

Physics 207 – Lecture 5

Physics 207, Lecture 5, Sept. 20

Agenda

- Chapter 4
 - ❖ Kinematics in 2 or 3 dimensions
 - ❖ Independence of x, y and/or z components
 - ❖ Circular motion
 - ❖ Curved paths and projectile motion
 - ❖ Frames of reference
 - ❖ Radial and tangential acceleration

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**Chapter 4: Motion in 2 (and 3) dimensions
3-D Kinematics**

- The position, velocity, and acceleration of a particle in 3-dimensions can be expressed as:

$$\mathbf{r} = x \mathbf{i} + y \mathbf{j} + z \mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = v_x \mathbf{i} + v_y \mathbf{j} + v_z \mathbf{k} \quad (\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k} \text{ unit vectors})$$

$$\mathbf{a} = a_x \mathbf{i} + a_y \mathbf{j} + a_z \mathbf{k}$$

$x = x(t)$	$y = y(t)$	$z = z(t)$
$v_x = \frac{dx}{dt}$	$v_y = \frac{dy}{dt}$	$v_z = \frac{dz}{dt}$
$a_x = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$	$a_y = \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$	$a_z = \frac{d^2z}{dt^2}$

- Which can be combined into the vector equations:

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(t) \quad \mathbf{v} = d\mathbf{r} / dt \quad \mathbf{a} = d^2\mathbf{r} / dt^2$$

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Instantaneous Velocity

- The **instantaneous velocity** is the limit of the average velocity as Δt approaches zero
- The direction of the **instantaneous velocity** is **along** a line that is **tangent** to the path of the particle's direction of motion.

$$\mathbf{v} \equiv \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \mathbf{r}}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}$$

- The magnitude of the instantaneous velocity vector is the speed. (The speed is a scalar quantity)

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Average Acceleration

- The average acceleration of a particle as it moves is defined as the change in the instantaneous velocity vector divided by the time interval during which that change occurs.

$$\bar{\mathbf{a}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}_f - \mathbf{v}_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{\Delta \mathbf{v}}{\Delta t}$$

- The average acceleration is a vector quantity directed along $\Delta \mathbf{v}$

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Instantaneous Acceleration

- The instantaneous acceleration is the limit of the average acceleration as $\Delta t / \Delta t$ approaches zero

$$\mathbf{a} \equiv \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \mathbf{v}}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$$

- The instantaneous acceleration is a vector with components parallel (tangential) and/or perpendicular (radial) to the tangent of the path
- Changes in a particle's path may produce an acceleration
 - ❖ The **magnitude** of the velocity vector may change
 - ❖ The **direction** of the velocity vector may change (Even if the magnitude remains constant)
 - ❖ Both may change simultaneously (depends: path vs time)

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**Motion along a path
(displacement, velocity, acceleration)**

- 3-D Kinematics : **vector** equations:

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t) \quad \vec{v} = d\vec{r} / dt \quad \vec{a} = d^2\vec{r} / dt^2$$

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General 3-D motion with non-zero acceleration:

$\vec{a} = \vec{a}_{\parallel} + \vec{a}_{\perp}$

$\vec{a} \neq 0$

Two possible options:

- Change in the magnitude of \vec{v} $\vec{a}_{\parallel} \neq 0$
- Change in the direction of \vec{v} $\vec{a}_{\perp} \neq 0$

Animation

- Uniform Circular Motion is one specific case:

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Uniform Circular Motion

- What does it mean ?
- How do we describe it ?
- What can we learn about it ?

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Average acceleration in UCM:

- Even though the *speed* is constant, velocity is *not* constant since the direction is changing: **must be some acceleration !**
- Consider average acceleration in time Δt

$\Rightarrow a_{av} = \Delta v / \Delta t$

seems like Δv (hence $\Delta v / \Delta t$) points toward the origin !

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Instantaneous acceleration in UCM:

- Again: Even though the *speed* is constant, velocity is *not* constant since the direction is changing.
- As Δt goes to zero in $\Delta v / \Delta t \Rightarrow dv / dt = a$

Now a points in the $-R$ direction.

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Acceleration in UCM:

- This is called Centripetal Acceleration.
- Calculating the magnitude:
- $|v_1| = |v_2| = v$

Similar triangles: $\frac{\Delta v}{v} = \frac{\Delta R}{R}$

But $\Delta R = v \Delta t$ for small Δt

So: $\frac{\Delta v}{v} = \frac{v \Delta t}{R} \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v^2}{R}$

$a = \frac{v^2}{R}$

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Period and Frequency

- Recall that 1 revolution = 2π radians
- Period (T) = seconds / revolution = distance / speed = $2\pi R / v$
- Frequency (f) = revolutions / second = $1/T$ (a)
- Angular velocity (ω) = radians / second (b)

- By combining (a) and (b)
- $\omega = 2\pi f$

- Realize that:
- Period (T) = seconds / revolution
- So $T = 1 / f = 2\pi / \omega$

$\omega = 2\pi / T = 2\pi f$

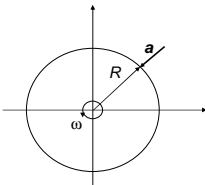
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Recap: Centripetal Acceleration

- UCM results in acceleration:
 - ❖ Magnitude: $a = v^2 / R = \omega^2 R$
 - ❖ Direction: $-r$ (toward center of circle)



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Lecture 5, Exercise 1 Uniform Circular Motion


- A fighter pilot flying in a circular turn will pass out if the centripetal acceleration he experiences is more than about 9 times the acceleration of gravity g . If his F18 is moving with a speed of 300 m/s , what is the approximate radius of the tightest turn this pilot can make and survive to tell about it? (Let $g = 10\text{ m/s}^2$)

UCM (recall)

Magnitude: $a = v^2 / R$

Direction: $-\hat{r}$
(toward center of circle)

(a) ~~100 m~~
(b) 100 m
(c) 1000 m
(d) 10,000 m

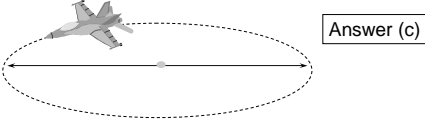


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Lecture 5, Exercise 1 Solution

$$a = \frac{v^2}{R} = 9g \quad R = \frac{v^2}{a} = \frac{v^2}{9g} = \frac{(300\text{m/s})^2}{9 \times 9.8\text{m/s}^2}$$

➔ $R = \frac{10000}{9.8}\text{m} = 1000\text{m}$

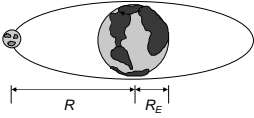


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Example: Newton & the Moon

- What is the acceleration of the Moon due to its motion around the earth?

- ❖ $T = 27.3\text{ days} = 2.36 \times 10^6\text{ s}$ (period ~ 1 month)
- ❖ $R = 3.84 \times 10^8\text{ m}$ (distance to moon)
- ❖ $R_E = 6.35 \times 10^6\text{ m}$ (radius of earth)



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Moon...

- Calculate angular frequency:

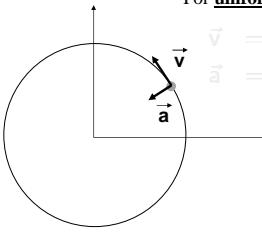
$$\frac{1}{27.3\text{ day}} \times \frac{1}{86400\text{ s}} \times 2\pi \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{rot}} = 2.66 \times 10^{-6}\text{ rad s}^{-1}$$
- So $\omega = 2.66 \times 10^{-6}\text{ rad s}^{-1}$.
- Now calculate the acceleration.
 - ❖ $a = \omega^2 R = 0.00272\text{ m/s}^2 = .000278\text{ g}$
 - ❖ direction of a is toward center of earth ($-\mathbf{R}$).

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Radial and Tangential Quantities

For uniform circular motion

$$\vec{v} = 0\hat{r} + v\hat{\theta}$$

$$\vec{a} = a\hat{r} + 0\hat{\theta}$$


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Radial and Tangential Quantities

What about non-uniform circular motion ?

$\vec{v} = v\hat{\theta}$
 $\vec{a} = a_r\hat{r} + a_\theta\hat{\theta}$
 a_θ is along the direction of motion
 a_r is perpendicular to the direction of motion
 $a_\theta = \frac{d|v|}{dt}$
 $a_r = \frac{v^2}{r}$

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Lecture 5, Exercise 2 The Pendulum

Which statement best describes the motion of the pendulum bob at the instant of time drawn ?

- the bob is at the **top** of its swing.
- which quantities are non-zero ?

A) $v_r = 0$ $a_r = 0$ B) $v_r = 0$ $a_r \neq 0$ C) $v_r = 0$ $a_r \neq 0$
 $v_\theta \neq 0$ $a_\theta \neq 0$ $v_\theta \neq 0$ $a_\theta = 0$ $v_\theta = 0$ $a_\theta \neq 0$

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Lecture 5, Exercise 2 The Pendulum Solution

NOT uniform circular motion :
is circular motion so must be a_r , not zero,
Speed is increasing so a_θ not zero

At the top of the swing, the bob temporarily stops, so $v = 0$.

C) $v_r = 0$ $a_r \neq 0$
 $v_\theta = 0$ $a_\theta \neq g$

In the next lecture we will learn about forces and how to calculate just what \mathbf{a} is.

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Relative motion and frames of reference

- Reference frame S is stationary
- Reference frame S' is moving at \mathbf{v}_0
 - ❖ This also means that S moves at $-\mathbf{v}_0$ relative to S'
- Define time $t = 0$ as that time when the origins coincide

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Relative Velocity

- Two observers moving relative to each other generally do not agree on the outcome of an experiment
- For example, observers A and B below see different paths for the ball

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Relative Velocity, equations

- The positions as seen from the two reference frames are related through the velocity
 - ❖ $\mathbf{r}' = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{v}_0 t$
- The derivative of the position equation will give the velocity equation
 - ❖ $\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_0$
- These are called the **Galilean transformation equations**

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Central concept for problem solving: “x” and “y” components of motion treated independently.

- Again: man on the cart tosses a ball straight up in the air.
- You can view the trajectory from two reference frames:

Reference frame on the moving train.

$y(t)$ motion governed by

- 1) $a = -g$
- 2) $v_y = v_{0y} - g t$
- 3) $y = y_0 + v_{0y} t - g t^2/2$

x motion: $x = v_x t$

Reference frame on the ground.

Net motion: $\mathbf{R} = x(t) \mathbf{i} + y(t) \mathbf{j}$ (vector)

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Acceleration in Different Frames of Reference

- The derivative of the velocity equation will give the acceleration equation
 - ❖ $\mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_0$
 - ❖ $\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{a}$
- The acceleration of the particle measured by an observer in one frame of reference is the same as that measured by any other observer moving at a *constant velocity* relative to the first frame.

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**Lecture 5, Exercise 3
Relative Motion**

- You are swimming across a 50 m wide river in which the current moves at 1 m/s with respect to the shore. Your swimming speed is 2 m/s with respect to the water.

You swim across in such a way that your path is a straight perpendicular line across the river.

- How many seconds does it take you to get across?

- a) $50/2 = 25$ s
- b) $50/1 = 50$ s
- c) $50/\sqrt{3} = 29$ s
- d) $50/\sqrt{2} = 35$ s

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**Lecture 5, Exercise 3
Solution**

Choose x axis along riverbank and y axis across river

- The time taken to swim straight across is $(\text{distance across}) / (v_y)$
- Since you swim straight across, you must be tilted in the water so that your x component of velocity with respect to the water exactly cancels the velocity of the water in the x direction:

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**Lecture 5, Exercise 3
Solution**

- The y component of your velocity with respect to the water is $\sqrt{3}$ m/s
- The time to get across is $\frac{50\text{m}}{\sqrt{3}\text{m/s}} = 29\text{s}$

Answer (c)

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Recap

First mid-term exam in just two weeks, Thursday Oct. 5

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