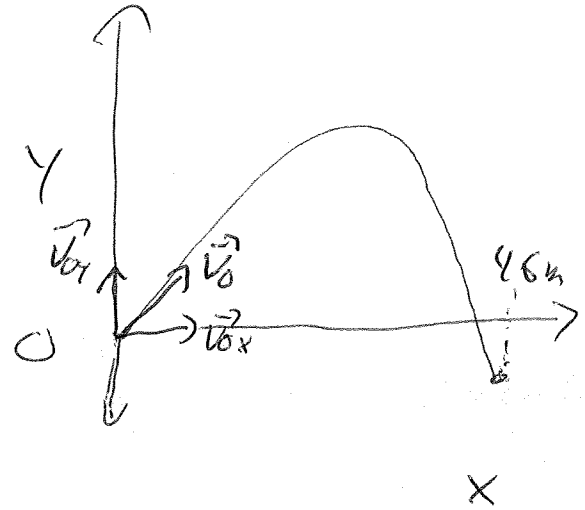


4-117 | Punter hits football 150cm above the ground, it stays in the air 4.5s, and travels 46m.

What's initial " \vec{v} " (mag. + direction?)



Football moves in both \vec{x} and \vec{y} directions independantly.

In x , it's just going \vec{v}_{0x} at a constant velocity for as long as it has before it hits the ground.

So the equations like 4-22 work, let's set $y=0$ at the punter's foot, and the ground at $y = -1.50m$

if $\Delta x = \vec{v}_{0x} \cdot t$, then $\vec{v}_{0x} = \frac{\Delta x}{t} = \frac{46m}{4.5s} = 10.2 m/s \hat{x}$

in y , there's a constant acceleration $a = -g = -9.8 m/s^2$

4-22) $\Delta y = \vec{v}_{0y} t - \frac{1}{2} a t^2$

so $\vec{v}_{0y} = \frac{\Delta y + \frac{1}{2} a t^2}{t} = \frac{-1.50m - \frac{1}{2}(-9.8 m/s^2)(4.5s)^2}{4.5s}$

$\vec{v}_{0y} = 21.7 m/s \hat{y}$

so: $|\vec{v}_0| = \sqrt{v_{0y}^2 + v_{0x}^2} = \sqrt{(10.2 m/s)^2 + (21.7 m/s)^2} = 24 m/s$

$\tan \theta = \frac{v_{0y}}{v_{0x}}$

$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{21.7}{10.2} \right) = 65^\circ$

from horizontal

