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- (b) A plane is inclined at an angle 45° to the horizontal. A particle is projected up the plane with initial speed u at an angle θ to the **horizontal**. The plane of projection is vertical and contains the line of greatest slope.

The particle is moving horizontally when it strikes the inclined plane.

Show that $\tan \theta = 2$.

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$$r_j = 0$$

$$0 = u \sin(\theta - 45)t - \frac{1}{2} g \cos 45 t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{2u \sin(\theta - 45)}{g \cos 45}$$

$$v_i = u \cos(\theta - 45) - g \sin 45 t$$

$$= u \cos(\theta - 45) - g \sin 45 \left(\frac{2u \sin(\theta - 45)}{g \cos 45} \right)$$

$$= u \cos(\theta - 45) - 2u \sin(\theta - 45)$$

$$v_j = u \sin(\theta - 45) - g \cos 45 t$$

$$= u \sin(\theta - 45) - g \cos 45 \left(\frac{2u \sin(\theta - 45)}{g \cos 45} \right)$$

$$= -u \sin(\theta - 45)$$

$$\text{Landing angle} = 45^\circ \Rightarrow \tan 45 = \frac{-v_j}{v_i}$$

$$1 = \frac{u \sin(\theta - 45)}{u \cos(\theta - 45) - 2u \sin(\theta - 45)}$$

$$u \sin(\theta - 45) = u \cos(\theta - 45) - 2u \sin(\theta - 45)$$

$$\tan(\theta - 45) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{\tan \theta - 1}{1 + \tan \theta} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$3 \tan \theta - 3 = 1 + \tan \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = 2$$

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