

Speed

Physics

Year-8

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Speed

Speed is a measure of how fast something is moving.



$$Speed = \frac{distance}{time}$$

Units of speed

- meters per second (m/s)
- Kilometers per hour(km/h)

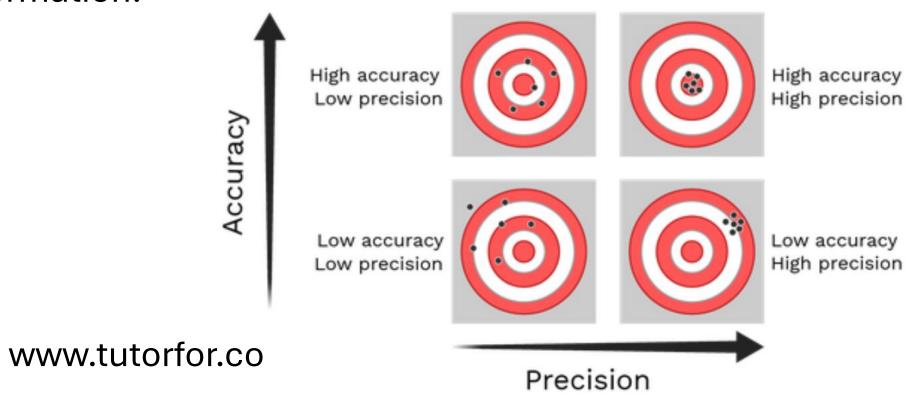
Average speed

• Average speed is a measure of the overall speed of an object.

Average speed =
$$\frac{total\ distance}{total\ time}$$

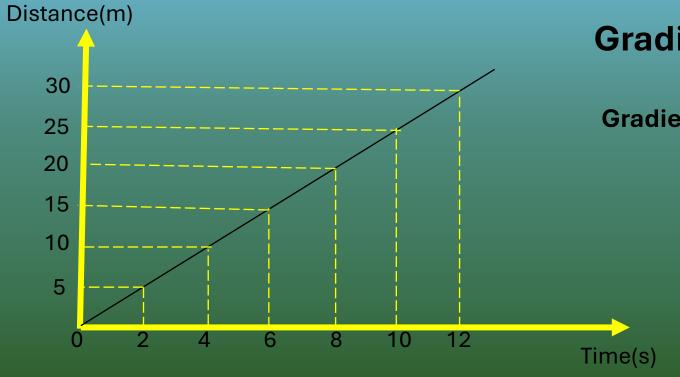
Precision & Accuracy.

- Precision is shown by the number of significant figures.
- Accuracy tells you how correct a measurement is.
- Reaction time is the time(delay) it takes the brain to process information.



Distance-time graphs

Time(s)	0	2	4	6	8	10	12
Distance(m)	0	5	10	15	20	25	30



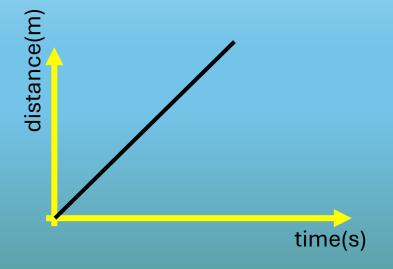
Gradient = $\frac{difference in y}{difference in x}$

Gradient = $\frac{(30-5) m}{(12-2)s} = \frac{25}{10}$ m/s = +2.5 m/s

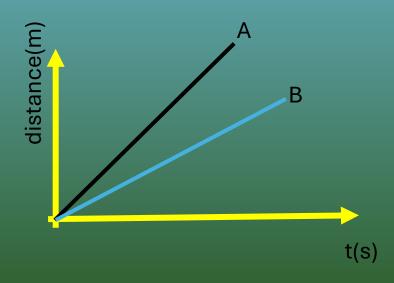
Gradient of a distance-time graph shows the speed of the object

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Distance-time graphs(s-t graphs)



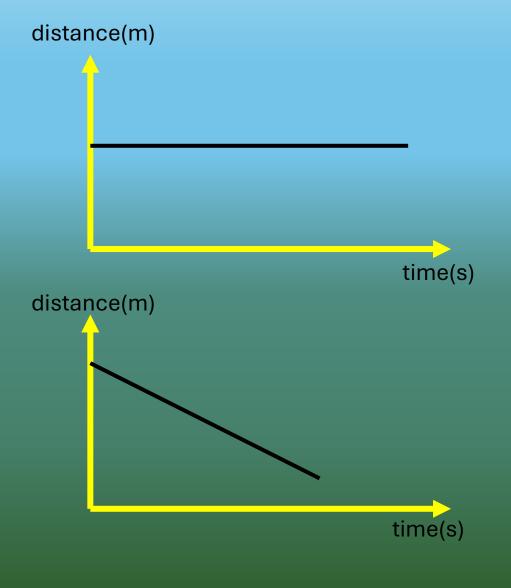
The object is moving with a steady(constant) speed.



The object A is moving with a higher steady(constant) speed than object B.

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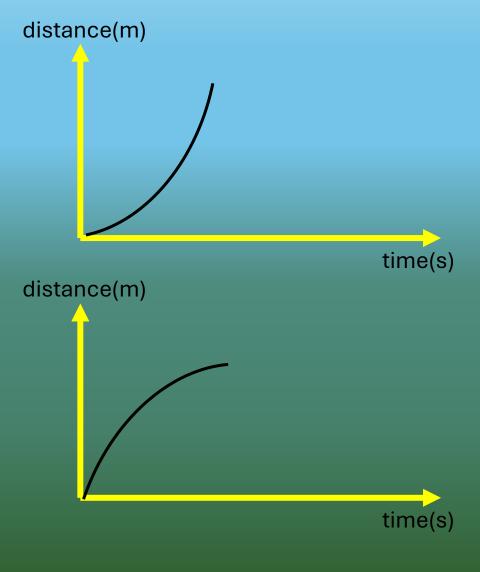
Distance-time graphs(s-t graphs)



The object is not moving(stationary)

The object is moving towards the initial direction(opposite direction) with a constant speed.

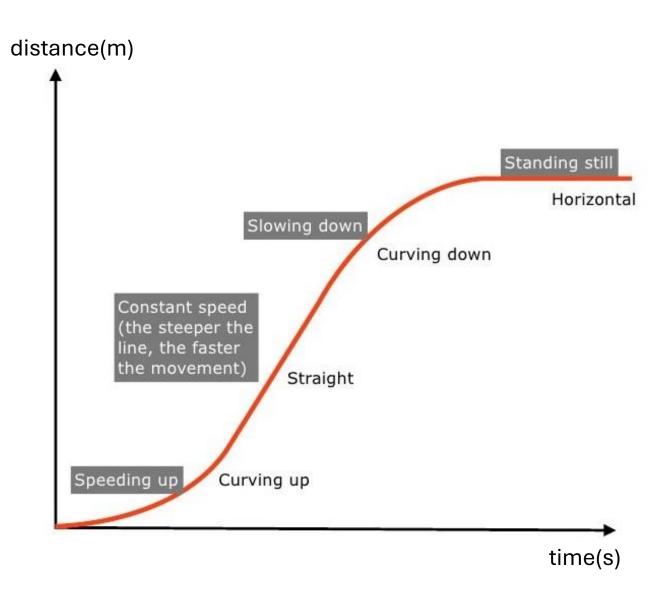
Distance-time graphs



The object is moving with an increasing speed(acceleration)

The object is moving with a decreasing speed(deceleration).

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Summary