

# Medical Physics

Lecture 1

Ch<sub>1</sub>: Intro, measurements  
Estimation

Ch<sub>2</sub>: Describing Motion:  
Kinematics in one  
Dimension

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### Ch 1:

### Introduction, measurements, Estimation

- The measurement of any quantity is made relative to a unit that must be with the numerical value of that quantity

ex: bought 1 kg of sugar  
 numeric value ← 1  
 the unit of specification ← kg

\* There are **Three** systems of units

- They use the **fundamental quantities** of measurement to express the units:

- ↳ - Length
- Mass
- Time

	Length	Mass	Time
① SI system (mks) uses	meters (m)	Kilogram (kg)	Second (s)
② (cgs) system uses	centimeter (cm)	gram (g)	Second (s)
③ British system uses	Foot (ft)	slug (slug)	Second (s)

The fundamental quantities are:  
 and [According to the SI system] units

Property	unit
① Length	meter (m)
② Mass	Kilogram (kg)
③ Time	Second (s)
④ Amount of substance	mole (mol)

Property	unit
⑤ Temperature	Kelvin (K)
⑥ Electric Current	ampere (amp)
⑦ Luminous Intensity	candella (cd)

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\* The rest of the physical quantities are derived from the fundamental units

$$\text{ex: Velocity} = \frac{\text{meter}}{\text{second}} = \frac{\text{Length}}{\text{Time}}$$

- We also can convert units one to other by using a Conversion Factor

$$\text{ex: } 1 \text{ in (inch)} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$$

\* The fundamental Physical quantities, Length, Mass and Time

They are called Dimensions

↳ and they are <sup>unit</sup> abbreviated by :

- [L] (Length)

- [M] (Mass)

- [T] (Time)

So going back to the velocity, The Dimensions would be :

$$V = \frac{[L]}{[T]}$$

\* For each dimension there is a family of units :

Ex: the dimension for Displacement is Length [L]

but we can use any unit from the units systems (3 systems) that describe length like (meter, foot, Kilometer, mile...etc)

# \* Dimensional Analysis :

Left Hand side

Right Hand side

- A physical Equation has two sides [LHS = RHS]

and both sides must use or have the Same dimensions

So we can check if an equation is correct or not using that

Ex: Displacement is given by:  $X = at$  → time

displacement

acceleration

using Dimensions :

$$LHS = RHS$$

Dimension For Displacement

$$[L] \stackrel{X=at}{=} \frac{[L]}{[T]^2} \cdot [T]$$

$$[L] \neq \frac{[L]}{[T]} \text{ so it isn't right}$$

The Correct Equation :

$$X = \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

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

$$[L] = \frac{1}{2} [L] \checkmark$$

numbers don't matter

# Ch2: Describing Motion: Kinematics in one dimension

$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$

\* The study of the concepts of: Motion of an object and the related

Force

Energy

Momentum

Form the field of

Mechanics

its divided into two Parts

Kinematics

The study of the motion of objects REGARDLESS of the cause of motion

Dynamics

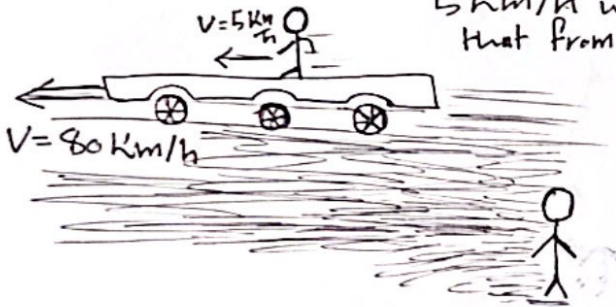
The study of the motion of objects WITH the cause of motion (Force)

# \* Reference frames and Displacement إطار المرجع والازاحة

- Any measurement of Position, Distance [Displacement] or Speed [Velocity]

must be made with respect to a reference frame

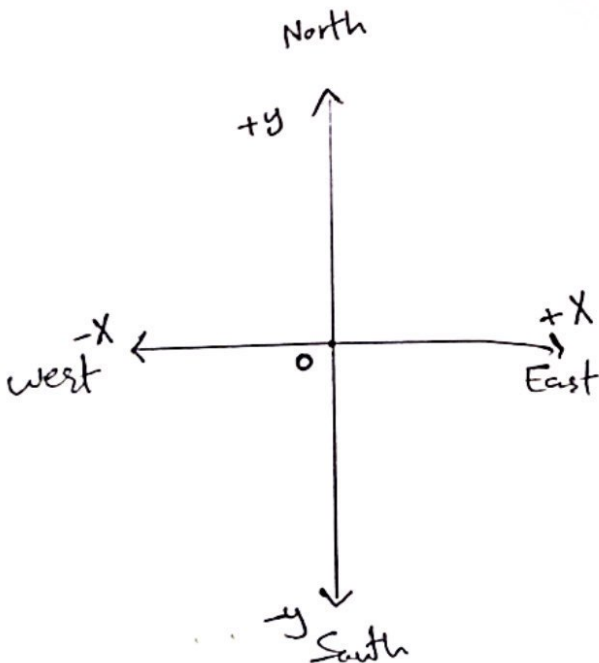
For example: A cart travelling at the speed of  $80 \text{ km/h}$  with a person on top walking at a speed of  $5 \text{ km/h}$  with the cart, and someone watching that from outside, standing still



\* To the ~~the~~ cart it self, the person on top has a speed of just  $5 \text{ km/h}$  [that is from the perspective of the cart]

\* but to the person on the ground he sees the speed of the person on top to be  $85 \text{ km/h}$  [from the person on the ground perspective]

\* So to specify the motion of an object we use a reference frame which means a constant perspective such as the coordinate system  $(x, y)$



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\* For one dimensional motion :

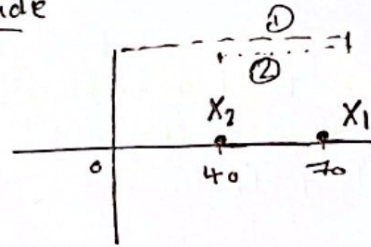
- the axis chosen to describe the ~~motion~~ <sup>motion</sup> is the : X-axis
- The Position of an object at any given moment is given by its : X coordinate

\* There is a difference between : Distance and Displacement

- Distance is a Scalar quantity and its the actual total distance traveled Regardless of the direction
- Displacement is a vector quantity and its the difference between initial and final Position and needs a direction along magnitude

ex: a Person walks 70 m East then 30 west

Distance is 100 m  
but displacement is  
 $+70 - 30 = +40$  m  
↳ Direction  
-x  
 $X_2 - X_1 = \text{Displacement}$



\* Same thing with Speed and Velocity

- Average Speed =  $\frac{\text{Total Distance}}{\text{time elapsed}}$   
↳ scalar

while

- Average Velocity =  $\frac{\text{Displacement}}{\text{time elapsed}}$   
↳ vector

could be  $\leftarrow$   
or  $\pm$

↳ because it resembles a direction not a quantity

Symbol for average velocity :  $\bar{v}$

\* Solve some questions about it

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## \* Instantaneous Velocity ( $v_{in}$ )

- It is defined as the time rate of ~~change~~ the displacement change

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

- When we say a uniform velocity that means:  
(not changing)  $\leftarrow \bar{v} = v_{in}$

"The average velocity is equal to the instantaneous velocity at any moment given"  $\rightarrow$  bc the rate of change = 0

- but if the velocity is changing during the motion then:

$$\bar{v} \neq v_{in}$$

"The average velocity isn't equal to the instant velocity at any moment"  $\rightarrow$  bc the rate of change  $\neq 0$

## \* Same thing goes for acceleration ( $a$ )

- Average acceleration is the change of 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 is the Rate of Change in Velocity

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

\* Solve some examples

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