

Speed



Grade Homework

- Gerc

Lab Time

- You will be learning how to use the cars, ramps and timers
- The pages in the lab book are on your worksheet
- Read the instructions and lab, carefully
- Equipment Needed
 - 1 tower 1 timer/powersupply 2 photogates 1 ramp 1 car
- Lab Hints
 - Do not put the ramp at the highest point possible. Midway down the tower will be fine
 - Be aware of the position of the timers at the beginning
 - Take several “trial” runs in order to get an average speed
 - After the trial, take all of your readings before you move the car again

Motion

- How do you know when something is in motion?
 - When something changes position
 - Traveling from one place to another
- Motion is described by the change in position and the speed



Motion is Relative

- How can you tell you are in motion when you are in a car?
- How can you tell you are in motion while you are in an airplane?



Motion is Relative

- You can tell something moved if it has changed position relative to a stationary object
- Reference Point- stationary object- helps you know how far something moved
- Relative motion- motion may not be obvious
 - Sitting in your chair, you are not moving relative to the room
 - You are moving relative to other planets

Speed

- How did you define speed?
- How is it measured?
- What units are used in physics?



Word/Term: SPEED

Drawing:

Describe in own words:

Textbook Definition:

Rate my Understanding: 1 2 3 4

How I remember it:

Reflections:

Speed and GERCC

- The formula for Speed is:

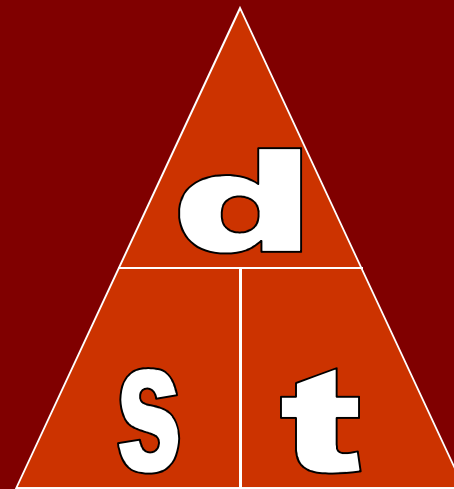
$$s = d/t$$

The unit for speed is meters/second (m/s)

s – speed (m/s)

d – distance (m)

t – time (s)



Big Bang Help



Types of Speed

- Instantaneous Speed- The rate of Motion at any given time
 - How fast is the Flash and the car moving right now?



Types of Speed

- **Constant Speed**
 - A speed that doesn't vary

Each dot represents an object's position at regular time intervals (time is constant).

Fast object



Slow object



- **Initial Speed**
 - The speed of an object at the beginning of a formula
 - A car standing still at a stoplight
 - A car moving 60 km/h at the start line

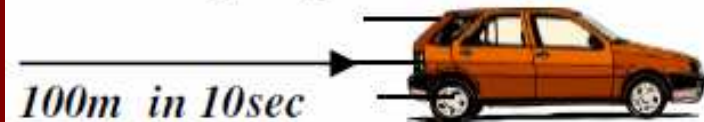
Types of Speed

- Final Speed
 - The speed of an object at the end of a problem
- Average Speed
 - Total distance traveled divided by the amount of time it took to travel that distance
 - Used when the rate of motion varies a great deal

Changes in Speed

Speed is proportional to distance:

A faster object goes farther, in the same amount of time.



*Doubling the distance,
doubles the speed.*

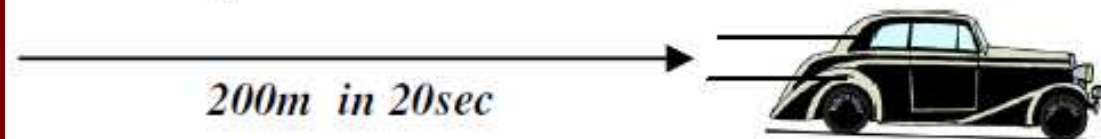
$$S_1 = \frac{\Delta D}{\Delta T} =$$



$$S_2 = \frac{\Delta D}{\Delta T} =$$

Speed is indirectly proportional to time:

A faster object travels the same distance in less time.



$$S_1 = \frac{\Delta D}{\Delta T} =$$

*Doubling the time,
halves the speed.*



$$S_2 = \frac{\Delta D}{\Delta T} =$$

A slower object can travel the same distance as a faster object, it just takes more time. A fast object travels the same distance faster.

Classwork

- Speed Worksheet
 - Grade next class