

Classical Mechanics

- Kinematics
(No need to know $\vec{F}$)
- Dynamics
(Must know acting forces $\vec{F}$)

Motion in One Dimension:

Have a record of x versus t

x_i = position at time t_i

x_f = position at time t_f

Define Average velocity $\bar{v}$ during time interval $\Delta t = t_f - t_i$ (change in time).

The displacement $\Delta x = x_f - x_i$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{v} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{v} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{t_f - t_i}$$



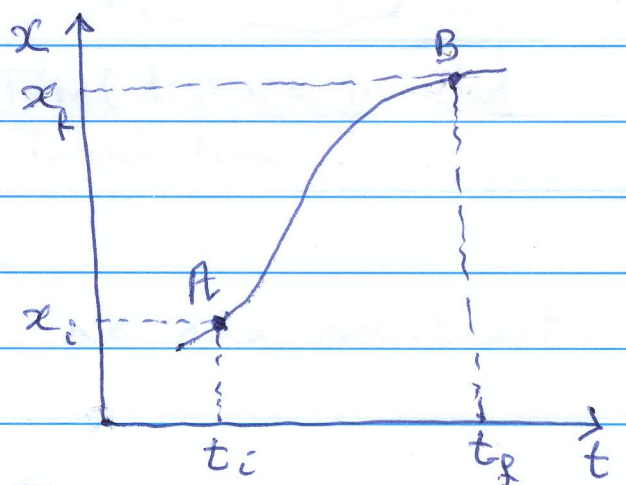
A possible x versus t relation is:

Some remarks:

1. We do not care about how x_i changed to x_f .

2. $\bar{v}$ has directional identity (clear in 2 or

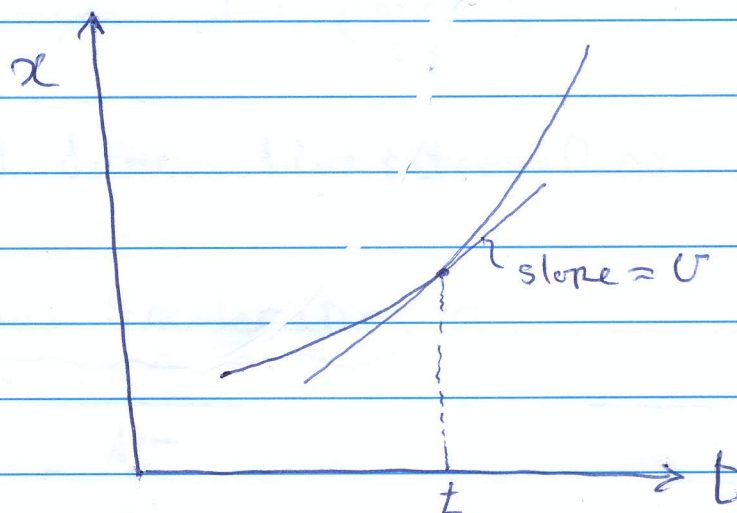
3 dimensional motion).



Define Instantaneous velocity v at one time t .
When $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$

$\Rightarrow$

$$v = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{dx}{dt} \quad (\text{t is a fixed time})$$



Define Average Speed = $\frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}}$

Summary:

Average velocity $\left\{ \bar{v} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \right\}$ (during Δt)

Instantaneous velocity $\left\{ v = \frac{dx}{dt} \right\}$ (at time t)

Average speed = $\frac{\text{Total distance traveled}}{\text{Total time}}$

From x versus t , we can construct
 v versus t also.
 $\uparrow$
instantaneous.

Now we define Average Acceleration $\bar{a}$

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v^{\text{instantaneous}}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\Delta v = v_f - v_i$$

$$\Delta t = t_f - t_i$$

Acceleration is measured in m/s^2

$\bar{a}$ is measured during time interval Δt .

Define Instantaneous Acceleration a

$$a = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

Note that $v = \frac{dx}{dt}$

$\Rightarrow$

$$a = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right) = \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2}$$

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Motion under constant acceleration:

Constant acceleration $\Rightarrow a_x = \bar{a}_x$

$\Rightarrow$ or $a = \bar{a}$

$$a_x = \frac{v_f - v_i}{t_f - t_i}$$

Let $t_i = 0$, $v_i = \text{initial velocity}$
 $t_f = t$, $v_f = \text{final velocity}$

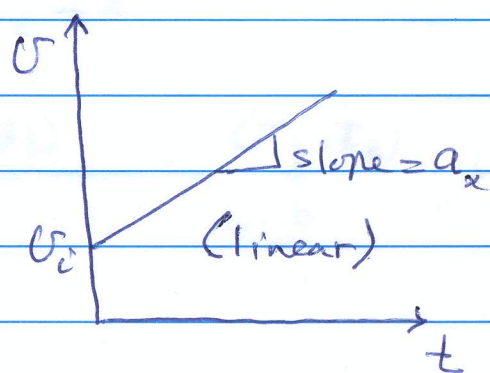
$\Rightarrow$

$$a_x = \frac{v_f - v_i}{t - 0}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{v_f = v_i + a_x t} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Plot this equation



From graph $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \bar{v}_x &= \frac{1}{2}(v_i + v_f) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(v_i + v_i + a_x t) \\ &= v_i + \frac{1}{2}a_x t \end{aligned}$$

But

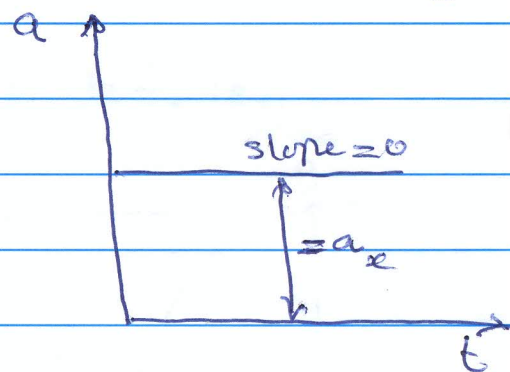
$$\begin{aligned} x_f &= x_i + \bar{v}_x t \\ \left(\bar{v}_x = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{t - 0} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$x_f = x_i + (v_i + \frac{1}{2}a_x t)t$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{x_f = x_i + v_i t + \frac{1}{2}a_x t^2} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$



Also $x_f - x_i = \bar{v}(t-0) = \bar{v}t$
and

$$\bar{v} = \frac{v_f + v_i}{2}, \quad t = \frac{v_f - v_i}{a_x}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$x_f - x_i = \left(\frac{v_f + v_i}{2} \right) \left(\frac{v_f - v_i}{a_x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(v_f + v_i)(v_f - v_i)}{2a_x}$$

$$= \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a_x}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a_x(x_f - x_i)} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Application: Free falling bodies

$$a = -g \quad \text{always}$$

$$g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$= 32.2 \text{ ft/s}^2$$

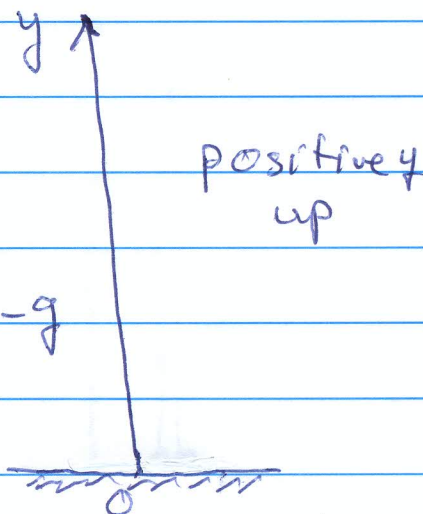
In this case $\Rightarrow$

$$a = -g$$

$$v_f = v_i - gt \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$y_f = y_i + v_i t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 - 2g(y_f - y_i) \quad \text{--- (3)}$$



Example: A ball is thrown up with initial velocity $v_i = v_o$. Find the time to reach maximum height h .

We have:

$$v_f = 0$$

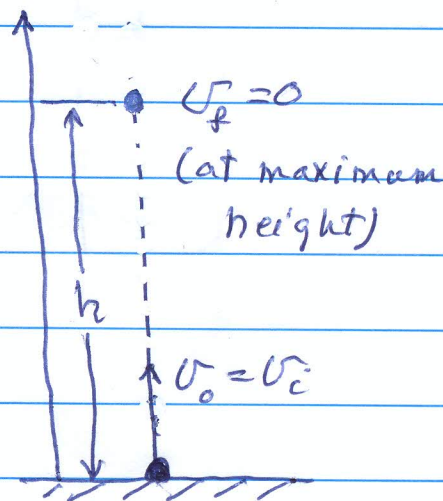
$$v_i = +v_o$$

$$v_f = v_i - g t_{\max}$$

$$0 = v_o - g t_{\max}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$t_{\max} = \frac{v_o}{g}$$



Find the time needed to come back to the initial position

In such a case

$$v_f = -v_o$$

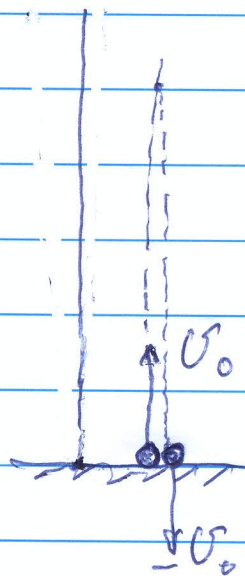
$\Rightarrow$

$$v_f = v_i - g t_{\text{total}}$$

$$-v_o = v_o - g t_{\text{total}}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$t_{\text{total}} = \frac{2v_o}{g}$$



This is ^{also} twice time needed to reach maximum height.

We can also find maximum height

$$y_f = h \quad y_i = 0$$

$$v_f = 0, \quad v_i = +v_0$$

$$\text{Use } v_f^2 = v_i^2 - 2g(y_f - y_i)$$

$$0 = v_0^2 - 2g(h - 0)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$h = \frac{v_0^2}{2g}$$

