| Board – CBSE | Class – 7 | Topic – Motion and Time |

1. Classify the following as motion along a straight line, circular or oscillatory motion.

(i) Motion of your hands while running.

(ii) Motion of a horse pulling a cart on a straight road.

(iii) Motion of a child in a merry-go-round.

(iv) Motion of a child on a see-saw.

(v) Motion of the hammer of an electric bell.

(vi) Motion of a train on a straight bridge.

Ans. (i) Oscillatory motion

While running, the hands move to and fro and repeat their motion after a given time interval. Hence, it is an oscillatory motion.

(ii) Straight line

The horse is pulling a cart on a straight road. Therefore, it has a motion along a straight line.

(iii) Circular motion

Merry-go-round has a circular motion. Therefore, a child sitting inside it will also have a circular motion.

(iv) Oscillatory motion

The child on a see-saw goes up and down continuously. It oscillates up-down. Therefore, it is an oscillatory motion.

(v) Oscillatory motion

The hammer hits the electric bell and vibrates rapidly. Therefore, it is an oscillatory motion.

(vi) Straight line

The train is moving on a straight bridge. Therefore, it has a motion along a straight line.

2. Which of the following are not correct?

(i) The basic unit of time is second.

(ii) Every object moves at a constant speed.

(iii) Distances between two cities are measured in kilometres.

(iv) The time period of a given pendulum is not constant.

(v) The speed of a train is expressed in m/h.

Ans. (i) Correct

The second is the SI unit of time.

(ii) Not correct

An object can move with constant or variable speed.

(iii) Correct

The distance between two cities can be very large. Since a kilometre is a bigger unit of distance, the distance between two cities is measured in kilometres.

(iv) Not correct

The time period of a pendulum depends on the length of the thread. Hence, it is constant for a particular pendulum.

(v) Not correct

The speed of a train is measured either in km/h or in m/s.

3. A simple pendulum takes 32 s to complete 20 oscillations. What is the time period of the pendulum?

Ans. Number of oscillations = 20

Total time is taken to complete 20 oscillations = 32 s

$$\text{Time period} = \frac{\text{Total time taken}}{\text{Number of oscillations}} = \frac{32}{20} = 1.6 \text{ s}$$

4. The distance between the two stations is 240 km. A train takes 4 hours to cover this distance. Therefore, calculate the speed of the train.

Ans. Distance between the two stations = 240 km

Time taken = 4 h

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time taken}} = \frac{240}{4} = 60 \text{ km/h}$$

5. The odometer of a car reads 57321.0 km when the clock shows the time 08.30 a.m. What is the distance moved by car, if at 08.50 a.m., the odometer reading has changed to 57336.0 km? Calculate the speed of the car in km/min during this time. Express the speed in km/h also.

Ans. The initial reading of the odometer of the car = 57321.0 km

The final reading of the odometer of the car = 57336.0 km

Distance covered by the car

= Final reading of the odometer of the car − Initial reading of the odometer of the car

= 57336.0 − 57321.0 = 15 km

The given car starts at 8.30 a.m. and stops at 8.50 a.m.

Therefore, time taken by the car to cover the distance is (8.50 − 8.30) min = 20 min

Distance covered by the car = 15 km

Time taken by the car = 20 min

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance covered}}{\text{Time taken}} = \frac{15}{20} = 0.75 \text{ km/min}$$

$$20 \text{ min} = \frac{1}{60} \times 20 = \frac{1}{3} \text{ h}$$

Time taken by the car $= \frac{1}{3} h$

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance covered}}{\text{Time taken}} = \frac{15}{\frac{1}{3}} = 45 \text{ km/h}$$

6. Salma takes 15 minutes from her house to reach her school on a bicycle. If the bicycle has a speed of 2 m/s, calculate the distance between her house and the school.

Ans. Time taken by Salma to reach her school from her home = 15 min = 15 × 60 = 900 s

Speed of her bicycle = 2 m/s

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance covered}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

Distance covered = Speed × Time taken = 2 × 900 = 1800 m
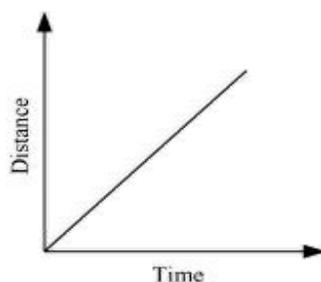
1000 m = 1 km

$$\therefore 1800 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{1000} \times 1800 = 1.8 \text{ km}$$

7. Show the shape of the distance-time graph for the motion in the following cases.

(i) A car moving at a constant speed. (ii) A car parked on a side road.

Ans. (i) A car moving with a constant speed covers equal distance in equal intervals of time. Hence, such motion of the car is represented in the given distance-time graph.

(ii) The distance-time graph of a car parked on a roadside is such that there is no change in distance with the increase in time, as shown in the given figure.
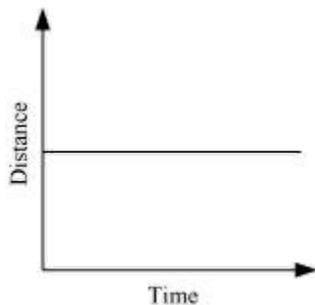
8. Which of the following relations is correct?

(i) Speed = Distance × Time

(ii) Speed = $\frac{Distance}{Time}$

(iii) Speed = $\frac{Time}{Distance}$

(iv) Speed = $\frac{1}{Distance \times Time}$

Ans. (ii) Speed of an object is given by the relation -

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$$

9.   The basic unit of speed is.

(i) km/min   (ii) m/min   (iii) km/h   (iv) m/s

Ans.   (iv) m/s The basic unit of distance is meter (m).

The basic unit of time is second (s).

$$Speed = \frac{Distance}{Time}$$

Therefore, the basic unit of speed is m/s.

10.   A car moves at a speed of 40 km/h for 15 minutes and then at 60 km/h for the next 15 minutes. The total distance covered by the car is.

(i) 100 km   (ii) 25 km   (iii) 15 km   (iv) 10 km

Ans.   (ii) 25 km <u>Case I</u>

Speed of the car = 40 km/h

Time taken = 15 min = $\frac{15}{60}$ = $0.25h$

$$Speed = \frac{Distance\ covered}{Time\ taken}$$

Distance covered, d_2 = Speed × Time taken = 60 × 0.25 = 15 km

Total distance covered by the car, $d = d_1 + d_2 = 10 + 15 = 25$ km

Therefore, the total distance covered by the car is 25 km.

11.   Suppose the two photographs, shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2, had been taken at an interval of 10 seconds. Then, if a distance of 100 meters is shown by 1 cm in these photographs, calculate the speed of the blue car.
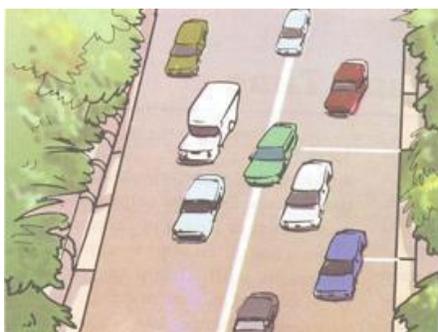
Figure 1 Vehicles moving in the same direction on a road
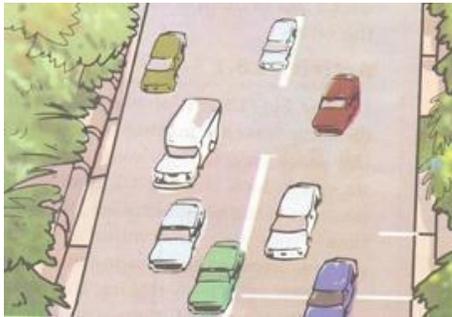
Figure 2 Position of vehicles shown in Figure 1 after some time

Ans. The distance covered by the blue car (as evident from the photograph) from one white strip to another, measured by the scale, is 1.4 cm.

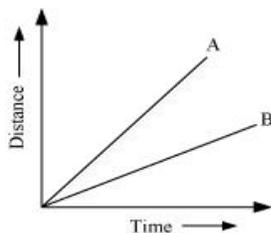It is given that 1 cm is equivalent to 100 m.

Therefore, 1.4 cm is equivalent to 140 m.

Distance traveled by car = 140 m
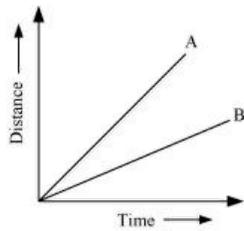
The time interval between the two photographs = 10 s

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance covered}}{\text{Time taken}} = \frac{140}{10} = 14 \text{ m/s}$$

12. Figure shows the distance-time graph for the motion of two vehicles A and B. Which one of them is moving faster?


Distance-time graph for the motion of two cars

Ans.   Vehicle A is moving faster than vehicle B.


Speed is given by the relation -

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance covered}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

This relation shows that the speed of a vehicle is greater if it covers a maximum distance in a given interval of time. Draw a line perpendicular to the time-axis to compare the distance, as shown in the following distance-time graph.
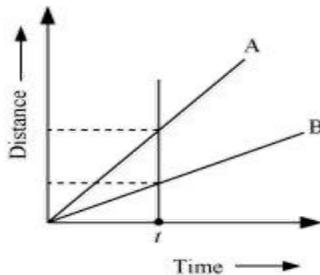
From the graph, it is evident that for a given time t, the distance covered by vehicle A is more than vehicle B. Hence, vehicle A is moving faster than vehicle B.

13.   Which of the following distance-time graphs shows a truck moving with a speed that is not constant?
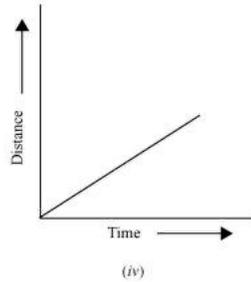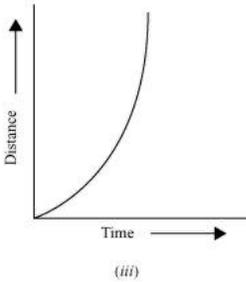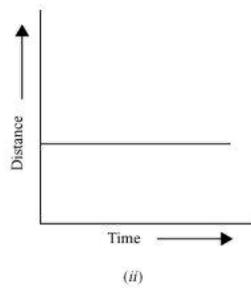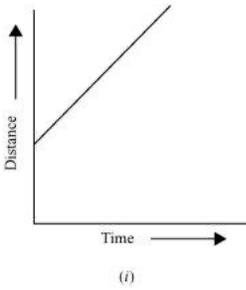
Ans. Graph (iii)

In a distance-time graph, the constant speed of a truck will be represented by a straight line.

In a distance-time graph, a straight line parallel to the time axis indicates that the truck is not moving.

A curved line on the distance-time graph indicates that the truck is moving at a speed that is not constant.