

Lecture Sheet: 02 Science (Chapter-07: The Earth and Gravitation)

Class: VIII

Gravity:

The accelerating force due to the earth on any object near to it, is called gravity.



Acceleration:

Acceleration is the rate of change of the velocity of an object with respect to time.

The unit of acceleration = ms^{-2} or m/s^{2}

Let, the initial velocity of a car be 'u' and after 't' time the velocity be 'v'.

u

The change of velocity = v - u

The rate of change of velocity =
$$\frac{v-v}{t}$$

Acceleration,
$$a = \frac{v-u}{t}$$

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Q. If the initial velocity of your car is 10 ms⁻¹ and after 10 seconds the velocity is 15 ms⁻¹, what will be acceleration of your car?

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Q. If the initial velocity of your car is 7ms⁻¹ and acceleration is 2ms⁻², what will be the final velocity of your car after 5 seconds?

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Acceleration due gravity:

The rate at which the velocity of a free falling body change due to the force of gravity is called the acceleration due to gravity.

- Acceleration due to gravity is denoted by 'g'.
- The unit of acceleration due to gravity is ms^{-2} or m/s^2 .
- At the equator the value of 'g' is 9.78m/s^2 .
- The value of g in the polar region is 9.832 m/s².

Q. What do you mean by the value of 'g' 9.8ms⁻²?

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