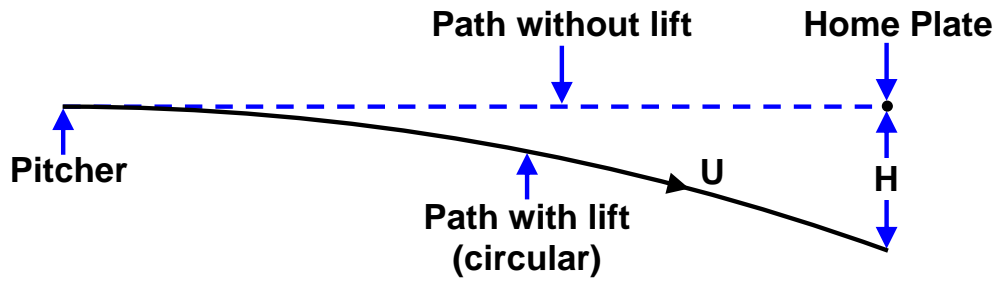


Problem 290B

Suppose that the lift force experienced by a spinning baseball is to be estimated by $\rho U \Gamma a$ where ρ is the air density (1 kg/m^3), U is its forward velocity (say 40 m/s), a is its radius (0.03 m) and Γ is a circulation which is estimated as $2\pi a^2 \omega$ where ω is the velocity of spin (take $\omega = 200 \text{ rad/s}$). If the path of the baseball between the pitcher's mound and home plate (distance $\approx 20 \text{ m}$) is modelled as part of a circle, estimate the distance (in m) between the home plate arrival locations with and without the spin, in other words estimate the distance, H :



Neglect gravity. My estimate(?) of the mass of the baseball is 0.2 kg .