Motion in One Dimension

Problem E

FINAL VELOCITY AFTER ANY DISPLACEMENT

PROBLEM

In 1970, a rocket-powered car called Blue Flame achieved a maximum speed of 1.00 (10³ km/h (278 m/s). Suppose the magnitude of the car's constant acceleration is 5.56 m/s². If the car is initially at rest, what is the distance traveled during its acceleration?

SOLUTION

1. DEFINE

Given: $v_i = 0 \text{ m/s}$

$$v_f = 278 \text{ m/s}$$

 $a = 5.56 \text{ m/s}^2$

 $\Delta x = ?$ **Unknown:**

2. PLAN

Choose an equation(s) or situation: Use the equation for the final velocity after any displacement.

$${v_f}^2 = {v_i}^2 + 2a\Delta x$$

Rearrange the equation(s) to isolate the unknown(s):

$$\Delta x = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a}$$

3. CALCULATE

Substitute the values into the equation(s) and solve:

$$\Delta x = \frac{\left(278 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}\right)^2 - \left(0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}\right)^2}{(2)\left(5.56 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}\right)} = \boxed{6.95 \times 10^3 \text{ m}}$$

4. EVALUATE

Using the appropriate kinematic equation, the time of travel for *Blue Flame* is found to be 50.0 s. From this value for time the distance traveled during the acceleration is confirmed to be almost 7 km. Once the car reaches its maximum speed, it travels about 16.7 km/min.

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE

- **1.** In 1976, Kitty Hambleton of the United States drove a rocket-engine car to a maximum speed of 965 km/h. Suppose Kitty started at rest and underwent a constant acceleration with a magnitude of 4.0 m/s². What distance would she have had to travel in order to reach the maximum speed?
- **2.** With a cruising speed of 2.30×10^3 km/h, the French supersonic passenger jet Concorde is the fastest commercial airplane. Suppose the landing speed of the Concorde is 20.0 percent of the cruising speed. If the plane accelerates at -5.80 m/s^2 , how far does it travel between the time it lands and the time it comes to a complete stop?

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- **3.** The Boeing 747 can carry more than 560 passengers and has a maximum speed of about 9.70×10^2 km/h. After takeoff, the plane takes a certain time to reach its maximum speed. Suppose the plane has a constant acceleration with a magnitude of 4.8 m/s². What distance does the plane travel between the moment its speed is 50.0 percent of maximum and the moment its maximum speed is attained?
- **4.** The distance record for someone riding a motorcycle on its rear wheel without stopping is more than 320 km. Suppose the rider in this unusual situation travels with an initial speed of 8.0 m/s before speeding up. The rider then travels 40.0 m at a constant acceleration of 2.00 m/s². What is the rider's speed after the acceleration?
- **5.** The skid marks left by the decelerating jet-powered car *The Spirit of America* were 9.60 km long. If the car's acceleration was -2.00 m/s^2 , what was the car's initial velocity?
- **6.** The heaviest edible mushroom ever found (the so-called "chicken of the woods") had a mass of 45.4 kg. Suppose such a mushroom is attached to a rope and pulled horizontally along a smooth stretch of ground, so that it undergoes a constant acceleration of $+0.35 \text{ m/s}^2$. If the mushroom is initially at rest, what will its velocity be after it has been displaced +64 m?
- **7.** Bengt Norberg of Sweden drove his car 44.8 km in 60.0 min. The feature of this drive that is interesting is that he drove the car on two side wheels.
 - **a.** Calculate the car's average speed.
 - **b.** Suppose Norberg is moving forward at the speed calculated in (a). He then accelerates at a rate of –2.00 m/s². After traveling 20.0 m, the car falls on all four wheels. What is the car's final speed while still traveling on two wheels?
- **8.** Starting at a certain speed, a bicyclist travels 2.00×10^2 m. Suppose the bicyclist undergoes a constant acceleration of 1.20 m/s². If the final speed is 25.0 m/s, what was the bicyclist's initial speed?
- **9.** In 1994, Tony Lang of the United States rode his motorcycle a short distance of 4.0×10^2 m in the short interval of 11.5 s. He started from rest and crossed the finish line with a speed of about 2.50×10^2 km/h. Find the magnitude of Lang's acceleration as he traveled the 4.0×10^2 m distance.
- **10.** The lightest car in the world was built in London and had a mass of less than 10 kg. Its maximum speed was 25.0 km/h. Suppose the driver of this vehicle applies the brakes while the car is moving at its maximum speed. The car stops after traveling 16.0 m. Calculate the car's acceleration.

$$\Delta x = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a} = \frac{\left[(965 \text{ km/h})^2 - (0 \text{ km/h})^2 \right] \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \right)^2}{(2)(4.0 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{7.19 \times 10^4 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2}{8.0 \text{ m/s}^2} = 9.0 \times 10^3 \text{ m} = \boxed{9.0 \text{ km}}$$

2. $v_i = (0.20) v_{max}$ $v_{max} = 2.30 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h}$ $v_f = 0 \text{ km/h}$

 $a = -5.80 \text{ m/s}^2$

$$\Delta x = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a} = \frac{\left[(0 \text{ km/h})^2 - (0.20)^2 (2.30 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h})^2 \right] \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \right)^2}{(2)(-5.80 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{-1.63 \times 10^4 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2}{-11.6 \text{ m/s}^2} = 1.41 \times 10^3 \text{ m} = \boxed{1.41 \text{ km}}$$

3. $v_f = 9.70 \times 10^2 \text{ km/h}$ $v_i = (0.500)v_f$ $a = 4.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

$$\Delta x = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2a} = \frac{\left[(9.70 \times 10^2 \text{ km/h})^2 - (0.50)^2 (9.70 \times 10^2 \text{ km/h})^2 \right] \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \right)^2}{(2)(4.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{(9.41 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^2/\text{h})^2 - 2.35 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^2/\text{h}^2) \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}}\right)^2}{(2)(4.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{(7.06 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^2/\text{h}^2) \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}}\right)^2}{(2)(4.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{5.45 \times 10^4 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2}{9.6 \text{ m/s}^2} = 5.7 \times 10^3 \text{ m} = \boxed{5.7 \text{ km}}$$

4. $v_i = 8.0 \text{ m/s}$

 $v_f = \sqrt{2a\Delta x + v_i^2} = \sqrt{(2)(2.0 \text{ m/s}^2)(40.\text{m}) + (8.0 \text{ m/s})^2} = \sqrt{1.60 \times 10^2 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2 + 64 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}$

$$\Delta x = 40.0 \text{ m}$$
$$a = 2.00 \text{ m/s}^2$$

 $v_f = \sqrt{224 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} = \pm 15 \text{ m/s} = 15 \text{ m/s}$

5. $\Delta x = +9.60 \text{ km}$

 $v_i = \sqrt{v_f^2 - 2a\Delta x} = \sqrt{(0 \text{ m/s})^2 - (2)(-2.0 \text{ m/s}^2)(9.60 \times 10^3 \text{ m})}$

$$a = -2.0 \text{ m/s}^2$$
$$v_f = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

 $v_i = \sqrt{3.84 \times 10^4 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2} = \pm 196 \text{ m/s} = +196 \text{ m/s}$

6. $a = +0.35 \text{ m/s}^2$

 $v_f = \sqrt{2a\Delta x + v_i^2} = \sqrt{(2)(0.35 \text{ m/s}^2)(64 \text{ m}) + (0 \text{ m/s})^2}$

 $v_i = 0 \text{ m/s}$ $\Delta x = 64 \text{ m}$

 $v_f = \sqrt{45 \text{ m}^2 \text{s}^2} = \pm 6.7 \text{ m/s} = \boxed{+6.7 \text{ m/s}}$

7. $\Delta x = 44.8 \text{ km}$

 $\Delta t = 60.0 \text{ min}$

a.
$$v_{avg} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{44.8 \times 10^3 \text{ m}}{(60.0 \text{ min})(60 \text{ s/min})} = \boxed{12.4 \text{ m/s}}$$

 $a = -2.0 \text{ m/s}^2$

b.
$$v_f = \sqrt{2a\Delta x + v_i^2} = \sqrt{(2)(-2.0 \text{ m/s}^2)(20.0 \text{ m}) + (12.4 \text{ m/s})^2}$$

 $\Delta x = 20.0 \text{ m}$

$$v_i = 12.4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{280.0 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} + 154 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2 = \sqrt{74 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} = \pm 8.6 \text{ m/s} = 8.6 \text{ m/s}$$

8.
$$\Delta x = 2.00 \times 10^2 \text{ m}$$
 $v_i = \sqrt{v_f^2 - 2a\Delta x} = \sqrt{(25.0 \text{ m/s})^2 - (2)(1.20 \text{ m/s}^2)(2.00 \times 10^2 \text{ m})}$ $a = 1.20 \text{ m/s}^2$ $v_i = \sqrt{625 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2 - 4.80 \times 10^2 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2}$ $v_f = 25.0 \text{ m/s}$ $v_i = \sqrt{145 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} = \pm 12.0 \text{ m/s} = 12.0 \text{ m/s}$

9.
$$\Delta x = 4.0 \times 10^2 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = 11.55$$

$$v_i = 0 \text{ km/h}$$

$$v_f = 2.50 \times 10^2 \text{ km/h}$$

$$a = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2\Delta x} = \frac{\left[(2.50 \times 10^2 \text{ km/h})^2 - (0 \text{ km/h})^2 \right] \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \right)^2}{(2)(4.0 \times 10^2 \text{ m})}$$

$$a = \frac{4.82 \times 10^3 \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2}{8.0 \times 10^2 \text{ m}} = \boxed{6.0 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

10.
$$v_i = 25.0 \text{ km/h}$$

$$v_f = 0 \text{ km/h}$$

$$\Delta x = 16.0 \text{ m}$$

$$a = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2\Delta x} = \frac{\left[(0 \text{ km/h})^2 - (25.0 \text{ km/h})^2 \right] \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10^3 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \right)^2}{(2)(16.0 \text{ m})}$$

$$a = \frac{-4.82 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}{32.0 \text{ m}} = \frac{-1.51 \text{ m/s}^2}{1.51 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

Additional Practice F

1.
$$\Delta y = -343 \text{ m}$$
 $v_f = \sqrt{2a\Delta y + v_i^2} = \sqrt{(2)(-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(-343 \text{ m}) + (0 \text{ m/s})^2} = \sqrt{6730 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}$ $a = -9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ $v_f = 0 \text{ m/s}$ $v_f = \pm 82.0 \text{ m/s} = -82.0 \text{ m/s}$

2.
$$\Delta y = +4.88 \text{ m}$$
 $v_f = \sqrt{2a\Delta y + v_i^2} = \sqrt{(2)(-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(4.88 \text{ m}) + (9.98 \text{ m/s})^2} = \sqrt{-95.7 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2 + 99.6 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}$ $v_f = \sqrt{3.90 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} = \pm 1.97 \text{ m/s} = \pm 1.97 \text{ m/s}$

3.
$$\Delta y = -443 \text{ m} + 221 \text{ m}$$
 $v_f = \sqrt{2a\Delta y - v_i^2} = \sqrt{(2)(-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(-222 \text{ m}) - (0 \text{ m/s})^2} = \sqrt{4360 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}$ $v_f = \pm 66.0 \text{ m/s}$ $v_f = 0 \text{ m/s}$

4.
$$\Delta y = +64 \text{ m}$$
 $\Delta y = v_i \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a \Delta t^2$ $a = -9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ $\Delta t = 3.0 \text{ s}$ $v_i = \frac{\Delta y - \frac{1}{2} a \Delta t^2}{\Delta t} = \frac{64 \text{ m} - \frac{1}{2} (-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(3.0 \text{ s})^2}{3.0 \text{ s}} = \frac{64 \text{ m} + 44 \text{ m}}{3.0 \text{ s}}$ $v_i = \frac{108 \text{ m}}{3.0 \text{ s}} = 36 \text{ m/s}$ initial speed of arrow = 36 m/s

5.
$$\Delta y = -111 \text{ m}$$
 $\Delta y = v_i \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} a \Delta t^2$ $\Delta t = 3.80 \text{ s}$ $a = -9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ $v_i = \frac{\Delta y - \frac{1}{2} a \Delta t^2}{\Delta t} = \frac{-111 \text{ m} - \frac{1}{2} (-9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) (3.80 \text{ s})^2}{3.80 \text{ s}} = \frac{-111 \text{ m} + 70.8 \text{ m}}{3.80 \text{ s}}$ $v_i = \frac{-40.2 \text{ m}}{3.80 \text{ s}} = \boxed{-10.6 \text{ m/s}}$

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