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5. The velocity-time graph of an object is shown below. Figure out the total distance traveled by the object. Show your work.

Distance = 8 meters.

6. Both of the velocity graphs below, 1 and 2, show the motion of two objects, A and B. Answer the following questions separately for 1 and for 2. Explain your answers when necessary.

- Is one faster than the other? If so, which one is faster? (A or B)
- What does the intersection mean?
- Can one tell which object is "ahead"? (define "ahead")
- Does either object A or B reverse direction? Explain.

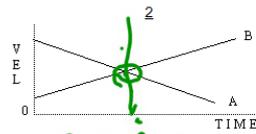
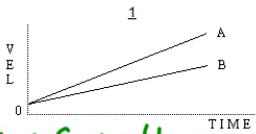
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b) What does the intersection mean?  
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d) Does either object A or B reverse direction? Explain.



*Handwritten notes:*

1  
a) A is faster (higher on graph)  
b) A and B have the same velocity  
c) No - you can't tell position on a v-t graph  
d) No, neither velocity becomes negative

2  
a) A is faster at first than B.  
b) "  
c) "  
d) "

*Handwritten notes on the left:*

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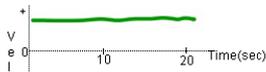
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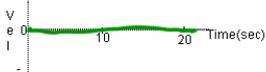
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Sketch velocity-time, the velocity-time graph corresponding to each of the following descriptions of the motion of an object.

7. The object is moving away from the origin at a steady (constant) velocity.



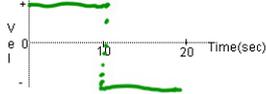
8. The object is standing still.



9. The object moves toward the origin at a steady (constant) velocity for 10 seconds, and then stands still for 10 seconds.



10. The object moves away from the origin at a steady (constant) velocity for 10 seconds, reverses direction and moves back toward the origin at the same speed for 10 seconds.



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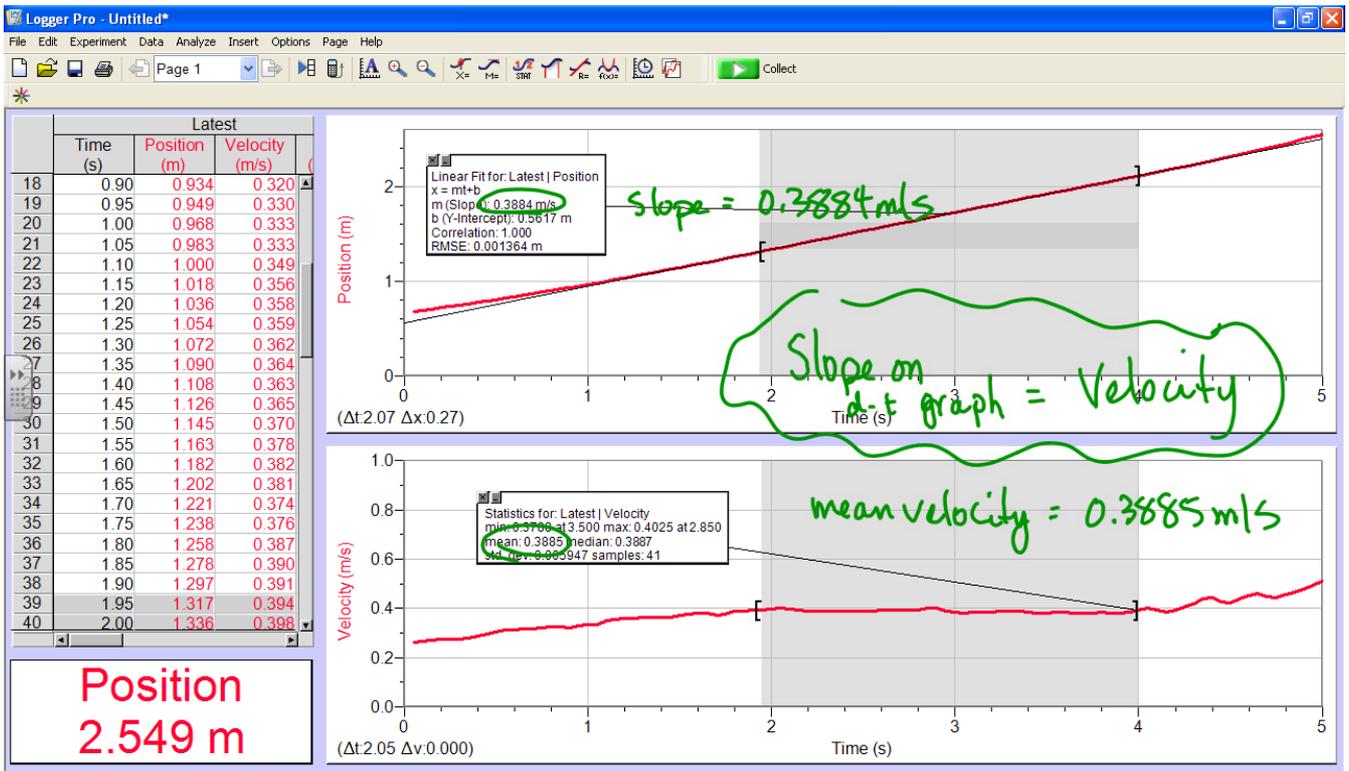
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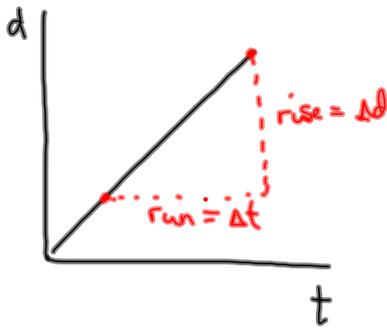
that it looks instantaneous with this time scale.


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## Position-Time Graphs + Velocity

### Constant Velocity



$$\text{Slope} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$$

from INV3 and the previous DEMO,  
we know that slope (d-t) = velocity.

$$\therefore v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{v} = \frac{\Delta \vec{d}}{\Delta t}$$

Two terms you should know:

① scalar quantity - has size (magnitude) but no direction.

$$25 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}, 5 \text{ m}, 4.0 \text{ s}$$

② vector quantity - has size and direction

$$25 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} [\text{E}], 5 \text{ m} [\text{S}30^\circ\text{W}]$$

Some terms you should know:

(vector)  $\vec{d}$  (position) - where you are in relation to a reference point.  
25 km [N] (relative to Wolfville)

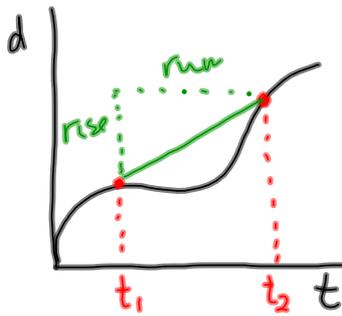
(Scalar)  $\Delta d$  (distance) - how far you have travelled

(vector)  $\Delta \vec{d}$  (displacement) - change in position; where you are now in relation to where you started

(Scalar)  $v$  (speed) - how fast you go; rate at which the distance is travelled.

(vector)  $\vec{v}$  (velocity) - rate of change in position

Non-Constant Velocity



Slope =  $\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$

(between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ )

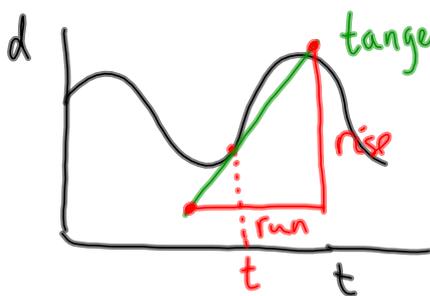
Slope =  $\frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$

Since the velocity is not constant between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  then we must call it average velocity.

**AVERAGE VELOCITY**

$V_{\text{ave}} = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$

Find the slope between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ .



Slope =  $\frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$

Imagine finding the slope between two points as close together as possible.

**INSTANTANEOUS VELOCITY**

$V_{\text{inst}} = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$

Draw a tangent at time  $t$  and find its slope to find instantaneous velocity.

## The Velocity Equation

$$\vec{v} = \frac{\Delta \vec{d}}{\Delta t} \quad \text{where } \vec{v} \text{ is velocity (m/s)}$$

$\Delta \vec{d}$  is the displacement (m) ( $\vec{d}_2 - \vec{d}_1$ )

$\Delta t$  is the time interval (s) ( $t_2 - t_1$ )

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} \quad \text{where } v \text{ is the speed (m/s)}$$

$\Delta d$  is the distance (m)

$\Delta t$  is the time interval (s)

NOTE: If the velocity is not constant, then we calculate average velocity in the same way.

## Problem Solving:

GRASP method

Given

Required

Analysis.

Solution

Paraphrase

Rearranging:  $v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$

$\Delta d:$

$$v \Delta t = \Delta d$$

$$\Delta d = v \Delta t$$

$\Delta t:$

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$$

$$v \Delta t = \Delta d$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{\Delta d}{v}$$