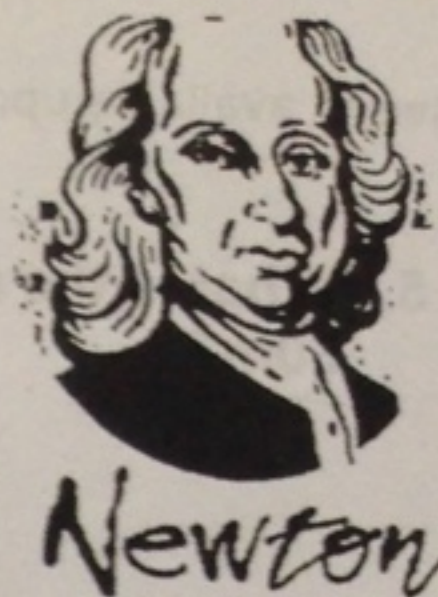


Solutions

Kinematics problem

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NB: for this exercise sheet, round off answers to one decimal place

1. How long does it take a car to decelerate from 80 m/s to 15 m/s at 10 m/s²

$$v_i = 80 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f = 15 \text{ m/s}$$

$$a = -10 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$t = ?$$

$$t = \frac{v_f - v_i}{a}$$

$$t = \frac{15 - 80}{-10}$$

$$t = \frac{-65}{-10}$$

$$t = 6.5 \text{ sec}$$

2. A train accelerates at 2.5 m/s² from 20 m/s to 30 m/s. What distance does it travel while accelerating?

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$d = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a}$$

$$d = \frac{(30)^2 - (20)^2}{2(2.5)}$$

$$d = 100 \text{ m}$$

3. What distance does a car travel while accelerating from 72 km/hr at 11 m/s² for 5 seconds?

$$v_i = 72 \text{ km/hr} \times \frac{1000 \text{ m}}{\text{km}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hr}}{3600}$$

$$v_i = 20 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad v_f = v_i + at$$

$$= 20 + (11)(5)$$

$$v_f = 75 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad d = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{75^2 - 20^2}{2(11)}$$

$$d = 257.5 \text{ m}$$

4. What is the acceleration due to gravity on the moon, if an object is dropped 20m above the surface and then hits the surface within 5.0 s?

$$v_i = 0$$

$$d = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$d = \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$a = \frac{2d}{t^2} = \frac{2(20)}{5^2}$$

$$a = 1.6 \text{ m/s}^2$$

5. What is the deceleration of a car if it slows down from 30 m/s to a stop over a distance of 60m ?

$v_f = 0$ $v_i = 30$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$a = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2d}$$

$$a = \frac{0 - (30)^2}{2(60)}$$

$a = -7.5 \text{ m/s}^2$

6. What is the final speed of a train that decelerates from 108 km/h at 5 m/s^2 for 1.2 seconds

$v_f = ?$ $v_i = 108$ $a = -5$ $t = 1.2$

$$v_i = 108 \text{ km/hr} \times \frac{1000}{3600} = 30 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f = v_i + at$$

$$v_f = (30 \text{ m/s}) + (-5 \text{ m/s}^2)(1.2 \text{ s})$$

$v_f = 24 \text{ m/s}$

7. What is the acceleration of a flying saucer that goes from 360 km/hr to 540 km/hr over a distance of 20m ?

$v_i = 360$ $v_f = 540$

$$v_i = 360 \text{ km/hr} \times \frac{1000}{3600} = 100 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f = 540 \text{ km/hr} \times \frac{1000}{3600} = 150 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$a = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2d}$$

$$a = \frac{(150)^2 - (100)^2}{2(20)}$$

$a = 312.5 \text{ m/s}^2$

8. A ball is thrown straight up into the air at 19.6 m/s How high does it go?

~~$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2gd$$~~

$$\frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2g} = d$$

$$\frac{0 - (19.6)^2}{2(-9.8)} = d$$

$d = 19.6 \text{ m}$