

Question #53846, Physics / Other

A body starts from rest and moves with a uniform acceleration of 2 m/s^2 in a straight line. After how long will the body be 200 m from its starting point?

Solution: The distance traveled is found by using the equation:

$s = v_0t + at^2/2$, where v_0 – the initial speed (this case $v_0 = 0$), t – the time and a – the acceleration.

After substituting all known parameters the following equation is obtained:

$$200 \text{ m} = 0 + (2 \text{ m s}^{-2})t^2/2,$$

Thus, $t^2 = 200$, so that $t = 14.14 \text{ s}$

Answer: the time is 14.14 s.