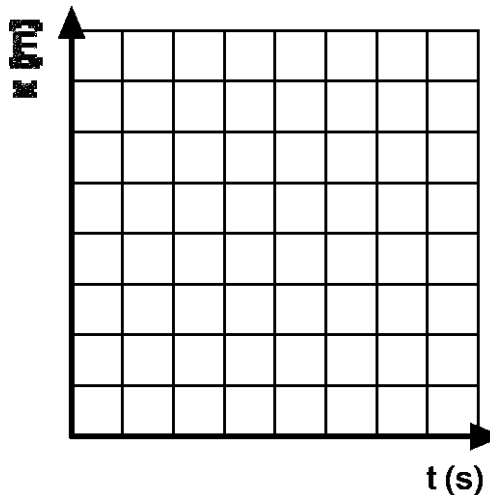


UNIT II: Worksheet 2

1. Robin, roller skating down a marked sidewalk, was observed to be at the following positions at the times listed below:

t (s)	x (m)
0.0	10.0
1.0	12.0
2.0	14.0
5.0	20.0
8.0	26.0
10.0	30.0



- a. Plot a position vs. time graph for the skater. Be sure to label the x and y axis.

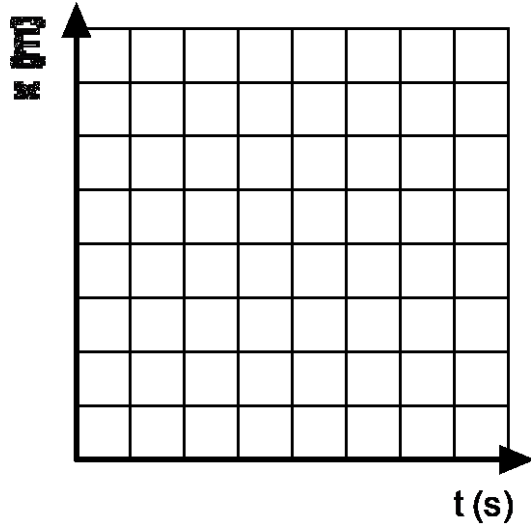
- b. Write a mathematical model to describe the curve in (a).

- c. How far from the starting point was she at $t = 6\text{s}$? How do you know?

- d. Was her speed constant over the entire interval? How do you know?

2. The following data was obtained for a second trial:

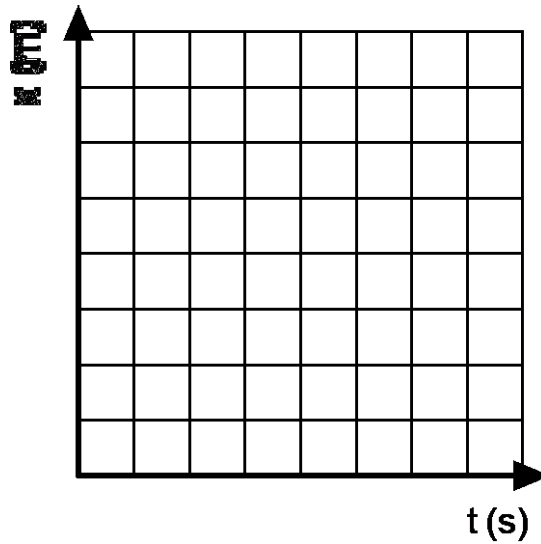
t (s)	x (m)
0.0	4.0
2.0	10.0
4.0	16.0
6.0	22.0
8.0	28.0
10.0	34.0



- Plot the position vs. time graph for the skater. Be sure to label the x and y axis.
- How far from the starting point was she at $t = 5\text{s}$? How do you know?
- Was her speed constant? If so, what was it?
- In the first trial the skater was further along at 2 s than she was in the second trial. Does this mean that she was going faster? Explain your answer.

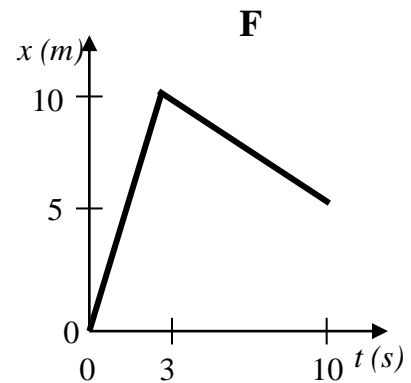
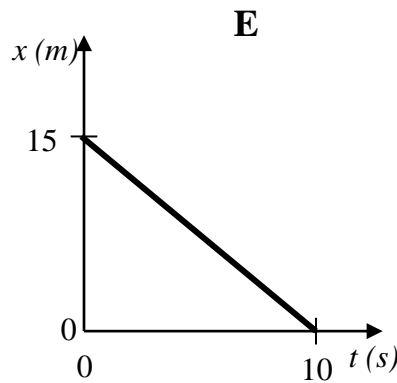
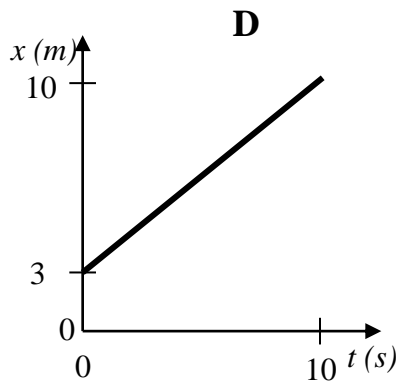
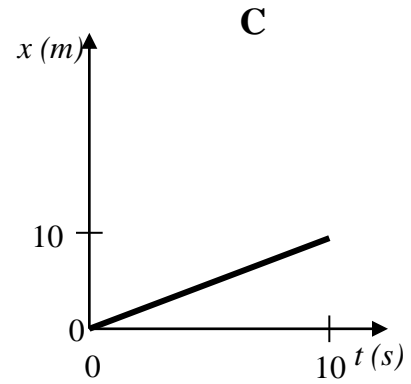
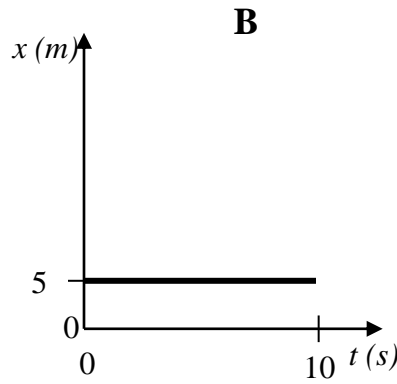
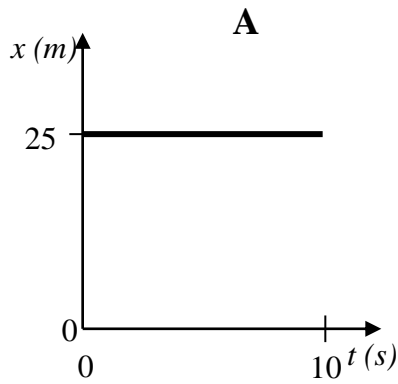
3. Suppose now that our skater was observed in a third trial. The following data was obtained:

t (s)	x (m)
0.0	0.0
2.0	6.0
4.0	12.0
6.0	12.0
8.0	8.0
10.0	4.0
12.0	0.0



- Plot the position vs. time graph for the skater. Be sure to label the x and y axis.
- What do you think is happening during the time interval: $t = 4 \text{ s}$ to $t = 6 \text{ s}$? How do you know?
- What do you think is happening during the time interval: $t = 6 \text{ s}$ to $t = 12 \text{ s}$? How do you know?
- Determine the skater's average **speed** from $t = 0 \text{ s}$ to $t = 12 \text{ s}$.
- Determine the skater's average **velocity** from $t = 0 \text{ s}$ to $t = 12 \text{ s}$.

4. Rank the following:



a. Rank the graphs according to which show the greatest **average velocity** from the beginning to the end of the motion. (Zero is greater than negative, and ties are possible.)

Most pos. v 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 5 _____ 6 _____ Most neg. v

Explain your reasoning for your ranking:

b. Rank the graphs according to which show the greatest **average speed** from the beginning to the end of the motion.

Greatest 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 5 _____ 6 _____ Least

Explain your reasoning for your ranking: