

83. Direction of $+x$ is implicit in the problem statement. The initial position (when the clock starts) is $x_0 = 0$ (where $v_0 = 0$), the end of the speeding-up motion occurs at $x_1 = 1100/2 = 550$ m, and the subway comes to a halt ($v_2 = 0$) at $x_2 = 1100$ m.

- (a) Using Eq. 2-15, the subway reaches x_1 at

$$t_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2x_1}{a_1}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(550)}{1.2}} = 30.3 \text{ s} .$$

The time interval $t_2 - t_1$ turns out to be the same value (most easily seen using Eq. 2-18 so the total time is $t_2 = 2(30.3) = 60.6$ s.

- (b) Its maximum speed occurs at t_1 and equals

$$v_1 = v_0 + a_1 t_1 = 36.3 \text{ m/s} .$$

- (c) The graphs are not shown here, in the interest of saving space. They are very similar to those shown in the solution for problem 79, above.