

Kinematic Equations for uniform acceleration ... in 2-D

(Sec. 4.2)

If $\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j}$, you can write an x and y version of 2.13-2.17.

* Recall (2.13) $v_{xf} = v_{xi} + a_x t$, ... , (2.17) $v_{xf}^2 - v_{xi}^2 = 2a_x(x_f - x_i)$

* Each of them can also be written in terms of y ...

$$v_{yf} = v_{yi} + a_y t, \dots, v_{yf}^2 - v_{yi}^2 = 2a_y(y_f - y_i)$$

* The x & y versions can be multiplied by \hat{i} and \hat{j} , respectively.

$$v_{xf} \hat{i} = v_{xi} \hat{i} + a_x t \hat{i} \text{ and } v_{yf} \hat{j} = v_{yi} \hat{j} + a_y t \hat{j}$$

* Adding these gives vector versions of 2.13-2.17 gives

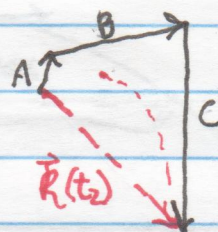
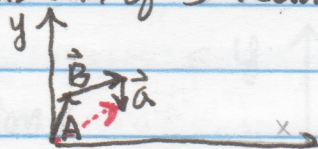
$$(2.13) \rightarrow \vec{v}_f = \vec{v}_i + \vec{a} t$$

$$v_{xf} \hat{i} + v_{yf} \hat{j} = v_{xi} \hat{i} + v_{yi} \hat{j} + (a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j}) t$$

$$(2.16) \rightarrow \vec{R}_f = \vec{R}_i + \vec{v}_i t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2 = \vec{R}(t)$$

[SWF 4.5]

Visualize $\vec{R}(t)$ as sum of 3 vectors $\vec{R}_i + \vec{v}_i t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2$



* Other 2-D versions of Kin Eqs:

$$(2.14) \rightarrow \vec{v}_{avg} = \frac{\vec{v}_i + \vec{v}_f}{2}$$

$$(2.15) \rightarrow \vec{R}_f = \vec{R}_i + \frac{1}{2} (\vec{v}_i + \vec{v}_f) t$$

$$(2.17) \rightarrow \vec{v}_f \cdot \vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_i = 2\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{R}_f - \vec{R}_i) \quad [\text{dot products come later}]$$

Example: Swimming fish [Back 2 pages]

(Sec. 4.3)

Projectile Motion

* A special case of 2D motion in which $\vec{a} = 0\hat{i} - 9.8\hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2$.

* Paths (trajectories) are parabolas.

* Ignore air resistance

$$\vec{R}(t) = R_x(t) \hat{i} + R_y(t) \hat{j}$$

$$\text{where } R_x(t) = R_{0x} + v_{0x} t$$

$$R_y(t) = R_{0y} + v_{0y} t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$$

