

2-13 Take the origin as being the original point of release of the arrow from the bow. Thus we know that $\Delta y = -18$ [m]. Because there is no acceleration in the x direction, we know that the x component of the velocity of the arrow is unchanged during the motion. Thus $v_x = v_{0x} = 55$ [m/s] $\cos 25^\circ = 49.8$ [m/s]. The y component of the final velocity of the arrow, $v_y = -55$ [m/s] $\sin 25^\circ = -23.2$ [m/s] with the $-$ sign signifying that the arrow's velocity is downward. Now we can use the relation $v_y^2 = v_{0y}^2 + 2 a \Delta y$. Thus $v_{0y} = \sqrt{\{v_y\}^2 - 2 \times (-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) \times (-18 \text{ [m]})} = \sqrt{\{-23.2 \text{ [m/s]}\}^2 - 2 \times (-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) \times (-18 \text{ [m]})} = 13.6$ m/s. Note we cannot say whether the arrow was fired with an upward component or a downward component to the vertical velocity. The angle with respect to the horizontal is given by $\theta = \tan^{-1}(v_y/v_x) = \tan^{-1}(13.6 \text{ [m/s]}/(49.8 \text{ [m/s]}) = 15^\circ$ with respect to the horizontal. The initial speed $v = \sqrt{\{(v_{0x})^2 + (v_{0y})^2\}} = \sqrt{\{(49.8 \text{ [m/s]})^2 + (13.6 \text{ [m/s]})^2\}} = 52$ [m/s]. Thus the correct choice is (C).