

$$v_A = +54 \text{ km h}^{-1} = 15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$v_B = -90 \text{ km h}^{-1} = -25 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

Relative velocity of  $B$  with respect to  $A = v_B - v_A = -40 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , i.e. the train  $B$  appears to  $A$  to move with a speed of  $40 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  from north to south.

Relative velocity of ground with respect to

$$B = 0 - v_B = 25 \text{ m s}^{-1}.$$

In (c), let the velocity of the monkey with respect to ground be  $v_M$ . Relative velocity of the monkey with respect to  $A$ ,

$$v_{MA} = v_M - v_A = -18 \text{ km h}^{-1} = -5 \text{ m s}^{-1}. \text{ Therefore,}$$

$$v_M = (15 - 5) \text{ m s}^{-1} = 10 \text{ m s}^{-1}.$$

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### SUMMARY

1. An object is said to be in *motion* if its position changes with time. The position of the object can be specified with reference to a conveniently chosen origin. For motion in a straight line, position to the right of the origin is taken as positive and to the left as negative.
2. *Path length* is defined as the total length of the path traversed by an object.
3. *Displacement* is the change in position :  $\Delta x = x_2 - x_1$ . Path length is greater or equal to the magnitude of the displacement between the same points.
4. An object is said to be in *uniform motion* in a straight line if its displacement is equal in equal intervals of time. Otherwise, the motion is said to be *non-uniform*.
5. *Average velocity* is the displacement divided by the time interval in which the displacement occurs :

$$\bar{v} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$$

On an  $x$ - $t$  graph, the average velocity over a time interval is the slope of the line connecting the initial and final positions corresponding to that interval.

6. *Average Speed* is the ratio of total path length traversed and the corresponding time interval.

The average speed of an object is greater or equal to the magnitude of the average velocity over a given time interval.

7. *Instantaneous velocity* or simply *velocity* is defined as the limit of the average velocity as the time interval  $\Delta t$  becomes infinitesimally small :

$$v = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \bar{v} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

The velocity at a particular instant is equal to the slope of the tangent drawn on position-time graph at that instant.

8. *Average acceleration* is the change in velocity divided by the time interval during which the change occurs :

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$$

9. *Instantaneous acceleration* is defined as the limit of the average acceleration as the time interval  $\Delta t$  goes to zero :

$$a = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \bar{a} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

The acceleration of an object at a particular time is the slope of the velocity-time graph at that instant of time. For uniform motion, acceleration is zero and the  $x$ - $t$  graph is a straight line inclined to the time axis and the  $v$ - $t$  graph is a straight line