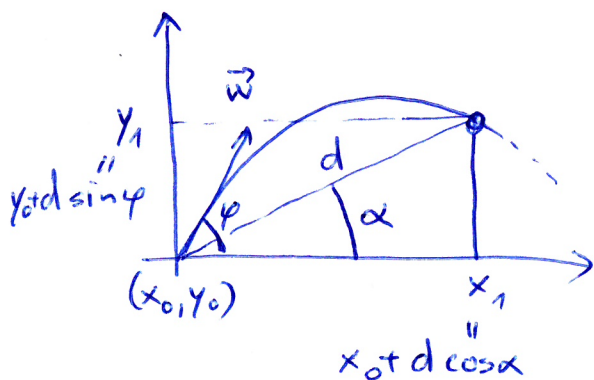




- if we insert the point (x_1, y_1) into the trajectory equation we get

$$y_1 = y_0 + \tan \varphi (x_1 - x_0) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g}{w^2 \cos^2 \varphi} (x_1 - x_0)^2$$

or

$$d \sin \varphi = \tan \varphi d \cos \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g d^2}{w^2 \cos^2 \varphi} \cos^2 \alpha$$

which has to be solved for the angle φ

- using $\beta = \frac{g d}{w^2}$ and cancelling d , we obtain

$$\sin \alpha \cos^2 \varphi + \frac{1}{2} \beta \cos^2 \alpha = \cos \alpha \sin \varphi \cos \varphi$$

substitute $\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \varphi}$ and square

the equation $\Rightarrow$ quadratic equation for $\cos^2 \varphi$:

$$\underbrace{(\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha)}_{1=a} \cos^4 \varphi + \underbrace{(\beta \sin \alpha \cos^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \alpha)}_b \cos^2 \varphi + \underbrace{\frac{\beta^2}{4} \cos^4 \alpha}_c = 0$$

- discriminant $D = b^2 - 4ac = \cos^4 \alpha [(\beta \sin \alpha - 1)^2 - \beta^2]$

if $D \geq 0$ we have solutions

$$\cos^2 \varphi = \frac{\cos^2 \alpha (1 - \beta \sin \alpha) \pm \sqrt{D}}{2}$$

- see the notebook in Mathematica for an example of numerical results

* determine the minimal speed to reach the point at the distance d and angle α

- at the minimal speed there will be just one angle, i.e. the discriminant $D = 0$

or we have the condition

$$\beta^2 (\sin^2 \alpha - 1) - 2\beta \sin \alpha + 1 = 0 \quad \text{with } \beta = \frac{g d}{w^2}$$

with the solution $\beta_{1,2} = \frac{\sin \alpha \pm 1}{\cos^2 \alpha} = \frac{g d}{w^2}$

- physical solution is

$$\boxed{w \geq \sqrt{g d} \frac{\cos \alpha}{\sqrt{1 + \sin \alpha}}} \quad \text{for } \alpha \in (0^\circ, 90^\circ)$$