

Chapter 4 concepts

- ☺ Independence of directions
(relation of 2D to 1D motion)
- ☺ Projectile motion
- ☺ Uniform circular motion

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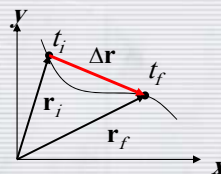
4. Motion in Two-Dimensions

4.1 The Displacement, Velocity, and Acceleration Vectors

Displacement in a plane

The displacement vector \mathbf{r} :

$$\Delta \vec{r} \equiv \vec{r}_f - \vec{r}_i$$



Displacement is the straight line between the final and initial position of the particle.

That is the vector difference between the final and initial position.

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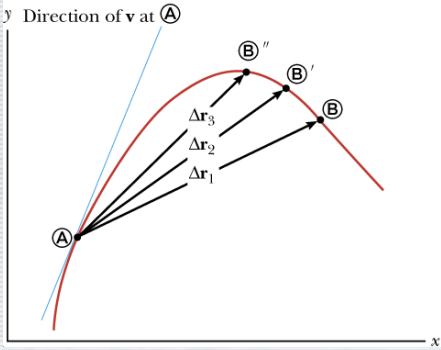
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Average Velocity

Average velocity \bar{v} :

$$\bar{\vec{v}} \equiv \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t}$$

Average velocity: Displacement of a particle, $\Delta \vec{r}$, divided by time interval Δt .



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Instantaneous Velocity

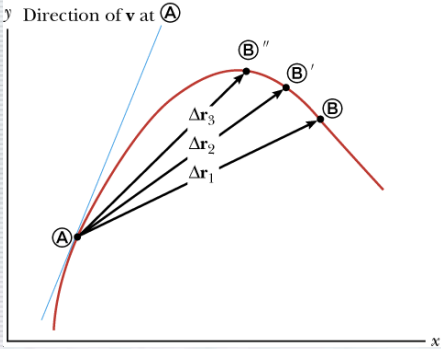
Instantaneous velocity \vec{v} :

$$\vec{v} \equiv \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$$

Instantaneous velocity \vec{v} : Limit of the average velocity as Δt approaches zero.

The instantaneous velocity equals the derivative of the position vector with respect to time.

The magnitude of the instantaneous velocity vector $v \equiv |\vec{v}|$ is called the **speed** (scalar)

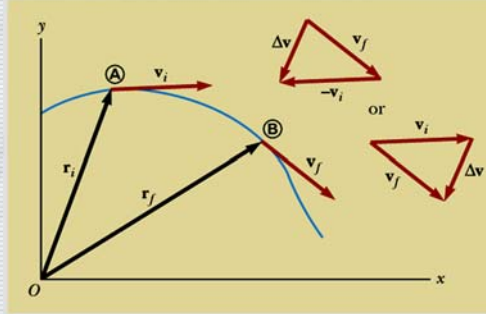


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Average Acceleration

Average acceleration:

$$\vec{a} \equiv \frac{\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$$



Average acceleration: Change in the velocity Δv divided by the time Δt during which the change occurred.

Change can occur in direction and magnitude!

Acceleration points along change in velocity Δv !

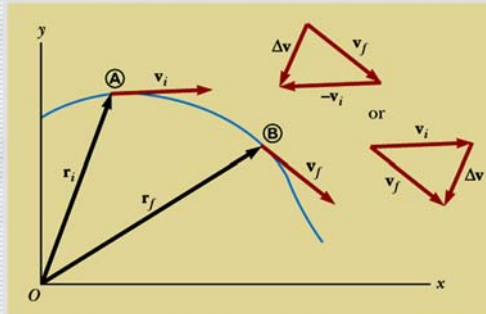
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Instantaneous Acceleration

Instantaneous acceleration:

$$\vec{a} \equiv \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$$



Instantaneous acceleration: limiting value of the ratio $\frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$ as Δt goes to zero.

Instantaneous acceleration equals the derivative of the velocity vector with respect to time.

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4.2 Two-dimensional motion with **constant** acceleration **a**

Trick 1:

The equations of motion (kinematic equations) we derived before are still valid, but are now in vector form.

Trick 2 (Superposition principle):

Vector equations can be broken down into their x- and y-components. Then calculated independently.

Position vector:

$$\vec{r} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}$$

$$\vec{r} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Velocity vector:

$$\vec{v} = v_x\vec{i} + v_y\vec{j}$$

$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{pmatrix}$$

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Assume a constant acceleration.

$$\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \langle \vec{a} \rangle : \text{constant}$$

$$\frac{\vec{v} - \vec{v}_0}{t - 0} = \vec{a} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \boxed{\vec{v} = \vec{v}_0 + \vec{a}t}$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}, \quad d\vec{r} = \vec{v} \cdot dt$$

$$\int d\vec{r} = \int_0^t \vec{v} \cdot dt$$

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$$\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0 = \int_0^t (\vec{v}_0 + \vec{a}t) \cdot dt = \vec{v}_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + \vec{v}_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2}$$

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In (x,y)-coordinates

$$\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j},$$

$$\vec{v} = v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j},$$

$$\vec{v}_0 = v_{0x} \hat{i} + v_{0y} \hat{j},$$

$$\vec{r} = x \hat{i} + y \hat{j},$$

$$\vec{r}_0 = x_0 \hat{i} + y_0 \hat{j}$$

$$\begin{cases} v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t \\ v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t \end{cases}$$

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + \vec{v}_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2$$

$$x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} = x_0 \hat{i} + y_0 \hat{j} + v_{0x} t \hat{i} + v_{0y} t \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2 \hat{i} + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2 \hat{j}$$

$$x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} = (x_0 + v_{0x} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2) \hat{i} + (y_0 + v_{0y} t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2) \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = x_0 + v_{0x} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2 \\ y = y_0 + v_{0y} t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2 \end{cases}$$

Read example 4.1

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Example

A particle starts at origin when $t=0$ with an initial velocity $\vec{v} = (20\hat{i} - 15\hat{j}) \text{ m/s}$.

The particle moves in the xy plane with $a_x = 4.0 \text{ m/s}^2$.

- Determine the components of velocity vector at any time, t .
- Compute the velocity and speed of the particle at $t=5.0 \text{ s}$
- Determine the x and y components of the particle at $t=5.0 \text{ s}$.
- Can you write down the position vector at $t=5.0 \text{ s}$?

(a)

$$v_{xf} = v_{xi} + a_x t = 20 + 4.0 t \text{ (m/s)}$$

$$v_{yf} = v_{yi} + a_y t = -15 \text{ (m/s)}$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \left\{ (20 + 4.0 t) \hat{i} - 15 \hat{j} \right\} \text{ m/s}$$

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(b)

$$\vec{v} = \left\{ (20 + 4.0 \times 5.0) \hat{i} - 15 \hat{j} \right\} \text{ m/s} = (40 \hat{i} - 15 \hat{j}) \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{speed} = |\vec{v}| = \sqrt{(v_x)^2 + (v_y)^2} = \sqrt{(40)^2 + (-15)^2} = 43 \text{ m/s} \quad \text{Magnitude}$$

Direction

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{v_y}{v_x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-15}{40} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-3}{8} \right) = -21^\circ$$

(c)

$$x_f = v_{xi} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2 = 20 \times 5 + \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 5^2 = 150 \text{ (m)}$$

$$y_f = v_{yi} t = -15 \times 5 = -75 \text{ (m)}$$

(d)

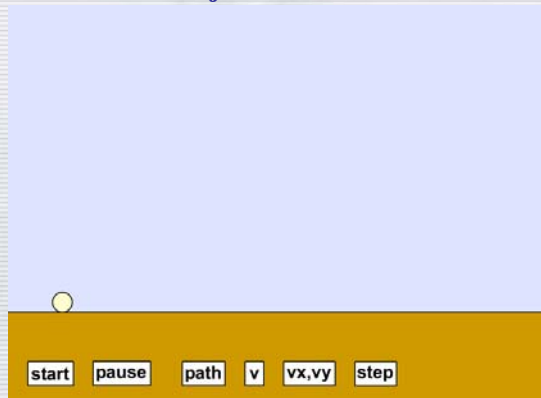
$$\vec{r}_f = x_f \hat{i} + y_f \hat{j} = (150 \hat{i} - 75 \hat{j}) \text{ m}$$

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Now in a real Problem

Projectile Motion



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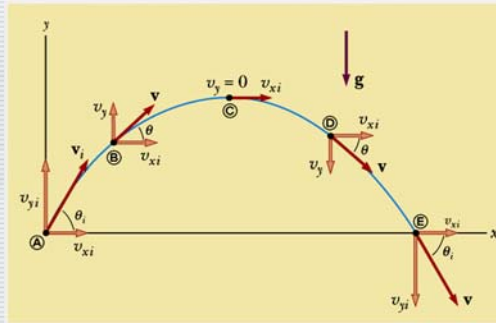
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4.3 Projectile Motion

Two assumptions:

1. Free-fall acceleration \mathbf{g} is constant.
2. Air resistance is negligible.



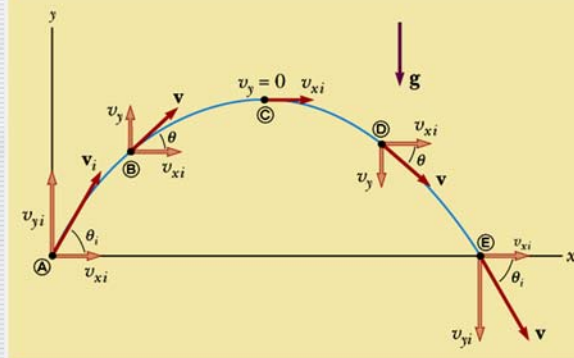
- The path of a projectile is a parabola (derivation: see book).
- Projectile leaves origin with an initial velocity of \mathbf{v}_i .
- Projectile is launched at an angle θ_i
- Velocity vector changes in magnitude and direction.
- Acceleration in y-direction is \mathbf{g} .
- Acceleration in x-direction is 0.

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Projectile motion

Superposition of motion
in x-direction and
motion in y-direction



Acceleration in x-direction is 0.
(Constant velocity)

$$x_f = x_i + v_{xi}t$$

$$v_{xf} = v_{xi}$$

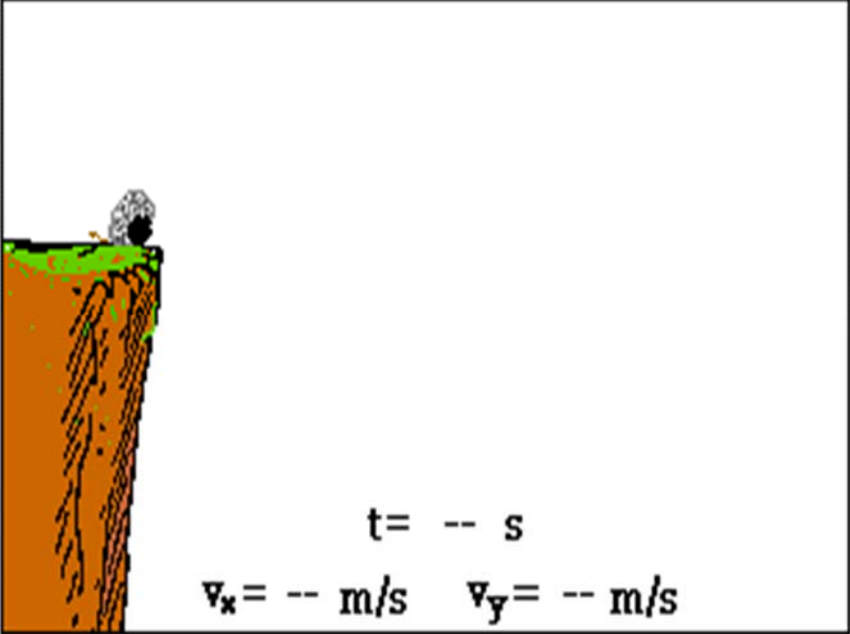
Acceleration in y-direction is \mathbf{g} .
(Constant acceleration)

$$y_f = y_i + v_{yi}t + \frac{1}{2}a_yt^2$$

$$v_{yf} = v_{yi} + gt$$

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$t = \text{-- s}$

$v_x = \text{-- m/s} \quad v_y = \text{-- m/s}$

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Equations

- **x- Component**

$$x_f = x_i + v_{xi}t$$
- **y- Component**

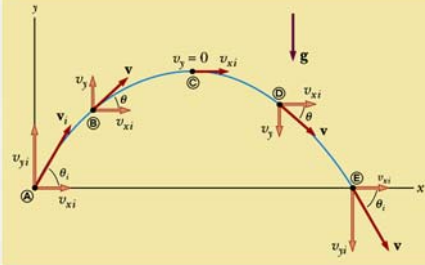
$$y_f = y_i + v_{yi}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$v_{yf}^2 = v_{yi}^2 - 2g\Delta y$$
- **Vectors**

$$v_{yf} = v_{yi} - gt$$

$$v_{xi} = v_i \cos(\theta)$$

$$v_{yi} = v_i \sin(\theta)$$



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Vertical: $a_y = -g$

Horizontal: $a_x = 0$

$$\frac{v_{yi} + v_{yf}}{2} = \frac{\Delta y}{t}$$

$$v_{yf} = v_{yi} - gt$$

$$\Delta y = v_{yi}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$v_{yf}^2 = v_{yi}^2 - 2g\Delta y$$

$$v_{xf} = v_{xi} = v_x$$

$$\Delta x = v_{xi} t$$

The two components are independent, but linked by the common time, t .

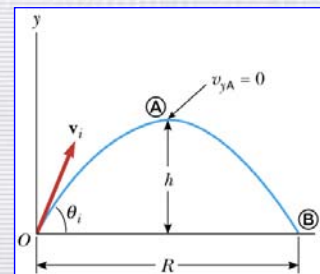
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Horizontal Range and Max Height

Based on what we have learned in the previous pages, one can analyze a projectile motion in more detail

- Maximum height an object can reach
- Maximum range



At the maximum height the object's vertical motion stops to turn around!!

$$\begin{aligned} v_{yf} &= v_{yi} + a_y t \\ &= v_i \sin \theta_i - gt_A = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore t_A = \frac{v_i \sin \theta_i}{g}$$

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$$y_f = h = v_{yi}t + \frac{1}{2}(-g)t^2$$

$$= v_i \sin \theta_i \left(\frac{v_i \sin \theta_i}{g} \right) - \frac{1}{2}g \left(\frac{v_i \sin \theta_i}{g} \right)^2$$

$$y_f = \left(\frac{v_i^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}{2g} \right)$$

Since no acceleration in x, it still flies even if $v_y=0$

$$R = v_{xi} (2t_A) = 2v_i \cos \theta_i \left(\frac{v_i \sin \theta_i}{g} \right)$$

$$R = \left(\frac{v_i^2 \sin 2\theta_i}{g} \right)$$

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Maximum Range and Height

- What are the conditions that give maximum height and range of a projectile motion?

$$h = \left(\frac{v_i^2 \sin^2 \theta_i}{2g} \right)$$

This formula tells us that the maximum height can be achieved when $\theta_i=90^\circ!!!$

$$R = \left(\frac{v_i^2 \sin 2\theta_i}{g} \right)$$

This formula tells us that the maximum range can be achieved when $2\theta_i=90^\circ$, i.e., $\theta_i=45^\circ!!!$

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Drag the slider to position the gun

Gun position

Click the knob and drag left or right to change the gun angle:

Gun angle

$y_0 = 75 \text{ m}$

$\theta = \text{degrees}$

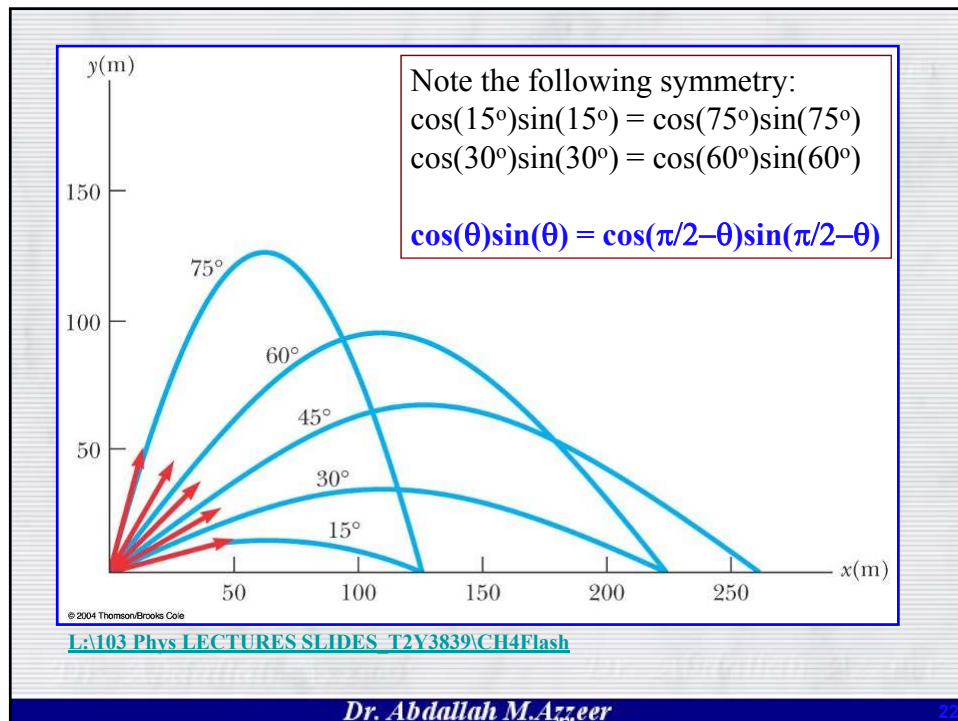
Projectile Motion

$v_0 = 31.3 \text{ m/s}$
Air resistance is negligible
Time is speeded up

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Solving Problems Involving Projectile Motion

- Read the problem carefully, and choose the object(s) you are going to analyze.
- Draw a diagram.
- Choose an origin and a coordinate system.
- Decide on the **time** interval; this is the same in both directions, and includes only the time the object is moving with constant acceleration g .
- Examine the x and y motions separately.
- List known and unknown quantities. Remember that v_x never changes, and that $v_y = 0$ at the highest point.
- Plan how you will proceed. Use the appropriate equations; you may have to combine some of them.

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