

AP Physics 1
1.7 – Projectile Motion
Assessment

Aim high when doing physics!

Name: _____

Period: _____

1. A ball is thrown from a point 1 m above the ground. The initial velocity is 20 m/s at an angle of 40 degrees above the horizontal.
 - a. Find the maximum height of the ball above the ground.
 - b. Calculate the speed of the ball at the highest point in the trajectory.

2. A dolphin leaps out of the water at an angle of 35° above the horizontal. The horizontal component of the dolphin's velocity is 7.7 m/s. Find the magnitude of the vertical component of the velocity.

3. A skateboarder shoots off a ramp with a velocity of 6.6 m/s, directed at an angle of 58° above the horizontal. The end of the ramp is 1.2 m above the ground.
 - a. How high above the ground is the highest point that the skateboarder reaches?
 - b. When the skateboarder reaches the highest point, how far is this point horizontally from the end of the ramp?

4. A fire hose ejects a stream of water at an angle of 35.0° above the horizontal. The water leaves the nozzle with a speed of 25.0 m/s. Assuming that water behaves as a projectile, how far from a building should the fire hose be located to hit the highest possible fire?

5. A ball is thrown upward at a speed v_o at an angle of 52° above the horizontal. It reaches a maximum height of 7.5 m. How high would this ball go if it were thrown straight upward at v_o ?

6. An archer shoots an arrow with a velocity of 30 m/s at an angle of 20 degrees with respect to the horizontal. An assistant standing on the level ground 30 m downrange from the launch point throws an apple straight up with the minimum initial speed necessary to meet the path of the arrow.
 - a. What is the initial speed of the apple?
 - b. What time after the arrow is launched should the apple be thrown so that the arrow hits the apple?

7. A baseball player hits a homerun (obviously not a player from the University of Florida!). The ball lands in the left field seats, which are 120 m away from the point at which the ball was hit. The ball lands with a velocity of 20 m/s at an angle of 30° below horizontal.
 - a. Find the initial velocity and the angle above horizontal with which the ball leaves the bat.
 - b. Find the height of the ball relative to the ground.