

Chapters/ Sections will be Covered

Book: Fundamentals of Physics by David Halliday, Jearl Walker, and Robert Resnick

Chapter Title: Measurement, Motion along a straight line

Sections:

- The international system of units

- Motion

- Position & displacement

- Average velocity & average speed

Sample Quiz Questions: Measurements

How physical quantities are calculated to describe the laws of physics?

- (a) By description
- (b) Explaining physical phenomena
- (c) Set up a standard and a unit
- (d) Qualitative understanding

How are units used to measure an object?

- (a) Setting up a reference standard
- (b) Qualitative explanation
- (c) Understanding the physical phenomena
- (d) Eliminating physical quantity

Sample Quiz Questions: Measurements

If mass, time, and length have dimensions $[M]$, $[T]$, and $[L]$ respectively, what is the dimension of speed?

- (a) $[M/T]$
- (b) $[L/T]$
- (c) $[M/L]$
- (d) 1

Why distance is a scalar quantity?

- (a) It has an initial and final position
- (b) It calculates the total length
- (c) It sums up all the initial and final positions
- (d) It shows some angle in the path

Sample Quiz Question: Motion along a straight line

A coach is tracking his sprinter while running on the field using a stopwatch. What quantity is useful for him to improve the performance of the sprinter?

- (a) Average speed
- (b) Position
- (c) Distance
- (d) Average velocity

Ford Mustang does not run well in snowy conditions. If a customer wants to check its performance what is the valuable quantity to look at: (a) distance, (b) displacement, (c) average speed, (d) average velocity?

Sample Quiz Question: Motion along a straight line

A position vs time graph is sketched for tracking the movement of a deer in a forest where the graph shows (a) steeper, (b) turn, (c) wavy, (d) spiral-like sections. Which section has the maximum average velocity?

What is the dimension of the product of average velocity and time interval?

- (a) Average acceleration
- (b) Average speed
- (c) Distance
- (d) Positions

Sample Quiz Question: Motion along a straight line

What is denoted by the product of average speed and total time taken by a particle that travels?

- (a) Average velocity
- (b) Initial and final position
- (c) Total length
- (d) Average time

A food delivery boy delivers the first order at A (25 m), the second at B (5 m), and the third at C (12 m) and then returns to the start position. What is the net displacement of the delivery boy?

- (a) 42 m (b) 18 m (c) 0 m (d) 8 m

Class Activity: Math Problem #1

A boy is playing a 'game of catch' with a dog. The dog is initially standing near the boy's feet. Then he jogs 20 feet in a straight line to retrieve a stick and carries the stick 15 feet back toward the boy before lying on the ground to chew on the stick.

- (a) What is the total distance the dog travels?
- (b) What is the net displacement of the dog?
- (c) Show that the net displacement for the trip is the sum of the sequential displacements that make up the trip.

Class Activity: Math Problem #2

A car and pickup truck are moving on a street opposite each other.

(a) A car starts moving and its position is at $(x_1, t_1) = (19 \text{ m}, 1.0 \text{ s})$. After 4.0 s , the vehicle is at $x_2 = 277 \text{ m}$. Find the average velocity of the car.

(b) On the same street, a pickup truck position is at $(x_1, t_1) = (277 \text{ m}, 16.0 \text{ s})$. The truck is at position, $x_2 = 19 \text{ m}$ while the time was $t_2 = 25.0 \text{ s}$. What is the average velocity of the vehicle?