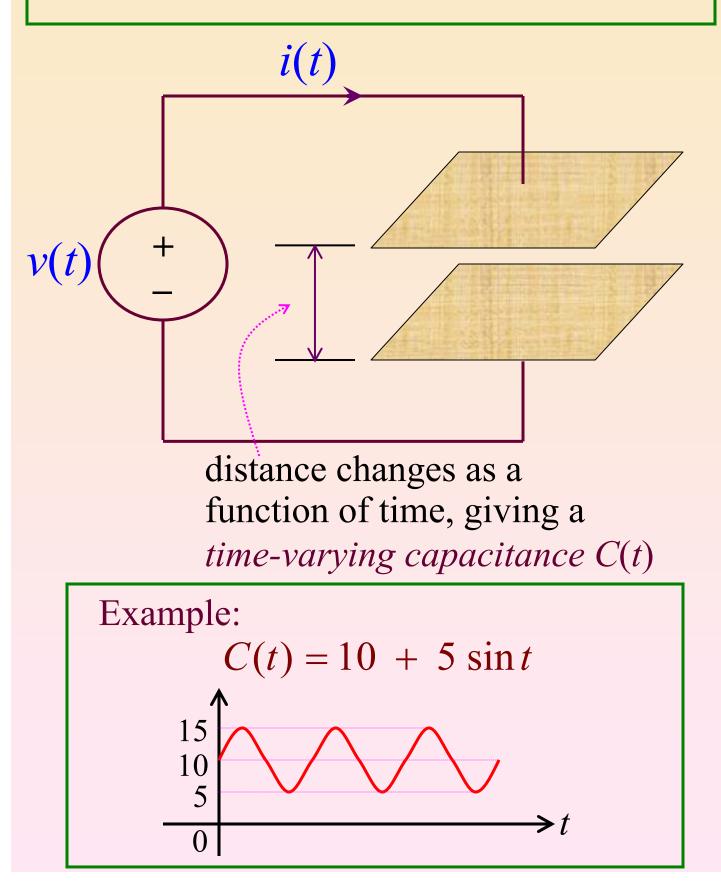


Capacitance of the Capacitor C

Time-varying Capacitance C(t)



Example : Time-varying Capacitance

$$C(t) = 10 + 5 \sin t$$

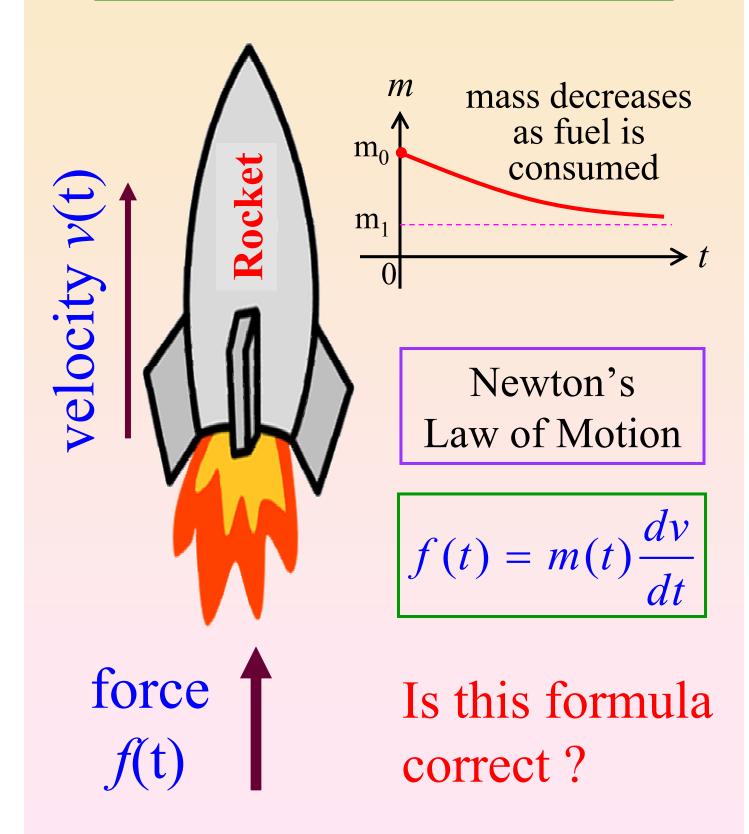
$$i(t) = C(t) \frac{dv(t)}{dt}$$

Does this obvious generalization of the formula

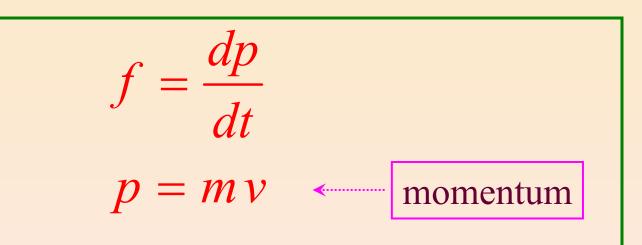
$$i = C \, \frac{dv}{dt}$$

give the correct current i(t) for any applied voltage v(t) ?

Rocket Launching



NO ! Correct Newton's Formula is:



For *time-varying mass*, we have: p = m(t) v

$$f(t) = m(t)\frac{dv}{dt} + v(t)\frac{dm(t)}{dt}$$

extra term !

