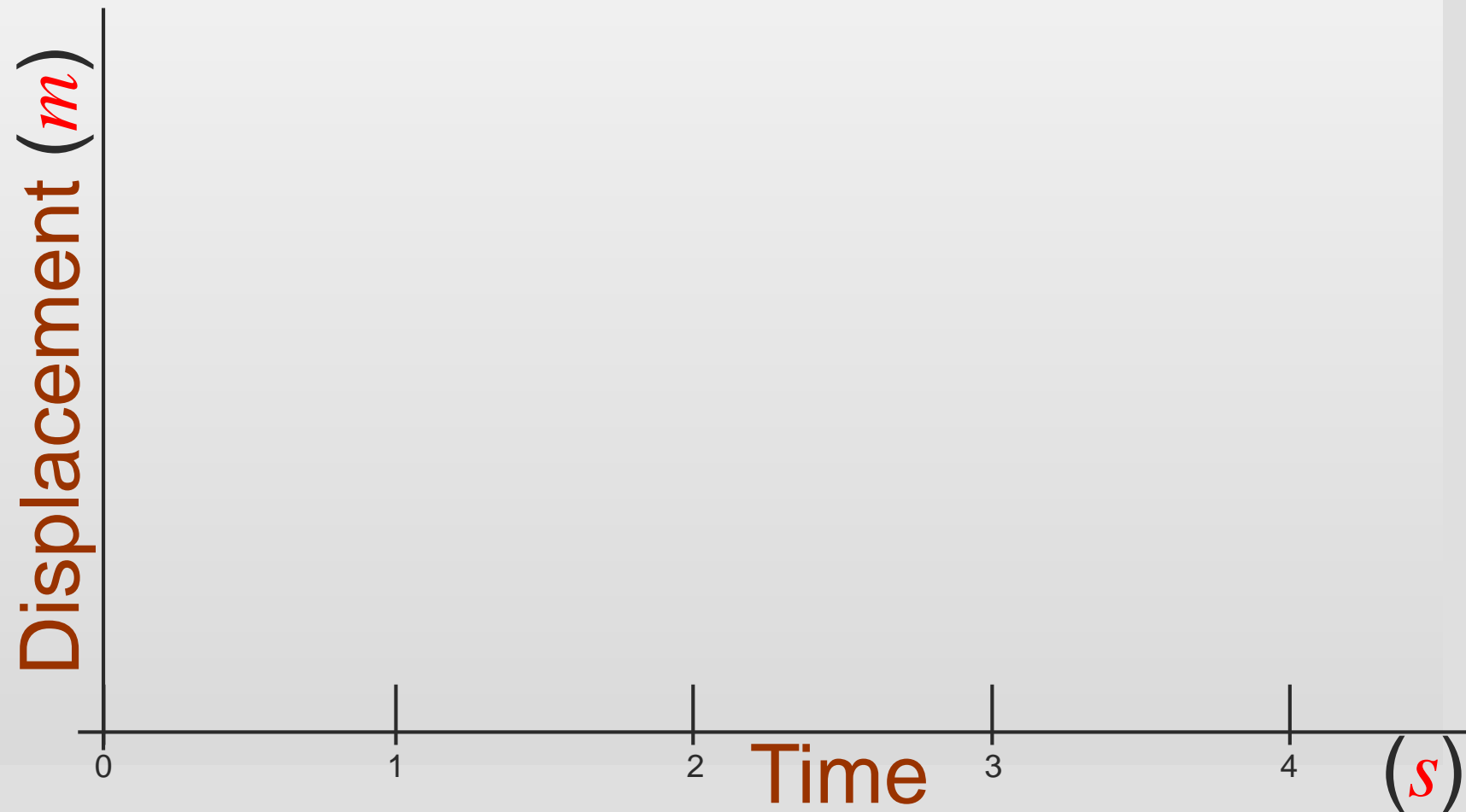


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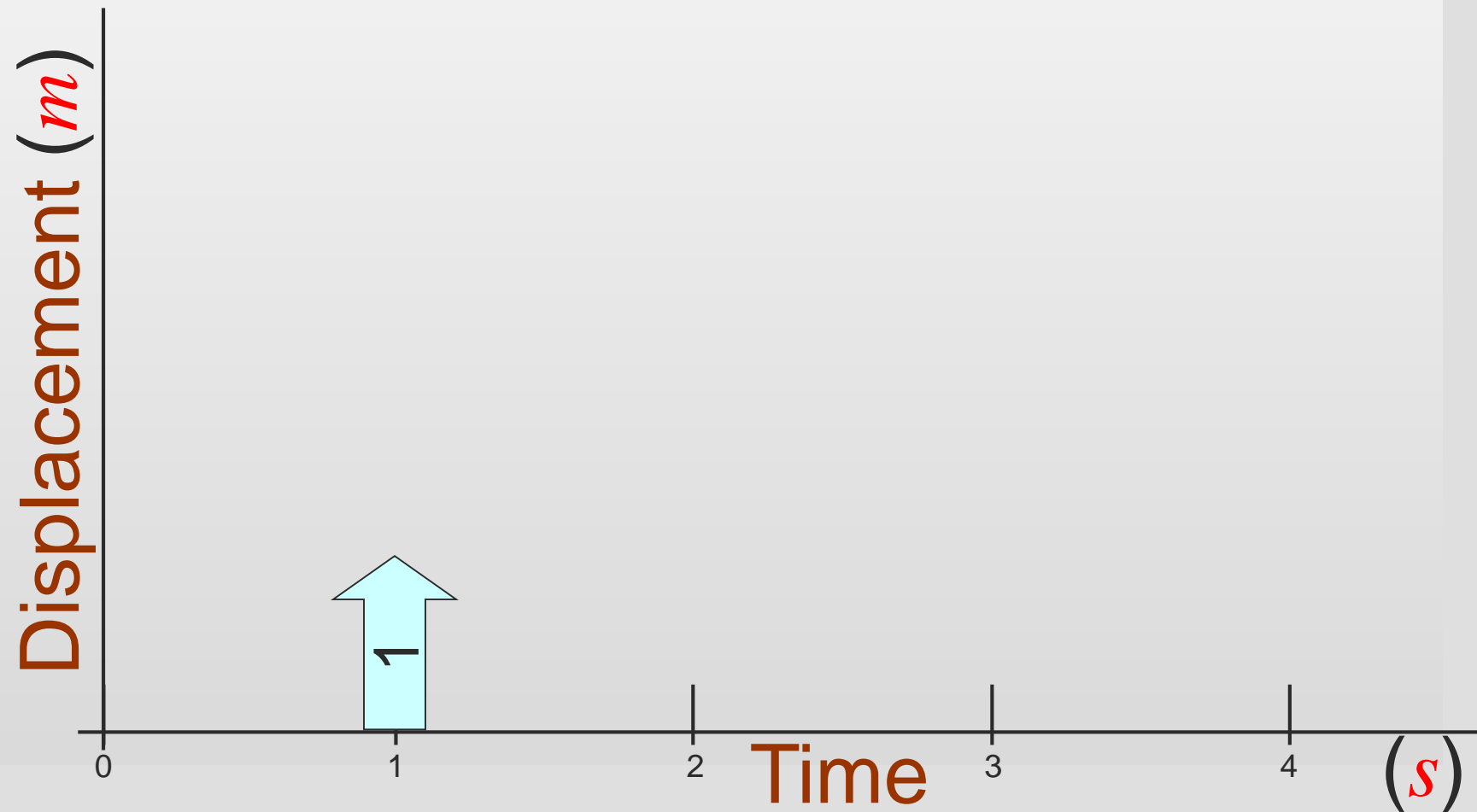
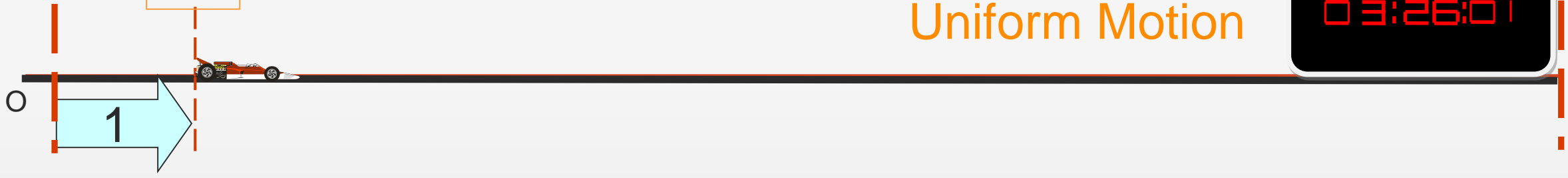


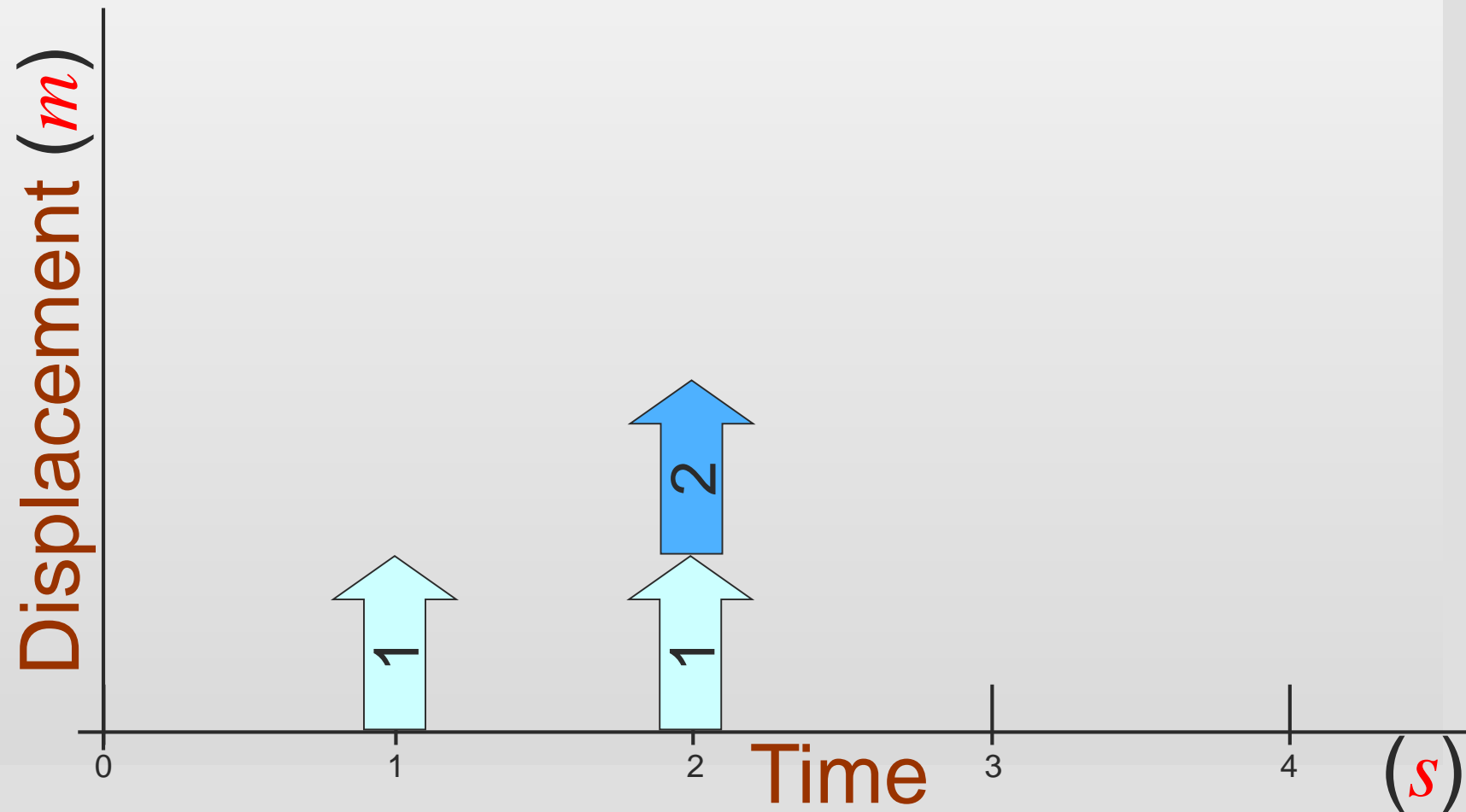
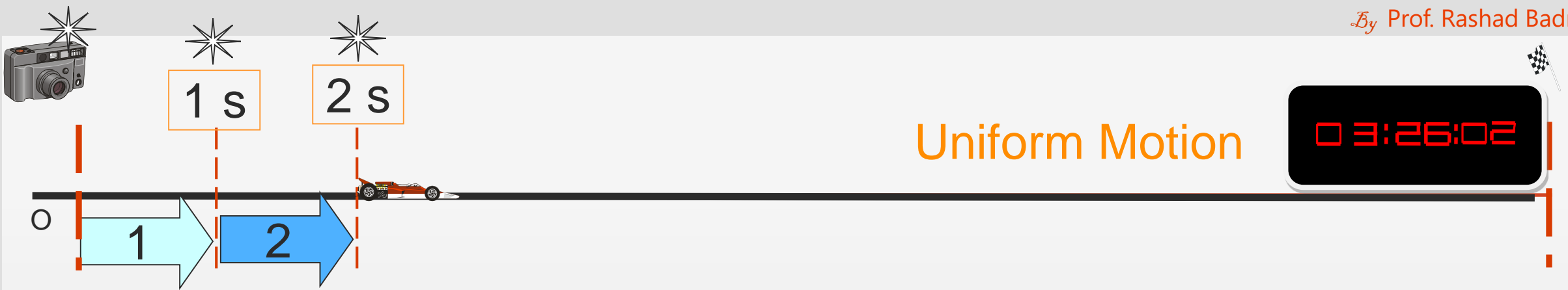


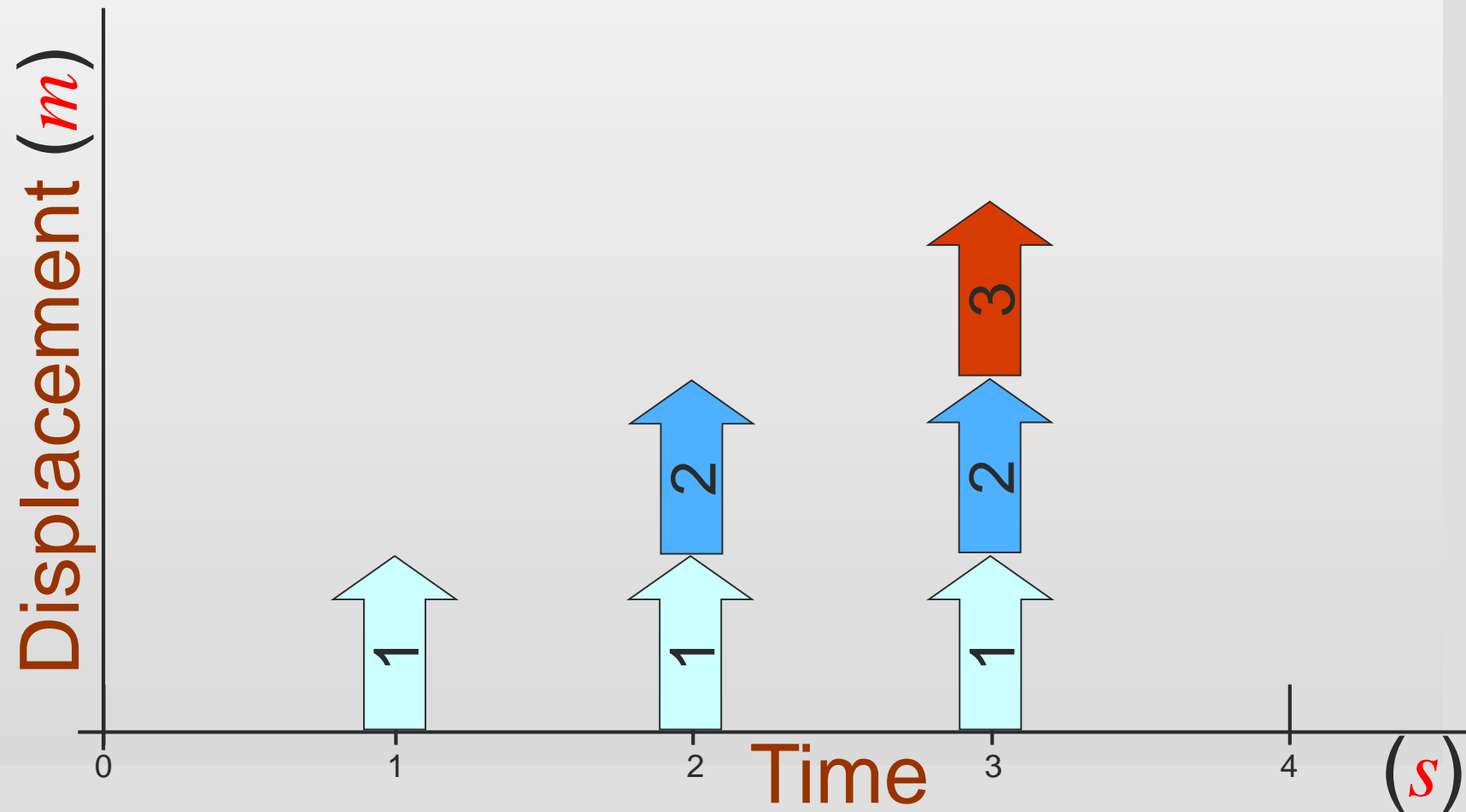
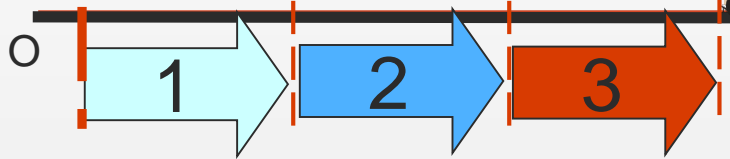
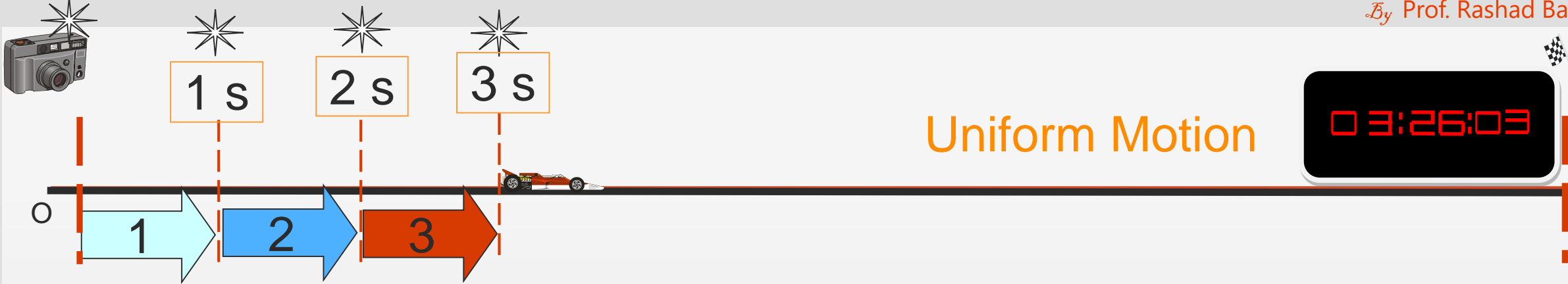
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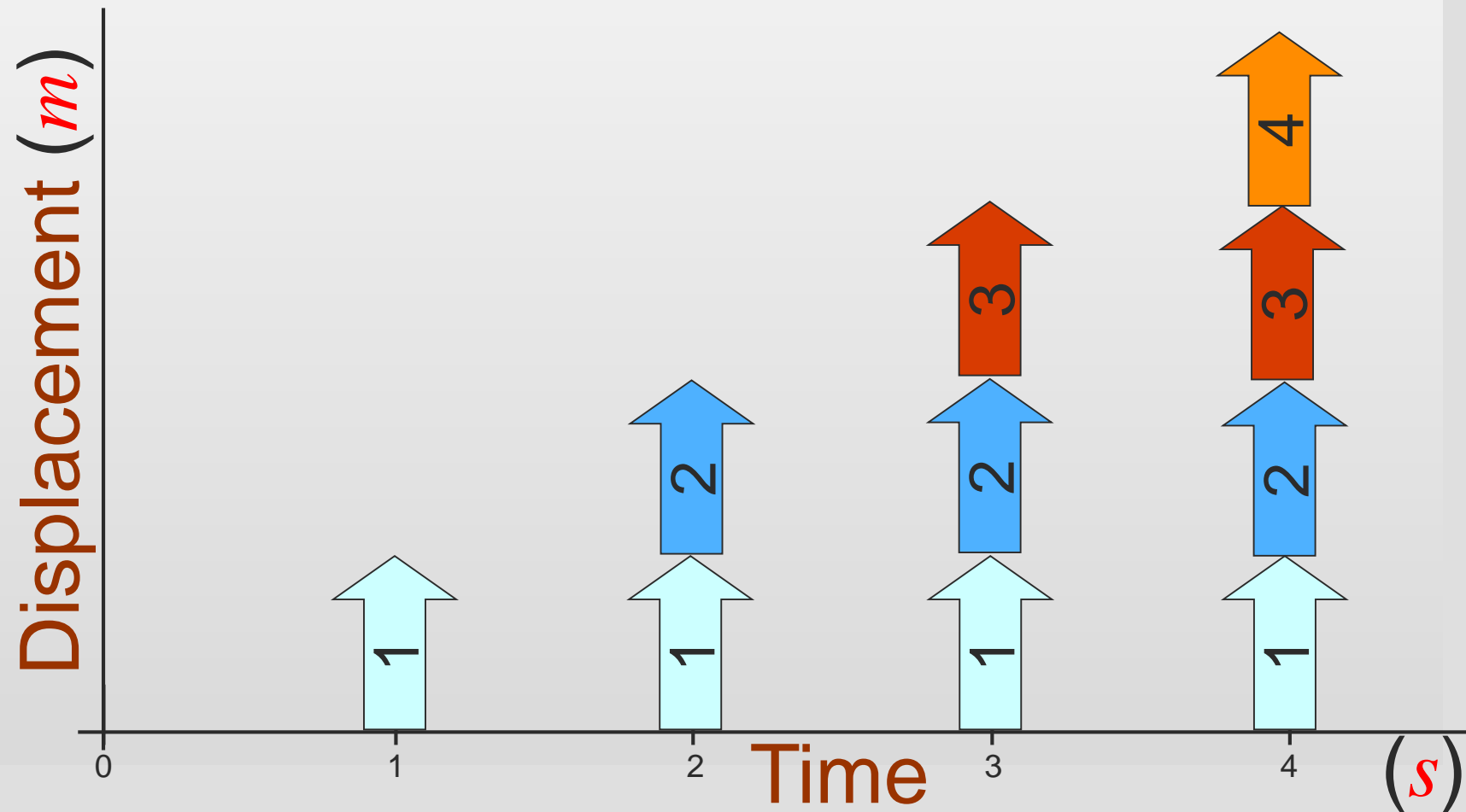
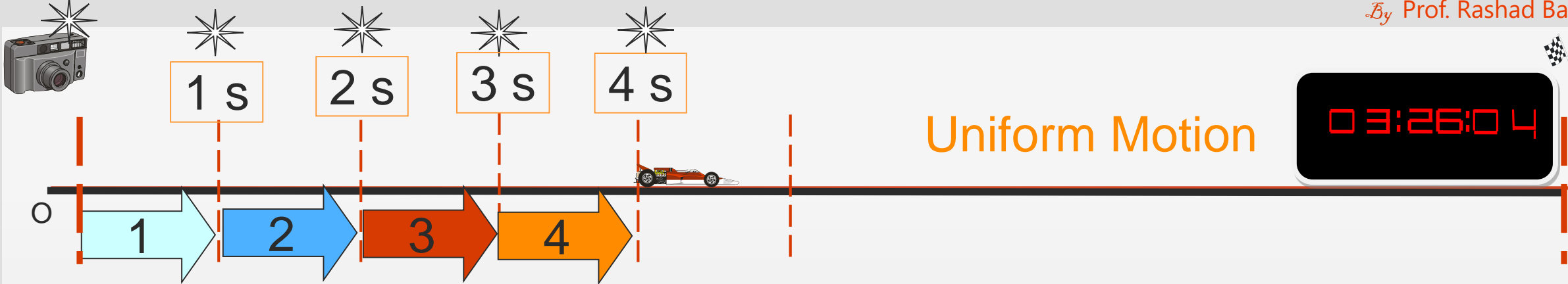


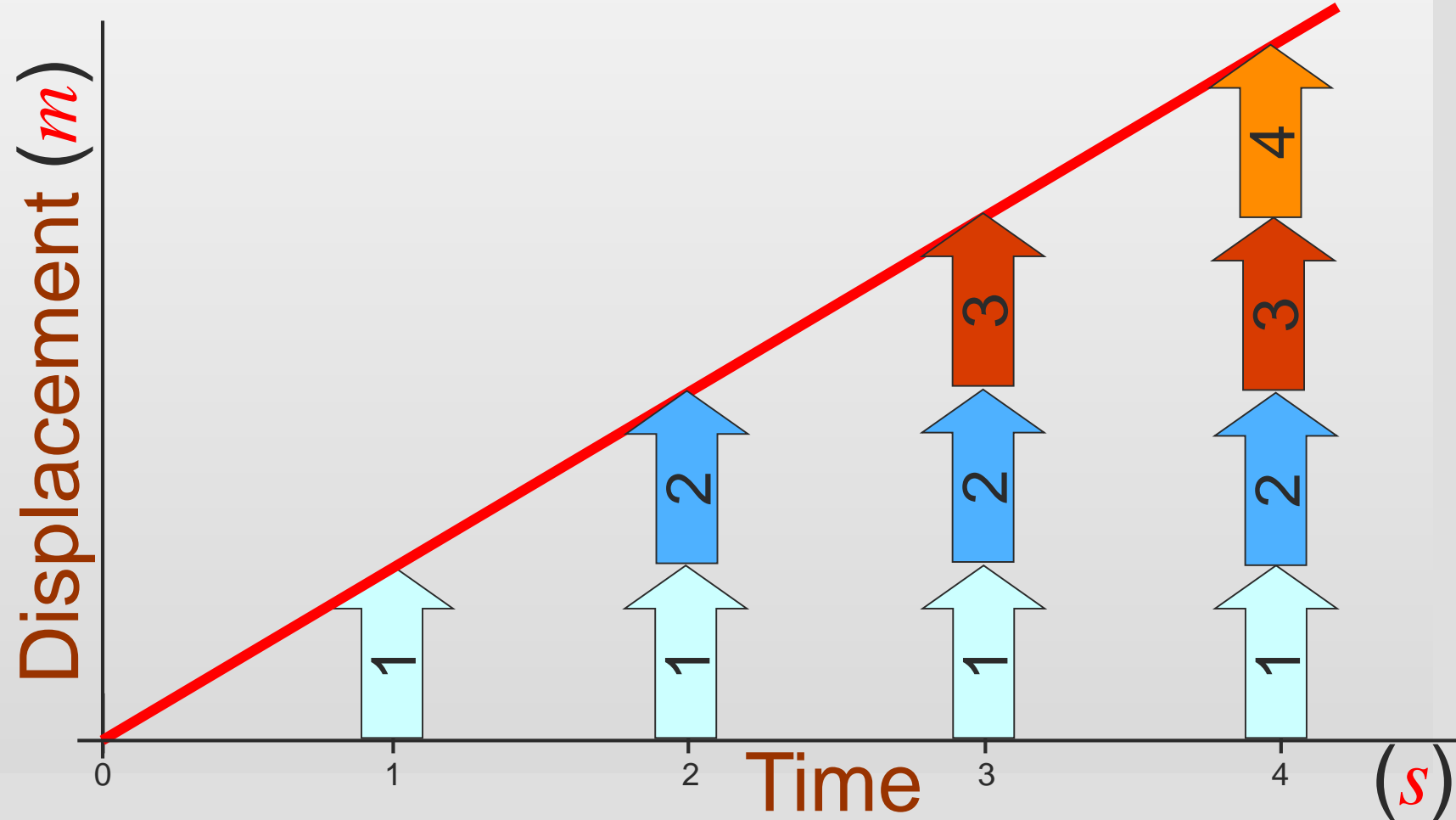
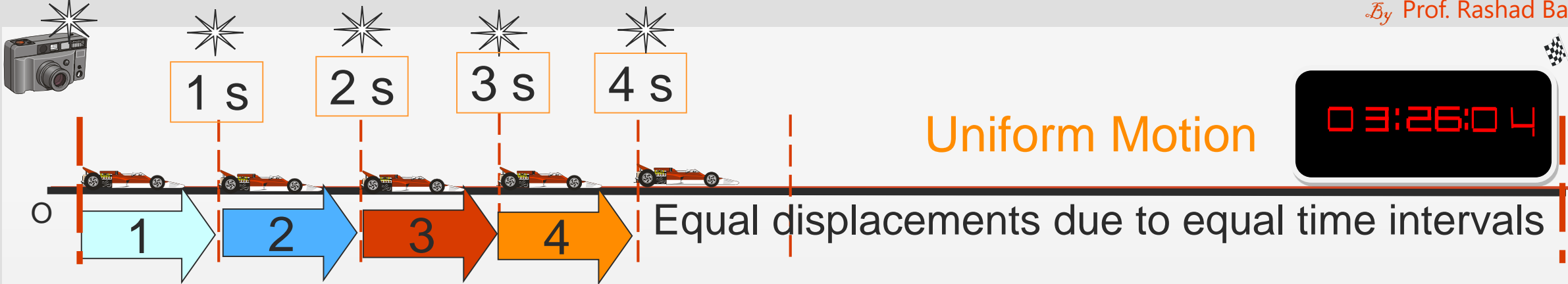
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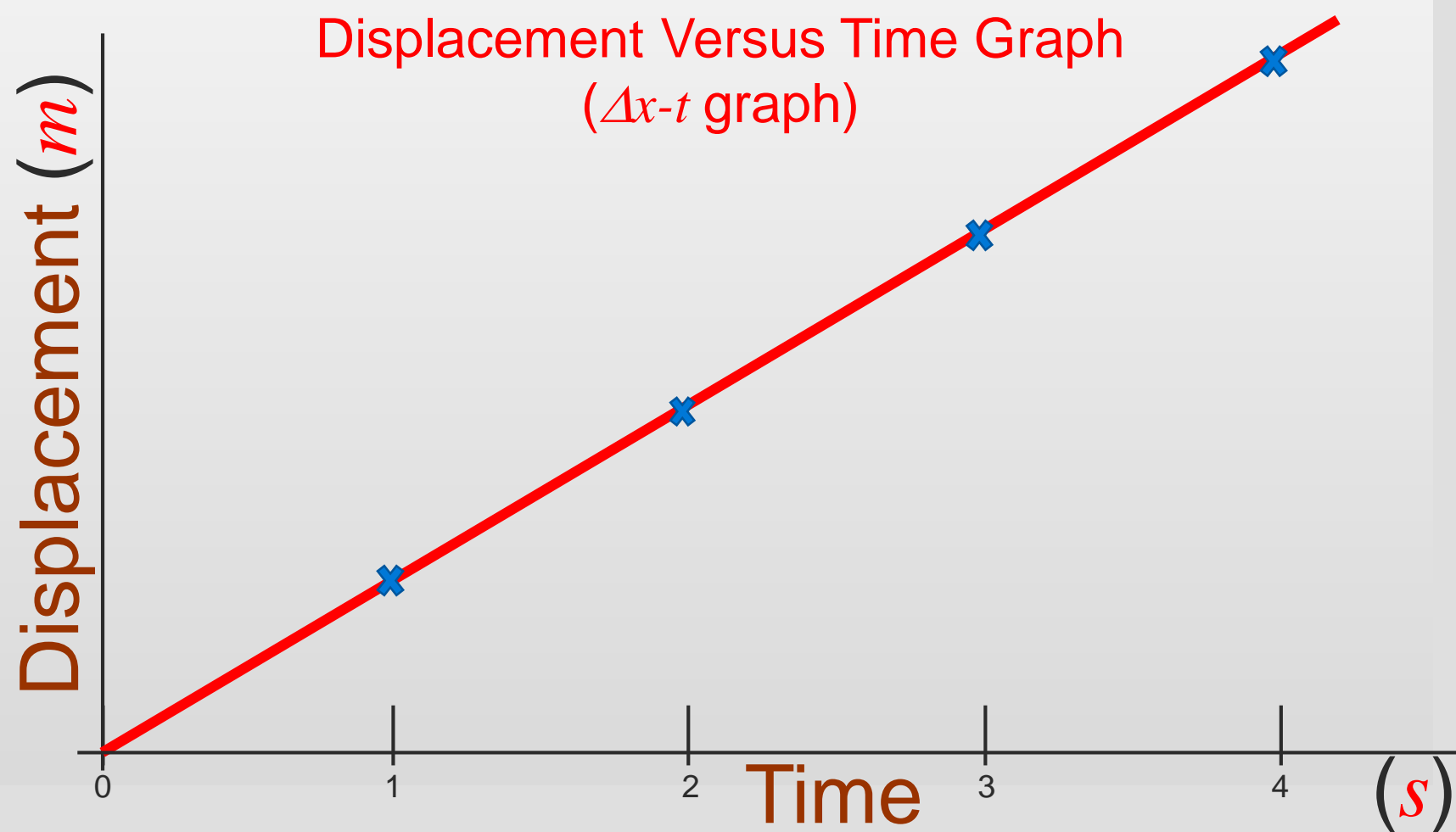
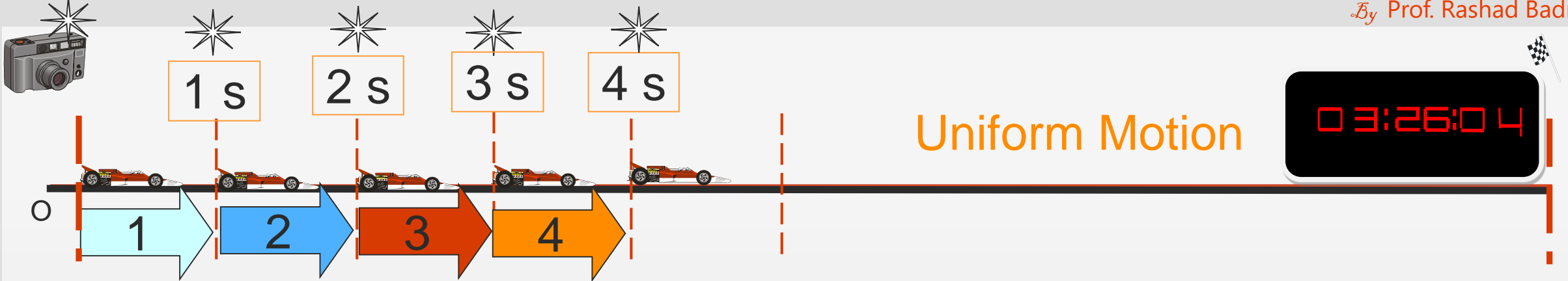


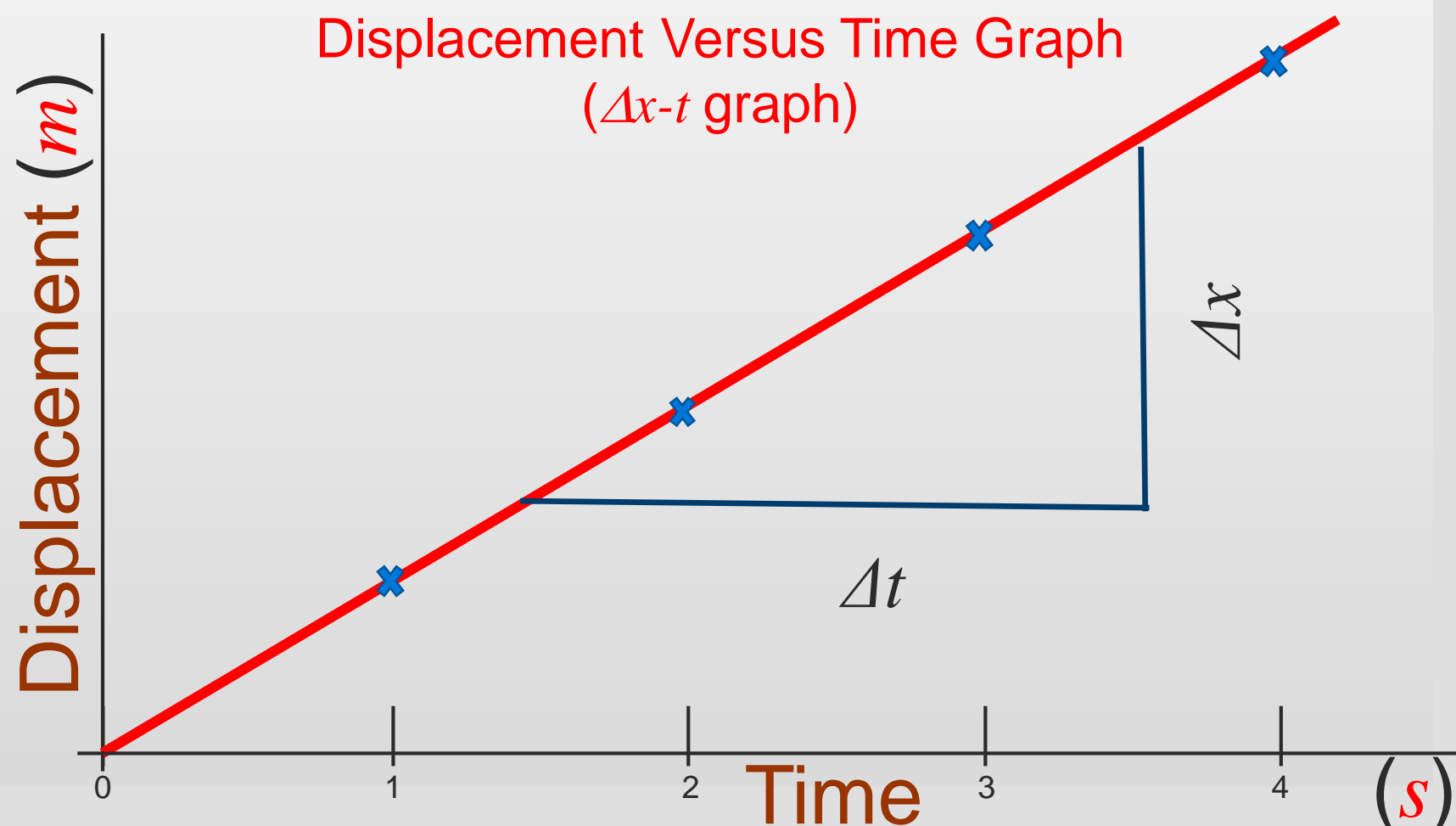
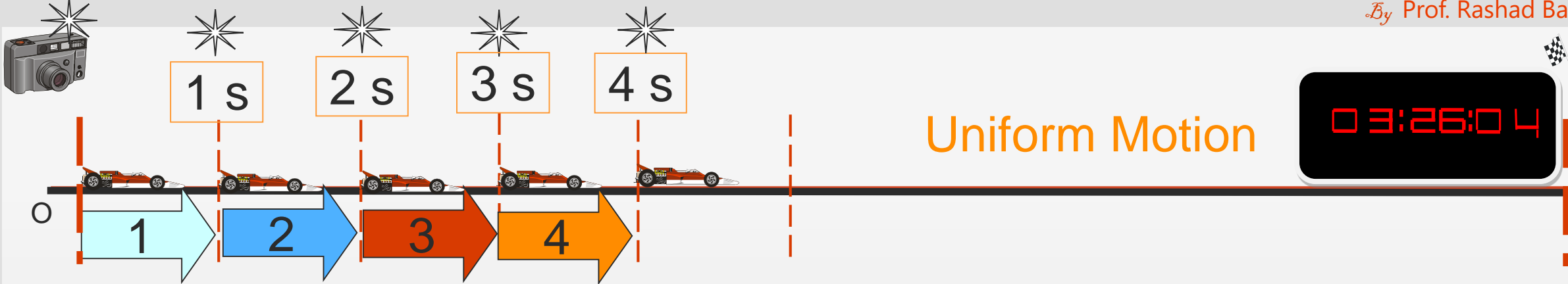




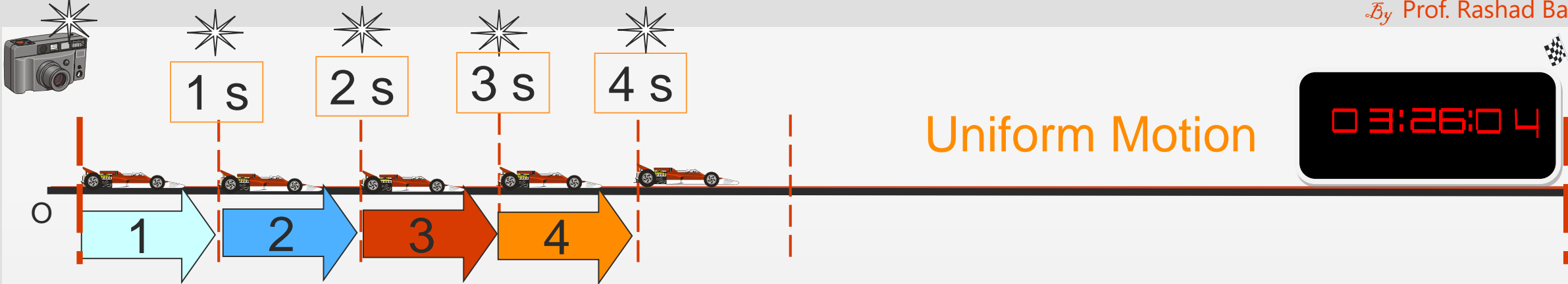




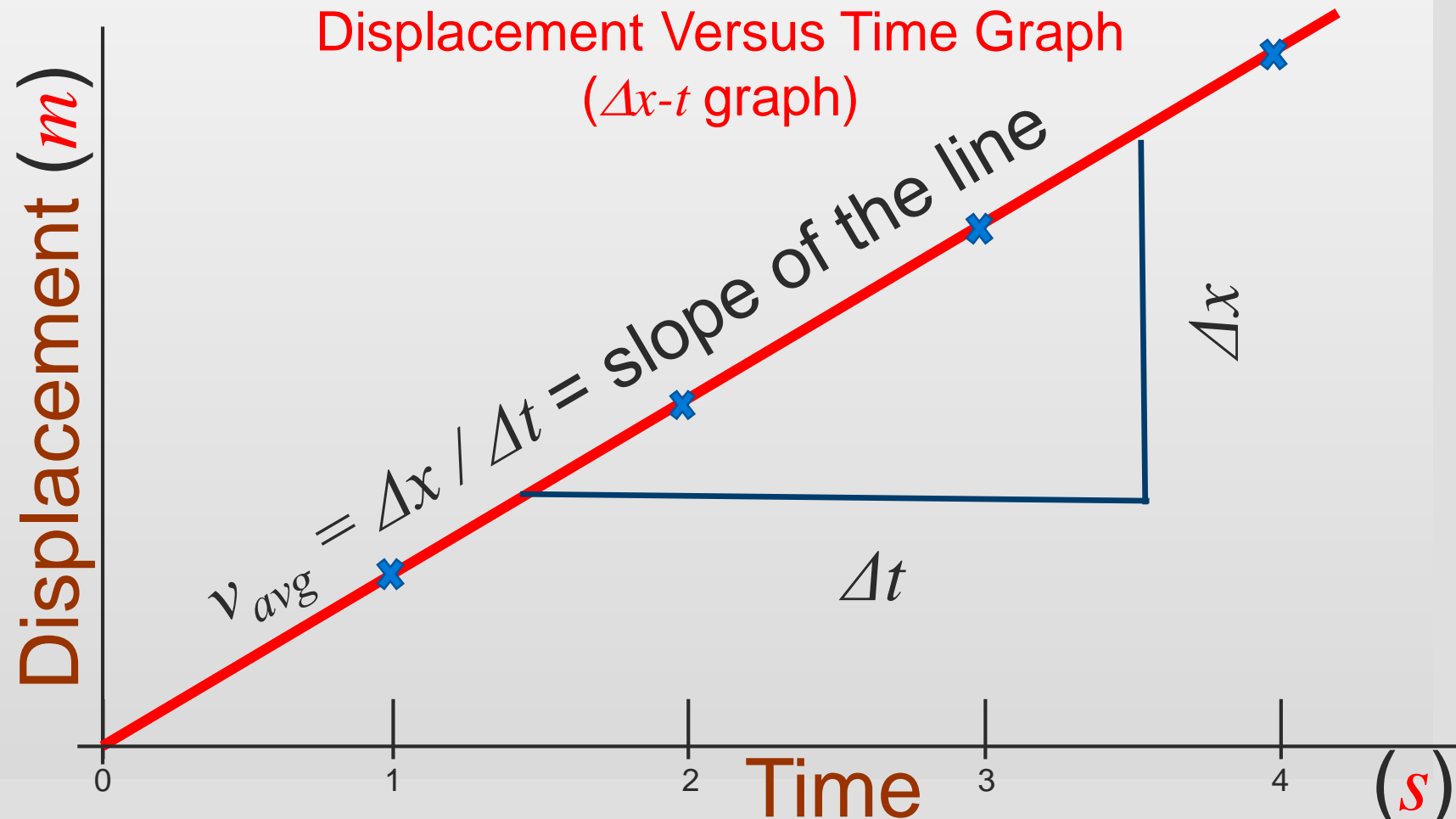


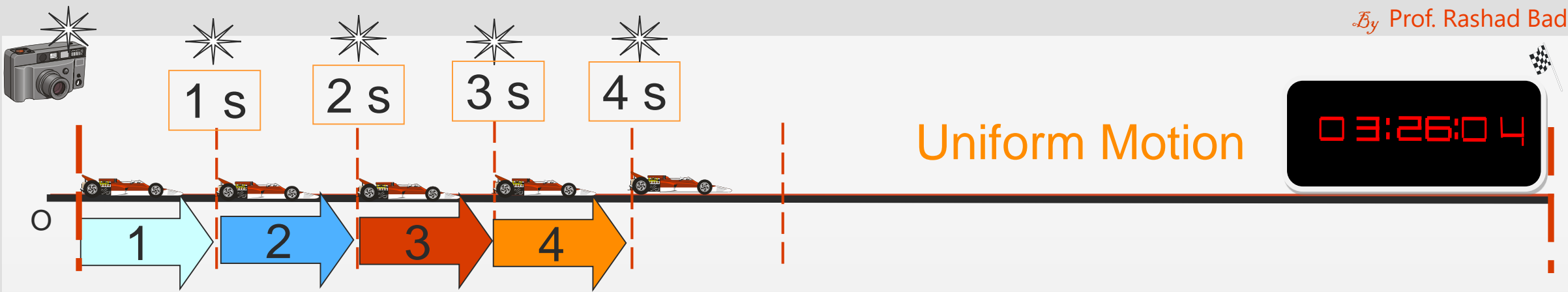




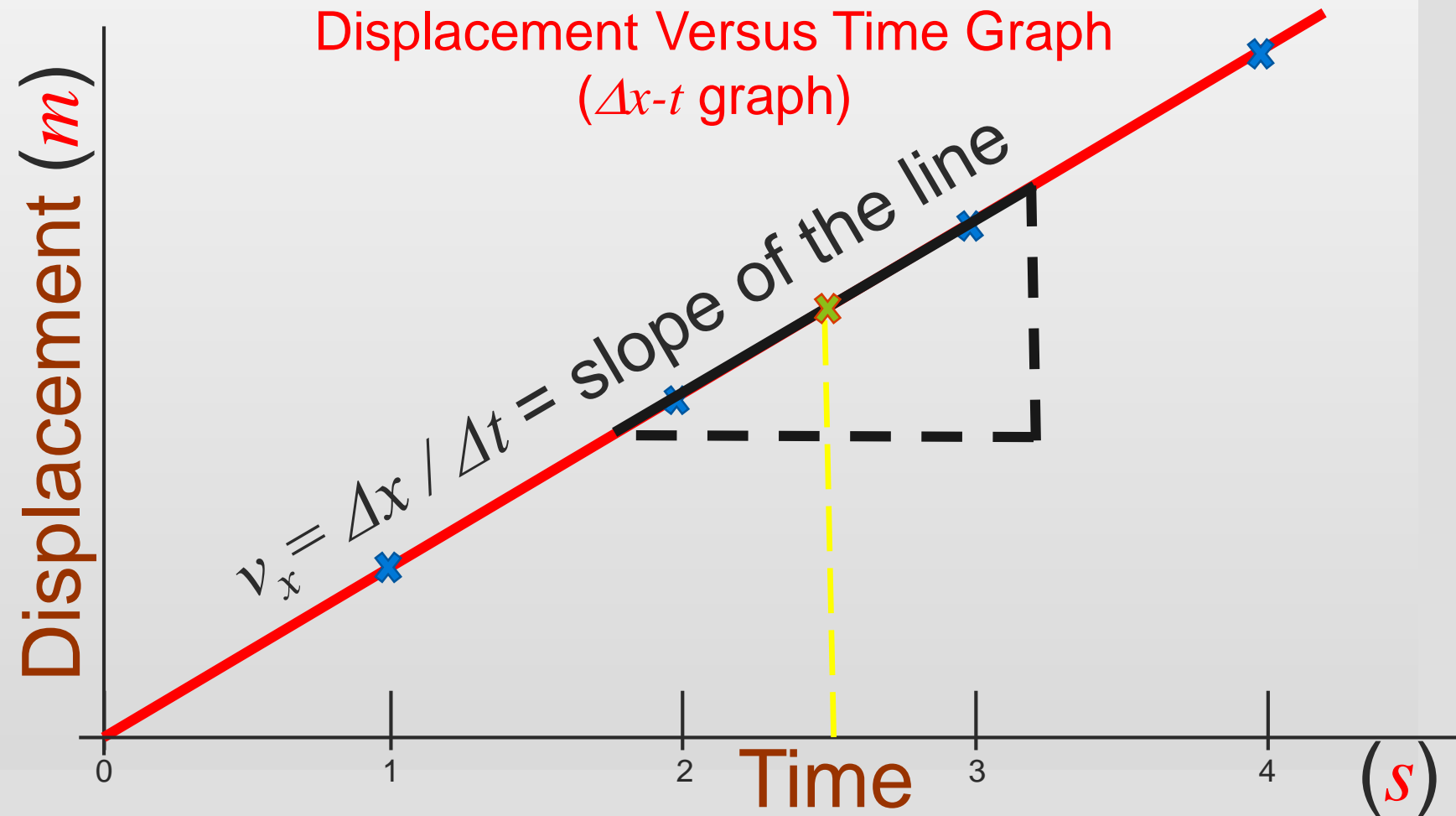


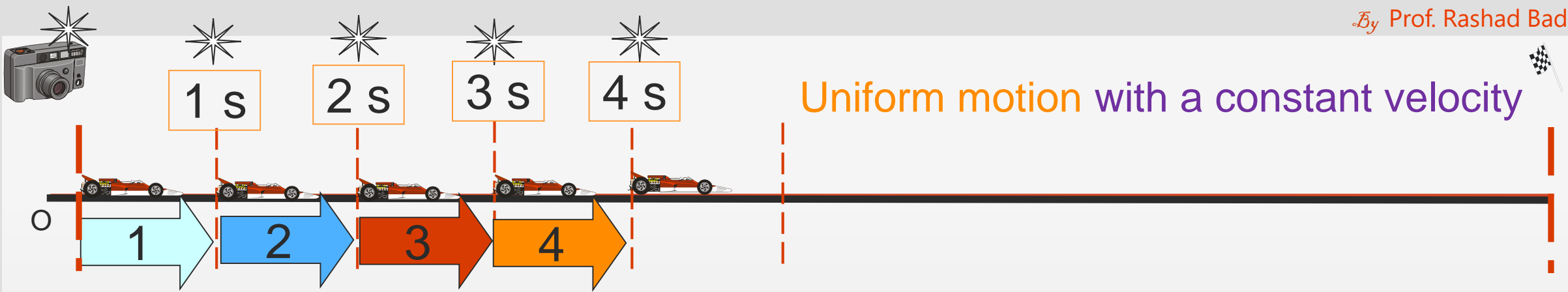
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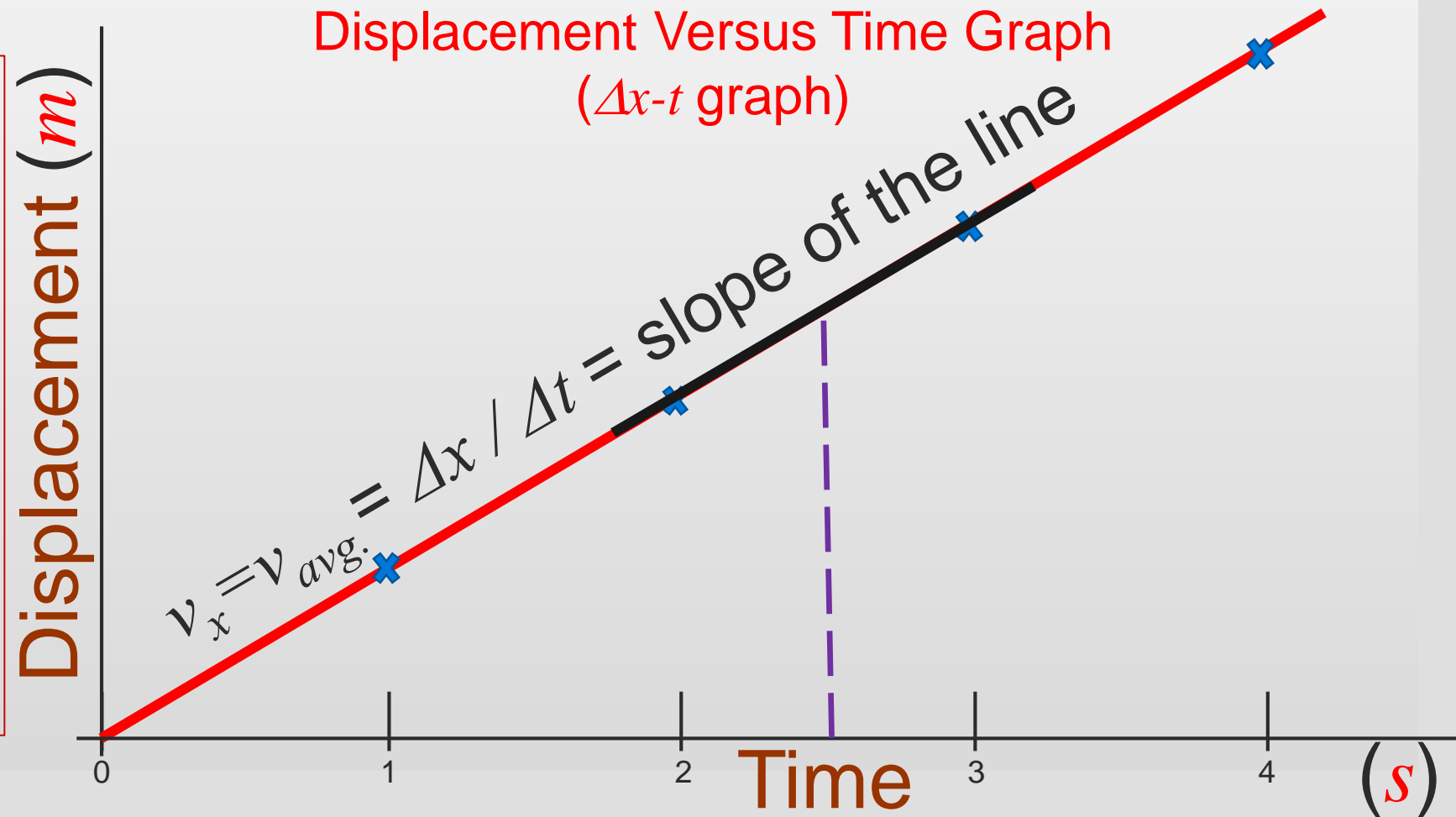


Velocity at any instant of time can be calculated from the projection of a line drawn from Time-axis (yellow line) to intersect the curve (red line). Tangent at point of intersection (black line) has a slope similar to that of the line (red line)





In this motion the instantaneous velocity is equal to the average velocity. This is a uniform motion with a constant velocity.



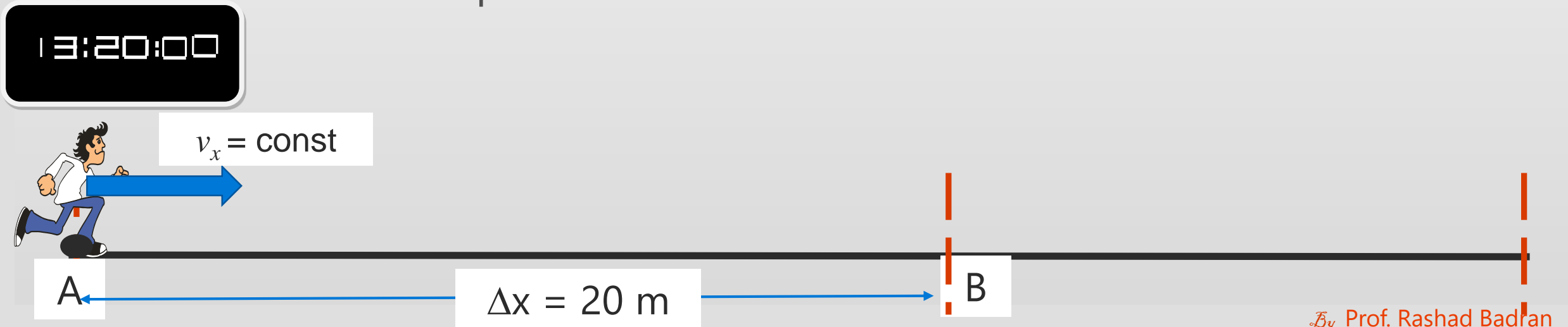
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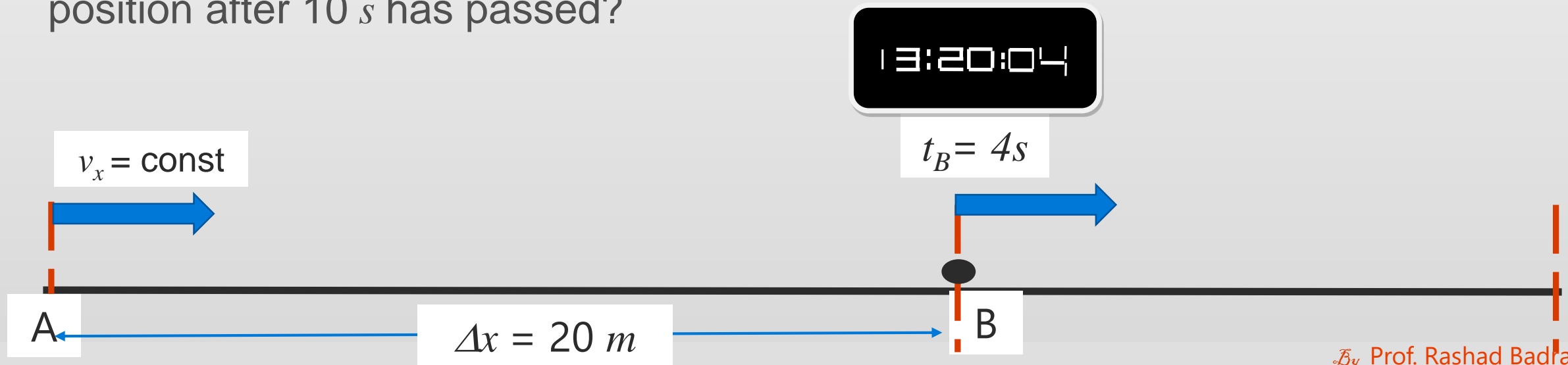
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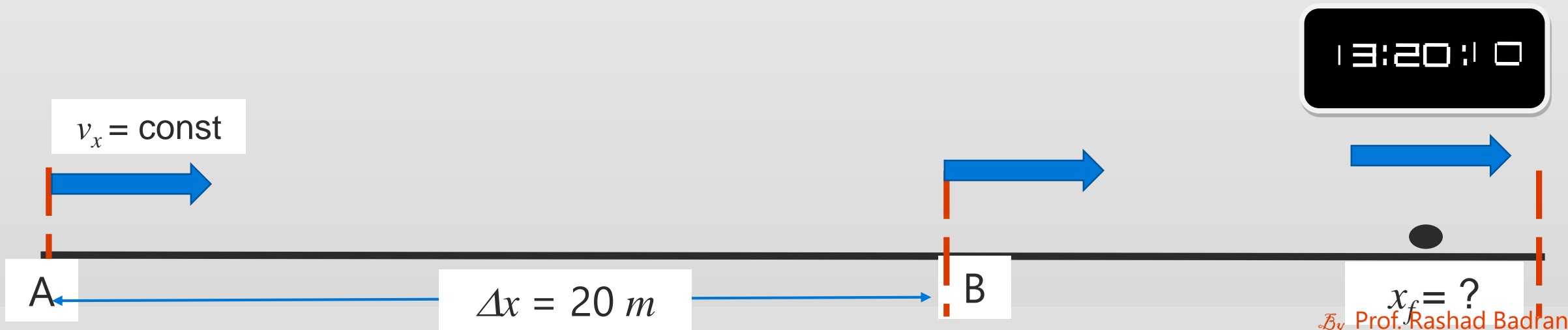
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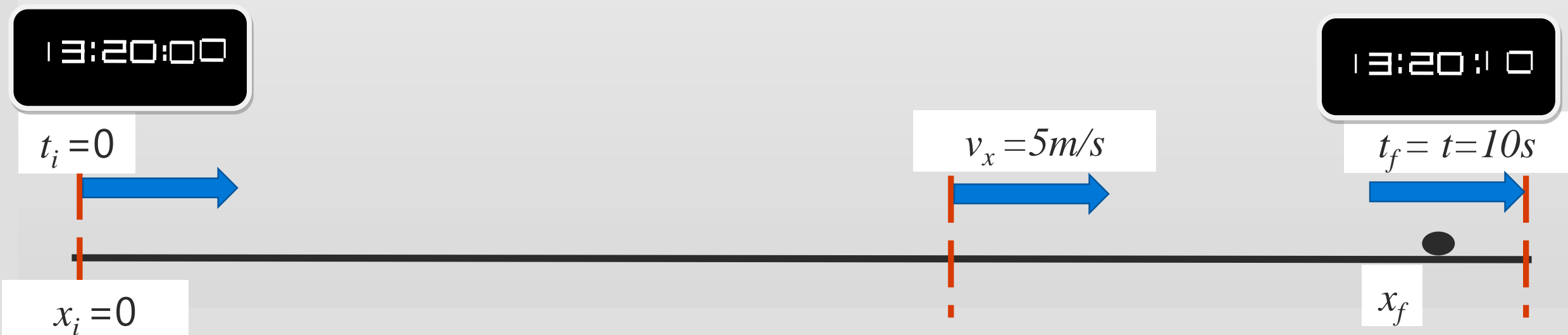
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$$v_x = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{t_f - t_i} = \frac{20m - 0}{4s} = 5m/s \quad \text{due east (towards +ve x-axis)}$$

**Note:** In this problem where the direction of the particle is clearly indicated, the magnitude of the velocity may be referred to as speed.

(b) If the runner continues his motion after the stopwatch is stopped, what is his position after 10 s has passed?





**Solution:**

(b) Since the velocity of the runner (particle) is constant (particle runs at a constant rate), the previous equation can be used by writing  $\Delta t = t - 0$ , where  $t_f = t = 10s$  and  $t_i = 0$ , and the equation can be rewritten as:

$$x_f - x_i = v_x t$$

$$x_f - 0 = (5)(10)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_f = 50m \quad \text{towards } +ve \text{ } x\text{-axis}$$