General Physics I Classnotes

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1 Metric Prefixes

10^{12}	=1,000,000,000,000	tera	T
10^{9}	=1,000,000,000	giga	G
10^{6}	=1,000,000	mega	M
10^{3}	=1,000	kilo	k
10^{0}	= 1	_	_
10^{-2}	= 0.01	centi	c
10^{-3}	= 0.001	milli	m
10^{-6}	= 0.000,001	micro	μ
10^{-9}	=0.000,000,001	nano	n
10^{-12}	= 0.000, 000, 000, 001	pico	p

2 Basic Quantities

	Metric	English
Length	m = meter	ft = foot
Mass	kg = kilogram	sl = slug
Time	s = second	s = second

$$1 \text{day} = 24 \times 60 \times 60 = 86,400 \ s$$

$$1 \text{day} = 10 \times 100 \times 100 = 100,000 \ s$$

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3 Derived Quantities

velocity/speed	mi/s	km/h	m/min	 [L]/[T]
area	cm^2	m^2		 $[L]^2$
density	g/cm^3	kg/m^3		 $[M]/[L]^3$

4 Conversions

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
1 & min & \equiv & 60 & s \\
1 & h & \equiv & 60 & min \\
1 & ft & \equiv & 12 & in \\
1 & mi & \equiv & 5280 & ft \\
1 & L & \equiv & 1,000 & cm^3 \\
1 & mi^2 & \equiv & 640 & acres \\
1 & in & \equiv & 2.54 & cm
\end{array}$$

Example:

$$70 \ mi/h = ? \ m/s$$

$$= 70 \ mi/h \times \left(\frac{5280 \ ft}{1 \ mi}\right) \times \left(\frac{12 \ in}{1 \ ft}\right) \times \left(\frac{2.54 \ cm}{1 \ in}\right) \times \left(\frac{1 \ m}{100 \ cm}\right)$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1 \ h}{60 \ min}\right) \times \left(\frac{1 \ min}{60 \ s}\right)$$

$$= 31.2928 \ m/s$$

Example:

$$350in^{3} = ? L$$

$$= 350 in^{3} \times \left(\frac{2.54 cm}{1 in}\right)^{3} \times \left(\frac{1 L}{1000 cm^{3}}\right)$$

$$= 5.7355 L$$

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Homework:

$$\begin{aligned} 1acre &= ? \ in^2 \\ &= 1 \ acre \times \left(\frac{1 \ mi^2}{640 \ acres}\right) \times \left(\frac{5280 \ ft}{1 \ mi}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{12 \ in}{1 \ ft}\right)^2 \\ &= 6,272,640 \ in^2 \end{aligned}$$

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5 Position

Let

$$x = \text{position}$$

 $x_i = \text{initial position}$
 $x_f = \text{final position}$
 $\Delta x = \text{Displacement}$
 $= x_f - x_i$

Example:

$$x_{i} = +3 ft$$

$$x_{f} = +5 ft$$

$$\Delta x = x_{f} - x_{i}$$

$$= 5 ft - 3 ft$$

$$= +2 ft$$

Example:

$$x_i = +5 ft$$

$$x_f = -1 ft$$

$$\Delta x = x_f - x_i$$

$$= -1 ft - 5 ft$$

$$= -6 ft$$

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Example:

$$x_i = +3 ft$$

$$x_2 = +5 ft$$

$$x_f = -1 ft$$

$$\Delta x = x_f - x_i$$

$$= -1 ft - 3 ft$$

$$= -4 ft$$
Distance Traveled = 2 ft + 6 ft
$$= 8 ft$$

6 Velocity

$$\begin{split} \bar{v} &= \text{average velocity} \\ \bar{v} &\equiv \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{\text{displacement}}{\text{time elapsed}} \\ \text{average speed} &= \frac{\text{distance travelled}}{\text{time elapsed}} \end{split}$$

Example:

Start at
$$x = +3$$
 ft
Move to $x = +5$ ft
End at $x = -1$ ft
Trip takes 4 s
Find a) average velocity
b) average speed

$$\bar{v} \equiv \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \frac{-1 ft - 3 ft}{4 s} = \frac{-4 ft}{4 s} = -1 ft/s$$
average speed =
$$\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} = \frac{8 ft}{4 s} = 2 ft/s$$

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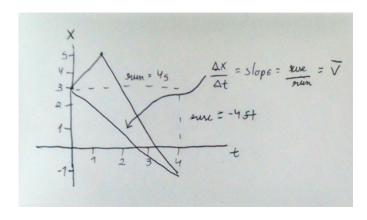


Figure 1: Graphic of the Average Speed

$$v = \text{instantaneous velocity}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

$$v \equiv \frac{dx}{dt}$$

Example:

$$x=3$$
 $m+(17$ $m/s)t+(7$ $m/s^3)t^3$
Find
a)position at $t=2$ s
b)position at $t=4$ s
c)average velocity from 2 $s \to 4$ s

(1)

a)

$$x = 3 m + (17 m/s)(2 s) + (7 m/s^3)(2 s)^3$$

$$= 3 m + 34 m + 56 m$$

$$= 93 m$$

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$$x = 3 m + (17 m/s)(4 s) + (7 m/s3)(4 s)3$$

= 3 m + 68 m + 448 m
= 519 m

$$\bar{v} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{519 \ m - 93 \ m}{4 \ s - 2 \ s}$$
$$= \frac{426 \ m}{2 \ s}$$
$$= 213 \ m/s$$

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left[3 m + (17 m/s)t + (7 m/s^3)t^3 \right]$$

$$= 0 + 17 m/s + (21 m/s^3)t^2$$

$$v(3 s) = 17 m/s + (21 m/s^3)(3 s)^2$$

$$= 17 m/s + 189 m/s = 208 m/s$$

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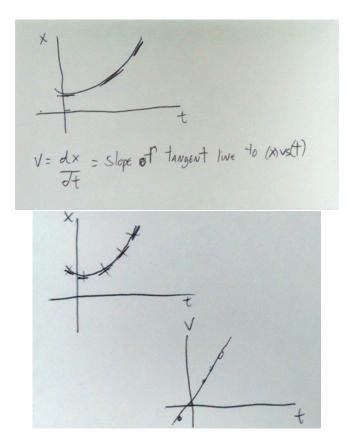


Figure 2: Graphics of Instantaneous Velocity

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7 Summary

$$x = \text{position}$$

$$\Delta x = \text{displacement}$$

$$= x_f - x_i$$

$$\bar{v} = \text{average velocity}$$

$$= \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

$$v = \text{instantaneous velocity}$$

$$= \frac{dx}{dt} = \text{slope of x vs. t}$$

$$\text{Avg Speed} = \frac{\text{distance traveled}}{\text{time elapsed}}$$

8 Acceleration

Let
$$\bar{a}=$$
 average acceleration
$$\bar{a}\equiv \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}=\frac{v_f-v_i}{\Delta t}=\frac{\text{change in velocity}}{\text{time elapsed}}$$

Example: A car goes from $20 \ mph$ to $60 \ mph$ in $8 \ s.$ What is its average acceleration?

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$$v_{i} = 20 \ mi/h$$

$$v_{f} = 60 \ mi/h$$

$$\Delta t = 8 \ s$$

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_{f} - v_{i}}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \frac{60 \ mi/h - 20 \ mi/h}{8 \ s}$$

$$= \frac{40 \ mi/h}{8 \ s}$$

$$= 5 \ \frac{mi}{h \times s}$$

Example: Justin Bieber's Limo goes from $30 \ m/s$ to a stop in $0.10 \ s$. What is its average acceleration?

$$v_{i} = 30 \ m/s$$

$$v_{f} = 0 \ m/s$$

$$\Delta t = 0.10 \ s$$

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_{f} - v_{i}}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \frac{0 \ m/s - 30 \ m/s}{0.10 \ s}$$

$$= \frac{-30 \ m/s}{0.10 \ s}$$

$$= -300 \ \frac{m/s}{s} = -300m/s^{2}$$

(- means slowing)

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Let

$$a = \text{instantaneous acceleration}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$$
 $a \equiv \frac{dv}{dt} = \text{rate of change of velocity}$

$$= \text{slope of tangent line to v vs. t}$$

Example:

$$x = 3 m + (17 m/s) t + (7 m/s^3) t^3$$

Find: a) velocity at 3 s

- b) velocity at 5 s
- c) average acceleration from $3 s \rightarrow 5 s$
- c) instantaneous acceleration at 4 s

a)

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = 17 \ m/s + (21 \ m/s^3) t^2$$
$$v(3 \ s) = 17 \ m/s + (21 \ m/s^3) (3 \ s)^2$$
$$= 17 \ m/s + 189 \ m/s$$
$$= 206 \ m/s$$

b)

$$v(5 s) = 17 m/s + (21 m/s^3) (5 s)^2$$

= 17 m/s + 525 m/s
= 542 m/s

c)

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_f - v_i}{\Delta t} = \frac{542 \ m/s - 206 \ m/s}{5 \ s - 3 \ s}$$
$$= \frac{336 \ m/s}{2 \ s} = 168 \ m/s^2$$

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d)

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

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left[17 \ m/s + (21 \ m/s^3)t^2 \right]$$

$$= 0 + (42 \ m/s^3)t$$

$$a(4 \ s) = (42 \ m/s^3)(4 \ s)$$

$$= 168 \ m/s^2$$

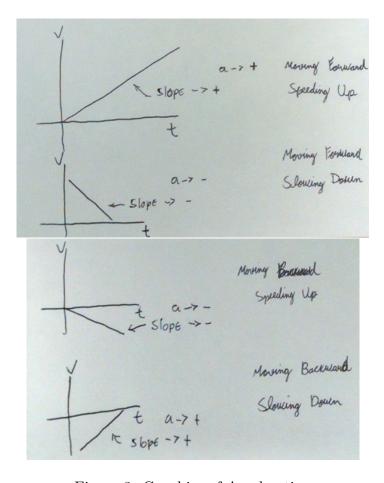


Figure 3: Graphics of Acceleration

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc} t_i & \rightarrow & 0 \\ t_f & \rightarrow & t \\ x_i & \rightarrow & x_0 \\ x_f & \rightarrow & x \\ v_i & \rightarrow & v_0 \\ v_f & \rightarrow & v \end{array}$$

Suppose a = constant

$$\bar{a} = a
\frac{v - v_0}{t} = a
v - v_0 = at
v = v_0 + at : v(t)
x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 : x(t)
x = x_0 + \frac{1}{2} (v_0 + v) t : \text{no } a$$
(2)

$$2a(x - x_0) = v^2 - v_0^2 : \text{no } t$$
 (5)

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Summary 9

Iff a = constant?

$$(1) v = v_0 + at v(t)$$

(2)
$$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$
 $x(t)$

(3)
$$x = x_0 + \frac{1}{2}(v_0 + v)t$$
 No a

(4)
$$2a(x - x_0) = v^2 - v_0^2$$
 No t

10 Gravity

In the absence of air resistante ($\alpha = 0$) gravity produces a constant acceleration of $g = 9.80 \ m/s^2 = 32.2 \ ft/s^2 = 22.0 \ \frac{mi/h}{s}$. Example: Drop an object from a height. What is the velocity and the

distance fallen after 0 s, 1 s, 2 s, and 3 s?

$$speed = |v| \tag{6}$$

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$$x_{0} = 0$$

$$v_{0} = 0$$

$$a = +g$$

$$v = v_{0} + at$$

$$= 0 + gt$$

$$= (9.80 m/s^{2}) t$$

$$= (32.2 ft/s^{2}) t$$

$$= \left(22 \frac{mi/h}{s}\right) t$$

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

$$= 0 + (0)t + \frac{1}{2}gt^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (9.80 m/s^{2}) t^{2} = (4.90 m/s^{2}) t^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (32.2 ft/s^{2}) t^{2} = (16.1 ft/s^{2}) t^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(22 \frac{mi/h}{s}\right) t^{2} = \left(11 \frac{mi/h}{s}\right) t^{2}$$

t	v	v	v	x	x
(s)	(m/s)	(ft/s)	(mi/h)	m	ft
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	9.80	32.2	22	4.9	16.1
2	19.6	64.4	44	19.6	64.4
3	29.4	96.6	66	44.1	144.9

 $[\]rightarrow$ Example 3 - PH1300 Examples (Dr. Rex Joyner) - 2015-2016

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11 Summary

Iff a = constant?

$$(1) v = v_0 + at v(t)$$

(2)
$$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$
 $x(t)$

(3)
$$x = x_0 + \frac{1}{2}(v_0 + v)t$$
 No a

(4)
$$2a(x - x_0) = v^2 - v_0^2$$
 No t

- \rightarrow Example 3 PH1300 Examples (Dr. Rex Joyner) 2015-2016 Continuation
 - \rightarrow Example 4 PH1300 Examples (Dr. Rex Joyner) 2015-2016
- \rightarrow Chapter Two Homework due Monday. Chapter Three due next Friday. Test 1 next friday.

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12 Vector

Definition: A vector is a quantity with both magnitude (size) and direction. Definition: A vector is a quantity with magnitude only.

Vectors	Scalars
$10 \ ft \ \mathrm{left}$	$10 \ ft$
Displacement	Distance
$70 \ mi/h \ { m south}$	$70 \ mi/h$
Velocity	Speed
$18 \ m/s^2 \ down$	$18 \ m/s^2$

(7)

Let:

$$\vec{A} = \text{vector } A$$

Book uses boldface:

$$\mathbf{A} = \text{vector } A$$

$$A = |\vec{A}| = \text{magnitude of } \vec{A}$$
 (8)

$$\vec{A} + \vec{B} = \vec{B} + \vec{A} \tag{9}$$

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Vector addition is commutative.

Two vectors are equal if they have the same magnitude and direction. Location does not matter.

$$\vec{A} - \vec{B} = ?$$

$$\vec{A} - \vec{B} = \vec{A} + \left(-\vec{B}\right)$$

$$A_x = x$$
-component of \vec{A}
 $A_y = y$ -component of \vec{A}

$$\cos \theta_A = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hip}} = \frac{A_x}{A} \to A_x = A \cos \theta_A$$
$$\sin \theta_A = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hip}} = \frac{A_y}{A} \to A_y = A \sin \theta_A$$

If we know A_x and A_y . What are A and θ_A ?

$$\tan \theta_A = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} = \frac{A_y}{A_x}$$

$$A^2 = A_x^2 + A_y^2$$
$$A = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}$$

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13 Vector

\hat{i}	unit vector in + x direction
\hat{j}	unit vector in + y direction
\hat{k}	unit vector in + z direction

A unit vector has length 1 unit.

$$|\hat{i}| = 1$$
$$|\hat{j}| = 1$$
$$|\hat{k}| = 1$$

$$A_x = 4$$

$$A_y = 3$$

$$\vec{A} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

Example:

$$\vec{A} = 8 \ m@30^{o}$$

Find A_x , A_y

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$$A_x = A \cos \theta_A$$
= $(8 m) \cos(30^o)$
= $6.928 m$

$$A_y = A \sin \theta_A$$

= $(8 m) \sin(30^o)$
= $4.00 m$
 $\vec{A} = (6.928 m)\hat{i} + (4.00 m)\hat{j}$

Example:

$$\vec{B} = 12 \ m@140^{\circ}$$

$$B_x = B \cos \theta_B$$

$$= (12 \ m) \cos(140^{\circ})$$

$$= -9.19 \ m$$

$$B_y = B \sin \theta_B$$

$$= (12 \ m) \sin(140^{\circ})$$

$$= 7.71 \ m$$

$$\vec{B} = (-9.19 \ m)\hat{i} + (7.71 \ m)\hat{j}$$

Example:

$$\vec{C} = 4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

Find c, θ_C

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$$C = \sqrt{C_x^2 + C_y^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{16 + 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{25}$$

$$= 5.0$$

$$\tan \theta_C = \frac{C_y}{C_x} = \frac{3}{4} = 0.75$$

$$\theta_C = \tan^{-1}(0.75)$$

$$= 36.87^o$$

$$\vec{C} = 5.0@36.87^o$$

Example:

$$\vec{D} = -9\hat{i} + 12\hat{j}$$

$$D = \sqrt{D_x^2 + D_y^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-9)^2 + 12^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{81 + 144}$$

$$= \sqrt{225}$$

$$= 15$$

$$\tan \theta_D = \frac{D_y}{D_x} = \frac{12}{-9} = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$\theta_D = \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$= -53.13^o + 180^o$$

$$= 126.87^o$$

$$\vec{D} = 15.0@126.87^o$$

Rule: when x-component is negative:

$$\theta = \theta + 180^o \tag{10}$$

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$$\vec{R} = \vec{A} + \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{R}_x = \vec{A}_x + \vec{B}_x$$

$$\vec{R}_y = \vec{A}_y + \vec{B}_y$$
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Example:

$$\vec{A} = 10 @ 37^{o}$$

 $\vec{B} = 12 @ -60^{o}$

Find magnitude and direction of $\vec{R} = \vec{A} + \vec{B}$

$$A_x = A \cos \theta_A$$

$$= 10 \cos(37^o)$$

$$= 7.98$$

$$A_y = A \sin \theta_A$$

$$= 10 \sin(37^o)$$

$$= 6.02$$

$$B_x = B \cos \theta_B$$

$$= 12 \cos(-60^\circ)$$

$$= 6.00$$

$$B_x = B \sin \theta_B$$

$$= 12 \sin(-60^\circ)$$

$$= -10.39$$

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$$\vec{R}_x = \vec{A}_x + \vec{B}_x$$
= 7.98 + 6.00
= 13.98
$$\vec{R}_y = \vec{A}_y + \vec{B}_y$$
= 6.02 + (-10.39)
= -4.37
(12)

$$\vec{R} = 13.98\hat{i} - 4.37\hat{j}$$

$$R = \sqrt{(13.98)^2 + (-4.37)^2}$$

$$= 14.6$$

$$\tan \theta_R = \frac{R_y}{R_x} = \frac{-4.37}{13.98} = -0.313$$

$$\theta_R = \tan^{-1}(-0.313) = -17.4^o$$

$$\vec{R} = 14.6 @ -17.4^o$$
(13)

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14 Kinematics in 2-D

Let:

$$\vec{r}=$$
 position
$$=x\hat{i}+y\hat{j} \qquad \qquad \vec{r_i}=x_i\hat{i}+y_i\hat{j}=\text{initial}$$
 $\vec{r_f}=x_f\hat{i}+y_f\hat{j}=\text{final}$

$$\Delta \vec{r} = \vec{r_f} - \vec{r_i}$$
= $(x_f \hat{i} + y_f \hat{j}) - (x_i \hat{i} + y_i \hat{j})$
= $(x_f - x_i)\hat{i} + (y_f - y_i)\hat{j}$
= $\Delta x \hat{i} + \Delta y \hat{j}$

$$\begin{split} \vec{v} &= \text{average velocity} \\ &= \frac{\text{displacement}}{\text{time}} \\ &= \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t} \\ &= \frac{\Delta x \hat{i} + \Delta y \hat{j}}{\Delta t} \\ &= \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \hat{i} + \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} \hat{j} \\ &= \vec{v_x} \hat{i} + \vec{v_y} \hat{j} \end{split}$$

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$$\vec{v} = \text{instantaneous velocity}$$

$$= \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} \right)$$

$$= \frac{dx}{dt} \hat{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \hat{j}$$

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

$$\begin{split} \vec{a} &= \text{average acceleration} \\ &= \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t} \\ &= \frac{\Delta \left(v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} \right)}{\Delta t} \\ &= \frac{\Delta v_x}{\Delta t} \hat{i} + \frac{\Delta v_y}{\Delta t} \hat{j} \\ &= \vec{a_x} \hat{i} + \vec{a_y} \hat{j} \end{split}$$

$$\vec{a} = \text{instantaneous acceleration}$$

$$= \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left(v_x \hat{i} + v_y \hat{j} \right)$$

$$= \frac{dv_x}{dt} \hat{i} + \frac{dv_y}{dt} \hat{j}$$

$$= \vec{a}_x \hat{i} + \vec{a}_y \hat{j}$$

15 Projectiles

$$v_x = \text{constant}$$
 $a_x = 0$
 $a_y = -g$

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(1-D) iff a = constant

$$(1) v = v_0 + at$$

(2)
$$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

(3)
$$x = x_0 + \frac{1}{2} (v_0 + v) t$$

(4)
$$2a(x-x_0) = v^2 - v_0^2$$

iff $\vec{a} = \text{constant}$

$$(1x) v_x = v_{0_x} + a_x t$$

$$(1y) v_y = v_{0y} + a_y t$$

$$(2x) x = x_0 + v_{0x}t + \frac{1}{2}a_xt^2$$

$$(2y) y = y_0 + v_{0_y}t + \frac{1}{2}a_yt^2$$