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# Exercise 2A Speed, Velocity and Acceleration

1. Complete these sentences.

- (a) Displacement is the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Speed is the rate of change of \_\_\_\_\_. It is measured in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) Velocity is the rate of change of \_\_\_\_\_. It is measured in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) Speed is a \_\_\_\_\_ quantity whereas velocity is a \_\_\_\_\_ quantity.
- (e) Negative values of displacement or velocity indicate motion in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (f) Acceleration is the rate of change of \_\_\_\_\_. It is measured in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (g) The speedometer is used to measure the \_\_\_\_\_ speed of a car.
- (h) The average speed of a moving object is given by \_\_\_\_\_ divided by total time taken.

2. Complete the following table with values for the distance, speed or time taken by a moving body. What are the speeds in  $\text{m s}^{-1}$  and  $\text{km h}^{-1}$ ?

Distance/m	Time/s	Speed/ $\text{m s}^{-1}$	Speed/ $\text{km h}^{-1}$
20	4		
100		20	
	30		126

3. A car travels 5 km along a straight road, makes a U-turn and travels a further distance of 1 km. The time taken for him to do this is 5 min. Complete the following table to show the distance, displacement and average speed of the car for the 5 min of travelling.

Distance	Displacement	Average speed

4. Complete the following table with values for the acceleration of a moving body.

Initial velocity/ $\text{m s}^{-1}$	Final velocity/ $\text{m s}^{-1}$	Time taken/s	Acceleration/ $\text{m s}^{-2}$
20	20	4	
0	20	5	
5	25	8	
30	0	10	



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# Exercise 2B Distance-time Graph and Speed-time Graph

1. Complete these sentences.

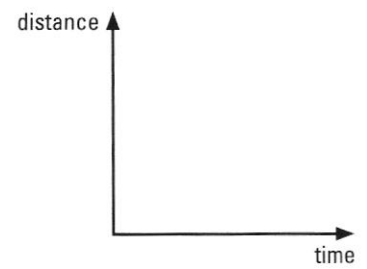
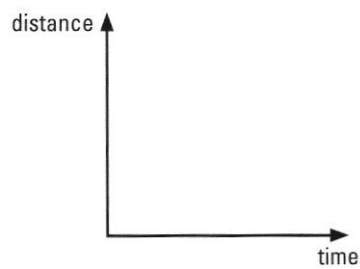
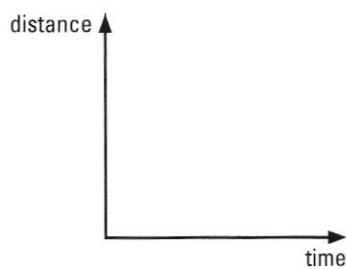
- (a) The gradient of the distance-time graph gives the \_\_\_\_\_ of the moving object.  
 (b) The gradient of the speed-time graph gives the \_\_\_\_\_ of the moving object.  
 (c) The \_\_\_\_\_ under a speed-time graph gives the distance travelled.

2. Sketch the distance-time graph of an object travelling with

(a) constant speed,

(b) increasing speed,

(c) decreasing speed.



What is the quantity obtained by finding the gradient of the distance-time graph at a particular time?

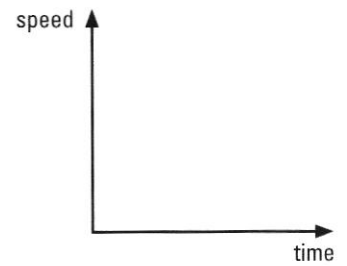
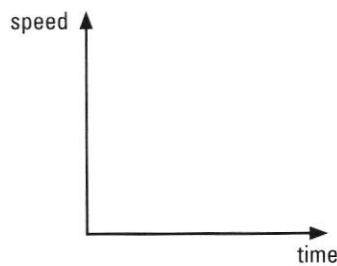
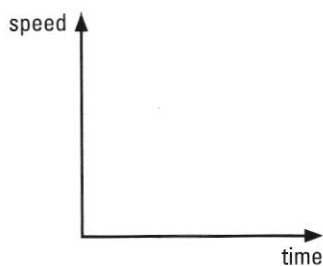
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3. Sketch the speed-time graph of an object travelling with

(a) constant speed  
(zero acceleration),

(b) constant acceleration,

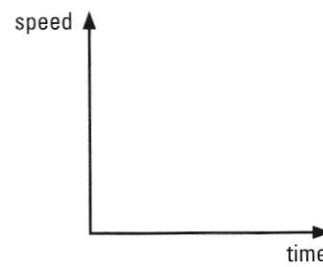
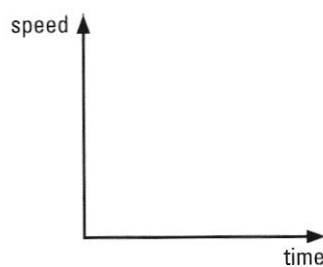
(c) constant deceleration.



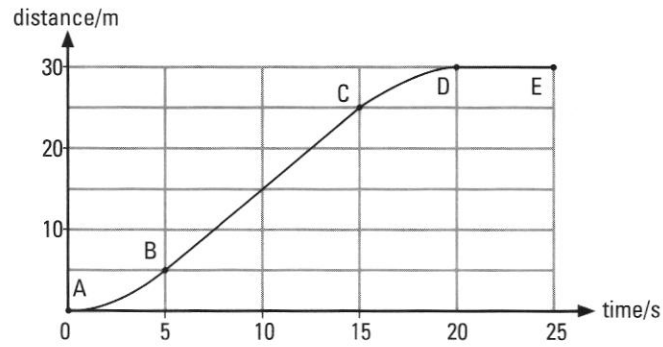
4. Sketch the speed-time graph of an object travelling with

(a) increasing acceleration,

(b) decreasing acceleration.



5. The distance-time graph of an object moving along a straight line is shown below.



- (a) Describe briefly how the speed of the object changes between sections AB, BC, CD and DE.

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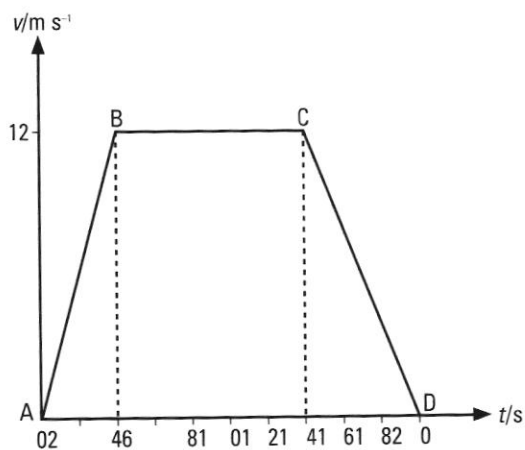
- (b) What is the distance travelled by the object after 10 s?

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- (c) What is the speed of the object between B and C?

- (d) Calculate the average speed of the object during the first 20 s.

6. The figure below shows the speed-time graph of a car moving along a straight road over a period of 20 s.



- (a) What is the acceleration of the car between A and B?
- (b) What is the acceleration of the car between B and C?
- (c) What is the deceleration of the car between C and D?
- (d) What is the total distance travelled by the car after 20 s?
- (e) What is the average speed of the car?

7. In an athlete's training session, a set of running exercises consists of three stages.

Stage 1: He accelerates uniformly from rest to  $8.0 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in  $4.0 \text{ s}$ .

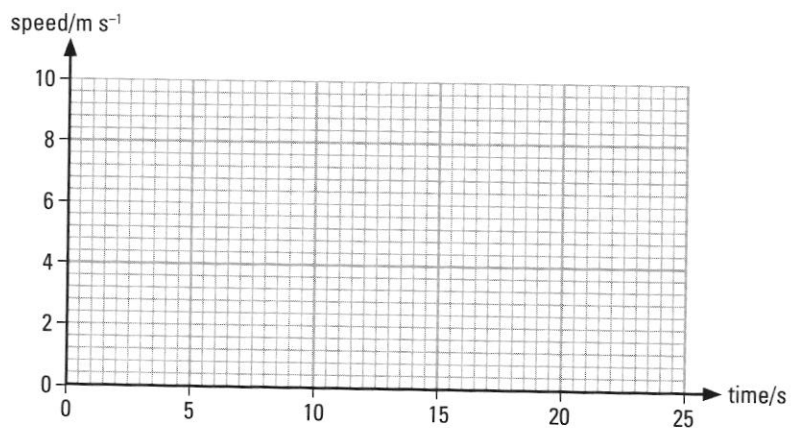
Stage 2: He runs at  $8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  for a distance of  $120 \text{ m}$ .

Stage 3: He decelerates uniformly to rest.

The athlete takes  $25 \text{ s}$  to complete one set of exercises.

- (a) Calculate the time taken during stage 2.

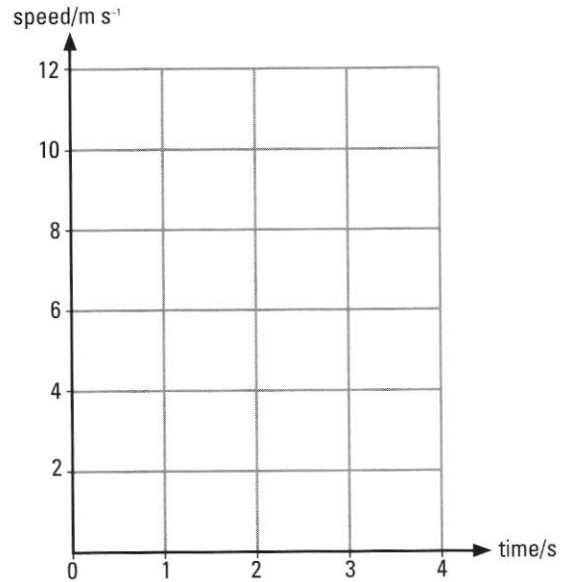
- (b) On the grid shown below, draw the speed-time graph of the athlete.



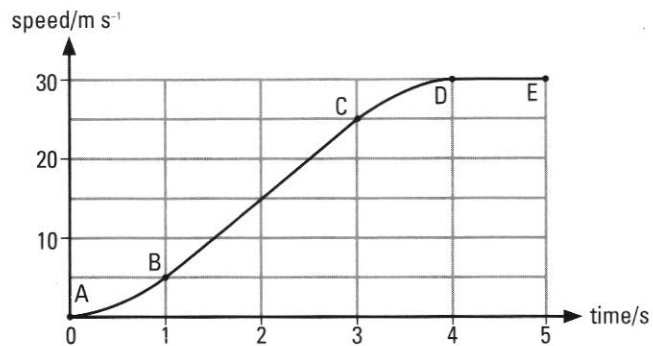
- (c) Calculate the total distance travelled by the athlete after one set of exercises.

- (d) Calculate the average speed of the athlete.

8. A car moving along a straight road at an initial speed of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  has a constant acceleration of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  for 4 s.
- (a) Plot a speed-time graph for this motion on the grid provided.
- (b) Calculate the distance travelled by the car in 4 s.



9. The graph shows the variation of speed with time of a motorcycle over the first 5 s of its journey on a straight road.



- (a) Determine the maximum speed of the motorcycle.

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- (b) Describe briefly how the acceleration of the motorcycle varies between the various sections.

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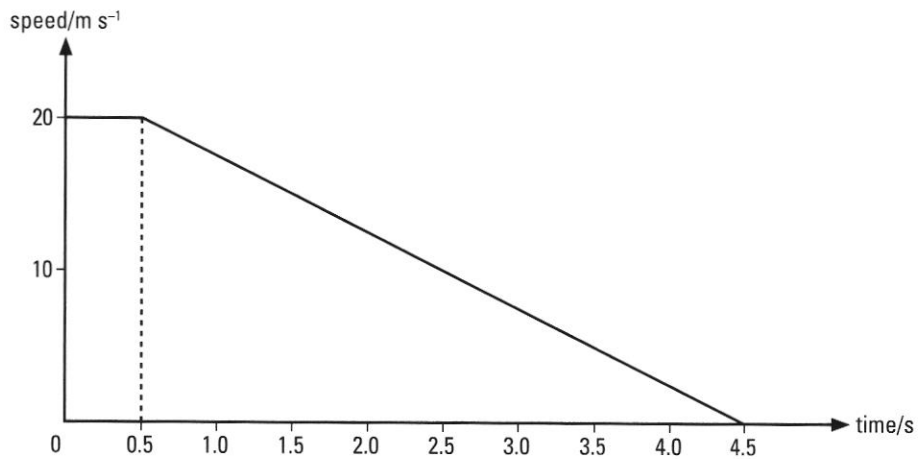


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- (c) Calculate the acceleration between B and C.

- (d) Estimate the distance travelled by the motorcycle in the first 5 s.

10. The graph below shows how the speed of a car changed from the time the driver saw an obstacle on the straight road to the time the car stopped.



- (a) How long did it take the driver to begin applying the brakes after seeing the obstacle?

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- (b) Calculate

- (i) the distance travelled by the car before braking began,
- (ii) the distance travelled by the car while the brakes were being applied,
- (iii) the total distance travelled before the car stopped.

- (c) Draw on the graph, a second line to show how the speed would have changed if the initial speed had been  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Assume the driver's reaction time and braking force are unchanged. Calculate the total distance travelled by the car in this case.



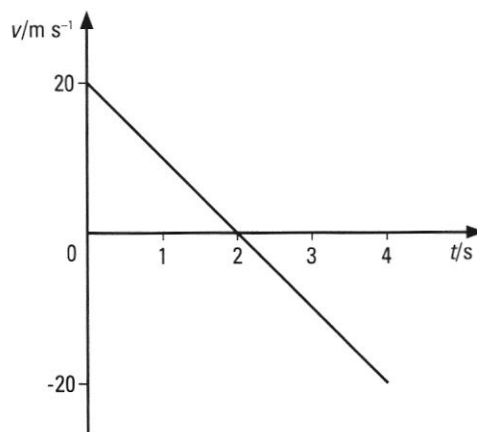
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# Exercise 2C Acceleration due to Gravity

1. Complete these sentences.

- (a) An object is in free fall if the only force acting on it is the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) The acceleration due to gravity is approximately \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) Most falling objects will experience air resistance. The air resistance will increase when the \_\_\_\_\_ . At the point when the air resistance equals to the weight of the object, there is no \_\_\_\_\_ and the object will fall with \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The figure below shows how the velocity of a lump of plasticine varies with time after being thrown vertically upwards into the air.



(a) How long does it take for the plasticine to reach its greatest height?

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(b) What is the greatest height reached by the plasticine?

(c) Calculate the acceleration.

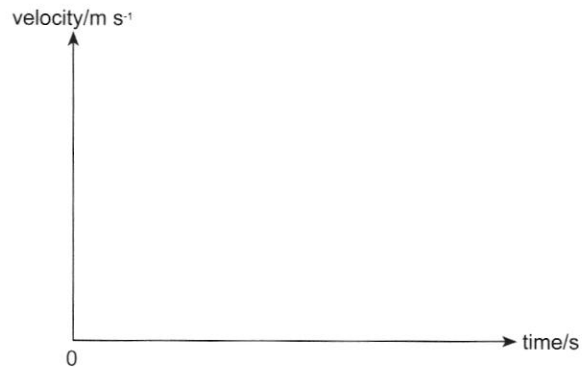
(d) Why is the velocity negative after 2 s?

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3. A stone is released from rest from a tower 45 m high.
- (a) Assuming that the acceleration of free fall is  $10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ ,
- (i) what is the velocity of the stone after  $t$  s?

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- (ii) sketch a graph to show how the velocity of the stone changes with time.




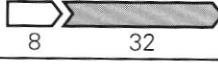
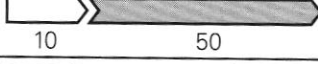



- (b) Mark on the same graph a point corresponding to time  $t$  and the velocity at time  $t$  (in terms of  $t$ ).
- (c) Deduce an expression for the distance travelled during time  $t$  in terms of  $t$ .
- (d) Calculate the time taken for the stone to reach the ground.
- (e) Calculate the velocity of the stone on reaching the ground.
4. The acceleration due to gravity on the Moon is about  $\frac{1}{6}$  that on Earth. If a stone is dropped from a certain height on the Moon,
- (a) will the time taken for the stone to fall to the ground be longer or shorter than the time taken for the same stone to fall from the same height on the Earth?
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- (b) will the velocity be higher or lower when the stone reaches the ground on the Moon (assuming there is no air resistance)?
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# Exercise 2D Analysing Data

1. The table below shows the overall stopping distances for vehicles travelling at different speeds.

Speed of vehicle/ $\text{m s}^{-1}$	Overall stopping distance/m
5	 2 2
10	 4 8
15	 6 18
20	 8 32
25	 10 50
	 thinking distance      braking distance

The overall stopping distance consists of:

- the thinking distance – the distance travelled while the driver prepares to brake (which depends on the driver's reaction time) and
- the braking distance – the distance travelled while braking.

(a) Use the information from the table above to calculate the reaction time.

- (b) Complete the table below to show the thinking distance, the braking distance and the overall stopping distance corresponding to the various speeds of the vehicle.

Speed of vehicle/ $\text{m s}^{-1}$	Thinking distance/m	Braking distance/m	Overall stopping distance/m
5			
10			
15			
20			
25			

- (c) Compare the thinking distance when the vehicle speed is  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and when the vehicle speed is  $20 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . What can you deduce about the thinking distance when the vehicle speed is doubled?

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- (d) Compare the braking distance when the vehicle speed is  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and when the vehicle speed is  $20 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . What can you deduce about the braking distance when the vehicle speed is doubled?

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- (e) Copy the values from the table in (b) for when the speed of the vehicle is  $15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Then, based on your answers in (c) and (d), deduce the thinking distance, braking distance and overall stopping distance when the speed of the vehicle is  $30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

Speed of vehicle/ $\text{m s}^{-1}$	Thinking distance/m	Braking distance/m	Overall stopping distance/m
15			
30			

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# Exercise 2E Contrasting

1. Figure (a) shows a biplane flying over Singapore in the 1930s and Figure (b) shows a jet plane in the 2010s. The flights of the two aeroplanes are represented in the speed-time graph in Figure (c).

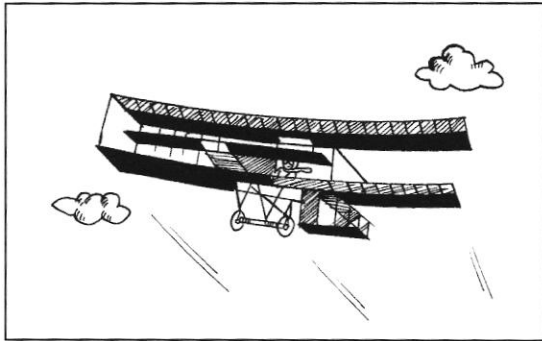


Figure (a)

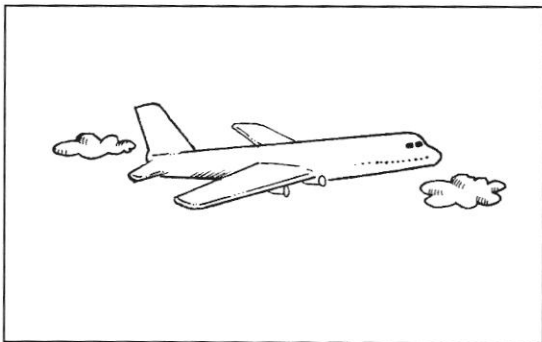


Figure (b)

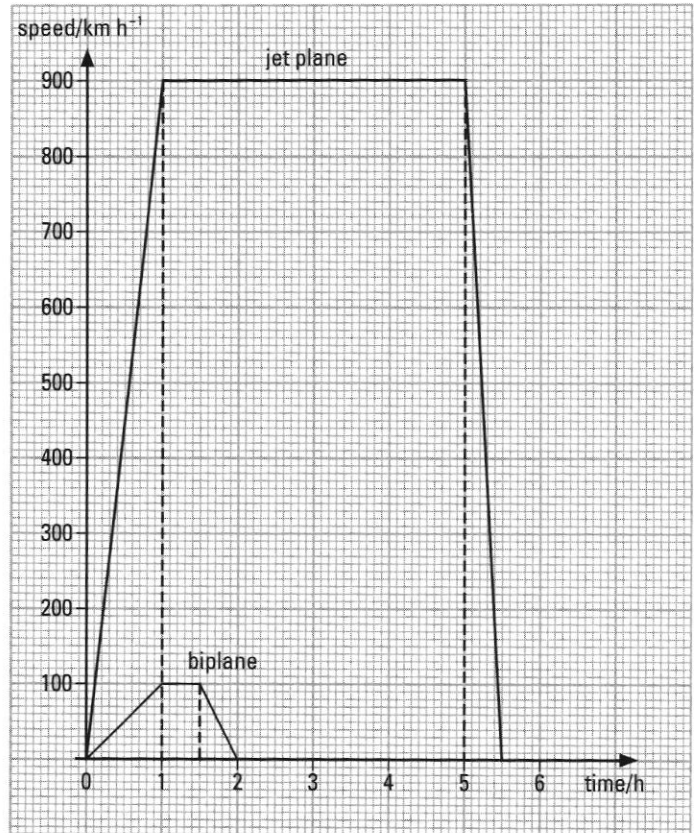


Figure (c)

- (a) Using the information from the graph, determine the cruising speed (a comfortable and economical speed for a vehicle, below its maximum speed), acceleration and distance travelled for the two aeroplanes. Write your answers in the table below.

Aeroplane	Cruising speed	Acceleration	Distance travelled
Biplane			
Jet plane			

- (b) List some features of the Changi International Airport that enable the Airport to handle faster and bigger aeroplanes in the new millennium. You may find the information from <http://www.changiairport.com/>

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