

# Motion

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- **Average speed:**

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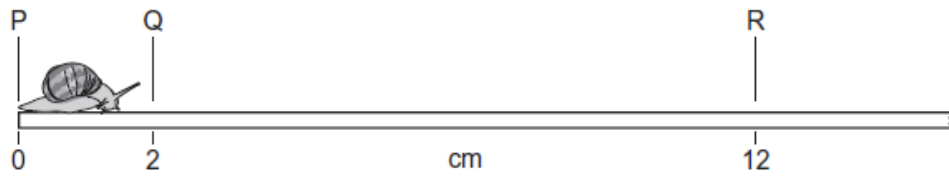
- **Speed and velocity:**

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| <b>Speed</b>                                                    | <b>Velocity</b>                                                        |
| <b>Scalar quantity</b>                                          | <b>Vector quantity</b>                                                 |
| <b>Units: m/s</b>                                               | <b>Units: m/s</b>                                                      |
| <b>Speed = <math>\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}</math></b> | <b>Velocity = <math>\frac{\text{displacement}}{\text{time}}</math></b> |
| <b>Speed of a body can never be negative. it can be zero</b>    | <b>Velocity of a body can be positive, negative or zero</b>            |

### Sums-Speed

- 4 A snail moves along a ruler. It takes 20s to move from Q to R.

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What is its average speed from Q to R?

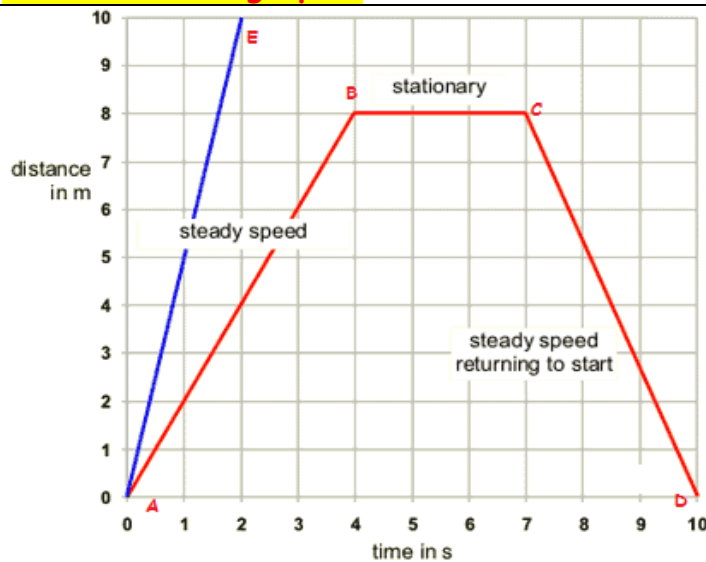
- A  $\frac{12}{20}$  cm/s
- B  $\frac{12-2}{20}$  cm/s
- C  $\frac{20}{12}$  cm/s
- D  $\frac{20}{12-2}$  cm/s

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The concept of speed can be represented by two kinds of graphs:

- distance -time graphs
- speed-time graphs

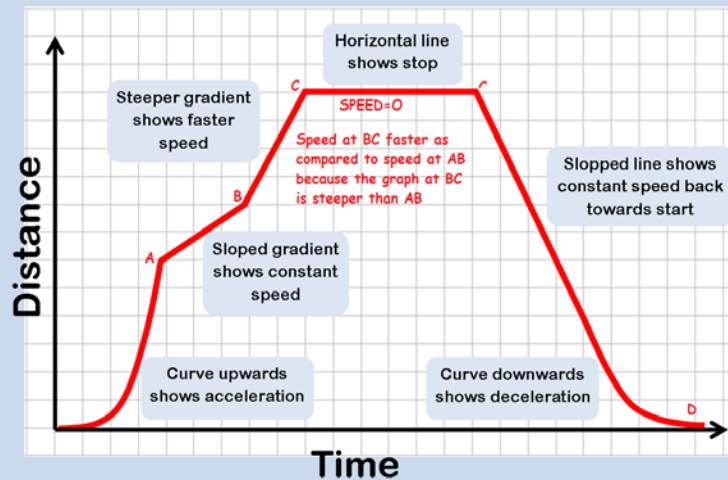
## Distance -time graphs:



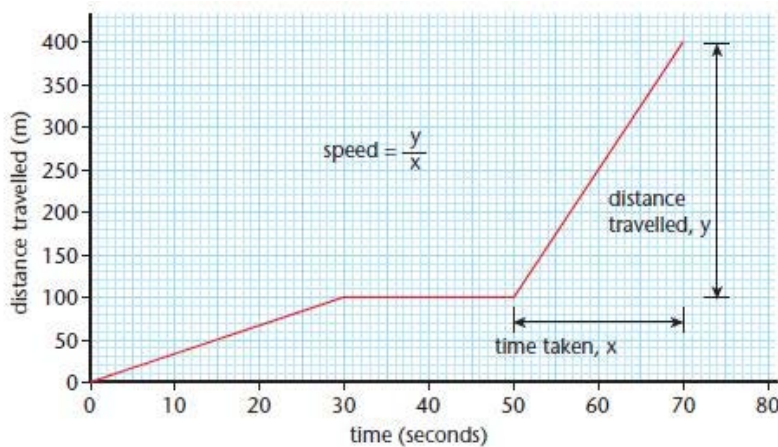
**A-B**  $\Rightarrow$  Steady speed-  
Constant slope

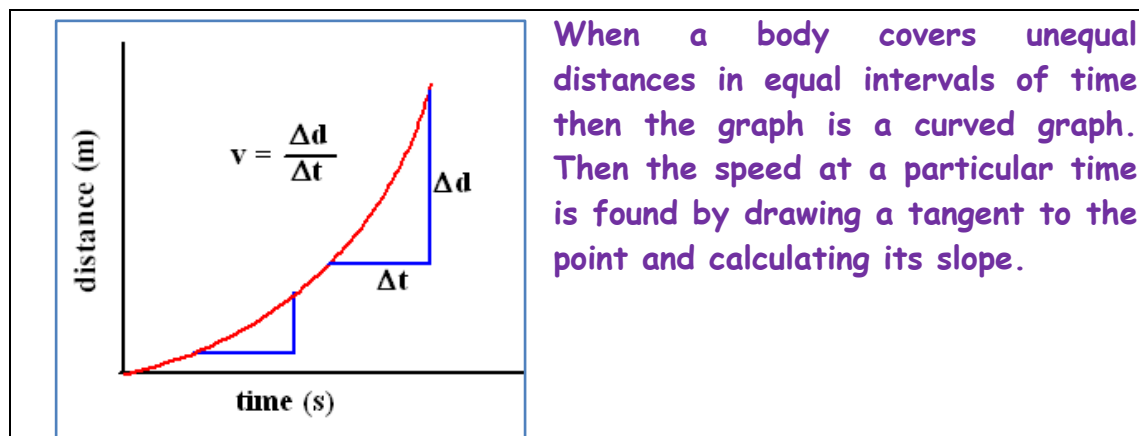
**B-C**  $\Rightarrow$  Vehicle has stopped-  
Zero speed-Zero slope

**C-D**  $\Rightarrow$  Constant speed-  
Constant slope. Object  
returning to the starting  
point



**Slope of a distance time graph gives you the speed of the graph**

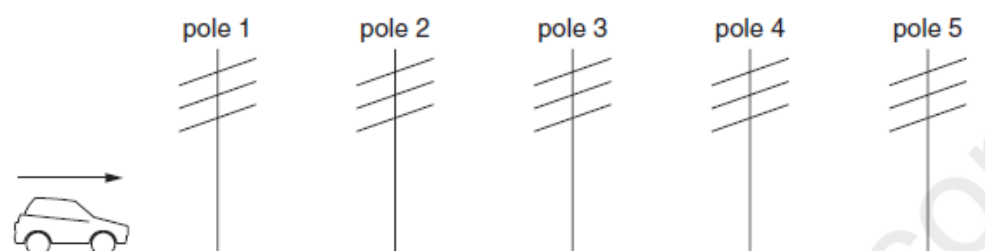




### APPLICATION BASED QUESTIONS:

- 3 Five telegraph poles are positioned at equal distances along the side of a road.

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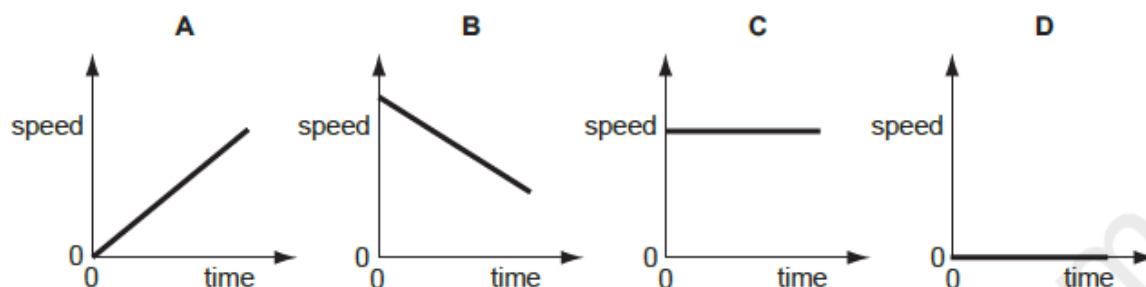


A car accelerates until it is level with pole 4. The car then continues along the road at a steady speed. The times taken to travel between one pole and the next are measured.

- Which time is the greatest?
- The time between
- A pole 1 and pole 2.
  - B pole 2 and pole 3.
  - C pole 3 and pole 4.
  - D pole 4 and pole 5.

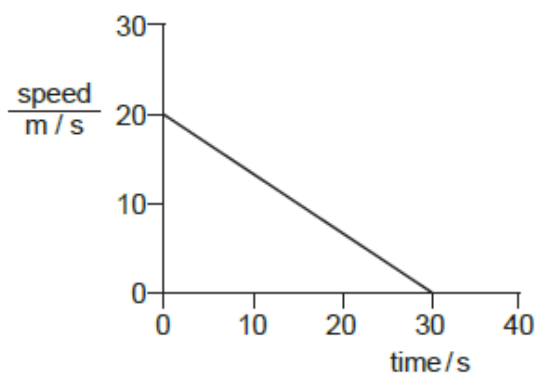
- 3 Which speed/time graph applies to an object at rest?

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- 2 The graph represents part of the journey of a car.

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What distance does the car travel during this part of the journey?

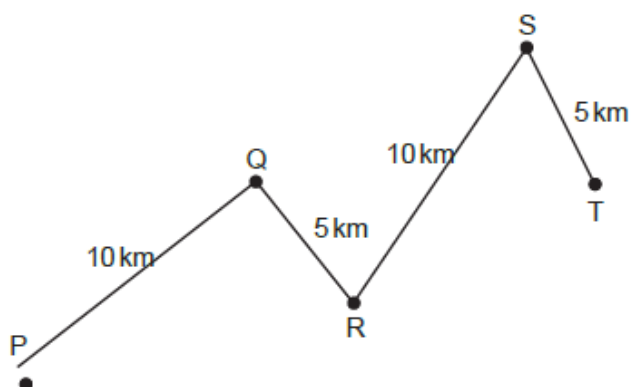
- A 150 m      B 300 m      C 600 m      D 1200 m

- 3 A car travels along the route PQRST in 30 minutes.

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What is the average speed of the car?



- A 10 km / hour  
B 20 km / hour  
C 30 km / hour  
D 60 km / hour

## APPLICATION BASED QUESTIONS-EXTENDED THEORY:

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- 1 Fig. 1.1 is a distance/time graph showing the motion of an object.

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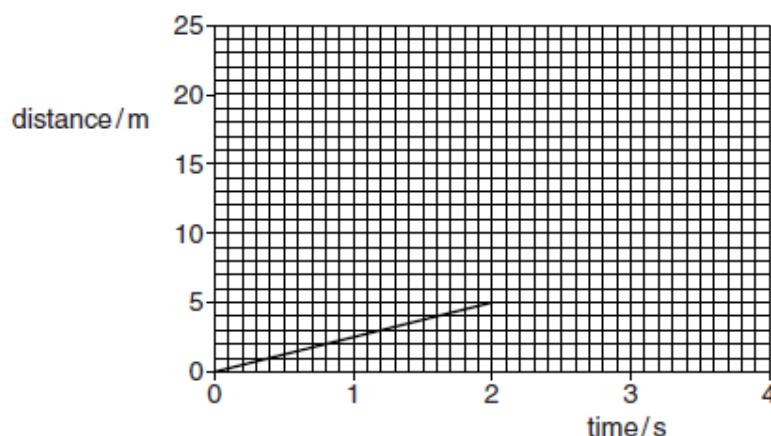


Fig. 1.1

- (a) (i) Describe the motion shown for the first 2 s, calculating any relevant quantity.

The journey during the first two seconds is described using the words: constant/steady or uniform( Speed or velocity)  
You may also mathematically describe the speed or the velocity as being 2.5m/s .

So remember you may describe the graph in words or in figures through calculations , both are equally acceptable

- (ii) After 2 s the object accelerates.

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On Fig. 1.1, sketch a possible shape of the graph for the next 2 s.

The word accelerate means to speed up. So the graph has to be drawn as curving upwards

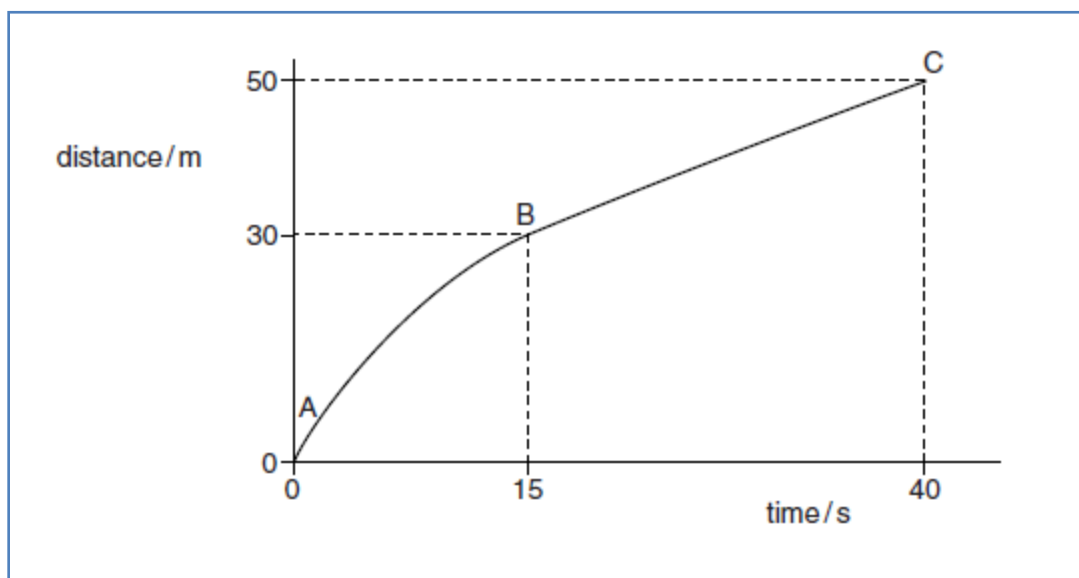
Rejected: If u draw a straight line going upwards.

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Note Next 2 seconds is mentioned . So u need to extend your graph to this distance. ( Ms says either graph should touch 25m or upto 3.5s)

- (b) Describe how a distance/time graph shows an object that is stationary.

Horizontal straight line or a line parallel to x axis or time axis is the vocab to be used. [1]



Speed of the objects between points AB can be described as:

1. Decreasing or
2. Average speed =  $2\text{m/s}$ . (The word average is important as it is the total distance / total time taken =  $\frac{30}{15} = 2\text{m/s}$ )
3. Acceleration = negative

Speed of the objects between points BC can be described as:

1. Constant or
2. Speed =  $0.8\text{m/s}$ . ( distance / time taken =  $\frac{50-30}{40-15} = 0.8\text{m/s}$ )
3. Acceleration = Zero ( Because: Velocity is constant, so change in velocity is zero)

Calculate the average speed of the object during the first 40s:

Must show calculation as = Velocity =  $d/t = 50/40 = 1.25\text{m/s}$

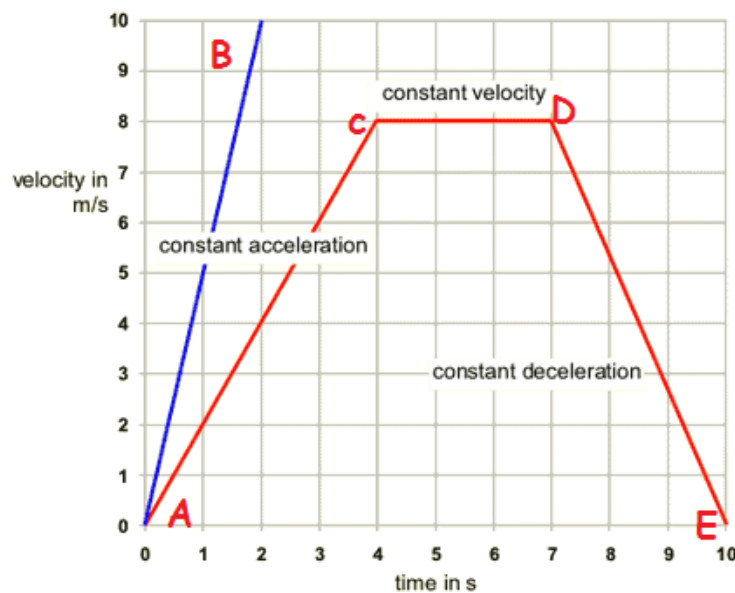
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#### OBSERVATIONS:

- Describe a section of a graph: You may describe using words or even through calculations.
- Calculate means to show the formula and the steps.

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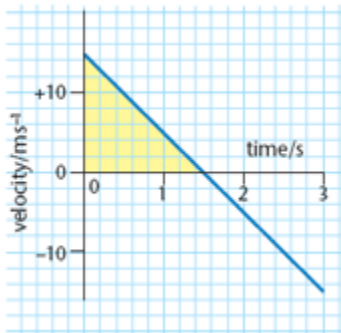
## Speed/Velocity- time graph:



**AB** shows the journey with greater constant acceleration compared to part AC.

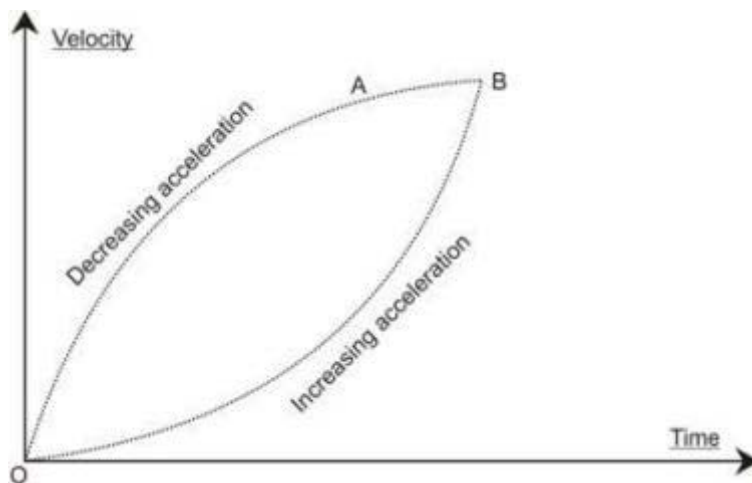
**CD** shows constant velocity as value of the value of velocity does not change

**DE** shows constant deceleration because the graph is sloping downwards.



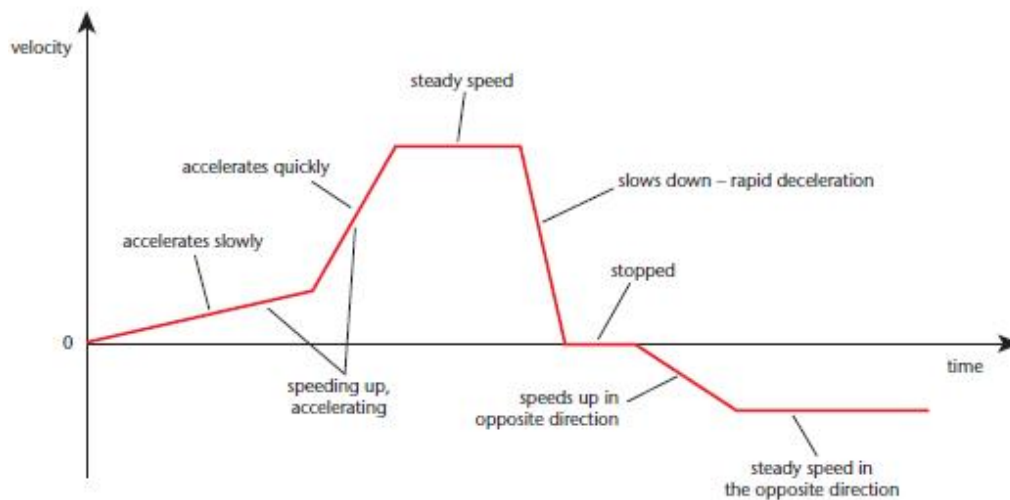
The positive and negative velocity means that the motion is in the opposite direction.

The graph shows decreasing and increasing acceleration.

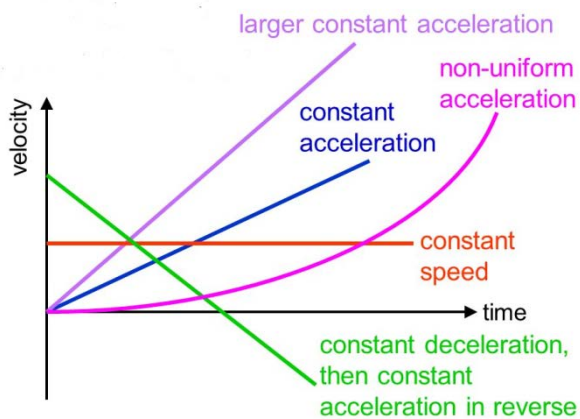




In addition to the other features described in the previous graphs the following graph tells you how to represent a stopped vehicle (velocity=0)



The changing acceleration is better described as non-uniform acceleration.

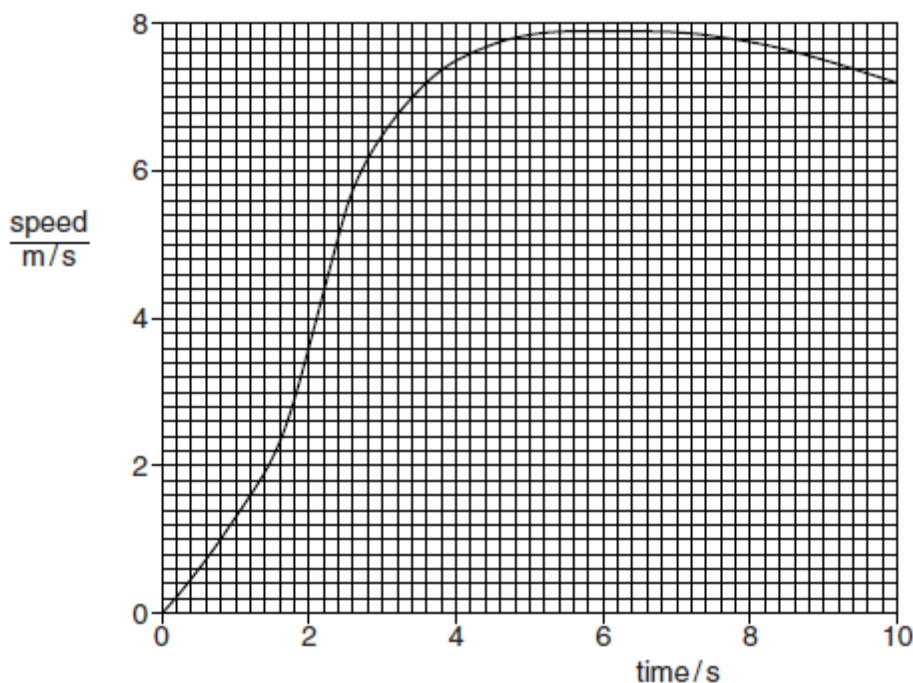


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### Application based concepts discussed

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Graph of an athlete's race:



Calculate the distance that the athlete runs:

Found by calculating the area under the graph.

Maximum acceleration of the athlete: [4m] Observe the graph carefully and draw a tangent to the steepest part of the curve [1m]. Draw a tangent at this point and show the calculation of  $\frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$  [1m]. Plug in values [1m]. State the final answer [1m]

If she runs a distance of 62m . Calculate her average speed:

$$\text{Average speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{62}{10} = 6.2 \text{ m/s}$$

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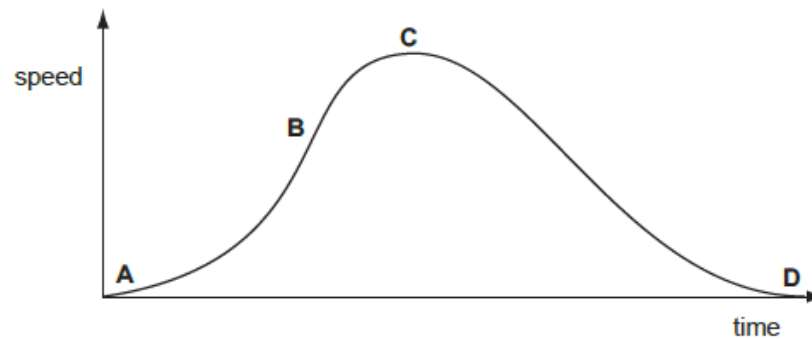
### Application based questions-MCQ:

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- 1 The speed-time graph shown is for a bus travelling between stops.

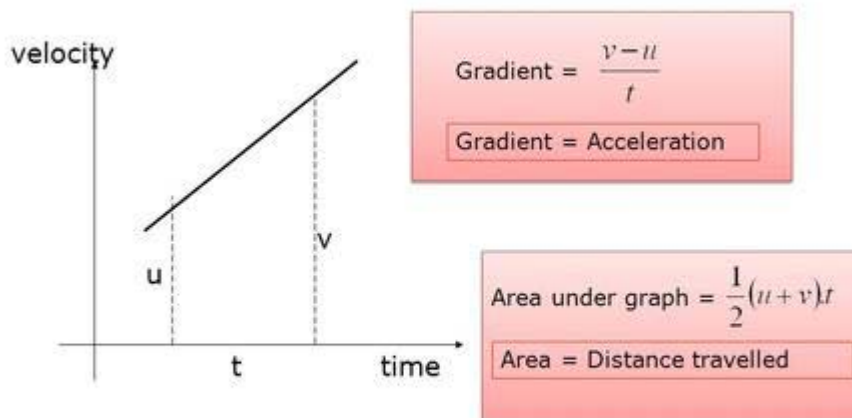
Where on the graph is the acceleration of the bus greatest?

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### Properties of a velocity time graph



- 1 A comet, travelling in space, enters the atmosphere of a planet.

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Fig. 1.1 is the speed-time graph for the comet from time  $t = 0$  s. O/N/15-P32-Q1

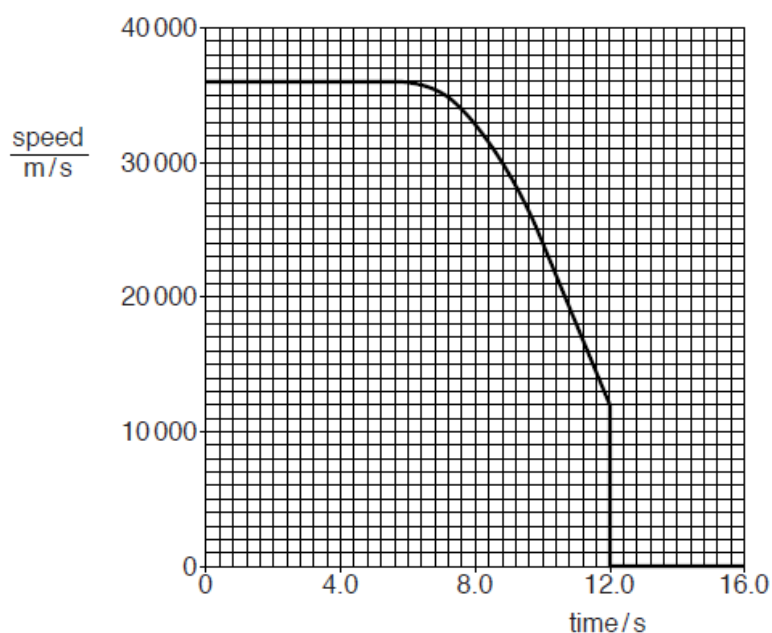


Fig. 1.1

- (a) (i) During the period  $t = 0$  s to  $t = 6.0$  s, both the speed of the comet and the velocity of the comet remain constant.

State what this suggests about the motion of the comet.

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- (ii) Determine the distance travelled during the period  $t = 0$  s to  $t = 6.0$  s.

distance = .....[2]

- (b) Explain what the graph shows about the motion of the comet during the period  $t = 6.0\text{ s}$  to  $t = 10.0\text{ s}$ .

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.....[2]

- (c) Determine the acceleration of the comet at  $t = 11.0\text{ s}$ .

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acceleration = .....[2]

- (d) Suggest what happens to the comet at  $t = 12.0\text{ s}$ .

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[Total: 8]

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- 1 Fig. 1.1 shows a smooth metal block about to slide down BD, along DE and up EF. BD and DE are friction-free surfaces, but EF is rough. The block stops at F.

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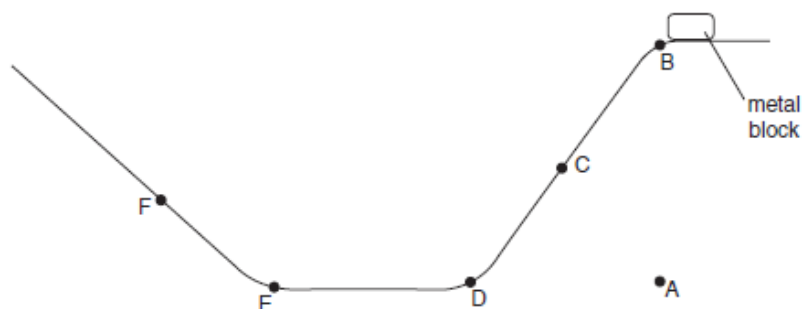


Fig. 1.1

- (a) On Fig. 1.2, sketch the speed-time graph for the journey from B to F. Label D, E and F on your graph.

[3]



- (c) As it passes D, the speed of the block remains almost constant but the velocity changes. Using the terms *vector* and *scalar*, explain this statement.

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1 Fig. 1.1 shows the speed–time graph of a person on a journey.

On the journey, he walks and then waits for a bus. He then travels by bus. He gets off the bus and waits for two minutes. He then walks again. His journey takes 74 minutes.

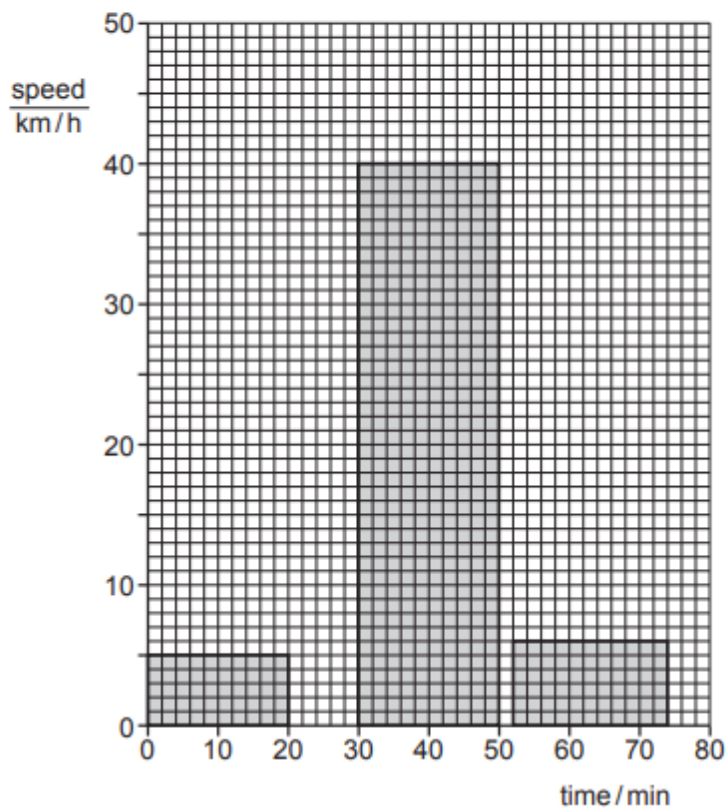


Fig. 1.1

(a) For the whole journey calculate:

(i) the distance travelled

distance = ..... [3]

(ii) the average speed.

average speed = ..... [2]

**(b)** State and explain which feature of a speed–time graph shows acceleration.

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..... [2]

**(c)** State and explain the acceleration of the person at time = 40 minutes.

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..... [2]

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