

Answer on Question #38573, Physics, Mechanics

Let us examine motion on each of three parts of the distance.

I. Motion with acceleration $5 \frac{m}{s^2}$ for 5 seconds. Here, velocity is $v = v_0 + at = 5t$. For $t = 5s$,

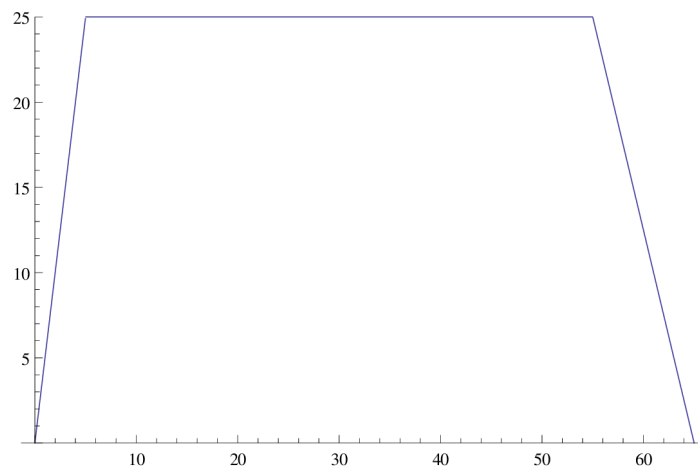
$$v = 5 \cdot 5 = 25 \frac{m}{s}.$$

II. Motion with constant velocity $v = 25 \frac{m}{s}$ for 50 seconds.

III. Motion with retardation for 10 seconds. Using formula $v = v_0 + at$ find the retardation,

$0 = 25 + 10 \cdot a \Rightarrow a = -2.5 \frac{m}{s^2}$. Hence, velocity as a function of time is $v = 25 - 2.5t$ (If time starts from zero at third part of the track).

Velocity graph is



The distance covered is sum of distances covered on each part of the road:

$S = \int_0^5 5t dt + 50 \cdot 50 + \int_0^{10} (25 - 2.5t) dt = 5 \left[\frac{t^2}{2} \right]_0^5 + 2500 + (25t - 2.5 \frac{t^2}{2}) \Big|_0^{10} = 2690 m$ (area under the velocity curve).