

2A/B PHYSICS  
ASSIGNMENT 2: EQUATIONS OF MOTION

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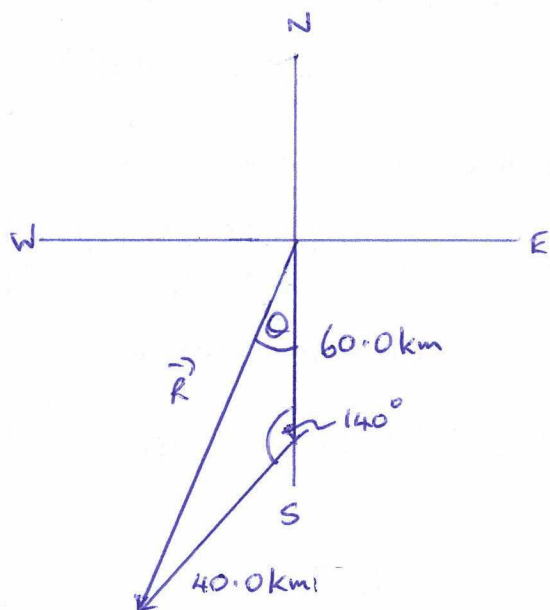
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1. During an air race, a competitor leaves the start point and flies at  $1.80 \times 10^2 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  due south for 20.0 minutes to reach a small town (A). She then turns to a heading of S  $40.0^\circ$  W and maintains  $1.60 \times 10^2 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  for 15.0 minutes to reach town B.

- (a) What distance has the competitor covered from the starting point?

$$\begin{aligned} d &= v_1 t_1 + v_2 t_2 \\ &= (1.80 \times 10^2)(0.333) + (1.60 \times 10^2)(0.250) \quad (1) \\ &= 1.00 \times 10^2 \text{ km}, \quad (1) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

- (b) What is the displacement of the plane?



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{R} &= \sqrt{(60.0)^2 + (40.0)^2 - 2(60.0)(40.0)\cos 140^\circ} \\ &= 94.22 \text{ km}. \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{94.22}{\sin 140^\circ} &= \frac{40.0}{\sin \theta} \\ \Rightarrow \theta &= 15.84^\circ. \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{S = 94.2 \text{ km S } 15.8^\circ \text{ W}} \quad (1)$$

(3)

- (c) Determine the following.

- (i) The average speed for the entire journey.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{speed} &= \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} \\ &= \frac{1.00 \times 10^2}{(0.333 + 0.250)} \quad (1) \\ &= 1.72 \times 10^2 \text{ kmh}^{-1}. \quad (1) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

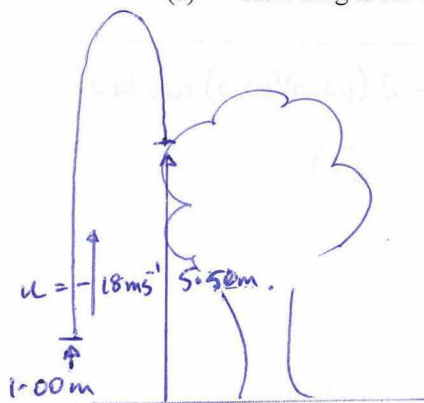
- (ii) The average velocity for the entire journey.

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{ave} &= \frac{s}{t} \\
 &= \frac{94.22}{(0.333 + 0.250)} \\
 &= \underline{1.62 \times 10^2 \text{ kmh}^{-1} \text{ S } 15.8^\circ \text{ W}} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

(2)

2. A boy kicks a football vertically upwards from 1.00 m above the ground at  $18.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . It rises to its highest point and then falls down, just getting caught on a branch 5.50 m above the ground. (Ignore any sideways movement that has taken place.)

- (a) How long is the ball in flight?



$$\begin{aligned}
 &\downarrow +ve \\
 v &= ? \\
 u &= -18.0 \text{ ms}^{-1} \\
 a &= 9.80 \text{ ms}^{-2} \\
 t &= ? \\
 s &= -4.50 \text{ m}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2 \\
 \Rightarrow -4.50 &= -18.0t + \frac{1}{2}(9.80t^2) \quad (1) \\
 \Rightarrow 4.90t^2 - 18.0t + 4.50 &= 0. \\
 \Rightarrow t &= \frac{18.0 \pm \sqrt{(-18.0)^2 - 4(4.90)(4.50)}}{2(4.90)} \quad (1) \\
 &= 3.404 \text{ s or } 0.2698 \text{ s.} \\
 \therefore \underline{t = 3.40 \text{ s.}} \quad (2)(3) \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) What is the maximum height to which it rises?

$$\begin{aligned}
 v &= 0.0 \text{ ms}^{-1} \\
 u &= -18.0 \text{ ms}^{-1} \\
 a &= 9.80 \text{ ms}^{-2} \\
 t &= ? \\
 s &= ?
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider to top only.  
 $\downarrow +ve.$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v^2 &= u^2 + 2as \quad (1) \\
 \Rightarrow 0 &= (-18.0)^2 + 2(9.80)s \quad (1) \\
 \Rightarrow s &= -16.53 \text{ m.}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\text{Height} = 17.5 \text{ m above the ground.}} \quad (1) \quad (2)(3)$$

- (c) What is its velocity as it strikes the branch?

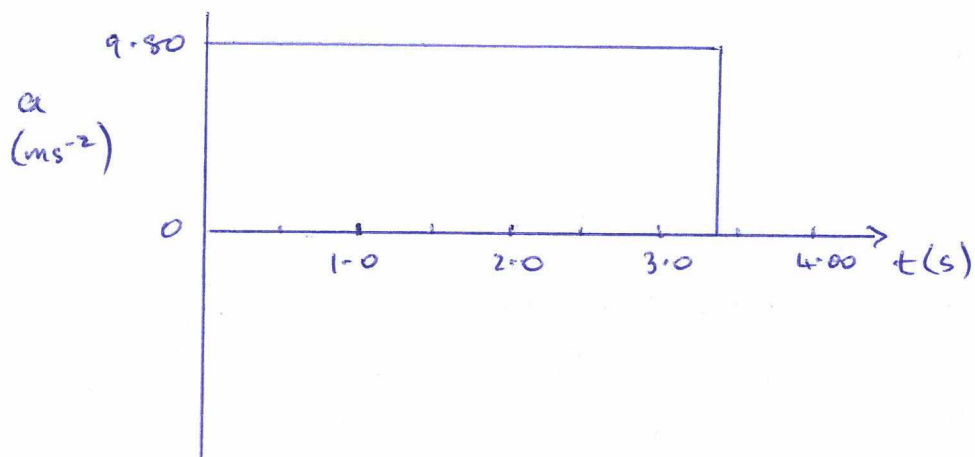
Consider whole motion.  
 $\downarrow +ve.$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v &= ? \\
 u &= -18.0 \text{ ms}^{-1} \\
 a &= 9.80 \text{ ms}^{-2} \\
 t &= 3.40 \text{ s} \\
 s &= ?
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v &= u + at \quad (1) \\
 &= -18.0 + (9.80)(3.40) \\
 &= \underline{15.3 \text{ ms}^{-1} \text{ down.}} \quad (1) \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

(d) Draw the following graphs (with suitable scales) for this motion.

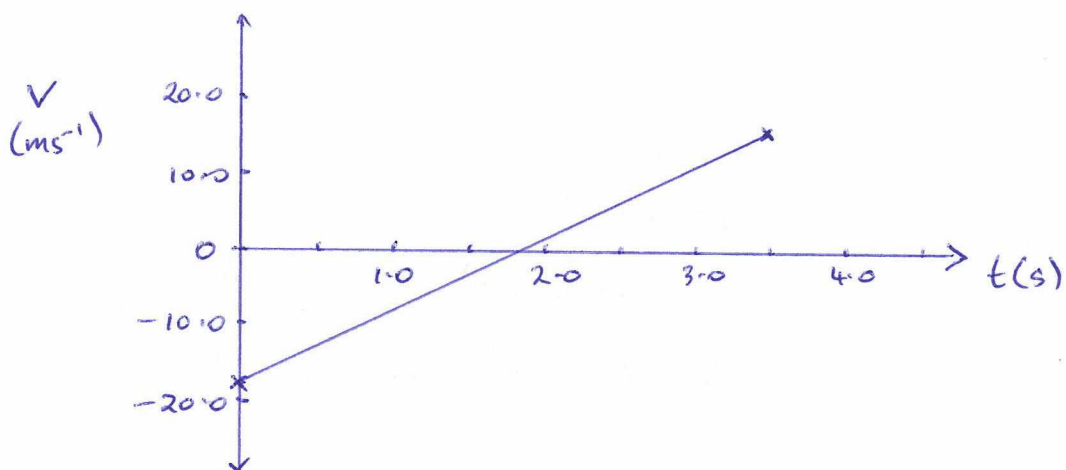
(i) acceleration - time



Accuracy (1)  
Scales (1).

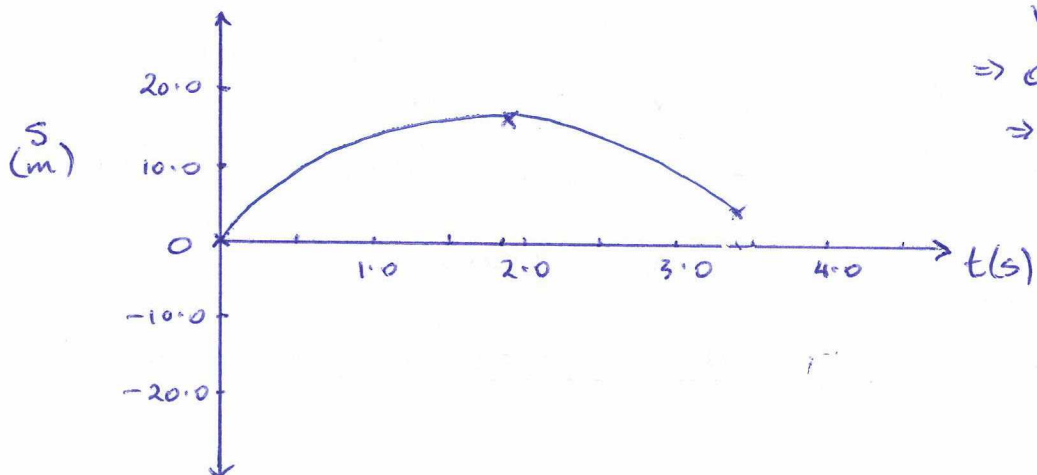
(2)

(ii) velocity - time



(2)

(iii) displacement - time

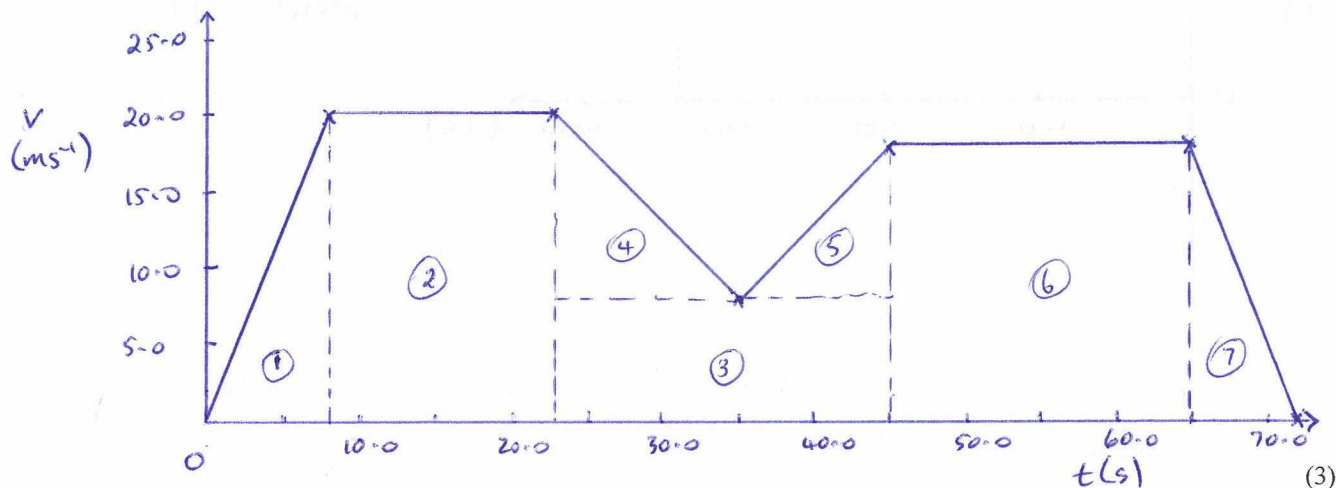


Calculate time to top.  
 $v = u + at$   
 $\Rightarrow 0 = -18.0 + 9.80t$   
 $\Rightarrow t = 1.84s.$

(2)

3. A car moves off from a standing start with a uniform acceleration. It reaches  $20.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  after  $8.00 \text{ s}$  before maintaining its speed for another  $15.0 \text{ s}$ . As it approaches a set of lights, it brakes uniformly to  $8.00 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  over  $12.0 \text{ s}$  before accelerating uniformly again (as the light turned green) to  $18.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  in  $10.0 \text{ s}$ . It maintains this speed for  $20.0 \text{ s}$  before decelerating uniformly to a stop (at a stop sign) over the next  $7.00 \text{ s}$ . (Assume the movement has occurred on a straight road.)

(a) Draw a velocity - time graph for the entire motion.



(b) Calculate:

- (i) the acceleration at the start of the motion.

$$v = 20.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

$$u = 0.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

$$a = ?$$

$$t = 8.00 \text{ s}$$

$$s = ?$$

Forwards +ve

$$v = u + at$$

$$\Rightarrow 20.0 = 0 + a(8.00) \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a = 2.50 \text{ ms}^{-2} \text{ forwards}} \quad (1)$$

(2)

- (ii) the deceleration as the car approached the second set of lights.

$$v = 8.00 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

$$u = 20.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

$$a = ?$$

$$t = 12.0 \text{ s}$$

$$s = ?$$

Forwards +ve

$$v = u + at$$

$$\Rightarrow 8.00 = 20.0 + a(12.0) \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -1.00 \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\text{Deceleration} = 1.00 \text{ ms}^{-2} \text{ backwards}} \quad (1)$$

(2)

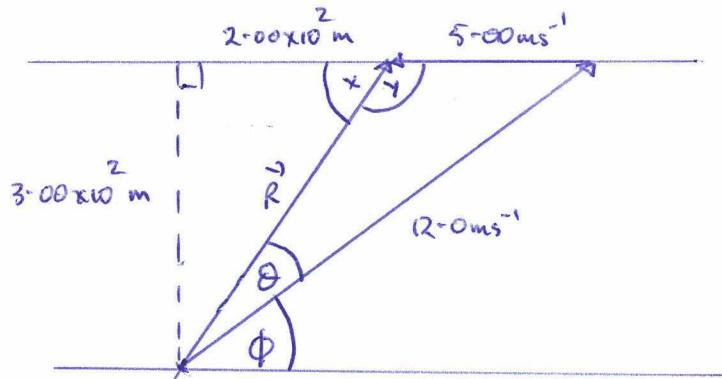
- (c) From the graph, determine the displacement of the car over the entire motion.

$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= \text{area under the graph} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(8.00)(20.0) + (15.0)(20.0) + (22.0)(8.00) + \frac{1}{2}(12.0)(12.0) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(10.0)(10.0) + (20.0)(18.0) + \frac{1}{2}(7.00)(18.0) \\
 &= 1.101 \times 10^3 \text{ m} \\
 \therefore s &= 1.10 \times 10^3 \text{ m forwards} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

(4)

4. A river  $3.00 \times 10^2 \text{ m}$  wide flows at  $5.00 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . A person in a boat that can travel at  $12.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  in still water wants to reach a jetty  $2.00 \times 10^2 \text{ m}$  upstream on the opposite bank.

- (a) Draw a vector diagram showing this situation.



(2)

- (b) Determine the angle to the bank upstream that the boat must head in order to reach the jetty.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tan x &= \frac{3.00 \times 10^2}{2.00 \times 10^2} \\
 \Rightarrow x &= 56.31^\circ \quad (1) \\
 \Rightarrow y &= 123.7^\circ \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{12.0}{\sin 123.7^\circ} = \frac{5.00}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 20.28^\circ \quad (1)$$

From the diagram:  $\theta + \phi = x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \phi &= 56.31^\circ - 20.28^\circ \\
 &= 36.03^\circ \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Must head at  $36.0^\circ$  to the bank upstream.

(4)

- (c) How long does it take for the boat to reach the jetty?

Find the velocity component across the river.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } V_{\text{across}} &= 12.0 \cos(2+\theta) \\ &= 12.0 \cos 54.0^\circ, \text{ ms}^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$V_{\text{across}} = \frac{S_{\text{across}}}{t}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{S_{\text{across}}}{V_{\text{across}}} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{3.00 \times 10^2}{12.0 \cos 54.0^\circ} \quad (1)$$

$$= 42.53 \text{ s.}$$

(2) (4)

$$\therefore \underline{\text{Time taken} = 42.5 \text{ s.}} \quad (1)$$