

## Chap 1

Introduction, Measurements, Estimation1-5/ Units, Standards and the SI System

The measurement of any quantity is made relative to a unit and this unit must be specified along with the numerical value of the quantity example I bought 1 Kg

Sugar, we have three systems of units

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System	Length	Mass	Time
SI (MKS)	meter (m)	kilogram (Kg)	Second (s)
Cgs	Centimeter (cm)	gram (g)	second (s)
British	Foot (ft)	slug	(s)

for the fundamental physical quantity

which are length, Mass and time,

we also have the electric current,

temperature, amount of substance



and Luminous intensity which have the following units Ampere (A), Kelvin (K), mole (mol) and Candela (cd) respectively.

- For the rest of the physical quantities we have derived units from these basic units like the unit of velocity is meter/second

- Converting Units: we can convert from one unit system to the other using a conversion factor, like (1 in = 2.54 cm) and so on.

- There is a prefix of the unit (see table 1-4)

### 1-8: Dimensions and Dimensional Analysis

The fundamental physical quantities, length, mass and time are called dimensions and they are abbreviated by [L], [M] and [T]



- The derived dimensions like for velocity

$$\left[\frac{L}{T}\right]$$

- For each dimension there is a family of units for example, the dimension for displacement is length  $[L]$  but we can use any of units in the three system of units like (meter, foot, kilometer mile and so on)

### Dimensional Analysis

- Each physical equation must have the same dimension for both sides of it
  - We can use Dimensional analysis to check if the equation is correct or not
- For example: the displacement is given by  $x = at$ , where  $a$  is the acceleration

and  $t$  is the time, then using dimensional analysis

$$[L] = \frac{[L]}{[T]^2} [T] = \frac{L}{[T]}$$

then this equation is not correct because both side of it ~~do~~ does not have the same dimension, so we can correct the equation by write it as

$$x = \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$[L] = \frac{1}{2} \frac{[L]}{[T]^2} [T]^2 = \frac{1}{2} [L]$$

the number  $\frac{1}{2}$  is dimensionless



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Chap 2

Describing Motion :  
Kinematics in One Dimension

[2.1] The study of the motion of an object and the related concepts of force and energy, momentum, form the field of mechanics, Mechanics customarily divided into two parts

(1) Kinematics: the study of the motion of objects regardless the cause of motion

(2) Dynamics: the study of motion of objects with the cause of motion (force)

[2.2] Reference Frames and Displacement

Any measurement of position, distance

(Displacement), or speed (Velocity)

must be made with respect to a

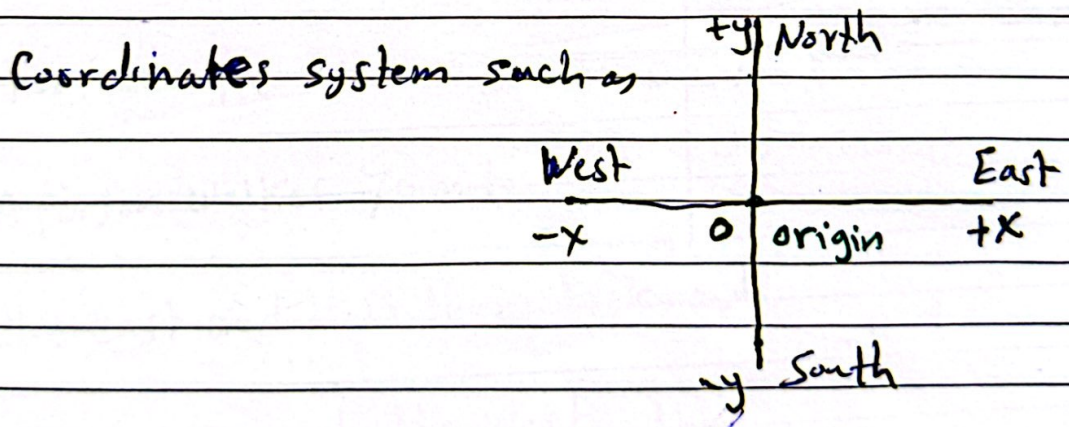
reference frame or frame of reference



For example, if you are traveling on a train with a speed of  $80 \text{ km/h}$ , suppose a person walks past you with a speed of  $5 \text{ km/h}$ .

This  $5 \text{ km/h}$  is the speed of the person relative to the train frame of reference, but his speed is  $85 \text{ km/h}$  relative to the ground.

- To specify the motion of an object we must specify a reference frame like



Cartesian Coordinates or  $xy$  coordinates  
or rectangular coordinate

For one Dimensional motion, the  $x$ -axis is chosen to describe the motion, then the position of an

object at any moment is given by its  $x$  coordinate

- We need to make a distinction between distance

and displacement, the distance is the actual

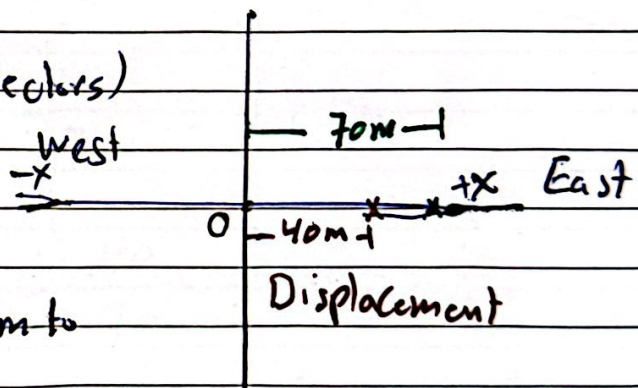
total distance traveled by an object regardless

of the direction but displacement is

the difference between the initial and

final positions (vectors)

For example



A person walks 70 m to

the east and then turns back and

walks 30 m to the west, then

the total distance travelled is 100 m

and but the displacement is 40 m

from the starting point



Displacement is a vector quantity which must have both magnitude and direction

## 2-2 Average Velocity

$$\text{Average Speed} = \frac{\text{total distance travelled}}{\text{time elapsed}}$$

but

$$\text{Average Velocity} = \frac{\text{displacement}}{\text{time elapsed}} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

In the previous example, the distance was 100m

while the displacement was 40m, then if the time 70 second

$$\text{average speed} = \frac{100}{70} = 1.4 \text{ m/s}$$

while

$$\bar{v} = \text{average velocity} = \frac{40}{70} = 0.57 \text{ m/s}$$

(Ex 2-3): A car travels at a constant speed

50 km/h for 100 km. It then speeds up

to 100 km/h for another 100 km.

What is the car's average speed for

the whole trip.



Solution :

The time for the first 100 km is

$$t = \frac{\Delta x}{\bar{v}} = \frac{100 \text{ km}}{50 \text{ km/h}} = 2 \text{ h}$$

The time for the second 100 km is

$$t = \frac{\Delta x}{\bar{v}} = \frac{100 \text{ km}}{50 \text{ km/h}} = 1 \text{ h}, \text{ then the average velocity (speed)}$$

$$\bar{v} = \text{speed} = \frac{(100+100) \text{ km}}{(2+1) \text{ h}} = 67 \text{ km/h}$$

Note: Averaging the two speeds is not correct

$$\frac{50 \text{ km/h} + 100 \text{ km/h}}{2} = 75 \text{ km/h} \text{ (wrong)}$$

### 2-3: Instantaneous Velocity (1)

Instantaneous velocity is defined as the time rate of the displacement change.

$$v = v_{in} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

- Uniform velocity means  $\bar{v} = v_{in}$

- If the velocity is changing during the motion, then, the  $\bar{v} \neq v_{in}$



2-4 Acceleration (a)

Average acceleration is defined as the change in velocity divided by the change

in time 
$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{t_2 - t_1}$$

The instantaneous acceleration (a) is

the time rate of the change in velocity

$$a = a_{\text{in}} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

## Example 2-4

A Car accelerates on a straight road in 5 s

from rest to 75 km/h, what is

the magnitude of its average acceleration

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a} &= \frac{v_2 - v_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{75 \text{ km/h} - 0 \text{ km/hr}}{5 \text{ s}} \\ &= 15 \text{ km/hris} \end{aligned}$$

means the velocity increases by 15 km/h

each second that is in first second  $v = 15 \text{ km/h}$   
in  $t = 2 \text{ s}$ ,  $v = 30 \text{ km/h}$  and so on