

1. A construction worker stands at the top of a 40 meter bell tower and throws a clock face upward with a speed of 5 m/s. Suppose there is a force due to air resistance acting on the clock face in the opposite direction of velocity with a magnitude of $\frac{|v|}{22}$ m/s. Set up a differential equation to model this scenario (use $g = 9.8$ m/s² as the magnitude of the acceleration due to gravity).

Let $v(t)$ be velocity at t seconds

Let m be the mass of the clock face.

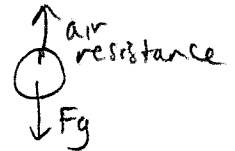
Let \uparrow be positive direction.

$$F = ma = m \frac{dv}{dt}$$

going up:



going down:



In either case, $-v$ is opposite to velocity

$$\text{air resistance: } -\frac{v}{22}, \quad F_g = -mg$$

$$-mg - \frac{v}{22} = m \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -g - \frac{v}{22m} = -9.8 - \frac{v}{22m},$$

$$\text{initial conditions: } v(0) = 5, \quad h(0) = 40$$

2. Pete stands on the top of a 20 foot train and throws a 2 slug hammer upward with a speed of 10 ft/s. Suppose there is a force due to air resistance acting on the hammer in the opposite direction of velocity with a magnitude of $\frac{v^2}{2000}$ ft/s. Assuming the hammer misses the train, how long will it take the hammer to hit the ground? (Use $g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$ as the magnitude of the acceleration due to gravity.)

Same basic setup as problem 1

Need two separate equations for air resistance to be opposite velocity!
($v > 0$ needs air resist < 0 and vice versa)

$$\text{up: } m \frac{dv}{dt} = -mg - \frac{v^2}{2000}, \quad \text{down: } m \frac{dv}{dt} = -mg + \frac{v^2}{2000}$$

$$\text{First, going up: } \frac{dv}{dt} = -32 - \frac{v^2}{4000} = \frac{-v^2 - 128,000}{4000}$$

$$\frac{dv}{-128,000 - v^2} = \frac{dt}{4000}$$

$$-\frac{1}{128,000} \frac{dv}{1 + \left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right)^2} = \frac{dt}{4000}$$

$$\left(\int \frac{1}{1+u^2} du = \tan^{-1}(u) + C \right)$$

$$-\frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{128,000} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right) = \frac{t}{4000} + C$$

Using initial condition $v(0) = 10$ and using algebra

$$v(t) = \sqrt{128,000} \tan\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{4000} t\right)$$

Maximum height occurs when $v(T) = 0$

Solving for T , get $T \approx 0.312418658$ seconds

Now, $\frac{dh}{dt} = v$, so $h(t) = \int v(t) dt$

(Recall $\int \tan(u) du = \ln|\sec(u)| + C$)

$$h(t) = -4000 \ln\left|\sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{4000} t\right)\right| + C$$

Using $h(0) = 20$

$$h(t) = -4000 \ln\left|\sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{4000} t\right)\right| + \left(\frac{4000 \ln|\sec(\tan^{-1}(\frac{10}{\sqrt{128,000}}))}{\tan^{-1}(\frac{10}{\sqrt{128,000}})} + 20\right)$$

max height occurs at T found above

$$h(T) \approx 21.561889966 \text{ feet.}$$

Going down: Reset to $t=0$ for simplicity.

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = -mg + \frac{v^2}{2000}, \quad v(0) = 0, \quad h(0) \approx 21.561889966.$$

$$\frac{dv}{-128,000 + v^2} = \frac{dt}{4000} \quad \left(\int \frac{1}{1-u^2} du = \tanh^{-1}(u) + C \right. \\ \left. \text{for } -1 < u < 1 \right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{128,000} \cdot \frac{dv}{1 - \left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right)^2} = \frac{dt}{4000}$$

$$-\frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{128,000} \tanh^{-1}\left(\frac{v}{\sqrt{128,000}}\right) = \frac{t}{4000} + C$$

Using $v(0) = 0$, algebra, we get

$$v(t) = \sqrt{128,000} \tanh\left(-\frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{4,000} t\right)$$

$$h(t) = \int v(t) dt \quad \left(\int \tanh(u) du = \ln|\cosh(u)| + C \right)$$

$$h(t) = -4000 \ln\left|\cosh\left(-\frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{4000} t\right)\right| + C$$

Using $h(0) \approx 21.561889966$

$$h(t) = -4000 \ln\left|\cosh\left(-\frac{\sqrt{128,000}}{4000} t\right)\right| + 21.561889966$$

Ball hits the ground when $h(s) = 0$

$$\text{Solving to get } s \approx 1.16191277$$

Time to go up + time to go down

$$T + S$$

$$\approx 0.312418658 + 1.16191277$$

$$\approx \boxed{1.47 \text{ seconds}}$$

3. Suppose that a rocket is launched straight up from the surface of the Earth with an initial velocity of $v_0 = \sqrt{2gR}$, where R is the radius of the Earth. Neglect air resistance. Find an expression for the velocity v in terms of the distance x from the surface of the Earth. Find the time required for the rocket to go 140,000,000 miles (the approximate distance from Earth to Mars). Assume that $R = 4000$ miles. (There are 5280 feet in a mile.)

Such a situation is governed by the diff eq

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{-gR^2}{(R+x)^2}$$

By the chain rule, $\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = v \frac{dv}{dx}$ ($\frac{dx}{dt} = v$)

$$v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{gR^2}{(R+x)^2}, \quad v(0) = \sqrt{2gR}$$

$$\text{get } v(x) = \frac{R\sqrt{2g}}{\sqrt{R+x}}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v(t), \quad \text{so} \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{R\sqrt{2g}}{\sqrt{R+x}}$$

$$(R+x)^{1/2} dx = R\sqrt{2g} dt$$

$$\frac{2}{3} (R+x)^{3/2} = R\sqrt{2g} t + C$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{3} (R+x)^{3/2} = R\sqrt{2g} t + \frac{2}{3} R^{3/2}$$

To solve for time, use $x = 140,000,000$, $R = 4000$, $g = \frac{32 \text{ ft}}{\text{s}^2} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ mi}}{5280 \text{ ft}}$

This gives time in seconds

convert to hours

$$\approx 696,600.57 \text{ hrs}$$

$$(\approx 79.5 \text{ years})$$

4. Suppose that the rate of change of a function f is proportional to a function g . Write a differential equation which expresses this situation.

$$f' = kg$$

for some constant k

5. If Jack weighs 200 lbs, what is his mass?

$$200 = mg \quad (g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2)$$
$$m = \frac{200}{32} = 6.25 \text{ slugs}$$