



MORE Horizontal Projectiles

Directions - Solve the following problems using the GUESS method. Show ALL work neatly using proper units and sig figs. Remember the chart is your givens and unknowns (include units).

- A ball is thrown horizontally from the top of a building with an initial velocity of 15 meters per second. At the same instant, a second ball is dropped from the top of the building. The two balls have the same
 - path as they fall
 - initial horizontal velocity
 - final velocity as they reach the ground
 - initial vertical velocity**
- The flight time of a horizontal projectile is dependent upon all of the following EXCEPT
 - initial horizontal velocity**
 - gravity
 - height
 - air resistance
- A ball is rolled down a ramp and projected horizontally from a height of 1.6 meters. It lands 2.3 meters away. Calculate its initial speed. [Hint: You will need to solve for time first.]

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2d}{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(1.6m)}{9.81 \frac{m}{s^2}}} = 0.57s$$

$$v_{ix} = \frac{d_x}{t} = \frac{2.3m}{.57s} = 4.0 \frac{m}{s}$$

	x	y
d	2.3 m	1.6 m
t		
a	0 m/s ²	-9.81 m/s ²
v _i	?	0 m/s
v _f		

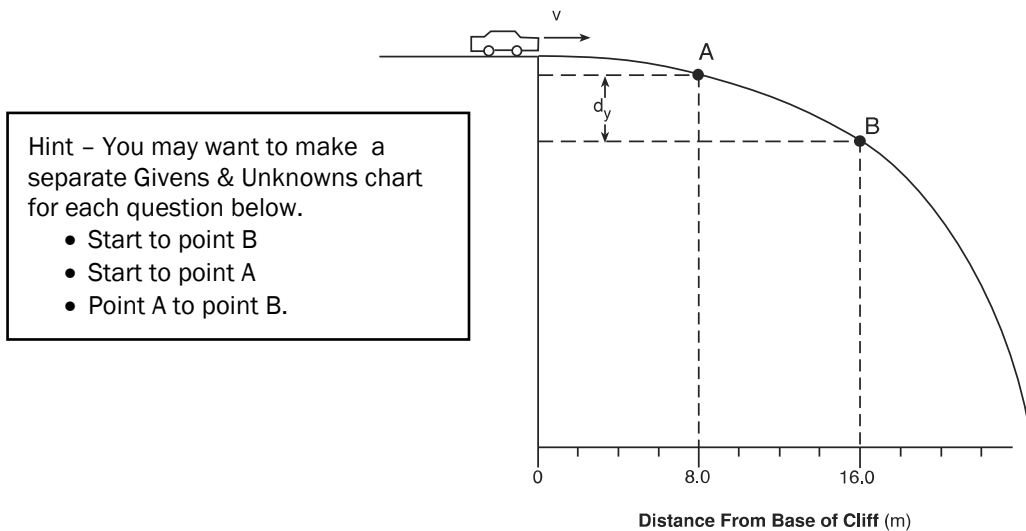
- The ball from question 4 is now raised to a height of 2.0 meters. Where is it going to land? [Hint: The initial velocity does not change with a height change, but the time does. This is also a two step question.]

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2d}{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(2.0m)}{9.81 \frac{m}{s^2}}} = .64s$$

$$d_x = v_{ix} t = 4.0 \frac{m}{s} (.64s) = 2.6m$$

	x	y
d	?	2.0
t		
a	0 m/s ²	-9.81 m/s ²
v _i	4.0 m/s	0 m/s
v _f		

1. The path of a stunt car driven horizontally off a cliff is represented in the diagram below. After leaving the cliff, the car falls freely to point A in 0.50 second and to point B in 1.00 second.



- a. Determine the magnitude of the horizontal component of the velocity of the car at point B. [Neglect friction.]

$$v_x = \frac{d_x}{t} = \frac{16.0 \text{ m}}{1.00 \text{ s}} = 16.0 \text{ m/s}$$

- b. Determine the magnitude and direction of the vertical velocity of the car at point A.

$$v_{fy} = v_i + at$$

$$v_{fy} = 0 \text{ m/s} + (-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.50 \text{ s})$$

$$v_{fy} = -4.905 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{fy} = 4.9 \text{ m/s down}$$

- c. Calculate the magnitude and direction of the vertical displacement, d_y , of the car from point A to point B. [Neglect friction.]

$$d_y = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

$$d_y = (-4.9 \text{ m/s})(0.50 \text{ s}) + \frac{1}{2} (-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.50 \text{ s})^2$$

$$d_y = -2.45 \text{ m} + (-1.23 \text{ m})$$

$$d_y = -3.68 \text{ m}$$

$$d_y = 3.7 \text{ m down}$$