

Resistance Proportional to Speed Squared

Basic Equation: $R \propto v^2$ but in opposite direction, so $R = \lambda v^2 = -mkv^2$.

$$m\ddot{x} = -W + R = -mg - mkv^2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\ddot{x} = -g - kv^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{R = -mkv^2, \quad \text{where } k = \frac{\lambda}{m} > 0}$$

Given a vertical initially upwards projectile with initial speed u , i.e. when $t = 0$, $x = 0$, $\dot{x} = u > 0$,

$$v \text{ in terms of } t: \quad \boxed{v = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \tan\left(\alpha - t\sqrt{gk}\right), \quad \text{where } \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(u\sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}\right)}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \ddot{x} = -g - kv^2, \quad \frac{dt}{dv} = \frac{1}{-g - kv^2}, \quad t = \int_u^v \frac{dv}{-g - kv^2} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{gk}} \left[\tan^{-1} v \sqrt{\frac{k}{g}} \right]_u^v$$

$$-t\sqrt{gk} = \tan^{-1} v \sqrt{\frac{k}{g}} - \tan^{-1} u \sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}, \quad -tk\psi = \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{\psi} - \tan^{-1} \frac{u}{\psi}, \quad \text{where } \psi = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$$

$$\tan(-tk\psi) = \frac{\frac{v}{\psi} - \frac{u}{\psi}}{1 + \frac{v}{\psi} \cdot \frac{u}{\psi}}, \quad -\psi \tan(tk\psi) = \frac{v - u}{1 + \frac{vu}{\psi^2}}, \quad -\psi \tan(tk\psi)(1 + \frac{vu}{\psi^2}) = v - u,$$

$$-\psi \tan(tk\psi) - \tan(tk\psi) \frac{vu}{\psi} = v - u, \quad v[1 + \frac{vu}{\psi} \tan(tk\psi)] = u - \psi \tan(tk\psi) = \psi \left(\frac{u}{\psi} - \tan(tk\psi) \right),$$

$$v = \psi \cdot \frac{\frac{u}{\psi} - \tan(tk\psi)}{1 + \frac{vu}{\psi} \tan(tk\psi)} = \psi \cdot \frac{\tan(\alpha) - \tan(tk\psi)}{1 + \tan(\alpha) \tan(tk\psi)}, \quad \text{where } \tan(\alpha) = \frac{u}{\psi}$$

$$v = \psi \tan(\alpha - tk\psi) = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \tan\left(\alpha - tk\sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \tan\left(\alpha - t\sqrt{gk}\right), \quad \text{where } \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(u\sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}\right)$$

$$x \text{ in terms of } v: \quad \boxed{x = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \frac{g + ku^2}{g + kv^2} \right|}$$

$$v \cdot \frac{dv}{dx} = -g - kv^2, \quad \frac{dx}{dv} = \frac{v}{-g - kv^2},$$

$$x = \int_u^v \frac{v}{-g - kv^2} dv = -\frac{1}{2k} \int_{w(u)}^{w(v)} \frac{dw}{w}, \quad \text{where } w = \frac{g}{k} + v^2, \quad dw = 2v dv$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2k} \left[\ln \left| \frac{g}{k} + v^2 \right| \right]_u^v = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \frac{g + ku^2}{g + kv^2} \right|$$

$$x \text{ in terms of } t: \quad \boxed{x = \frac{1}{k} \cdot \ln \left| \frac{\cos\left(\alpha - tk\sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}\right)}{\cos \alpha} \right|, \quad \text{where } \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(u\sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}\right)}$$

$$x = \int_0^t v dt = \int_0^t \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \tan\left(\alpha - tk\sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}\right) dt, \quad \text{where } \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(u\sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} \int_{w(0)}^{w(t)} \tan(w) dw, \quad \text{where } w = \alpha - tk\sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}, \quad dw = \sqrt{gk} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} \left[\ln \left| \cos\left(\alpha - tk\sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}\right) \right| \right]_0^t$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} \cdot \ln \left| \frac{\cos\left(\alpha - tk\sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}\right)}{\cos \alpha} \right|$$

$$\text{Max height } H \text{ at } T: \quad \boxed{H = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| 1 + \frac{ku^2}{g} \right|} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{T = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{gk}}, \quad \text{where } \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(u\sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}\right)}$$

$$\text{At max, } \frac{dx}{dt} = v = 0 \text{ and } x = H = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \frac{g + ku^2}{g + kv^2} \right| = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \frac{g + ku^2}{g} \right| = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| 1 + \frac{ku^2}{g} \right|$$

$$t = T \text{ and } v = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \tan\left(\alpha - T\sqrt{gk}\right) = 0$$

$$\alpha - T\sqrt{gk} = 0, \quad T = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{gk}}$$

$$\text{Special Case: When } u = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}, \quad \alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad H = \frac{1}{2k} \ln 2 \quad \text{and} \quad T = \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{gk}} = \frac{\pi}{4ku} = \frac{u\pi}{4g}$$

Free Fall: Based on the above formulae, but with $u = 0$ and the x -axis is downward,

$$m\ddot{x} = W + R = mg - kv^2, \quad \therefore \boxed{\ddot{x} = g - kv^2}$$

Given a free fall with no initial speed, i.e. when $t = 0$, $x = 0$, $\dot{x} = u = 0$, $\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(u\sqrt{\frac{k}{g}}\right) = 0$,

$$v \text{ in terms of } t: \boxed{v = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \cdot \left(\frac{1 - e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}\right)}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \ddot{x} = g - kv^2, \quad \frac{dt}{dv} = \frac{1}{g - kv^2}, \quad t = \int_0^v \frac{dv}{g - kv^2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{gk}} \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{g} + v\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{g} - v\sqrt{k}} \right| = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{gk}} \ln \left| \frac{g + v\sqrt{gk}}{g - v\sqrt{gk}} \right|$$

$$e^{2\sqrt{gk}t} = \frac{g + v\sqrt{gk}}{g - v\sqrt{gk}}, \quad g - v\sqrt{gk} = (g + v\sqrt{gk}) \cdot e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}$$

$$g - g \cdot e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t} = v\sqrt{gk} + v\sqrt{gk} \cdot e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}, \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \cdot \left(\frac{1 - e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}\right)$$

$$\text{Terminal Velocity: } v_T = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} v = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \cdot \left(\frac{1 - e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}$$

$$\text{Also, } \ddot{x} = g - kv_T^2 = 0, \quad \therefore \boxed{v_T = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}}$$

$$x \text{ in terms of } v: \boxed{x = -\frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| 1 - \frac{k}{g} v^2 \right|}$$

$$v \cdot \frac{dv}{dx} = g - kv^2, \quad \frac{dx}{dv} = \frac{v}{g - kv^2},$$

$$x = \int_0^v \frac{v}{g - kv^2} dv = -\frac{1}{2k} \int_{w(0)}^{w(v)} \frac{dw}{w}, \quad \text{where } w = \frac{g}{k} - v^2, \quad dw = -2v dv$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2k} \left[\ln \left| \frac{g}{k} - v^2 \right| \right]_0^v = -\frac{1}{2k} \left(\ln \left| \frac{g}{k} - v^2 \right| - \ln \left| \frac{g}{k} \right| \right) = -\frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| 1 - \frac{k}{g} v^2 \right|$$

$$x \text{ in terms of } t: \boxed{x = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \left[t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{gk}} \ln \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{2} \right| \right]}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| 1 - \frac{k}{g} v^2 \right| = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{k}{g}} v \right) \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{k}{g}} v \right) \right|$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \left(1 + \frac{1 - e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1 - e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}} \right) \right| = -\frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \left(\frac{2}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}} \right) \left(\frac{2e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}} \right) \right|$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2k} \ln \left| \left(\frac{2e^{-\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}} \right)^2 \right| = -\frac{1}{2k} \cdot 2 \ln \left| \frac{2e^{-\sqrt{gk}t}}{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}} \right| = \frac{1}{k} \cdot \ln \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{2e^{-\sqrt{gk}t}} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} \cdot \left(\ln \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{2} \right| - \ln \left| e^{-\sqrt{gk}t} \right| \right) = \frac{1}{k} \cdot \left(\ln \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{2} \right| + \sqrt{gk}t \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}}t + \frac{1}{k} \ln \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{2} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{g}{k}} \left[t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{gk}} \ln \left| \frac{1 + e^{-2\sqrt{gk}t}}{2} \right| \right]$$