

# 2D Kinematics Projectiles

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#### Last time

- varying acceleration example
- vectors
- addition of vectors

## **Overview**

- subtraction of vectors
- motion in 2 dimesions
- projectiles
- height of a projectile
- range of a projectile

## **Vectors Properties and Operations**

**Negation** If  $\vec{u} = -\vec{v}$  then  $\vec{u}$  has the same magnitude as  $\vec{v}$  but points in

the opposite direction.

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



All the same kinematics definitions and equations apply in 2 dimensions.

We can use our knowledge of vectors to solve separately the motion in the x and y directions.

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## **Velocity in 2 Dimensions**

Different directions are independent  $\Rightarrow$  differentiate separately!

$$\vec{\mathbf{r}} = x\hat{\mathbf{i}} + y\hat{\mathbf{j}}$$
$$\vec{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{d\vec{\mathbf{r}}}{dt}$$
$$= \frac{dx}{dt}\hat{\mathbf{i}} + \frac{dy}{dt}\hat{\mathbf{j}}$$
$$\vec{\mathbf{v}} = v_x\hat{\mathbf{i}} + v_y\hat{\mathbf{j}}$$

(Differentiation is a linear operation.)

## **Acceleration in 2 Dimensions**



$$\overrightarrow{\Delta \mathbf{v}} = \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}(t + \Delta t) - \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}(t) = \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}_f - \overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}_i$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{a}} = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\vec{\mathbf{v}}(t + \Delta t) - \vec{\mathbf{v}}(t)}{\Delta t} = \frac{\mathsf{d}\vec{\mathbf{v}}}{\mathsf{d}t}$$

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Equating *x*-components (**i**-components):

$$v_x = v_{x,i} + a_x t$$

Equating *y*-components (**j**-components):

$$v_y = v_{y,i} + a_y t$$

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The other kinematics equations work basically the same way as  $\vec{\mathbf{v}}_f = \vec{\mathbf{v}}_i + \vec{\mathbf{a}} t$ .

For the scalar equation, it holds for each component:

$$v_{f,x}^2 = v_{i,x}^2 + 2a_x\Delta x$$
$$v_{f,y}^2 = v_{i,y}^2 + 2a_y\Delta y$$

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# **Projectile Velocity**



## Vector Addition can give a Projectile's Trajectory



$$\Delta \mathbf{r} = \vec{\mathbf{r}}_f - 0 = \vec{\mathbf{v}}_i t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{\mathbf{a}} t^2$$

#### **Principle Equations of Projectile Motion**

(Notice, these are just special cases of the kinematics equations!)

$\Delta x = v_{ix}t$	$v_x = v_{ix}$	$v_x^2 = v_{ix}^2$
$\Delta y = v_{iy}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$	$v_y = v_{iy} - gt$	$v_y^2 = v_{iy}^2 - 2g(\Delta y)$

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#### time of flight

The time from launch to when projectile hits the ground.

How can we find the time of flight of a projectile?



Assuming that it is launched from the ground and lands on the ground at the same height...

There are several ways to find an expression for this time.

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$$\frac{1}{2}gt = v_i \sin \theta$$



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#### range

The distance in the horizontal direction that a projectile covers before hitting the ground.

How can we find the range of a projectile?





There is no acceleration in the x-direction!  $(a_x = 0)$ 

$$\Delta x = v_x t$$

We just need t. But t is the time of flight!



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=  $\frac{(11.0 \text{ m/s})^2 \sin(2 \times 20.0)}{9.8 \text{ m/s}^2}$   
=  $\frac{7.94 \text{ m}}{2}$ 

## Summary

- motion in 2 dimesions
- projectile motion

Quiz start of class, Friday, Jan 17.

Assignment due tomorrow.

(Uncollected) Homework Serway & Jewett,

- Ch 4, onward from page 102. Conc Qs: 1, 3; Probs: 7
- Ch 4 Probs: 11<sup>†</sup>, 15, 13, 19, 21, 29, 56, 59

#### <sup>†</sup>Go Mountain Lions!