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Use the summary of equations given above and appropriate graphing technology, where necessary, to answer the following questions. Use $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$.

- 1 A projectile is fired at an angle of 45° to the horizontal with an initial velocity of $10\sqrt{2} \text{ m s}^{-1}$.
 - (a) Write the equation of the trajectory if there is no air resistance.
 - (b) If air resistance is proportional to the velocity of the projectile, with $k = 0.01$, write the equation of the trajectory in parametric and Cartesian form.
 - (c) If air resistance is proportional to the square of the velocity of the projectile, with $k = 0.01$, write the equation of the trajectory in parametric form.
 - (d) Determine, by calculation, the greatest height of attained.
 - (e) Determine, by calculation, the range of the projectile.
 - (f) Graph the path of the projectile in each case.
 - (g) From your graph, determine the greatest height attained in each case.
 - (h) From your graph, determine the range of the projectile in each case.
 - (i) Discuss the significance of your answers.

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2 Repeat question 1 with $k = 0.05$.

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3 Repeat question **1** with $k = 0.1$. Compare your answers to questions **1**, **2** and **3**.

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- 4 A projectile is fired at an angle of 30° to the horizontal with an initial velocity of 6 m s^{-1} .
- (a) Write the equation of the trajectory if there is no air resistance.
 - (b) If air resistance is proportional to the velocity of the projectile, with $k = 0.02$, write the equation of the trajectory in both parametric form and Cartesian form.
 - (c) If air resistance is proportional to the square of the velocity of the projectile, with $k = 0.02$, write the equation of the trajectory in parametric form and Cartesian form.
 - (d) Graph the path of the projectile in each case.
 - (e) From your graph, determine the greatest height attained in each case.
 - (f) From your graph, determine the range of the projectile in each case.
 - (g) Discuss the significance of your answers.

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