

KINEMATICS

Summary:

1. Kinematics deals with speed, distance and time

2. The following terms are computed as follows:

$$(i) \text{ Distance} = \text{speed} \times \text{time} \qquad (ii) \text{ Time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}}$$

$$(iii) \text{ Speed} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}} \qquad (iv) \text{ Average speed} = \frac{\text{total distance}}{\text{total time}}$$

3. Time in minutes can be converted into hours and vice versa as follows:

$$(i) 15 \text{ minutes} = \frac{15}{60} = 0.25 \text{ hours}$$

$$(ii) 0.25 \text{ hours} = 0.25 \times 60 = 15 \text{ minutes}$$

4. Speed in kmh^{-1} can be converted into ms^{-1} as follows:

$$90\text{kmh}^{-1} = \frac{90 \times 1000}{3600} = 25\text{ms}^{-1}$$

5. If a car travels at a constant speed of 60kmh^{-1} , it means that the car covers 60km after every one hour

EXAMPLES:

1. A car travels with a constant speed of 40kmh^{-1} . How far can it travel in 21 minutes?

Soln:

$$\text{Distance} = s \times t = 40 \times \frac{21}{60} = 14\text{km}$$

2. A car travels 75km at a constant speed of 50kmh^{-1} . How long does the journey take?

Soln:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{d}{s} = \frac{75}{50} = 1.5h$$

3. A car travels **36km** in **45minutes**. Find its average speed

Soln:

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{d}{t} = 36 \div \frac{45}{60} = 48kmh^{-1}$$

4. A car travels for **5 hours** with a constant speed of **$85kmh^{-1}$** and then travels for **3 hours** with a constant speed of **$69kmh^{-1}$** . Find its average speed

Soln:

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

$$\text{Distance I} = 85 \times 5 = 425km$$

$$\text{Distance II} = 69 \times 3 = 207km$$

$$\therefore \text{Average speed} = \frac{425 + 207}{5 + 3} = 79kmh^{-1}$$

5. A car travels **97.5km** with a constant speed of **$65kmh^{-1}$** and then travels **60km** with a constant speed of **$80kmh^{-1}$** . Find its average speed

Soln:

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

$$\text{Time I} = \frac{97.5}{65} = 1.5h \quad \text{Time II} = \frac{60}{80} = 0.75h$$

$$\therefore \text{Average speed} = \frac{97.5 + 60}{1.5 + 0.75} = 70kmh^{-1}$$

6. A car travels for **5** hours at an average speed of **36kmh^{-1}** for the entire journey. For the first two hours its steady speed is **30kmh^{-1}** . Find its steady speed for the last three hours

Soln:

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

$$\text{Distance I} = 30 \times 2 = 60\text{km}$$

$$\text{Distance II} = v \times 3 = 3v$$

$$\Rightarrow 36 = \frac{60 + 3v}{5}$$

$$\therefore v = 40\text{kmh}^{-1}$$

7. A man covers a distance of **15km** in **3 hours**, partly by walking and partly by running. If he walks at **3kmh^{-1}** and runs at **9kmh^{-1}** , find the distance he covers by running

Soln:

If **x** = distance walked, **y** = distance ran

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 15 \text{ -----(i)}$$

$$\text{Also: } \frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{9} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x + y = 27 \text{ -----(ii)}$$

On solving, **$y = 9\text{km}$**

8. Tom arrives early to school by **10 minutes** when he rides from home at a steady speed of **9kmh^{-1}** . When he rides at a steady speed of **7.5kmh^{-1}** , he arrives late by **6 minutes**. Calculate:

(i) how far the school is from his home

(ii) the speed that enables him to be punctual

Soln:

(i) let **d** = required distance, **t** = time required to be punctual

$$\text{If difference in time} = \frac{10}{60}$$

$$\Rightarrow t - \frac{d}{9} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ "less time is used"}$$

$$\therefore 54t - 6d = 9 \text{ -----(i)}$$

$$\text{Also: If difference in time} = \frac{6}{60}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{7.5} - t = \frac{1}{10} \text{ "more time is used"}$$

$$\therefore 10d - 75t = 7.5 \text{ -----(ii)}$$

$$\text{On solving, } d = 12\text{km}, \quad t = 1.5\text{h}$$

$$\text{(ii) Speed} = \frac{d}{t} = \frac{12}{1.5} = 8\text{kmh}^{-1}$$

9. A train takes **15 minutes** less for a journey of **156km** if its speed is increased by **4kmh^{-1}** from its normal speed. Find its normal speed

Soln:

$$\text{let } v = \text{required speed} \quad \text{If difference in time} = \frac{15}{60}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{156}{v} - \frac{156}{v+4} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ "more time is for slow speed"}$$

$$\therefore v^2 + 4v - 2496 = 0$$

$$v = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 9984}}{2}$$

$$v = 48 \text{ or } -52$$

$$\therefore v = 48 \text{ km h}^{-1}$$

10. Two cyclists C_1 and C_2 left town P for town Q , **18km** away at the same time.

C_1 travelled at a steady speed of **15kmh⁻¹** faster than C_2 . When C_1 had covered half the distance, he delayed for half an hour, after which he travelled at a speed **20% less** his original speed and arrived in town Q **15 minutes** earlier than C_2 .

Determine the original speeds of the two cyclists C_1 and C_2

Soln:

let v = speed of cyclist C_2

$$\text{Time to reach by } C_2 = \frac{18}{v}$$

$$\text{Time to reach by } C_1 = \frac{9}{v+15} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{9}{0.8(v+15)} = \frac{2v+111}{4(v+15)}$$

$$\text{If difference in time} = \frac{15}{60}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{18}{v} - \frac{2v+111}{4(v+15)} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ "more time is for slow speed"}$$

$$\therefore v^2 + 18v - 360 = 0$$

$$v = \frac{-18 \pm \sqrt{324 + 1440}}{2}$$

$$v = 12 \text{ or } -30$$

$$\therefore v = 12 \text{ km h}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Speed of cyclist } C_1 = v + 15 = 12 + 15 = 27 \text{ km h}^{-1}$$

EER:

1. A car travels for **40** minutes with a constant speed of **84kmh^{-1}** . Find the speed of another car which takes **48** minutes to travel the same distance

[Ans: 70kmh^{-1}]

2. A car travels **97.5km** with a constant speed of **65kmh^{-1}** and then travels for **45** minutes with a constant speed of **80kmh^{-1}** . Find its average speed

[Ans: 70kmh^{-1}]

3. Tom walking at **6kmh^{-1}** from home to school takes **20** minutes less when he returns at **10kmh^{-1}** . Calculate how far the school is from his home

[Ans: 5km]

4. Tom walks to work at **6kmh^{-1}** and returns home at **5kmh^{-1}** . If the entire journey takes him **1 hour 39 minutes**, calculate how far the place of work is from his home

[Ans: 4.5km]

5. A car takes **15** minutes less for a journey of **70km** if its speed is increased by **5kmh^{-1}** from its normal speed. Find its normal speed

[Ans: 35kmh^{-1}]

6. A man covers a distance of **9.5km** in **2 hours**, partly by walking and partly by running. If he walks at **4kmh^{-1}** and runs at **6kmh^{-1}** , find the distance he covers by running

[Ans: 4.5km]

7. A train takes two hours less for a journey of **300km** if its speed is increased by **5kmh^{-1}** from its normal speed. Find its normal speed

[Ans: 25kmh^{-1}]

8. Towns **P** and **Q** are **156km** apart. A car left **P** for **Q** at a steady speed of **$V\text{kmh}^{-1}$** . On the return journey, it increased the speed by **4kmh^{-1}** and took **15 minutes** less. Calculate the value of **V**

[Ans: 48kmh^{-1}]

9. It takes **3 hours** to travel between two successive distances at respective speeds of **50kmh^{-1}** and **60kmh^{-1}** . When the speeds are interchanged, the journey takes **8 minutes** less. Calculate the distance of the entire journey

[Ans: 160km]

10. Kampala and Jinja are **300km** apart. A car moves from Kampala to Jinja and back. Its average speed on the return journey is **30kmh^{-1}** greater than that on the outward journey and it takes **50 minutes** less. Find the average speed of the outward journey

[Ans: 90kmh^{-1}]

11. Tom arrives early to school by **10 minutes** when he rides from home at a steady speed of **5.4kmh^{-1}** . When he rides at a steady speed of **3.6kmh^{-1}** , he arrives late by **15 minutes**. Calculate:

(i) how far the school is from his home

(ii) the speed that enables him to be punctual

[Ans: (i) 4.5km (ii) 4.5kmh^{-1}]

12. Two cyclists C_1 and C_2 left town **P** for town **Q**, **24km** away at the same time.

C_1 travelled at a steady speed of 10kmh^{-1} faster than C_2 . When C_1 had covered half the distance, he delayed for three quarters of an hour, after which he travelled at a speed 25% less his original speed and arrived in town **Q** 15 minutes earlier than C_2 . Determine the original speeds of the two cyclists C_1 and C_2

[Ans: (a) 20kmh^{-1} , 10kmh^{-1} (b)(i) 16km (ii) 0.8h]

13. Towns **P** and **Q** are **130km** apart. At **9:00am**, a car left **P** for **Q** at a speed of 60kmh^{-1} and stopped at a petrol station for **10** minutes. It resumed its journey at a speed of 75kmh^{-1} until it reached **Q** at **11:00am**. Calculate:

(i) how far the petrol station is from town **P**

(ii) the average speed for the entire journey

[Ans: (i) 30km (ii) 65kmh^{-1}]

14. A motorist travelled 8km up a hill at a steady speed of $x\text{kmh}^{-1}$. On the return journey down the hill, his speed was $(x + 4)\text{kmh}^{-1}$. The difference in time between the uphill and downhill journeys was **10** minutes.

(a) Write down an expression for the time taken for the:

(i) uphill journey

(ii) downhill journey

(b) (i) Form a quadratic equation for the difference in time for the two journeys

(ii) Solve the quadratic equation

(c) Find his average speed for the uphill and downhill journeys

[Ans: (b)(i) $x^2 + 4x - 192 = 0$ (ii) 12kmh^{-1} (c) 13.7143kmh^{-1}]

MOTION WITH CATCH UP OR MEETING

Summary:

In case of two bodies catching up or meeting during motion:

(i) **Time to catch up** = $\frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{relative speed}}$ “Motion is in the same direction”

(ii) **Time to meet** = $\frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{total speed}}$ “Motion is in opposite direction”

(iii) *Relative speed is the same as speed difference*

(iv) *Relative distance is the same as distance apart at the start of timing*

(v) *Timing in this case starts with the latter rather than the former*

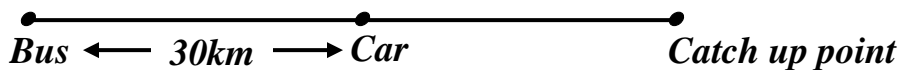
EXAMPLES:

1. A car is moving at 40kmh^{-1} and a bus 30km behind it is moving in the same direction at 60kmh^{-1} . Calculate the:

(i) time taken by the bus to catch up with the car

(ii) distance travelled by the bus to catch up with the car

Soln:



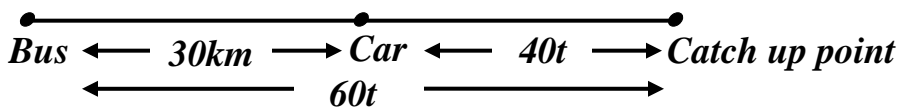
$$(i) \text{ Time to catch up } = \frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{relative speed}} = \frac{30}{60 - 40} = 1.5\text{h}$$

$$(ii) \text{ Distance to catch up } = s \times t = 60 \times 1.5 = 90\text{km}$$

$$\text{Or Distance to catch up} = 30 + (40 \times 1.5) = 90\text{km}$$

METHOD 2

(i) Let t = time taken by the bus to catch up



Bus's total distance = car's total distance

$$60t = 30 + 40t$$

$$\therefore t = 1.5h$$

(ii) *Distance to catch up* = $s \times t = 60 \times 1.5 = 90km$

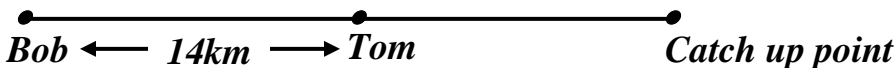
Or *Distance to catch up* = $30 + (40 \times 1.5) = 90km$

2. Tom left home riding steadily at $7kmh^{-1}$. Two hours later Bob left the same home riding steadily along the same road at $15kmh^{-1}$. Calculate:

(i) how long will it take Bob to catch up with Tom

(ii) how far will Bob travel to catch up with Tom

Soln:



(i) *Tom's distance in 2h* = $7 \times 2 = 14km$

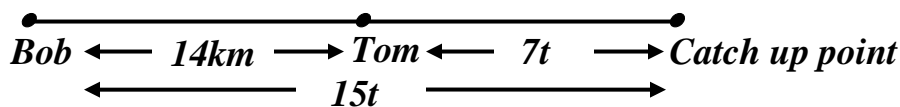
$$\text{Time to catch up} = \frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{relative speed}} = \frac{14}{15-7} = 1.75h$$

(ii) *Distance to catch up* = $s \times t = 15 \times 1.75 = 26.25km$

Or *Distance to catch up* = $14 + (7 \times 1.75) = 26.25km$

METHOD 2

(i) Let t = time taken by the Bob to catch up



Bob's total distance = Tom's total distance

$$15t = (7 \times 2) + 7t$$

$$\therefore t = 1.75h$$

(ii) Distance to catch up = $s \times t = 15 \times 1.75 = 26.25\text{km}$

Or Distance to catch up = $14 + (7 \times 1.75) = 26.25\text{km}$

3. Bob and Tom have to go to church **12.5km** away from their home. When Bob had covered **3.2km**, riding steadily at **3kmh⁻¹**, Tom left the same home riding steadily along the same road at **5kmh⁻¹**.

(a) Calculate:

(i) how long will it take Tom to catch up with Bob

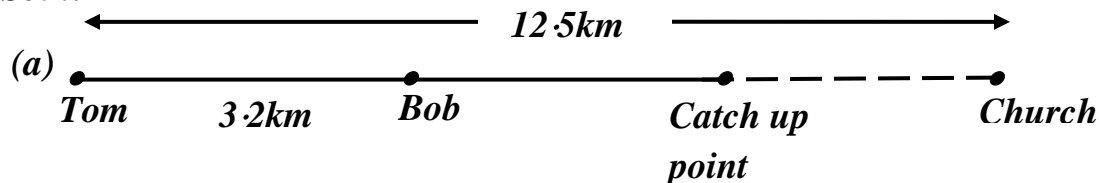
(ii) how far will Tom travel to catch up with Bob

(b) Immediately Tom caught up with Bob, he then reduced his speed and arrived **0.35** hours later than if he had maintained the **5kmh⁻¹** speed.

(i) Calculate by how much he reduced his speed

(ii) For how long was he in church before Bob joined him

Soln:



(i) Time to catch up = $\frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{relative speed}} = \frac{3.2}{5-3} = 1.6\text{h}$

(ii) Distance to catch up = $s \times t = 5 \times 1.6 = 8\text{km}$

(b) let v = new speed Remaining distance = $12.5 - 8 = 4.5\text{km}$

If difference in time = 0.35

$\Rightarrow \frac{4.5}{v} - \frac{4.5}{5} = 0.35$ "more time is for slow speed"

$\therefore v = 3.6\text{kmh}^{-1}$

\Rightarrow Reduction in speed = $5 - 3.6 = 1.4\text{kmh}^{-1}$

(ii) Waiting time = $\frac{4.5}{3} - \frac{4.5}{3.6} = 0.25h$ "more time is for slow speed"

4. Towns **P** and **Q** are **500km** apart. A car left **P** for **Q** at an average speed of **60kmh⁻¹**. After **2½** hours, a bus left **P** for **Q** and travelled along the same road at an average speed of **100kmh⁻¹**.

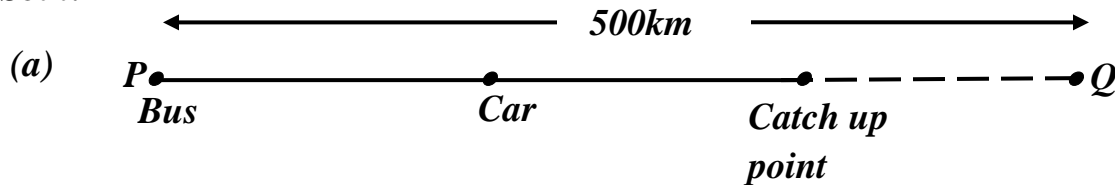
(a) Calculate the:

(i) distance of the car from **Q** when the bus took off

(ii) distance from **P** to where the bus caught up with the car

(b) Immediately the bus caught up with the car, the bus stopped for **25** minutes. Find the new average speed at which the bus travelled in order to reach **Q** at the same time as the car

Soln:



(i) Car's distance in $2\frac{1}{2}h = 60 \times 2.5 = 150km$

\therefore Distance from **Q** = $500 - 150 = 350km$

(ii) Time to catch up = $\frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{relative speed}} = \frac{150}{100-60} = 3.75h$

\therefore Distance to catch up = $s \times t = 100 \times 3.75 = 375km$

(b) let v = new speed Remaining distance = $500 - 375 = 125km$

If the total time to reach is the same

$$\Rightarrow \frac{25}{60} + \frac{125}{v} = \frac{125}{60}$$

$\therefore v = 75kmh^{-1}$

5. A car and a bus left town **P** for town **Q** **240km** away at **8:00 am** traveling at **90kmh^{-1}** and **120kmh^{-1}** respectively. After **20 minutes** the bus stopped for **30 minutes** and then resumed its journey at the same speed.

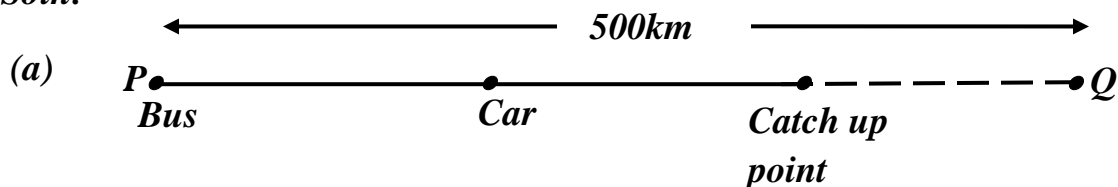
(a) Calculate the:

(i) time when the bus caught up with the car

(ii) distance from **P** to where the bus caught up with the car

(iii) time of arrival of the car to town **Q**

Soln:



(i) Bus's distance in 20 minutes = $120 \times \frac{20}{60} = 40\text{km}$

Car's distance in 50 minutes = $90 \times \frac{50}{60} = 75\text{km}$

Time to catch up = $\frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{relative speed}} = \frac{75 - 40}{120 - 90} = \frac{7}{6}\text{h} = 1\text{h } 10 \text{ minutes}$

\Rightarrow Required time = 8:50 + 1h 10 minutes = **10:00 am**

(ii) Distance from **P** = $40 + \left(120 \times \frac{7}{6}\right) = 180\text{km}$

(iii) Car's travel time = $\frac{240}{90} = \frac{8}{3}\text{h} = 2\text{h } 40 \text{ minutes}$

\Rightarrow Arrival time = 8:00 + 2h 40 minutes = **10:40 am**

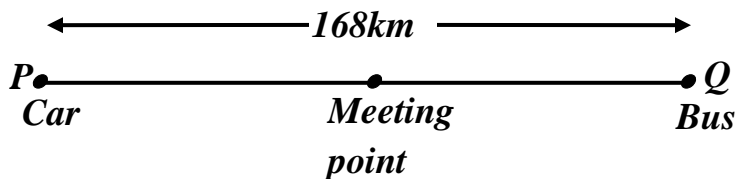
6. Towns **P** and **Q** are **168km** apart. A car left **P** for **Q** at an average speed of **60kmh^{-1}** . At the same time a bus left **Q** for **P** at an average speed of **80kmh^{-1}** .

(i) After how long will the two vehicles meet?

(ii) How far is the meeting point from town **P**?

(iii) Just as they met, the car increased its speed by 16.8kmh^{-1} . Find the difference in the times of arrival of the two vehicles

Soln:



(i) Time to meet = $\frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{total speed}} = \frac{168}{60 + 80} = 1.2\text{h}$

(ii) Distance from **P** = $s \times t = 60 \times 1.2 = 72\text{km}$

(iii) Bus's distance to **P** = 72km

\therefore Bus's time to **P** = $\frac{72}{80} = 0.9\text{h}$

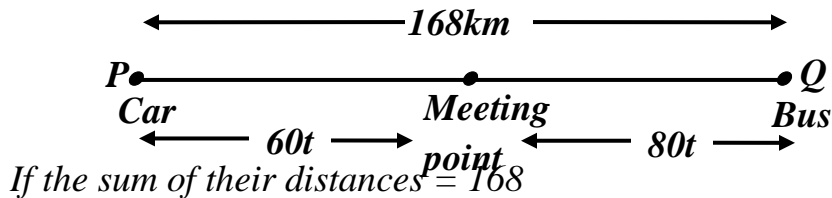
Car's distance to **Q** = $168 - 72 = 96\text{km}$ New speed = 76.8kmh^{-1}

\therefore Car's time to **Q** = $\frac{96}{76.8} = 1.25\text{h}$

\Rightarrow Arrival time difference = $1.25 - 0.9 = 0.35\text{h}$

METHOD 2

(i) Let t = time taken by the Bus to meet



$\Rightarrow 60t + 80t = 168$

$\therefore t = 1.2\text{h}$

(ii) Distance from **P** = $s \times t = 60 \times 1.2 = 72\text{km}$

17. Bob and Tom live **62km** apart. At **7:00 am**, Bob left his home cycling towards Tom's home at **20kmh^{-1}** . At **7:21 am**, Tom left his home cycling towards Bob's home at **24kmh^{-1}** .

(a) Calculate the:

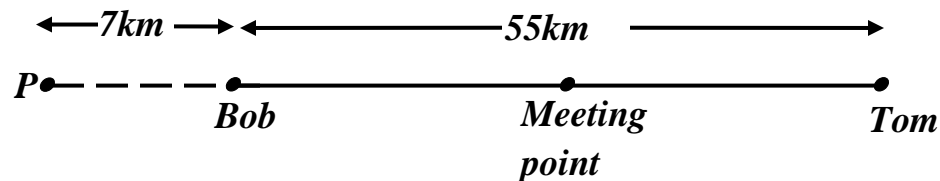
(i) time when the two men met

(ii) distance from Bob's house to where the two men met

(b) The two took **12 minutes** at the meeting point and then travelled to Tom's house at an average speed of **20kmh^{-1}** . Find the time they arrived at Tom's house

Soln:

(a) (i)



$$\text{Bob's distance in 21 minutes} = 20 \times \frac{21}{60} = 7\text{km}$$

$$\therefore \text{Time to meet} = \frac{\text{relative distance}}{\text{total speed}} = \frac{55}{20 + 24} = 1.25\text{h} = 1\text{h } 15\text{minutes}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Required time} = 7:21 + 1\text{h } 15\text{ minutes} = 8:36\text{ am}$$

$$\text{(ii) Distance from Bob's house} = 7 + (20 \times 1.25) = 32\text{km}$$

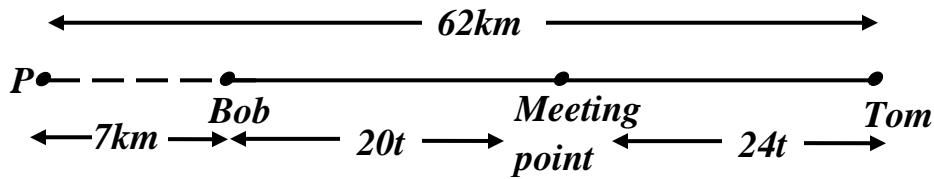
$$\text{(b) Distance to Tom's house} = 62 - 32 = 30\text{km}$$

$$\therefore \text{Their time to Tom's house} = \frac{30}{20} = 1.5\text{h}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Arrival time} = 8:36 + 12 + 1\text{h } 30\text{ minutes} = 10:18\text{ am}$$

METHOD 2

(i) Let t = time taken by Tom to meet



$$\text{Bob's distance in 21 minutes} = 20 \times \frac{21}{60} = 7\text{km}$$

If the sum of their distances = 62

$$\Rightarrow (7 + 20t) + 24t = 62$$

$$\therefore t = 1.25\text{h} = 1\text{h } 15 \text{ minutes}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Required time} = 7:21 + 1\text{h } 15 \text{ minutes} = 8:36 \text{ am}$$

(ii) Distance from Bob's house = $7 + (20 \times 1.25) = 32\text{km}$

EER:

1. Bob and Tom have to go to school **9km** away from their home. When Bob had covered **3.6km**, walking steadily at 2.5kmh^{-1} , Tom left the same home running steadily along the same road at 4kmh^{-1} .

(a) Calculate:

(i) how long will it take Tom to catch up with Bob

(ii) how far will Tom travel to catch up with Bob

(iii) how long was Tom at school before Bob joined him

$$[\text{Ans: (a)(i) } 1.5\text{h} \quad (\text{ii) } 6\text{km} \quad (\text{iii) } 0.45\text{h}]$$

2. Bob and Tom live **62km** apart. At **7:00 am**, Bob left his home cycling towards Tom's home at **20kmh^{-1}** . At **8:00 am**, Tom left his home cycling towards Bob's home at **8kmh^{-1}** .

(a) Calculate the:

(i) time when the two men met

(ii) distance from Bob's house to where the two men met

[Ans: (a)(i) 9:30am (ii) 50km]

3. Towns **P** and **Q** are **100km** apart. At **4:00 am** a cyclist left **P** for **Q** at a steady speed of **20kmh^{-1}** . At **7:30 am**, a motorist left **P** for **Q** along the same road at a steady speed of **100kmh^{-1}** .

(a) Calculate the:

(i) time when the motorist overtook the cyclist

(ii) distance from **P** to where the motorist overtook the cyclist

(iii) time of arrival of the cyclist

[Ans: (a)(i) 8:22 am (ii) 87.5km (iii) 9:00 am]

4. Towns **P** and **Q** are **170km** apart. At **8:25am** car left **P** for **Q** at an average speed of **40kmh^{-1}** . At **8:55am** bus left **Q** for **P** and travelled along the same road at an average speed of **80kmh^{-1}** .

(a) Calculate the:

(i) time when the two vehicles met

(ii) distance from **P** to where the two vehicles met

(b) Just as they met, the car increased its speed by **10kmh^{-1}** . Find the difference in their times of arrival at their destinations

[Ans: (a)(i) 10:10am (ii) 70km (b) 1.125h]

5. Bob and Tom have to go to church **30.8km** away from their home. When Bob had covered **9km**, riding steadily at **4kmh⁻¹**, Tom left the same home riding steadily along the same road at **7kmh⁻¹**.

(a) Calculate:

(i) how long will it take Tom to catch up with Bob

(ii) how far will Tom travel to catch up with Bob

(b) Immediately Tom caught up with Bob, he then reduced his speed and arrived **0.6** hours later than if he had maintained the **7kmh⁻¹** speed.

(i) Calculate by how much he reduced his speed

(ii) For how long was he in church before Bob joined him

[Ans: (a)(i) 3h (ii) 21km (b)(i) 2.1kmh⁻¹ (ii) 0.45h]

6. Bob and Tom have to go for a burial **138km** away from their home. When Bob had covered **18km**, riding steadily at **24kmh⁻¹**, Tom left the same home riding steadily along the same road at **30kmh⁻¹**.

(a) Calculate:

(i) how long will it take Tom to catch up with Bob

(ii) how far will Tom travel to catch up with Bob

(iii) how long Tom will take waiting for Bob at the burial

(b) If Bob increased his speed immediately he was overtaken such that they both arrive at the burial at the same time, calculate by how much he increased his speed

[Ans: (a)(i) 3h (ii) 90km (b)(i) 2.1kmh⁻¹ (ii) 0.45h]

7. Bob and Tom live **190km** apart. At **7:00 am**, Bob left his home cycling towards Tom's home at **30kmh^{-1}** . At **7:30 am**, Tom left his home cycling towards Bob's home at **40kmh^{-1}** .

(a) Calculate the:

(i) time when the two men met

(ii) distance from Bob's house to where the two men met

(b) The two took **15 minutes** at the meeting point and then travelled to Tom's house at an average speed of **20kmh^{-1}** . Find the time they arrived at Tom's house

[Ans: (a)(i) **10:00am** (ii) **90km** (b) **3:15pm**]

8. Two cyclists C_1 and C_2 left town **P** for town **Q**, **24km** away at the same time.

C_1 travelled at a steady speed of **10kmh^{-1}** faster than C_2 . When C_1 had covered half the distance, he delayed for three quarters of an hour, after which he travelled at a speed **25%** less his original speed and arrived in town **Q** **15 minutes** earlier than C_2 .

(a) Determine the original speeds of the two cyclists C_1 and C_2

(b) If cyclist C_1 started from town **P** while C_2 at the same time started from town **Q** and both travelled non-stop,

(i) find how far from **P** the two cyclists will meet

(ii) After how long will they meet?

[Ans: (a) **20kmh^{-1} , 10kmh^{-1}** (b)(i) **16km** (ii) **0.8h**]

DISTANCE–TIME GRAPHS

EXAMPLES:

1. Towns **P** and **Q** are **500km** apart. At **8:15 am** a car left **P** for **Q** traveling at a steady speed of **60kmh⁻¹**. Two and a half hours later, a bus left **P** for **Q** along the same road at a steady speed of **100kmh⁻¹**.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **50km** and **2cm** to represent **1 hour**]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) distance of the car from **Q** when the bus took off

(ii) time and distance from **P** where the bus overtook the car

(iii) difference in the times of arrival of the two vehicles

Soln:

Table for the car (P to Q)

Distance moved	0	60	120
Time of the day	8:15	9:15	10:15

Table for the bus (P to Q)

Distance moved	0	100	200
Time of the day	10:45	11:45	12:45

2. Towns **P** and **Q** are **360km** apart. At **7:30 am** a car left **P** for **Q** traveling at a steady speed of **80kmh⁻¹**. At the same time a bus left **Q** for **P** at an average speed of **100kmh⁻¹**.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **50km** and **2cm** to represent **1 hour**]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) time when the two vehicles met

- (ii) distance from **Q** to where the two vehicles met
- (iii) difference in the times of arrival of the two vehicles

Soln:

Table for the car (P to Q)

Distance moved	0	80	160
Time of the day	7:30	8:30	9:30

Table for the bus (Q to P)

Distance moved	0	100	200
Time of the day	7:30	8:30	9:30

3. Towns **P** and **Q** are **180km** apart. At **0730** hours a car left **P** for **Q** traveling at a steady speed of **40kmh⁻¹**. After 2 hours the car stopped for **1½** hours and then proceeded with its journey at a speed of **50kmh⁻¹**. A bus left **Q** for **P** at the same time as the car at a steady speed of **60kmh⁻¹** but suddenly reduced its speed after 2 hours to **15kmh⁻¹** for the rest of its journey

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **20km** and **2cm** to represent **1 hour**]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

- (i) time and distance from **Q** where the two vehicles met
- (ii) distance between the two vehicles at **0930** hours
- (iii) times of arrival of the two vehicles at their destinations
- (iv) difference in the times of arrival at the respective towns

Soln:

Table for the car (P to Q)

Distance moved	0	40	80	80	130	180
Time of the day	0730	0830	0930	1100	1200	1300

Table for the bus (Q to P)

Distance moved	0	60	120	135	150	165
Time of the day	0730	0830	0930	1030	1130	1230

4. Towns **P** and **Q** are **150km** apart. At **1100** hours a car left **P** for **Q** traveling at a steady speed of **50kmh^{-1}** . After half an hour a bus left **P** for **Q** at a steady speed of **120kmh^{-1}** but after traveling **30km**, it stopped for **15** minutes and then resumed its journey at a speed of **120kmh^{-1}** . The bus arrived at **Q** and rested for **30** minutes before returning to **P** by the same road where it arrived at **1442** hours

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **25km** and **4cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

- (i) time and distance from **Q** where the bus overtook the car on its way to **Q**
- (ii) time and distance from **Q** where the bus met the car on its way back to **P**
- (iii) average speed of the bus for the outward journey
- (iv) average speed of the bus for the return journey
- (v) average speed of the bus for the entire journey

Soln:

Table for the car (P to Q)

Distance moved	0	50	100
Time of the day	1100	1200	1300

Table for the bus (P to Q and back)

<i>Distance moved</i>	0	30	30	150	150	0
<i>Time of the day</i>	1130	1145	1200	1300	1330	1442

$$\text{Time to cover } 30\text{km} = \frac{30}{120} = 0.25\text{h} = 15 \text{ minutes}$$

EER:

1. Towns **P** and **Q** are **360km** apart. At **8:15 am** a car left **P** for **Q** traveling at a steady speed of **90kmh^{-1}** . After **$1\frac{2}{5}$ hours**, a bus left **P** for **Q** along the same road at a steady speed of **120kmh^{-1}** .

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **50km** and **2cm** to represent **1 hour**]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) distance of the car from **Q** when the bus took off

(ii) time and distance from **P** to where the bus overtook the car

(iii) difference in the times of arrival of the two vehicles

2. Towns **P** and **Q** are **100km** apart. At **5:00am**, a car left **P** and travelled for one hour at a speed of **30kmh^{-1}** . It then increased its speed to **100kmh^{-1}** until it reached **Q**. At **5:30am**, a bus left **Q** for **P** and travelled at a steady speed of **60kmh^{-1}** until it broke down **$1\frac{1}{2}$ hours** later.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **10km** and **2cm** to represent **30 minutes**]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) time and distance from **P** when the two vehicles met

(ii) distance from **Q** to where the bus broke down

(iii) time the car reached town **Q**

3. Towns **P** and **Q** are **200km** apart. At noon, a car left **P** and travelled for one hour at a speed of **50kmh^{-1}** . It stopped for **30** minutes then continued to **Q** at a speed of **60kmh^{-1}** . At **12:30pm**, a bus left **Q** and travelled for one hour at a speed of **40kmh^{-1}** . It then changed and travelled at a speed of **$V\text{ kmh}^{-1}$** and arrived at **4:30pm** at town **P**

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **20km** and **4cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) time when the two vehicles met

(ii) distance from **P** to where the two vehicles met

(iii) time of arrival of the car

(iv) speed **V** of the bus

4. Towns **P** and **Q** are **360km** apart. At **7:00am**, a car left **P** and travelled for two hours at a speed of **50kmh^{-1}** . It stopped for **1** hour then continued to **Q** at a steady speed for **4** hours. At **8:00am**, a bus left **Q** for **P** and travelled non-stop for **$4\frac{1}{2}$ hours**.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **40km** and **2cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) time when the two vehicles met

(ii) distance from **P** when the two vehicles met

(iii) average speed of the bus

5. Towns **P** and **Q** are **45km** apart. At **0815** hours, Bob left **P** for **Q** riding at a speed of **15kmh^{-1}** . His bicycle broke down at **0915** hours and was delayed for **45** minutes. He then walked back to **P** and arrived at **1230** hours. At **0915** hours Tom left **P** for **Q** riding at a steady speed and arrived at **1200** hours.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two men

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **20km** and **4cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) distance from **P** when Bob's bicycle broke down

(ii) speed at which Bob walked back to **P**

(iii) average speed of Tom

(iv) time when the two men met

(iv) distance from **P** when the two men met

6. Towns **P** and **Q** are **90km** apart. At **7:00 am**, a car left **P** for **Q** traveling at a steady speed of **24kmh^{-1}** . **45** minutes later, a bus left **P** for **Q** at a steady speed of **60kmh^{-1}** but after traveling **15km**, it stopped for half an hour and then resumed its journey at a speed of **60kmh^{-1}** . The bus arrived at **Q** and rested for **15** minutes before returning to **P** by the same road where it arrived at **11:15 am**.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **10km** and **4cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graphs to find the:

(i) time and distance from **P** where the bus overtook the car on its way to **Q**

(ii) time and distance from **Q** where the bus met the car on its way back to **P**

(iii) average speed of the bus for the return journey

7. Towns **P** and **Q** are **450km** apart. At **7:42am**, a Van and a Bus left **P** for **Q** travelling at **90kmh^{-1}** and **150kmh^{-1}** respectively. After **30** minutes, the bus had a puncture which took **1.8** hours to mend before resuming the journey at the same speed.

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **50km** and **2cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graph, to find the:

(i) distance from **P** to where the two vehicles met for the first time.

(ii) time and distance from **Q** to where the two vehicles met for the second time

(iii) difference in the times of arrival of the two vehicles

(iv) average speed of the bus for the entire journey

8. Town **P** is **300km** from town **Q**. A lorry left town **P** for **Q** at **7:30am** and travelled at a steady speed of **80kmh^{-1}** . At the same time, a bus left town **Q** for town **P** and travelled at a steady speed of **120kmh^{-1}** .

(a) On the same axes show the journeys of the two vehicles

[Use a scale of **2cm** to represent **50km** and **2cm** to represent **1** hour]

(b) Use your graph, to find the time and distance from **Q** to where the two vehicles met

(c) Just as they met, the lorry and the bus were then driven at speeds of

100kmh^{-1} and **75kmh^{-1}** respectively, calculate the difference in their times of arrival at their destinations.