

# KINEMATICS IN 2D

## 4.1 Acceleration

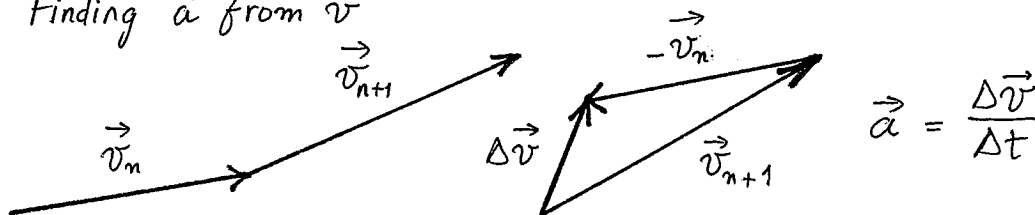
Average acceleration

$$\vec{a}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$$

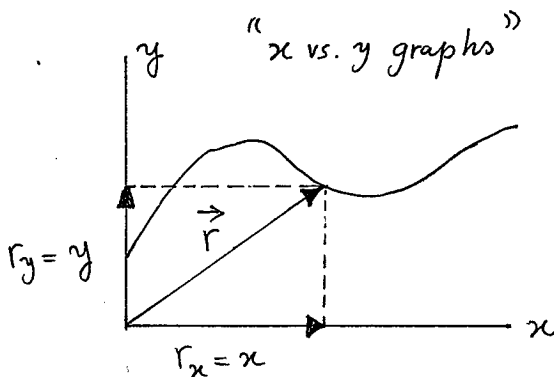
$\vec{v}$  can change in 2 possible ways:

- 1) Its magnitude (speed) may change
- 2) Its direction may change.

Finding  $\vec{a}$  from  $\vec{v}$



## 4.2 Two Dimensional Kinematics



\* Position vector  $\vec{r} = x \hat{i} + y \hat{j}$

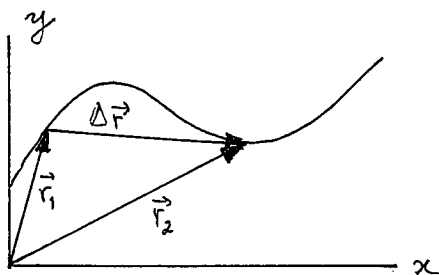
\* Displacement vector

$$\Delta \vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1$$

$$\Delta \vec{r} = (x_2 \hat{i} + y_2 \hat{j}) - (x_1 \hat{i} + y_1 \hat{j})$$

$$\Delta \vec{r} = \underbrace{(x_2 - x_1)}_{\Delta x} \hat{i} + \underbrace{(y_2 - y_1)}_{\Delta y} \hat{j}$$

$$\Delta \vec{r} = \Delta x \hat{i} + \Delta y \hat{j}$$



\* Average velocity

$$\vec{v}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \hat{i} + \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} \hat{j}$$

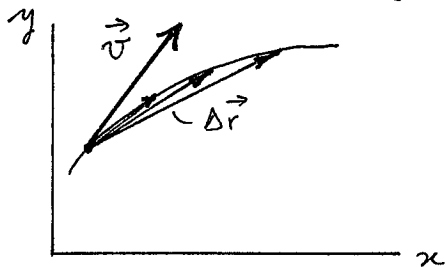
\* Instantaneous velocity

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} \hat{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \hat{j}$$

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

$$v_x = \frac{dx}{dt} \quad \text{and} \quad v_y = \frac{dy}{dt}$$

The instantaneous velocity is tangent to the trajectory!



You can break up  $\vec{v}$  to its  $x$  and  $y$  components given  $|\vec{v}|$  and  $\theta$ .

$$\begin{cases} v_x = v \cos \theta \\ v_y = v \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

$$v_x^2 + v_y^2 = v^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{v_y}{v_x}$$

\* Do not confuse  $x$ - $y$  graphs with  $x$ - $t$  graphs.

\*  $x$  vs  $y$  graphs picture the actual trajectory in space.

\* Acceleration:  $\vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \underbrace{\frac{dv_x}{dt}}_{a_x} \hat{i} + \underbrace{\frac{dv_y}{dt}}_{a_y} \hat{j}$

### Kinematics with constant acceleration

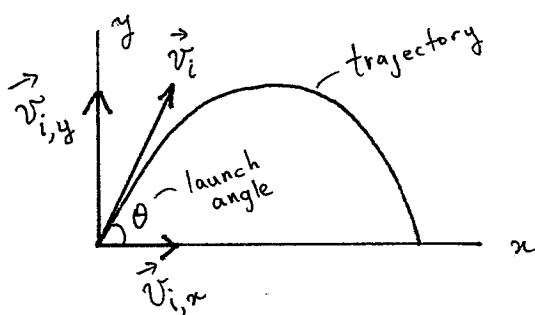
Once all the vectors ( $\vec{r}, \vec{v}, \vec{a}$ ) decomposed into  $x$  and  $y$  components, equations for 1d-Kinematics apply to their components.

$$\begin{cases} x_f = x_i + v_{x,i} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a_x \Delta t^2 & ; & v_{f,x} = v_{i,x} + a_x \Delta t \\ y_f = y_i + v_{y,i} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a_y \Delta t^2 & ; & v_{f,y} = v_{i,y} + a_y \Delta t \end{cases}$$

## 4.3 Projectile Motion

This can be thought of as an extension of free fall motion.

We will neglect air resistance.



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_i &= \vec{v}_{i,x} + \vec{v}_{i,y} \\ &= v_{i,x} \hat{i} + v_{i,y} \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} v_{i,x} = v_i \cos \theta \\ v_{i,y} = v_i \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

The vertical (y) component of acceleration is  $-g$ .  
 The horizontal (x) component of acceleration is 0.

$$\boxed{a_x = 0} \quad \leftarrow \text{motion w/ constant velocity in } x\text{-direction}$$

$$\boxed{a_y = -g} \quad \leftarrow \text{free fall in } y\text{-direction}$$

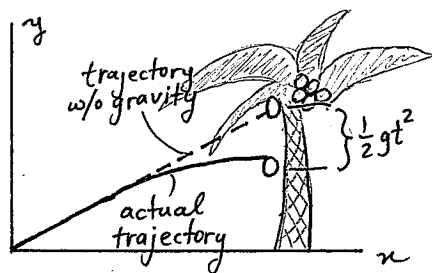
Therefore we can write kinematic equations of motion as the motion is made up from two independent components.

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} x_f &= x_i + v_{i,x} \Delta t \quad ; \quad v_{f,x} = v_{i,x} = \text{constant} \\ y_f &= y_i + v_{i,y} \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} g (\Delta t)^2 \quad ; \quad v_{f,y} = v_{i,y} - g \Delta t \end{aligned}}$$

Consider the following question:

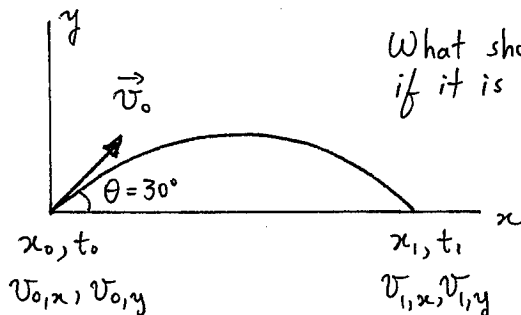
"A ball is thrown exactly horizontally at height  $h$  above the horizontal ground. At the same time, a second ball is simply dropped from the same height. Which ball hits the ground first?"

Also consider the coconut tree problem.



The actual trajectory always "falls"  $\frac{1}{2}gt^2$  below the straight line.

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What should be the speed of the particle if it is to land 100m ahead?

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_0 + v_{0,x} (t_1 - t_0) \\ y_1 = y_0 + v_{0,y} \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} g \Delta t^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = v_0 \cos \theta t_1 \dots \dots \dots (1) \\ 0 = v_0 \sin \theta t_1 - \frac{1}{2} g t_1^2 \dots \dots (2) \end{cases}$$

From the second equation (2)

$$(v_0 \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} g t_1) t_1 = 0 \rightarrow t_1 = \begin{cases} 0 \\ \frac{2 v_0 \sin \theta}{g} \end{cases}$$

Substitute  $t_1$  in first equation (1)

$$x_1 = \frac{2 v_0^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{g}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{v_0^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$$

$$100 \text{ m} = \frac{v_0^2 \sin 60^\circ}{9.80}$$

$$v_0 = 33.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

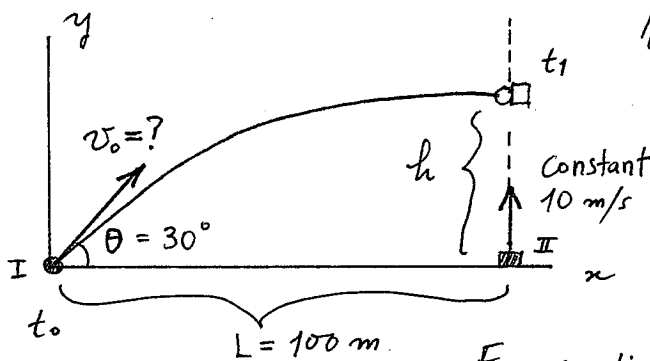
Notice two things

- 1) Range is maximum when  $\theta = 45^\circ$
- 2) Range for  $\theta$  and  $(90^\circ - \theta)$  are the same

$$\sin[2(90^\circ - \theta)] = \sin(180^\circ - 2\theta) = \sin 2\theta$$

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PROB



If two particles are to collide, what should  $v_0$  be?

$$L = v_{0,x}^{\text{I}} (t_1 - t_0)$$

$$L = v_0^{\text{I}} \cos \theta t_1$$

$$t_1 = \frac{L}{v_0^{\text{I}} \cos \theta}$$

For particles to collide in the air, they both have to travel same distance in  $y$ -direction in time  $t_1$ .

$$h = y_0^{\text{I}} + v_0^{\text{I}} \sin \theta t_1 - \frac{1}{2} g t_1^2 \quad (1)$$

The verticle distance travelled by particle II in time  $t_1$ ,

$$h = v_{0,y}^{\text{II}} t_1 \quad \dots (2)$$

Equate equations (1) and (2)

$$v_0^{\text{I}} \sin \theta t_1 - \frac{1}{2} g t_1^2 = v_0^{\text{II}} t_1 \quad (\text{Note that } v_{0,y}^{\text{II}} = v_0^{\text{II}})$$

$$v_0^{\text{I}} \sin \theta = v_0^{\text{II}} + \frac{1}{2} g t_1$$

$$v_0^I \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} g t_1 - v_0^{II} = 0$$

Substitute  $t_1 = L / v_0^I \cos \theta$  to get

$$v_0^I \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} g \frac{L}{v_0^I \cos \theta} - v_0^{II} = 0$$

$$\times 2 / (v_0^I)^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} g L - v_0^{II} v_0^I \cos \theta = 0$$

Remember that  $\theta = 30^\circ$ ,  $L = 100 \text{ m}$ ,  $v_0^{II} = 10 \text{ m/s}$

$$0.866 (v_0^I)^2 - 17.3 v_0^I - 980 = 0$$

$$v_0^I = \begin{cases} 45 \text{ m/s } \checkmark \\ -25 \text{ m/s } \times \end{cases}$$

this is speed  
hence must be positive.