

## How Fast? (p. 43 - 47)

### I. Velocity

1. What two components are needed to determine how fast an object is moving?

1. Displacement  $\Delta d$     2. Time Interval  $\Delta t$

2. Write out the formula for slope in terms of displacement ( $d$ ) and time interval ( $t$ ).

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{\text{Rise}}{\text{Run}} = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} = \frac{(d_f - d_i)}{(t_f - t_i)}$$

3. A steeper slope on a position-time graph indicates a slower moving object.

Circle One :            True            False

Steeper slope = Greater displacement

4. When  $\Delta d$  gets larger, the slope gets larger.

When the  $\Delta t$  gets larger, the slope gets smaller.

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5. Define the term average velocity.

Direction Needed  
N, S, E, West

Average Velocity - ratio of the change of position to the time interval during which the change occurred  
(400 meter hurdles in 55 seconds)     $\bar{v} = 7.27 \text{ m/s}$

Sprints - (1) Acceleration (2) Maintain

6. Write out the formula for determining average velocity.

$$\bar{v} \equiv \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} = \frac{d_f - d_i}{t_f - t_i}$$

7. Average velocity is equal to the slope on a position-time graph.

Circle One :            True            False

8. Define the term average speed.

Average Speed - how fast the object is moving  
(magnitude without direction)

9. The absolute value of the slope of a position-time graph indicates average speed.

Circle One :            True            False

10. An object moving in a negative direction will produce a negative displacement.

Circle One :            True            False

Running bases backwards!

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← left-hand side of equation defined by right-hand side

## II. Instantaneous Velocity

1. What are five things that could happen during a time interval of a moving object?

- Interstate Highway → 1. Speed of object remains the same.
- Airplane taking off → 2. Speed of object increases.
- Running hills? → 3. Speed of object decreases.
- End of race? → 4. Object stops. (Run through finish line.)
- Running back in football → 5. Object changes direction.

2. Define the term instantaneous velocity.

Instantaneous Velocity - speed and direction of an object at a (Speedometer Reading) particular instant. (Symbol =  $v$ )

## III. Average Velocity on Motion Diagrams

1. Displacement and average velocity exhibit an <sup>proportional</sup> inverse relationship.

Circle One :

True

False

↑ velocity = ↑ displacement

2. With regards to average velocity, what two components can be indicated on a motion diagram?

1. Direction      2. Magnitude

Speed = scalar

3. What color is used to indicate velocity vectors on motion diagrams?

Red

Displacement vectors = Green

4. Write out the formula for a linear relationship between two variables.

$$y = mx + b$$

5. What is each variable equivalent to on a position-time graph?

$$y = d \text{ (position)}$$

$$m = \bar{v} \text{ (velocity)}$$

$$x = t \text{ (time)}$$

$$b = d_i \text{ (initial position)}$$

6. Write out the formula for motion for average velocity.

$$d_f = \bar{v}t + d_i$$

$$y = mx + b$$

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