
AS Mathematics Exam Questions by Topic
Chapter 19: Constant Acceleration Formulae (suvat equations)

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Edexcel AS Sample Paper 2 Question 6:

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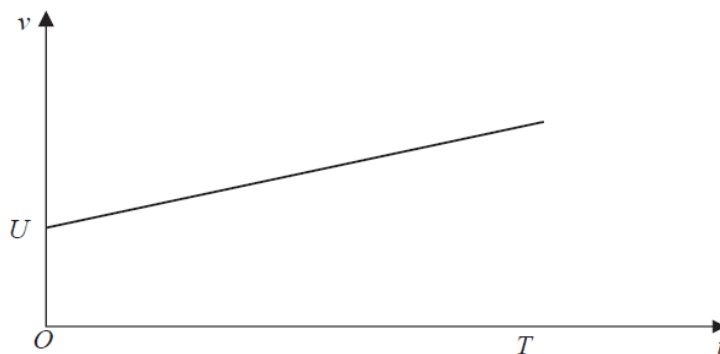


Figure 1

A car moves along a straight horizontal road. At time $t = 0$, the velocity of the car is $U \text{ m s}^{-1}$. The car then accelerates with constant acceleration $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$ for T seconds. The car travels a distance D metres during these T seconds.

Figure 1 shows the velocity-time graph for the motion of the car for $0 \leq t \leq T$.

Using the graph, show that $D = UT + \frac{1}{2} aT^2$.

(No credit will be given for answers which use any of the kinematics (*suvat*) formulae listed under Mechanics in the AS Mathematics section of the formulae booklet.)

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Edexcel AS Sample Paper 2 Question 7:

7. A car is moving along a straight horizontal road with constant acceleration. There are three points A , B and C , in that order, on the road, where $AB = 22$ m and $BC = 104$ m. The car takes 2 s to travel from A to B and 4 s to travel from B to C .

Find

- (i) the acceleration of the car,
(ii) the speed of the car at the instant it passes A .

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AQA 2018 Paper 2 Question 10:

- 10 A garden snail moves in a straight line from rest to 1.28 cm s^{-1} , with a constant acceleration in 1.8 seconds.

Find the acceleration of the snail.

Circle your answer.

[1 mark]

2.30 m s^{-2} 0.71 m s^{-2} 0.0071 m s^{-2} 0.023 m s^{-2}

AQA AS 2018 Paper 1 Question 11:

- 11 In this question use $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$

A ball, initially at rest, is dropped from a height of 40 m above the ground.

Calculate the speed of the ball when it reaches the ground.

Circle your answer.

[1 mark]

-28 m s^{-1} 28 m s^{-1} -780 m s^{-1} 780 m s^{-1}

Edexcel AS 2018 Paper 2 Question 6:

6. A man throws a tennis ball into the air so that, at the instant when the ball leaves his hand, the ball is 2 m above the ground and is moving vertically upwards with speed 9 m s^{-1}

The motion of the ball is modelled as that of a particle moving freely under gravity and the acceleration due to gravity is modelled as being of constant magnitude 10 m s^{-2}

The ball hits the ground T seconds after leaving the man's hand.

Using the model, find the value of T .

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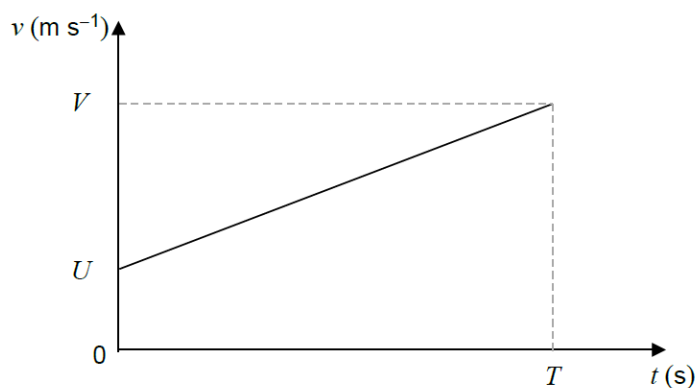
AQA Sample Paper 2 Question 12:

12 A particle moves on a straight line with a constant acceleration, $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$.

The initial velocity of the particle is $U \text{ m s}^{-1}$.

After T seconds the particle has velocity $V \text{ m s}^{-1}$.

This information is shown on the velocity-time graph.



The displacement, S metres, of the particle from its initial position at time T seconds is given by the formula

$$S = \frac{1}{2}(U + V)T$$

12 (a) By considering the gradient of the graph, or otherwise, write down a formula for a in terms of U , V and T .

[1 mark]

12 (b) Hence show that $V^2 = U^2 + 2aS$

[3 marks]