

# 3 Motion in a Plane

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## Quick Review

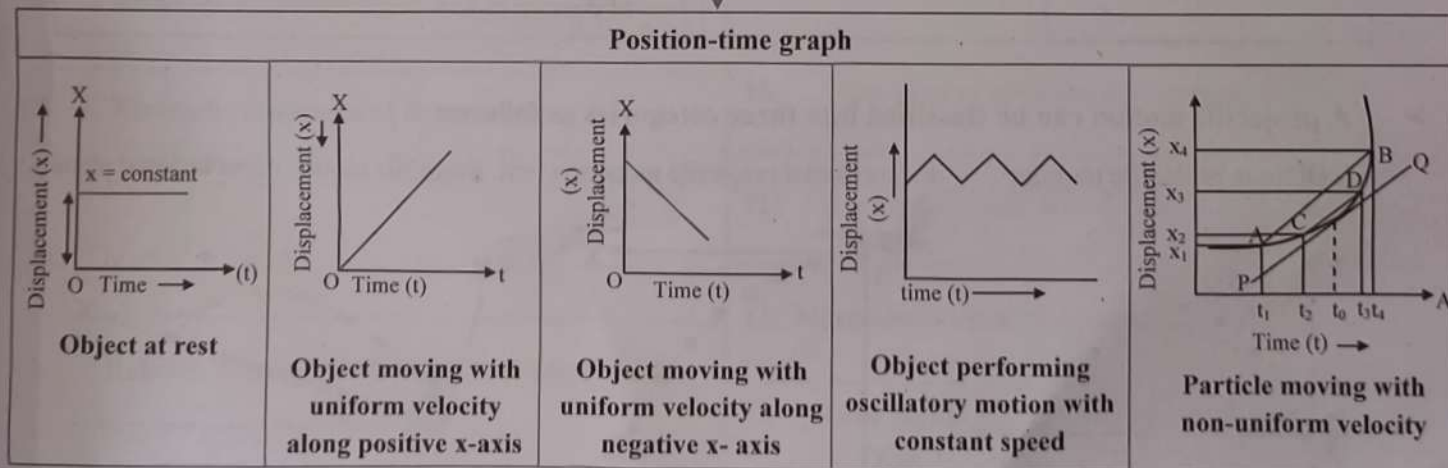
### Motion

Displacement	Average velocity	Average speed	Average acceleration
Difference between the position vectors of the object in that time interval. $\vec{\Delta x} = \vec{x}_2 - \vec{x}_1$	Displacement $\vec{\Delta x}$ of the object during the time interval $\Delta t$ over which average velocity is being calculated, divided by that time interval.	The total path length (distance) travelled by the object during the time interval over which average speed is being calculated, divided by that time interval.	The change in velocity divided by the total time required for the change.
Path length	Instantaneous velocity	Instantaneous speed	Instantaneous acceleration
Actual distance travelled by the particle during its motion.	The limiting value of the average velocity of the object over a small time interval ' $\Delta t$ ' around $t$ when the value of time interval goes to zero.	The limiting value of the average speed of the object over a small time interval ' $\Delta t$ ' around $t$ when the value of time interval goes to zero.	The limiting value of the average acceleration of the object over a small time interval ' $\Delta t$ ' around $t$ when the value of time interval goes to zero.

### ➤ Position-time and velocity-time graph:

### Motion

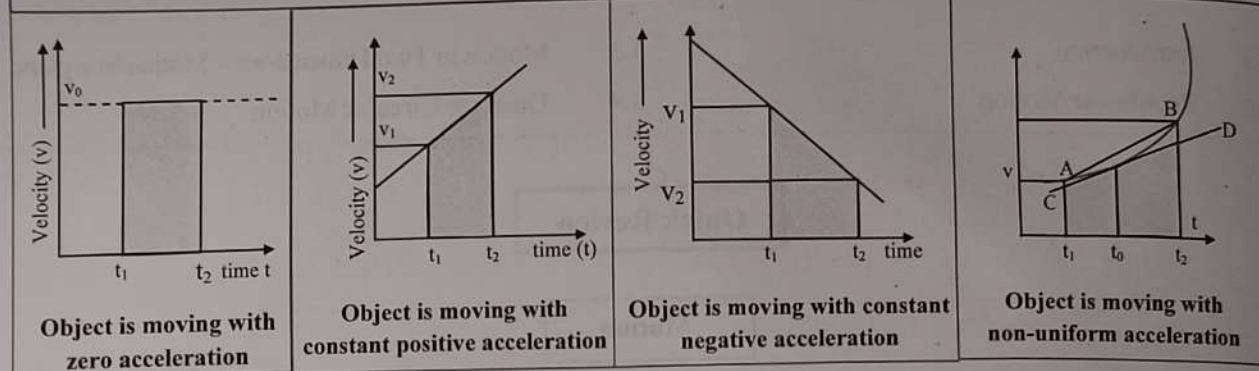
#### Position-time graph





## Motion

### Velocity-time graph



### Relative velocity

Relative velocity is defined as the time rate of change of relative position of one object with respect to another.

Relative velocity of A w.r.t. B is given by,  $\vec{v}_{AB} = \vec{v}_A - \vec{v}_B$

Relative velocity of B w.r.t. A is given by,  $\vec{v}_{BA} = \vec{v}_B - \vec{v}_A$

## Projectile Motion

An object in flight after being thrown with some velocity is called a projectile and its motion is called projectile motion.

**Equation:**  $y = (\tan \theta)x - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{g}{u^2 \cos^2 \theta} \right) x^2$

### Horizontal Range (R)

- The maximum horizontal distance travelled by the projectile.
- It is maximum when angle of projection ( $\theta$ ) is  $45^\circ$ .

### Maximum height (H)

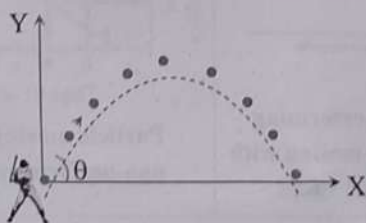
The maximum height H reached by the projectile is the distance travelled along the vertical (y) direction in time  $t_A$ .

### Time of Flight (t)

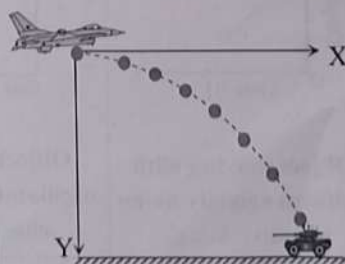
- It is the total time taken by the projectile to go up and come down to the same level from which it was projected.
- The time taken to reach the maximum height is called time of ascent ( $t_A$ ).
- The time taken by projectile to travel to the ground from the maximum height, is called time of descent ( $t_D$ ).

➤ A projectile motion can be classified into three categories as follows:

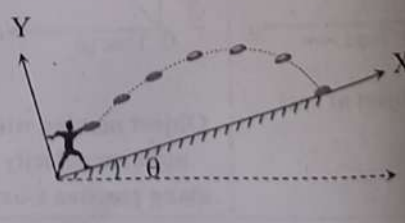
i. Oblique projectile motion:



ii. Horizontal projectile motion:



iii. Projectile motion on an inclined plane:





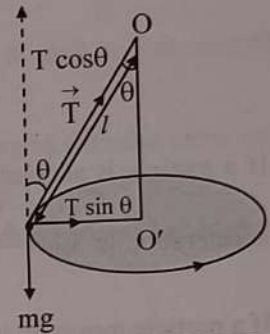
### Uniform Circular Motion (UCM)

- **Time Period:** The time taken by a particle performing uniform circular motion to complete one revolution.
- **Centripetal Force:** A force in the case of circular motion which is directed towards the centre along the radius is called centripetal (radial) force.

### Conical Pendulum

- A simple pendulum, which is given such a motion that the bob describes a horizontal circle and the string making a constant angle with the vertical describes a cone.
- Time period of a conical pendulum depends on the following factors:
  - i. Length of pendulum ( $l$ )
  - ii. Acceleration due to gravity ( $g$ )
  - iii. Angle of inclination ( $\theta$ )

$$\text{i.e., } T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l \cos \theta}{g}}$$



### Formulae

#### 1. Basic kinematical formulae:

$$\text{i. Average speed} = \frac{\text{Total path length}}{\text{Total time interval}} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}} = \frac{x}{t}$$

$$\text{ii. Instantaneous speed: } \vec{v} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{x}}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\vec{x}}{dt}$$

#### iii. Average velocity:

$$\vec{v}_{\text{avg}} = \frac{\text{Displacement}}{\text{Time interval}} = \frac{\vec{x}_2 - \vec{x}_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\Delta \vec{x}}{\Delta t}$$

#### iv. Acceleration:

$$a = \frac{\text{Change in velocity}}{\text{Time}} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$$

$$\text{v. Average acceleration: } \vec{a}_{\text{av}} = \frac{\vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{vi. Instantaneous acceleration: } \vec{a}_{\text{inst}} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$$

#### 2. Kinematic Equations of linear motion:

$$\text{i. } \vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{a} t \quad \text{ii. } \vec{s} = \vec{u} t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2$$

$$\text{iii. } v^2 = u^2 + 2 \vec{a} \cdot \vec{s} \quad \text{iv. } \vec{s} = \frac{(\vec{v} + \vec{u})}{2} t$$

#### 3. Relative velocity of a body A with respect to B:

$$\text{i. } \vec{v}_{AB} = \vec{v}_A - \vec{v}_B$$

$$\text{ii. } v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} \text{ (in magnitude)}$$

#### 4. Velocity of projectile:

- i.  $u_x = u \cos \theta$  (along horizontal)
- ii.  $u_y = u \sin \theta$  (along vertical)

#### 5. Horizontal distance covered by projectile:

$$x = (u \cos \theta) t$$

#### 6. Vertical distance of projectile:

$$y = (u \sin \theta) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

#### 7. Equation of trajectory:

$$y = x (\tan \theta) - \frac{g x^2}{2 u^2 \cos^2 \theta}$$

#### 8. Maximum height: $H = \frac{u^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$

#### 9. Time of flight: $T = \frac{2u \sin \theta}{g}$

#### 10. Time of ascent = Time of descent = $\frac{u \sin \theta}{g}$

#### 11. Horizontal range: $R = \frac{u^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$

#### 12. Maximum horizontal range: $R_{\text{max}} = \frac{u^2}{g}$

#### 13. Time period in uniform circular motion:

$$T = \frac{2\pi r}{v}$$

14. Angular speed in uniform circular motion:

$$\omega = \frac{v}{r}$$

15. Centripetal acceleration:

- i.  $\vec{a} = -\omega^2 \vec{r}$   
 ii.  $a = \omega^2 r$  (in magnitude)

16. Centripetal force:

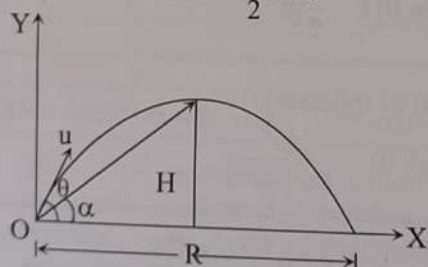
$$F = m\omega^2 r = \frac{mv^2}{r} = m\omega v$$

17. Time period of a conical pendulum:

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l \cos \theta}{g}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{h}{g}}$$

### Shortcuts

- If a particle is accelerated for time  $t_1$  with acceleration  $a_1$  and for time  $t_2$  with acceleration  $a_2$  then average acceleration is  $\vec{a}_{av} = \frac{\vec{a}_1 t_1 + \vec{a}_2 t_2}{t_1 + t_2}$
- If a particle moves in two equal intervals of time at different speed  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  respectively, then  $v_{av} = \frac{v_1 + v_2}{2}$
- When a body starts from rest and moves with uniform acceleration, distance covered by the body in  $n^{\text{th}}$  second is directly proportional to  $(2n - 1)$  i.e., ratio of the distances covered in 1<sup>st</sup> s, 2<sup>nd</sup> s and 3<sup>rd</sup> s is  $[2(1) - 1] : [2(2) - 1] : [2(3) - 1] = 1:3:5$ .
- Horizontal range of projectile is same when angles of projection are (Complimentary)
  - $\theta$  and  $90^\circ - \theta$  or
  - $(45^\circ + \theta)$  and  $(45^\circ - \theta)$
- A ball is dropped from a building of height  $h$  and it reaches after  $t$  seconds on earth. From the same building if two balls are thrown (one upwards and other downwards) with the same velocity  $u$  and they reach the earth surface after  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  seconds respectively then  $t = \sqrt{t_1 t_2}$
- The angle of elevation  $\alpha$  of the highest point of the projectile and the angle of projection  $\theta$  are related to each other as  $\tan \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta$



- When a projectile is projected at an angle  $45^\circ$ , the range is maximum and the height attained by the projectile is  $H = \frac{u^2}{4g} = \frac{R_{max}}{4}$
- The height attained by a projectile is maximum, when  $\theta = 90^\circ$ .  
 $H_{max} = \frac{u^2}{4g}$
- When the range of the projectile is maximum, the time of flight is  $T = 2t = \frac{\sqrt{2}u}{g}$
- The time of flight of the projectile is also largest for  $\theta = 90^\circ$ .  
 $T_{max} = \frac{2u}{g}$
- In U.C.M., if central angle or angular displacement is given, then simply apply  $dv = 2v \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$  to determine change in velocity.