Velocity and Acceleration

Goal:

- Can use derivative rules to apply the rate of change of distance over time as velocity.
- Can use derivative rules to apply the rate of change of velocity over time as acceleration.
- Can analyze 1-dimensional movement of a particle on a line.

Terminology:

- Velocity
- Acceleration

We know that average velocity is $\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$ where x is the distance and t is the time. We talked about average and instantaneous rate change as the slope of a distance vs time graph. In Physics 11 you get the following kinematic equations. Derive them and give them a calculus definition.

Physics 11 Definition	Calculus Definition and Explanation
$\Delta x = \left(\frac{v_1 - v_0}{2}\right) \cdot \Delta t$	
$v_1 = v_0 + a\Delta t$	
$\Delta x = v_0 \Delta t + \frac{1}{2}a \cdot (\Delta t)^2$	
$v_1^2 = v_0^2 + 2a\Delta x$	

I want to briefly talk about motion along a line as it is a classic problem

Example: Consider a particle moving along the *x*-axis given by the equation

$$x(t) = t^3 - 25t^2 + 171t - 315$$

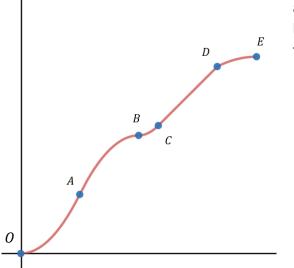
Where x(t) is the distance in meters after t minutes. Determine:

- a. The velocity of the particle
- b. The acceleration of the particle
- c. Identify when the particle is moving to the left and right.
- d. The total distance travelled from t = 0 to t = 10



In Class Evidence

3.2.2. The graph of a position function is shown below.



a) For the part of the graph from O to A, use slopes of tangent lines to decide whether the velocity is increasing or decreasing. Is the acceleration positive or negative?

- b) State whether the acceleration is positive, zero, or negative
- i. From A to B
- ii. From ${\it B}$ to ${\it C}$
- iii. From C to D
- iv. From D to E

3.2.7 The particle moves according to the equation of motion: $s = t^3 - 9t^2 + 18t$. Where s is measured in meters and t in seconds. Determine when the acceleration is 0 and find the displacement and velocity at that time.

8. The motion of a particle is described by the position function

$$s = t^3 - 15t^2 + 63t, \quad t \ge 0$$

Where t is measured in seconds and s in meters.

- a. When is the particle at rest?
- b. When is the particle moving in the positive direction?
- c. Draw a diagram to illustrate the motion of the particle.
- d. Find the total distance travelled in the first 10 seconds.