

1. A train travels along a straight horizontal track from station P to station Q .

In a model of the motion of the train, at time $t = 0$ the train starts from rest at P , and moves with constant acceleration until it reaches its maximum speed of 25 m s^{-1}

The train then travels at this constant speed of 25 m s^{-1} before finally moving with constant deceleration until it comes to rest at Q .

The time spent decelerating is four times the time spent accelerating.

The journey from P to Q takes 700 s .

Using the model,

- (a) sketch a speed-time graph for the motion of the train between the two stations P and Q . (1)

The distance between the two stations is 15 km .

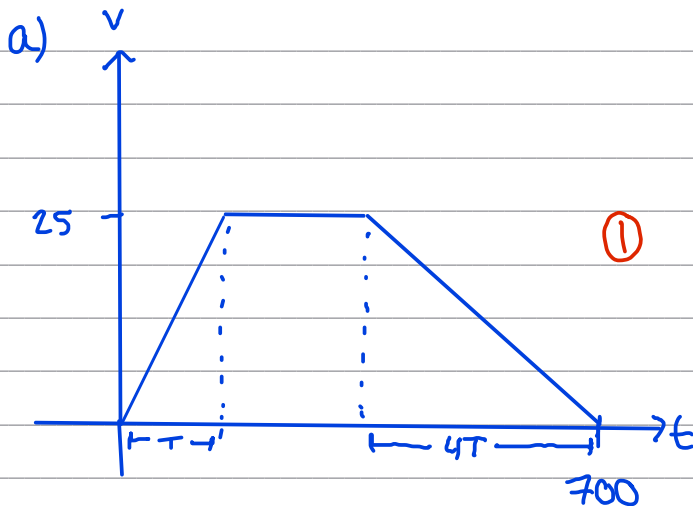
Using the model,

- (b) show that the time spent accelerating by the train is 40 s , (3)

- (c) find the acceleration, in m s^{-2} , of the train, (1)

- (d) find the speed of the train 572 s after leaving P . (2)

- (e) State one limitation of the model which could affect your answers to parts (b) and (c). (1)



b) Area = $15,000 \text{ m}$ $\Rightarrow \frac{700 + (700 - T - 4T)}{2} \times 25 = 15,000$ (2)

$$1400 - 5T = 15000 \times \frac{2}{25}$$

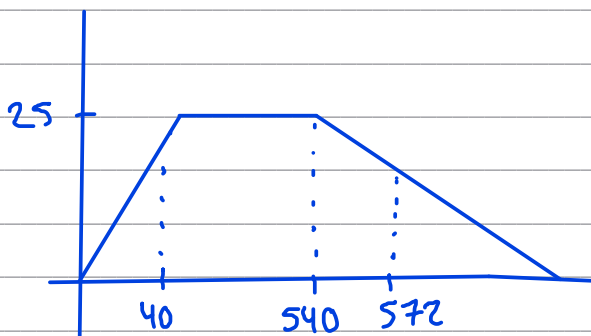
$$5T = 200$$

$$T = 40 \text{ s} \text{ (1)}$$

c) time taken = 40 seconds
velocity reached = 25 ms^{-1}

$$\text{acc}^n = \frac{25}{40} = 0.625 \text{ ms}^{-2} \quad (1)$$

d) rate of deceleration = $\frac{25}{40} \div 4 = \frac{5}{32} \text{ ms}^{-2}$



$$572 - 540 = 32$$

Train decelerated from 25 ms^{-1} at a rate of $\frac{5}{32} \text{ ms}^{-2}$ for 32 seconds

$$\therefore v = 25 - \frac{5}{32} \times 32 \quad (1)$$

$$v = 20 \text{ ms}^{-1} \quad (1)$$

e) the train cannot instantaneously change acceleration (1)

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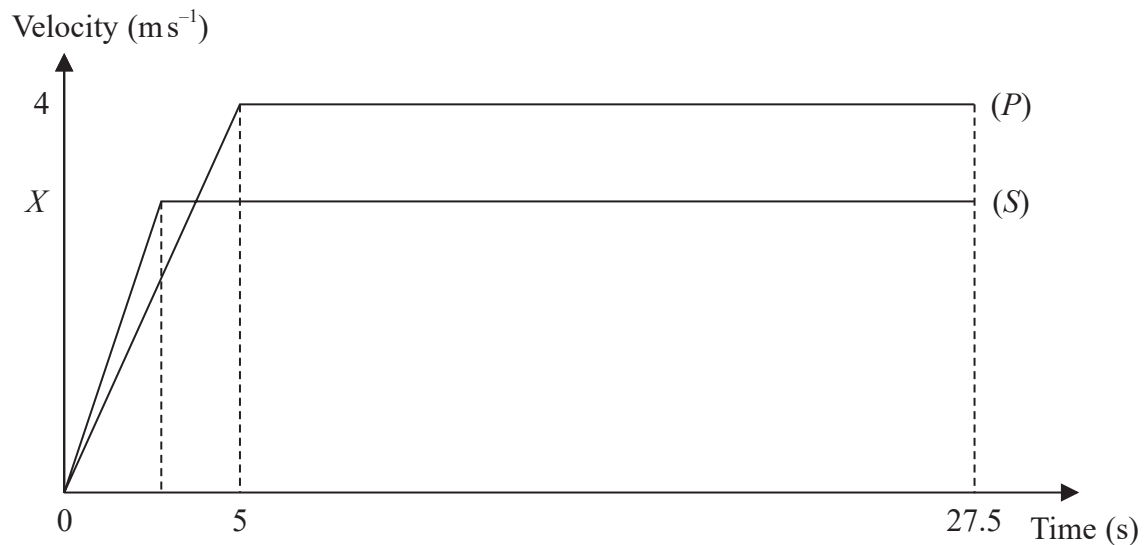


Figure 1

Two children, Pat (P) and Sam (S), run a race along a straight horizontal track.

Both children start from rest at the same time and cross the finish line at the same time.

In a model of the motion:

Pat accelerates at a constant rate from rest for 5 s until reaching a speed of 4 m s^{-1} and then maintains a constant speed of 4 m s^{-1} until crossing the finish line.

Sam accelerates at a constant rate of 1 m s^{-2} from rest until reaching a speed of $X \text{ m s}^{-1}$ and then maintains a constant speed of $X \text{ m s}^{-1}$ until crossing the finish line.

Both children take 27.5 s to complete the race.

The velocity-time graphs shown in Figure 1 describe the model of the motion of each child from the instant they start to the instant they cross the finish line together.

Using the model,

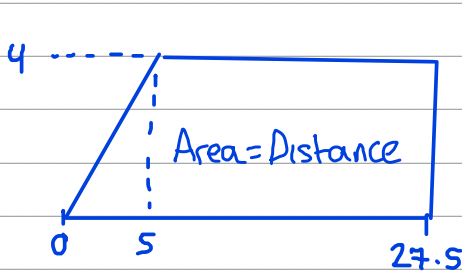
- explain why the areas under the two graphs are equal, (1)
- find the acceleration of Pat during the first 5 seconds, (1)
- find, in metres, the length of the race, (2)
- find the value of X , giving your answer to 3 significant figures. (4)

a) Pat and Sam ran the same race, so the distance they ran is equal. (1)

Area under a velocity-time graph = distance travelled

b) $t = 5\text{ s}$ acceleration $= \frac{v}{t} = \frac{4}{5} \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ①
 $v = 4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

c) considering Pat:

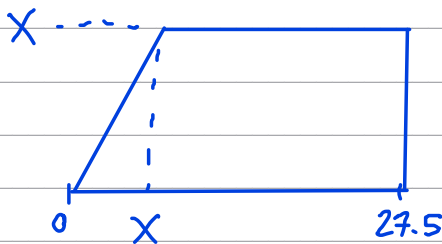


$$\text{Area} = \frac{(27.5 - 5) + 27.5}{2} \times 4 \quad \text{①}$$

$$= 100 \quad \text{①}$$

Distance is 100 m

d) considering Sam:



find time when sam stops accelerating:

$$v = X$$

$$a = 1 \quad t = \frac{v}{a} = X$$

$$\text{Area} = \left[\frac{(27.5 - X) + 27.5}{2} \right] X = 100 \quad \text{①} \quad \text{①}$$

distances for Sam and Pat are equal, so the areas are also equal

$$X(55 - X) = 200$$

$$55X - X^2 = 200$$

$$X^2 - 55X + 200 = 0 \quad \text{①}$$

$$X = 51.08 \text{ or } X = 3.92$$

$$X < 27.5 \text{ so } X = 3.92 \quad \text{①}$$