

Motion in 2 dimension

(additional cases for competitive exams only)



Note : The notes given in this file is no substitute to the much detailed discussion held in the online/contact classes with active participation of students. It , at best, serves the purpose of ready reference for important concepts/derivations covered in the classes.

Two simultaneous projectiles

Consider two bodies (A and B) projected simultaneously from the same point. Let u_A and u_B be their initial velocities and θ_A and θ_B be their angles of projection of A and B respectively.

Using $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{u}t + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}t^2$ for x and y components of motion, the position of A and B are give by the relations

$$x_A = u_A \cos(\theta_A)t$$

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$$y_A = u_A \sin(\theta_A)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

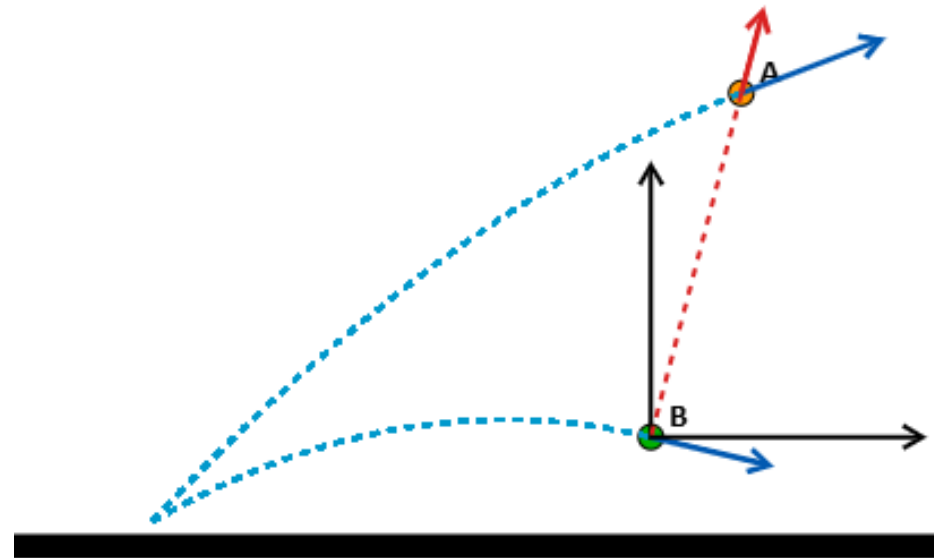
ii

$$x_B = u_B \cos(\theta_B)t$$

iii

$$y_B = u_B \sin(\theta_B)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

iv



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Motion in a plane

Two simultaneous projectiles

Horizontal and vertical displacements of A w.r.t. B are given by

$$x_{AB} = [u_A \cos(\theta_A) - u_B \cos(\theta_B)]t \quad \text{--- v}$$

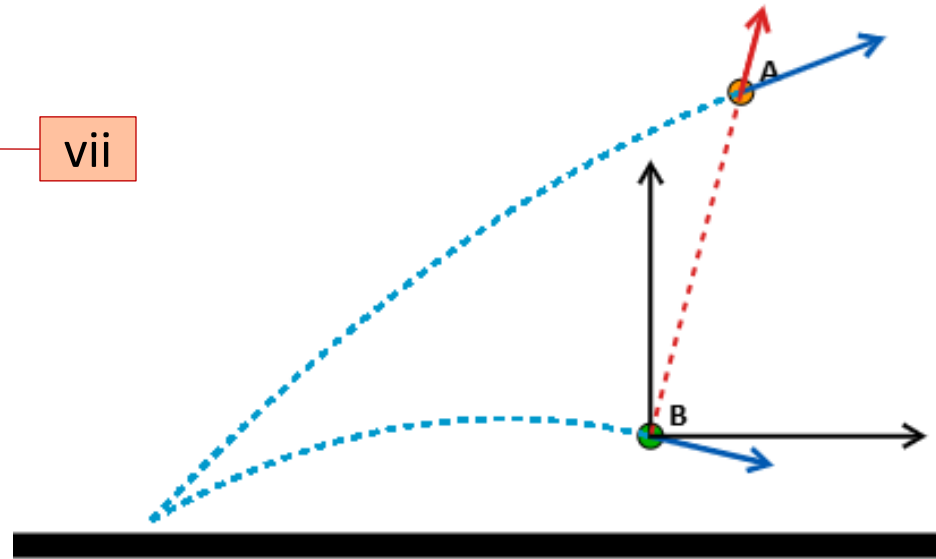
$$y_{AB} = [u_A \sin(\theta_A) - u_B \sin(\theta_B)]t \quad \text{--- vi}$$

Both relative horizontal and vertical displacements of B w.r.t. A increase linearly with time. Eliminating t from the above two equations the equation of path of B w.r.t. A is given by

$$y_{AB} = \left(\frac{u_A \sin(\theta_A) - u_B \sin(\theta_B)}{u_A \cos(\theta_A) - u_B \cos(\theta_B)} \right) x \quad \text{--- vii}$$

$$y_{AB} = m x_{AB}$$

The above equation is of the form of a straight line. Therefore motion of B w.r.t. A appears to be along a straight line.



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Trolley and projectile – case I

(Projection from ground)

Consider a trolley moving on a horizontal ground, with a uniform velocity v_T . Let a projectile be fired from the trolley at angle θ and initial velocity u w.r.t. the ground.

For observer on the ground

$$u_x = u \cos(\theta)$$

$$u_y = u \sin(\theta)$$

$$x = u \cos(\theta) t$$

$$y = u \sin(\theta) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

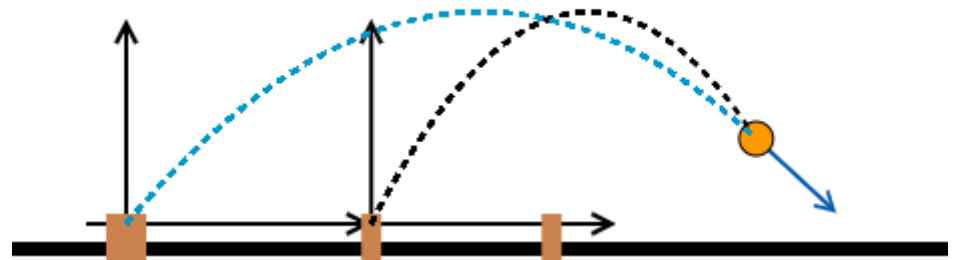
$$TOF = \frac{2u \sin(\theta)}{g}$$

$$R_t = u \cos(\theta) \times TOF$$

$$R_t = \frac{u^2 \sin(2\theta)}{g} \quad \text{--- i}$$

$$H = \frac{u^2 \sin^2(\theta)}{2g} \quad \text{--- ii}$$

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For observer on the trolley

$$\mathbf{v}_{\text{moving frame}} = \mathbf{v}_G - \mathbf{v}_{\text{frame of ref}}$$

$$u_x = u \cos(\theta) - v_t$$

$$u_y = u \sin(\theta)$$

$$x = [u \cos(\theta) - v_t] t$$

$$y = u \sin(\theta) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

$$TOF = \frac{2u \sin(\theta)}{g}$$

$$R_G = [u \cos(\theta) - v_t] \times TOF$$

$$R_G = [u \cos(\theta) - v_t] \frac{2u \sin(\theta)}{g} \quad \text{--- iii}$$

$$H = \frac{u^2 \sin^2(\theta)}{2g} \quad \text{--- iv}$$

Range appears to be less when seen from trolley as the relative velocity of projectile w.r.t. the trolley is less. TOF & H are unaffected as there is no change in u_y .

Trolley and projectile – case II

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(Projection from trolley)

Consider a trolley moving on a horizontal ground, with a uniform velocity v_T . Let a projectile be fired from the trolley at angle θ and initial velocity u w.r.t. the trolley.

For observer on the ground

$$\mathbf{v}_G = \mathbf{v}_{\text{moving frame}} + \mathbf{v}_{\text{frame of ref}}$$

$$u_x = u \cos(\theta) + v_t$$

$$u_y = u \sin(\theta)$$

$$x = [u \cos(\theta) + v_t] t$$

$$y = u \sin(\theta) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

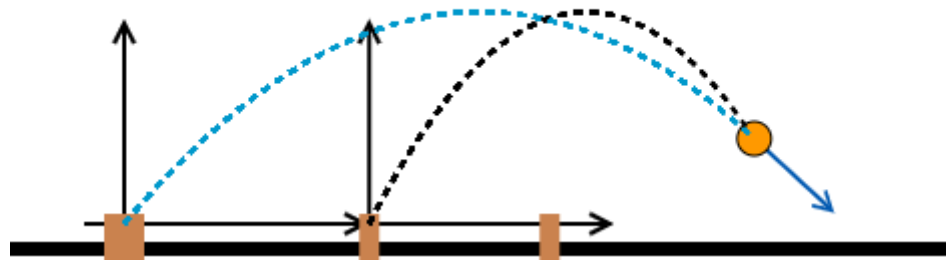
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Range appears to be more when seen from ground as velocity of projectile w.r.t. Is more . TOF & H are unaffected as there is no change in u_y .

Motion in a plane

Projection on an inclined plane

Consider a projectile projected with initial velocity u at angle θ w.r.t. the ground towards an inclined plane. Let α be the angle of inclination of the plane w.r.t. the ground. Problem is greatly simplified if we resolve u & g into components parallel and perpendicular to the plane, i.e.

$$u_{||} = u \cos(\theta - \alpha) \quad u_{\perp} = u \sin(\theta - \alpha)$$

$$g_{||} = g \sin(\alpha) \quad g_{\perp} = g \cos(\alpha)$$

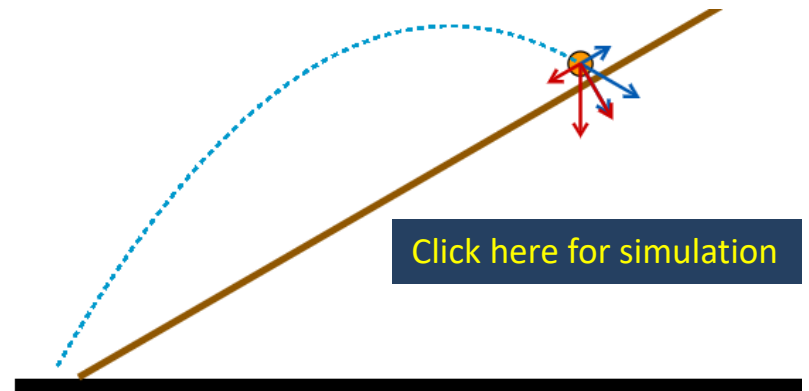
TOF

It is the time at which the perpendicular distance w.r.t the plane i.e. $S_{\perp}$ becomes zero

$$S_{\perp} = u_{\perp} t + \frac{1}{2} g_{\perp} t^2$$

$$0 = u \sin(\theta - \alpha) t + \frac{1}{2} g \cos(\alpha) t^2$$

$$TOF = \frac{2u \sin(\theta - \alpha)}{g \cos(\alpha)} \quad \text{--- i}$$



Projection on an inclined plane

Range along the plane

$$R_{||} = u \cos(\theta - \alpha) \times TOF$$

$$R_{||} = u \cos(\theta - \alpha) \times \frac{2u \sin(\theta - \alpha)}{g \cos(\alpha)}$$

$$R_{||} = \frac{u^2 \sin 2(\theta - \alpha)}{g \cos(\alpha)} \quad \text{--- ii}$$

TOA w.r.t the plane

Using the condition that $v_{\perp} = 0$ at the highest point

$$v_{\perp} = u \sin(\theta - \alpha) - g \cos(\alpha) t$$

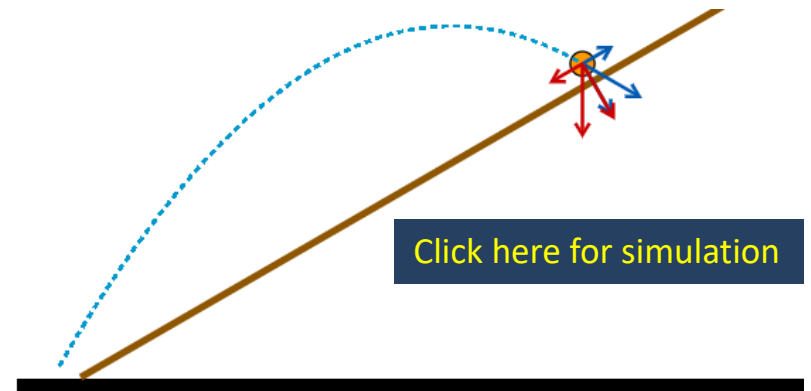
$$t = \frac{u \sin(\theta - \alpha)}{g \cos(\alpha)} \quad \text{--- iii}$$

$H_{\perp}$ w.r.t the plane

Using $S = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ and TOA for $\perp$ component of motion

$$H_{\perp} = u_{\perp} \times TOA - \frac{1}{2}g_{\perp} (TOA)^2$$

$$H_{\perp} = \frac{u^2 \sin^2(\theta - \alpha)}{2g \cos(\alpha)} \quad \text{--- iv}$$



Motion in a plane

The boat – river problem

Consider a river of width W in which water is flowing with uniform velocity v_R . Consider a boat which can move with a velocity v_B (i.e. “ in still waters ”) and at an angle θ w.r.t the flow of water. The boat attempts to cross the river.

Velocity of boat w.r.t. the ground

$$\mathbf{v}_G = \mathbf{v}_{\text{moving frame}} + \mathbf{v}_{\text{frame of ref}}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{BG} = \mathbf{v}_B + \mathbf{v}_W$$

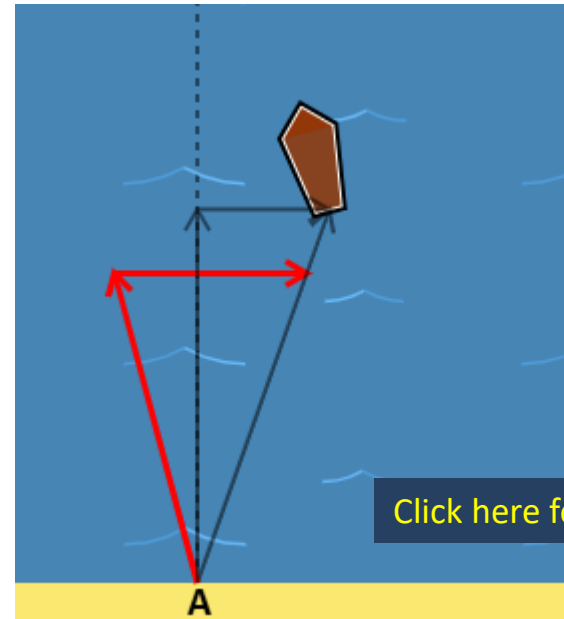
$$v_{BG} = \sqrt{v_B^2 + v_W^2 + 2v_B v_W \cos(\theta)}$$

Angle of displacement w.r.t the normal to the bank

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v_B \sin(\theta)}{v_W + v_B \cos(\theta)} \right)$$

Time taken to cross the river

$$t = \frac{W}{v_B \sin(\theta)}$$



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