

## Average Speed

Velocity

Definition. Average speed is defined to be ~~change in distance~~  
divided by change in time.

~~displacement~~

$$\text{Speed} = |\text{velocity}|$$

Velocity is affected by direction.

$$\frac{f(t_{i+1}) - f(t_i)}{t_{i+1} - t_i} = \frac{d_{i+1} - d_i}{t_{i+1} - t_i}$$

## Derived Table of Speeds and Accelerations

$$[t, t + 0.1]$$

$t_i \quad t_{i+1}$

velocity

time (s)	distance (m)	speed (m/s)	acc (m/s/s)
0.10	0.049	1.470000	9.800000
0.20	0.196	2.450000	9.800000
0.30	0.441	3.430000	9.800000
0.40	0.784	4.410000	9.800000
0.50	1.225	5.390000	9.800000
0.60	1.764	6.370000	9.800000
0.70	2.401	7.350000	9.800000
0.80	3.136	8.330000	9.800000
0.90	3.969	9.310000	9.800000
1.00	4.900	10.290000	9.800000

# The Meaning of Constant Acceleration

Suppose the speed of a falling object is given by the function  $v(t)$ . Then the average acceleration over the interval  $[t, t + h]$  is given by the quotient

$$\frac{v(t+h) - v(t)}{h}$$

$\frac{\cancel{t_{in}}}{t_{in} - t_i}$

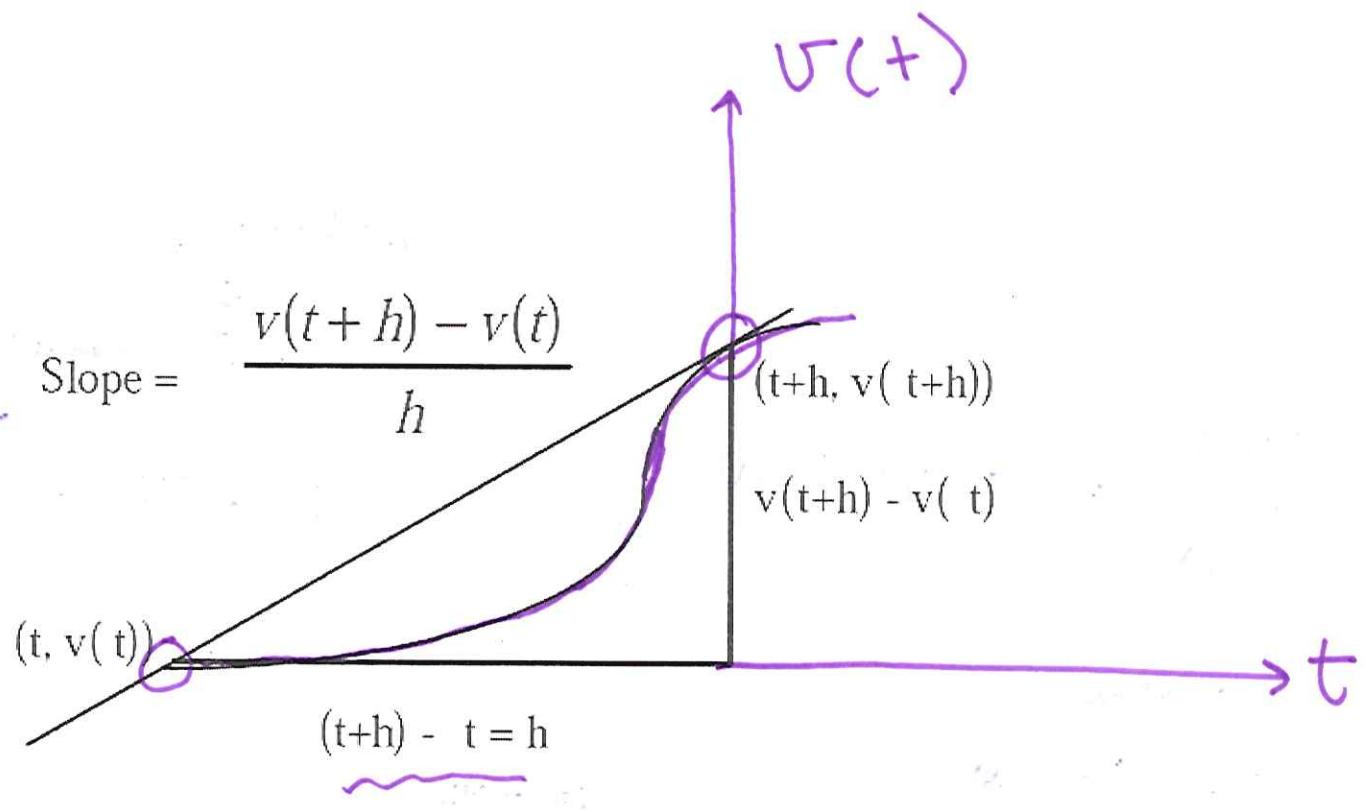
← regular time steps  
or for one sample

We call this quotient the *difference quotient*.

so  $h = t_{in} - t_i$

↑  
sometimes  $\Delta t$   
↑  
"change"

$$\text{avg acc} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$$



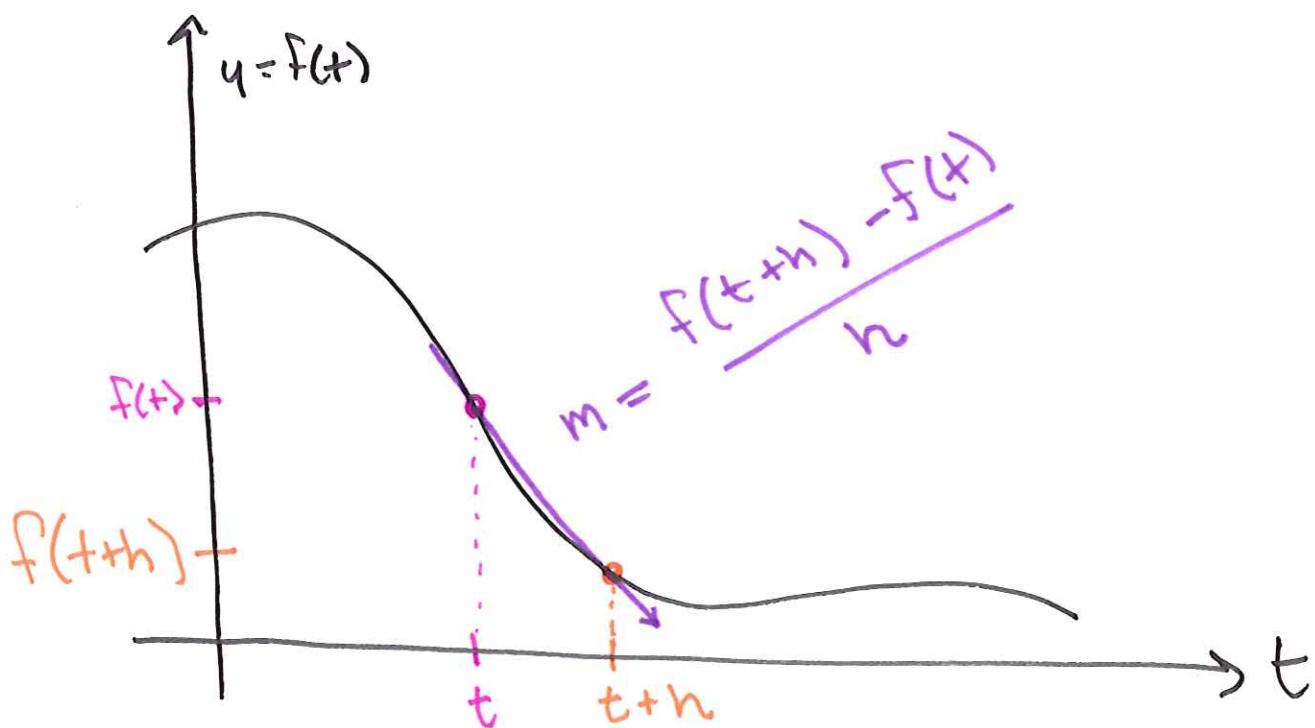
rise :  $\frac{v(t+h) - v(t)}{(t+h) - t}$  = slope .

Defn

$$\cdot f(t)$$

The difference quotient of  $f(t)$  over a time interval  $h$  is

$$\frac{f(t+h) - f(t)}{h}$$



$e^t$  was the exp

fn which has

slope 1 @  $t=0$ .