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A glider is on an inclined, frictionless track. The $x$-axis points downhill. At $t=0$ the glider is at $x=0$ and moving uphill.
After reaching the high point of its motion, it moves downhill and returns to $x=0$.
 Which of the following $v_{x}-t$ graphs (graphs of velocity vs. time) best matches the motion of the glider?





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## Announcements

- Lab 0 today and tomorrow! Complete the pre-lab before you come to lab
- The bookstore should be restocked in lab manuals today or tomorrow. Or, pick up a copy of Lab 0 right now.
- Homework \#1 is due Friday!
- Check the list of polleverywhere respondants for your name!


## Example Problem

You launch a water balloon vertically from the top of a tall building as shown. Neglect air resistance.
5. Find the initial velocity of the balloon.

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\begin{aligned}
& v_{x}=v_{0 x}+a_{x} t \\
& x=x_{0}+v_{0 x} t+\frac{1}{2} a_{x} t^{2} \\
& v_{x}^{2}=v_{0 x}^{2}+2 a_{x}\left(x-x_{0}\right) \\
& x=x_{0}=\left(\frac{v_{0 x}+v_{x}}{2}\right) t
\end{aligned}
$$



## Problem-Solving Strategy

1. Identify the Problem

- Picture of the problem
- Given information
- Problem to be solved
- General approach

2. Set up the Physics

- Diagram axes and define variables
- Target variables
- Relevant equations

3. Solve the Problem

- Construct specific equations
- Outline the solution
- Solve for target variables

4. Evaluate your Solution

- Units of solution correct?
- Insert numerical values
- Answer reasonable? Correct units?


## Velocity and position by integration

- The acceleration of a car is not always constant.
- The motion may be integrated over many small time intervals to give

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v_{x}=v_{o x}+\int_{0}^{t} a_{x} d t \text { and } x=x_{0}+\int_{0}^{t} v_{x} d t .
$$




Total area under the $x$ - $t$ graph from $t_{1}$ to $t_{2}$
$=$ Net change in $x$-velocity from $t_{1}$ to $t_{2}$

- http://www.sciencemag.org/news/ 2016/01/math-whizzes-ancient-babylon-figured-out-forerunnercalculus


# Ch 3.1-2: Position, Velocity and Acceleration <br>  

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## Position vector

- The position vector from the origin to point $P$ has components $x, y$, and $z$.



## Average velocity-Figure 3.2

- The average velocity between two points is the displacement divided by the time interval between the two points, and it has the same direction as the displacement.



## Instantaneous velocity

- The instantaneous velocity is the instantaneous rate of change of position vector with respect to time.
- The components of the instantaneous velocity are $v_{x}$ $=d x / d t, v_{y}=d y / d t$, and $v_{z}=$ $d z / d t$.
- The instantaneous velocity of a particle is always tangent to its path.



## Average acceleration

## - The average acceleration during a time interval $\Delta t$ is defined as the velocity change during $\Delta t$ divided by $\Delta t$.

(a)

(b)

(c)


## Instantaneous acceleration

- The instantaneous acceleration is the instantaneous rate of change of the velocity with respect to time.
- Any particle following a curved path is accelerating, even if it has constant speed.
- The components of the instantaneous acceleration are
$a_{x}=d v_{x} / d t, a_{y}=d v_{y} / d t$, and $a_{z}$
$=d v_{z} / d t$.
(a) Acceleration: curved trajectory

(b) Acceleration: straight-line trajectory



## Polleverywhere

A physicist is teaching her son to drive. Lesson 1 begins, "a car has three accelerators."

Identify these three accelerators.
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## Examples of Acceleration

- Coasting on a bicycle down a hill with constant slope
- acceleration is parallel
- Riding on a merry-go-round moving at constant rotation
- acceleration is perpendicular


# Acceleration and Velocity 

- The component of a parallel to $v$ causes the speed to change.
- The component of a perpendicular to $v$ causes the direction to change.


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1. True or False: If an object's distance from the origin $r$ does not change, its velocity must be zero.
2. True or False: If an object's speed $v$ does not change, its acceleration must be zero.
3. The rate of change of an object's speed $d|v| / d t$ is the same as the magnitude of its acceleration $|d v / d t|$. Always, Never, or Sometimes?
4. True or False: The acceleration of an object moving at constant speed in a circular path is zero.

## Direction of the acceleration vector

- The direction of the acceleration vector depends on whether the speed is constant, increasing, or decreasing, as shown in Figure 3.12.
(a) When speed is constant along a curved path ..

(b) When speed is increasing along a curved path ...

(c) When speed is decreasing along a curved path ...



## Acceleration of a skier

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- Figure 3.14(b) shows the direction of the skier's acceleration at various points.
(a)



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The direction of the acceleration of an object moving at constant speed in a circular path is:
$F$. in the direction of its motion.
G.opposite the direction of its motion.
H.toward the center of its circular path.
I. away from the center of its circular path.

