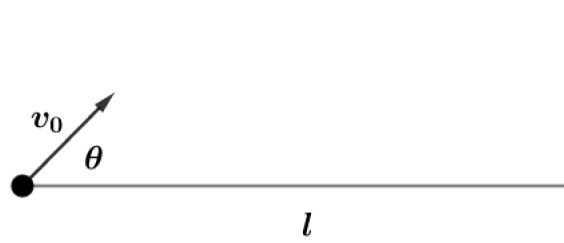


# Exercise 3.47

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Assume  $l < v_0^2/g$  since the range of a projectile is given by  $R = v_0^2 \sin 2\theta/g$  so  $R_{max} = v_0^2/g$ .

From kinematics, the motion of the ball is given by:

$$x = v \cos \theta \cdot t$$

$$y = v \sin \theta \cdot t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

Eliminating  $t$ , we obtain the trajectory of the particle:

$$y = x \tan \theta - \frac{gx^2}{2v^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

Thus, the height of the ball after traveling distance  $l$  is

$$h = l \tan \theta - \frac{gl^2}{2v^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

To maximize  $h$ , we have

$$\frac{dh}{d\theta} = l \sec^2 \theta - \frac{gl^2}{v^2} \tan \theta \sec^2 \theta = 0$$

$$l - \frac{gl^2}{v^2} \tan \theta = 0$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v_0^2}{gl}$$

$$\theta = \arctan \left( \frac{v_0^2}{gl} \right)$$