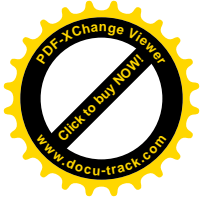
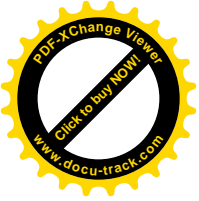


Chapter 2

Motion in One Dimension

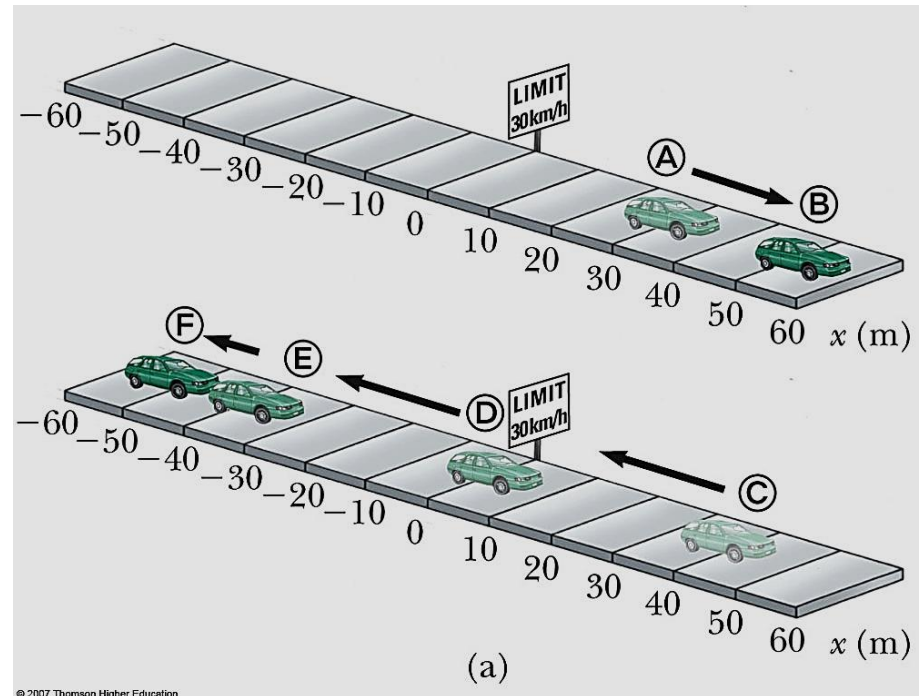


Kinematics (Motion)

- Describes motion while ignoring the operators that caused the motion
- For now, will consider motion in one dimension
 - Along a straight line
- Will use the particle model
 - A particle is a point-like object, has mass but tiny size

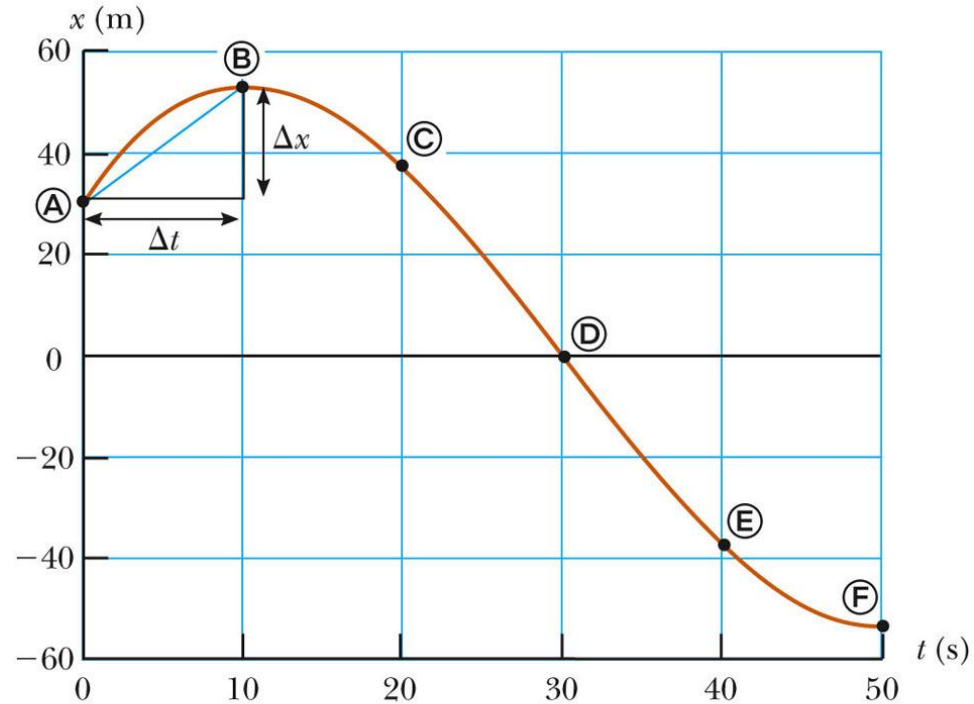
Position

- The object's position is its location with respect to a chosen reference point
 - Consider the point to be the origin of a coordinate system
- In the diagram, allow the road sign to be the reference point



Position-Time Graph

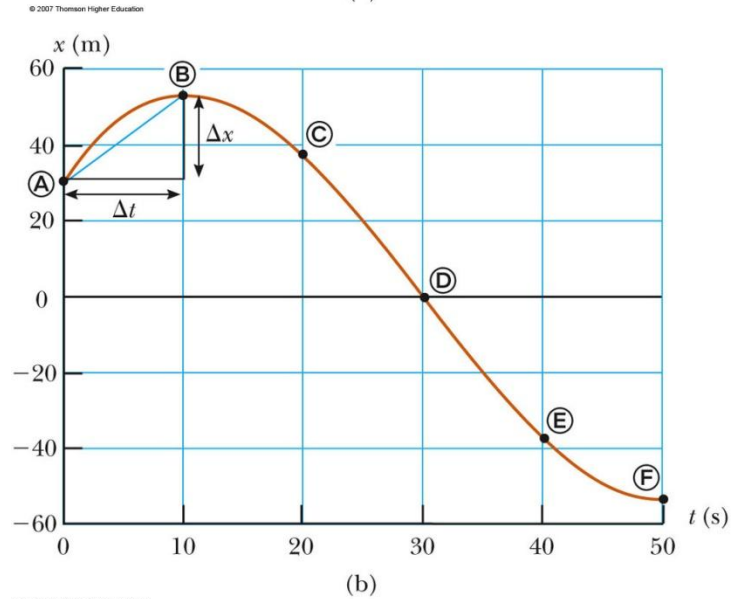
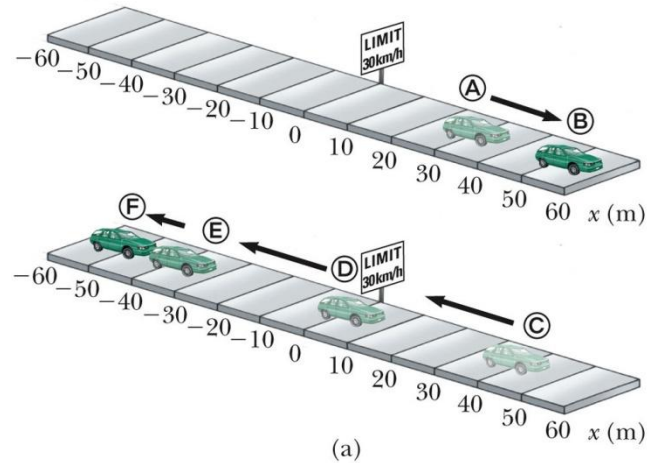
- The position-time graph shows the motion of the particle (car)
- The smooth curve is a guess as to what happened between the data points

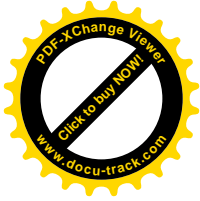
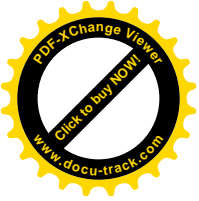


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Motion of Car

- Note the relationship between the position of the car and the points on the graph
- Compare the different representations of the motion





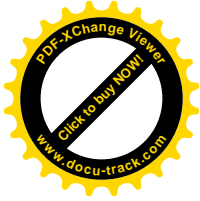
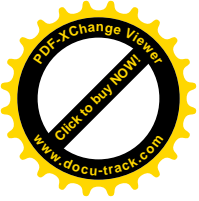
Data Table

- The table gives the actual data collected during the motion of the object (car)
- Positive is defined as being to the right

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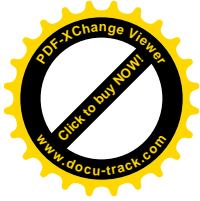
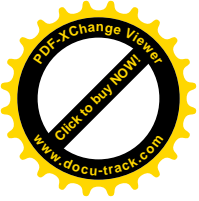
**Position of the Car
at Various Times**

Position	t (s)	x (m)
(A)	0	30
(B)	10	52
(C)	20	38
(D)	30	0
(E)	40	-37
(F)	50	-53



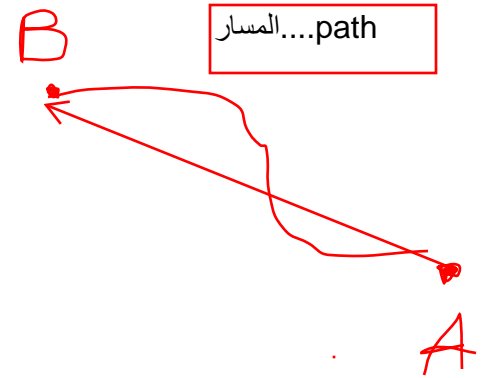
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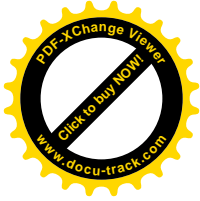
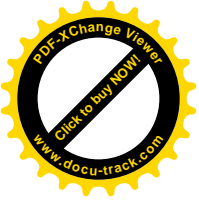
- Using alternative representations is often an excellent strategy for understanding a problem
 - For example, the car problem used multiple representations
 - Pictorial representation
 - Graphical representation
 - Tabular representation
- Goal is often a mathematical representation



Displacement

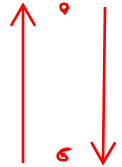
- Defined as the change in position during some time interval
 - Represented as Δx
$$\Delta x \equiv x_f - x_i$$
 - SI units are meters (m)
 - Δx can be positive or negative
- Different than **distance** – the length of a path followed by a particle





Distance vs. Displacement – An Example

- Assume a player moves from one end of the court to the other and back
- Distance is twice the length of the court
 - Distance is always positive
- Displacement is zero
 - $\Delta x = x_f - x_i = 0$ since



$$x_f = x_i$$

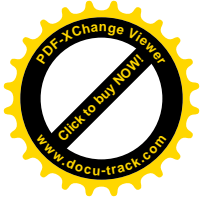
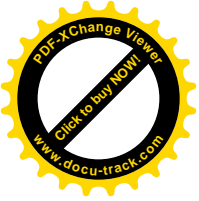
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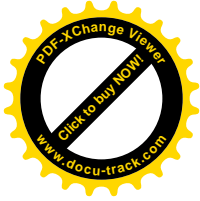
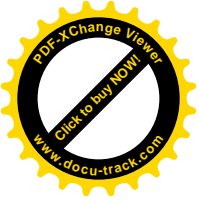
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Note: Motion is along the x axis.



Vectors and Scalars

- Vector quantities need both magnitude (size or numerical value) and direction to completely describe them
 - Will use + and – signs to indicate vector directions
- Scalar quantities are completely described by magnitude only

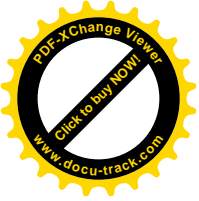


Average Velocity

- The **average velocity** is rate at which the displacement occurs

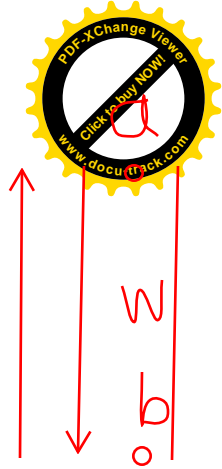
$$V_{x,avg} \equiv \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{\Delta t}$$

- The x indicates motion along the x-axis
- The dimensions are length / time [L/T]
- The SI units are m/s
- Is also the slope of the line in the position – time graph

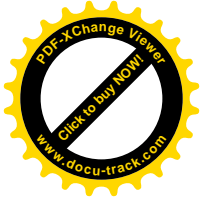
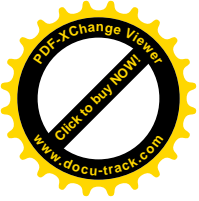


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Average Speed



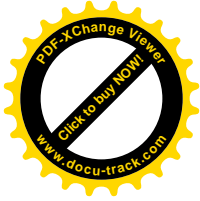
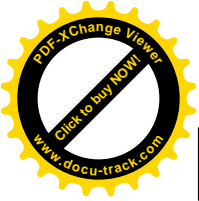
- Speed is a scalar quantity
 - same units as velocity
 - total distance / total time: $V_{avg} \equiv \frac{d}{t}$
- The speed has no direction and is always expressed as a positive number
- Neither average velocity nor average speed gives details about the trip described



Instantaneous Velocity

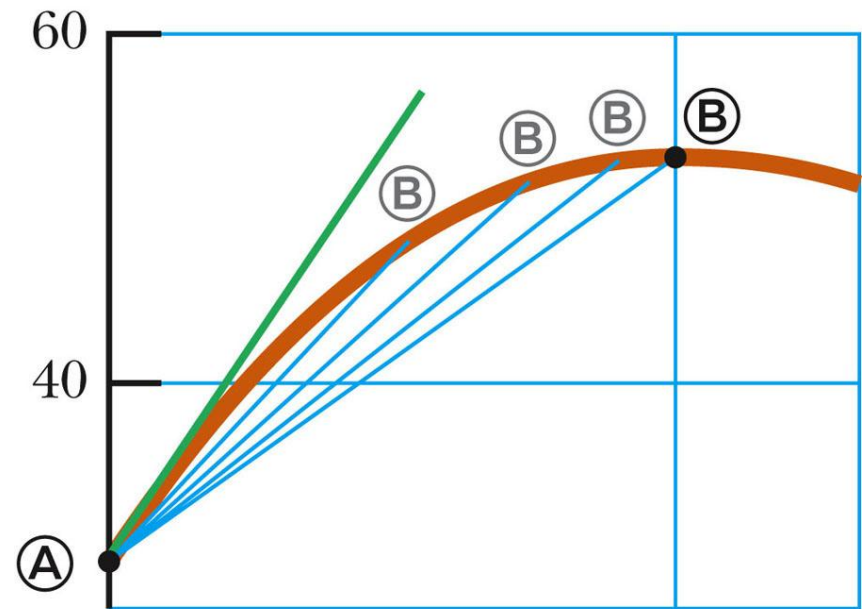
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- The limit of the average velocity as the time interval becomes infinitesimally short, or as the time interval approaches zero
- The instantaneous velocity indicates what is happening at every point of time

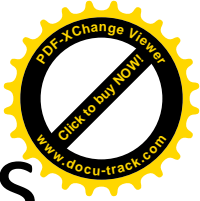
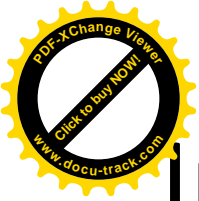


Instantaneous Velocity, graph

- The instantaneous velocity is the slope of the line tangent to the x vs. t curve
- This would be the green line
- The light blue lines show that as Δt gets smaller, they approach the green line



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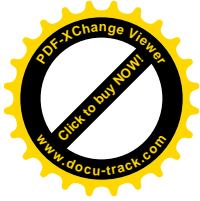
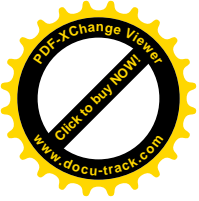


Instantaneous Velocity, equations

- The general equation for instantaneous velocity is

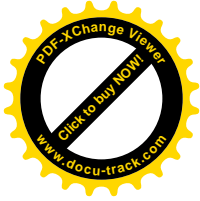
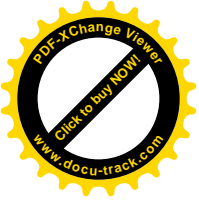
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- The instantaneous velocity can be positive, negative, or zero



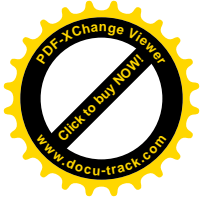
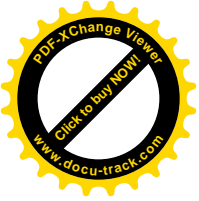
Instantaneous Speed

- The instantaneous speed is the magnitude of the instantaneous velocity
- The instantaneous speed has no direction associated with it



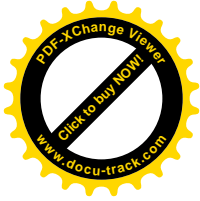
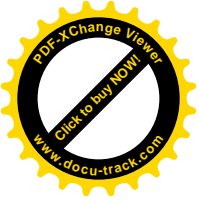
Vocabulary Note

- “Velocity” and “speed” will indicate *instantaneous* values
- *Average* will be used when the average velocity or average speed is indicated



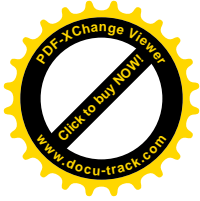
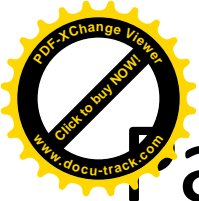
Analysis Models

- Analysis models are an important technique in the solution to problems
- An analysis model is a previously solved problem
 - It describes
 - The behavior of some physical entity
 - The interaction between the entity and the environment
 - Try to identify the fundamental details of the problem and attempt to recognize which of the types of problems you have already solved could be used as a model for the new problem



Analysis Models, cont

- Based on four *simplification models*
 - Particle model
 - System model
 - Rigid object
 - Wave



Particle Under Constant Velocity

- Constant velocity indicates the instantaneous velocity at any instant during a time interval is the same as the average velocity during that time interval

- $v_x = v_{x, avg}$

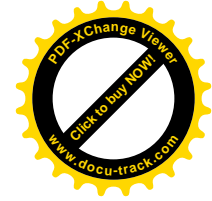
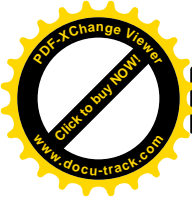
- The mathematical representation of this situation is the equation

$$v_x = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{\Delta t} \quad \text{or} \quad x_f = x_i + v_x \Delta t$$

$$\Delta t = t_f - t_i$$

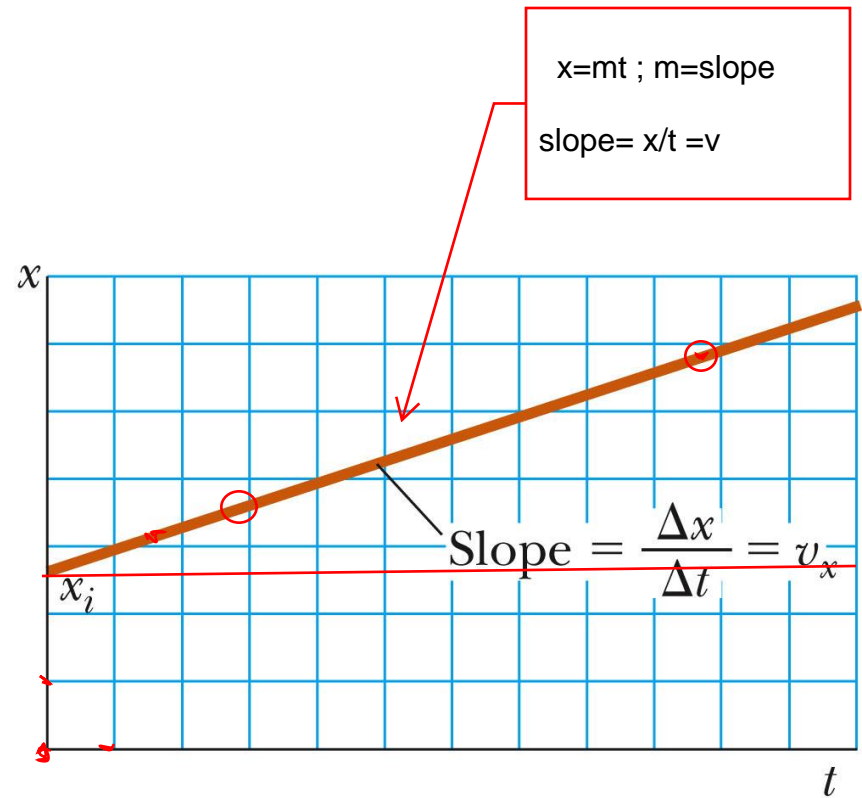
- Common practice is to let $t_i = 0$ and the equation becomes: x_f

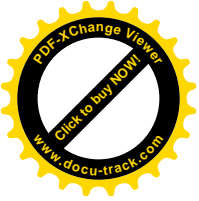
$x_f = x_i + v_x t$ (for constant v_x)



Particle Under Constant Velocity, Graph

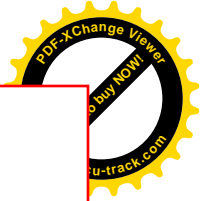
- The graph represents the motion of a particle under constant velocity
- The slope of the graph is the value of the constant velocity
- The y-intercept is x_i





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v1=30

v2=35

v3=32

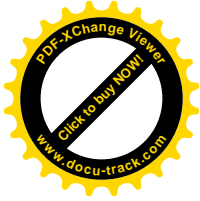
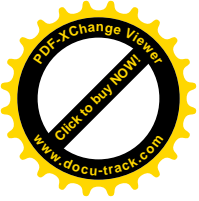
v=(30+35+32)/3

Average Acceleration

- Acceleration is the rate of change of the velocity

$$a_{x,avg} \equiv \frac{\Delta v_x}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_{xf} - v_{xi}}{t_f - t_i}$$

- Dimensions are L/T²
- SI units are m/s²
- In one dimension, positive and negative can be used to indicate direction



Instantaneous Acceleration

- The instantaneous acceleration is the limit of the average acceleration as Δt approaches 0

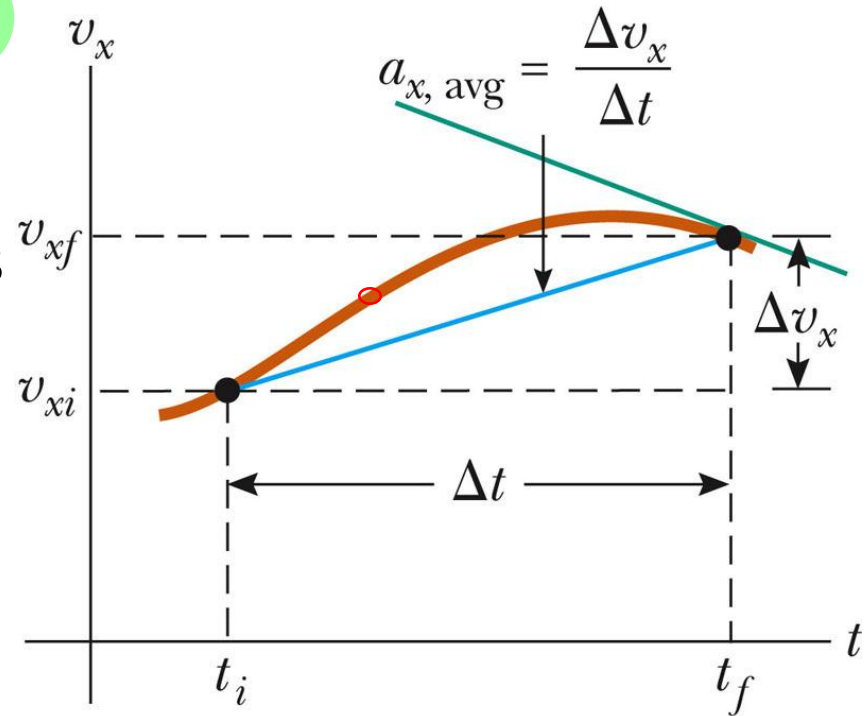
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$\overline{a_x}$

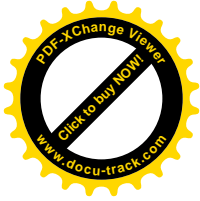
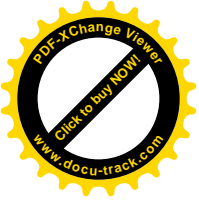
- The term acceleration will mean instantaneous acceleration
 - If average acceleration is wanted, the word average will be included

Instantaneous Acceleration -- graph

- The slope of the **velocity-time graph** is the acceleration
- The green line represents the instantaneous acceleration
- The blue line is the average acceleration

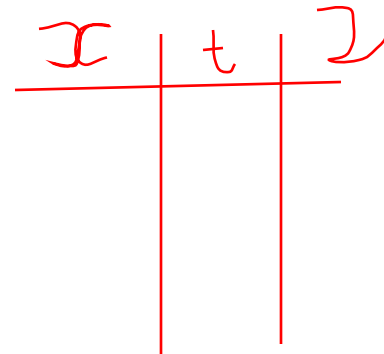
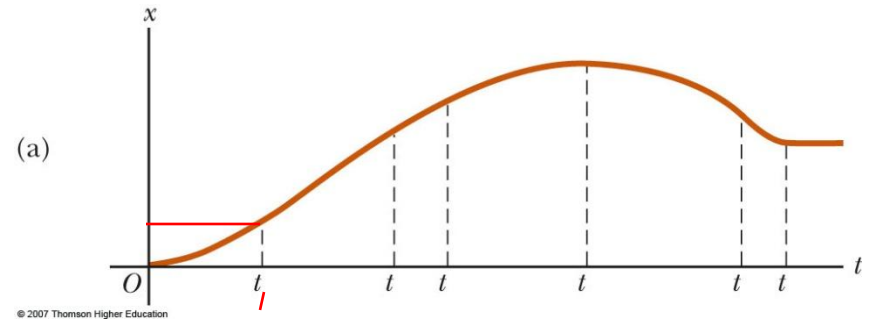
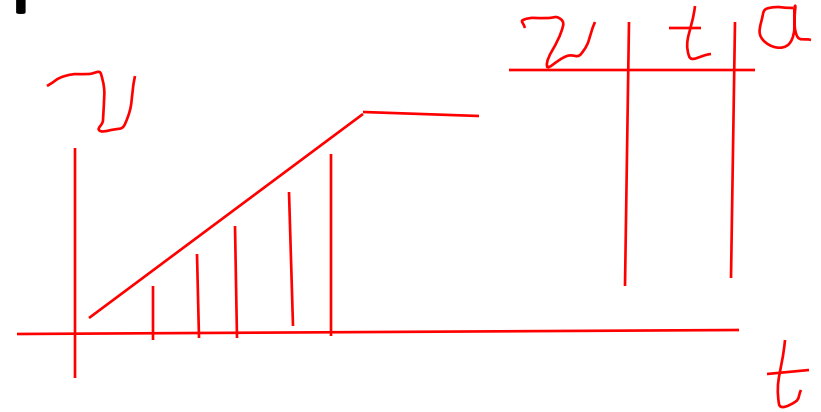


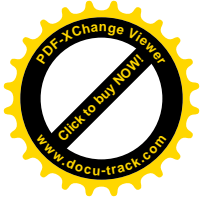
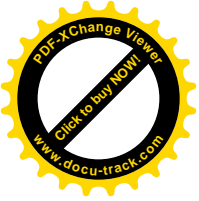
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Graphical Comparison

- Given the displacement-time graph (a)
- The velocity-time graph is found by measuring the slope of the position-time graph at every instant
- The acceleration-time graph is found by measuring the slope of the velocity-time graph at every instant

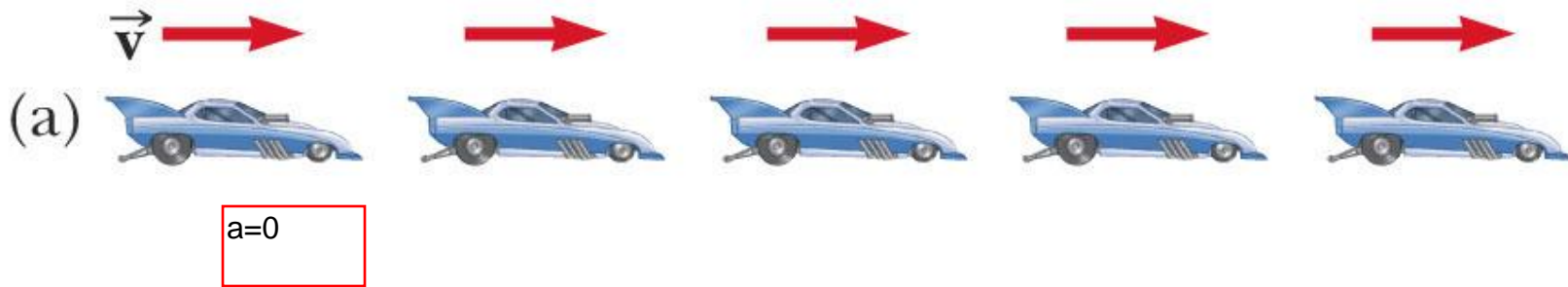




Acceleration and Velocity, 1

- When an object's velocity \longrightarrow and acceleration \longrightarrow are in the same direction, the object is speeding up تزايد
- When an object's velocity \longrightarrow and acceleration \longleftarrow are in the opposite direction, the object is slowing down تناقص

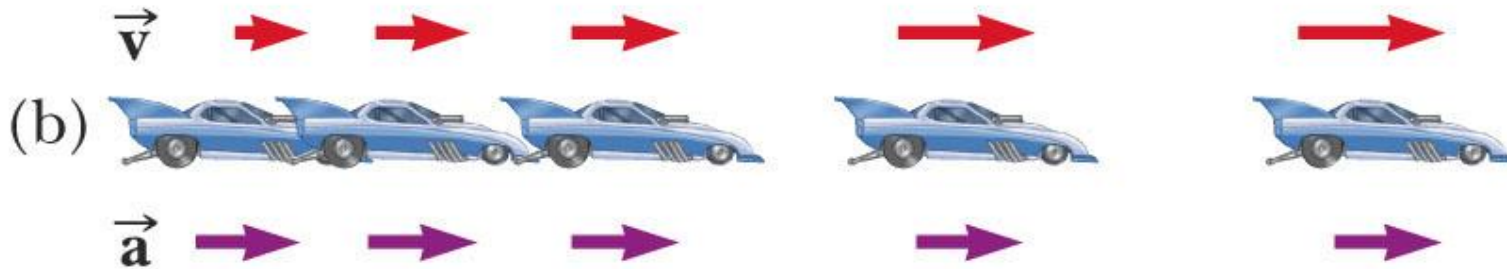
Acceleration and Velocity, 2



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- Images are equally spaced. The car is moving with constant positive velocity (shown by red arrows maintaining the same size)
- Acceleration equals zero

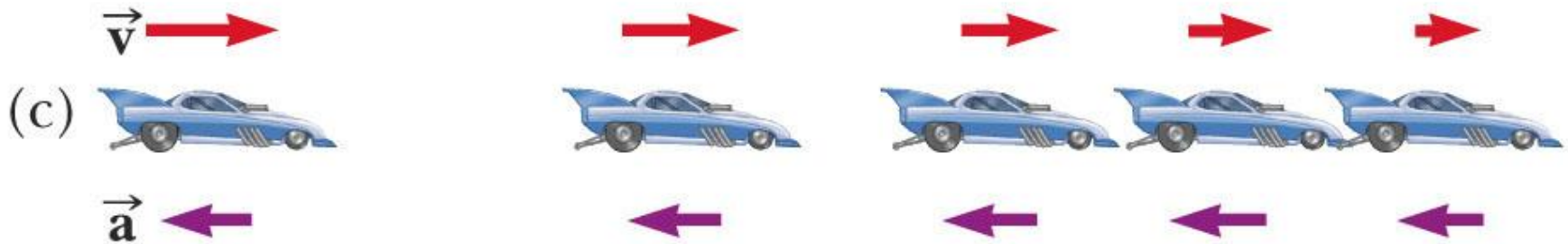
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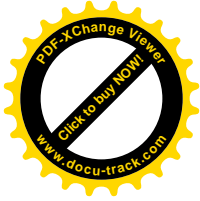
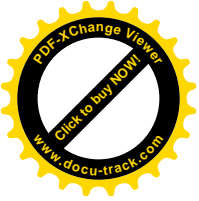
- Images become farther apart as time increases
- Velocity and acceleration are in the same direction
- Acceleration is uniform (violet arrows maintain the same length)
- Velocity is increasing (red arrows are getting longer)
- This shows positive acceleration and positive velocity

Acceleration and Velocity, 4



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- Images become closer together as time increases
- Acceleration and velocity are in opposite directions
- Acceleration is uniform (violet arrows maintain the same length)
- Velocity is decreasing (red arrows are getting shorter)
- Positive velocity and negative acceleration

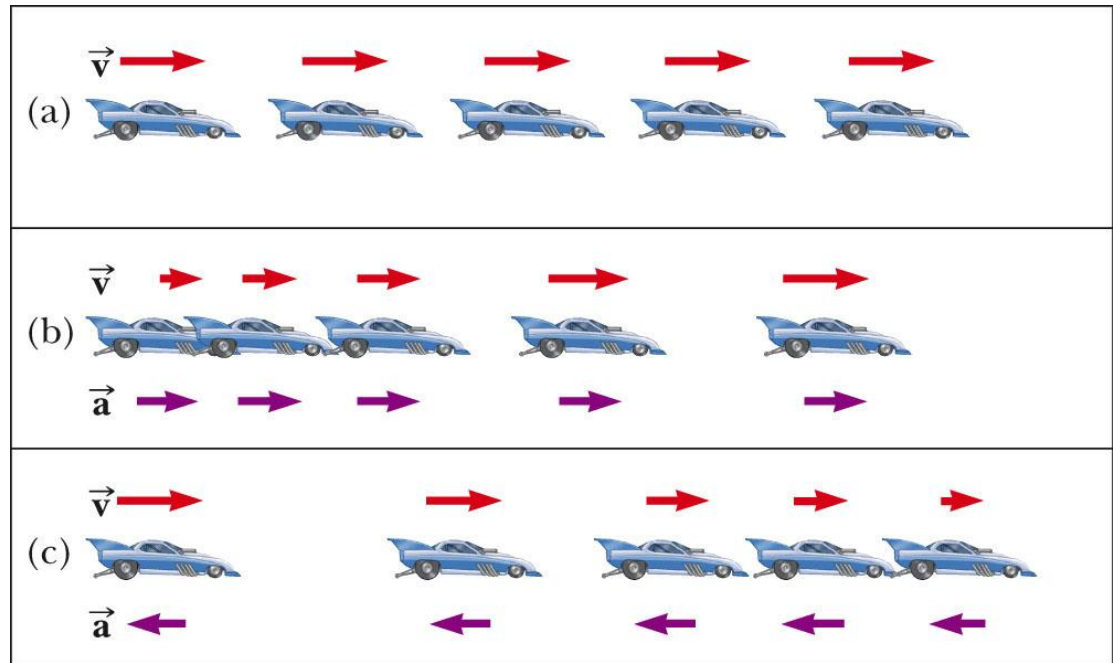


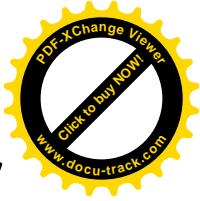
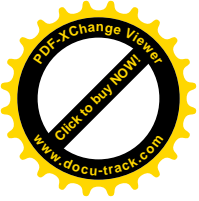
Acceleration and Velocity, final

- In all the previous cases, the acceleration was constant
 - Shown by the violet arrows all maintaining the same length
- The diagrams represent motion of a particle under constant acceleration
- A particle under constant acceleration is another useful analysis model

Graphical Representations of Motion

- Observe the graphs of the car under various conditions
- Note the relationships among the graphs
 - Set various initial velocities, positions and accelerations





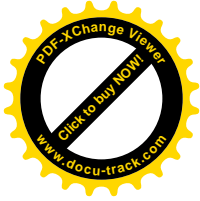
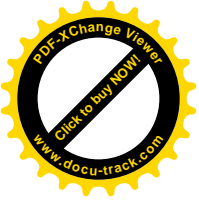
Kinematic Equations – summary

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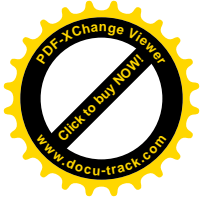
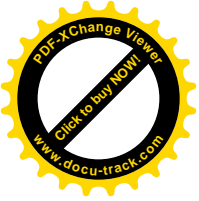
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2.17	$v_{xf}^2 = v_{xi}^2 + 2a_x (x_f - x_i)$	Velocity as a function of position

Note: Motion is along the x axis.



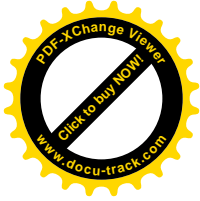
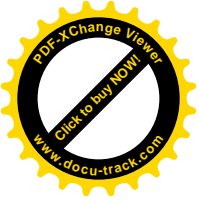
Kinematic Equations

- The kinematic equations can be used with any particle under **uniform acceleration.**
- The kinematic equations may be used to solve any problem involving one-dimensional motion with a constant acceleration
- You may need to use two of the equations to solve one problem
- Many times there is more than one way to solve a problem



Kinematic Equations, specific

- For constant a , $v_{xf} = v_{xi} + a_x t$
- Can determine an object's velocity at any time t when we know its initial velocity and its acceleration
 - Assumes $t_i = 0$ and $t_f = t$
- Does not give any information about displacement



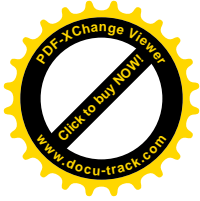
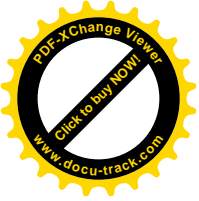
Kinematic Equations, specific

- For constant acceleration,

$$v_{x,avg} = \frac{v_{xi} + v_{xf}}{2}$$

Average

- The average velocity can be expressed as the arithmetic mean of the initial and final velocities



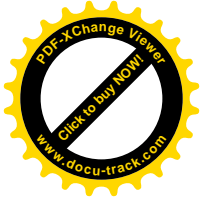
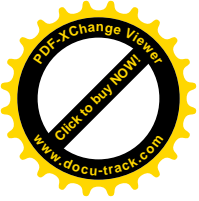
Kinematic Equations, specific

- For constant acceleration,

$$v = (x_2 - x_1) / t$$

$$x_f = x_i + v_{x,avg} t = x_i + \frac{1}{2} (v_{xi} + v_{fx}) t$$

- This gives you the position of the particle in terms of time and velocities
- Doesn't give you the acceleration

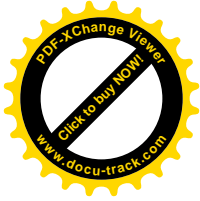
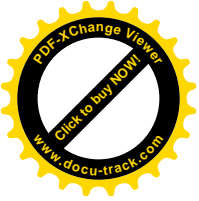


Kinematic Equations, specific

- For constant acceleration,

$$x_f = x_i + v_{xi}t + \frac{1}{2}a_x t^2$$

- Gives final position in terms of velocity and acceleration
- Doesn't tell you about final velocity

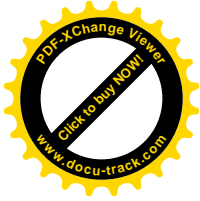
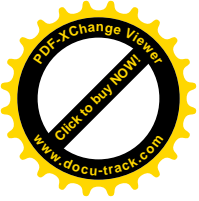


Kinematic Equations, specific

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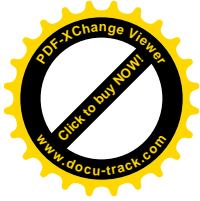
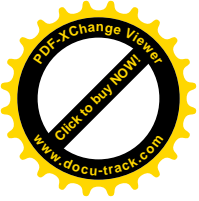
$$v_{xf}^2 = v_{xi}^2 + 2a_x (x_f - x_i)$$

- Gives final velocity in terms of acceleration and displacement
- Does not give any information about the time



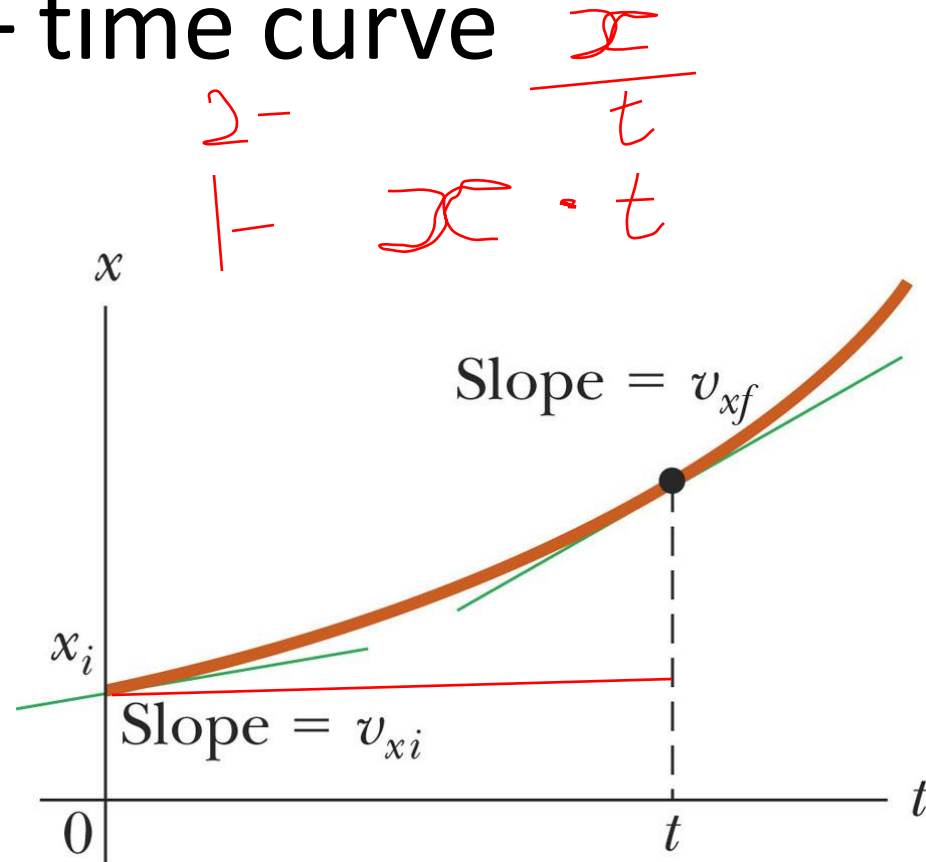
When $a = 0$

- When the acceleration is zero,
 - $v_{xf} = v_{xi} = v_x$
 - $x_f = x_i + v_x t$
- The constant acceleration model reduces to the constant velocity model

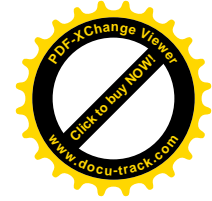
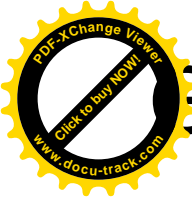


Graphical Look at Motion: displacement – time curve

- The slope of the curve is the velocity
- The curved line indicates the velocity is changing
 - Therefore, there is an acceleration

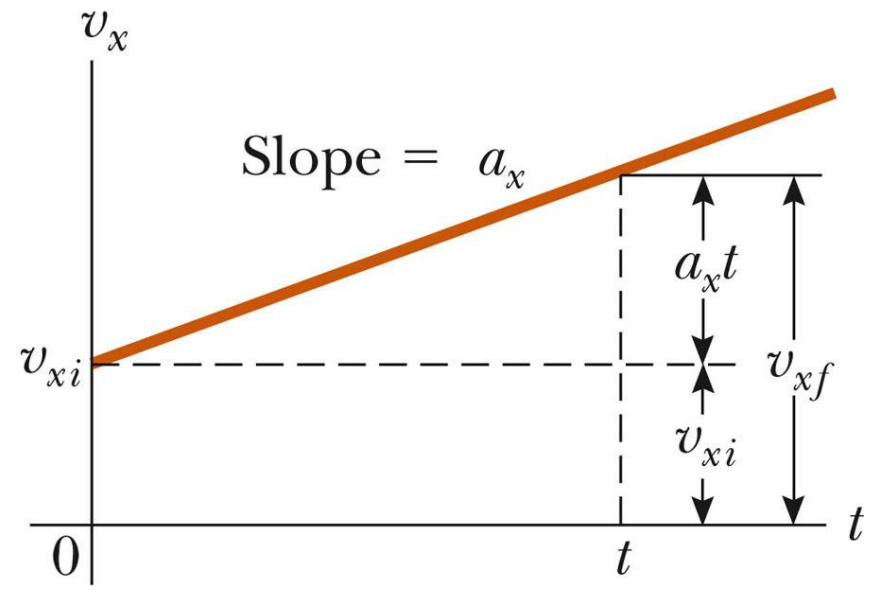


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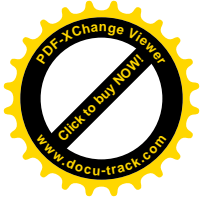
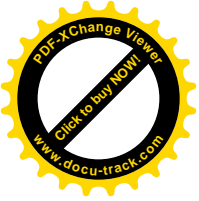


Graphical Look at Motion: velocity – time curve

- The slope gives the acceleration
- The straight line indicates a constant acceleration

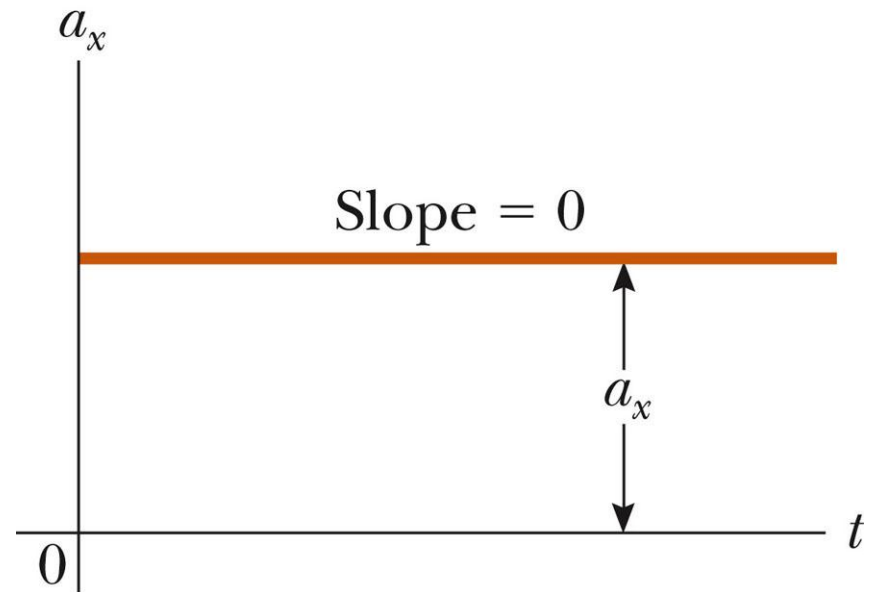


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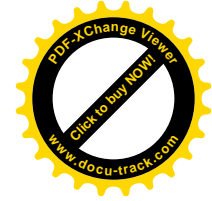
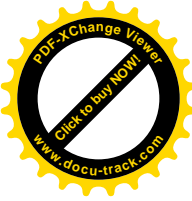


Graphical Look at Motion: acceleration – time curve

- The zero slope indicates a constant acceleration

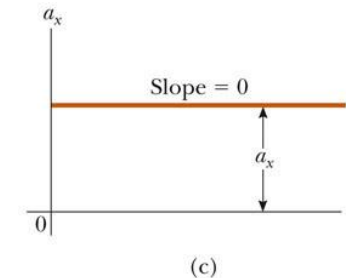
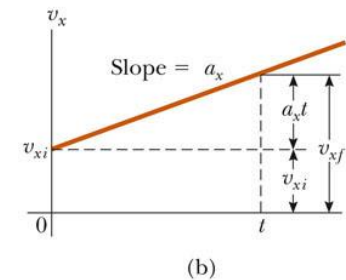
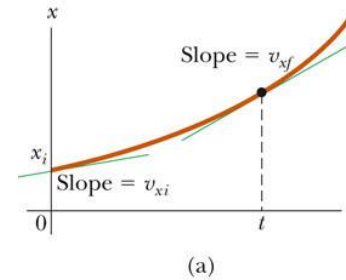


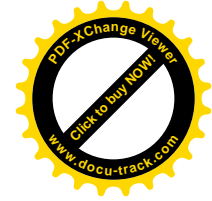
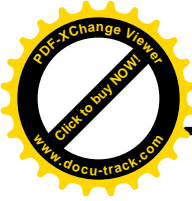
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Graphical Motion with Constant Acceleration

- A change in the acceleration affects the velocity and position
- Note especially the graphs when $a = 0$

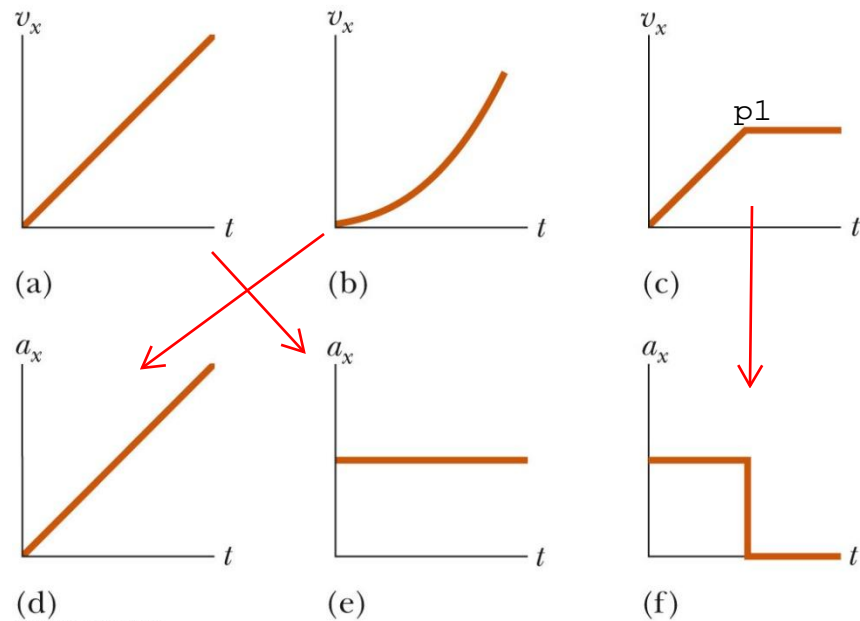


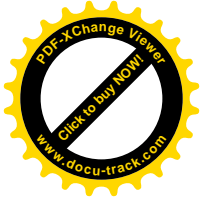
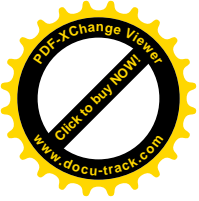


Test Graphical Interpretations

- Match a given velocity graph with the corresponding acceleration graph
- Match a given acceleration graph with the corresponding velocity graph(s)

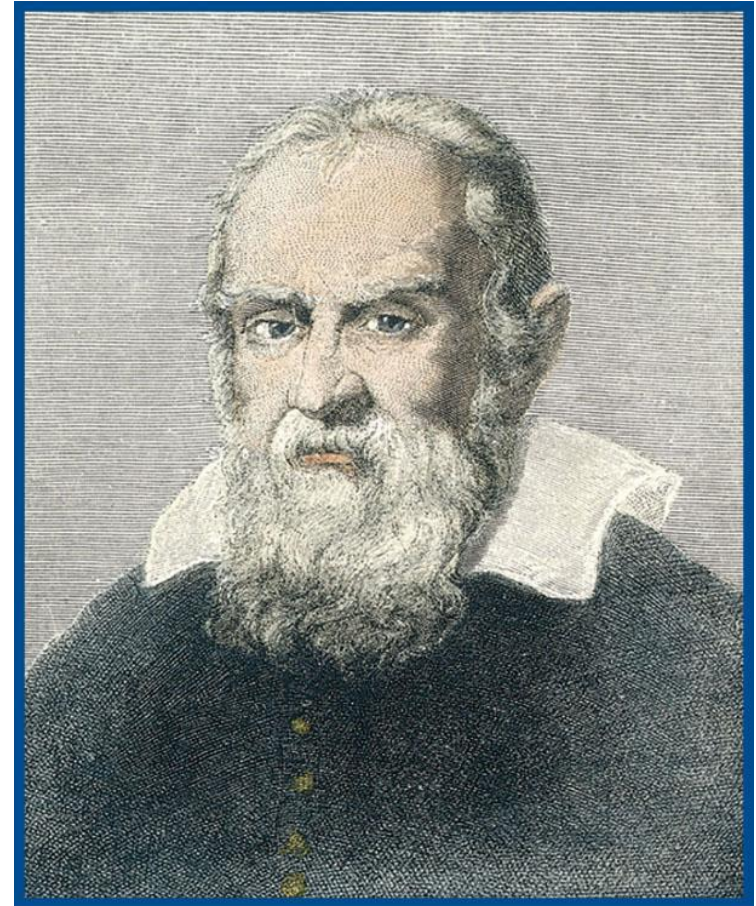
$$a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$$

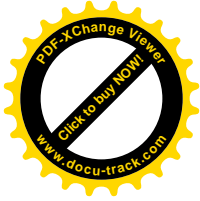
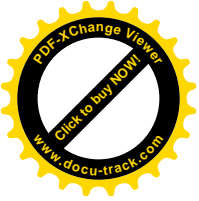




Galileo Galilei

- 1564 – 1642
- Italian physicist and astronomer
- Formulated laws of motion for objects in free fall
- Supported heliocentric universe

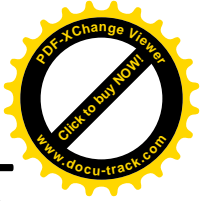
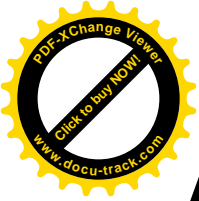




Freely Falling Objects

- A ***freely falling object*** is any object moving freely under the influence of gravity alone.
- It does not depend upon the initial motion of the object
 - Dropped – released from rest
 - Thrown downward
 - Thrown upward

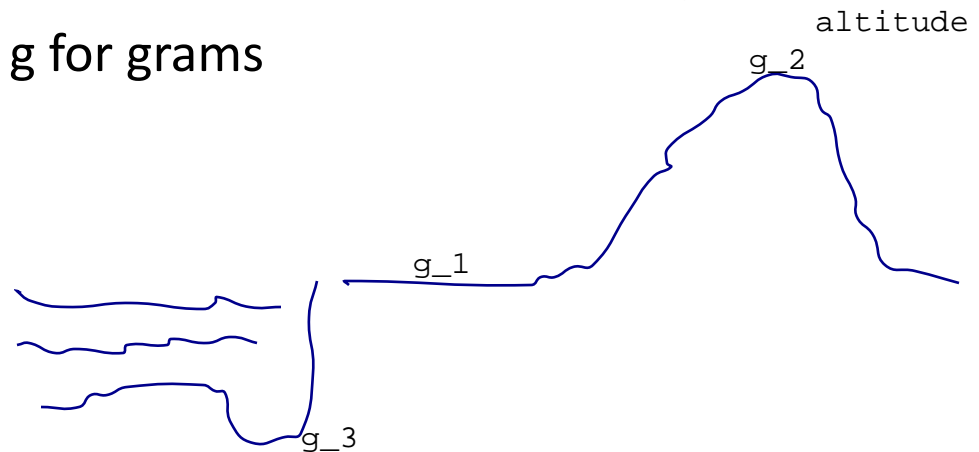


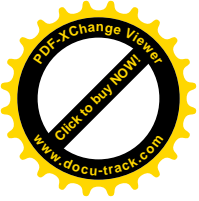


Acceleration of Freely Falling Object

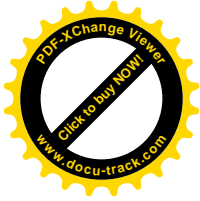
- The acceleration of an object in free fall is directed downward, regardless of the initial motion
- The magnitude of free fall acceleration is $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$
 - g decreases with increasing altitude
 - g varies with latitude
 - 9.80 m/s^2 is the average at the Earth's surface
 - The italicized g will be used for the acceleration due to gravity
 - Not to be confused with g for grams

unit of mass : gm

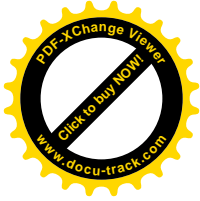
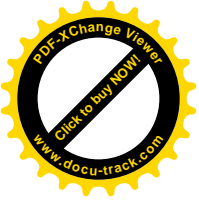




Acceleration of Free Fall, cont.

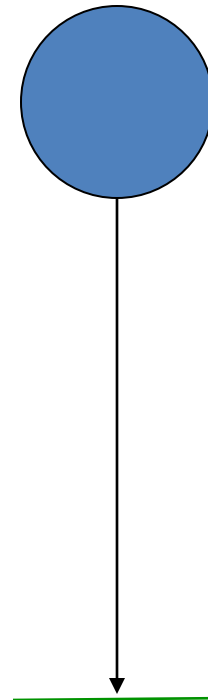


- We will neglect air resistance
- Free fall motion is constantly accelerated motion in one dimension
- Let upward be positive
- Use the kinematic equations with $a_y = -g = -9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$



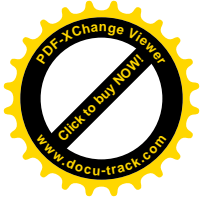
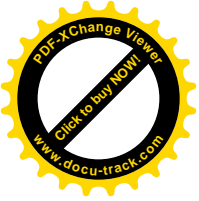
Free Fall – an object dropped

- Initial velocity is zero
- Let up be positive
- Use the kinematic equations
 - Generally use y instead of x since vertical
- Acceleration is
 - $a_y = -g = -9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$



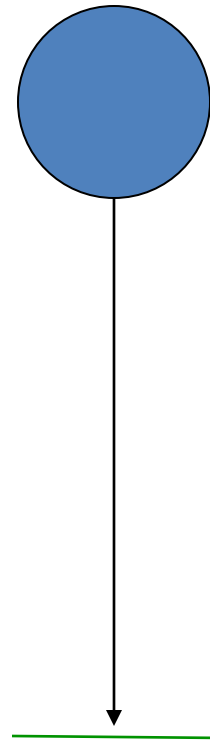
$$v_o = 0$$

$$a = -g$$



Free Fall – an object thrown downward

- $a_y = -g = -9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$
- Initial velocity $\neq 0$
 - With upward being positive, initial velocity will be negative

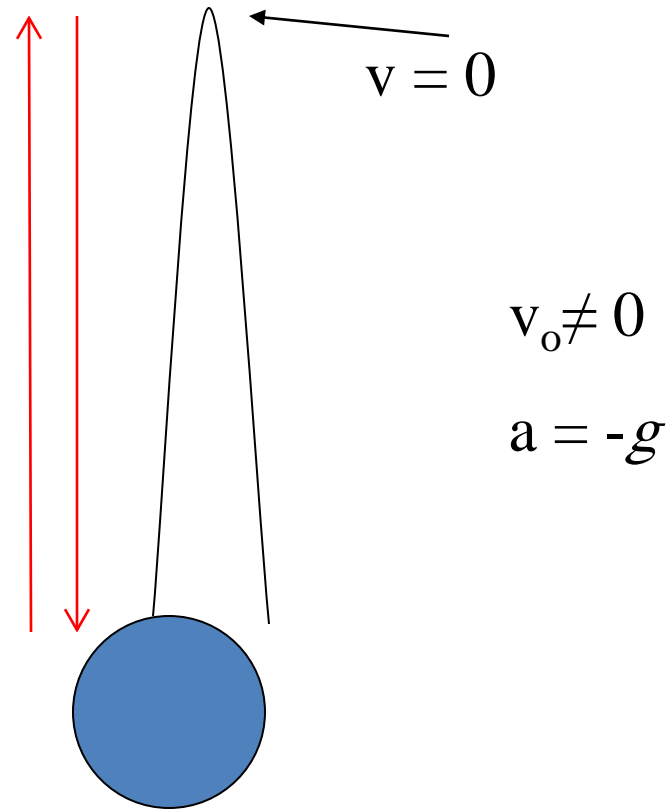


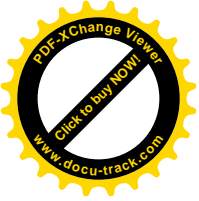
$$v_o \neq 0$$

$$a = -g$$

Free Fall -- object thrown upward

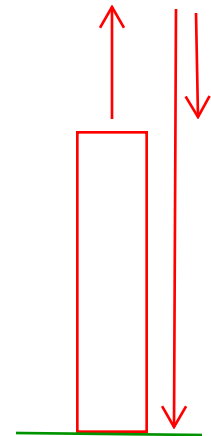
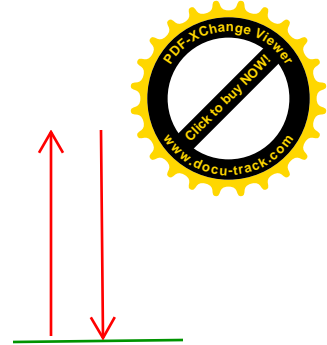
- Initial velocity is upward, so positive
- The instantaneous velocity at the maximum height is zero
- $a_y = -g = -9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ everywhere in the motion





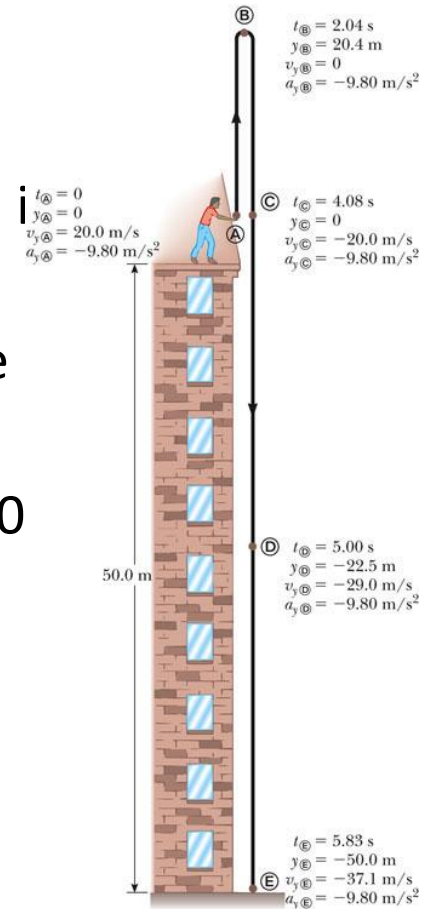
Thrown upward, cont.

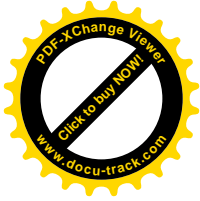
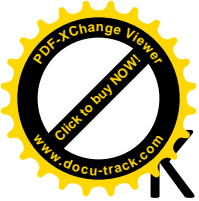
- The motion may be symmetrical
 - Then $t_{\text{up}} = t_{\text{down}}$
 - Then $v = -v_o$
- The motion may not be symmetrical
 - Break the motion into various parts
 - Generally up and down



Free Fall Example

- Initial velocity at A is upward (+) and acceleration is $-g$ (-9.8 m/s^2)
- At B, the velocity is 0 and the acceleration is $-g$ (-9.8 m/s^2)
- At C, the velocity has the same magnitude at A, but is in the opposite direction
- The displacement is -50.0 m (it ends up 50 m below its starting point)





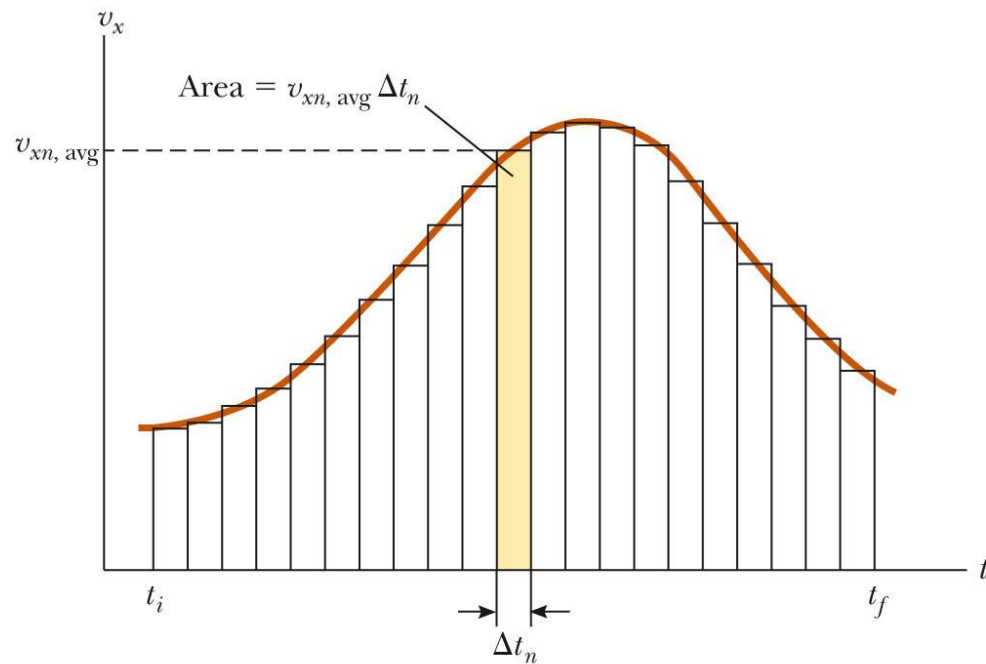
Kinematic Equations from Calculus

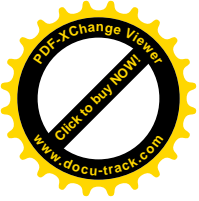
- Displacement equals the area under the velocity – time curve

$$\lim_{\Delta t_n \rightarrow 0} \sum_n v_{xn} \Delta t_n = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} v_x(t) dt$$

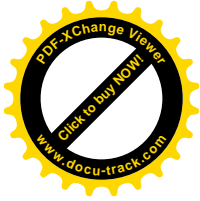
- The limit of the sum is a definite integral

$$v = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \rightarrow x = \Delta v \Delta t$$





Kinematic Equations – General Calculus Form

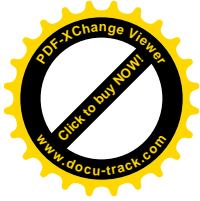
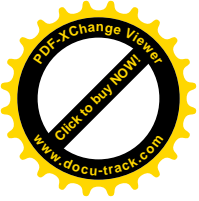


$$a_x = \frac{dv_x}{dt}$$

$$v_{xf} - v_{xi} = \int_0^t a_x dt$$

$$v_x = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$x_f - x_i = \int_0^t v_x dt$$



Kinematic Equations – Calculus Form with Constant Acceleration

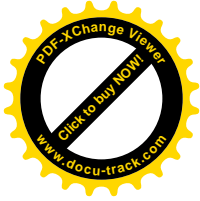
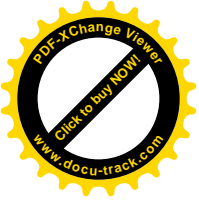
- The integration form of $v_f - v_i$ gives

$$v_{xf} - v_{xi} = a_x t \quad v_{xf} - v_{xi} = \int_0^t a_x dt = a \int_0^t dt \cdot$$

= a [t]_0^t = a[t-0]

- The integration form of $x_f - x_i$ gives

$$x_f - x_i = v_{xi} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2 \quad x_f = x_i + v_i t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$



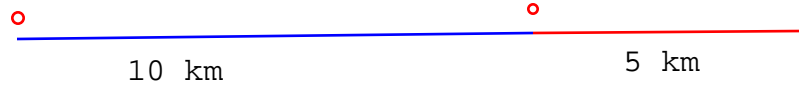
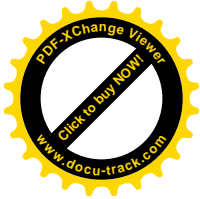
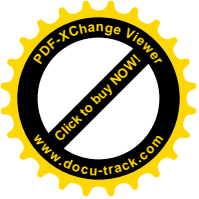
Example 2-1

The position of an object is 35 meters when the time was 2 seconds and then the position changes to 87 meters at 15 seconds.

Calculate the average velocity of the object?

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{ave}} &= \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{t_f - t_i} \\ &= \frac{87 - 35}{15 - 2} = \frac{52}{13} = 4 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$



Example 2-2

A Car travels 10 km at velocity of 90 km/h, and then the car stopped because the car run out of the fuel. This is causing the driver to walk a distance of 5 km to reach the nearest petrol station for half an hour.

What is the average velocity for the driver?

Solution

The distance x_1 equal to zero because the driver was still at home, x_2 is the distance covered by car until the fuel run out, and x_3 is the distance that the driver walked to the petrol station.

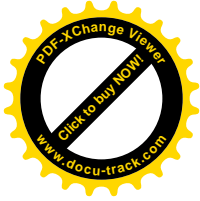
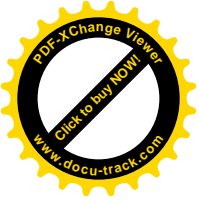
Convert the distance from kilometers to meters, and convert the units of other velocity from km/h to m/s as follows

$$x_f = x_2 + x_3 = 10 \times 10^3 + 5 \times 10^3 = 10,000 + 5,000 = 15,000 \text{ m}$$

$$v = 90 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}} = \frac{90 \times 1000}{60 \times 60} = 25 \text{ m/s}$$

the time taken before the fuel run out

$$t_1 = \frac{x}{v} = \frac{10000}{25} = 400 \text{ s}$$



the time that the driver takes to reach the petrol station

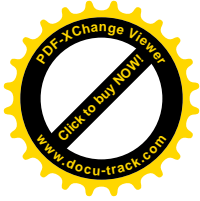
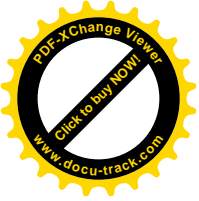
$$t_2 = 30 \times 60 = 1800 \text{ s}$$

Total time for the car and the driver is

$$t_{\text{Total}} = t_f = 400 + 1800 = 2200 \text{ s}$$

The average speed is

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{v} &= \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{t_f - t_i} \\ &= \frac{x_f - 0}{t_f - 0} = \frac{15000}{2200} = 6.8 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$



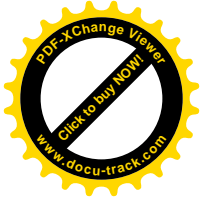
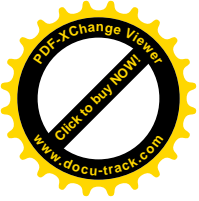
Example 2-3

Moving object in the positive direction of the x -axis with a relationship, as the following $x(t) = 8 + 2t + 3t^2$ where the distance is measured in meters and the time in second.

- A) Find the instantaneous velocity of the object after two seconds?*
- B) Find the instantaneous acceleration of the object after two seconds?*
- C) Find the distance of the object after two seconds?*

Solution

A) The instantaneous velocity of the object after two seconds is:



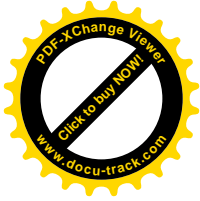
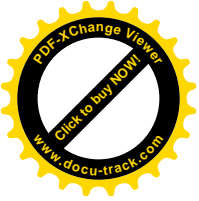
$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(8 + 2t + 3t^2)$$
$$= 2 + 3 \times 2t = 2 + 6 \times 2 = 14 \text{ m/s}$$

B) The instantaneous acceleration of the object after two seconds is:

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(2 + 6t)$$
$$= 6 \text{ m/s}^2$$

C) The distance of the object after two seconds is:

$$x = 8 + 2t + 3t^2$$
$$= 8 + 2 \times 2 + 3 \times (2)^2$$
$$= 8 + 4 + 12 = 24 \text{ m}$$



Example 2-4

A car travels with a velocity of 20 m/s, the driver increased the velocity until it reaches 100 km/h in three seconds. Then the driver decided to stop, the car stopped after four seconds.

Find the average acceleration in both cases?

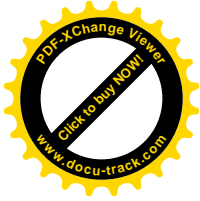
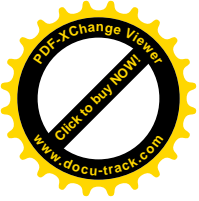
Solution

First: convert the units from km /h to m /s.

$$v_f = \frac{100 \times 1000}{60 \times 60} = 27.8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\text{Ave.1}} &= \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \\ &= \frac{27.8 - 20}{3} = 2.6 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\text{Ave.2}} &= \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \\ &= \frac{0 - 27.8}{4} = -6.95 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$



Example 2-5

An object moves in x -axis according to the following formula: $x = t^3 + 5$

Note that the distance and the time are measured in meters and seconds, respectively.

Find:

- A) The velocity and the acceleration of the object?
- B) The velocity and the acceleration when $t = 3s$, $t = 2s$?
- C) Average of the velocity and the acceleration at $t = 3s$, $t = 2s$?

Solution

A) Defines the distance equation

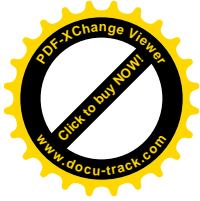
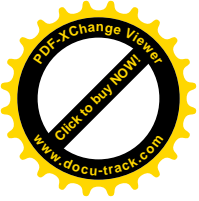
$$x = t^3 + 5 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

The velocity is:

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(t^3 + 5) = 3t^2 \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

The acceleration is

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(3t^2) = 6t \dots \dots \dots (3)$$



B) When the time ($t = 2$ s) the distance, velocity and the acceleration will be

The distance after 2 sec.

$$x_1 = t^3 + 5 = (2)^3 + 5 = 13 \text{ m}$$

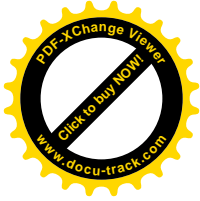
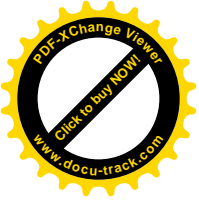
The velocity after 2 sec.

$$v_1 = \frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2 = 3(2)^2 = 12 \text{ m/s}$$

The acceleration after 2 sec.

$$a_1 = \frac{dv}{dt} = 6t = 6(2) = 12 \text{ m/s}^2$$

When the time ($t=3$ s), the distance, velocity and the acceleration, as what we have



done in the previous (السابق) answers we get:

$$x = 32 \text{ m}, \quad v = 27 \text{ m/s} \quad a = 18 \text{ m/s}^2$$

C) The average velocity and acceleration are

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\text{Ave.}} &= \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{t_2 - t_1} \\ &= \frac{32 - 13}{3 - 2} = 19 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\text{Ave.}} &= \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{t_2 - t_1} \\ &= \frac{18 - 12}{3 - 2} = 6 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$