

Answer of question #78002-Physics- Mechanics - Relativity

A particle moving in a straight line with constant acceleration passes in succession A,B,C. The time taken from A to B is t and from B to C is $2t$, $AB = a$, $BC = b$. Prove that the acceleration is $(b-2a) \div (3t^2)$ and find the velocity at B. Assuming the initial velocity equals to u .

Input Data:

*Distance*₁: $AB = a$;

*Distance*₂: $BC = b$;

*Time*₁: $t_1 = t$;

*Time*₂: $t_2 = 2t$;

Acceleration: e ;

Initial velocity: u ;

Solution:

According to the equation of motion, the distances will be:

$$a = ut_1 + \frac{et_1^2}{2};$$

$$b = vt_2 + \frac{et_2^2}{2};$$

where v is the speed reached at point **B**:

$$v = u + et_1 = u + et;$$

Hence the distance b after substitution of the initial data is equal to:

$$b = 2t(u + et) + \frac{4et^2}{2} = 2ut + 4et^2;$$

Distance a is equal:

$$a = ut + \frac{et^2}{2};$$

We multiply the distance a by 2 and subtract from distance b , as indicated in the condition. We obtain the following equation:

$$b - 2a = 2ut + 4et^2 - 2ut - et^2;$$

$$b - 2a = 3et^2;$$

Hence the acceleration is equal to:

$$e = \frac{b - 2a}{3t^2}$$

Answer:

Velocity at B :

$$v = u + et;$$

Acceleration:

$$e = \frac{b-2a}{3t^2}, \text{ Q.E.D.}$$

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