

3 UNIT #1 - MOTION + Forces

Distance, Position, Displacement, Speed and Velocity

Kinematics

- the study of motion
 - ▣ studies motion...ignores the *cause of the motion*

VECTOR

magnitude & direction

“The brick has been displaced **5m** to **the right**.”

SCALAR

magnitude only

“the brick has moved a distance of **5m**.”

magnitude — number
— size

Dynamics

- The study of the forces that produce motion



- pulling force

- force of gravity

Distance

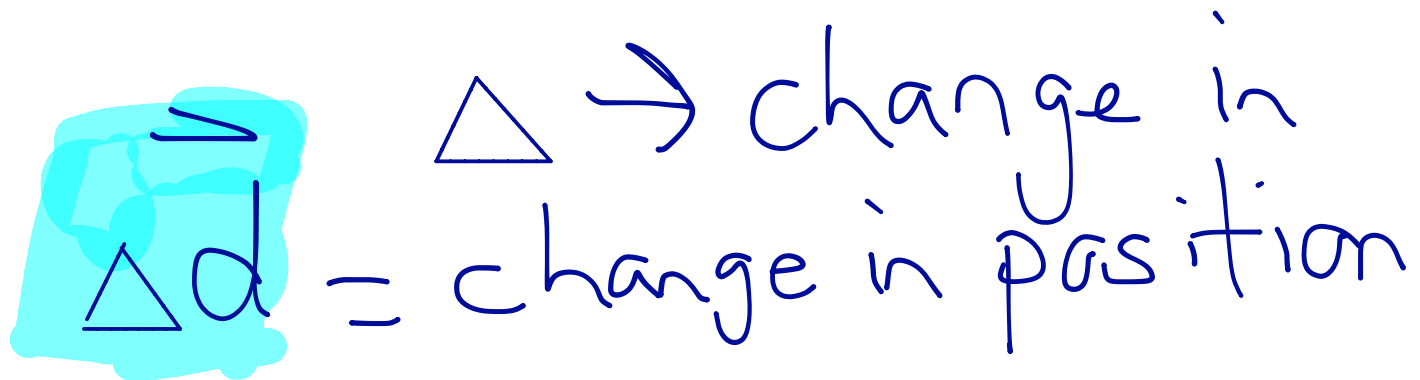
- **distance—the total path length travelled by an object**
 - (m)
 - **SCALAR**
- example: If you walk
 - 2m from your locker to your biology class
 - 2m from biology class to the washroom
 - 7m from the washroom to your physics class
 - 11m
- You have travelled a **distance** of 11m.

Position

- **position**—the distance and direction of an object from a reference point.
 - VECTOR
 - \vec{d}
- **example** : the brick is 5m to the right of it's starting point.

Displacement

- **displacement**-the change in position of an object
 - VECTOR
 - Δd
- **example 1**: the brick was displaced 5m to the right



A handwritten diagram illustrating displacement. On the left, a light blue brick is shown with a blue arrow pointing to the right, representing displacement. Below the brick, the symbol Δd is written. To the right of the brick, the text $\Delta \rightarrow$ change in position is written in blue ink.

$$\Delta d = \text{change in position}$$

Speed

- average speed = $\frac{\text{total distance}}{\text{total time}}$ (m/s)
- SCALAR quantity (has ONLY **magnitude**)
- **example**: speedometer

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