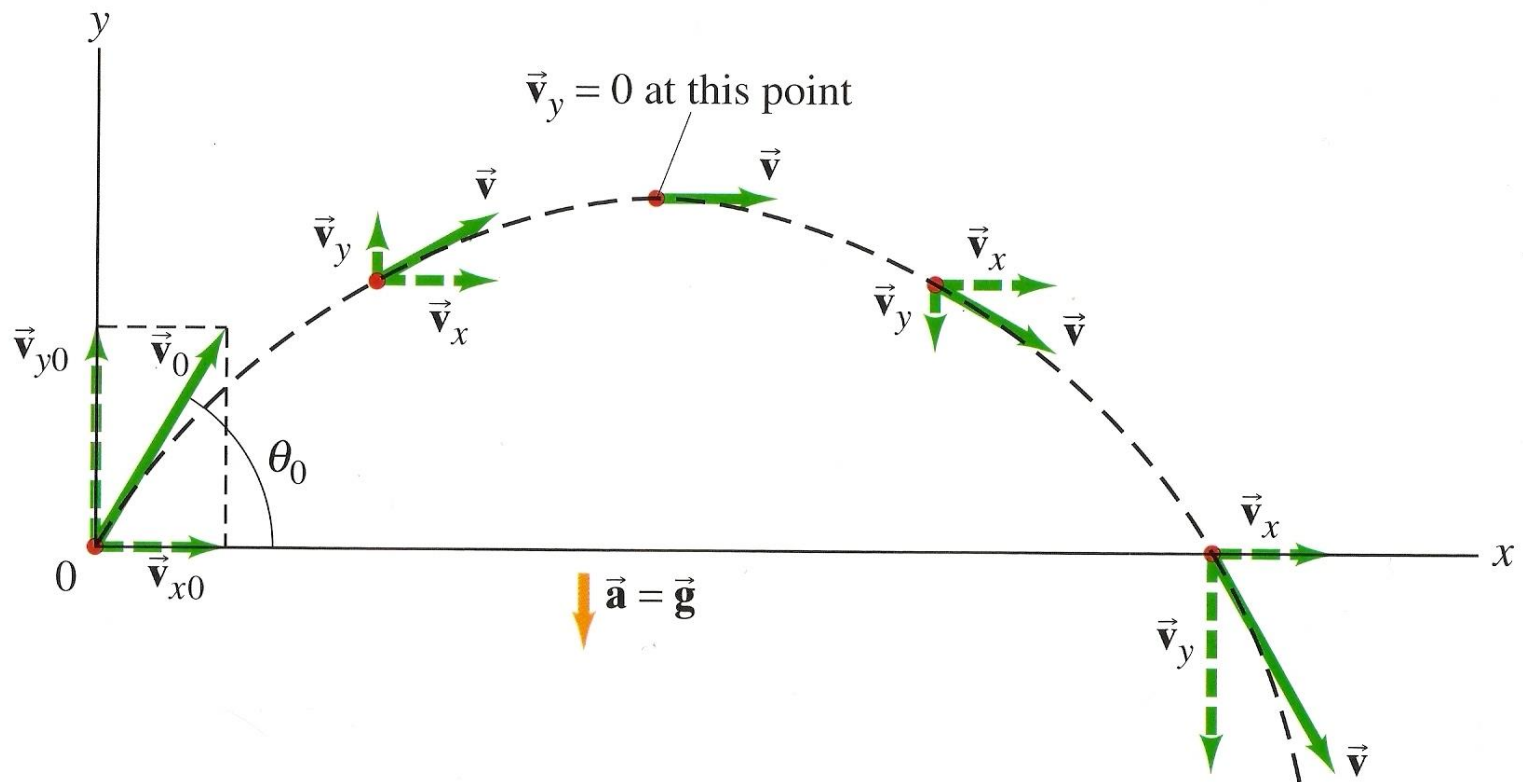


PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

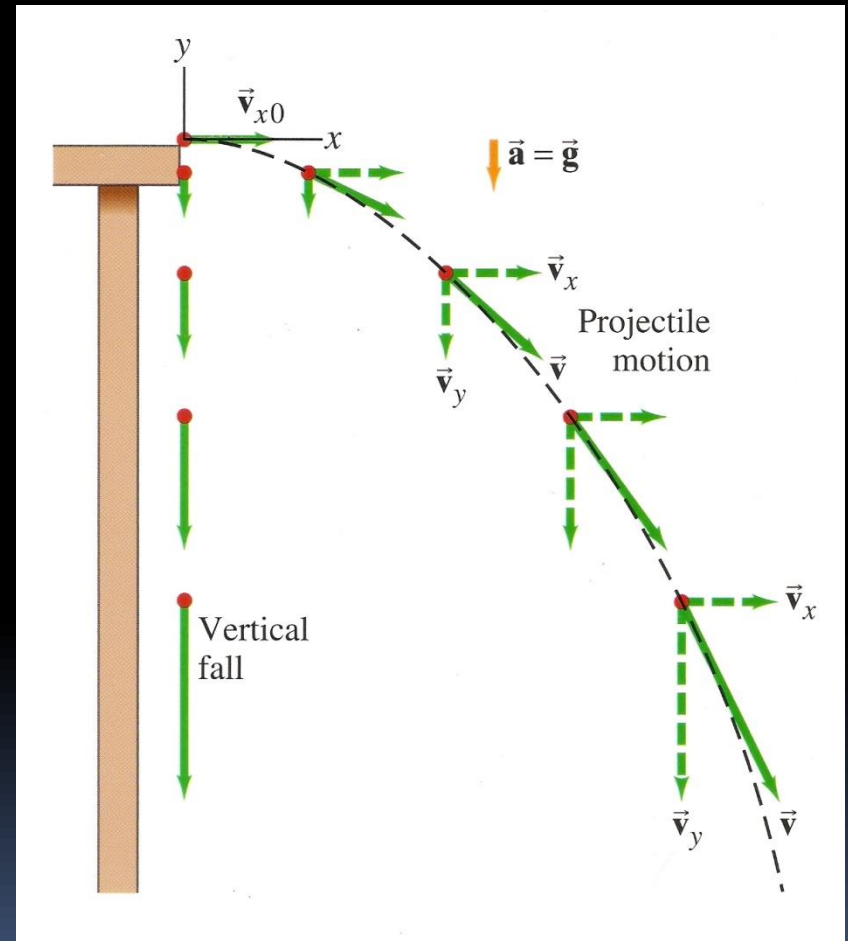
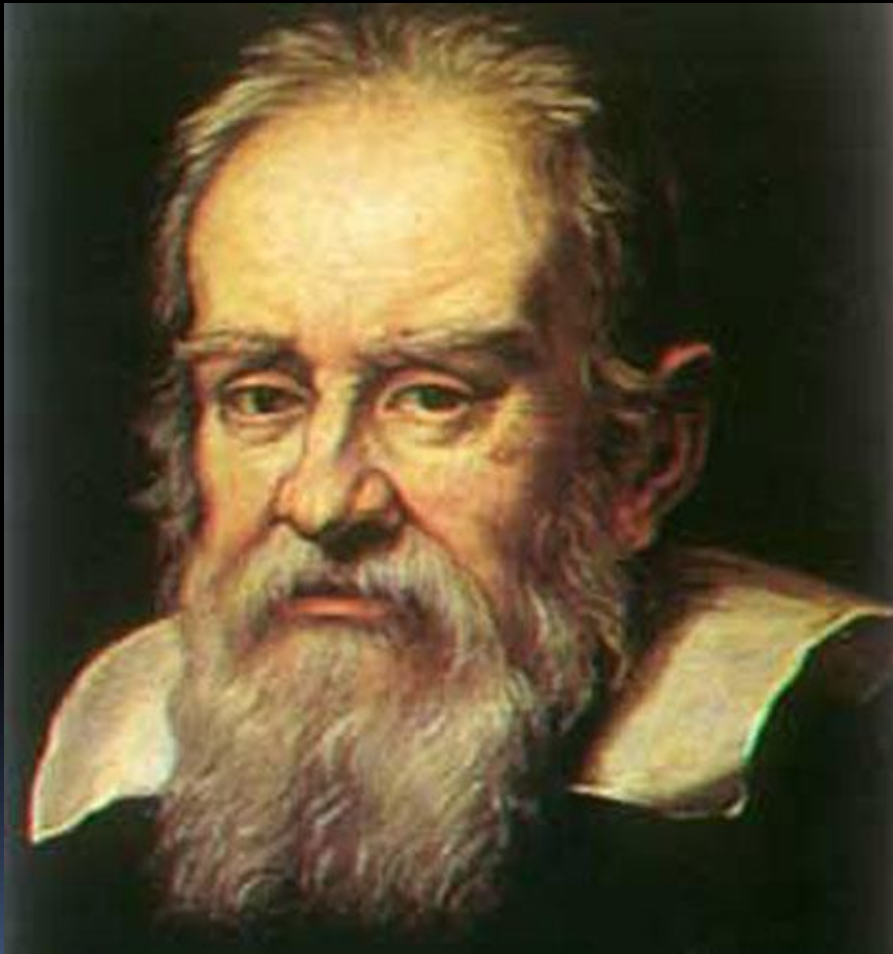
Two Dimensional Projectile Motion – Case 1



Two Dimensional Projectile Motion – Case 2

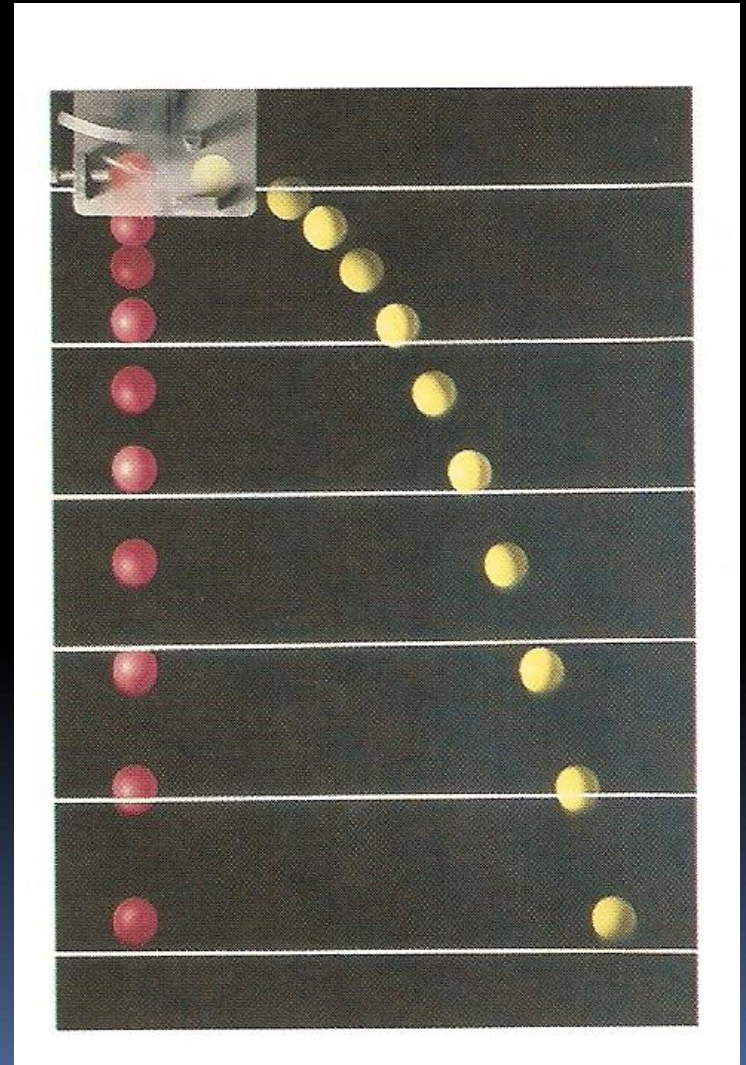


Thanks, Galileo



One Key Finding

- The time it takes for an object to fall from a given height is the same whether it is simply dropped or if it begins with a horizontal velocity.
- **Demonstration**



Kinematic Equations

Horizontal

$$v_x = v_{x0} + a_x t$$

$$x = x_0 + v_{x0} t + 1/2 a_x t^2$$

$$v_x^2 = v_{x0}^2 + 2a_x (x - x_0)$$

Vertical

$$v_y = v_{y0} + a_y t$$

$$y = y_0 + v_{y0} t + 1/2 a_y t^2$$

$$v_y^2 = v_{y0}^2 + 2a_y (y - y_0)$$

Assumptions

- We consider motion only after it has been projected and is moving freely through the air
 - We don't consider the acceleration it took to reach that velocity
- We consider air resistance to be negligible
 - When the object is moving through the air, both horizontally and vertically, it doesn't slow down due to air resistance

Make the Math Easier

$$v_x = v_{x0} + a_x t$$

$$x = x_0 + v_{x0} t + 1/2 a_x t^2$$

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- No horizontal acceleration, horizontal velocity remains constant
- Y-axis positive up, gravity negative down
- Acceleration in Parabolic Motion

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Kinematic Equations for Projectile Motion

$$v_x = v_{x0}$$

$$x = x_0 + v_{x0} t$$

$$v_y = v_{y0} - gt$$

$$y = y_0 + v_{y0} t - 1/2 gt^2$$

$$v_y^2 = v_{y0}^2 - 2gy$$

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$$s = ut$$

$$v = u + gt$$

$$s = ut + 1/2 gt^2$$

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2gs$$

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Problem Solving Process – Extra Steps

1. Read the problem carefully and draw a picture
2. Choose origin and x-y coordinate system
3. If given an initial velocity, resolve it into x- and y-components.
4. Analyze horizontal (x) and vertical (y) motion separately
5. Continue with problem solving process for kinematic equations

MANIPULATION OF VARIABLES

PROJECTILE MOTION SIMULATOR

Fluid Resistance

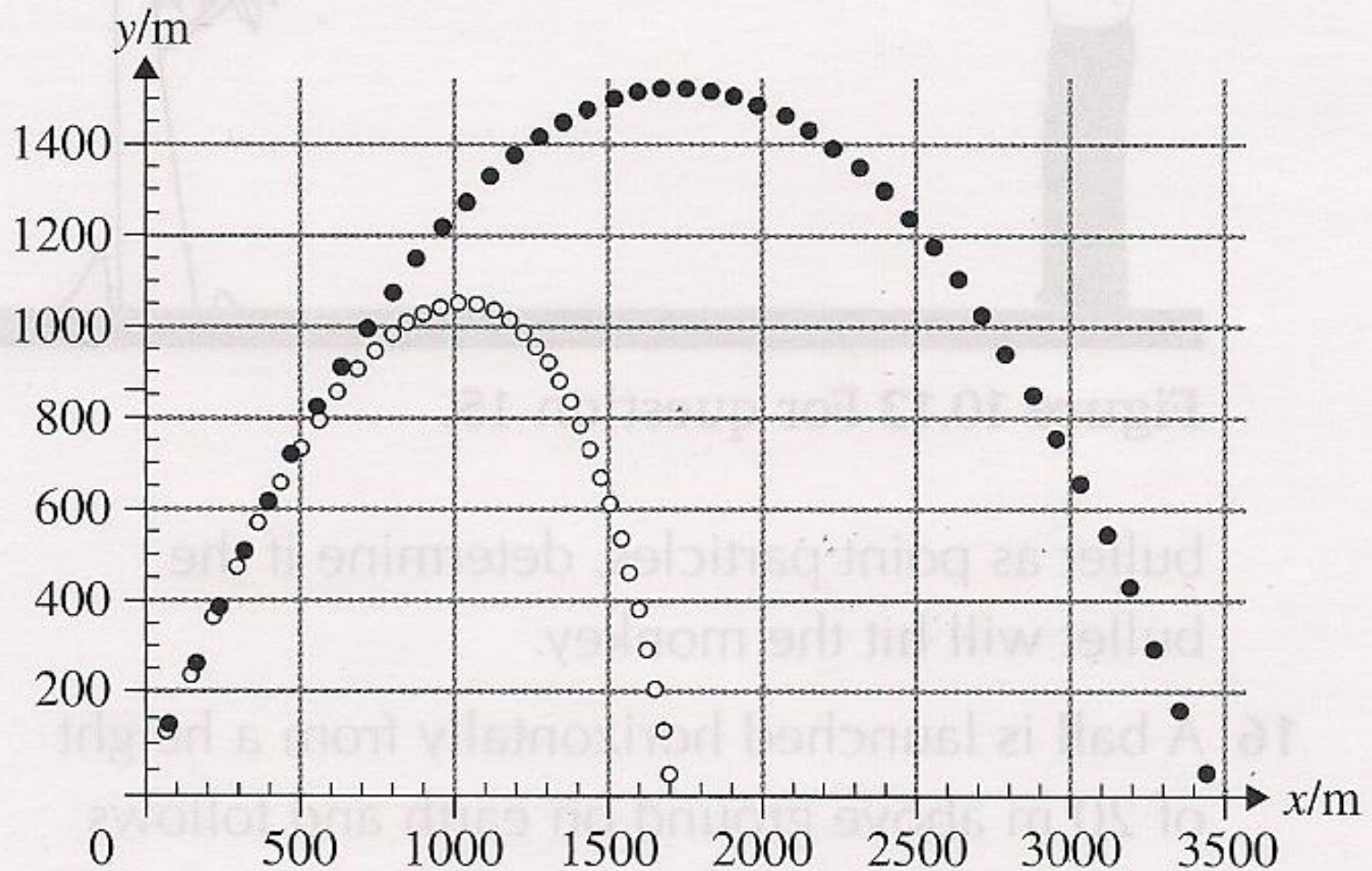
- Fluid resistance, or drag force, acts opposite to the direction of motion.
- The force due to drag is given by the equation (not testable)
- For our purposes, fluid resistance is proportional to velocity at low speeds and velocity squared at high speeds

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 C_D A$$

$$F_D = kv$$

$$F_D = kv^2$$

Effect of Fluid Resistance



Fluid Resistance

- Sequence of events:
 - An object starts falling under the force of gravity with acceleration of 9.81 m/s^2 and no resistance
 - As velocity increases, fluid resistance increases and acceleration decreases
 - Eventually, the object reaches a speed where **fluid resistance equals the force of gravity**, acceleration has decreased to zero, and velocity is constant
 - This constant velocity is known as ***terminal velocity or terminal speed***

Terminal Velocity

- The equation for terminal velocity based on the drag force is given to the right

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 C_D A$$

$$F_D = mg$$

$$v_T = \sqrt{\frac{2mg}{\rho C_D A}}$$

- For our purposes, we will assume low speed ($F_D \approx v$) and terminal velocity will be

$$v_T = \frac{2mg}{\rho C_D A}$$

$$k = 1/2 \rho C_D A$$

$$v_T = \frac{mg}{k}$$

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QUESTIONS?



Homework

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Weightlessness

- On Skis
- On A Motorcycle
- Sphere of Death