Pre-Lab Practice: Kinematics in One Dimension

Review the Textbook:

PHYS 1401: Serway & Vuille: Sec 2.1-2.5.
PHYS 2425: Serway & Jewett: Sec 2.1-2.6.

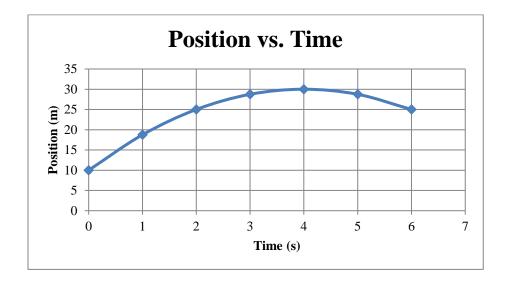


Figure 1. Position of a train on a straight track, as a function of time.

- 1. What is the distance traveled by the train between 0.0 and 6.0 seconds? (25.0 m)
- 2. What is the displacement of the train between 0.0 and 6.0 seconds? (15.0 m)
- 3. What is the average speed of the train between 0 and 6.0 seconds? (4.17 m/s)
- 4. What is the average velocity of the train between 0.0 and 6.0 seconds? (2.5 m/s)
- 5. What is the instantaneous velocity of the train at 2.0 seconds? (5 m/s)
- 6. A car has a position that is can be described by $x(t) = 20 + 4t^2$, with x in meters and t in seconds. What is the instantaneous velocity of the car at t = 4.0 s? (32 m/s)
- 7. A car has a position that is can be described by $x(t) = 20 + 4t^2$, with x in meters and t in seconds. What is the instantaneous acceleration of the car at t = 4.0 s? (8 m/s²)