



THE 100-METER DASH

Sara runs the **100**-meter dash for her school's track team. She can take off from the starting block at $8 \frac{\text{meters}}{\text{sec}}$.

She has an acceleration of $\frac{2 \text{ meters / sec}}{5 \text{ sec}}$ so that during each second of the race, her speed increases by $\frac{2}{5} \text{ m / sec}$.

- What is Sara's race time for the **100**-meter dash? How fast is she running at the finish line?

1a) Sketch and label the two graphs for this problem. t is in seconds, $s(t)$ is in meters, $v(t)$ is in m/sec. Write the units!

b) Write the given, initial conditions. Find the equations as functions of time t . Solve to find the answers.

c) Look at the graph of the **velocity function**. Find the **area** between the graph of the function and the **t-axis** by using a formula to calculate the **area** of the **geometric shape** *and* also by finding the **definite integral** of the function from $t=0$ to t =Sara's race time. Lightly shade in the area in the graph. Write the **unit** for this area.

d) Find the average function value, f_{av} , for the **velocity function** $v(t)$.
 When during the race does this value f_{av} occur on the graph of the velocity function?
 What do you get when you multiply f_{av} by Sara's race time and what is the unit?

e) Look at the graph of the (signed) **distance function** $s(t)$.
 Draw a line segment on the graph that would indicate the **average velocity** for the entire race and find the average velocity.
 When during the race does this **average velocity** occur on the graph of the distance function itself?
 What is the product of this **average velocity** and Sara's race time? What is the unit?

f) Complete the table.

t	$s(t)$	$v(t)$	$a(t)$
0			
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
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8			
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10			