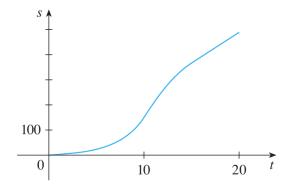
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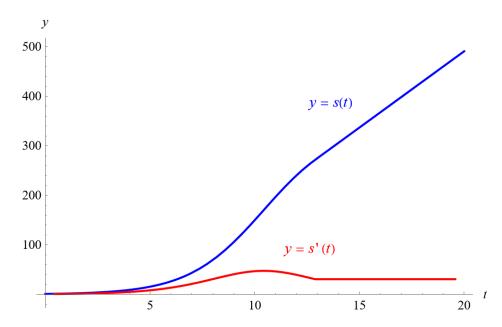
(a) The graph of a position function of a car is shown, where s is measured in feet and t in seconds. Use it to graph the velocity and acceleration of the car. What is the acceleration at t = 10 seconds?



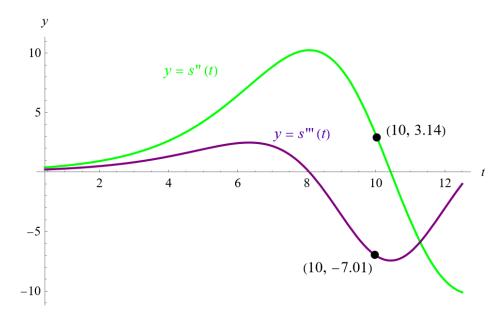
(b) Use the acceleration curve from part (a) to estimate the jerk at t = 10 seconds. What are the units for jerk?

Solution

A graph of the position and velocity is shown below.



A graph of the acceleration and jerk is shown below.



The acceleration and jerk at t = 10 seconds are

$$s''(10) \approx 3.14 \, \frac{\mathrm{ft}}{\mathrm{s}^2}$$

$$s'''(10) \approx -7.01 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}^3},$$

respectively.