

1. A plane starts from rest and travels 800m down a runway in 14 seconds. What is the acceleration of the plane?

$$s = 800\text{m}$$

$$t = 14\text{s}$$

$$a = ?$$

Solution.

In case of the movement with the constant acceleration a from the rest, the distance in the time t equals: $s = \frac{at^2}{2}$.

One can find the acceleration: $a = \frac{2s}{t^2}$.

Let check the dimension:

$$[a] = \frac{m}{s^2}.$$

Let evaluate the quantity:

$$a = \frac{2 \cdot 800}{14^2} = 8.16 \left(\frac{m}{s^2} \right).$$

Answer: $8.16 \frac{m}{s^2}$.