## Part I

- 1. An object goes from one point in space to another. After it arrives at its destination
  - (a) its displacement is the same as its distance traveled.
  - (b) its displacement is always greater than its distance traveled.
  - (c) its displacement is always smaller than its distance traveled.
  - (d) its displacement is never larger than its distance traveled.

Answer: (d). Displacement is always the distance between the initial position and the final position. The distance depends on the path taken so can be longer but not shorter.

- 2. An accelerating body must at all times
  - (a) have positive velocity.
  - (b) have an increasing speed.
  - (c) have a changing direction.
  - (d) have a changing velocity.

Answer (d). Acceleration means that the velocity is changing. An object can have constant speed and accelerate provided its direction is changing. An accelerating object can have constant direction provided its speed is changing.

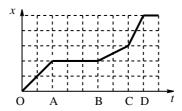
3. The diagram below shows a piece of a ticker tape which passed through a vibrating marker which vibrated at a constant rate of  $20 \text{ s}^{-1}$ 



Which region shows where the size of the acceleration was greatest?

Answer (d). The change in velocity is greatest in this interval.

4. The motion of a particle is described by the position-time graph shown below. During which interval is the *instantaneous* velocity of the particle greatest?



- (a) OA
- (b) AB
- (c) BC
- (d) CD

Answer (d): Instantaneous velocity is the slope of the position time graph.

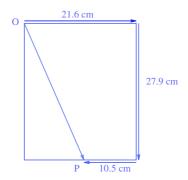
- 5. For the above position-time graph during which interval is the average velocity greatest.
  - (a) OA
- (b) OB
- (c) OC
- (d) OD

Answer (a): During this interval  $\Delta x/\Delta t$  is largest.

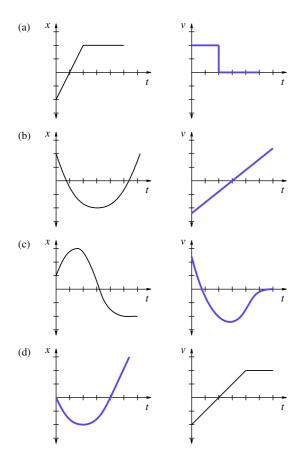
## Part II

- 1. An ant walks clockwise around this sheet of paper starting from the top left hand corner traveling at 0.03 m/s.
  - (a) How far will the ant have walked after 20 seconds?  $d = vt = 0.3 \times 20 = 0.6 \text{ m} = 60 \text{ cm}$
  - (b) What will the displacement of the ant be after 20 seconds?

Letter Size Paper is 8.5 in  $\times$  11 in which is 21.6 cm  $\times$  27.9 cm. Since the ant travels a distance 60 cm around the paper it arrives point P on the diagram on the right. By Pythagoras' Theorem the displacement OP is  $\sqrt{(27.9^2 + (21.6 - 10.5)^2} = 30.0$  cm



2. The following graphs show the motion of a toy car along a straight track. For each situation describe the motion and complete and sketch the missing graph.



- 3. The phrases "slows down" and "decreases velocity" do not have identical physical meaning. Describe each of the following physical situations using the appropriate phrase. When both are appropriate indicate this, when neither are appropriate indicate this also.
  - (a) An object increasing its speed traveling in the negative direction "decreases velocity"
  - (b) An object decreasing its speed traveling in the positive direction "slows down" and "decreases velocity"
  - (c) An object increasing its speed traveling in the positive direction neither phrase
  - (d) An object decreasing its speed traveling in the negative direction. "slows down"
- 4. A sprinter in a 100 dash accelerates uniformly from rest reaching a top speed of 14.7 m/s after 6.00 seconds. He then runs at constant speed for the remainder of the race.
  - (a) What is his rate of acceleration during the initial phase of the race?

$$a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = (14.7 - 0)/6.0 = 2.45 \text{ m/s}^2$$

- (b) How far did he travel in the first phase of the race? The distance covered is  $\Delta x = \frac{1}{2} at^2 = \frac{1}{2} (2.45)(6)^2 = 44.1 \text{ m}$
- (c) What was his time in the race? For the first part of the race  $t_1=6.00$  s. For the second part  $t_2=\frac{\Delta x}{v}=\frac{100-44.1}{14.7}=3.80$  s so total time is t=9.80 s
- (d) What was his average acceleration over the entire race?

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{14.7 - 0}{9.80} = 1.50 \text{ m/s}^2$$

(e) What was his average speed over the entire race?

$$\bar{v} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{100}{9.8} = 10.2 \text{ m/s}$$