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The equations for the coordinate are

$$x(t) = v_0 \cos \theta t$$

$$y(t) = y_0 + v_0 \sin \theta t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

where $y_0 = 0.7 \text{ m}$ and $\theta = 35^\circ$.

We need $y(t) > y_1 = 2 \text{ m}$ when $x(t) = x_1 = 60 \text{ m}$

This happens at time $t = \frac{x_1}{v_0 \cos \theta}$

$$y_1 = y_0 + v_0 \sin \theta \frac{x_1}{v_0 \cos \theta} - \frac{1}{2} g \left(\frac{x_1}{v_0 \cos \theta} \right)^2$$

$$= y_0 + x_1 \tan \theta - \frac{g x_1^2}{2 v_0^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

Solve for v_0 :

$$v_0 = \sqrt{\frac{g x_1^2}{2 \cos^2 \theta [y_0 - y_1 + x_1 \tan \theta]}}$$

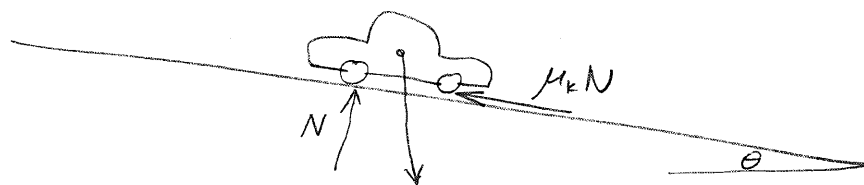
$$= \sqrt{\frac{(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(60 \text{ m})^2}{2 \cos^2 35^\circ [(60 \text{ m}) \tan 35^\circ - 1.3 \text{ m}]}}$$

$$= 25.4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

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The forces on the car after the driver hits the breaks are gravity (mg downward) and friction ($\mu_k N$ along the incline where N is the normal force).



The normal force balances the component of gravity perpendicular to the surface

$$N = mg \cos \theta$$

The component of the gravity force along the incline is $mg \sin \theta$. The equation for motion along the incline is therefore

$$m \ddot{x} = mg \sin \theta - \mu_k mg \cos \theta$$

$$\ddot{x} = -(\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta)g$$

If the initial velocity is v_0 , the velocity at time t is

$$\dot{x}(t) = v_0 - (\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta)gt$$

The car comes to a stop after time

$$T = \frac{v_0}{(\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta) g}$$

The distance travelled by the car in time t is

$$x(t) = v_0 t - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta) g t^2$$

After time T , the car has moved a distance

$$\begin{aligned} x(T) &= v_0 T - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta) g T^2 \\ &= \frac{v_0^2}{2 (\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta) g} \end{aligned}$$

The speed limit is $25 \frac{\text{miles}}{\text{hr}} \times \frac{1609 \text{ m}}{\text{mi}} \times \frac{\text{hr}}{3600 \text{ s}} = 11.2 \text{ m/s}$.

The incline has an 8% grade, so $\tan \theta = 0.08$, $\theta = 0.0798$.

The kinetic coefficient of friction is measured to be $\mu_k = 0.45$

If the car was going the speed limit, the distance it would travel before stopping is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v_0^2}{2 (\mu_k \cos \theta - \sin \theta) g} &= \frac{(11.2 \text{ m/s})^2}{2 (0.45 \cos \theta - \sin \theta) 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2} \\ &= 17.3 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

If the car skidded 30 m, it must have been going faster than 25 mi/hr.

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- (a) As measured by a person on the train, the velocity of the ball increases from 0 to v , so the gain in kinetic energy is

$$\Delta T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - 0 = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

- (b) As measured by a person on the railroad tracks, the velocity of the ball increases from u to $u+v$, so the increase in kinetic energy is

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta T &= \frac{1}{2}m(u+v)^2 - \frac{1}{2}mu^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + mUV\end{aligned}$$

- (c) The work done by the woman throwing the ball is ΔT

- (d) The work done by the train is 0.

For the work done by the woman on the ball to give $\Delta T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ in the frame of the woman, the force applied to the ball as a function of time must satisfy

$$\int F(t) \dot{x}(t) dt = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

The same integral without the factor of \dot{x} must give the change in momentum

$$\int F(t) dt = \int \frac{dp}{dt} dt = mv - 0 = mv$$

In the frame of the railroad tracks, the work done by the woman on the ball is

$$\int F dx = \int F(t) [\dot{x}(t) + u] dt$$

$$= \int F(t) \dot{x}(t) dt + u \int F(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + u \cdot mv$$

$$= \Delta T$$

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The equations of motion are

$$\begin{aligned} m\ddot{\vec{r}} &= -mg\hat{z} - kmv\hat{v} \\ &= -mg\hat{z} - km\dot{\vec{r}} \end{aligned}$$

The x and z components are

$$\ddot{x} = -k\dot{x}$$

$$\ddot{z} = -g - k\dot{z}$$

The initial conditions were

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = v_0 \cos\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} v_0$$

$$z(0) = 0$$

$$\dot{z}(0) = v_0 \sin\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} v_0$$

We first solve the x equation

$$\frac{\dot{x}}{x} = -k$$

$$(\ln x)' = -k$$

$$\ln x - \ln \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} = -kt$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-kt}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}k} (1 - e^{-kt})$$

We next solve the z equation

$$\ddot{z} + k\dot{z} = -g$$

$$\left(\dot{z} e^{+kt}\right)' = -g e^{+kt}$$

$$\dot{z} e^{+kt} - \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{g}{k} (e^{+kt} - 1)$$

$$\dot{z}(t) = \left(\frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{g}{k}\right) e^{-kt} - \frac{g}{k}$$

$$z(t) = \left(\frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{g}{k}\right) \frac{1}{k} (1 - e^{-kt}) - \frac{g}{k} t$$

The range R and the time T when the pumpkin lands are related by

$$R = \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}k} (1 - e^{-kT})$$

$$0 = \left(\frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{g}{k}\right) \frac{1}{k} (1 - e^{-kT}) - \frac{g}{k} T$$

We can solve the first equation for T :

$$T = -\frac{1}{k} \ln\left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}kR}{v_0}\right)$$

Eliminating T from the 2nd equation, we get

$$0 = \left(\frac{v_0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{g}{k} \right) \frac{\sqrt{2}R}{v_0} - \frac{g}{k} \left[-\frac{1}{k} \ln \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}kR}{v_0} \right) \right]$$

$$\ln \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}kR}{v_0} \right) = -\frac{k^2}{g} R \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}g}{v_0 k} \right)$$

Setting $R = 142 \text{ m}$

$$v_0 = 54 \text{ m/s}$$

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

and solving numerically for k , we get

$$k = 5.7 \times 10^{-9} \text{ s}^{-1}$$