

1. On planet 2, acceleration due to gravity is  $-7.2 \text{ m/s}^2$ . An object is dropped from a cliff and hits the planet's surface 4 seconds later.

a. How tall is the cliff?

$$a = -7.2$$

$$v = -7.2t + c$$

$$p = -3.6t^2 + ct$$

$$0 = -3.6(4)^2 + c(4)$$

$$57.6 \text{ m} = c(4)$$

b. What is the object's velocity at impact?

$$v(4) = -7.2(4)$$

$$= -28.8 \text{ m/s}$$

2. A helicopter lifts off from earth ( $a(t) = -32 \text{ ft/sec}^2$ ) and begins to climb at  $20 \text{ ft/sec}$ . A wheel falls from the helicopter the instant that it is 100 feet above the ground.

$$a = -32$$

$$v = -32t + 20$$

$$p = -16t^2 + 20t + 100$$

$$0 = -16t^2 + 20t + 100$$

$$t = 3.202$$

$$v(3.202)$$

b. What is the wheel's velocity at impact?

$$v(3.202) = -82.464 \text{ m/s}$$

3. At what initial velocity must an object be thrown upward from ground level in order to reach the top of the St. Louis Arch (200 meters tall)? Use  $-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$  as acceleration due to gravity.

$$a = -9.8$$

$$v = -9.8t + c$$

$$p = -4.9t^2 + ct + 0$$

ground level

$$0 = -9.8t + c$$

$$200 = -4.9t^2 + ct$$

$$c = 9.8t$$

$$200 = 4.9t^2$$

$$6.388... = t$$

$$c = 62.61 \text{ m/s}$$