Ladybug Motion 2D

Learning Goals: Students will be able to draw motion vectors (position, velocity, or acceleration) for an object is moving while turning.

Open *Ladybug Motion 2D* and *Ladybug Revolution* before starting the questions.

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1. What could the **position** and **velocity** vectors look like?





You could run the sim and discuss that in this situation the bug is traveling clockwise as opposed to counter clockwise in the sim. The velocity vector could be a different length depending on speed, but that the direction is correct. 2. What could the acceleration and velocity vectors look like?





You could run the sim and discuss that in this situation the bug is traveling clockwise and that speed affects both velocity and acceleration vector length, but that the direction is correct.

3. What could the **position** & **acceleration** vectors look like?





The acceleration would not be radial or the path would be circular. This is very difficult to see in the sim. 4. If you had two bugs moving in circles like this, what could the **velocity** vectors at point X vs point Y look like?







IF they were connected with a bar so they had to go around together, it would be like in Ladybug Revolution, but otherwise there is no way to know the length relationship, but the vectors would be parallel