

TT Ball Trajectory

$\text{dia} := 0.041$		Diameter of a ping pong ball in meters
$r := \frac{\text{dia}}{2}$	$r = 0.0205$	Radius of a ping pong ball in meters
$A := \pi \cdot r^2$	$A = 0.00132$	Area of cross section of a ping pong ball in m ² .
$\text{mass} := 0.0027$		Mass of a ping pong ball in kg
$I := \frac{2 \cdot \text{mass} \cdot r^2}{3}$	$I = 7.5645 \times 10^{-7}$	Kg*m ²
$\rho := 1.2$		Density of dry air in kg/m ³ at sea level
$C_d := 0.5$		Ideal drag coefficient for a sphere. Unitless
$C_m := 0.29$		Magnus coefficient
$\eta := 1.78 \cdot 10^{-5}$		Viscosity of air in $\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{s}}$
$b := 6 \cdot \pi \cdot \eta \cdot r$	$b = 6.878203 \times 10^{-6}$	Viscous friction coefficient.
Magnus combined constant		
$M := 4 \cdot \pi \cdot C_m \cdot r^3 \cdot \rho$	$M = 0.000038$	From a document found on line
$M := \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \cdot \rho$	$M = 0.000038$	From Wikipedia. The two versions are almost the same.
$v_0 = 54$		Initial velocity in m/s
$\theta = 10 \text{ deg}$	$\theta = 0.174533$	Angle relative to horizontal
$\frac{\omega_0}{2 \cdot \pi} = 75$	$\omega_0 \cdot r = 9.660397$	Initial spin in radians per second and tangential velocity

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$$Q := \begin{pmatrix} x \leftarrow -1.5 \\ x' \leftarrow v_0 \cdot \cos(\theta) \\ y \leftarrow 0.05 \\ y' \leftarrow v_0 \cdot \sin(\theta) \\ \omega \leftarrow \omega_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Initial horizontal and vertical positions and velocities and spin

$$D(t, Q) := \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x' \\ y \\ y' \\ \omega \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow Q$$

Break out the state variables into horizontal position, horizontal velocity, vertical position, vertical velocity and radians per second

$$x'' \leftarrow -\frac{b \cdot x'}{\text{mass}} - \text{sign}(x') \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot C_d \cdot A \cdot \frac{x'^2}{2}}{\text{mass}} + \frac{M \cdot y' \cdot \omega}{\text{mass}}$$

Compute horizontal deceleration

$$y'' \leftarrow -9.8 - \frac{b \cdot y'}{\text{mass}} - \text{sign}(y') \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot C_d \cdot A \cdot \frac{y'^2}{2}}{\text{mass}} - \frac{M \cdot x' \cdot \omega}{\text{mass}}$$

Computes vertical acceleration/deceleration

$$\omega' \leftarrow -0.03 \cdot \omega$$

Slow down the spin of the ball exponentially. Slow down 3% per second. This seems slow but I have seen ball spin for many seconds.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ x'' \\ y' \\ y'' \\ \omega' \end{pmatrix}$$

Return rate of change in the state

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SimTime := 0.2

Simulation time

$\Delta t := 0.00025$

Time increment

$N := \frac{\text{SimTime}}{\Delta t} \quad N = 800$

Number of time increments

$Z := \text{rkfixed}(Q, 0, \text{SimTime}, N, D)$

Integrate using Runge-Kutta

	Time	x	x'	y	y'	ω
	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	-1.5	53.179619	0.05	9.377002	471.238898
1	0.00025	-1.486716	53.091379	0.052333	9.284005	471.235364
2	0.0005	-1.473454	53.00333	0.054642	9.191218	471.23183
3	0.00075	-1.460214	52.91547	0.056928	9.098638	471.228295
4	0.001	-1.446997	52.827799	0.059191	9.006265	471.224761
5	0.00125	-1.433801	52.740316	0.061431	8.914098	471.221227
6	0.0015	-1.420626	52.653019	0.063648	8.822135	471.217693
7	0.00175	-1.407474	52.565908	0.065842	8.730376	471.214159
8	0.002	-1.394343	52.478981	0.068014	8.638819	471.210625
9	0.00225	-1.381235	52.392239	0.070162	8.547463	471.20709
10	0.0025	-1.368147	52.30568	0.072287	8.456308	471.203556
11	0.00275	-1.355082	52.219302	0.07439	8.365352	471.200022
12	0.003	-1.342038	52.133106	0.07647	8.274595	471.196488
13	0.00325	-1.329015	52.047089	0.078527	8.184035	471.192954
14	0.0035	-1.316014	51.961253	0.080562	8.093671	471.189421
15	0.00375	-1.303034	51.875594	0.082574	8.003502	471.185887

$t := Z^{(0)} \quad x := Z^{(1)} \quad x' := Z^{(2)} \quad y := Z^{(3)} \quad y' := Z^{(4)} \quad \omega := Z^{(5)}$

$i := \begin{cases} i \leftarrow 0 \\ \text{while } Z_{i,3} > 0 \\ i \leftarrow i + 1 \end{cases} \quad i = 256$

$x_i = 1.280147 \quad y_i = -0.00034 \quad \omega_i = 470.334987$

$x'_i = 34.867845 \quad y'_i = -9.460708$

$n := 0..i$

$x := \text{submatrix}(x, 0, i, 0, 0)$

extract the horizontal positions from Z

$y := \text{submatrix}(y, 0, i, 0, 0)$

extract the vertical positions from Z

$\text{table}_n := 0$

table height is 0

$\text{net}_n := 0.1525$

Net height in meters

$\text{tbl_len} := 9 \cdot \text{ft}$

$\text{tbl_len} = 2.7432 \text{ m}$

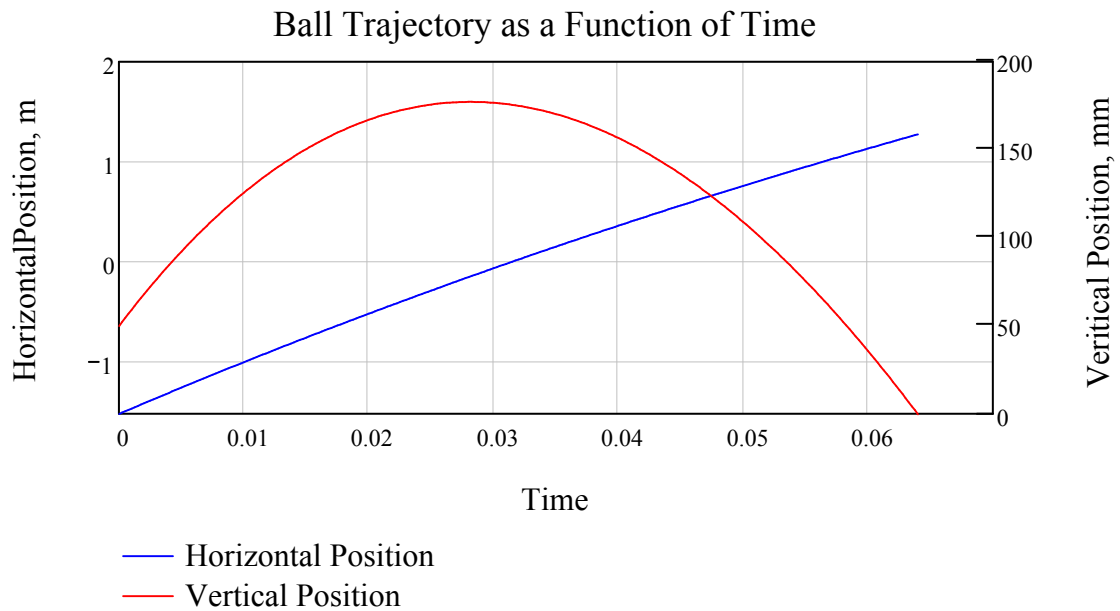
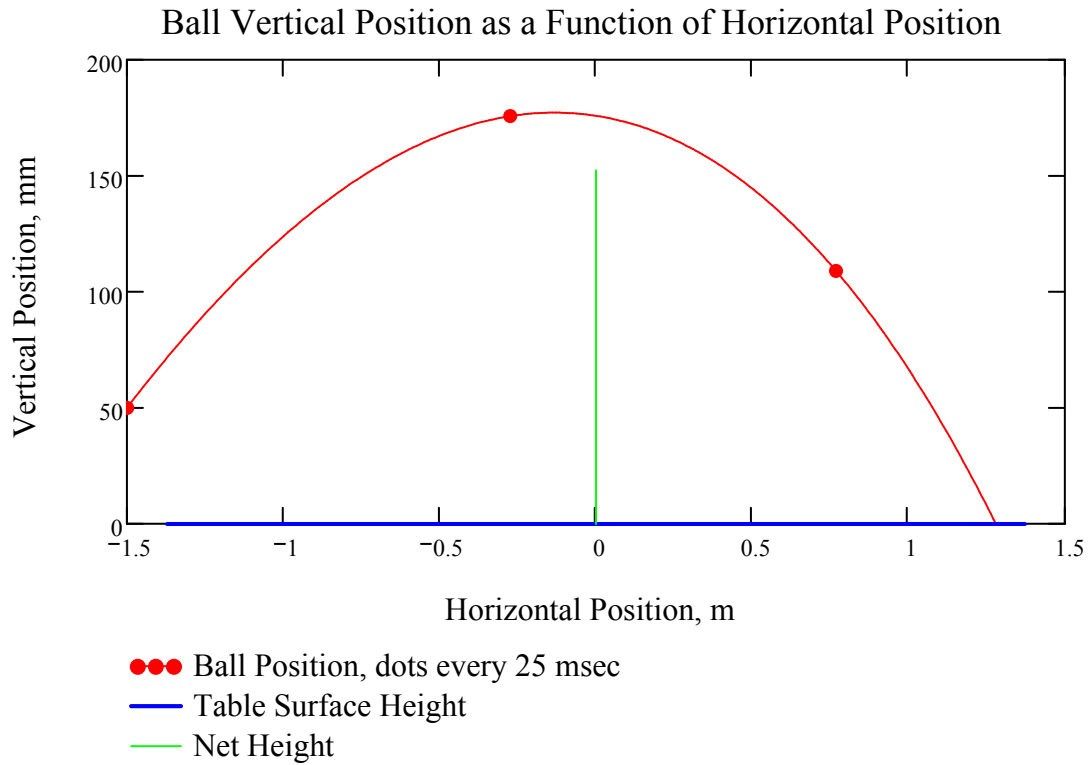
Table length

$\text{tbl_end} := \frac{\text{tbl_len}}{2}$

$\text{tbl_end} = 1.3716 \text{ m}$

Distance from net. + for the far end. - for the near end

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$v_0 = 54$ $\theta = 10\text{-deg}$ $\omega_0 = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot 75$ $i \cdot \Delta t = 0.064$ seconds

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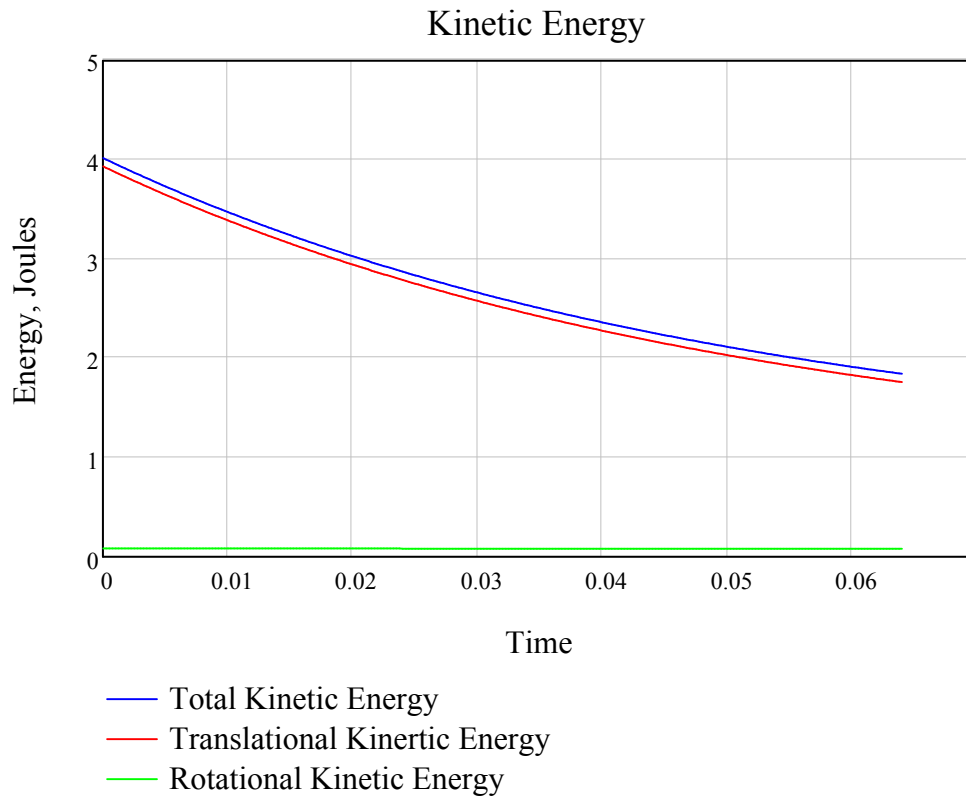
Kinetic Energy

$$E_{r_n} := \frac{1}{2} \cdot I \cdot (\omega_n)^2$$

Rotational Kinetic Energy
I is the rotational inertia and
 ω_n angular velocity in rad/s

$$E_{t_n} := \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{mass} \cdot \left[(x'_n)^2 + (y'_n)^2 \right]$$

Translational Kinetic Energy
 x' is the horizontal velocity
 y' is the vertical velocity

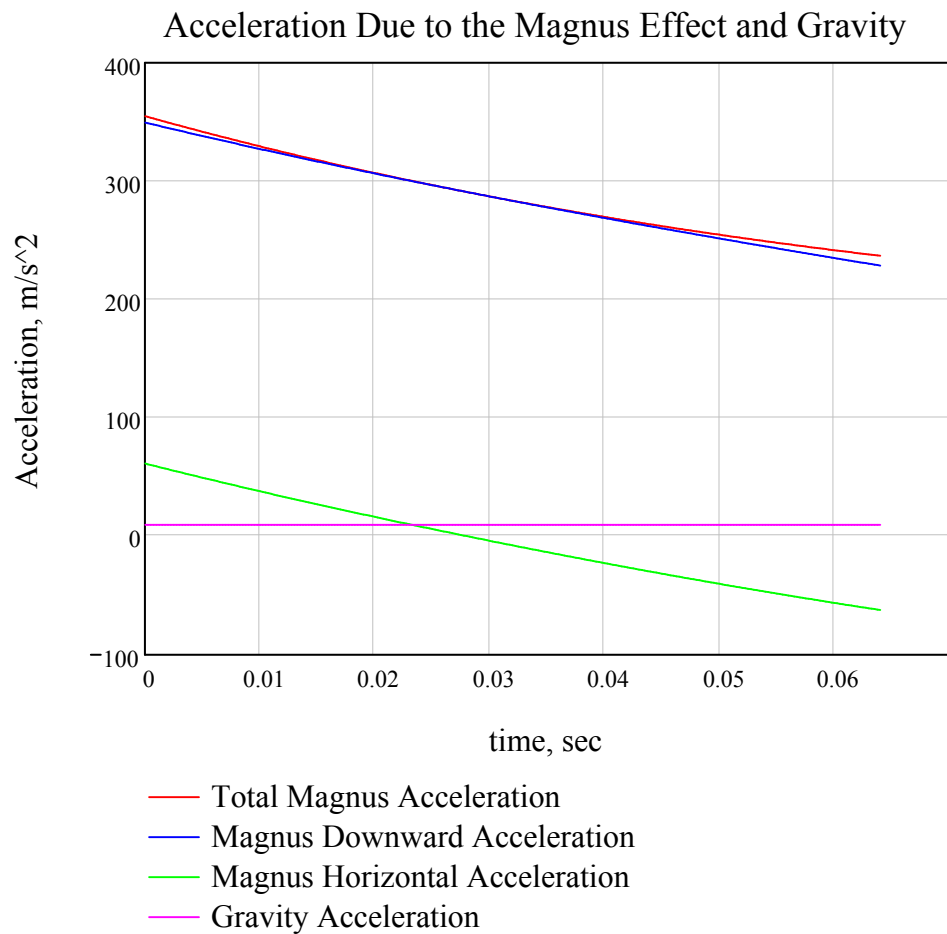


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Accelerations Due to the Magnus Effect

$$Mx_n := \frac{M \cdot y'_n \cdot \omega_n}{\text{mass}}$$

$$My_n := \frac{M \cdot x'_n \cdot \omega_n}{\text{mass}}$$



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Verify Units

$\text{dia} := 0.041 \cdot \text{m}$		TT ball diameter
$r := \frac{\text{dia}}{2}$	$r = 0.0205 \text{ m}$	TT ball radius
$A := \pi \cdot r^2$	$A = 0.00132 \text{ m}^2$	TT ball cross sectional area
$\text{mass} := 0.0027 \cdot \text{kg}$		TT ball mass
$I := \frac{2 \cdot \text{mass} \cdot r^2}{3}$	$I = 7.5645 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{kg}$	TT ball inertia
$\rho := 1.225 \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$		Density of air
$C_d := 0.5$		Coefficient of drag
$C_m := 0.29$		Magnus effect coefficient. Wikipedia says 0.33333
$\eta := 1.78 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{s}}$		Viscous friction coefficient
$b := 6 \cdot \pi \cdot \eta \cdot r$		Combine viscous friction coefficient
$M := 4 \cdot \pi \cdot C_m \cdot r^3 \cdot \rho$	$M = 0.000038 \text{ kg}$	Combined Magnus coefficient
$v_0 := 50 \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$		Initial velocity, combined x and y
$\theta := 12 \cdot \text{deg}$	$\theta = 0.20944$	Trajectory angle about horizontal
$\omega_0 := 2 \cdot \pi \cdot 75 \cdot \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$		Initial spin
$\omega := \omega_0$		
$x' := v_0 \cdot \cos(\theta)$	$x' = 48.90738 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$	Horizontal velocity
$y' := v_0 \cdot \sin(\theta)$	$y' = 10.395585 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$	Vertical velocity

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Acceleration and Units

All the terms result in an acceleration in meters per second squared to the units are consistent.

Horizontal acceleration. In this case it is negative or decelerating.

$$x'' := -\frac{b \cdot x'}{\text{mass}} - \text{sign}(x') \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot C_d \cdot A \cdot \frac{x'^2}{2}}{\text{mass}} + \frac{M \cdot y' \cdot \omega}{\text{mass}} \quad x'' = -288.538799 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

Vertical acceleration. Negative values mean downwards

$$y'' := -g - \frac{b \cdot y'}{\text{mass}} - \text{sign}(y') \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot C_d \cdot A \cdot \frac{y'^2}{2}}{\text{mass}} - \frac{M \cdot x' \cdot \omega}{\text{mass}} \quad y'' = -354.30619 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

All the individual terms have consistent units of acceleration.

$$\frac{b \cdot x'}{\text{mass}} = 0.124591 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \quad \text{Viscous damping}$$

$$\text{sign}(x') \cdot \frac{\rho \cdot C_d \cdot A \cdot \frac{x'^2}{2}}{\text{mass}} = 358.194345 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \quad \text{Drag}$$

$$\frac{4 \cdot \pi \cdot C_m \cdot r^3 \cdot \rho \cdot x' \cdot \omega}{\text{mass}} = 328.289732 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \quad \text{Magnus effect}$$