

Long Answer Type Questions

[5 marks]

Q. 1. with the help of a graph, derive the relation $v = u + at$.

Ans. Consider the velocity-time graph of an object that moves under uniform acceleration as shown in the figure ($u \neq 0$).

From this graph, we can see that initial velocity of the object (at point A) is u and then it increases to v (at point B) in time t . The velocity changes at a uniform rate a . As shown in the figure, the lines BC and BE are drawn from point B on the time and the velocity axes respectively, so that the initial velocity is represented by OA, the final velocity is represented by BC and the time interval t is represented by OC. $BD = BC - CD$, represents the change in velocity in time interval t . If we

draw AD parallel to OC, we observe that

$$BC = BD + DC = BD + OA$$

Substituting, BC with v and OA with u , we get

$$v = BD + u$$

$$\text{or } BD = v - u$$

Thus, from the given velocity-time graph, the acceleration of the object is given by

$$a = \frac{\text{Change in velocity}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

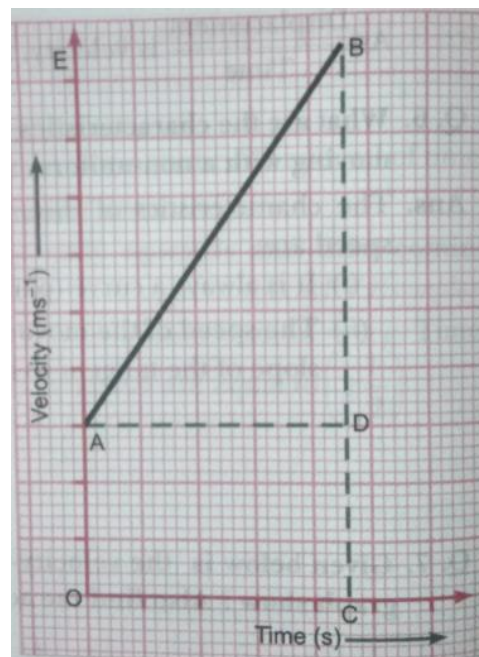
$$= \frac{BD}{AD} = \frac{BD}{OC}$$

Substituting, OC with t , we get

$$a = \frac{BD}{t} \text{ or } BD = at$$

From equations (1) and (2), we have

$$v - u = at \text{ or } v = u + at$$



Q. 2. Deduce the following equations of motion:

$$(i) s = ut + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)at^2$$

$$(ii) v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

Ans. (i) Consider a body which starts with initial velocity u and due to uniform acceleration a , its final velocity becomes v after time t . Then, its average velocity is given by

$$\text{Average velocity} = \frac{\text{Initial velocity} + \text{Final velocity}}{2} = \frac{u + v}{2}$$

∴ The distance covered by the body in time t is given by

Distance, s = Average velocity $\times$ Time

or $s = \frac{u+v}{2} \times t$ or $s = \frac{u+(u+at)}{2} \times t$

∴ $s = \frac{2ut + at^2}{2}$ or $s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$

(ii) We know that

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

Also, $a = \frac{v-u}{t}$

$\Rightarrow t = \frac{v-u}{a}$

Putting the value of t in (1), we have

$$s = u\left(\frac{v-u}{a}\right) + \frac{1}{2} a\left(\frac{v-u}{a}\right)^2$$

or $s = \frac{uv - u^2}{a} + \frac{v^2 + u^2 - 2uv}{2a}$

or $2as = 2uv - 2u^2 + v^2 + u^2 - 2uv$

or $v^2 - u^2 = 2as$

Q.3. Obtain a relation for the distance travelled by an object moving with a uniform acceleration in the interval between 4th and 5th seconds.

Ans. Using the equation of motion $s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$

Distance travelled in 5 seconds, $s = u \times 5 + \frac{1}{2} a \times 5^2$

Or $s = 5u + \frac{25}{2} a$

...(1)

Similarly, distance travelled in 4 seconds, $s' = 4u + \frac{16}{2} a$... (2)

Distance travelled in the interval between 4th and 5th seconds

$$= (s - s') = \left(u + \frac{9}{2} a\right) m$$

Q. 4. Two stones are thrown vertically upwards simultaneously with their initial velocities u_1 and u_2 respectively. Prove that the heights reached by them would be in the ratio of $u_1^2 : u_2^2$.

(Assume upward acceleration is $-g$ and downward acceleration to be $+g$).

Ans. We know the upward motion, $u^2 = v^2 - 2gh$ or $h = \frac{u^2 - v^2}{2g}$

But at highest point $v = 0$

Therefore, $h = \frac{u^2}{2g}$

For first ball, $h_1 = \frac{u_1^2}{2g}$

and for second ball, $h_2 = \frac{u_2^2}{2g}$

Thus, $\frac{h_1}{h_2} = \frac{\frac{u_1^2}{2g}}{\frac{u_2^2}{2g}} = \frac{u_1^2}{u_2^2}$

Or $h_1 : h_2 = u_1^2 : u_2^2$

Q. 5. The driver of train A travelling at a speed of 54 kmh^{-1} applies brakes and retards the train uniformly. The train stops in 5 seconds. Another train B is travelling on the parallel with a speed of 36 kmh^{-1} . Its driver applies the brakes and the train retards uniformly; train B stops in 10 seconds. Plot speed-time graphs for both the trains on the same axis. Which of the trains travelled farther after the brakes were applied?

Ans. For train A, the initial velocity,

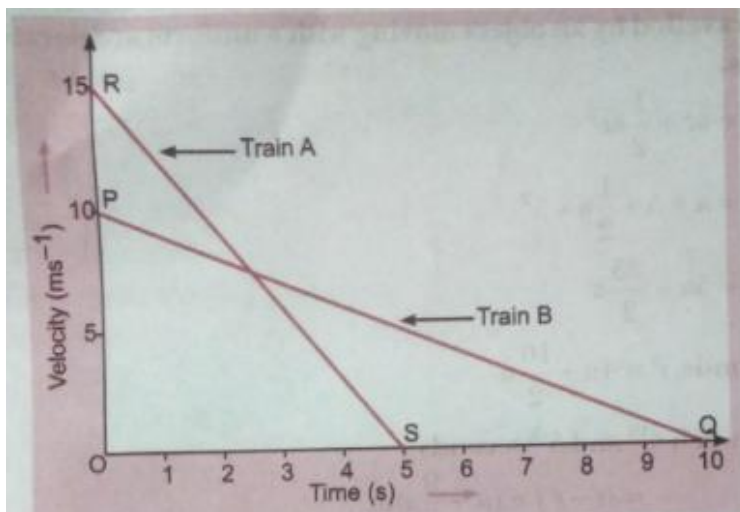
$$u = 54 \text{ kmh}^{-1} = 54 \times \frac{5}{18} = 15 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Final velocity, $v = 0$ and time, $t = 5 \text{ s}$

For train B, $u = 36 \text{ kmh}^{-1} = 36 \times \frac{5}{18} = 10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

$v = 0$; $t = 10 \text{ s}$

Speed-time graph for train A and B are shown in the figure.



Distance travelled by train A

= Area under straight line graph RS

= Area of ΔORS

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times OR \times OS = \frac{1}{2} \times 15 \text{ ms}^{-1} \times 5 \text{ s} = 37.5 \text{ m}$$

Distance travelled by train B = Area under PQ = Area of ΔOPQ

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times OP \times OQ = \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \text{ ms}^{-1} \times 10 \text{ s} = 50 \text{ m}$$

Thus, train B travelled farther after the brakes were applied.