

Title: Projectile Motion

Purpose: To analyze projectile motion using video analysis.

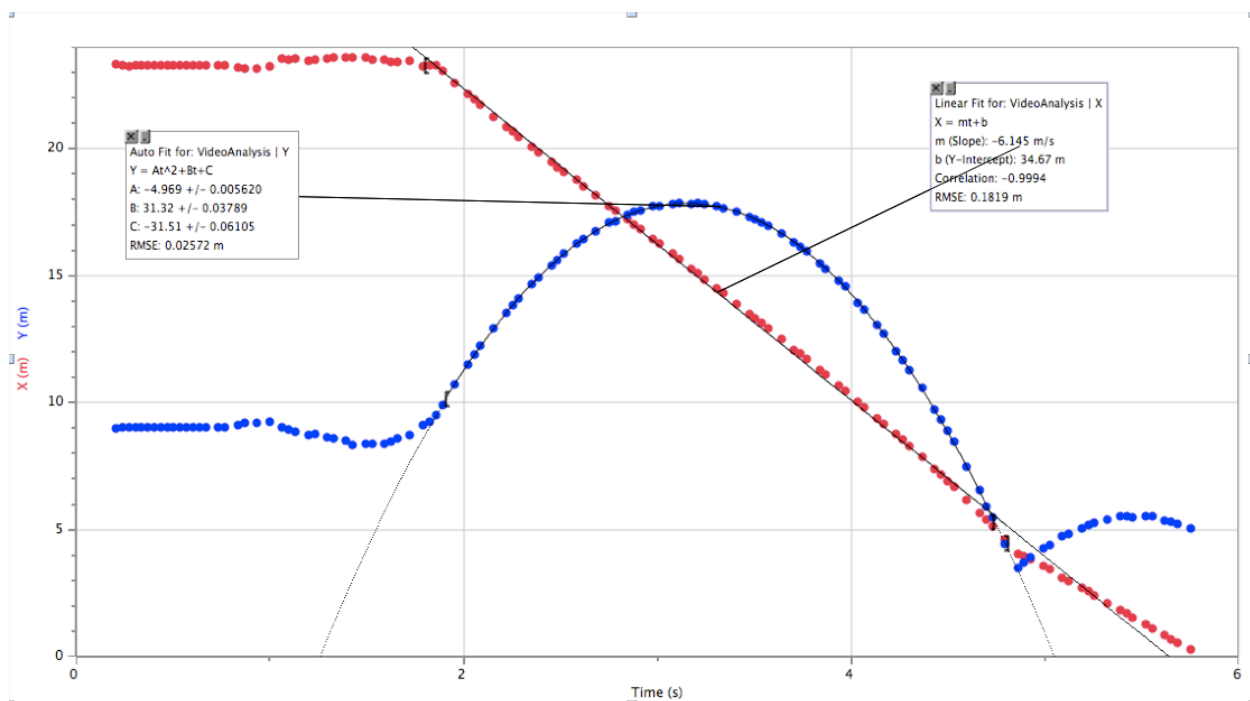
Background: Projectile motion is defined as motion without wings, propulsion, friction (air resistance), under the influence of gravity. The formula for this motion is $\text{Range} = V_0^2/g \sin(2\theta)$.

Materials: laptop with video camera, ball, thrower, meter stick, marking cones

Procedure:

1. Setup cones 1 meter apart.
2. Setup laptop facing thrower.
3. Throw the ball while starting video capture.
4. Observe captured video and chart the dots as the video plays.
5. Analyze the graph: X velocity, Y velocity, and gravity from $S = 1/2at^2$

Data:



	VideoAnalysis					
	Time (s)	X (m)	Y (m)	Vx (m/s)	Vy (m/s)	
1	0.2083	23.32	8.985	-1.000	0.650	
2	0.2417	23.29	9.015	-0.951	0.363	
3	0.2750	23.23	9.015	-0.437	0.106	
4	0.3083	23.26	9.015	0.104	0.025	
5	0.3400	23.26	9.015	0.051	0.000	
6	0.3733	23.26	9.015	0.025	0.000	
7	0.4067	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
8	0.4383	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
9	0.4717	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
10	0.5050	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
11	0.5383	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
12	0.5717	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
13	0.6050	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
14	0.6367	23.26	9.015	0.000	0.000	
15	0.6700	23.26	9.015	-0.057	0.076	
16	0.7367	23.26	9.015	-0.227	0.316	
17	0.7683	23.26	9.015	-0.726	1.013	
18	0.8350	23.17	9.135	-0.817	1.308	
19	0.8683	23.14	9.195	-0.056	0.602	
20	0.9350	23.14	9.195	0.984	-0.090	
21	1.000	23.23	9.225	2.223	-1.208	
22	1.065	23.53	9.015	2.185	-2.225	
23	1.098	23.50	8.955	0.555	-2.442	
24	1.132	23.53	8.835	-0.191	-2.000	
25	1.198	23.44	8.715	-0.062	-1.068	
26	1.232	23.50	8.775	0.592	-0.961	
27	1.297	23.53	8.655	0.678	-1.557	
28	1.330	23.59	8.595	0.322	-1.710	
29	1.395	23.56	8.505	-0.102	-2.045	
30	1.428	23.56	8.325	-0.168	-1.104	
31	1.495	23.56	8.385	-0.502	0.014	
32	1.528	23.50	8.285	-0.651	0.258	

Observations: It was a sunny day. My partner threw the ball up high off of a hill. It ascended until it hit its highest point and then descended. The path of the ball made a large arc or parabola. The computer graphed the ball's path and curved our line.

Analysis: We successfully captured the motion of a parabolic projectile and determined that g was -9.8 . In the future we may repeat this experiment with a better camera with faster video. The frame rate was too fast for the computer to capture in real time. One might also repeat the lab with a brighter colored ball. Our gravity outcome was a little off due to air resistance. There could also have been an error in measuring the meter sticks on the screen.

Conclusions: We found gravity to be -9.8 and determined the parabolic projectile motion. We used the logger pro to graph the path of the ball and determine gravity. This lab could be perfected using better cameras, a more constant projectile, and in ideal conditions. Overall our outcome was close to the target number. It was a successful lab.