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Projectile Motion

1. A man standing at the top of a tower has two spheres A and B. He drops sphere A down wards and throws sphere B horizontally at the same time. Which of the following is correct?

- (a) Both the sphere will reach the ground simultaneously
(b) A will reach the ground first
(c) B will reach the ground first
(d) The question is incomplete because the masses of the sphere are not given

2. If the horizontal range of a projectile is four times its maximum height, the angle of projection is

- (a) 30° (b) 45° (c) $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$ (d) $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$

3. The height y and the horizontal distance x of a projectile on a certain planet are given by $y = 8t - 5t^2$ and $x = 6t$ meters where t is in seconds. The velocity of projection is

- (a) 6m/s (b) 8m/s (c) 10m/s (d) not obtainable from the data

4. In previous Q, the angle of projection is

- (a) $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$ (b) $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$ (c) $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$
(d) Not obtainable from the data

5. In Q.3, the acceleration due to gravity of the planet is

- (a) 2.5m/s^2 (b) 5m/s^2
(c) 10m/s^2 (d) 20m/s^2

6. The speed of a projectile at the maximum height is half of its initial speed u . Its horizontal range is

- (a) $\frac{u^2}{\sqrt{3g}}$ (b) $\frac{2u^2}{\sqrt{3g}}$ (c) $\frac{\sqrt{3}u^2}{2g}$ (d) $\frac{\sqrt{3}u^2}{g}$

7. The maximum range of a gun on a horizontal terrain is 16km. The muzzle velocity of the shell is ($g = 10\text{m/s}^2$)

- (a) 200m/s (b) 256m/s (c) 400m/s (d) 800 m/s

8. The range of a projectile when launched at an angle of 15° with the horizontal is 1.5 km. Its range, when launched at 45° , with the same speed, is

- (a) 0.75km (b) 1.5km (c) 3.0 km (d) 6.0km

9. It is possible to project a particle with a given speed in two possible ways so that it has the same horizontal range. R . The product of the time taken by it in two possible ways is

- (a) R/g (b) $2R/g$ (c) $3R/g$ (d) $4R/g$

10. An object is thrown along a direction inclined at an angle of 45° with the horizontal. The horizontal range of the object is equal to

- (a) vertical height (b) twice the vertical height
(c) thrice the vertical height (d) four times the vertical height

11. The coordination of a moving particle at any time t are given by $x = ct^2$ and $y = bt^2$. The speed of the particle is given by

- (a) $2t(c+b)$ (b) $2t\sqrt{c^2 - b^2}$
(c) $t\sqrt{c^2 + b^2}$ (d) $2t\sqrt{c^2 + b^2}$

12. A particle is moving in the xy plane according to the equation (in SI units) $x = 4t^2 + 5t + 16$ and $y = 5t$. The acceleration of the particle is

- (a) 8m/s^2 (b) 13m/s^2 (c) 14m/s^2
(d) 32m/s^2

13. An aeroplane is flying at a constant horizontal velocity of 600 km/h at an elevation of 6 m towards a point directly the target lying on the earth's surface. At an appropriate time, the pilot release a ball so that it strikes the target on the earth. The ball will appear to be falling

- (a) on a parabolic path as seen by the pilot in the aeroplane
(b) vertically along a straight path as seen by an observer on the ground near the target
(c) on a parabolic path as seen by an observer on the ground near the target
(d) on a zigzag path as seen by the pilot in the aeroplane.

14. Two projectiles are fired from the same point with the same speed at angles of projection 60°

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and 30° respectively. Which one of the following is true?

- (a) Their maximum height will be same
- (b) Their range will be same
- (c) Their landing velocity will be same
- (d) Their time of flight will be same

15. Four bodies P, Q, R and S are projected with equal velocities having angles of projection $15^\circ, 30^\circ, 45^\circ$ and 60° with horizontal respectively. The body having shortest range is

- (a) P
- (b) Q
- (c) R
- (d) S

16. For a projectile, the ratio of maximum height reached to the square of fifth time is ($g=10\text{m/s}^{-2}$)

- (a) 5:4
- (b) 5:2
- (c) 5:1
- (d) 10:1

17. A stone projected with a velocity u at an angle θ with the horizontal reaches maximum height H_1 . When it is projected with velocity u at an angle

$\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$ with the horizontal, it reaches maximum

height H_2 . The relation between the horizontal range R of the projectile, H_1 and H_2 is

- (a) $R=4\sqrt{H_1H_2}$
- (b) $R=4(H_1 - H_2)$
- (c) $R=4(H_1 + H_2)$
- (d) $R=\frac{H_1^2}{H_2}$

18. An object is projected with a velocity of 20m/s making an angle of 45° with horizontal. The equation of the trajectory is $h=Ax-Bx^2$ where h is height, x is horizontal distance, A and B are constant. The ratio $A:B$ is ($g=10\text{m/s}^2$)

- (a) 1:5
- (b) 5:1
- (c) 1:40
- (d) 40:1

19. Assume that the acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the moon is 0.2 times the acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the earth. If R is the maximum range on the surface of the moon for the same velocity of projection?

- (a) $0.2R_c$
- (b) $2R_c$
- (c) $0.5R_c$
- (d) $5R_c$

20. A ball of mass m is thrown vertically up. Another ball of mass $2m$ is thrown at an angle θ . If their times of ascent are equal, then the heights attained by them are in the ratio

- (a) 1:1
- (b) 2:1
- (c) $1:\cos\theta$
- (d) $1:\sec\theta$

21. Four projectiles are fired with the same speed at angles $20^\circ, 35^\circ, 60^\circ$ and 70° to the horizontal. The range is maximum for the one fired at

- (a) 20°
- (b) 35°
- (c) 60°
- (d) 70°