



# KINEMATICS OF PARTICLES

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# An Overview of Mechanics

**Mechanics:** The study of how bodies react to forces acting on them.

**Statics:** The study of bodies in equilibrium.

**Dynamics:**

1. **Kinematics** – concerned with the geometric aspects of motion
2. **Kinetics** - concerned with the forces causing the motion

# Today's Objectives:

- Students will be able to:
  - ❖ Find the kinematic quantities (position, displacement, velocity, and acceleration) of a particle traveling along a straight path.
  - ❖ Rectilinear means position given in Cartesian ( $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ) coordinates.
  - ❖ We will start with motion in a straight line

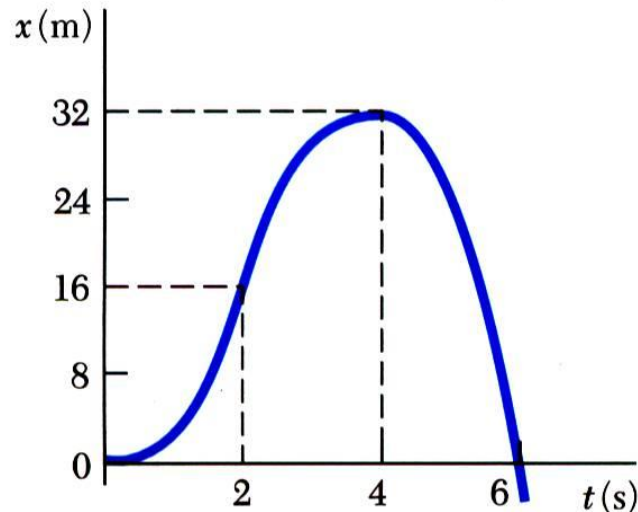
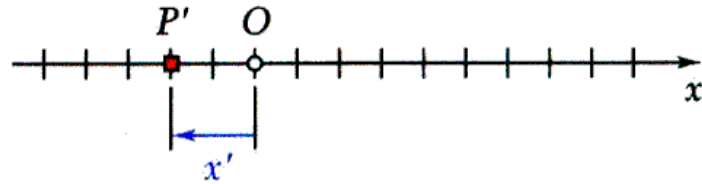
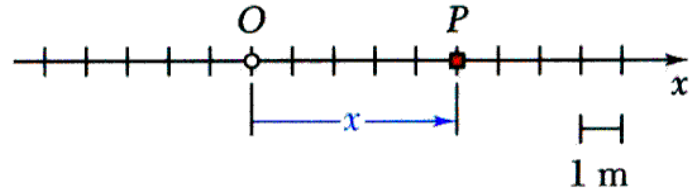
# Introduction

- **Particle kinetics includes:**
  - **Rectilinear motion**: position, velocity, and acceleration of a particle as it moves along a straight line.



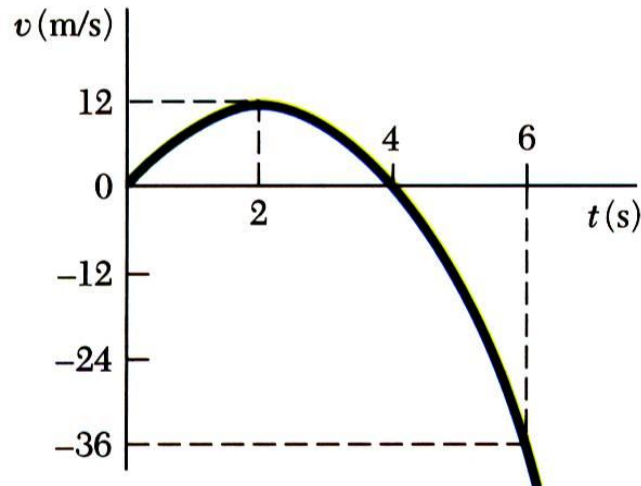
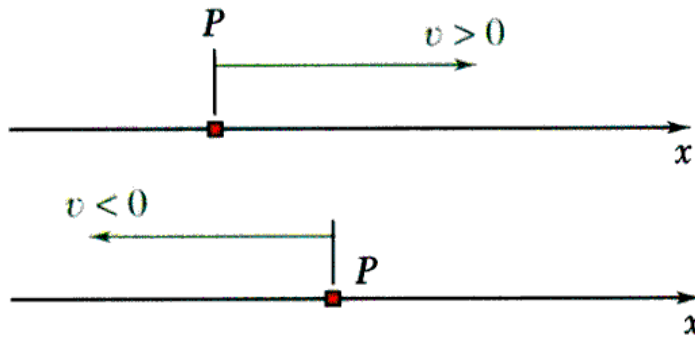
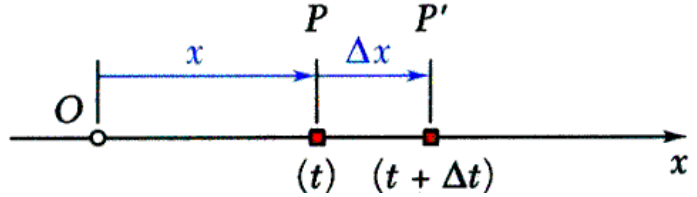
- **Curvilinear motion**: position, velocity, and acceleration of a particle as it moves along a curved line in two or three dimensions.

# Rectilinear Motion: Position, Velocity & Acceleration



- **Rectilinear motion:** particle moving along a straight line
- **Position coordinate:** defined by positive or negative distance from a fixed origin on the line.
- The **motion** of a particle is known if the position coordinate for particle is known for every value of time  $t$ .
- May be expressed in the form of a function, e.g.,  $x = 6t^2 - t^3$  or in the form of a graph  $x$  vs.  $t$ .

# Rectilinear Motion: Position, Velocity & Acceleration



- Consider particle which occupies position  $P$  at time  $t$  and  $P'$  at  $t + \Delta t$ ,

$$\text{Average velocity} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{Instantaneous velocity} = v = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

- Instantaneous velocity may be positive or negative. Magnitude of velocity is referred to as *particle speed*.

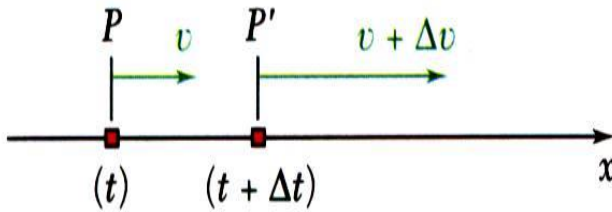
- From the definition of a derivative,

$$v = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

e.g.,  $x = 6t^2 - t^3$

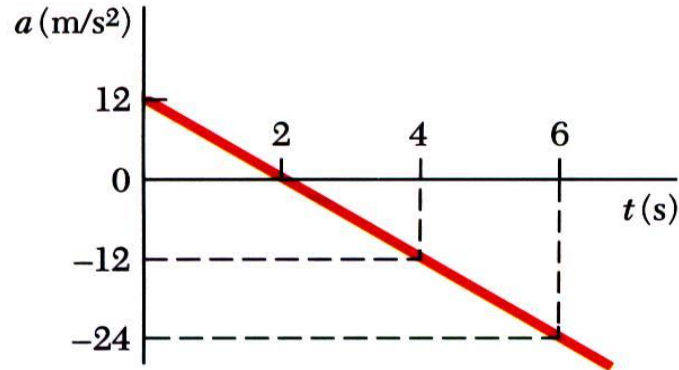
$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = 12t - 3t^2$$

# Rectilinear Motion: Position, Velocity & Acceleration



- Consider particle with velocity  $v$  at time  $t$  and  $v'$  at  $t + \Delta t$ ,

$$\text{Instantaneous acceleration} = a = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$$



- From the definition of a derivative,

$$a = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2}$$

e.g.  $v = 12t - 3t^2$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 12 - 6t$$



# Determination of the Motion of a Particle

- **We often determine accelerations from the forces applied (kinetics will be covered later)**
- **Generally, have three classes of motion**
  - acceleration given as a function of *time*,  $a = f(t)$
  - acceleration given as a function of *position*,  $a = f(x)$
  - acceleration given as a function of *velocity*,  $a = f(v)$



**a spring**



**drag**



## SUMMARY OF KINEMATIC RELATIONS: RECTILINEAR MOTION

- Differentiate position to get velocity and acceleration.

$$v = ds/dt ; \quad a = dv/dt \quad \text{or} \quad a = v \, dv/ds$$

- Integrate acceleration for velocity and position.

Velocity:

$$\int_{v_0}^v dv = \int_0^t a \, dt \quad \text{or} \quad \int_{v_0}^v v \, dv = \int_{s_0}^s a \, ds$$

Position:

$$\int_{s_0}^s ds = \int_0^t v \, dt$$

- Note that  $s_0$  and  $v_0$  represent the initial position and velocity of the particle at  $t = 0$ .

## CONSTANT ACCELERATION

The three kinematic equations can be integrated for the special case when **acceleration is constant** ( $a = a_c$ ) to obtain very useful equations. A common example of constant acceleration is gravity; i.e., a body freely falling toward earth. In this case,  $a_c = g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2 = 32.2 \text{ ft/s}^2$  downward. These equations are:


$$\int_{v_o}^v dv = \int_0^t a_c dt \quad \text{yields} \quad v = v_o + a_c t$$

$$\int_{s_o}^s ds = \int_0^t v dt \quad \text{yields} \quad s = s_o + v_o t + (1/2)a_c t^2$$

$$\int_{v_o}^v v dv = \int_{s_o}^s a_c ds \quad \text{yields} \quad v^2 = (v_o)^2 + 2a_c(s - s_o)$$



# Acceleration as a function of time, position, or velocity

If....	Kinematic relationship	Integrate
$a = a(t)$	$\frac{dv}{dt} = a(t)$	$\int_{v_0}^v dv = \int_0^t a(t) dt$
$a = a(x)$	$dt = \frac{dx}{v}$ and $a = \frac{dv}{dt}$  $v dv = a(x) dx$	$\int_{v_0}^v v dv = \int_{x_0}^x a(x) dx$
$a = a(v)$	$\frac{dv}{dt} = a(v)$	$\int_{v_0}^v \frac{dv}{a(v)} = \int_0^t dt$
	$v \frac{dv}{dx} = a(v)$	$\int_{x_0}^x dx = \int_{v_0}^v \frac{v dv}{a(v)}$

# Examples

- **EX1:** The car in Fig. 1.4 moves in a straight line such that for a short time its velocity is defined by  $v = (3t^2 + 2t)$  ft/s, where  $t$  is in seconds. Determine its position and acceleration when  $t = 3$  s. Noting that  $s = 0$  when  $t = 0$

- SOLUTION

- $s = \int v \, dt$

- $s = \int_0^t (3t^2 + 2t) \, dt$

- $(s)_0^s = (t^3 + t^2)_0^t$

- $s = t^3 + t^2$

- $= 36$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{d}{dt} (3t^2 + 2t) \\ &= 6t + 2 \\ &= 6 * 3 + 2 = 20 \end{aligned}$$

- EX2- A particle begins its motion in a straight line such that its position relative to fixed point on that straight line is given by  $s = t^3 - 9t^2 + 15t + 5 \text{ m}$ . Find the position of the particle when the acceleration vanished
- $s = t^3 - 9t^2 + 15t + 5,$
- $v = \frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2 - 18t + 15,$
- $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 6t - 18,$
- when the acceleration vanished
- $a = 0$

$$\longrightarrow t = 3 \longrightarrow s = -4$$

- **Example 3:** A particle moves in a straight line with acceleration inversely proportional with square distance from the origin. Find the velocity of the particle as a function of the distance knowing that the motion begins from rest when the particle is at a distance ( $a$ ) from the origin.

- **Solution**

- We find that the motion is in straight line.

- **Velocity:** the acceleration is a function in  $x$ , then, the velocity can be obtained from a relation  $a = \frac{v dv}{dx}$  by separating variables and integrating

- $a = v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{k}{x^2}$

- $\int_0^v v dv = \int_a^x \frac{k}{x^2} dx$  ,  $\frac{v^2}{2} = -\frac{k}{x} + \frac{k}{a}$  ,  $v^2 = 2 \left( \frac{k}{a} - \frac{k}{x} \right)$

## EXAMPLE

**Given:** The acceleration of a body is  $a = 5v$ . At  $t = 0$ ,  $s = 0$ , and  $v_0 = 2$  m/s. (a) Find  $v(t)$ . (b) Find  $v(s)$ .

(a) Need the equation with  $a$ ,  $v$ , and  $t$ .

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

Rearrange. Terms with  $t$  on one side and  $v$  on the other.

$$dt = \frac{dv}{a}$$

Create integrals

$$\int_0^t dt = \int_2^v \frac{dv}{5v}$$



### EXAMPLE (continued)

Result is

$$t \Big|_0^t = \frac{1}{5} \ln(v) \Big|_2^v$$

$$t = \frac{1}{5} \ln\left(\frac{v}{2}\right)$$

$$v = 2e^{5t}$$

(b) Need the equation with  $a$ ,  $v$ , and  $s$ .

$$a = v \frac{dv}{ds}$$

$$ds = v \frac{dv}{a}$$

## EXAMPLE (continued)

Result is

$$\int_0^s ds = \int_2^v v \frac{dv}{5v}$$

$$s \Big|_0^s = \frac{1}{5} v \Big|_2^v$$

$$s = \frac{1}{5}(v - 2)$$

$$v = 5s + 2$$

# Expression for the distance travelled in nth second

Let a body move with an initial velocity  $u$  and travel along a straight line with uniform acceleration  $a$ .

Distance travelled in the  $n$ th second of motion is,  
 $s_n$  = distance travelled during first  $n$  seconds – distance travelled during  $(n - 1)$  seconds

Distance travelled during  $n$  seconds

$$D_n = un + \frac{1}{2}an^2$$

Distance travelled during  $(n - 1)$  seconds

$$D_{(n-1)} = u(n-1) + \frac{1}{2} a(n-1)^2$$

∴ the distance travelled in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  second =

$$\text{(i.e.) } s_n = \left( un + \frac{1}{2}an^2 \right) - \left[ u(n-1) + \frac{1}{2}a(n-1)^2 \right]$$

$$s_n = u + a \left( n - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$s_n = u + \frac{1}{2}a(2n - 1)$$

# Special Cases

Case (i) : For downward motion

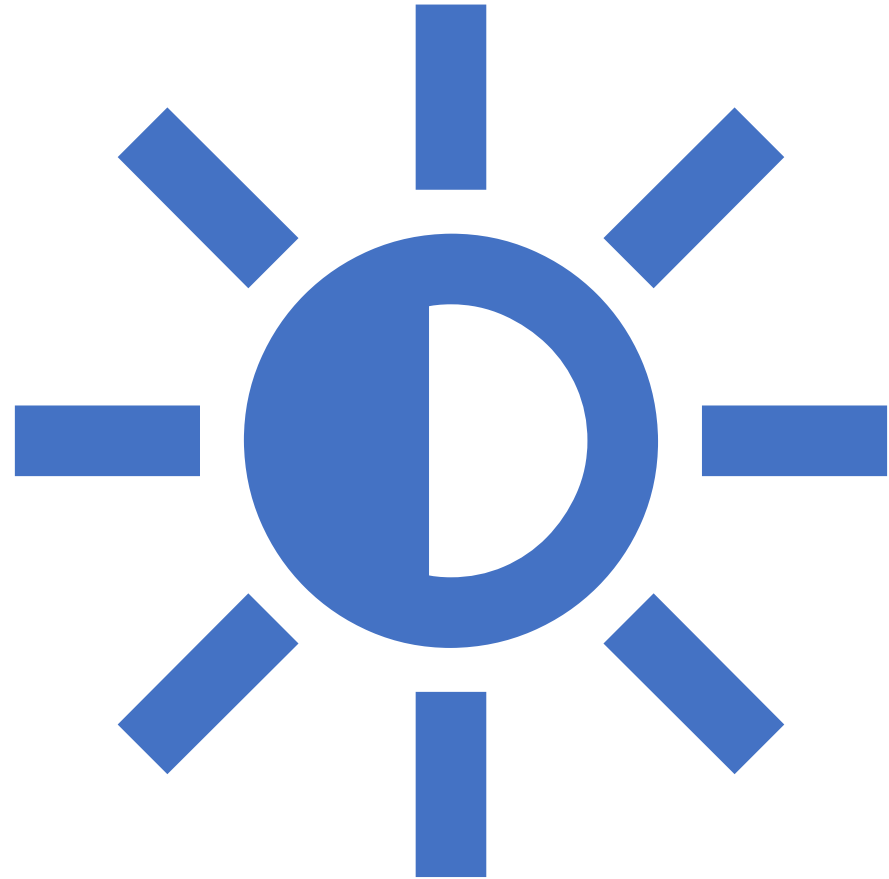
For a particle moving downwards,  $a = g$ , since the particle moves in the direction of gravity.

Case (ii) : For a freely falling body

For a freely falling body,  $a = g$  and  $u = 0$ , since it starts from rest.

Case (iii) : For upward motion

For a particle moving upwards,  $a = -g$ , since the particle moves against the gravity



# Coding using Python program

```
• import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

finalTime=20 #Seconds
H=0

velocity=np.zeros(finalTime+1)#Initialize Velocity Array
height=np.zeros(finalTime+1)#Initialize Height Array

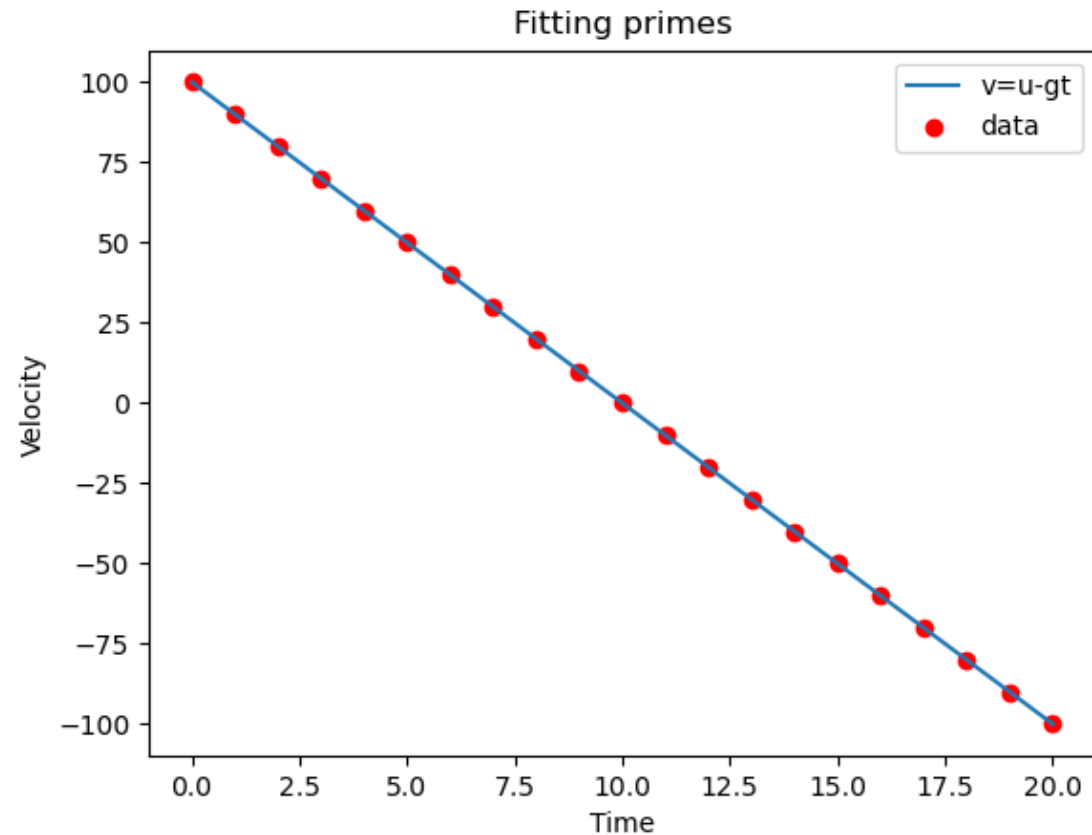
g=10 # m/s^2 you may change to 9.81 m/s^2
initialVelocity=100 #Initial Velocity in m/s

# calculate velocity and distance/height at each second
# Time=1; so not appearing in expressions v=u-gt and
H=ut-0.5*gt^2
for i in range (0,finalTime+1):
    if i==0:
        velocity[i]=initialVelocity
    else:
        velocity[i]= velocity[i-1]-g
        deltaH= velocity[i-1]-0.5*g
        H=H+deltaH
        height[i]=H
        # initialVelocity=velocity[i]
    #print(i, initialVelocity, H)
```

- `timePoints=np.linspace(0,finalTime,finalTime+1)`  
  
`print("velocity",  
velocity)`  
`print("\n")`  
`print("height", height)`

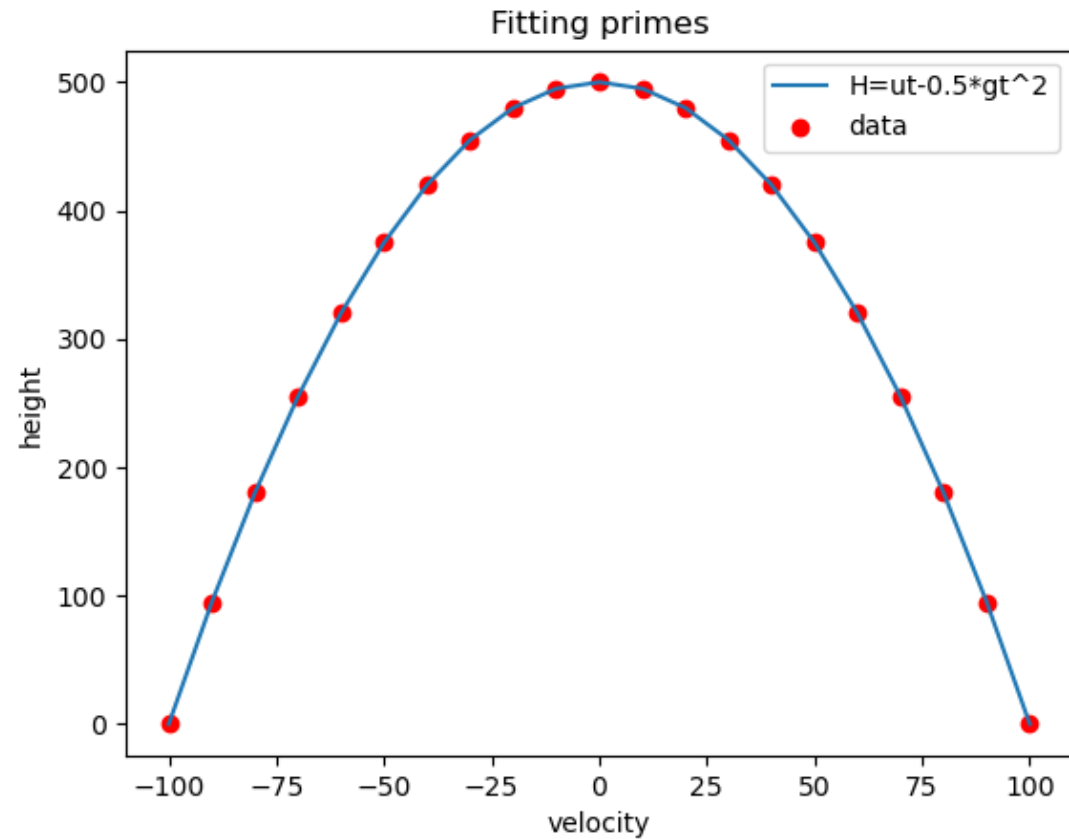
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velocity [ 100.   90.   80.   70.   60.   50.   40.   30.  
20.   10.    0.  -10.  
        -20.  -30.  -40.  -50.  -60.  -70.  -80.  -90. -100.]  
  
height [  0.  95. 180. 255. 320. 375. 420. 455. 480. 495.  
500. 495. 480. 455.  
        420. 375. 320. 255. 180.  95.   0.]
```

- `plt.scatter(timePoints,  
velocity, c='r',  
label='data')`  
`plt.plot(timePoints,  
velocity, label='v=u-  
gt')`  
`plt.xlabel('Time')`  
`plt.ylabel('Velocity ')`  
`plt.title('Fitting  
primes')`  
`plt.legend()`  
`plt.show()`





- ```
plt.scatter(velocity, height, c='r', label='data')
plt.plot(velocity, height, label='H=ut-0.5*gt^2')
plt.xlabel('velocity')
plt.ylabel('height')
plt.title('Fitting primes')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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Thank you