Acceleration: any change in velocity.

acceleration =

<u>change in velocity</u> change in time



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a = acceleration v = velocity t = time vf = final velocity vi = initial velocity

$$a = \Delta v / \Delta t$$

 $a = vf - vi /t$

a = acceleration v = velocity t = time vf = final velocity vi = initial velocity 1. A car moving at 30 ft/s accelerates uniformly to 40 ft/s in 8 seconds. Calculate the acceleration of the car.

1 B. A car starts at rest and accelerates at 2 m/sec^2 for 4 seconds. How fast will it be moving at the end of that time?



Text Page 76: A chameleon extends its tongue to capture a tasty insect. The tongue accelerates at 33 m/s² for .12 seconds. What is the speed of the tongue when it grabs the insect? 2. A student enters the parking lot at 30 miles/hr (which is 44 ft/s). He sees Mr. Mahoney and slows down to 1 ft/s in 2 seconds. Find his acceleration (in ft/s^2).



3. A Porsche turbo can go from rest to 60 mi/hr in 4 seconds. Find the acceleration of the car in ft/s².

4. An object is dropped from rest and accelerates downward at 9.81 m/s^2. How fast will it be moving after falling for 8 seconds?

5. Igor was driving his hearse Northward at 42 m/s when he remembered that he had forgotten his shovel. He hit the brakes, bringing the hearse to a dead stop. If he accelerated at -16 m/s^2, how long did it take him to stop?

6. A skateboarder is moving at a constant velocity of 1.75 m/s when he starts up an incline that causes him to slow down at a constant acceleration of -.20 m/s^2. How much time passes from when he begins to slow down until he begins to move back down the incline?



7. A car which is moving at 10 ft/s begins to accelerate at 2.7 ft/s^2. How long will it take the car to reach a speed of 18.3 ft/s?

8. A car is traveling at 10 m/s and accelerates at a constant rate until it reaches 30 m/s. What is the average speed of the car?

If the car was accelerating for 8 seconds, what was the magnitude of the acceleration?

What distance did it cover while accelerating?

An object starts at rest and accelerates at 3m/sec^2 for 15 seconds. How far does it move in the 15 seconds?

Important Formulae:

 $v_{av} = d/t$ >d = vt a = $\Delta v/\Delta t = (vf-vi)/t$ solved for vf vf = vi+at

If acceleration is constant vav = (vf + vi)/2

When they are all put together:

 $d = vit + (1/2)at^2$

Or for x location: X = xi + vit + $(1/2)at^2$

Another relation Vf^2 = Vi^2 + $2a\Delta X$



This problem is from page 89 in the textbook:

A park ranger driving on a back country road suddenly sees a deer "frozen" in the headlights 20.0 meters ahead.

The ranger, who is driving at 11.4 m/s, immediately applies the brakes and slows down with an acceleration of magnitude 3.80 m/s^2. How much distance is required for the ranger's vehicle to come to rest?

Graphical representation of motion



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5C5_dOEyAfk

Graphs: Velocity - time graph

SLOPE of V-t graph = $\Delta v / \Delta t$ =acceleration (!)





What is the <u>distance</u> covered in each interval? 0-2 sec 2-4 sec 4-5 sec

Distance covered= area under the graph $\textbf{d} = v \; t$

Free Fall: Acceleration of gravity = 9.81 m/s² =32 ft/s²



- 1. An object falls freely from rest.
- a. How fast will it be moving after falling for 2.3 seconds?
- b. What is its average speed?
- c. How far did it fall?

FREE FALL Acceleration = 9.81 m/s^2

FREE FALL FROM REST Acceleration = 9.81 m/s² And Vi = 0

