### This Week

Tutorial and Test 1, in the lab (chapters 1 and 2)

### Next Week

Experiment 1: Measurement of Length and Mass

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Due Monday, October 5 at 11:00 pm Chapters 2 & 3

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### Question about average acceleration



make all the time intervals equal

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### Question about average acceleration

$$a_{1} = \frac{v_{2} - v_{1}}{\Delta t}$$
Calculate the average acceleration:  

$$a_{2} = \frac{v_{3} - v_{2}}{\Delta t}$$

$$a_{3} = \frac{v_{4} - v_{3}}{\Delta t} \text{ etc}$$
Calculate the average acceleration:  

$$\bar{a} = [a_{1} + a_{2} + \dots + a_{n}] \times \frac{1}{n}$$

$$= \frac{(v_{2} - v_{1}) + (v_{3} - v_{2}) + \dots}{\Delta t} \times \frac{1}{n}$$

All of the speeds cancel apart from  $v_1$  and  $v_n$ , the first and last values

The total elapsed time is  $T = n\Delta t$ 

So, the average acceleration is 
$$\bar{a} = \frac{v_n - v_1}{T} = \frac{v_{final} - v_{initial}}{T}$$

#### The intermediate speeds cancel from the average

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# Speed, Velocity and Acceleration

Average speed = 
$$\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Elapsed time}} = \frac{x - x_0}{t - t_0}$$
  
Average velocity =  $\frac{\text{Displacement}}{\text{Elapsed time}} = \frac{\Delta \vec{x}}{t - t_0}$   
Instantaneous velocity  $\vec{v} = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{x}}{\Delta t}$ 

Average acceleration = 
$$\frac{\text{change in velocity}}{\text{elapsed time}} = \frac{\vec{v} - \vec{v}_0}{t - t_0}$$

Instantaneous acceleration =  $\lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$ 

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## What's new in this chapter

- The same as chapter 2, only for motion in two dimensions
  the displacement is no longer in a straight line
- In the absence of air resistance, motion in x and y can be separated:
  - velocity in x-direction is constant
  - free fall in y-direction,  $a_y = -g$  (y-axis pointing up)
- Relative velocity
- Not yet any physics as such!

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There is an acceleration whenever there is a change of speed or direction

# **Clicker Question**

You drive 1500 m east in 2 minutes, then drive north the same distance in a further 2 minutes.

What can be said about the average speeds and velocities for the two parts of the trip?

- a) The average speeds are the same, and the average velocities are the same.
- b) The average speeds are the same, but the average velocities are different.
- c) The average speeds are different, but the average velocities are the same.

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### Vectors can be resolved into components



## Equations of motion in two dimensions

Same as before, only with subscripts for each direction of motion

$$v_{x} = v_{0x} + a_{x}t$$

$$v_{y} = v_{0y} + a_{y}t$$

$$x - x_{0} = v_{0x}t + \frac{1}{2}a_{x}t^{2}$$

$$y - y_{0} = v_{0y}t + \frac{1}{2}a_{y}t^{2}$$

$$x - x_{0} = \frac{1}{2}(v_{0x} + v_{x})t$$

$$y - y_{0} = \frac{1}{2}(v_{0y} + v_{y})t$$

$$v_{x}^{2} = v_{0x}^{2} + 2a_{x}(x - x_{0})$$

$$v_{y}^{2} = v_{0y}^{2} + 2a_{y}(y - y_{0})$$

For projectile motion in absence of air resistance:  $a_x = 0$ ,  $a_y = -g$ (y-axis pointing upward)

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3.9/7: A skateboarder rolls down a 12 m ramp, reaching a speed of 7.7 m/s at the bottom. What is her average acceleration?



### Tilt the x-axis to point down the slope

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2ax$$
  
7.7<sup>2</sup> = 0 + 2a × (12 m)  $\rightarrow a = 2.47 \text{ m/s}^2$ 

If  $\theta = 25^{\circ}$ , what is the acceleration parallel to the horizontal?



Acceleration parallel to horizontal =  $a\cos\theta = 2.47\cos 25^\circ = 2.24 \text{ m/s}^2$ 

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A spacecraft is travelling with a velocity of  $v_{0x}$  = 5480 m/s along the +x direction. Two engines are fired for 842 seconds.

Engine one:  $a_x = 1.20 \text{ m/s}^2$ Engine two:  $a_y = 8.40 \text{ m/s}^2$ 

Find final vx, vy.



Acceleration in x direction:  $v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t = 5480 + 1.2 \times 842 = 6490$  m/s Acceleration in y direction:  $v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t = 0 + 8.4 \times 842 = 7073$  m/s

Final speed:  $v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} = \sqrt{6490^2 + 7073^2} = 9600 \text{ m/s}$   $\tan \theta = \frac{7073}{6490} \rightarrow \theta = 47.5^\circ$ 

3.11/73: A person walks 0.5 km east, 0.75 km south and 2.15 km at  $35^{\circ}$  north of west in 2.5 h.

Find the displacement from the starting point and average velocity.



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north of west

Average velocity	$=\frac{\text{Displacement}}{\text{Time}}$
	$=\frac{1.35 \text{ km at } 20.9^{\circ} \text{ north of west}}{2.5 \text{ h}}$
	= 0.54 km/h at 20.9° north of west

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# **Projectile Motion**

- Consider motion in x and y separately
- Ignore air resistance  $\rightarrow$  velocity in x-direction is constant
- Write down positions in x and y as a function of time
- Remember that the projectile travels up and down (y) in the same time that it is travelling sideways (x)

# **Projectile Motion**



In absence of air resistance: no forces act in x-direction, so  $v_x$ , the speed in x-direction is constant throughout the path.

Speed changes in y-direction because of gravity and  $a_y = -g$ .

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# **Clicker Question**

The projectile has velocity  $\vec{v}$  and acceleration  $\vec{a}$ 

There is no air resistance



Which of (a), (b), (c) and (d) could **not** represent the directions of the vectors at any point of the trajectory?

A: (a)	<i>C</i> : (c)
В: (b)	D: (d)

E: (a) and (c)

### Clicker Question: Focus on Concepts, Question 2

At a certain point along the path in projectile motion, the projectile has a velocity **v** whose scalar components are  $v_x = +30$  m/s and  $v_y = +40$  m/s. As the projectile moves along the path, what would be its minimum speed?

A) 40 m/s

B) 0 m/s

C) 
$$\sqrt{30^2 + 40^2} = 50 \text{ m/s}$$

D) 30 m/s





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Stones 1 and 2 are thrown with the same speed,  $v_0$ , but at angles  $\theta$  above and below the horizontal. Which hits the water with the greater speed?

Stone 2 at P has the same velocity as stone 1 at the start  $\rightarrow$  same speed when they hit the water

# Clickers!

A rifle, at a height H above the ground, fires a bullet parallel to the ground.

At the same instant and at the same height, a second bullet is dropped from rest.

In the absence of air resistance, which bullet strikes the ground first?

- A) The bullet that is dropped strikes the ground first
- B) The bullet fired from the rifle strikes the ground first
- C) The bullets strike the ground at the same time
- D) Impossible to say without knowing the speed of the bullet

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## **Projectile Motion**

**3.30/24:** A ball is thrown horizontally at 41 m/s. How much does it drop while travelling a horizontal distance of 17 m?



Motion in x direction:

 $v_x = v_0 = 41$  m/s (constant in absence of air resistance)

Time to travel 17 m in x direction:  $t = \frac{17 \text{ m}}{41 \text{ m/s}} = 0.4146 \text{ s}$ Motion in y:  $y = y_0 + v_{0y}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$ Ball drops by:  $h = y_0 - y = 0 + \frac{1}{2}g \times 0.4146^2 = 0.84 \text{ m}$ 

An object is thrown up in the air at an angle  $\theta$  that is less than 90°.

- a) Is there a point where the acceleration and velocity are perpendicular?
- b) Is there any point where velocity and acceleration are parallel?



Acceleration is always downward - gravity always pulls downward

Velocity is always tangent to the trajectory

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A projectile is launched with initial speed  $v_0 = 29$  m/s at  $36^0$  to the horizontal. When does the path make an angle of  $18^0$  to the horizontal?

The angle to the horizontal is given by:  $\tan \theta = \frac{v_y}{v_x}$ 

So need to find when:  $v_v = v_x \tan 18^\circ$ 



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