

Worksheet 7, Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Reminder: This worksheet is a chance for you not to just *do* the problems, but rather *understand* the problems. Please discuss ideas with your partners. Your solutions should be focused more so on presentation than on numerical values.

Position–Velocity Problems

1. Suppose a falling ball's position is given by $s(t) = 256 - 16t^2$ feet at t seconds.
 - (a) What is the ball's initial position above the ground?
 - (b) Find the average velocity of the ball during the initial three seconds of its drop.
 - (c) Find the velocity at 2 seconds and 3 seconds respectively.
 - (d) How much time passed before the ball hit the ground?
 - (e) What was the ball's velocity when it hit the ground?
 - (f) Finally, find the ball's acceleration at 3 seconds.

2. A man stands on the edge of a bridge over a river. He throws a stone straight upward in the air with an initial velocity of 64 feet per second. The ball reaches a height of $s(t) = -16t^2 + 64t + 80$ feet in t seconds above the water. Answer the following questions:
 - (a) What is the initial height of the stone?
 - (b) What is the maximum height the stone reaches?
 - (c) What is the stone's velocity at time $t = 1$ second?
 - (d) When is the stone 128 feet above the water?
 - (e) What is the stone's acceleration at any time t ?
 - (f) At what time will the stone hit the water?
 - (g) What is the stone's velocity when it hits the water?

Turn in your own solutions.