

M-GP General Physics Week 7 10/24

Acceleration — rate of change of velocity

$$\frac{V_f - V_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t}$$

acceleration =  $0 \text{ m/s}^2$   
constant velocity

acceleration =  $-2 \text{ m/s}^2$  (slowing down  
if positive means forward)

$10 \text{ m/s}$        $8 \text{ m/s}$        $6 \text{ m/s}$   
 $0 \text{ s}$        $1 \text{ sec}$        $2 \text{ sec}$

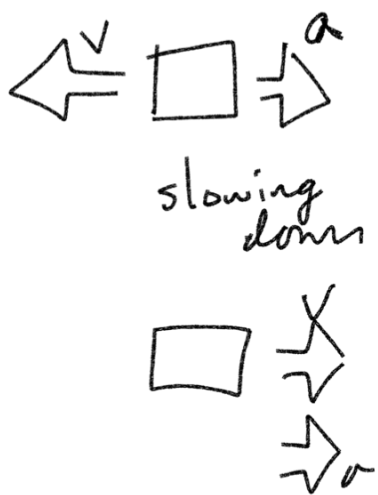
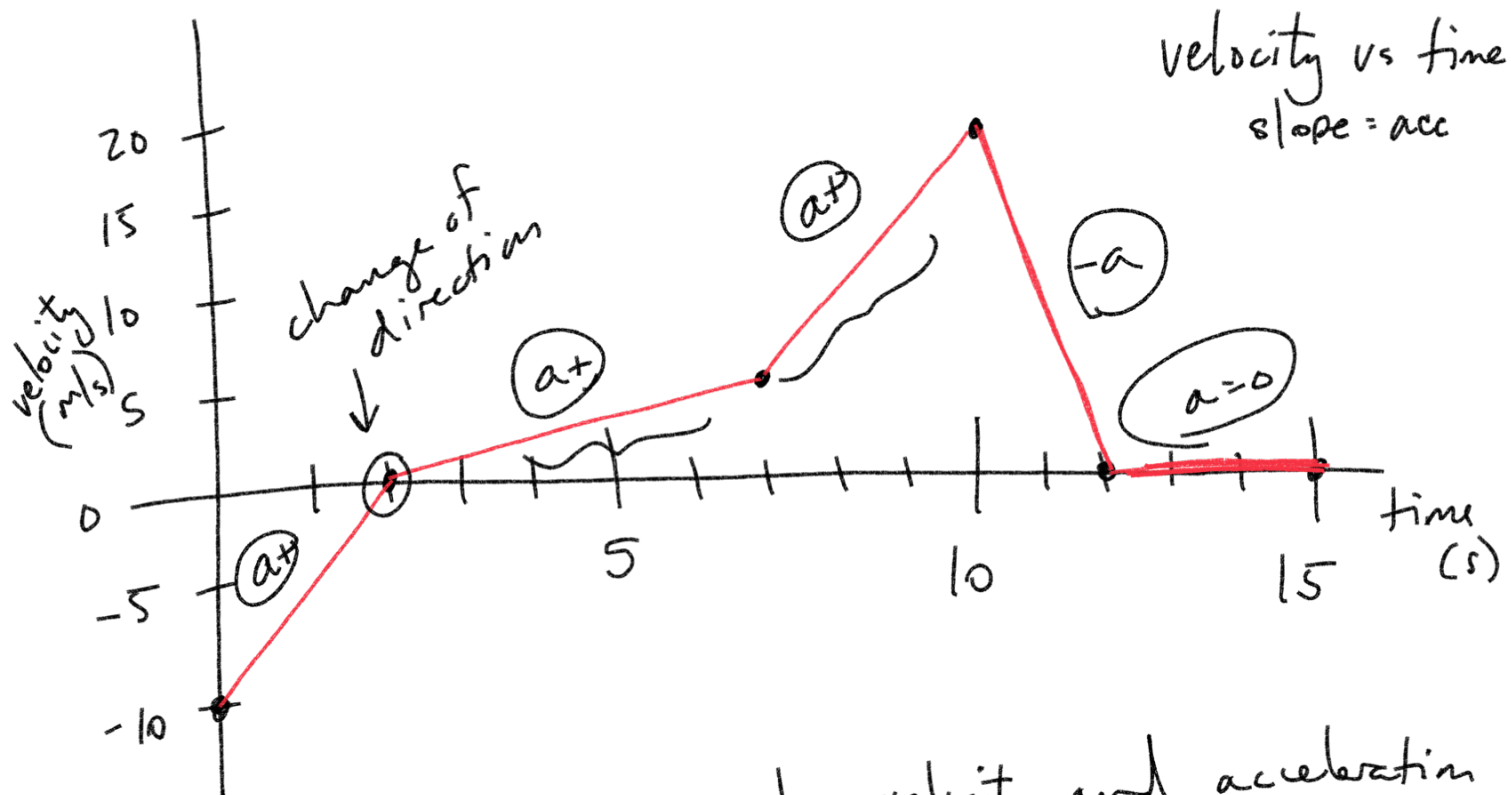
$80 \text{ mi/hr}$        $80 \text{ mi/hr}^2 = 80 \text{ mi/hr} / \text{hr}$

$12 \text{ m/s}$       w/acceleration  $4 \text{ m/s}^2$  or  $4 \text{ m/s/s}$

$t = 0$        $t = 1 \text{ s}$        $t = 2 \text{ s}$        $t = 3 \text{ s}$   
 $V$        $12 \text{ m/s}$        $16 \text{ m/s}$        $20 \text{ m/s}$        $24 \text{ m/s}$   
                  $+4 \text{ m/s}$        $+4 \text{ m/s}$        $+4 \text{ m/s}$

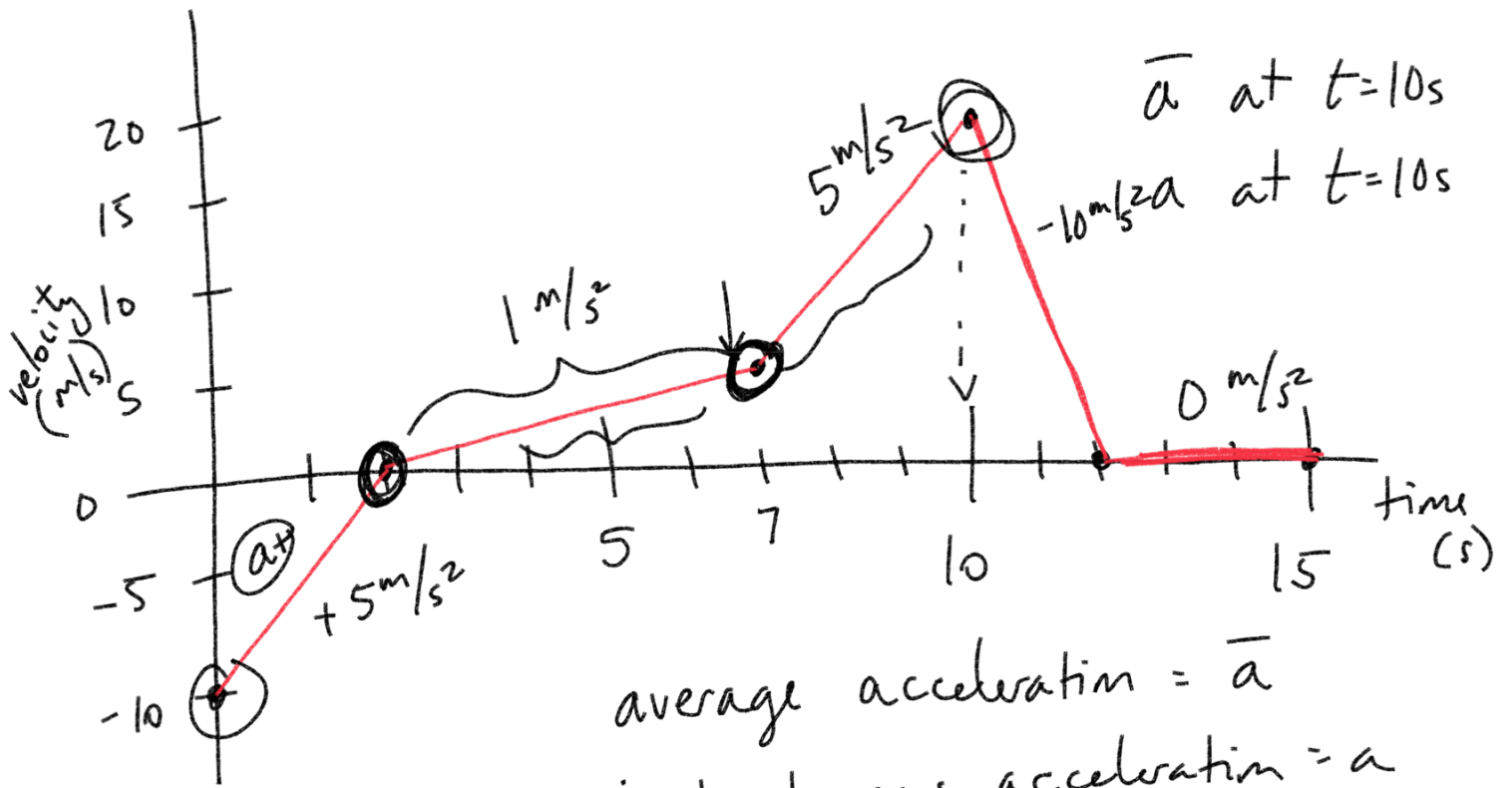
$t = 10 \text{ s}$   
 $V_f = V_i + at$

$12 \text{ m/s} + 4 \text{ m/s}^2 (10 \text{ s})$   
 $\uparrow$        $\uparrow$   
 $a$        $t$   
 $12 \text{ m/s} + 40 \text{ m/s} = 52 \text{ m/s}$



when velocity and acceleration vectors go in opposite directions, slow down

when velocity and acceleration vectors go in the same direction, speed up



average acceleration =  $\bar{a}$   
 instantaneous acceleration =  $a$

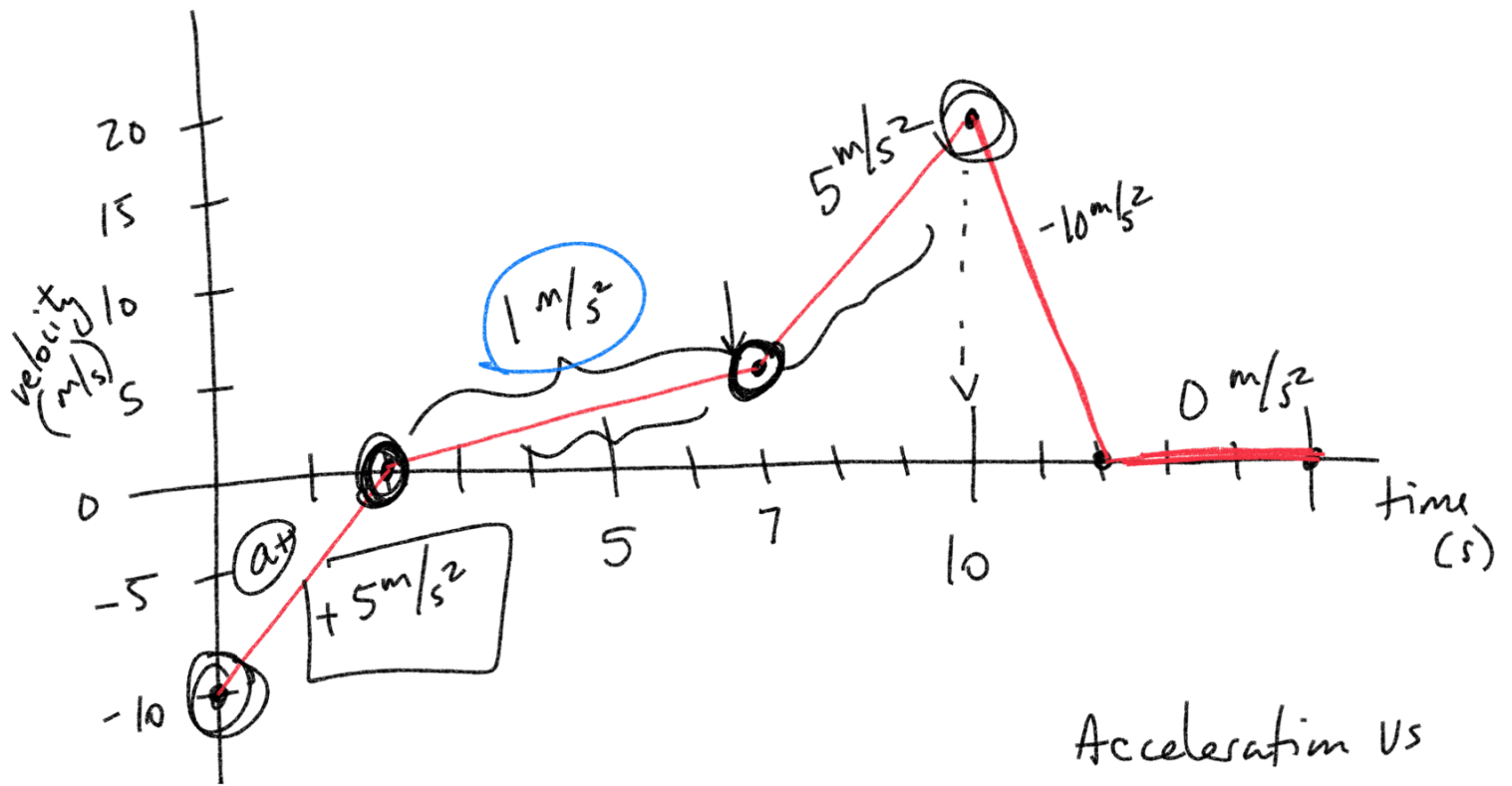
Find  $\bar{a}$  at  $t=7s$        $\frac{V_f - V_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{5 \text{ m/s} - (-10 \text{ m/s})}{7s - 0s}$

Find  $a$  at  $t=7s$        $\frac{15 \text{ m/s}}{7s} = \boxed{\frac{15}{7} \text{ m/s}^2}$

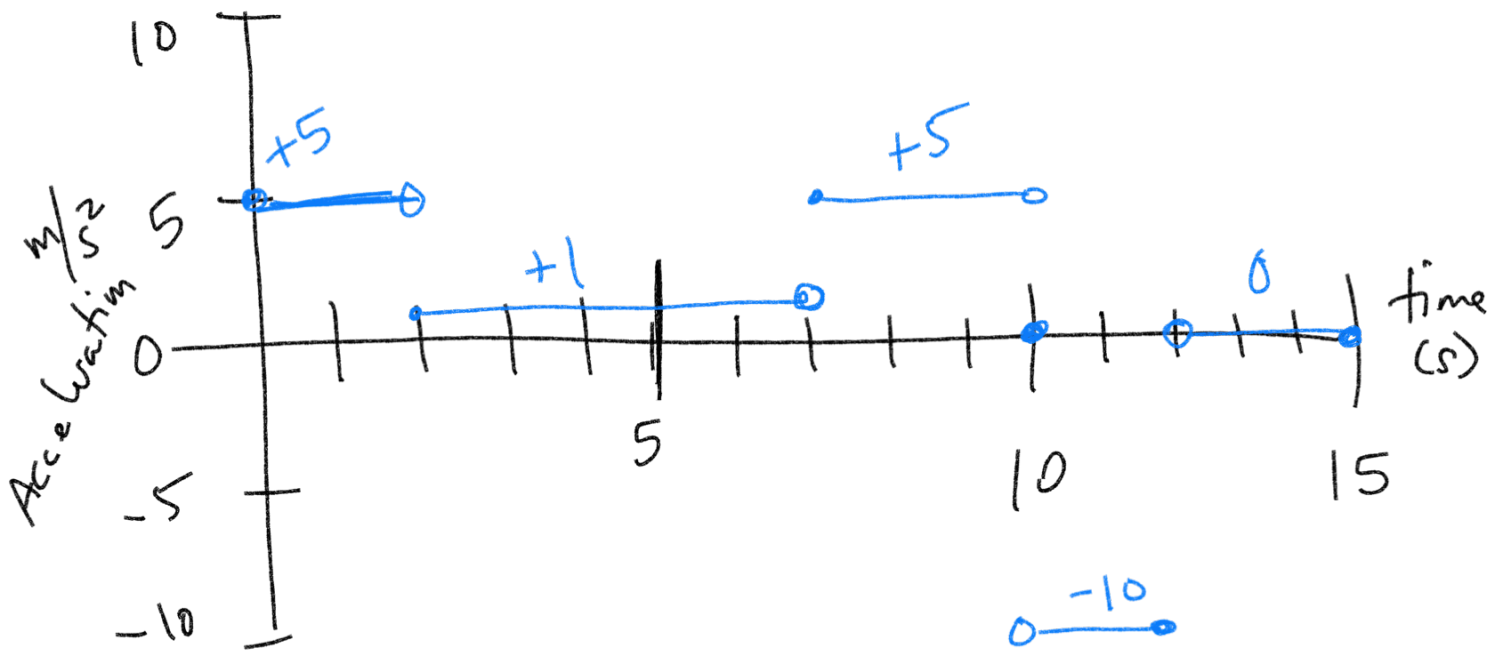
slope =  $\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$        $\frac{V_f - V_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{5 \text{ m/s} - 0 \text{ m/s}}{7s - 2s}$

$\bar{a}$  @  $t=10s$        $\frac{V_f - V_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{20 \text{ m/s} - (-10 \text{ m/s})}{10s - 0s} = \frac{30 \text{ m/s}}{10s} = 3 \text{ m/s}^2$

$a$  @  $t=10s$        $\boxed{0 \text{ m/s}^2}$



Acceleration vs time



Position:  $-10x^2 + 25x + 100$

Velocity:  $-20x + 25$

calculus term  
for slope is  
Derivative

$\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$   $t = 1.25s$   $-20(1.25) + 25$   
 $-25 + 25 = 0$

$t = 4.65s$   $-20(4.65) + 25$   
 $-93 + 25 = -68 \text{ m/s}$

Acceleration  $-20 \text{ m/s}^2$