

Distance- Time Graphs

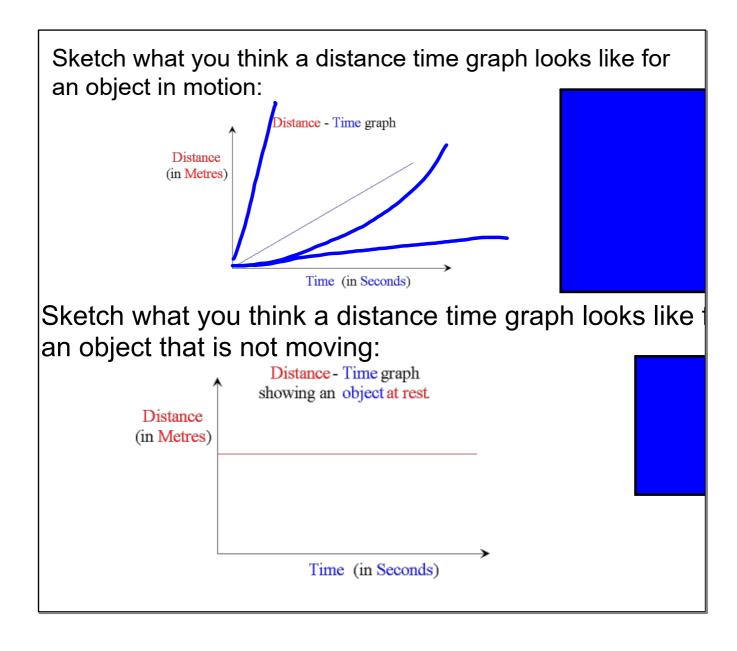
shows the relationship between distance and time.

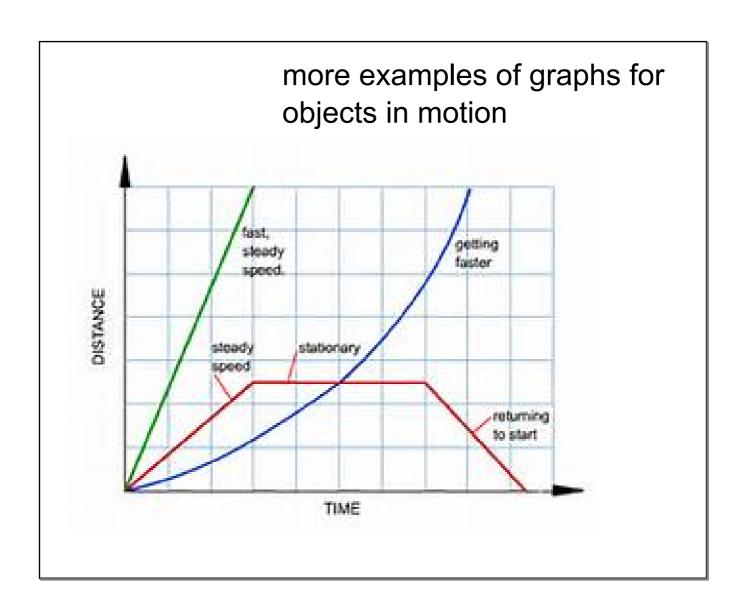
distance is plotted on the y axis

time is plotted on the x axis

y axis (distance)

x axis (time)





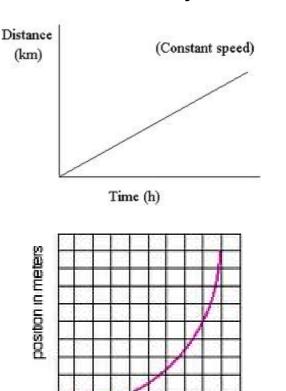
Constant vs Non-Constant Velocity

Constant Velocity

If the speed of an object remains the same, it will show as a straight line on a distance-time graph

Non- Constant Velocity

If the speed of an object changes (non-constant), it will show as a curve on a distance-time graph.



time in seconds

Calculating Speed

To calculate the actual speed on a distance time graph you calculate the slope. Slope can be calculated using the following formula.

$$v = \underline{d_2 - d_1}$$
$$t_2 - t_1$$

The steeper the slope the faster the object is travelling.

Calculating Speed From a Graph

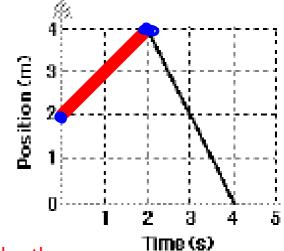
use the following formula:

$$v = \underline{d_2 - d_1}$$
$$t_2 - t_1$$

To calculate the speed of the red line:

1st locate your two points

$$d_1 = 2m$$
 $d_2 = 4m$
 $t_1 = 0s$ $t_2 = 2s$



2nd put your points into the equation and solve the equation by subtracting the top and then the bottom and then dividing

$$V = \frac{d_2 - d_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{4m - 2m}{2s - 0s} = \frac{2m}{2s} = \frac{1m/s}{2s}$$

Graphing WS #1,2

average speed ex 1.notebook average speed ex 2 answers.notebook