

8.7 Parametric Equations (Cont.)
Graphs of Parametric Equations: $0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}$

$x = f(t)$; $y = g(t)$

E.g. $x = \sqrt{t}$; $y = 2t + 3$; $0 \leq t \leq 3$

t	x	y
0	0	3
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$	4

$x = \sqrt{t}$ $t = x^2$

$y = 2x^2 + 3$

E.g. $x = 2 \cos t$ $y = 4 \sin t$

$\frac{x}{2} = \cos t$; $\frac{y}{4} = \sin t$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{x^2}{4} = \cos^2 t \\ \frac{y^2}{16} = \sin^2 t \end{array} \right\} +$

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$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{16} = \cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$

$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{16} = 1$ ellipse

Projectile Motion

An object is thrown upward with an initial velocity v_0 ,
 Angle between initial velocity and horizontal axis is

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$g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$
 or 32 ft/s^2

$x = (v_0 \cos \theta)t$
 $y = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta)t + h$

initial height

$x = (v_0 \cos \theta)t$
 $y = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta)t + h$

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E.g. A dart is thrown upward with an initial velocity of 140 ft/s at an angle 45° to the horizontal and at an initial height of 3 ft above the ground.

- Find the parametric equations to model the path of the dart
- Where is the dart after 2 seconds
- How long is the dart in the air
- At what time will the dart reach maximum height and find the maximum height.

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$v_0 = 140 \text{ ft/s}$
 $\theta = 45^\circ$
 $h = 3 \text{ ft}$

$x = (v_0 \cos \theta)t = (140 \cos(45^\circ))t = (70\sqrt{2})t$

$x = 70\sqrt{2}t$

$y = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta)t + h$
 $y = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 32 \cdot t^2 + (140 \sin(45^\circ))t + 3$
 $y = -16t^2 + 70\sqrt{2}t + 3$

② When $t = 2$; $x = (70\sqrt{2}) \cdot 2 = 140\sqrt{2} \approx$
 $y = -64 + 140\sqrt{2} + 3 \approx$

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③ Time in the air

Solve $y = 0$

$-16t^2 + 70\sqrt{2}t + 3 = 0$

$t = \frac{-70\sqrt{2} \pm \sqrt{(70\sqrt{2})^2 - 4(-16) \cdot 3}}{2 \cdot (-16)}$

$t = -0.03$

$t = 6.22$

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
 $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

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y is maximum when $t = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-70\sqrt{2}}{2 \cdot (-16)} = \boxed{\frac{70\sqrt{2}}{32}} \approx$

function for y .

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