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Physics 50
Fall 2015
Exam 1

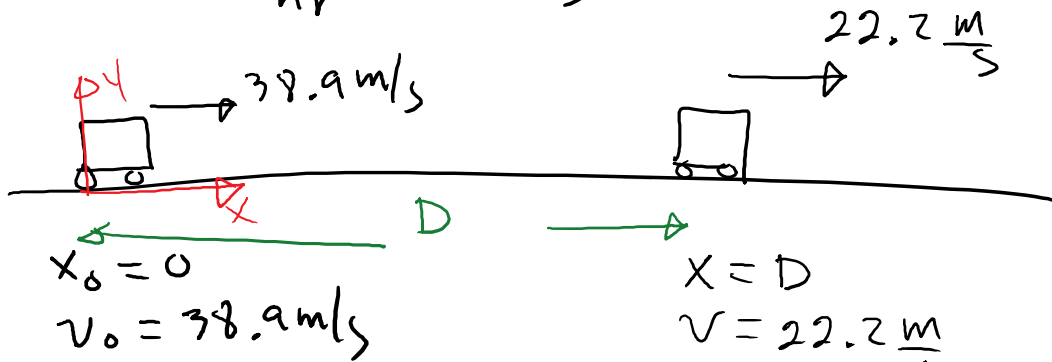
**MAKE SURE TO SHOW ALL WORK IN COMPLETE DETAIL. NO CREDIT WILL
BE GIVEN IF NO WORK IS SHOWN. EXPRESS ALL ANSWERS IN SI UNITS.**

1. The brakes on your car can slow you at a rate of 5.0 m/s^2 . (10 pts)

- If you're moving at 140 km/h and suddenly see a police car, what is the minimum time in which you can get your car under the 80 km/h speed limit?
- Calculate the distance traveled during the braking period.

$$v_0 = 140 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{hr}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hr}}{3600 \text{ s}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} = 38.9 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = 80 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{hr}} = 22.2 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$



$$a) v = v_0 + at$$

$$22.2 = 38.9 + (-5)t$$

$$t = 3.34 \text{ s}$$

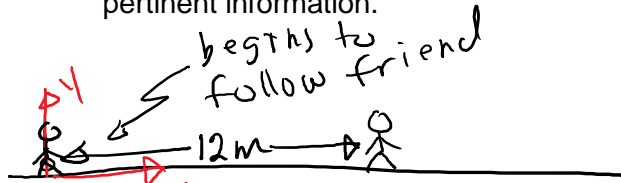
$$b) v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(x - x_0)$$

$$(22.2)^2 = (38.9)^2 + 2(-5)(D - 0)$$

$$D = 102 \text{ m}$$

2. A bicyclist is finishing his repair of a flat tire when a friend rides by with a constant speed of 4.0 m/s. Three seconds later the bicyclist hops on his bike and accelerates at 2.4 m/s² until he catches his friend. (10 pts)

- Calculate the time it takes to catch his friend.
- How fast is he moving when he catches his friend?
- How far did he travel to catch his friend?
- Draw the graph of x vs. t for the bicyclist and the friend and label all pertinent information.



$$\begin{array}{ll}
 x_{01} = 0 & x_{02} = 12 \text{ m} \\
 v_{01} = 0 & v_{02} = 4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \\
 a_1 = 2.4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} & a_2 = 0
 \end{array}$$

$$x_{01} + v_{01}t + \frac{1}{2}a_1t^2 = x_{02} + v_{02}t + \frac{1}{2}a_2t^2$$

$$1.2t^2 = 12 + 4t$$

$$1.2t^2 - 4t - 12 = 0$$

$$t = 5.24 \text{ s}$$

b) $v_1 = v_{01} + a_1t$

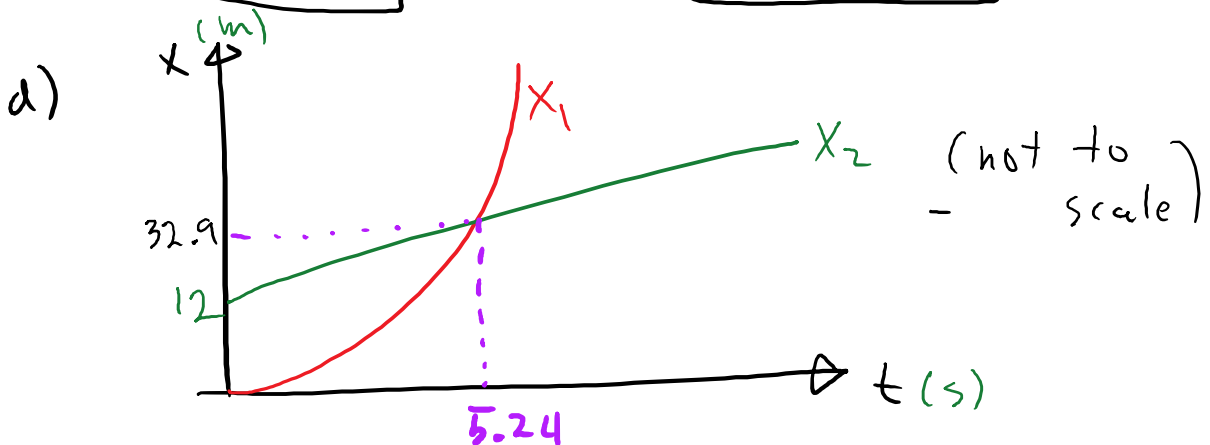
$$= 0 + 2.4(5.24)$$

$$= \boxed{12.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$

c) $x_1 = 1.2t^2$

$$x_1 = 1.2(5.24)^2$$

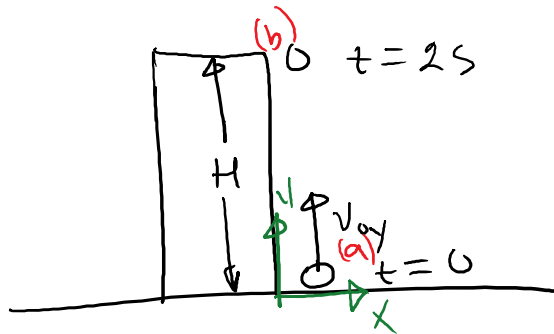
$$\boxed{x_1 = 32.9 \text{ m}}$$



3. A rock is thrown vertically upward from ground level at $t = 0$. At $t = 2.0$ s it passes the top of a tall tower, and 1.3 s later it reaches the maximum height. (10 pts)

- Calculate the height of the tower.
- Calculate the velocity of ball when it returns to ground.
- Draw the graph of x vs. t , v vs. t , and a vs. t for the motion of the rock from when it's launched until it hits ground.

(c) $v_y = 0$
 $t = 3.3$ s

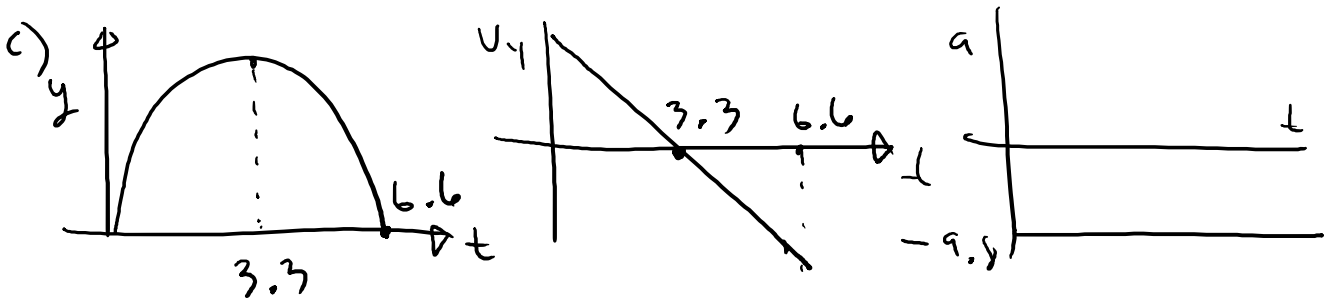


a) (a) \rightarrow (c)
 $v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t$
 $0 = v_{0y} + (-9.8)(3.3)$
 $v_{0y} = 32.3 \frac{m}{s}$

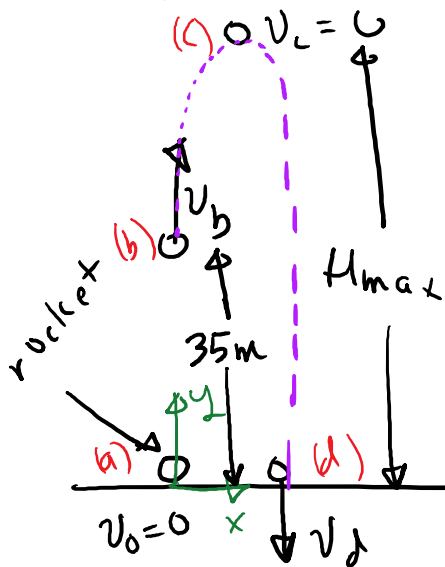
(a) \rightarrow (b)
 $y = y_0 + v_{0y} t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$
 $H = (32.3)(2) - 4.9(2)^2$

$H = 45$ m

b) $v_y = -v_{0y} = -32.3 \frac{m}{s}$
 By symmetry.



4. A model rocket starting from rest blasts off and moves upward with an acceleration of 15 m/s^2 until it reaches a height of 35 m , at which point its engines shut off, and it continues its flight in free-fall. (15 pts)
- Calculate the maximum height of the rocket.
 - Calculate the speed of the rocket just before hitting the ground.
 - What is the total duration of the rocket's flight.



a) (a) → (b)

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a_y(y - y_0)$$

$$v_b^2 = 2(15)(35 - 0)$$

$$v_b = 32.4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

(b) → (c)

$$v_y^2 = v_{0y}^2 + 2a_y(y - y_0)$$

$$0 = (32.4)^2 + 2(-9.8)(H_{\text{max}} - 35)$$

$$H_{\text{max}} = 88.6 \text{ m}$$

b) (b) → (d)

$$v_y^2 = v_{0y}^2 + 2a_y(y - y_0)$$

$$v_y^2 = (32.4)^2 - 19.6(0 - 35)$$

$$v_y = -41.7 \text{ m/s}$$

c) (a) → (b)

$$v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t_1$$

$$32.4 = 0 + 15 t_1$$

$$t_1 = 2.16 \text{ s}$$

(b) → (d)

$$v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t$$

$$-41.7 = 32.4 - 9.8 t_2$$

$$t_2 = 7.56 \text{ s}$$

$$t_T = t_1 + t_2 = 9.72 \text{ s}$$