# Physics of Extreme Sports

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- Only force acting is gravity
  - "Projectile Motion"
- Examples of free-fall in sports?
- Does something have to be going down to be in freefall?

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#### Extended Objects

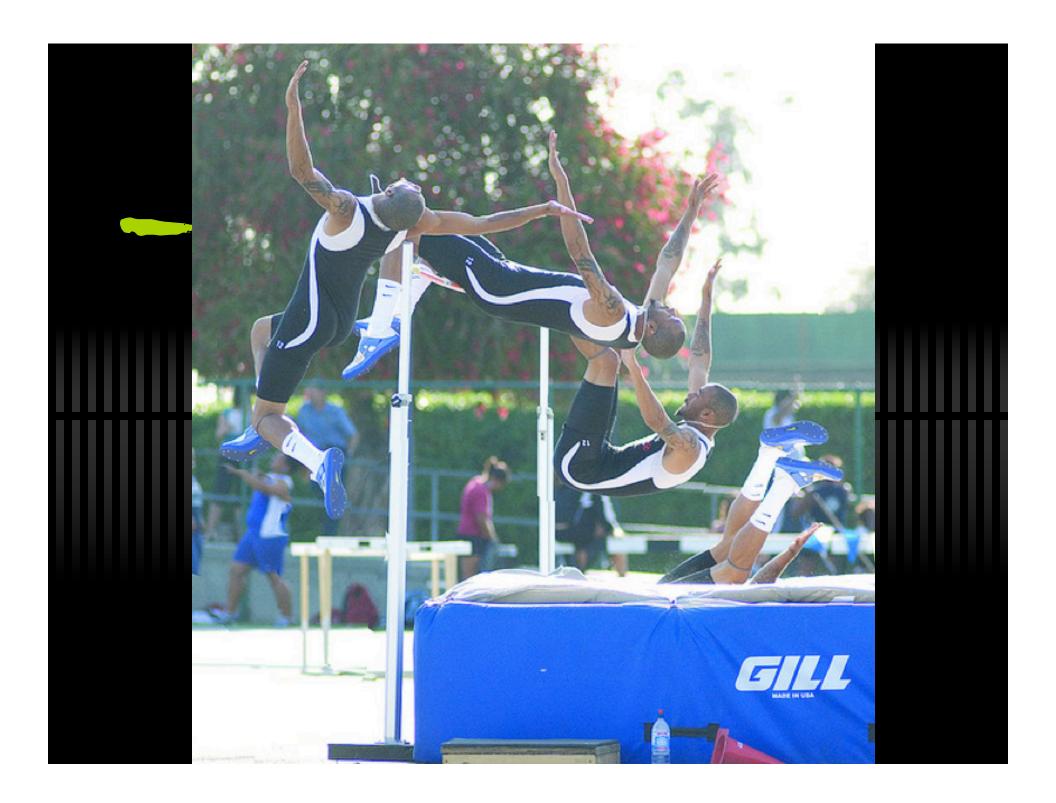
#### • What part of an extended object follows the free-fall

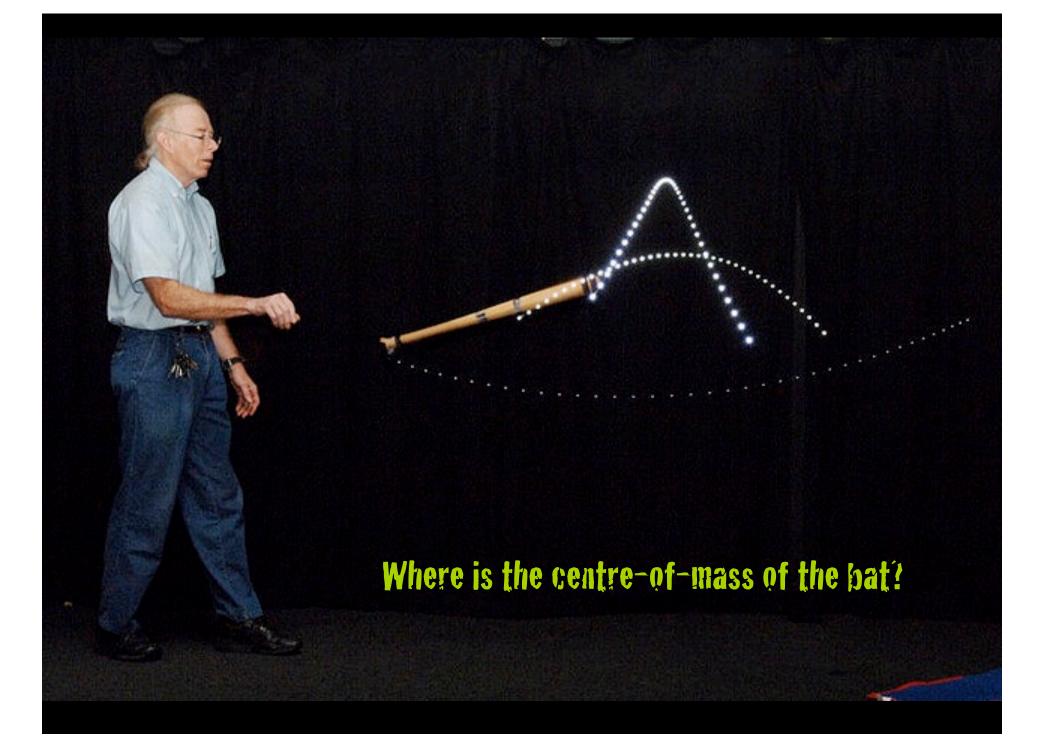
curve?



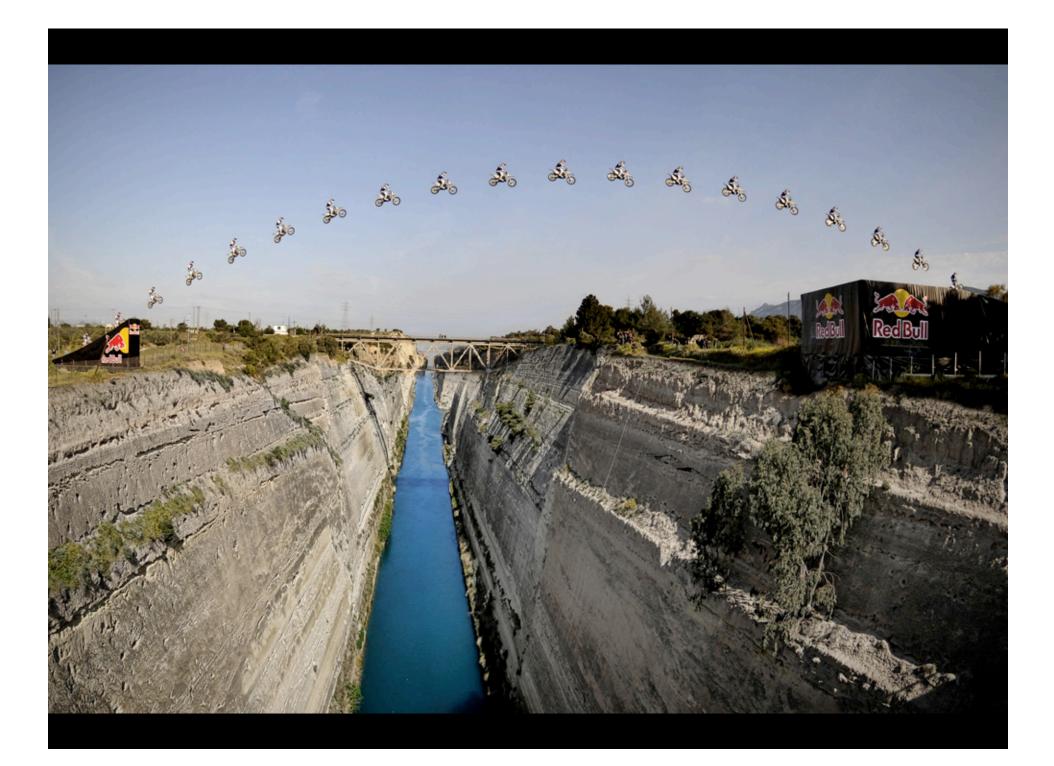
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- What part of an extended object follows the free-fall curve?
  Centre-of-Mass
- Where is the Centre-of-Mass of a person?
  Is it constant? Can it change?
- Does it have to be a part of the actual body/equipment?











#### Where is the centre-of-mass? Before/after the biker lets go?