Answer on Question #72505-Physics-Other

1. The acceleration of a particle in rectilinear motion is defined by a = k square root of v, where a is in m/s^2, v is is m/s and k is a constant. Given that at times t = 2 sec and t = 3 sec, the velocities are respectively 4 m/s and 9 m/s, and the displacement at t = 3 sec is 20 m. Determine the values of k and Vo or Vinitial. Write the equation of motion.

Solution

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = k\sqrt{v}$$
$$\frac{dv}{\sqrt{v}} = kt$$
$$\frac{\sqrt{v}}{\frac{1}{2}} = kt + C$$
$$2(\sqrt{v} - \sqrt{v_0}) = kt$$
$$\sqrt{v} = \sqrt{v_0} + \frac{kt}{2}$$
$$v = (\sqrt{v_0} + \frac{kt}{2})^2$$
$$4 = (\sqrt{v_0} + k)^2$$
$$9 = (\sqrt{v_0} + \frac{3k}{2})^2$$
$$\sqrt{v_0} + k = 2$$
$$\sqrt{v_0} + \frac{3k}{2} = 3$$
$$\frac{k}{2} = 1$$
$$k = 2\frac{m^{\frac{1}{2}}}{s^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$
$$\sqrt{v_0} + 2 = 2$$
$$v_0 = 0\frac{m}{s}$$
$$v = (\frac{2t}{2})^2 = t^2$$
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v = t^2$$

$$x = C + \frac{t^3}{3}$$
$$20 = C + \frac{3^3}{3} = C + 9$$
$$C = 11.$$

The equation of motion is

$$x=11+\frac{t^3}{3}$$

2. A car starts from rest at Point O. A car covers 100 m in 10 seconds (Point A to B), while accelerating uniformly at a rate of 1 m/s^2. Determine

a) Velocities of the car at Point A and Point B.

b) Distance traveled before coming to this point A assuming it started from rest

c) Its velocity after the next 10 seconds (Point C)

Solution

a)

$$d = a \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$d_2 - d_1 = \frac{a}{2}(t_2^2 - t_1^2) = \frac{a}{2}(t_2 - t_1)(t_2 + t_1)$$

$$100 = \frac{1}{2}(10)(t_2 + t_1)$$

$$(t_2 + t_1) = 20$$

$$t_2 - t_1 = 10 \rightarrow t_2 = t_1 + 10.$$

$$(t_1 + 10 + t_1) = 20$$

$$2t_1 = 10$$

$$t_1 = 5 s.$$

$$t_2 = 15 s.$$

$$v_a = \mathbf{1}(5) = 5\frac{m}{s}.$$

$$v_b = \mathbf{1}(15) = \mathbf{15}\frac{m}{s}.$$

b)

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{2}(5)^2 = 12.5 m.$$

c)

$$v_c = 1(15+10) = 25\frac{m}{s}.$$

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