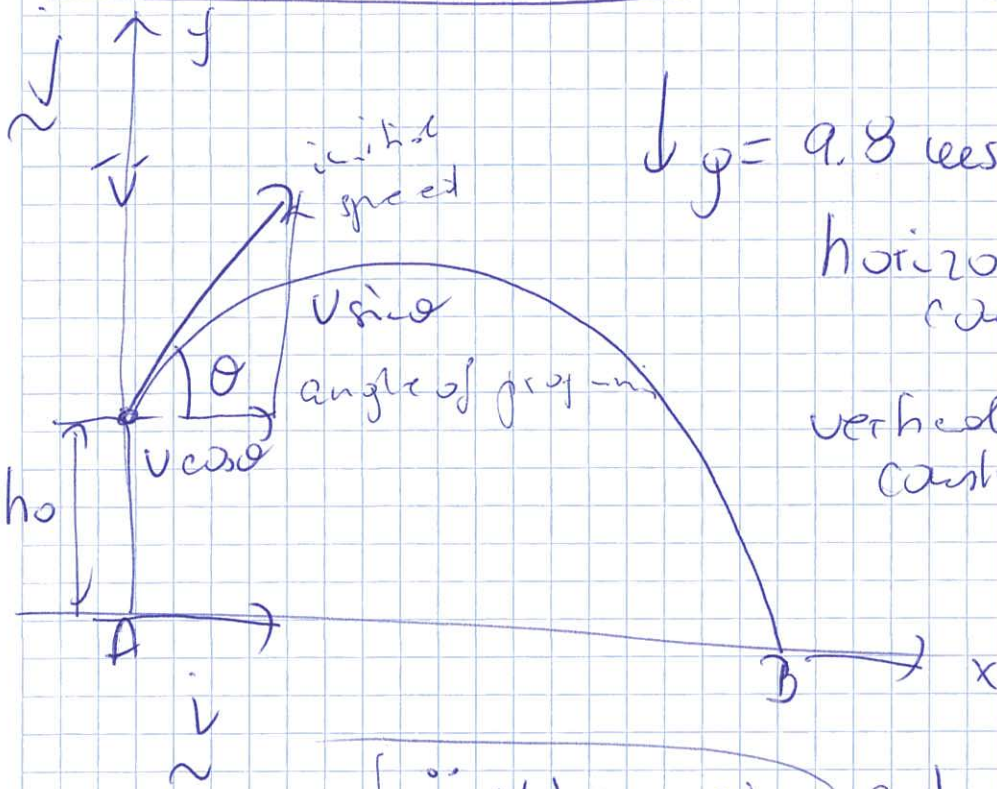


# PROJECTILE MOTION

Air resistance is neglected.



$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

horizontal motion at constant speed  $v \cos \theta$

vertical motion at constant acceleration  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

$$\ddot{\vec{r}}(t) = -g \hat{j} \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\vec{r}}(0) = v \cos \theta \hat{i} + v \sin \theta \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r}(0) = h_0 \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{r}}(t) = -gt \hat{j} + \vec{c}$$

$$v \cos \theta \hat{i} + v \sin \theta \hat{j} = -gt \hat{j} + \vec{c}$$

$$\dot{\vec{r}}(t) = v \cos \theta \hat{i} + (v \sin \theta - gt) \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = v \cos \theta t \hat{i} + \left( v \sin \theta t - \frac{gt^2}{2} \right) \hat{j} + \vec{d}$$

$\vec{d} = h_0 \hat{j}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}(t) = v \cos \theta t \hat{i} + \left( v \sin \theta t - \frac{gt^2}{2} \right) \hat{j} + h_0 \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = v \cos \theta t \hat{i} + \left( v \sin \theta t - \frac{gt^2}{2} + h_0 \right) \hat{j}$$

## MAXIMUM HEIGHT

from  $\vec{r}(t)$  make the  $y$  comp = 0  
 $v \sin \theta - gt = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{v \sin \theta}{g}$

now substitute the  $y$  comp. of  $\vec{r}(t)$   
to find  $h_{\max}$ .

RANGE - max horizontal distance covered  
(AB) make the  $y$ -comp. of  $\vec{r}(t) = 0$   
to find the time of flight (solve the quadratic equation in  $t$  in  $x$ -comp. of  $\vec{r}(t)$ ).

## CARTESIAN EQUATION OF A PATH

$$\vec{r}(t) = v \cos \theta t \hat{i} + (v \sin \theta t - \frac{gt^2}{2} + h_0) \hat{j}$$

$$x = v \cos \theta t$$

$$y = v \sin \theta t - \frac{gt^2}{2} + h_0$$

$$t = \frac{x}{v \cos \theta}$$

$$y = v \sin \theta \frac{x}{v \cos \theta} - \frac{g}{2} \left( \frac{x}{v \cos \theta} \right)^2 + h_0$$

$$y = x \tan \theta - \frac{g}{2} \frac{x^2}{v^2 \cos^2 \theta} + h_0$$

$$\boxed{y = x \tan \theta - \frac{g x^2 \sec^2 \theta}{2 v^2} + h_0}$$