



**7. Motion in different directions:**

**Displacement** = change in position = straight line distance from starting point to final point.

**Velocity** = change in position (displacement) ÷ time

Example: A mouse runs 5.0 m [right] across a plank and then turns around and runs 2.0 m back the other way. If this motion takes 5.0 s, calculate the average velocity of the mouse.

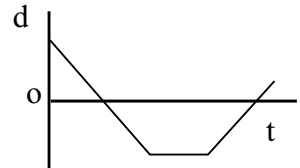
Displacement = +5.0 m + (-2.0 m) = +3.0 m or 3.0 m [right]

$V_{av} = \text{displacement} \div \text{time} = 3.0 \text{ m [right]} \div 5.0 \text{ s} = 0.60 \text{ m/s [right]}$

Displacement vs time graphs: Slope can be negative or positive.

Slope = velocity

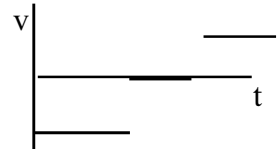
Sign of slope indicates direction of travel.



Velocity vs time graphs: Horizontal lines above/below x-axis

Sign of velocity indicates direction.

Area between graph and the x-axis = displacement



**8. Uniformly accelerated motion - motion in which speed changes at a constant rate.**

**Acceleration** = change in velocity ÷ change in time

where  $v = v_{\text{final}} - v_{\text{initial}}$  or  $v_f - v_i$

From these equations we get:  $v_f = v_i + at$  and  $v_i = v_f - at$

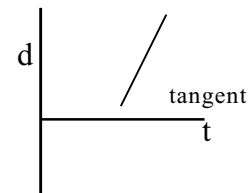
**Graphs of accelerated motion:**

Displacement vs time: Graph is a curved line.

Slope is calculated using tangent line.

Slope of tangent = instantaneous velocity.

Values for  $V_{\text{inst}}$  can be used to plot v vs t graph.



Positive slope = speeding up in positive direction or slowing down in negative direction.

Negative slope = speeding up in negative direction or slowing down in positive direction.

Velocity vs time: Graph is a straight line with a slope.

Above x-axis - all velocities are in positive direction.

Below x-axis - all velocities are in negative direction

Area between graph and x-axis = displacement

(Area of Triangle A - Area of Triangle B)

**Slope of the velocity vs time graph = acceleration**

