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Simple projectile motion (1).

Maximum height:

$$v_x^0 = v^0 \cos(\theta), \quad v_y^0 = v^0 \sin(\theta) \quad v_y = v_y^0 - g t$$

and $v_y = 0$ for $y = y_{\max} \Rightarrow t_{\max} = v_y^0/g$. Therefore,

$$y_{\max} = v_y^0 t_{\max} - g t_{\max}^2 / 2.$$

Time at which the maximum height is reached: Already calculated.

Off the cliff (2): Insert t from the second equality into the first:

$$x = v_0 t \quad \text{and} \quad H = g t^2 / 2.$$

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Horizontal Distance (3).

First, use

$$g t_{\max} - v^0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad H = v^0 t_{\max} - \frac{1}{2} g (t_{\max})^2$$

to express v_0 as function of g and H . Components:

$$v_x^0 = v^0 \cos(\phi), \quad v_y^0 = v^0 \sin(\phi).$$

From $g t_{\max}^{\phi} - v_y^0 = 0$ the horizontal distance follows:

$$d = 2 t_{\max}^{\phi} v_x^0 = \frac{2}{g} (v_0)^2 \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi).$$

Determine ϕ_{\max} from the derivative of d ,

$$\left. \frac{d d}{d \phi} \right|_{\phi=\phi_{\max}} = 0,$$

and eliminate v_0 in terms of g and H .

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Horizontal Range (4).

$$v_y^0 = \sqrt{2 h g}, \quad t = \frac{v_y^0}{g}, \quad R = 2 t v_x^0, \quad v^0 = \sqrt{(v_y^0)^2 + (v_x^0)^2}.$$

Catapult (5).

With g , H , D , and t given:

$$v_x^0 = \frac{D}{t} = \frac{x_f}{t}, \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = H + v_y^0 t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 \Rightarrow v_y^0.$$

\Rightarrow angle and speed. Highest point:

$$0 = v_y^0 - g t_{max} \Rightarrow y_{max} = H + \dots.$$

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Circular acceleration (6):

$$T = \frac{2\pi r}{v}, \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi v}{r} = \frac{v}{r}.$$

$$x = +r \cos(\omega t), \quad y = +r \sin(\omega t),$$

$$v_x = -\omega r \sin(\omega t), \quad v_y = +\omega r \cos(\omega t),$$

$$a_x = -\omega^2 r \cos(\omega t), \quad a_y = -\omega^2 r \sin(\omega t),$$

Therefore,

$$\vec{r}^2 = r^2, \quad \vec{v}^2 = \omega^2 r^2, \quad \vec{a}^2 = \omega^4 r^2 \Rightarrow a = \omega^2 r = \frac{v^2}{r}.$$