Homework Assignment #4 due in class Wednesday, September 27 *Cover sheet : Staple this page in front of your solutions.* INSTRUCTIONS: Write the requested *answers* (without calculations) on this page; write the detailed *solutions* (your work written clearly) on your own paper.

[17] Problem 2.23.\* Answer: the terminal speed for the parachutist is ... 107 m/s /1 point/
[18] Problem 2.31.\*\* Answer: the time for the basketball to fall to the ground from a 30 m tower is 2.78 s /2 points/
[19] Problem 2.41.\*\* Answer: the calculated value of y<sub>max</sub> is ... 20.4 m /2 points/
[20] Problem 2.53.\* Answer: describe the particle's motion ...

The trajectory is a helix with increasing pitch.

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[21] Problem 2.43.\*\*\* [computer]

Hand in the computer program (2 points), calculations, and plots (2 points).

Answer here: the horizontal distance where the ball hits the ground is ...

#### 17.71 m

#### /5 points total/

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[22] A mathematical exercise. Define  $f_n(x) = (1 + x/n)^n$ .

(A) What is the limit of  $f_n(x)$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Give a proof of the result.

(B) Hand in a graph that shows, on one graph,  $f_1(x)$ ,  $f_2(x)$ ,  $f_5(x)$  and  $f_{\infty}(x)$  versus x for x from – 2 to 2. (Use a computer.)

Answer here: what is  $f_{\infty}(x)$ ? exp(x)

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# 17 Problem 2.23

Terminal speeds of falling objects ...

For quadratic air resistance,  $m v' = mg - c v^2$ . (v' = dv / dt)The terminal speed (F = 0) is  $v_{ter} = \sqrt{mg / c}$ . Here  $c = \gamma D^2$  where  $\gamma = 0.25 \text{ Ns}^2 / m^2$  and D = diameter. Also,  $m = \rho V = \rho (\pi/6) D^3$ .

case	D	ρ	V <sub>ter</sub>
(a)	3 mm	$8 \times 10^3$ kg/m <sup>3</sup>	22.2 m/s
(b)	0.12 m	$8 \times 10^3  \text{kg/m}^3$	140.4 m/s
(c)	0.56 m	$1 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$	107.0 m/s

#### 18 Problem 2.31

A basketball falling through air ...

Parameters: m = 0.6 kg; D = 0.24 m(a) Terminal speed  $v_{ter} = \sqrt{mg/c}$  where  $c = (0.25 \text{ Ns}^2/m^2) D^2$  $v_{ter} = 20.2 \text{ m/s}$ (b) It falls distance 30 m, from rest. Calculate  $t_{final}$  and  $v_{final}$ .  $y = (v_{ter}^2/g) \ln[\cosh(gt/v_{ter})]$ The distance is  $t = (v_{ter}/g) \operatorname{arccosh}[\exp(gy/v_{ter}^2)]$ Thus y = 30 m implies t = 2.78 s. So  $t_{final} = 2.78 \text{ s}$ The velocity is  $v = v_{ter} \tanh (gt/v_{ter})$  $v_{final} = y(t_{final}) = 17.6 \text{ m/s.}$ SO

Compare in vacuum,

 $t_{final} = \sqrt{2y/g} = 2.47 s$  and  $v_{final} = g t_{final} = 24.2 m/s$ .



At maximum height, v = 0. Therefore,  $v_{ter}^2 = (v_{ter}^2 + v_0^2) \exp(-2gy_{max}/v_{ter}^2)$ . Solve for  $y_{max}$ :  $y_{max} = (v_{ter}^2/2g) \ln[(v_{ter}^2 + v_0^2)/v_{ter}^2]$  eq. 2.89

**Numerical** 

Set  $v_0 = 20 \text{ m/s}$  and  $v_{\text{ter}} = 35 \text{ m/s}$ ; then  $y_{\text{max}} = 17.7 \text{ m}$ . Compare in vacuum,  $y_{\text{max}} = v_0^2 / (2g) = 20.4 \text{ m}$ .

## 20 Problem 2.53





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### 21 Problem 2.43

## Trajectory of a basketball ...

This problem is a computer problem. Hand in the program and plots.

#### (a) Basketball throw

basketball parameters, initial conditions and air resistance

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\ln[162] = \{ mass, diam, g \} = \{ 0.6, 0.24, 9.81 \};
      {x0, y0, v0x, v0y} = {0, 2, 15 / Sqrt[2], 15 / Sqrt[2]};
      \{\gamma, c\} = \{0.25, 0.25 * diam^2\};
In[177]:= eqns = {
         mass *x''[t] = -c * Sqrt[x'[t]^2 + y'[t]^2] * x'[t],
         mass * y''[t] == -c * Sqrt[x'[t]^2 + y'[t]^2] * y'[t] - mass * g,
         x[0] = x0, y[0] = y0, x'[0] = v0x, y'[0] = v0y;
      sols = NDSolve[eqns, {x, y}, {t, 0, 5}];
     X = x /. sols[[1]]; Y = y /. sols[[1]];
     p1 = ParametricPlot[{X[t], Y[t]}, {t, 0, 3},
         PlotRange → {{0, 25}, {0, 10}},
         BaseStyle \rightarrow {FontFamily \rightarrow "Times", FontSize \rightarrow 16},
         AxesLabel \rightarrow {"X", "Y"}];
     p2 = ParametricPlot[{x0 + v0x * t, y0 + v0y * t - 0.5 * g * t^2}, {t, 0, 3},
         PlotStyle \rightarrow Dashing[{0.01, 0.02}]];
      fig243 = Show[p1, p2]
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(b) Range calculation

[n[195]:= tfinal = t /. FindRoot[Y[t] == 0, {t, 3}];
        {X[tfinal], Y[tfinal]}
        RangeNoAir = v0x * (2 * v0y / g)

Out[196]= {17.712, 6.10623 × 10<sup>-16</sup>}

Out[197]= 22.9358
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