

A car travel 2m in 2nd second and 6m in next 4 second. what will be distance travel by car in 9th second?

Suppose, the initial speed of the car was v_0 m/s. Then the speed at the time instant t equals:

$$v(t) = v_0 + at$$

a – acceleration

Distance traveled in the 2nd second equals:

$$d_1 = (v_0 + a * 1s)1s + \frac{a(1s)^2}{2} = v_0 + \frac{3}{2}a$$

$v_0 + a * 1s$ – speed at the beginning of the 2nd second

Distance traveled in the next 4 seconds equals:

$$d_2 = (v_0 + 2s a)4s + \frac{a(4s)^2}{2} = 4v_0 + 16a$$

$$\begin{cases} v_0 + \frac{3}{2}a = 2 \\ 4v_0 + 16a = 6 \end{cases}$$

(2)-4*(1):

$$4v_0 - 4v_0 + 16a - 6a = 6 - 8$$

$$a = -\frac{1}{5} \text{ m/s}^2 \quad v_0 = 2 - \left(-\frac{1}{5} * \frac{3}{2}\right) = 2 \frac{3}{10} \text{ m/s} = 2.3 \text{ m/s}$$

The distance traveled by car in the 9th second:

$$d = (v_0 + 8s * a)1s + \frac{a(1s)^2}{2} = 2.3 - 8/5 - 1/10 = 6/10 \text{ m} = 0.6 \text{ m}$$

Answer: 0.6 m