

47. We neglect air resistance, which justifies setting $a = -g = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ (taking *down* as the $-y$ direction) for the duration of the motion. We are allowed to use Table 2-1 (with Δy replacing Δx) because this is constant acceleration motion. The ground level is taken to correspond to the origin of the y axis.

- (a) Using $y = v_0 t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$, with $y = 0.544 \text{ m}$ and $t = 0.200 \text{ s}$, we find

$$v_0 = \frac{y + \frac{1}{2}gt^2}{t} = \frac{0.544 + \frac{1}{2}(9.8)(0.200)^2}{0.200} = 3.70 \text{ m/s} .$$

- (b) The velocity at $y = 0.544 \text{ m}$ is

$$v = v_0 - gt = 3.70 - (9.8)(0.200) = 1.74 \text{ m/s} .$$

- (c) Using $v^2 = v_0^2 - 2gy$ (with different values for y and v than before), we solve for the value of y corresponding to maximum height (where $v = 0$).

$$y = \frac{v_0^2}{2g} = \frac{3.7^2}{2(9.8)} = 0.698 \text{ m} .$$

Thus, the armadillo goes $0.698 - 0.544 = 0.154 \text{ m}$ higher.