

CALCULUS
WORKSHEET 1 ON PARTICLE MOTION

Work these on **notebook paper**. Use your calculator only on part (f) of problems 1. Do **not** use your calculator on the other problems. Write your justifications in a sentence.

1. A particle moves along a horizontal line so that its position at any time is given by

$$s(t) = t^3 - 12t^2 + 36t, t \geq 0, \text{ where } s \text{ is measured in meters and } t \text{ in seconds.}$$

- Find the instantaneous velocity at time t and at $t = 3$ seconds.
- When is the particle at rest? Moving to the right? Moving to the left? Justify your answers.
- Find the displacement of the particle after the first 8 seconds.
- Find the total distance traveled by the particle during the first 8 seconds.
- Find the acceleration of the particle at time t and at $t = 3$ seconds.
- Graph the position, velocity, and acceleration functions for $0 \leq t \leq 8$.
- When is the particle speeding up? Slowing down? Justify your answers.

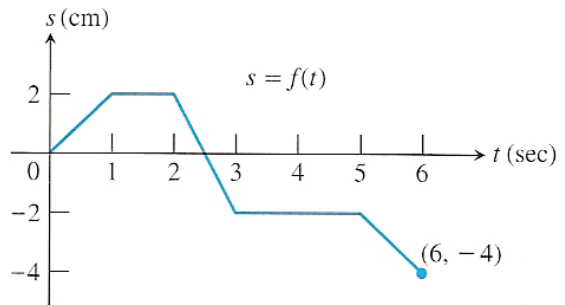
2. The maximum acceleration attained on the interval $0 \leq t \leq 3$ by the particle whose velocity is given

$$\text{by } v(t) = t^3 - 3t^2 + 12t + 4 \text{ is}$$

- (A) 9 (B) 12 (C) 14 (D) 21 (E) 40

3. The figure on the right shows the position s of a particle moving along a horizontal line.

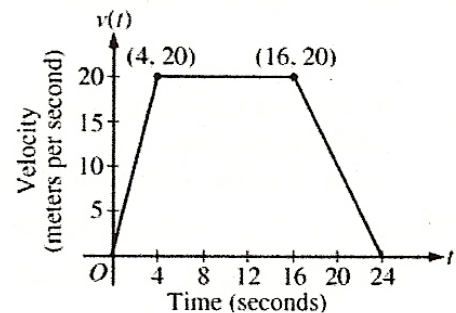
- When is the particle moving to the left? moving to the right? standing still? Justify your answer.
- For each of $v(1.5)$, $v(2.5)$, $v(4)$, and $v(5)$, find the value or explain why it does not exist.
- Graph the particle's velocity.
- Graph the particle's speed.



4. (2005) A car is traveling on a straight road.

For $0 \leq t \leq 24$ seconds, the car's velocity $v(t)$, in meters per second, is modeled by the piecewise-linear function defined by the graph on the right.

- For each of $v'(4)$ and $v'(20)$, find the value or explain why it does not exist. Indicate units of measure.
- Let $a(t)$ be the car's acceleration at time t , in meters per second per second. For $0 < t < 24$, write a piecewise-defined function for $a(t)$.
- Find the average rate of change of v over the interval $8 \leq t \leq 20$. Does the Mean Value Theorem guarantee a value of c , for $8 < c < 20$, such that $v'(c)$ is equal to this average rate of change? Why or why not?



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5. (Modification of 2009 Form B, Problem 6)

t (seconds)	0	8	20	25	32	40
$v(t)$ (meters per second)	3	5	-10	-8	-4	7

The velocity of a particle moving along the x -axis is modeled by a differentiable function v , where the position x is measured in meters, and time t is measured in seconds. Selected values of $v(t)$ are given in the table above.

- Use data from the table to estimate the acceleration of the particle at $t = 36$ seconds. Show the computations that lead to your answer. Indicate units of measure.
- For $0 \leq t \leq 40$, must the particle change direction in any of the subintervals indicated by the data in table? If so, identify the subintervals and explain your reasoning. If not, explain why not.
- Based on the values in the table, what is the smallest number of instances at which the velocity $v(t)$ could equal -9 m/sec on the interval $0 < t < 40$? Justify your answer.

Answers to Worksheet 1 on Particle Motion

1. (a) $3t^2 - 24t + 36$, -9m/sec

(b) At rest at $t = 2$ because $v(t) = 0$ there. Moving right for $[0, 2)$ and $(6, \infty)$ because $v(t) > 0$.

Moving left for $(2, 6)$ because $v(t) < 0$.

(c) 32 meters

(d) 96 meters

(e) $6t - 24$, -6m/sec^2

(f) Graph

(g) Speeding up on $(2, 4)$ because vel. and acc. are both neg. there and on $(6, \infty)$ because vel. and acc. are both pos. there. Slowing down on $[0, 2)$ because vel. is pos. and acc. is neg. and on $(4, 6)$ because vel. is neg. and acc. is pos.

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3. (a) Moving left on $(2, 3)$ and $(5, 6)$ because $v(t) < 0$. Moving right on $(0, 1)$ because $v(t) > 0$.

Standing still on $(1, 2)$ and $(3, 5)$ because $v(t) = 0$ there.

(b) 0, -4, 0, dne because graph of s has a sharp turn there

(c) and (d) Graphs

4. (2005 AB 5)

(a) $v'(4)$ does not exist because the graph of $v(t)$ has a sharp turn at $t = 4$.

$$v'(20) = -\frac{5}{2} \text{m/sec}^2.$$

$$(b) a(t) = \begin{cases} 5, & 0 < t < 4 \\ 0, & 4 < t < 16 \\ -\frac{5}{2}, & 16 < t < 24 \end{cases}$$

(c) Ave. rate of change = $-\frac{5}{6} \text{m/sec}^2$. No, the MVT does not apply for $8 < c < 20$ because

the graph of $v(t)$ is not differentiable at $t = 16$.

5. (2009 Form B, Problem 6)

(a) $\frac{11}{8} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{sec}^2}$

(b) The particle changes direction on $(8, 20)$ because $v(8) = 5$ and $v(20) = -10$. The particle also changes direction on $(32, 40)$ because $v(32) = -4$ and $v(40) = 7$.

(c) $v(t)$ must equal $-9 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{sec}}$ at least two times on $(0, 40)$. Since $v(t)$ is differentiable, it must be continuous. $v(8) = 5$, $v(20) = -10$, and -9 lies between 5 and -10 so $v(t)$ must equal -9 for some t between 8 and 20. Similarly, since $v(20) = -10$, $v(25) = -8$, and -9 lies between -10 and -8 so $v(t)$ must equal -9 for some t between 20 and 25 by the IVT >

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WORKSHEET 2 ON PARTICLE MOTION

Work these on **notebook paper**. Use your calculator on problems 1 - 5, and give decimal answers correct to **three** decimal places. Write your justifications in a sentence.

1. A particle moves along a horizontal line so that its position at any time $t \geq 0$ is given by

$$s(t) = -t^3 + 7t^2 - 14t + 8, \text{ where } s \text{ is measured in meters and } t \text{ in seconds.}$$

- Find the instantaneous velocity at any time t and when $t = 2$.
- Find the acceleration of the particle at any time t and when $t = 2$.
- When is the particle at rest? When is moving to the right? To the left? Justify your answers.
- Find the displacement of the particle during the first two seconds.
- Find the total distance traveled by the particle during the first two seconds.
- Are the answers to (d) and (e) the same? Explain.
- When is the particle speeding up? Slowing down? Justify your answers.

2. The position of a particle at time t seconds, $t \geq 0$, is given by $s(t) = t^2 - \sin t$, $0 \leq t \leq 3$, where t is measured in seconds and s is measured in meters. Find the particle's acceleration each time the velocity is zero.

3. A particle's velocity at time t seconds, $t \geq 0$, is given by $v(t) = \cos(t^2) + t$, $0 \leq t \leq 2$, where t is measured in seconds and v is measured in meters/second. Find the velocity of the particle each time the acceleration is zero.

4. (2004) A particle moves along the y -axis so that its velocity at time $t \geq 0$ is given by

$$v(t) = 1 - \tan^{-1}(e^t).$$

- Find the acceleration of the particle at time $t = 2$.
- Is the speed of the particle increasing or decreasing at time $t = 2$? Give a reason for your answer.
- Find the time $t \geq 0$ at which the particle reaches its highest point. Justify your answer.

5. (Modification of 2005 Form B, Problem 3)

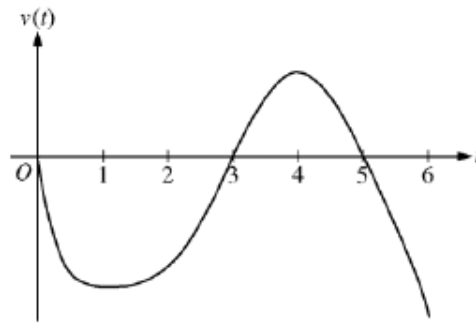
A particle moves along the x -axis so that its velocity at time t , for $0 \leq t \leq 5$, is given by

$$v(t) = \ln(t^2 - 3t + 3).$$

- Find the acceleration of the particle at time $t = 4$.
- Find all times t in the open interval $0 < t < 5$ at which the particle changes direction. During which time intervals, for $0 \leq t \leq 5$, does the particle travel to the left? Justify your answer.
- Find the average rate of change of $v(t)$ on $1.5 \leq t \leq 3.2$.

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6. (Modification of 2008, Problem 4)



Graph of v

A particle moves along the x -axis so that its velocity at time t , for $0 \leq t \leq 6$, is given by a differentiable function v whose graph is shown above. The velocity is 0 at $t=0$, $t=3$, and $t=5$, and the graph has horizontal tangents at $t=1$ and $t=4$.

- On the interval $3 < t < 4$, is the speed of the particle increasing or decreasing? Give a reason for your answer.
- On the interval $2 < t < 3$, is the speed of the particle increasing or decreasing? Give a reason for your answer.
- During what intervals, if any, is the acceleration of the particle negative? Justify

Answers to Worksheet 2 on Particle Motion

1. (a) $-3t^2 + 14t = 14$, 2 m/sec
(b) $-6t + 14$, 2 m/sec^2
(c) At rest at $t = 1.451$ and $t = 3.215$ because $v(t) = 0$ there. Moving left for $[0, 1.451)$ and $(3.215, \infty)$ because $v(t) < 0$. Moving right for $(1.451, 3.215)$ because $v(t) > 0$.
(d) -8 m
(e) 9.262 m
(f) No, the displacement and distance are not the same because the particle changed direction at $t = 1.451$.
(g) Slowing down on $(0, 1.451)$ and $(2.333, 3.215)$ because vel. and acc. have opposite signs. Speeding up on $(1.451, 2.333)$ and $(3.215, \infty)$ because vel. and acc. have the same sign.
2. $a(0.45018\dots) = 2.435 \text{ m/sec}^2$
3. $1.600 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{sec}}$, $0.730 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{sec}}$
4. (a) -0.133
(b) -0.436 . Speed is increasing at $t = 2$ because $v(t)$ and $a(t)$ are both negative.
(c) $v(t) = 0$ when $t = 0.443$. This is the only critical number. $v(t) > 0$ for $(0, 0.443)$ and $v(t) < 0$ for $(0.443, \infty)$ so the particle reaches its highest point at $t = 0.443$.
5. (a) 0.714
(b) The particle changes direction at $t = 1$ and at $t = 2$ because $v(t)$ changes from positive to negative or vice versa there. The particle travels to the left on $(2, 3)$ because $v(t) < 0$ there.
(c) 0.929
6. (2008)
(a) On $(3, 4)$ $v(t) > 0$ and $v(t)$ is increasing so $v'(t) = a(t) > 0$. Therefore, the speed is increasing on $(3, 4)$.
(b) On $(2, 3)$, $v(t) < 0$ and $v(t)$ is increasing so $v'(t) = a(t) > 0$. Therefore, the speed is decreasing on $(2, 3)$.
(c) The acceleration is negative on $(0, 1)$ and $(4, 6)$ because the velocity is decreasing there.