

Announcements – 9/3/09

- If you weren't here last time:
 - Go to the course website!
physics.byu.edu → Class Web Pages → Physics 105
 - Read the “How to get started” section immediately; there are about 10 things you need to do ASAP
 - Read the syllabus
 - Look over the posted class notes from Tuesday
- First HW due Sat at 11:59 pm
- Use the class Google group for homework hints/discussion

Review: The HW System

Syllabus packet contains problems:

- 1-1. Two boats start together and race across a 60-km-wide lake and back. Boat A goes across at [01] 3.43 km/h and returns at the same speed. Boat B goes across at 30 km/h and its crew, realizing how far behind it is getting, returns at 90 km/h. Turnaround times are negligible, and the boat that completes the round trip first wins. (a) Which boat wins and (b) by how much time?
- 1-2. In order to qualify for the finals in a racing event, a race car must achieve an average speed of 250 km/h on a track with a total length of 1600 m. If a particular car covers the first half of the track at an average speed of [02] 8.20 km/h, what minimum

Get your missing numbers (“data”) from class website

→ Put in the [xx] _____ spaces before you work the problem

set 1. [01] 3.43 [02] 8.20 [03] 22.2 [04] 30.2 [05] 39.8 [06] 4.0
etc.

Answer range at end of list of problems:

- 1-1b. 15.0, 60.0 min
1-2. 300, 800 km/h
1-3a. 150, 210 km
1-3b. 60.0, 70.0 km/h

Indicates units, range and decimal places of answer

Type into website form: 63.8

Submit all answers at once

Partial credit, aka “retries”

- Points for each successive try: 5, 5, 4, 3, 0
- If you miss, correct answer is given to you
- Use new data each time

Late submissions:

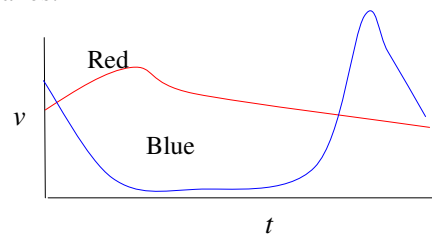
- Three free late submissions, chosen to give you most points
- All other late submissions only worth 50%

Special cases:

- Multiple choice problems are graded differently: 2 pts each part, no retries
- Sometimes diagrams are required (forms at back of packet): no free late, no retries
- Some problems are extra credit. They require you to measure something at home and use that as “data” for the problem.

Everything's explained in syllabus! You are responsible!

Clicker quiz: The following are $v(t)$ curves for two airplanes.



Which airplane flew the farthest?

- red
- blue

Hint: estimate each one's average velocity

Train problems...



A train leaves Provo for SLC at 8:00 am, going 10 mph. A second express train leaves Provo for SLC at 9 am, going 15 mph. It is 40 miles to SLC. Will the 2nd train catch up before SLC? If so, where?

Hint: think about *relative* velocities.

→ how fast does the gap close?

Steps:

- What is the initial gap? (How much of a head start does the first train have?)
- How fast does the gap close?
- How long does it take the gap to close?
- Where are both trains after this amount of time?

Review

Position: where the object is.

Displacement: change in position.

Velocity: rate of change of position

- **average** velocity: rate of change of position over some time interval, slope between two points of x vs t graph
- **instantaneous** velocity: rate of change at specific time, slope of tangent line at one point of x vs. t graph.

Acceleration

is **rate of change of velocity**: slope of v vs t graph

$$\text{average acceleration } \langle a \rangle = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} =$$

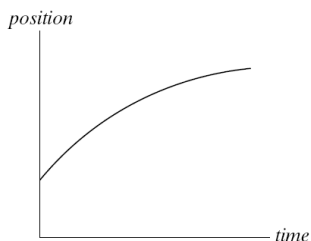
instantaneous acceleration

Acceleration has the same relationship to velocity...

as velocity does to position

a is to v as **v is to x**

Clicker quiz: A train car moves along a long straight track. The graph shows the position as a function of time for this train. The graph shows that the train:

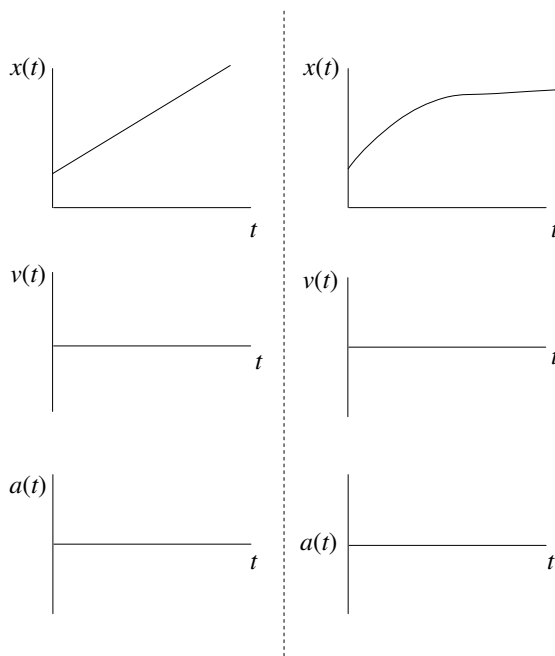


- speeds up all the time.
- slows down all the time.
- speeds up part of the time and slows down part of the time.
- moves at a constant velocity.

Hint: What would the velocity vs. time graph look like?

Problem: There two different objects move as plotted.

- Describe each motion with words.
- Figure out what the $v(t)$ and $a(t)$ graphs must look like for the two cases.



Some accelerations:

Accel. due to earth's gravity: "g"

Altitude (km) ^a	g (m/s ²)
1 000	7.33
2 000	5.68
3 000	4.53
4 000	3.70
5 000	3.08
6 000	2.60
7 000	2.23
8 000	1.93
9 000	1.69
10 000	1.49
50 000	0.13

Near surface $g \approx 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
(ignoring air resistance)

$$a_y = -g$$



Dr. John Stapp,
rocket sled (1951):
-45 g's

Fast sports cars: 0.7 – 1.0 g

Extreme amusement
park rides: 3-5 g's

Fighter planes: 5-9 g's

Laundry in my washing
machine's spin cycle: 100+ g's

Keeping track of signs:

Position, displacement, velocity, and acceleration have a **direction**, sometimes given by a **sign** (+/-) and sometimes by a **description** (left, right, north, south, etc.).

What do we mean by +/- **position**?

Being on the + or - side of the origin

What do we mean by +/- **displacement**?

Has shifted to the right or left

What do we mean by +/- **velocity**?

Moving in the + or - direction

What do we mean by +/- **acceleration**?

The velocity is _____

$a = +:$ if v = positive...
if v = negative...

$a = -:$ if v = positive...
if v = negative...

Clicker quiz: You are throwing a ball straight up in the air. At the highest point, the ball's

- velocity and acceleration are zero.
- velocity is nonzero but its acceleration is zero.
- acceleration is nonzero, but its velocity is zero.
- velocity and acceleration are both nonzero.

Hint: what does $v(t)$ graph look like, starting right after it leaves your hand?



From warmup: A ball tossed vertically upward rises, reaches its highest point, and then falls back to its starting point. During this time, the acceleration of the ball is always

- in the direction of motion
- opposite its velocity
- directed downward
- directed upward

From warmup: If I throw a ball straight up into the air, we say the ball is an object in "**free fall**"

- on its way up
- on its way back down
- both on its way up and on its way back down.

"Kinematic Equations"

for *constant* acceleration

x_0, v_0 = initial position, velocity

x_f, v_f = position, velocity after some time t (I may leave off the "f")

$$v_f = v_0 + at$$

Derivation:

Use definition of a_{ave} , with
 $\Delta v = v_f - v_0$ and $\Delta t = t - 0$
Notice that $v(t)$ is a straight line

$$v_{ave} = \langle v \rangle = \frac{v_0 + v_f}{2}$$

Derivation:

Since $v(t)$ is a straight line, average must be halfway between the beginning and ending velocities

$$x_f = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

Derivation:

$$v_{ave} = \frac{x_f - x_0}{t - 0}, \quad \text{also } v_{ave} = \frac{v_0 + v_f}{2}$$

Set equal, plug in $v_f = v_0 + at$

$$\frac{x_f - x_0}{t} = \frac{v_0 + (v_0 + at)}{2}$$

Solve for x_f

$$v_f^2 = v_0^2 + 2a\Delta x$$

Derivation:

Combine two previous boxed eqns to get rid of t , write $x_f - x_0$ as Δx , solve for v_f^2

From warmup quiz: Ralph asked me a question the other day. Consider a car accelerating forward. Its acceleration is 1.8 m/s^2 . During the first second, the car accelerates from 0 to 1.8 m/s . Ralph thought that since the velocity at the end of the first second is 1.8 m/s , the car would travel 1.8 m during that first second. But someone told him that the answer is actually 0.9 m . Can you help Ralph understand why? Don't just say, "Because the formula in the book says so."

An answer from the class:

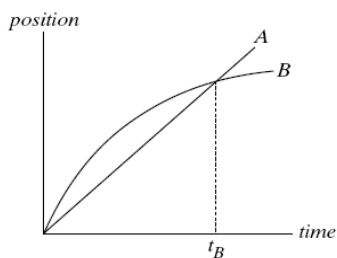
Worked Problem: A sprinter runs the 50 m dash starting at rest, with a constant acceleration of 0.5 m/s^2 . Find:

- Her final velocity
- Her average velocity
- The time it took

Problem Solving Tip:
Always draw a **diagram!**

Problem Solving Tip:
Look for equations that contain the given information, not the variable you're looking for.

Clicker quiz (if we have time): This graph shows position as a function of time for two trains running on parallel tracks. Which is true:



- At time t_B , both trains have the same velocity.
- Both trains speed up all the time.
- Both trains have the same velocity at some time before t_B .
- Somewhere on the graph, both trains have the same acceleration.

Things to remember

If you are new:

Go to class website

physics.byu.edu → Course websites → 105 (Colton)

Read "How to get started"

Everyone:

Before Saturday night

- Get individual homework data sheet via class website
- Do first homework
- Submit HW via class website

Optional, but highly recommended

- Register for class Google group
- Read the syllabus for info on things I didn't talk about much: extra credit, etc.

...and of course: do next reading assignment, do next warmup quiz, bring clicker to class, etc.