## Physics 101 Lecture 2 Kinematics: Motion in 1-Dimension

## Kinematics: Velocity

$\rightarrow$ Velocity: the rate of change of position $\geqslant v=\Delta x / \Delta t$.
» average
» instantaneous


- Instantaneous Velocity: the slope of tangent line at any point on a position-time graph
- Example:

What is the instantaneous velocity:

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x=2 \mathrm{~m} \text { and } t=1 \mathrm{~s} ?
$$

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v=\Delta x_{\tan } / \Delta \mathrm{t}_{\tan }
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \Rightarrow \Delta x_{\tan }=(3-2) \mathrm{m} \\
& \rightarrow \Delta t_{\tan }=(1.25-1) \mathrm{s}
\end{aligned}
$$

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\rightarrow v=\frac{1 \mathrm{~m}}{0.25 \mathrm{~s}}=4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}
$$

## $\mathrm{x}(\mathrm{m})$ Velocity: Plotting Position and Time



What is the average velocity between :
$t=1 \mathrm{~s}$ and $t=5 \mathrm{~s}$ ?

- $\Delta v=\Delta x / \Delta t$
$\rightarrow \Delta x=(1-2) m$
$\rightarrow \Delta t=(5-1) \mathrm{s}$
$\rightarrow v=\frac{-1 \mathrm{~m}}{4 \mathrm{~s}}=-0.25 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}}$
$\rightarrow$ What does "-" mean?

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## Velocity Clicker Question

If the average velocity of a car during a trip along a straight road is positive, is it possible for the instantaneous velocity at some time during the trip to be negative?
A - Yes
B - No

## Kinematics: Acceleration

$\rightarrow$ Acceleration: the rate of change of velocity
» $a=\Delta v / \Delta t$
» average
» instantaneous

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## Acceleration: Plotting Velocity and Time



- Slope:

Instantaneous acceleration:

## $a=\left(\frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}\right)$ for small $\Delta t$ <br> - Example:

Velocity at $t=2$
$\rightarrow v(2)=3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$

What's acceleration at $t=2$ ?
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## Acceleration: Plotting Velocity and Time

- Area:


Displacement: $\Delta x=v \Delta t$

- Example:

Find the displacement between:

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\begin{aligned}
& t=0 \mathrm{~s} \text { and } t=3 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \Rightarrow t=0 \mathrm{~s} \text { to } t=1 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \quad>\Delta x_{1}=\frac{1}{2}\left(3 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}}\right)(1 \mathrm{~s})=1.5 \mathrm{~m} \\
& \Rightarrow t=1 \mathrm{~s} \text { to } t=3 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \quad \gg \Delta x_{2}=\left(3 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}}\right)(3-1 \mathrm{~s})=6 \mathrm{~m} \\
& \Rightarrow \Delta x=\Delta x_{1}+\Delta x_{2}=7.5 \mathrm{~m}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Acceleration: Plotting Velocity and Time



- Average Velocity:

$$
\Delta v=\Delta x / \Delta t
$$

- Example:

Average velocity between

$$
\begin{aligned}
& t=0 \mathrm{~s} \text { and } t=3 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \Rightarrow \Delta x=7.5 \mathrm{~m}, \Delta t=3 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \Rightarrow \Delta v=\frac{7.5}{3} \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}}=2.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Acceleration: Plotting Velocity and Time



- Average Acceleration: $\Delta a=\Delta v / \Delta t$
- Example:

Average acceleration between
$t=3 \mathrm{~s}$ and $t=5 \mathrm{~s}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \rightarrow \Delta v=(-2-3) \frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{~s}}=-5 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}} \\
& \rightarrow \Delta t=(5-3) \mathrm{s}=2 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \Rightarrow \Delta a=-\frac{5 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}}}{2 \mathrm{~s}}=-2.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}
\end{aligned}
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## Graphical Representation of Acceleration: Plotting Acceleration and Time



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## Acceleration: Plotting Velocity and Time



- Area:

$$
\Delta v=a \Delta t
$$

- Example: Change in velocity between $t=1 \mathrm{~s}$ and $t=4 \mathrm{~s}$

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\begin{aligned}
& \Rightarrow t=1 \mathrm{~s} \text { to } t=3 \mathrm{~s} \\
& \quad » \Delta v_{1}=\left(3 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}^{2}}\right)(2 \mathrm{~s})=6 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s} \\
& \rightarrow t=3 \mathrm{~s} \text { to } t=4 \mathrm{~s}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
&> \Delta v_{2}=\left(-2 \frac{\mathrm{~m}}{\mathrm{~s}^{2}}\right)(1 \mathrm{~s})= \\
&-2 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s} \\
& \Rightarrow \Delta v=\Delta v_{1}+\Delta v_{2}=4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Acceleration Clicker Qs

Is it possible for an object to have a positive velocity at the same time as it has a negative acceleration?

1 - Yes
2 - No

If the velocity of some object is not zero, can its acceleration ever be zero ?
1 - Yes
2 - No

Equations for Constant Acceleration

- $x=x_{0}+v_{0} t+\frac{1}{2} a t^{2}$
- $v=v_{0}+a t$
- $v^{2}=v_{0}^{2}+2 a\left(x-x_{0}\right)$

Use these equations to predict the future path and speed of an object under constant acceleration!




## Clicker Q

...interpreting graphs...


Which x vs t plot shows positive acceleration?

## Kinematics: Free Fall-A Special Case

- Free Fall: An object's motion is caused by gravity alone
$\rightarrow a=g$, the acceleration of gravity
$\rightarrow g=9.8 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$
$\rightarrow$ The 3 kinematic equations become:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& » y=y_{0}+v_{0 y} t-1 / 2 g t^{2} \\
& » v_{y}=v_{0 y}-g t \\
& » v_{y}^{2}=v_{0 y}^{2}-2 g\left(y-y_{0}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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## A Few Facts About $g$

- For Gravity:
$\rightarrow$ Acceleration is $g=9.8 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$ near the surface of the earth.
$\rightarrow g$ always points downward
$\rightarrow$ Position may be positive, zero or negative
$\rightarrow$ Velocity may be positive, zero or negative

- To Calculate position or velocity as a function of time:
$\rightarrow$ Position: $y=y_{0}+v_{0 y} t-\frac{1}{2} g t^{2}$
$\rightarrow$ Velocity: $v_{y}=v_{0 y}-g t$
- To calculate velocity as a function of position:
$\Rightarrow v_{y}^{2}=v_{0 y}^{2}-2 g\left(y-y_{0}\right)$

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## Dropped Ball Clicker Q

A ball is dropped from a height of
 two meters above the ground.

Draw $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{y}}$ vs t




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## Dropped Ball: Position \& acceleration

A ball is dropped from a height of two meters above the ground.

- Draw v vs t


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- Draw y vs t

- Draw a vs t



## Tossed Ball Clicker Q

A ball is tossed from the ground up a height of two meters above the ground, and falls back down. $\dagger^{y}$

## Draw vest






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## Tossed Ball, $\mathbb{x}, \mathbf{V}$, a relationships

A ball is tossed from the ground up a height of two meters above the ground. And falls back down

- Draw v vs t

- Draw y vs t

- Draw a vs t



## Checkpoint 1: Look familiar?

A fox locates its prey, usually a mouse, under the snow by slight sounds the rodents make. The fox then leaps straight into the air and burrows its nose into the snow to catch its next meal.

1) Which of the three pairs of graphs represent the free fall motion of the fox? Assume the +y direction is pointed upward.


## Checkpoint 2

The figure graphs the $x$ component of the velocity of a car traveling in a straight line. During what intervals of time is car slowing down? 1) Interval 1: From $t=0 \mathrm{~s}$ to about $\mathrm{t}=1.3 \mathrm{~s}$
2) Interval 2: From about $t=1.3$ to $t=3 \mathrm{~s}$
3) Interval 3: From $t=3 \mathrm{~s}$ to $\mathrm{t}=4 \mathrm{~s}$
4) Interval 4: From $t=4 \mathrm{~s}$ to $\mathrm{t}=5 \mathrm{~s}$
5) Interval 5: From $t=5 \mathrm{~s}$ to $\mathrm{t}=7 \mathrm{~s}$
6) Interval 6: From $t=7 \mathrm{~s}$ to about $\mathrm{t}=8.7 \mathrm{~s}$
7) Interval 7: From about $\mathrm{t}=8.7 \mathrm{~s}$ to $\mathrm{t}=10 \mathrm{~s}$

A) Intervals 1, 3 and 5
B) Intervals 2, 4, 6 and 7
C) Intervals 2 and 4
D) Intervals 6 and 7
E) Intervals 2 and 6

## Summary of Concepts

- Kinematic Quantities:
$\rightarrow$ Position \& Displacement
$\rightarrow$ Velocity \& Speed
$\rightarrow$ Acceleration
- Free Fall

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& \Rightarrow y=y_{0}+v_{0 y} t-1 / 2 g t^{2} \\
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