

1. Above is a velocity-time graph of a moving car. Answer the following questions using the graph.

_____a. At what time was the car stopped?

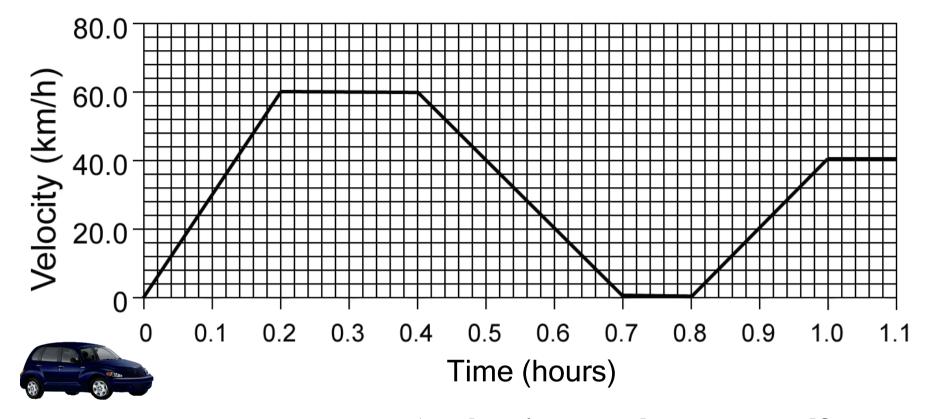
______b. At what time did the car have the greatest velocity?

c. What was the greatest velocity?

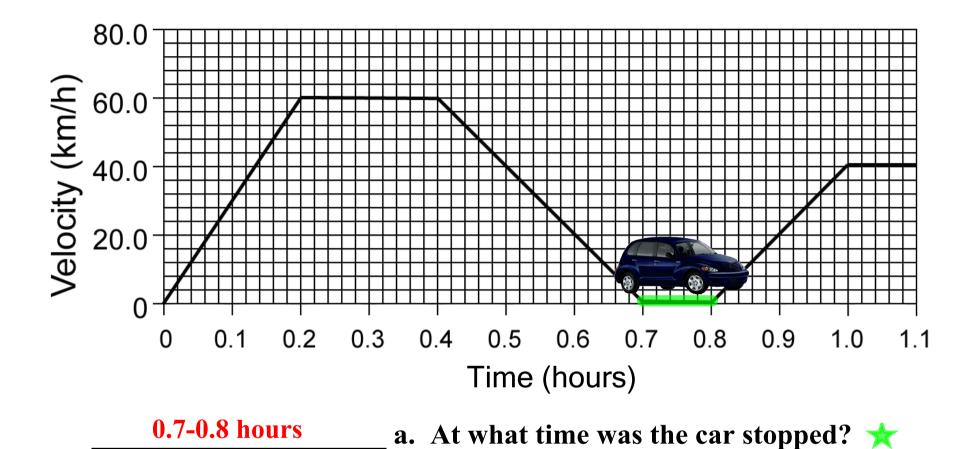
_ d. At what time(s) was the car accelerating?

e. How fast was the car going at 1.0h?

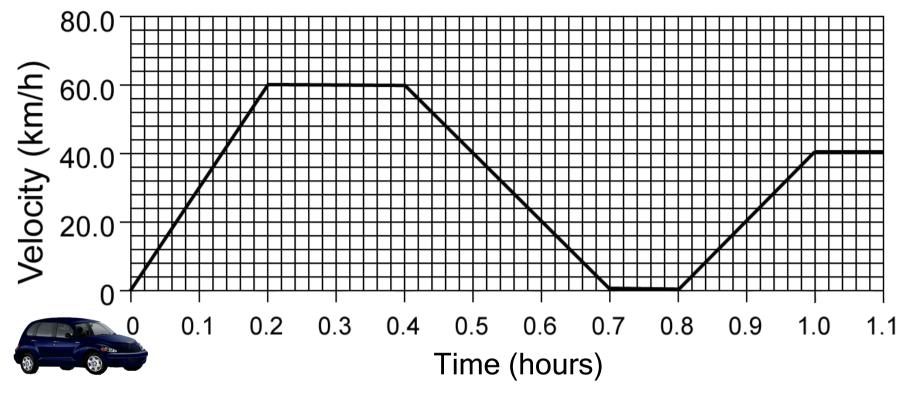
f. What is the acceleration at 0.9 h?



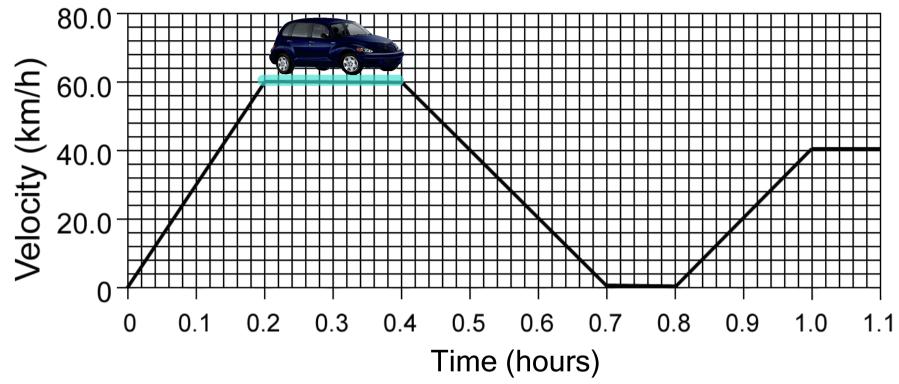
a. At what time was the car stopped?



We look to the graph to where velocity = 0 km/h. This is indicated by the green line. This velocity occurs between time 0.7-0.8 hours.

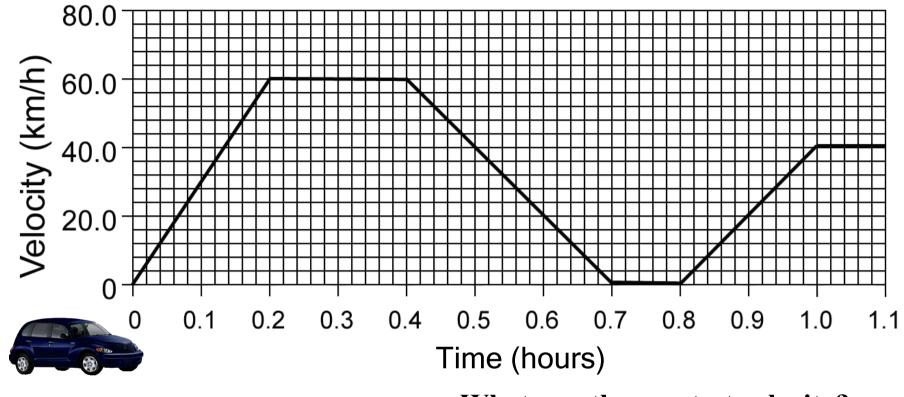


b. At what time did the car have the greatest velocity?

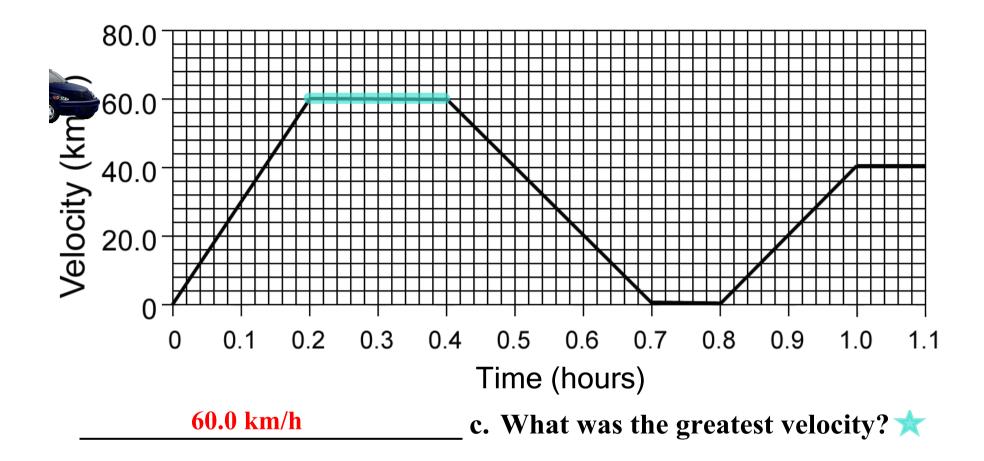


0.2-0.4 hours b. At what time did the car have the greatest velocity?

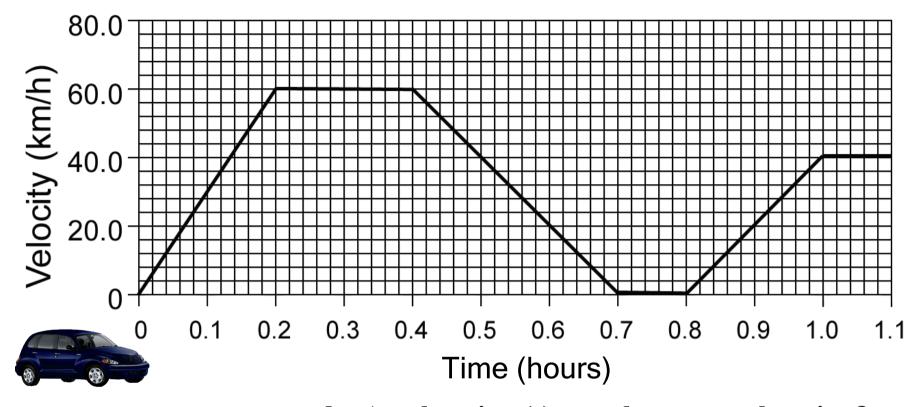
We look to the graph to find the highest vertical point. This range is indicated by the blue line. In this case the highest point occurs in the range of 0.2-0.4 hours.



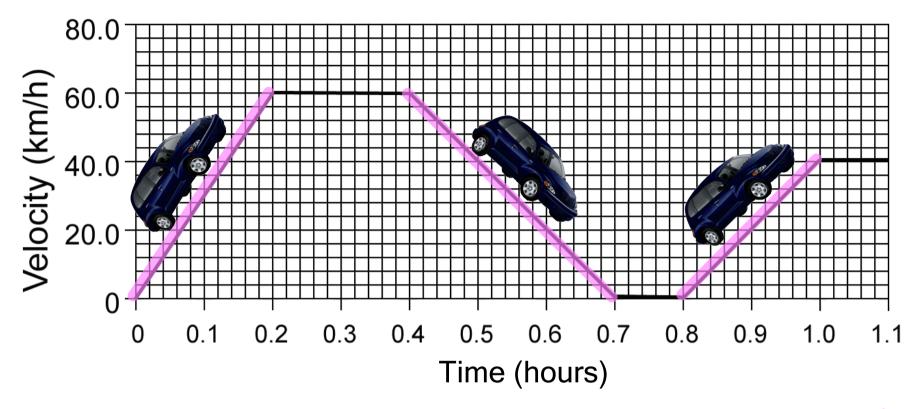
c. What was the greatest velocity?



We use the vertical axis, which measures velocity to find that the greatest velocity was 60.0 km/hr.

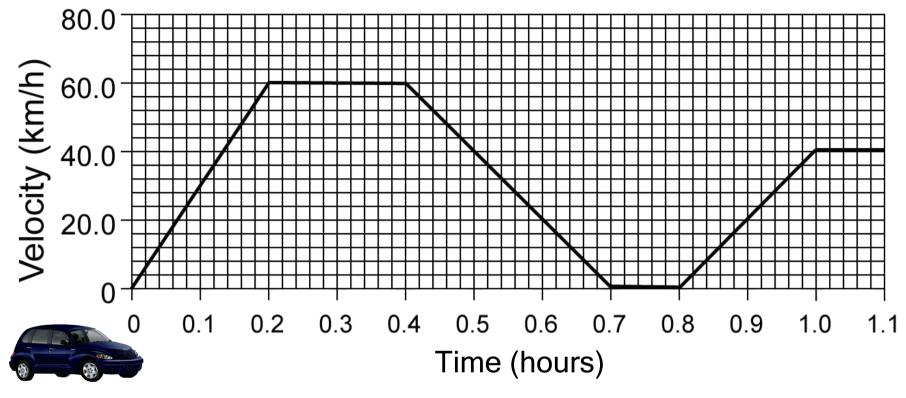


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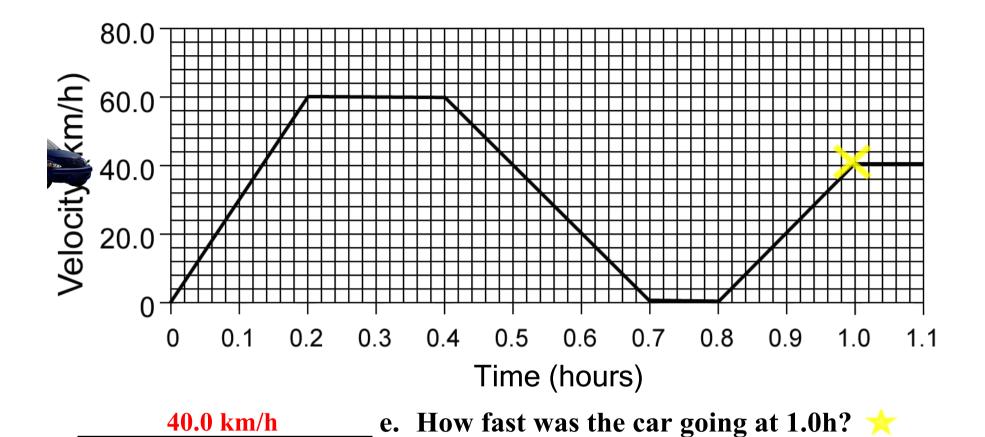


 $\underline{0-0.2h}$, $\underline{0.4-0.7h}$, $\underline{0.8-1.0h}$ d. At what time(s) was the car accelerating?

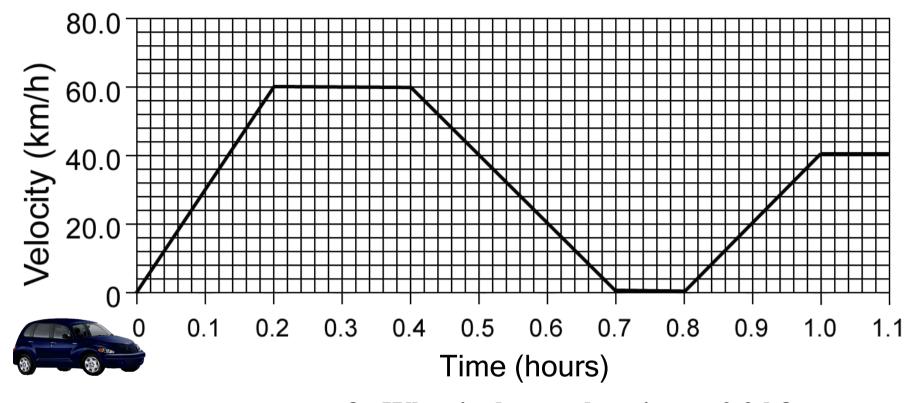
- Acceleration means change in velocity, so we look to the graph to find where the slope does not equal zero.
- Remember, in physics class, acceleration can mean both positive acceleration, or negative acceleration (deceleration), so we also must count the interval of 0.4-0.7 hours.



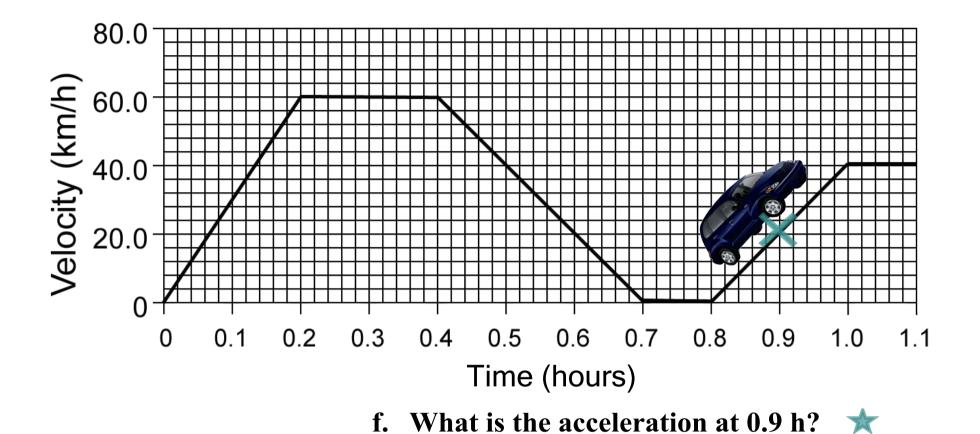
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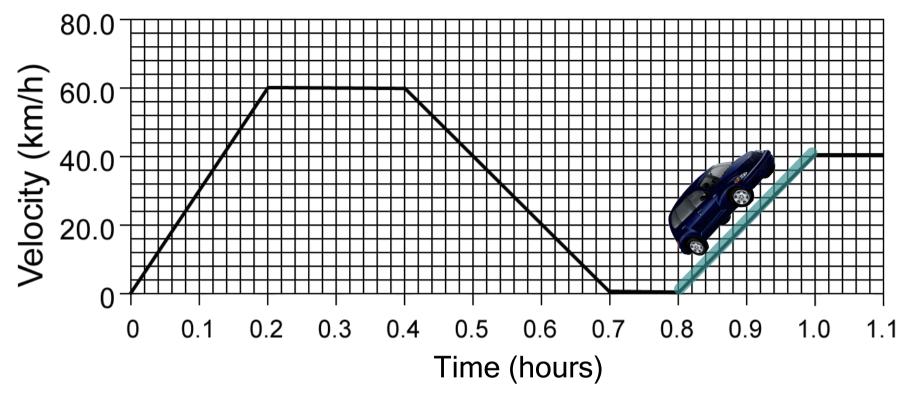
We look at the horizontal axis to find to find time = 1.0 hour. We then move up the graph find the velocity at 1.0 hour. Using the vertical axis, we see that at time 1 hour, the velocity is 40.0 km/h.



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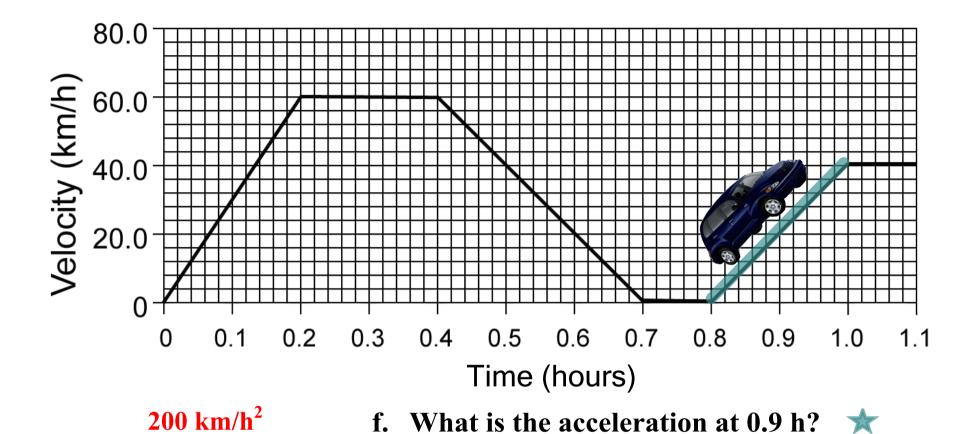
• To find the acceleration, we need to calculate the slope of the line at time = 0.9h. The slope tell us how the velocity is changing. Change in velocity = ACCELERATION!



f. What is the acceleration at 0.9 h?

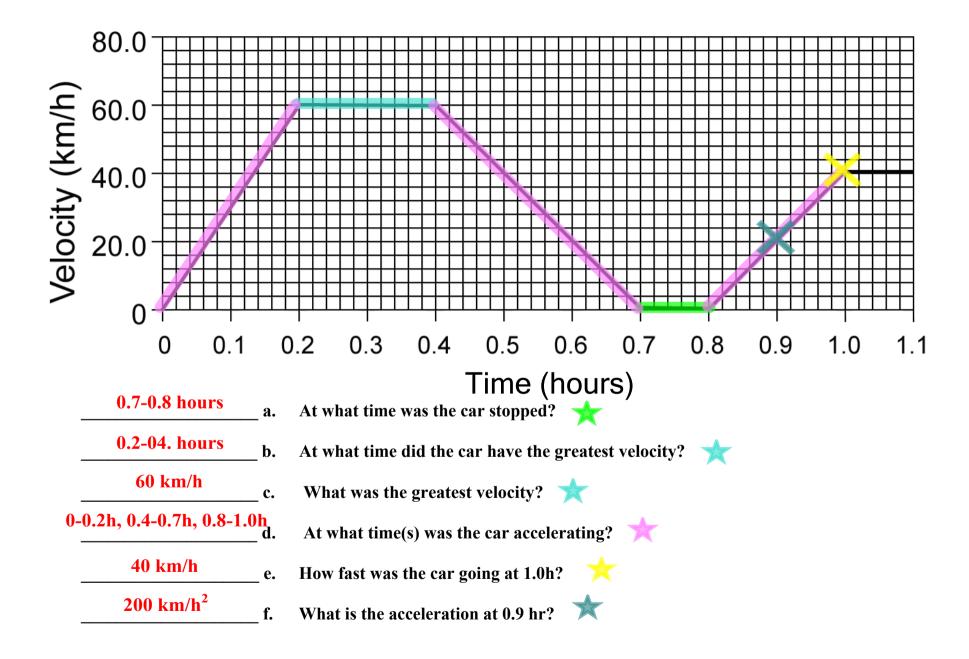


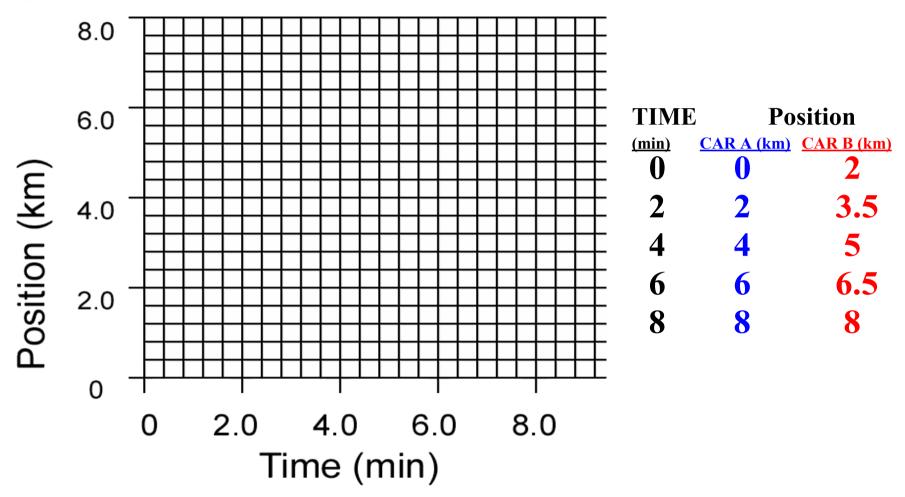
- Since the slope is constant from 0.8-1.0h (as shown by the green line), we use this as our range for time. During this interval, velocity changes from 0-40.0 km/h.
- Then we just use the equation for slope, which in this case is the equation for finding acceleration: Slope = $(y_2-y_1)/(x_2-x_1)$.
- And so acceleration = $(v_2 v_1)/(t_2-t_1)$

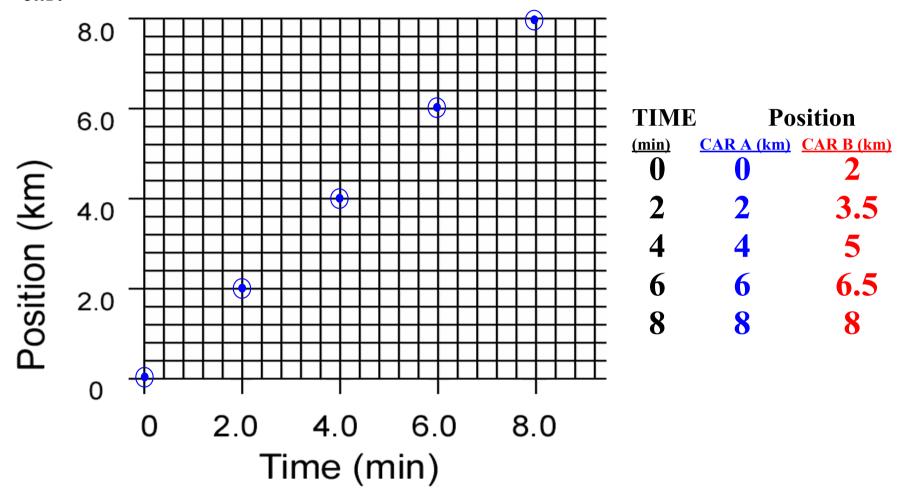


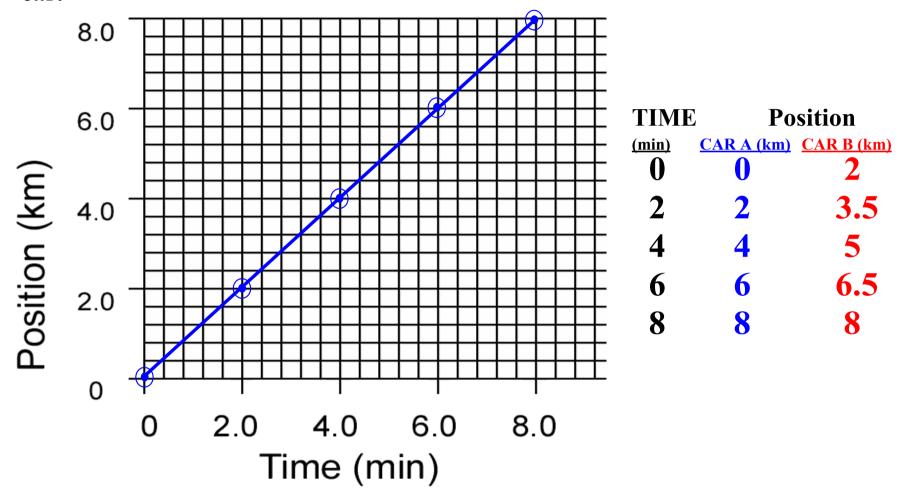
• Now we just plug our numbers into our equation: $A = (v_2 - v_1)/(t_2-t_1)$

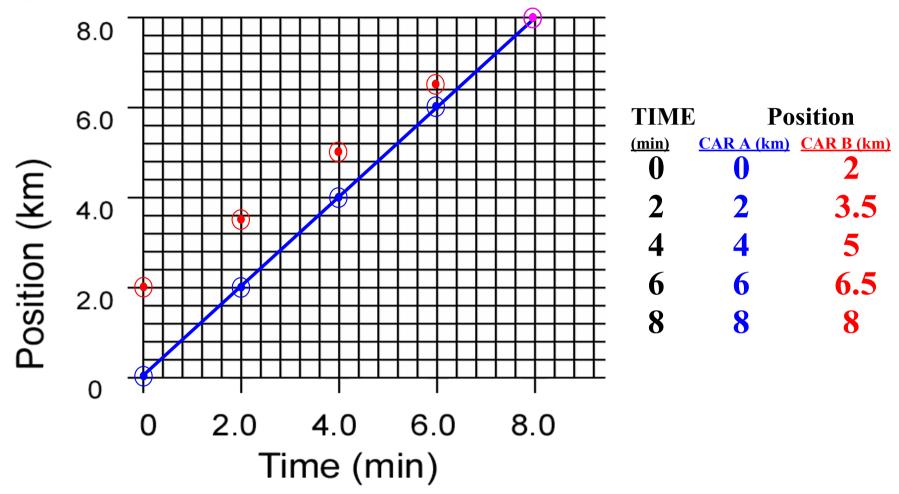
$$A = (v_2 - v_1)/(t_2 - t_1) = (40.0 \text{ km/h} - 0 \text{ km/h})/(1.0 \text{ h} - 0.8 \text{ h})$$
$$= (40.0 \text{ km/h})/(0.2 \text{ h}) = 200 \text{ km/h}^2$$

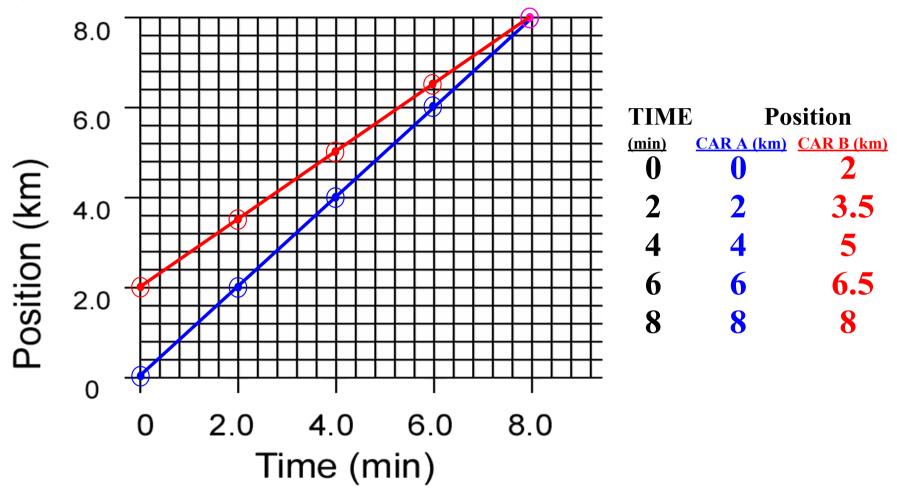


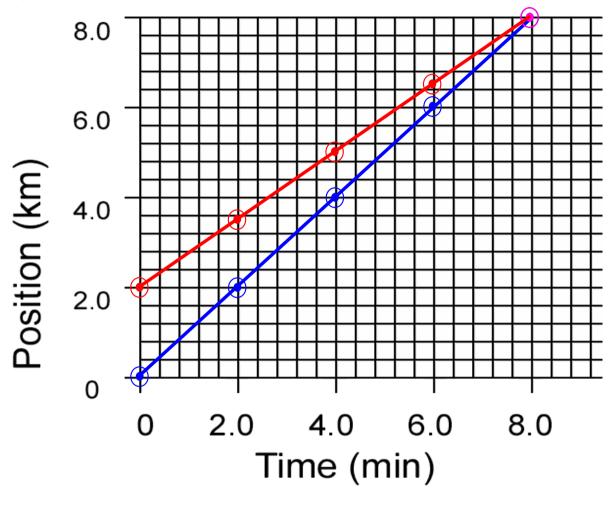




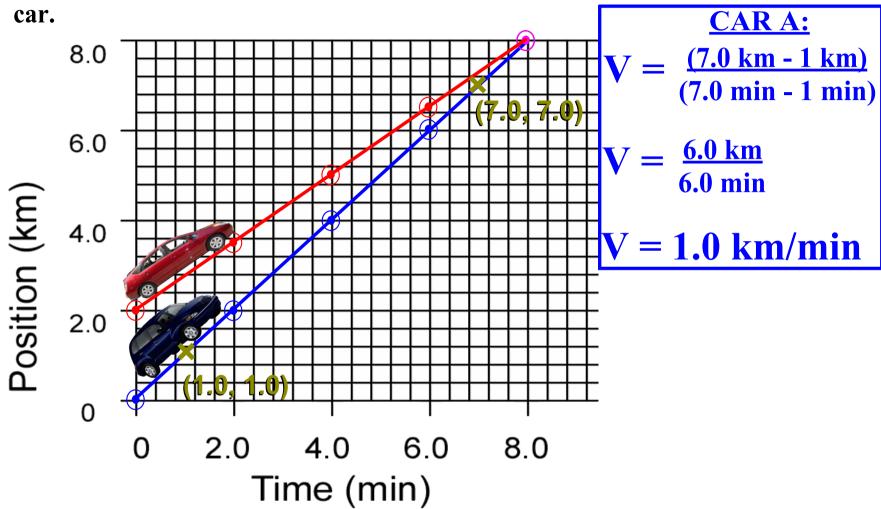


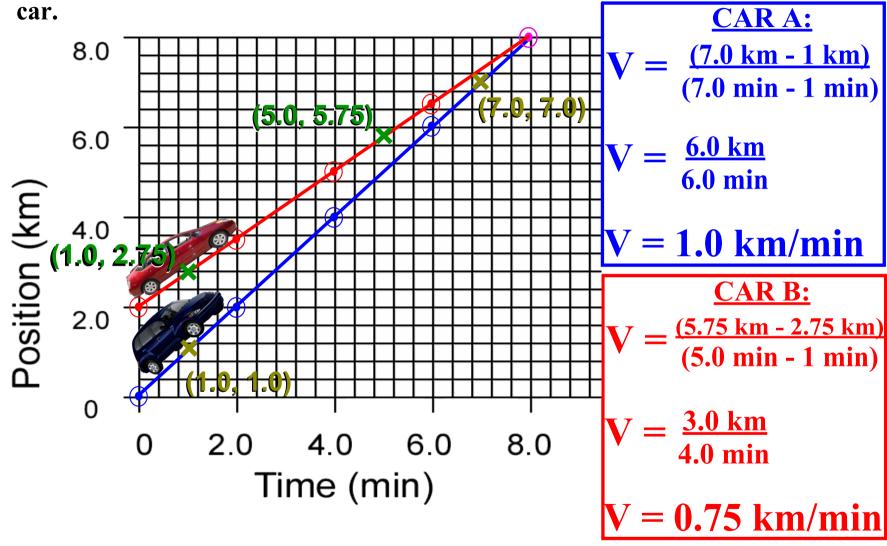






Velocity for each car will just be equal to the slope of the line for position vs. time for each car.







3. Draw a velocity-time graph for a ball that has been thrown straight up into the air and returns to its original position. (neglect air friction)



Before we create our graph, let's look at how gravity affects the motion of the ball.

Gravity = $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 down$,

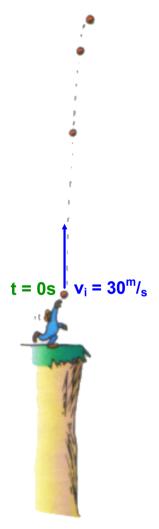
but we'll approximate gravity as:

 $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2 down.$

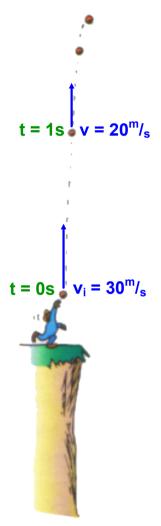
Let's also say that the ball has an initial velocity of $30^{m}/_{s}$ up.



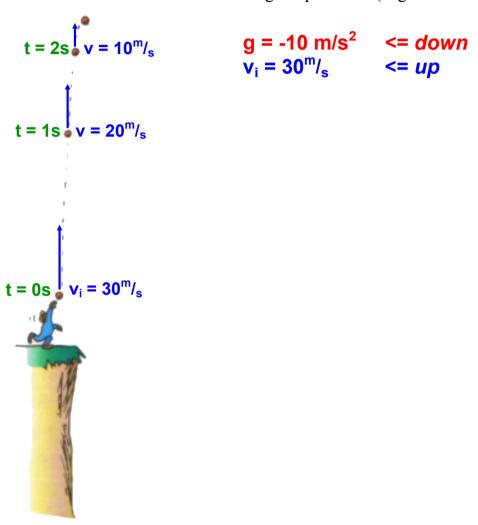
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 <= down
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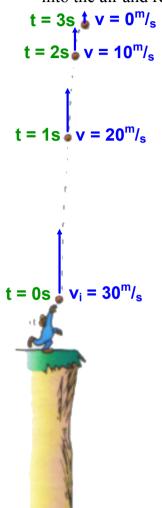


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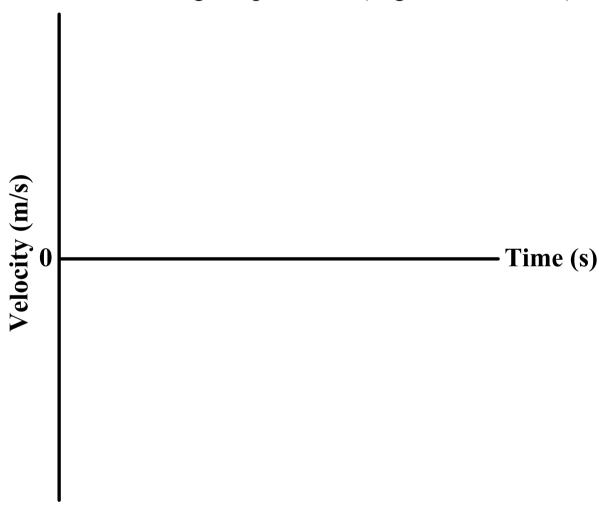
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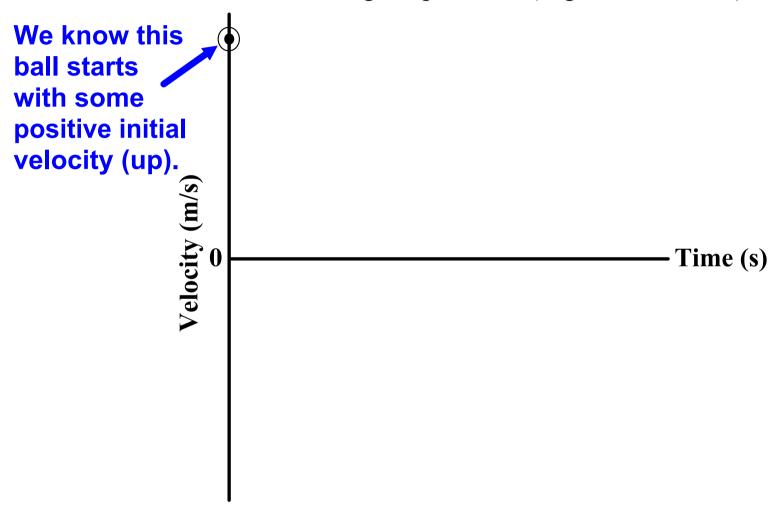


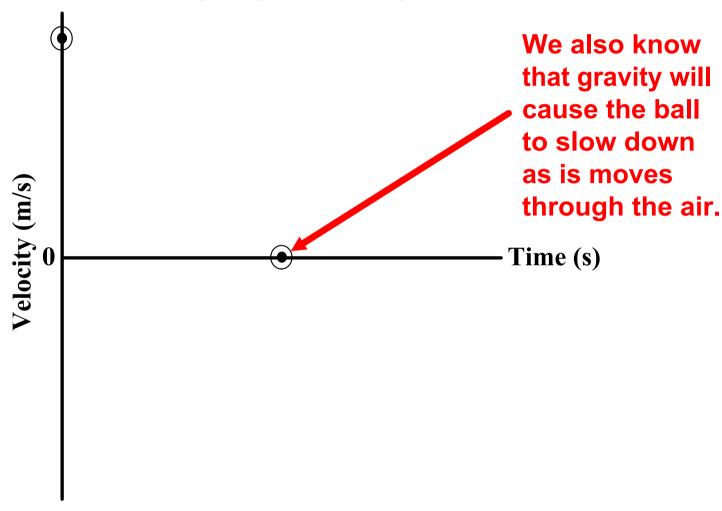
$$t = 35^{\circ} V = 0^{\circ} /_{s}$$

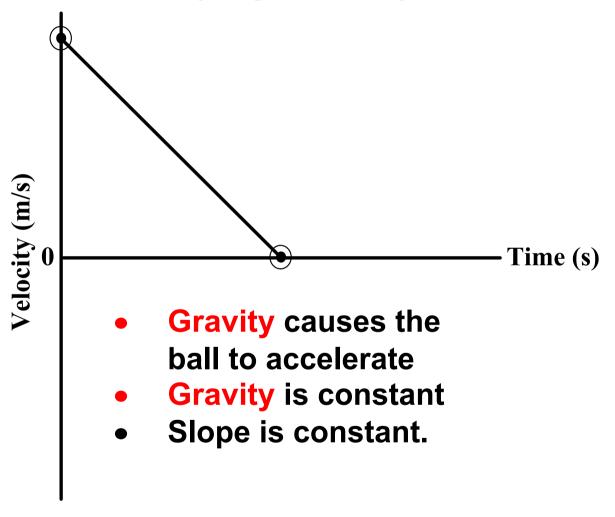
 $t = 2s^{\circ} V = 10^{m} /_{s}$
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Let's start our graph, then we will look at the ball's trip down.









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$$g = -10 \text{ m/s}^2$$
 <= down $v_i = 0^{\text{m}}/_{\text{s}}$

Now let's look at the ball's trip down.

$$t = 3s \quad v_i = 0^m/s$$

$$t = 4s \quad v = -10^m/s$$

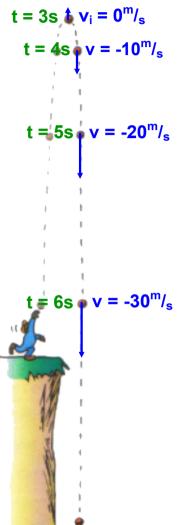
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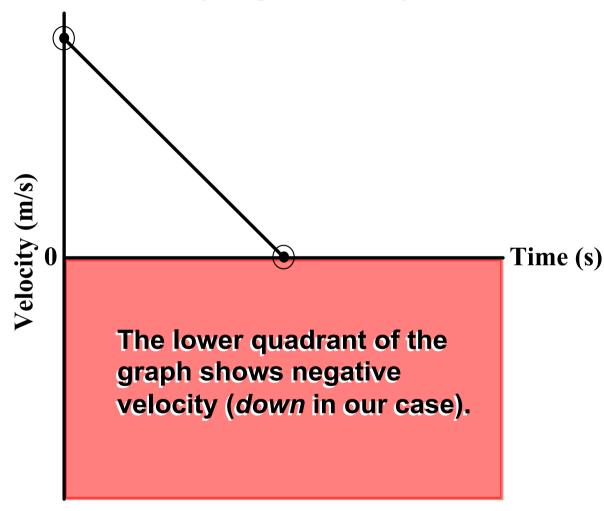
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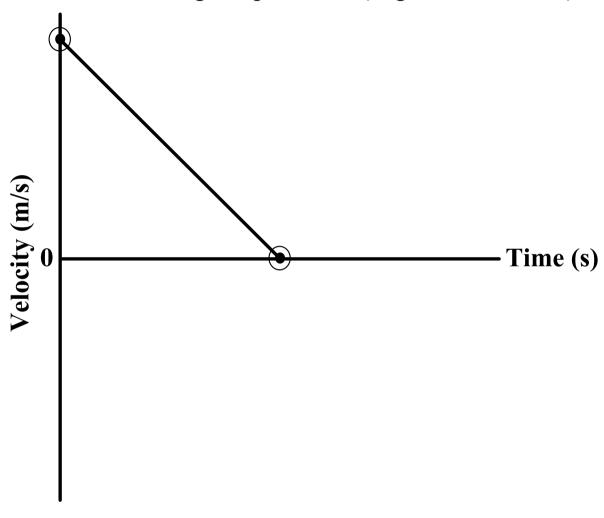
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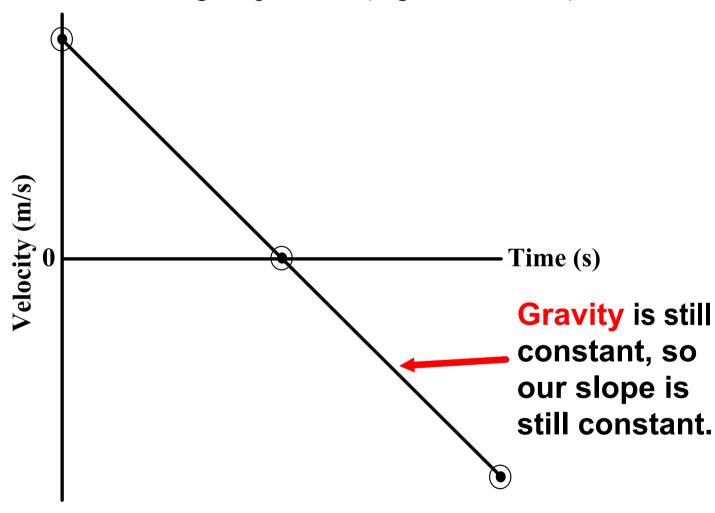


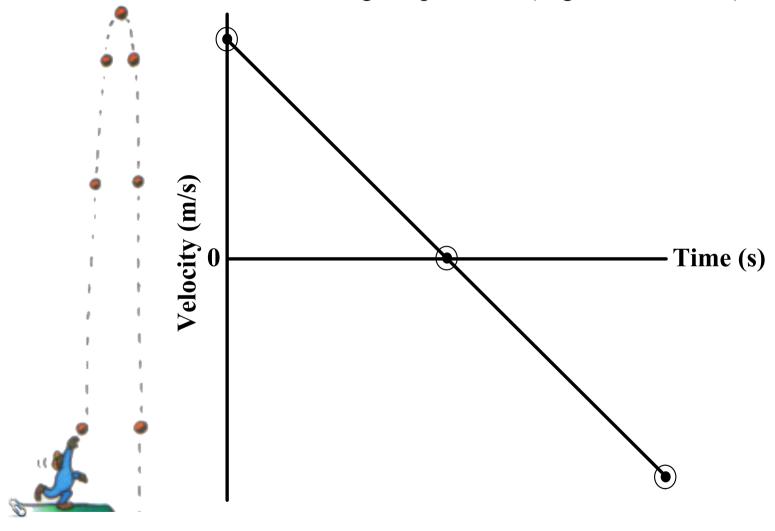
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Now we are ready to finish our graph.



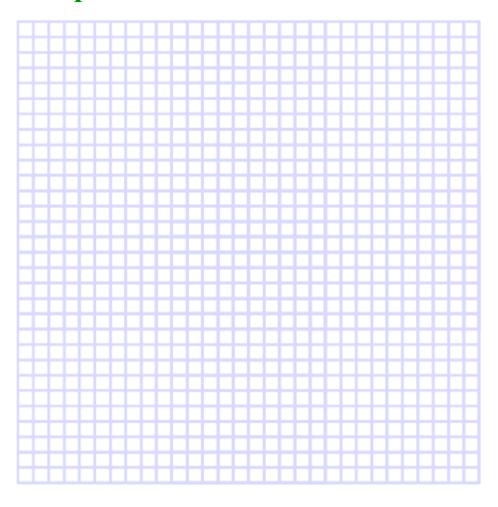




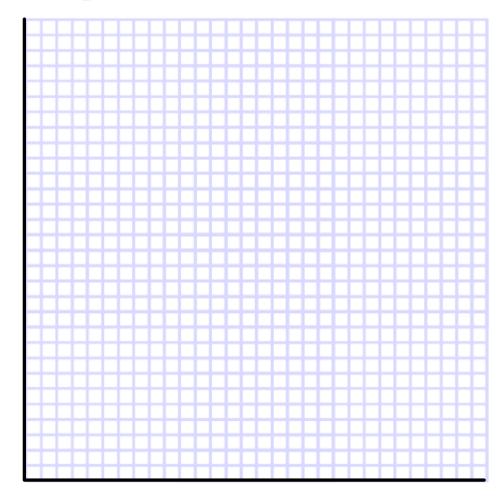


4. A police car is stopped at a red light. As the light turns green, a diesel truck hurtles past in the next lane traveling at a constant speed of 28.0 m/s. If the police car, sirens blaring and lights flashing, accelerates at 4.0 m/s², how many seconds will it take it to catch the truck?

Hint: On the same set of axis, draw velocity-time graphs for the car and the truck. 4) A diesel truck hurtles past in the next lane traveling at a constant speed of 28.0 m/s.

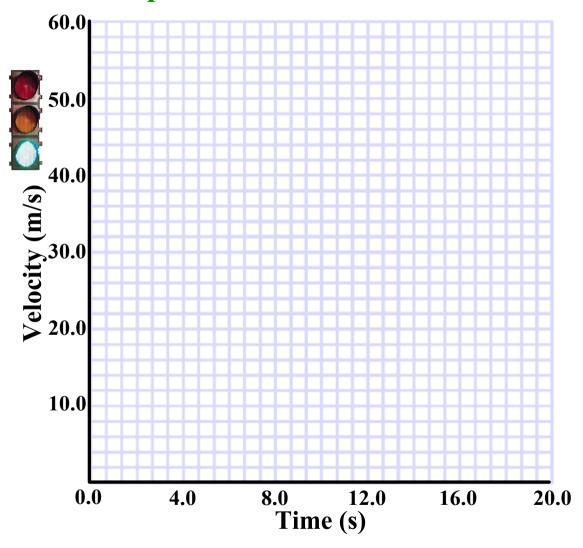




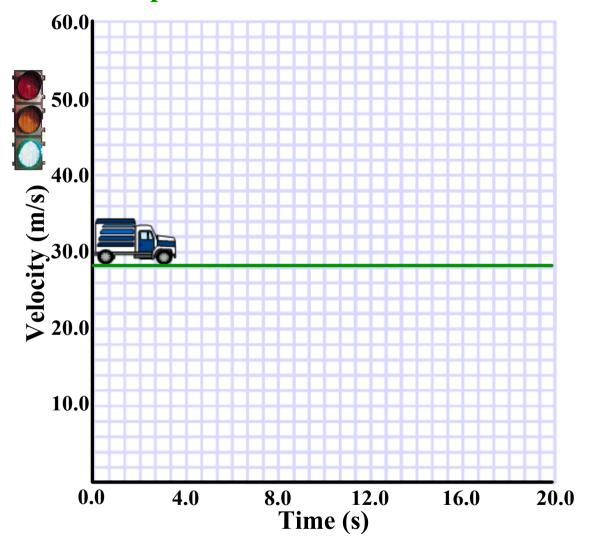


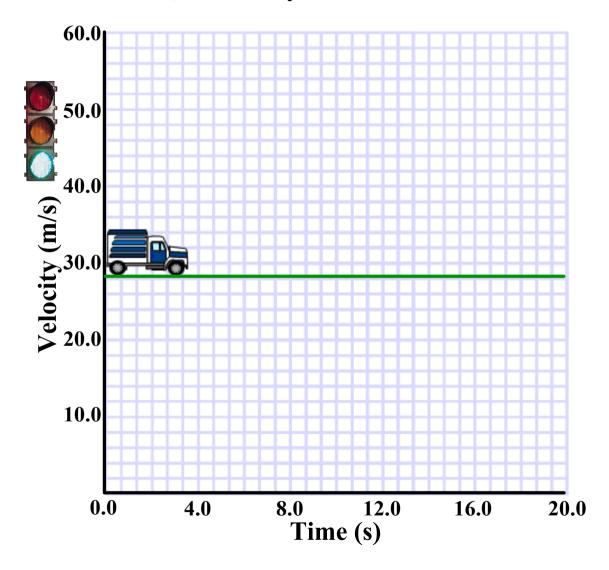
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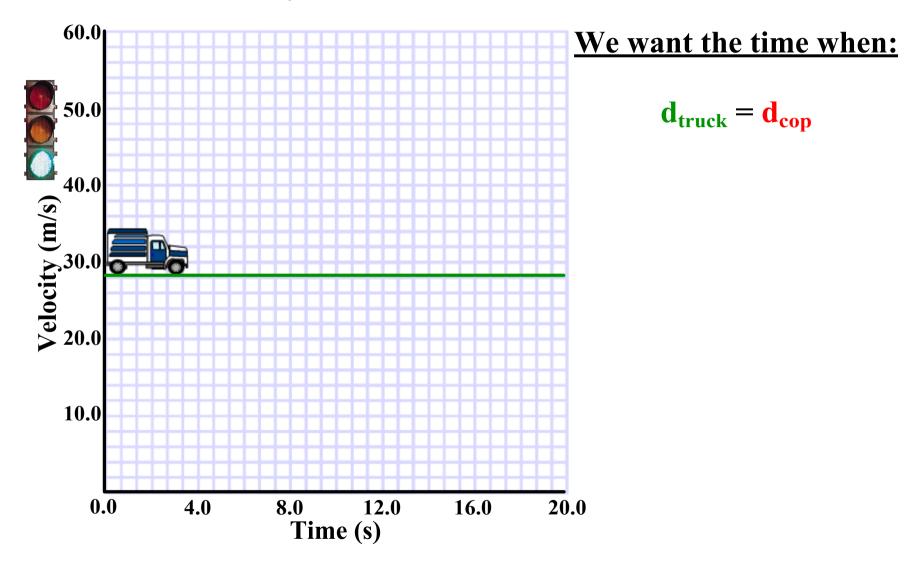
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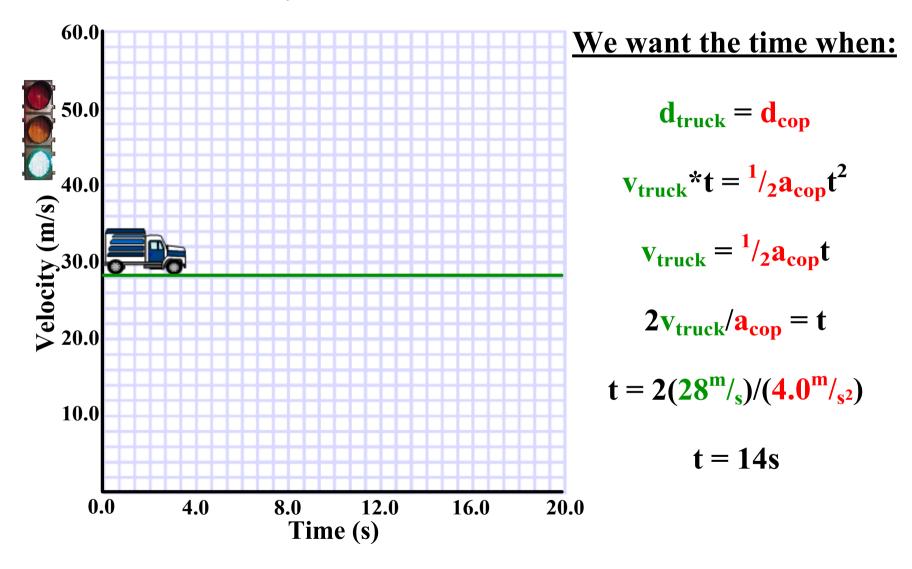


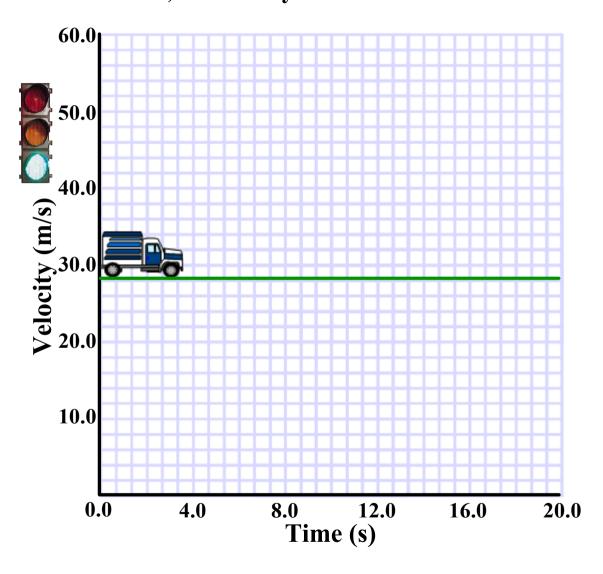
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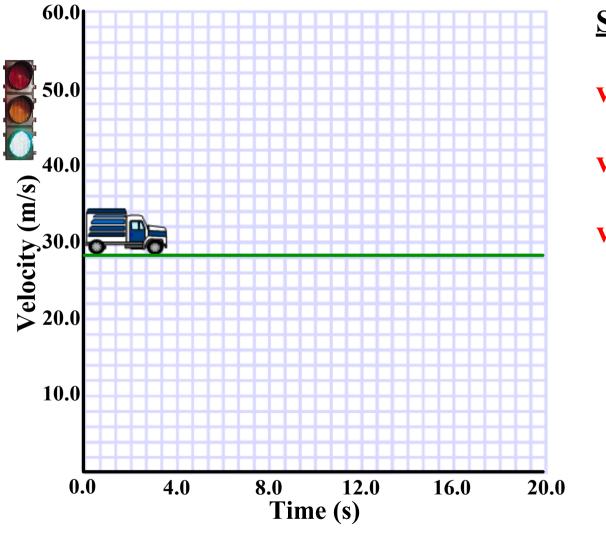








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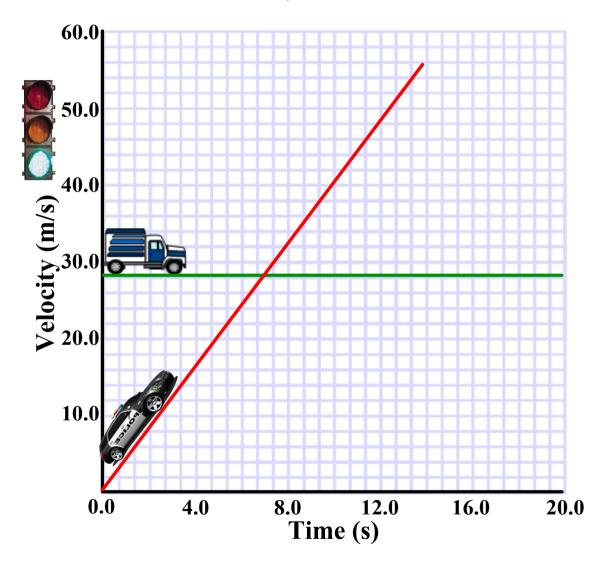


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$$\mathbf{v_f} = \mathbf{v_i} + \mathbf{at}$$

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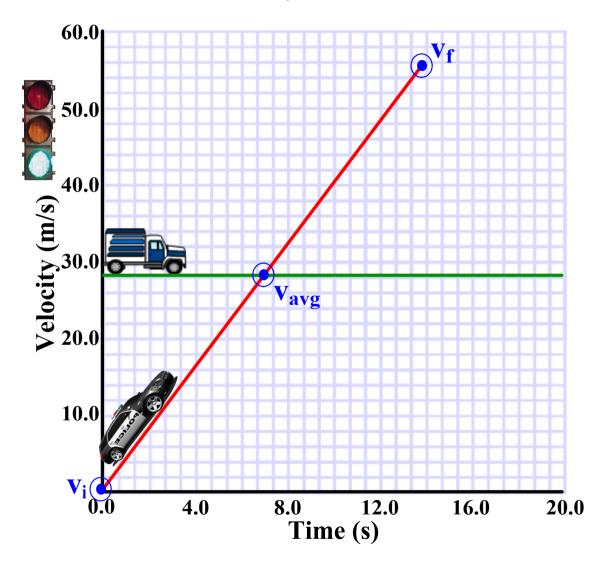


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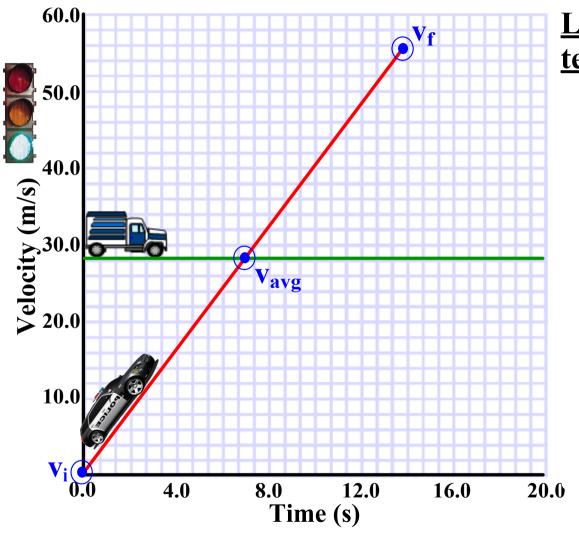


Also Notice:

$$\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{avg}} = \mathbf{\underline{v}_{\underline{f}}} + \mathbf{\underline{v}_{\underline{i}}} = \mathbf{\underline{v}_{\underline{f}}} \\ \mathbf{2}$$

$$\mathbf{v_{avg}} = \frac{56\text{m/s}}{2}$$

$$v_{avg} = 28^{m}/_{s}$$



Let's look at this in terms of distance:

