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### Kinematics

#### Notation

$a_x$  is the component of the vector  $\vec{a}$  along the  $x$  direction.

$a_y$  is the component of the vector  $\vec{a}$  along the  $y$  direction.

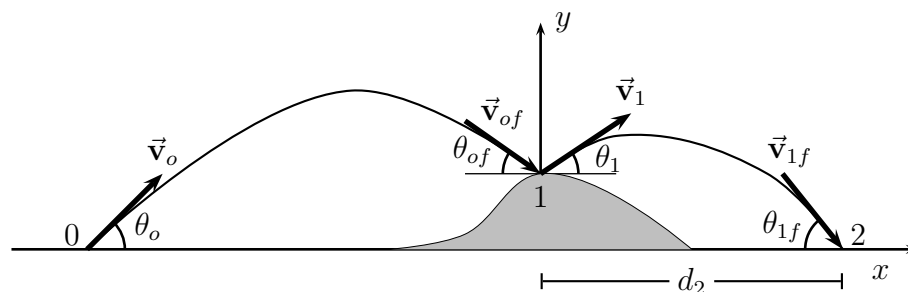


Figure 1

#### Problems

Gimp the golfer hits a ball at point '0' in  $x$  direction with an initial speed  $v_o$  at an angle  $\theta_o$  with respect to the horizontal. The ball lands at point '1' on a hill 7.6 meters above the point '0'. The ball lands with a speed  $v_{of} = 49 \text{ m/s}$  at an angle of  $31^\circ$  to the horizontal.

1. *Swinging up the hill:*

(a) The equations governing the motion of the ball in the uphill swing are

$$v_x = v_{ox} \qquad v_y = v_{oy} - gt \qquad (1)$$

$$x = v_{ox}t \qquad y = v_{oy}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 \qquad (2)$$

$$v_y^2 = v_{oy}^2 - 2gy \qquad (3)$$

(b) Find the  $x$ -component and  $y$ -component of the velocity  $\vec{v}_{of}$  with which the ball hits the hill

$$v_{ofx} = \qquad (4)$$

$$v_{ofy} = \qquad (5)$$

(c) Before calculating the initial velocity  $\vec{v}_o$ ; why is it wrong to conclude that the magnitude of the initial velocity  $\vec{v}_o$  is equal to the magnitude of the final velocity  $\vec{v}_{of}$ . Give a qualitative argument.

(d) Determine the  $x$ -component of the initial velocity  $\vec{v}_o$ .

$$v_{ox} = \qquad (6)$$

(e) Determine the  $y$ -component of the initial velocity  $\vec{v}_o$ .

$$v_{oy} = \qquad (7)$$

(f) What was the initial speed (magnitude of  $\vec{v}_o$ ) of the ball?

$$|\vec{v}_o| = \qquad (8)$$

(g) At what direction with the horizontal ( $\theta_o$ ) was the ball hit?

$$\theta_o = \quad (9)$$

2. *Swinging down the hill:*

Gimp hits the ball again, again in the  $x$  direction. He hits the ball from point '1' with a speed  $v_1 = 40 \text{ m/s}$  at an angle  $\theta_1 = 30^\circ$  with the horizontal. The ball lands at point '2' with a speed  $v_{1f} = 42 \text{ m/s}$  at an angle  $\theta_{1f} = 34^\circ$  with the horizontal.

(a) Write the equations governing the motion of the ball in the downhill swing.

(b) Find the  $x$ -component and  $y$ -component of the velocity  $\vec{v}_1$  with which the ball lands

$$v_{1x} = \quad (10)$$

$$v_{1y} = \quad (11)$$

(c) Find the  $x$ -component and  $y$ -component of the velocity  $\vec{v}_{1f}$  with which the ball lands

$$v_{1fx} = \quad (12)$$

$$v_{1fy} = \quad (13)$$

(d) How much time 't' did the ball take to reach point '2' from point '1'. (Hint: Use the equation  $v_y = v_{1y} - gt$ .)

$$t = \quad (14)$$

(e) What is the distance  $d_2$  between the point '1' and point '2'.

$$d_2 = \quad (15)$$