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- a. (5 pts.) What was the initial x -component of the velocity of the balloon?
- b. (5 pts.) What was the initial y -component of the velocity of the balloon?
- c. (10 pts.) What is the *magnitude* of the velocity of the balloon just before it hits the ground?
- d. (5 pts.) What is the *direction* of the velocity of the balloon just before it hits the ground?

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$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &= 0 & x &= 11 \text{ m} \\ y_0 &= 15.0 \text{ m} & y &= 0 \text{ m} \\ v_{0x} &= ? & v_x &= ? \\ v_{0y} &= ? & v_y &= ? \end{aligned}$$

$$v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t = v_{0x}$$

$$x = x_0 + v_{0x} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$$

$$11.0 \text{ m} = 0 + (v_{0x})(1.91 \text{ s})$$

$$v_{0x} = \frac{11.0 \text{ m}}{1.91 \text{ s}} = \boxed{5.76 \text{ m/s}}$$

b. (5 pts.) What was the initial y -component of the velocity of the balloon?

$$y = y_0 + v_{0y} t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$$

$$v_{0y} = \frac{y - y_0 - \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2}{t} = \frac{0 - 15 - \frac{1}{2}(-9.8)(1.91)^2}{1.91} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\boxed{v_{0y} = +1.51 \text{ m/s}}$$

- c. (10 pts.) What is the *magnitude* of the velocity of the balloon just before it hits the ground?

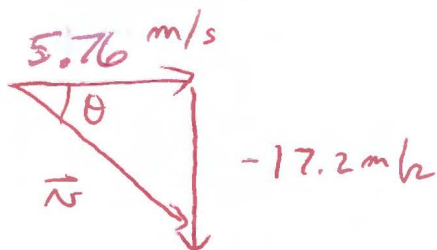
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$$v_y = -17.2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} = \boxed{18.2 \text{ m/s}}$$

- d. (5 pts.) What is the *direction* of the velocity of the balloon just before it hits the ground?



$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-17.2}{5.76} \right)$$

$$\theta = \boxed{-71.5^\circ}$$

check: Yes, this is the correct quadrant.