

College Physics I: 1511

Mechanics & Thermodynamics

Professor Jasper Halekas
Van Allen Lecture Room 1
MWF 8:30-9:20 Lecture

Announcements

- First homework available on Wiley Plus
- Due 11:00 pm next Thursday 9/1/16

Clicker Practice

- First, open the web page (<https://rwpoll.com> or <https://account.turningtechnologies.com>) or the app
 - Enter the session ID on the board
- Wait until I open polling (green arrow changes to red square on my screen)
- Enter A, B, C, D, or E
 - Can change answer as long as polling still open
- After I close polling, we will see a histogram of the results

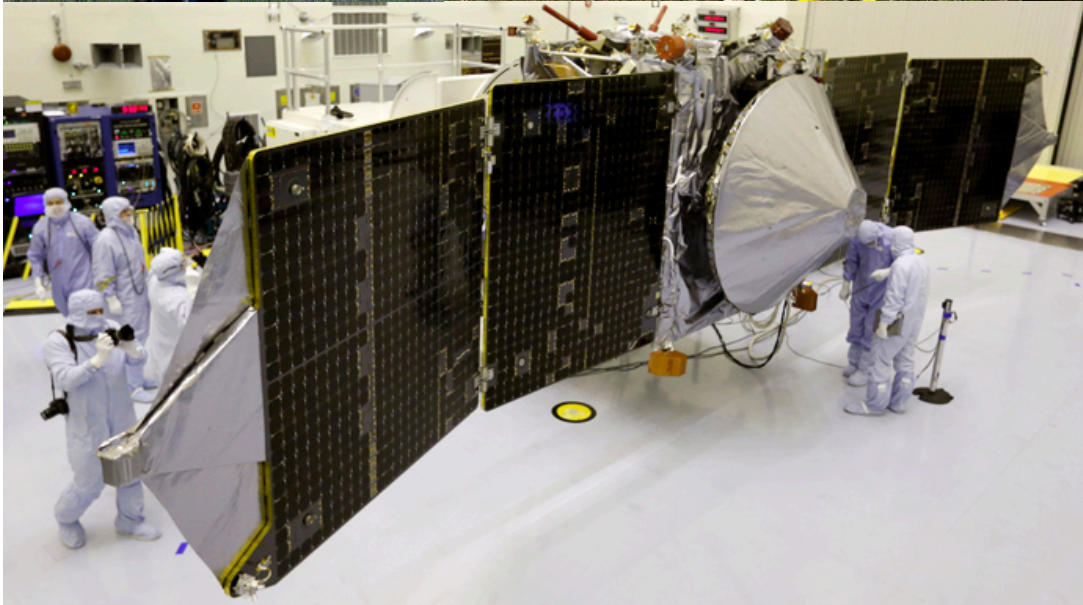
Background Questions

- Where are you from?
 - A. Iowa
 - B. Other state in U.S.
 - C. Outside of U.S.
 - D. Another galaxy

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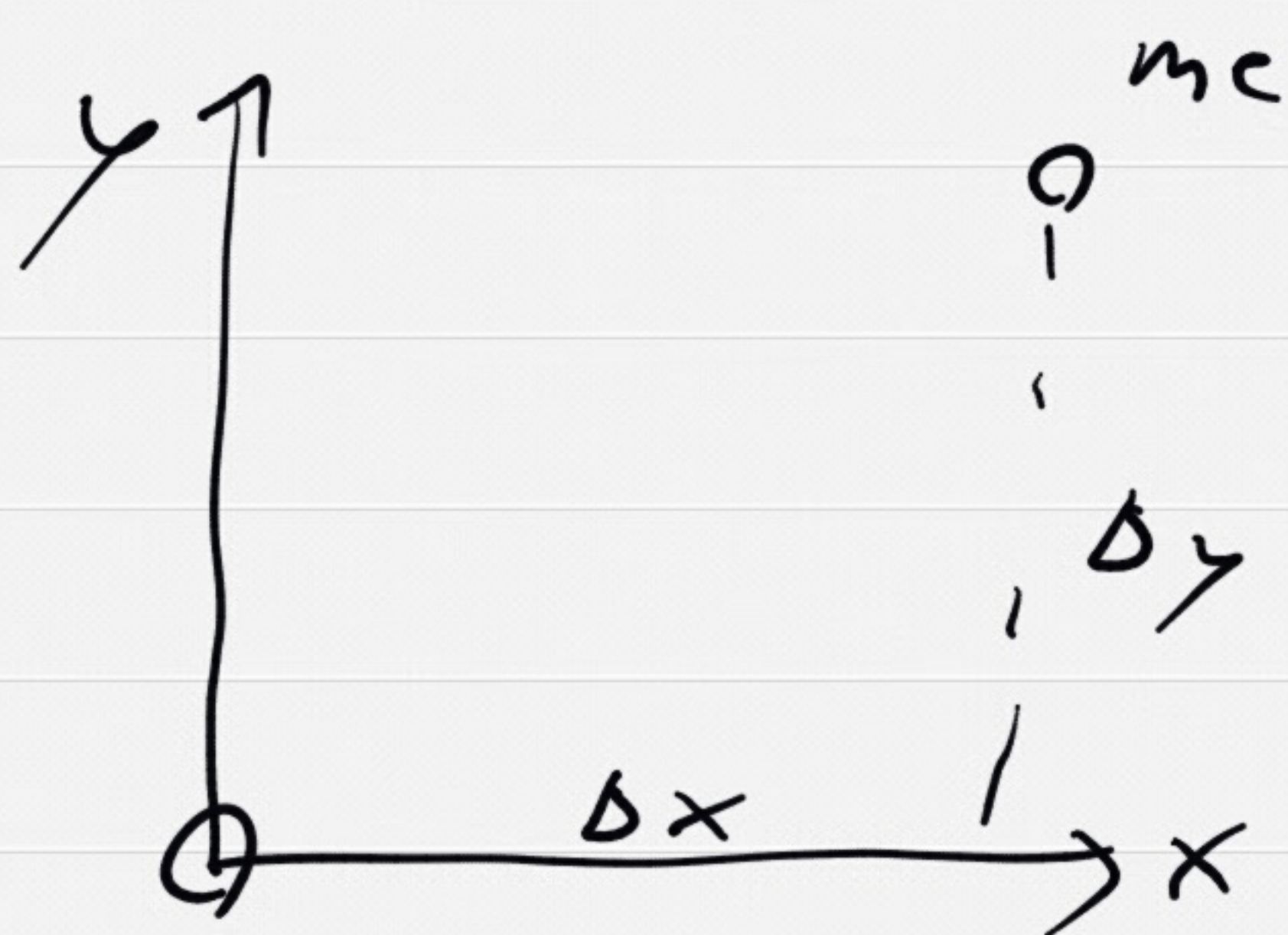
- Have you studied physics before?
 - A. Never
 - B. Homeschool/self-study
 - C. In high school
 - D. In college

About Me



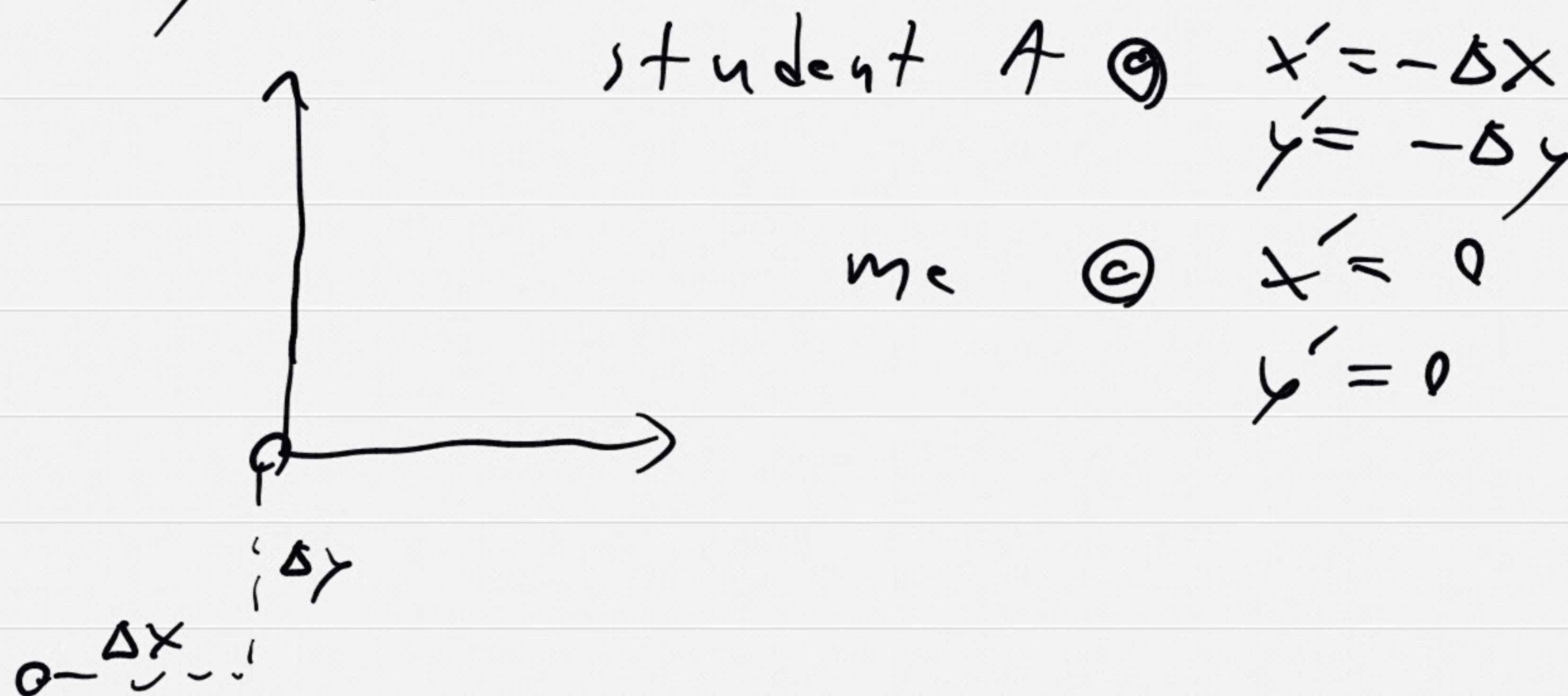
Position vs. Displacement

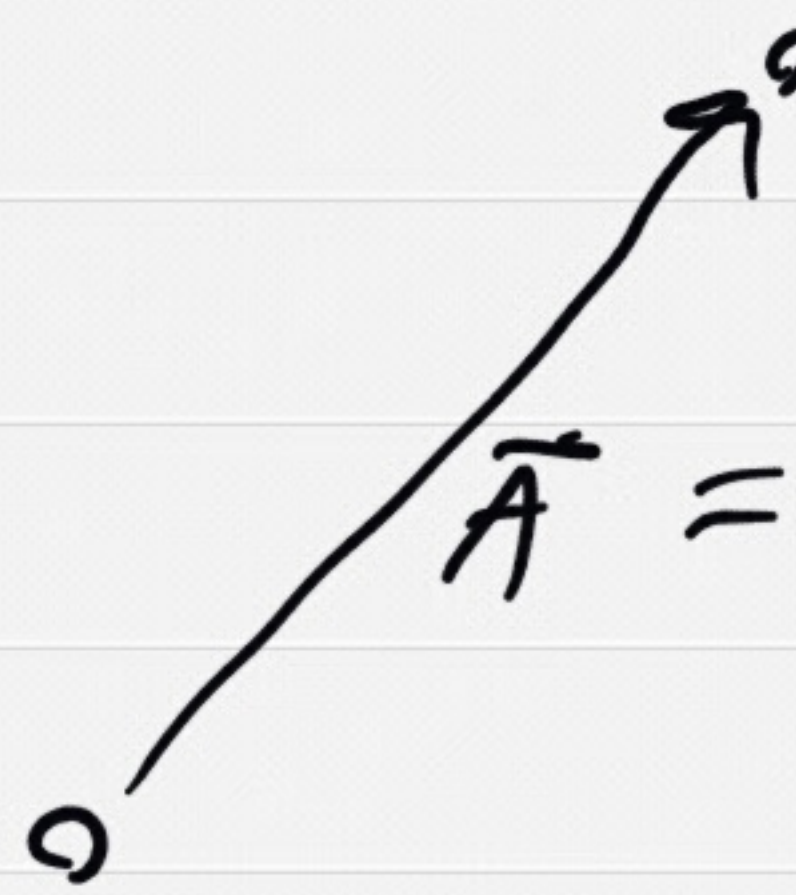
Technically position is defined w/ respect to a specific set of coordinates.



In A-centered coordinates
student A has $x=0, y=0$
I have $x=\Delta x, y=\Delta y$

If we move coordinates to my location:




$$\vec{A} = [\Delta x, \Delta y, 0] = \Delta \vec{r}$$

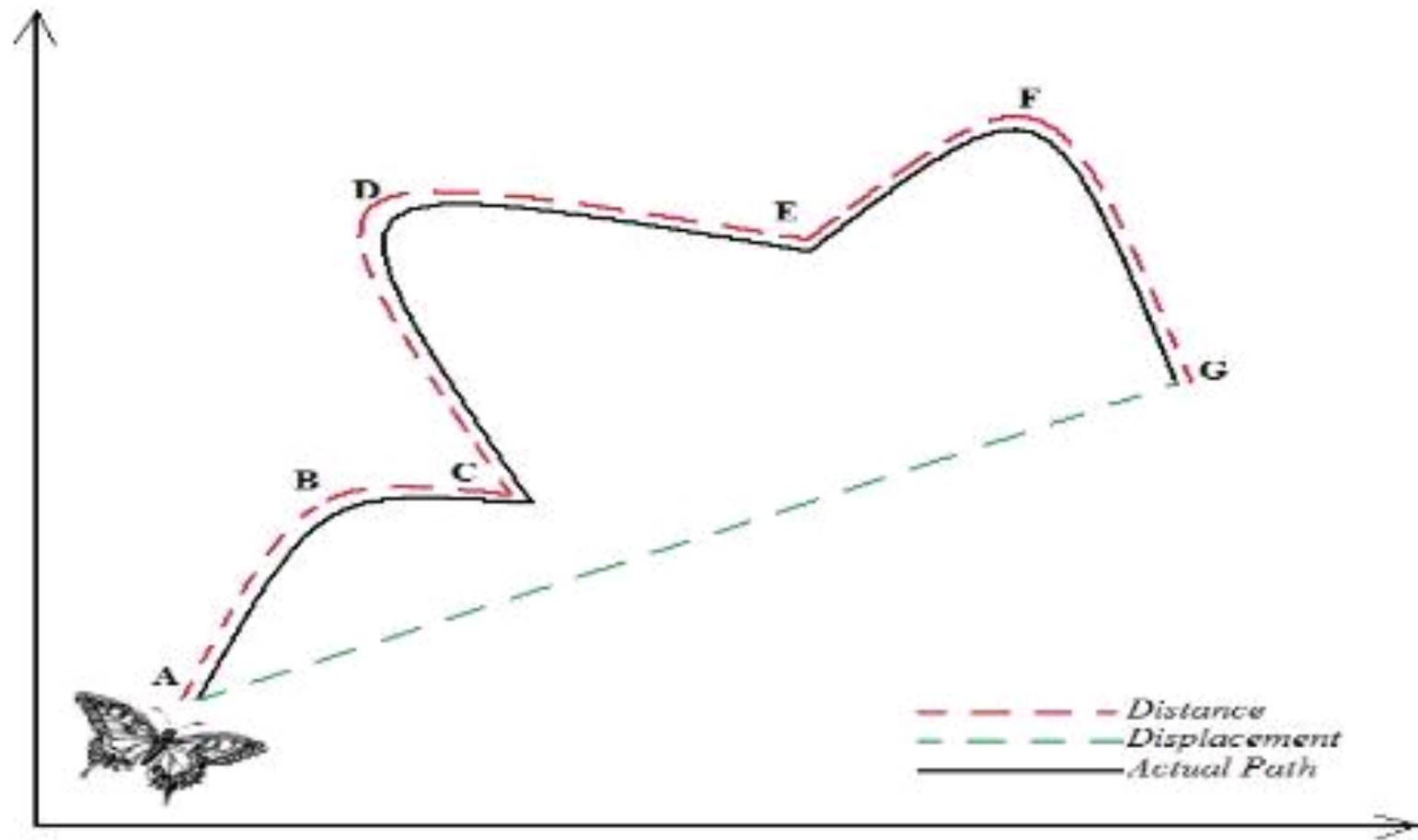
\vec{A} = "displacement"
of me from
student A

- Same in all coordinate systems!
- Displacement = relative position or change in position
- Always a vector

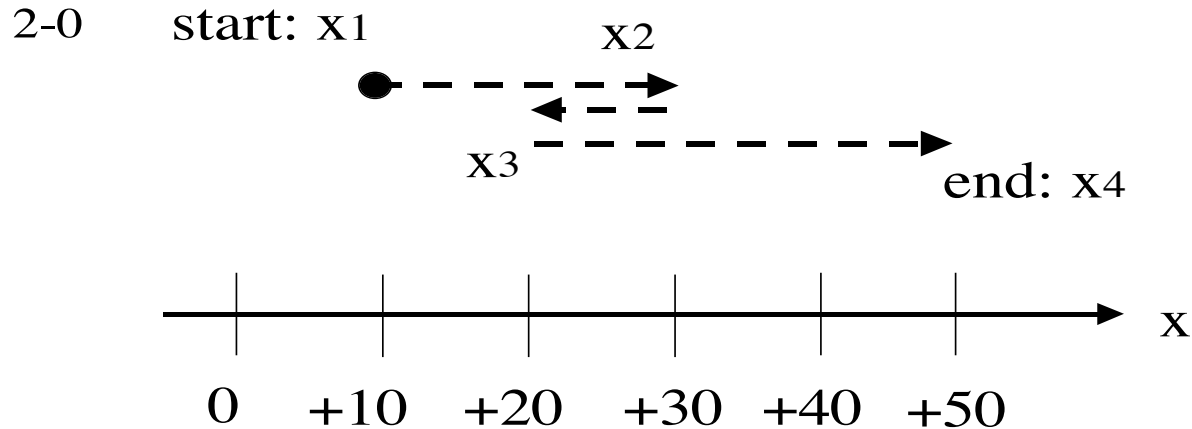
Definition: Position/Displacement

- The position of an object is the distance from the origin of a given set of coordinates (coordinate-dependent)
 - SI unit m
- The displacement is a vector that points from an object's initial position to its final position (coordinate-independent)
- Both of these are different from distance traveled!

Displacement Vs. Distance



Concept Check



Steve is pacing back and forth in lecture. He starts at $x = +10$ (measured in cm from the edge of the bench), moves right to $x = +30$, moves back left to $+20$, then finally moves right to $+50$, as shown.

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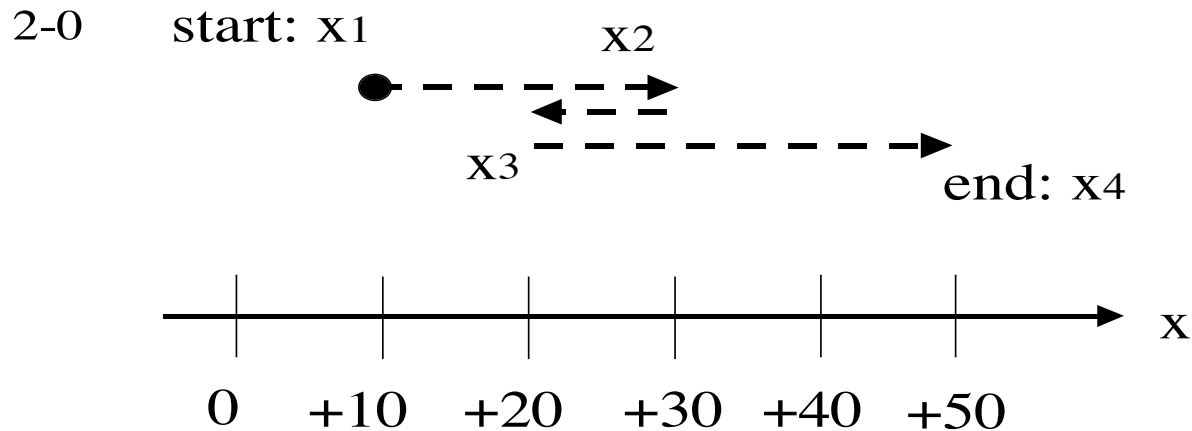
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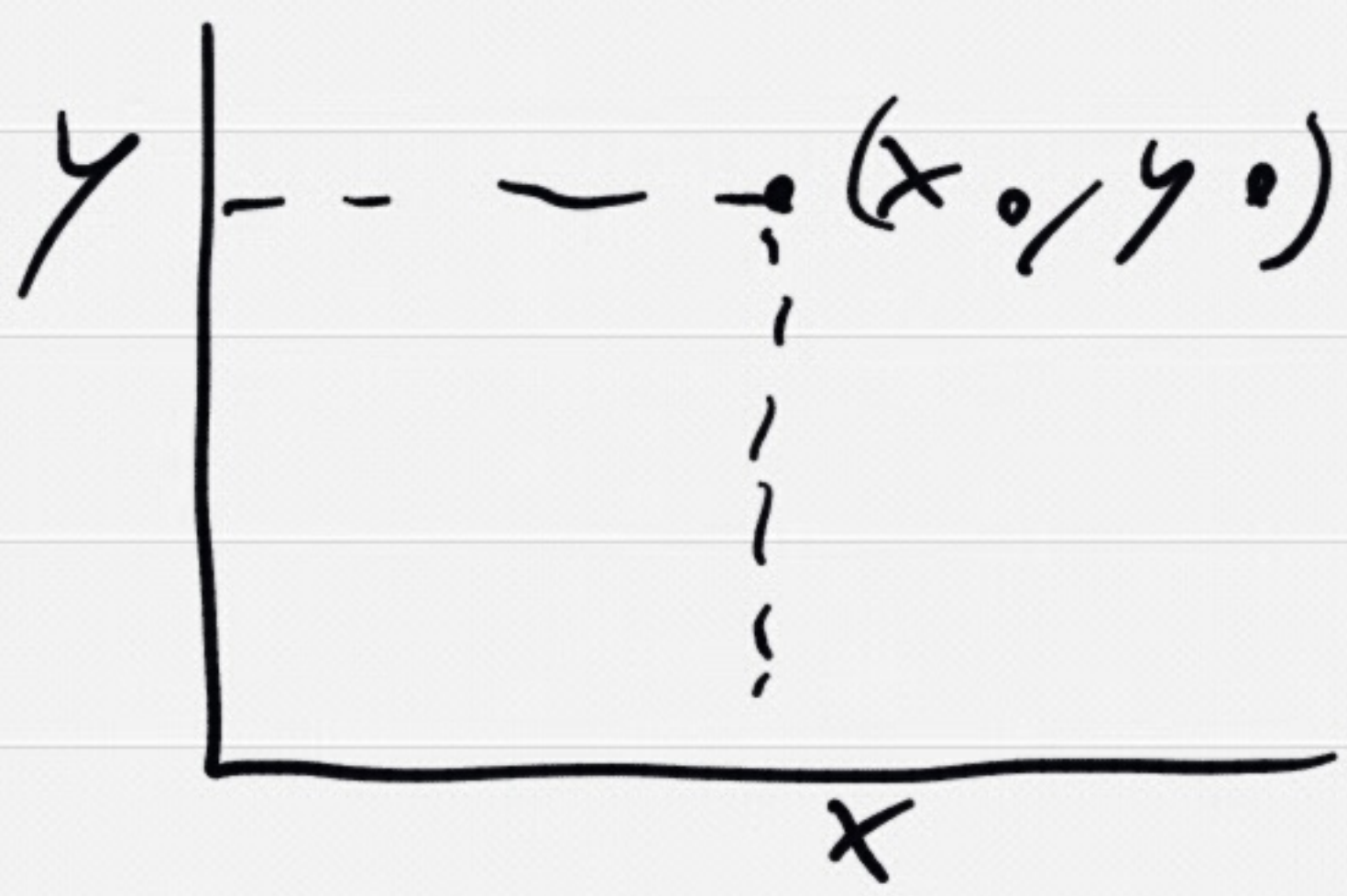
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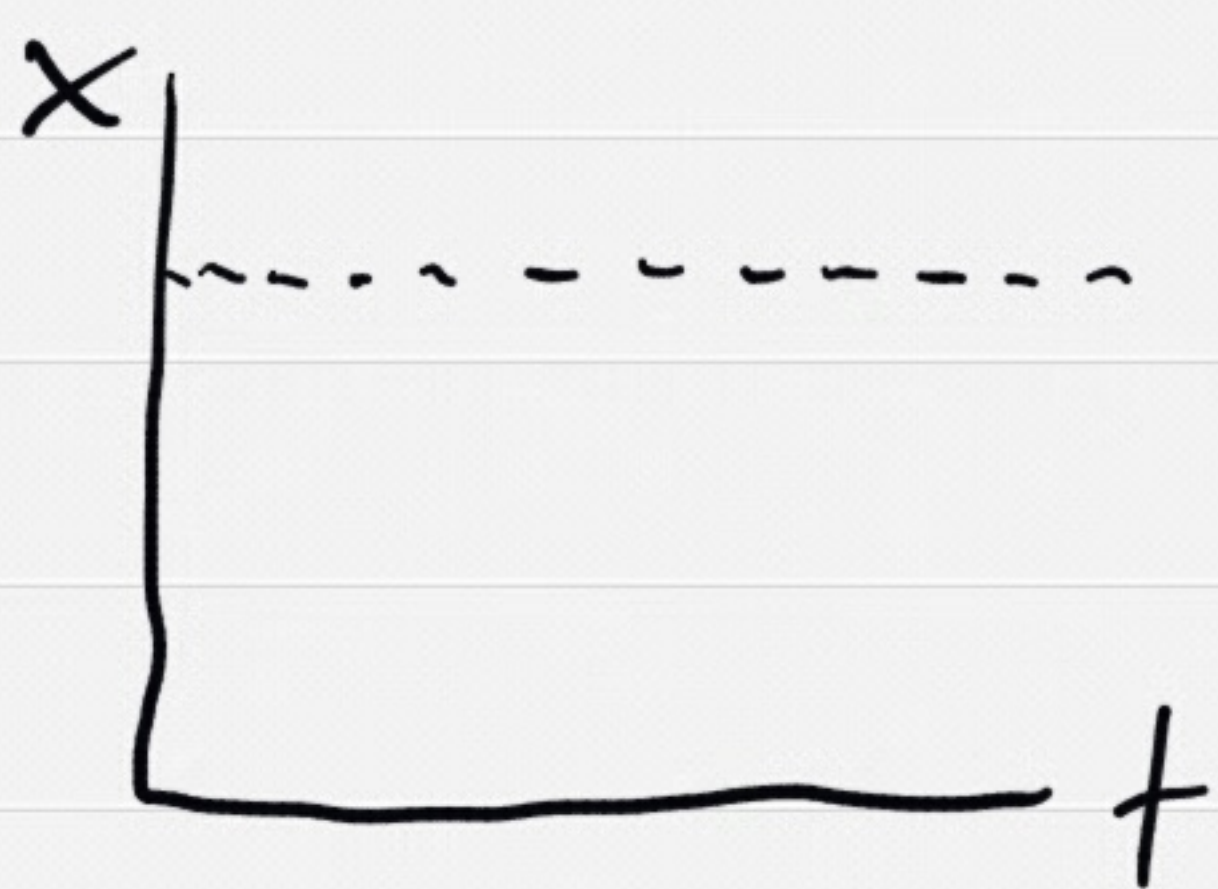
start w/ 1-d:

- $x(t) = x_0$

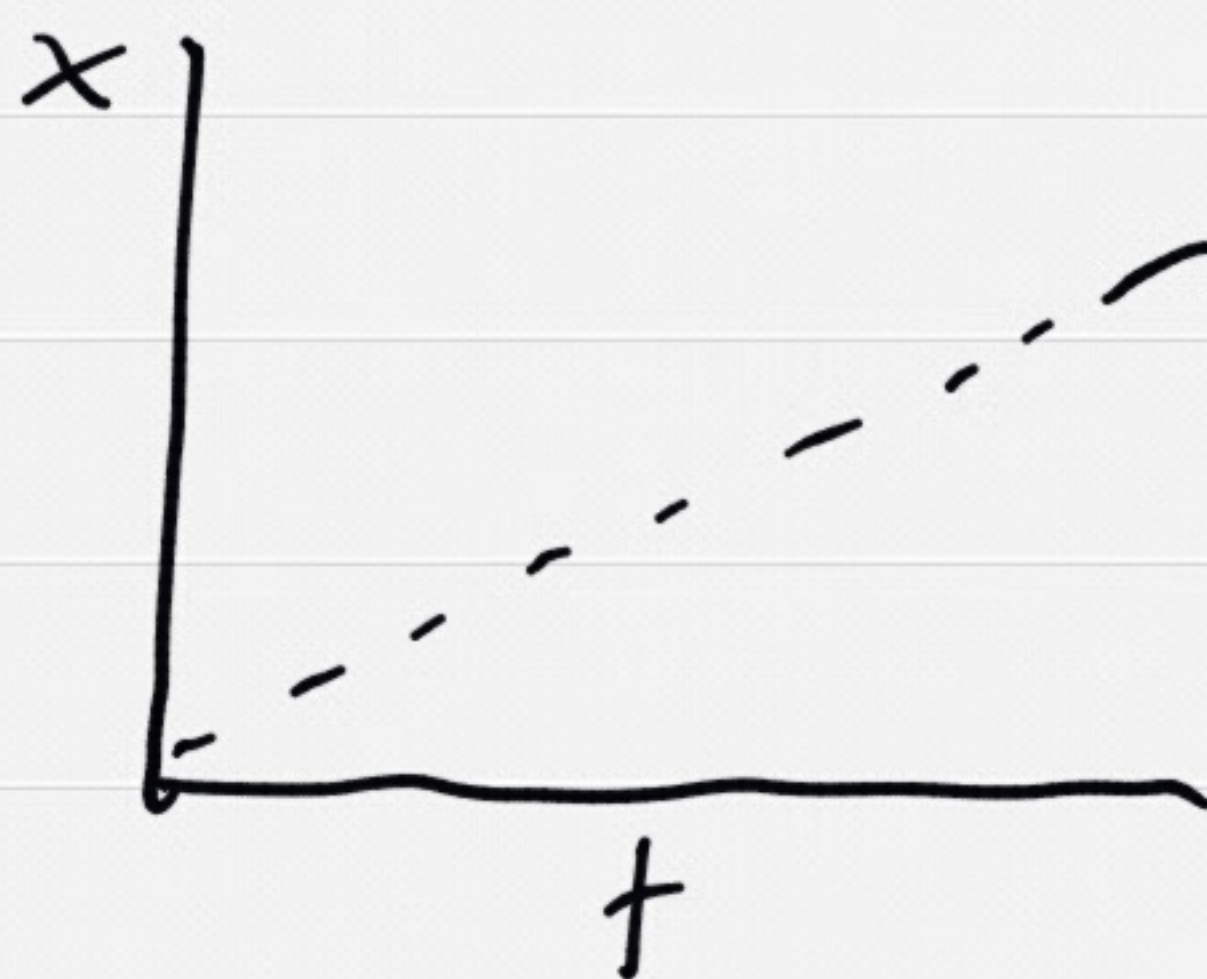
- • • • • $x(t) = ?$

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can also express in terms of a graph



stationary



moving



Accelerating

Average Velocity = $\Delta x / \Delta t$ in 1-d

$$\langle v \rangle = \frac{x - x_0}{t - t_0}$$

$$= \frac{\text{displacement}}{\text{time}}$$

- usually put $t_0 = 0$

$$\text{then } \langle v \rangle = (x - x_0) / t$$

can rewrite $\langle v \rangle t = x - x_0$

$$\text{or } x(t) = \underbrace{x_0}_{\text{constant}} + \underbrace{\langle v \rangle t}_{\text{increasing with time}}$$

Say we start at $x = 4 \text{ m}$
and move at $v = -2 \text{ m/s}$
where are we at $t = 3 \text{ s}$?

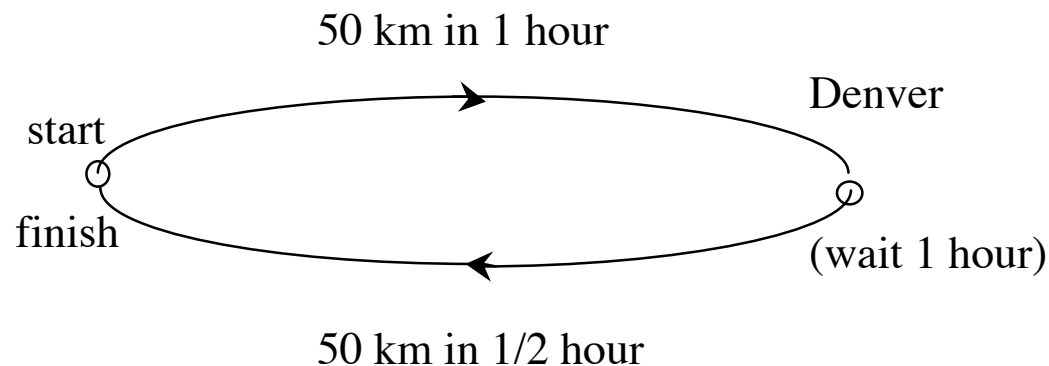
$$\begin{aligned} x(3) &= 4 - 2 \cdot 3 \\ &= 4 - 6 \\ &= \textcircled{-2 \text{ m}} \end{aligned}$$

Definition: Velocity

- Velocity = displacement/elapsed time
 - SI unit m/s
 - In 1-d average velocity $\langle v \rangle = (x-x_0)/(t-t_0)$
- Velocity is not the same as speed
 - Speed = distance/time
 - Notice that velocity has a sign (a direction)!

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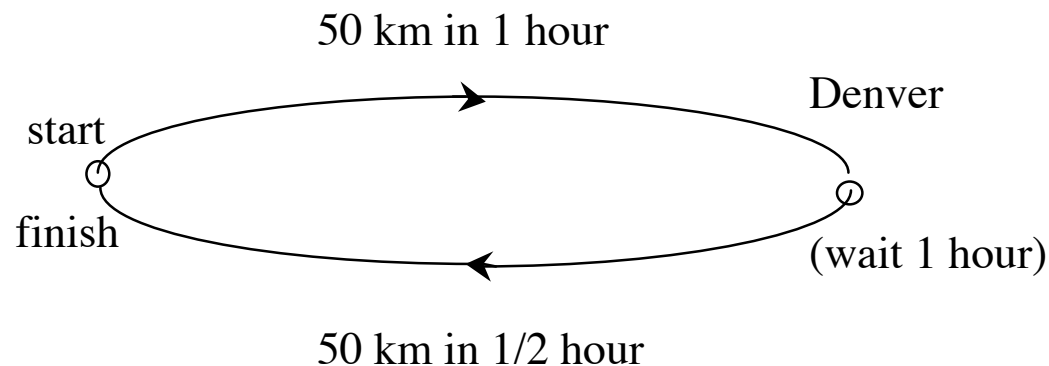


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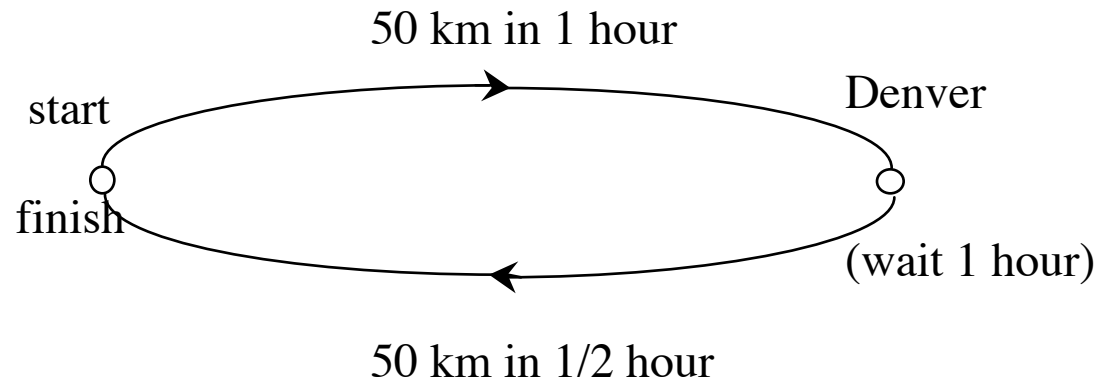
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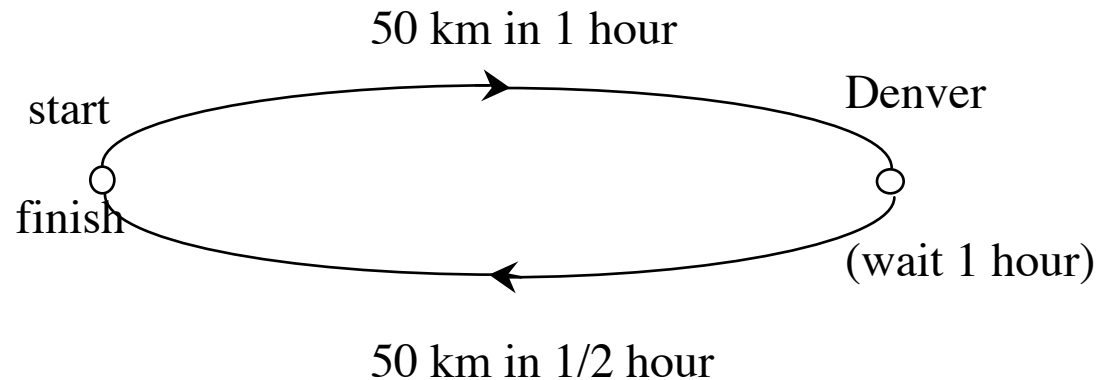


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If moving w/ constant velocity - we travel same distance in every time interval:

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$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + v((t + \Delta t) - t)$$

$$\text{or } x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + v \cdot \Delta t$$

What about this case?

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- Traveling different amounts each interval

- Velocity not constant

- We are accelerating!

$$a = (v - v_0) / (t - t_0)$$

We will only treat constant acceleration

$$\text{so } a = \langle a \rangle$$

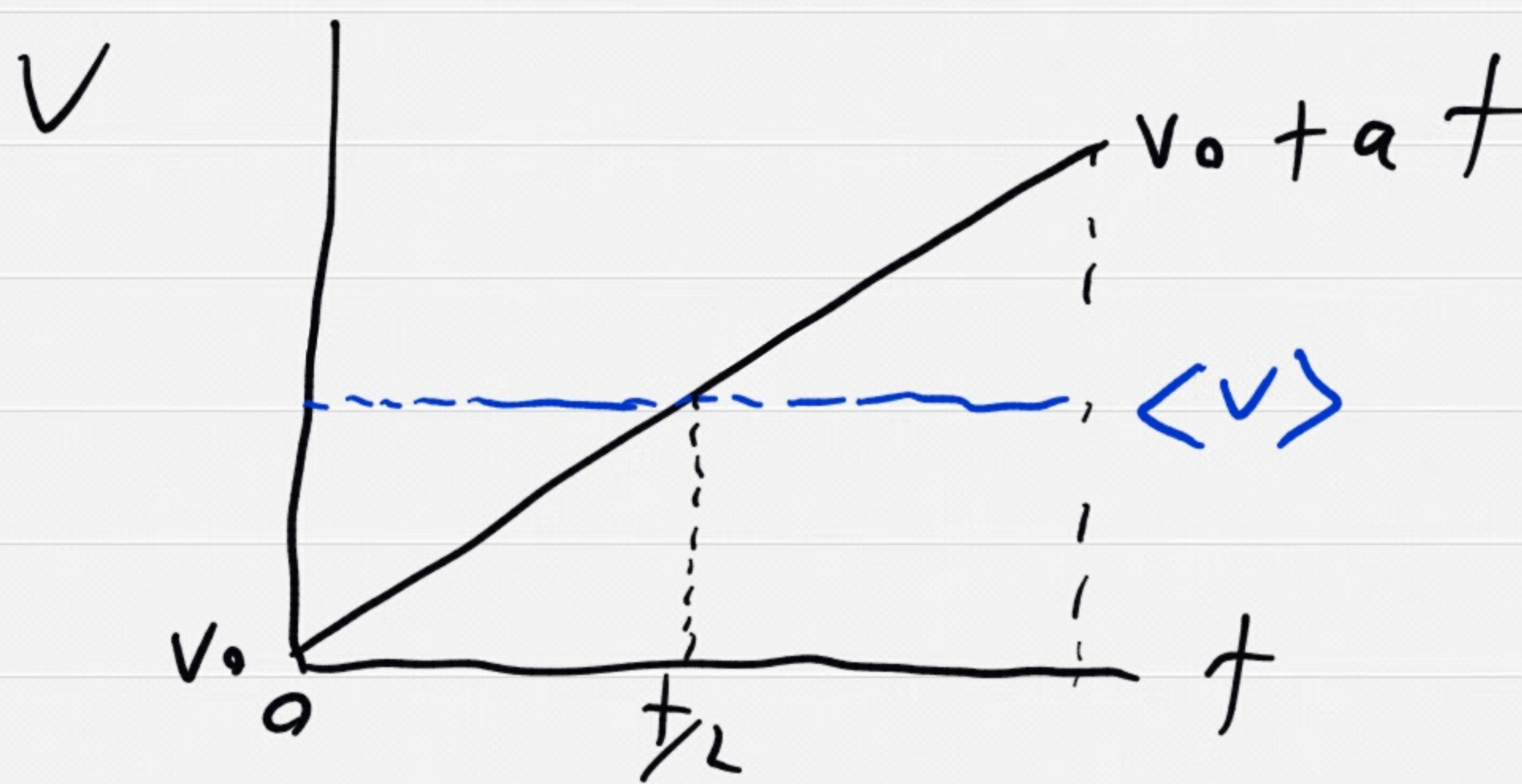
Definition: Acceleration

- Acceleration is rate of change of velocity or the “velocity of the velocity”
 - SI unit m/s^2
- Average acceleration $\langle a \rangle = (v - v_0) / (t - t_0)$

$$a = (v - v_0) / t \quad \text{for } t_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow at = v - v_0$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t) = v_0 + at$$



What is average velocity?

$$\langle v \rangle = \frac{v_0 + (v_0 + at)}{2}$$

$$= (2v_0 + at) / 2$$

$$= v_0 + \frac{1}{2} at$$

$$= v(t/2)$$

= velocity at midpoint

$$x(t) = x_0 + \langle v \rangle t$$

$$x(t) = x_0 + (v_0 + \frac{1}{2} at) \cdot t$$

$$= x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$