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Basic Kinematic Concepts

- 1. Variables for Describing Motion
- 2. Reference Systems for Describing Motion of the Human Body and Its Segments
- 3. Guidelines for Describing Motion of the Human Body and Its Segments



Rigid Body Mechanics



What is kinematics?

- Spatial and temporal characteristics
- Qualitative or quantitative
- Linear & angular motion



Why use kinematics?



- <u>Practical</u>: Provides a standard for us in performing, teaching, or evaluating a skill
- <u>Research</u>: Once we describe, we can ask why?

Problem with kinematics?

<u>Practical</u>: Proper kinematics does not always mean proper force application



Kinematic Variables

- Time
- Position
- Displacement & distance
- Velocity & speed
- Acceleration



Time – Temporal Analysis

WHEN? HOW OFTEN? IN WHAT ORDER? HOW LONG?

- Most basic analysis
- Examples:
 - Cadence
 - Stride time
 - Temporal patterning



