

Form 5 Chapter 8
Kinematics of Linear Motion
Fully-Worked Solutions

UPSKILL 8.1a

1 (a) $s = t^2 - 4t - 12$

$$s = 3^2 - 4(3) - 12$$

$$s = -15 \text{ m}$$

(b) $s = 6^2 - 4(6) - 12$

$$s = 0 \text{ m}$$

(c) $s = 7^2 - 4(7) - 12$

$$s = 9 \text{ m}$$

2 (a) $s = 3$

$$4t - t^2 = 3$$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 = 0$$

$$(t-3)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 3 \text{ or } 1$$

(b) $s = -21$

$$4t - t^2 = -21$$

$$t^2 - 4t - 21 = 0$$

$$(t-7)(t+3) = 0$$

$$t = 7$$

(c) $s = 0$

$$4t - t^2 = 0$$

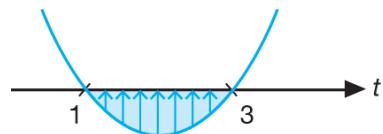
$$t(4-t) = 0$$

$$t = 4$$

3 (a) (i) $s < 0$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 < 0$$

$$(t-3)(t-1) < 0$$

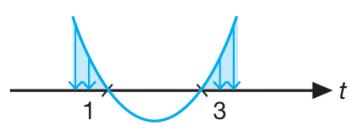


The range of values of t is $1 < t < 3$.

(ii) $s > 0$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 > 0$$

$$(t-3)(t-1) > 0$$



The range of values of t is
 $0 < t < 1 \text{ or } t > 3$

(b) $t^2 - 4t + 3 = 0$

$$(t-3)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 3 \text{ or } 1$$

4 (a) $s = t^2 - 7t + 10$

Initial displacement = 10 m

(b) $s = 28$

$$t^2 - 7t + 10 = 28$$

$$t^2 - 7t - 18 = 0$$

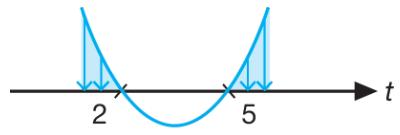
$$(t-9)(t+2) = 0$$

$$t = 9$$

(c) $s > 0$

$$t^2 - 7t + 10 > 0$$

$$(t-5)(t-2) > 0$$

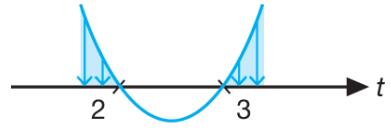


The range of values of t is $0 < t < 2 \text{ or } t > 5$.

5 (a) $s > 0$

$$t^2 - 5t + 6 > 0$$

$$(t-2)(t-3) > 0$$



The range of values of t is $0 < t < 2 \text{ or } t > 3$.

(b) Distance travelled during the 4th second

$$= |s_4 - s_3|$$

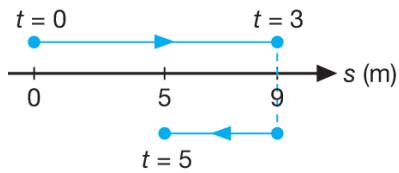
$$= |4^2 - 5(4) + 6 - (3^2 - 5(3) + 6)|$$

$$= |2 - 0|$$

$$= 2 \text{ m}$$

6 $s = 6t - t^2$

t (s)	0	1	2	3	4	5
s (m)	0	5	8	9	8	5



Total distance travelled

$$= 9 + 4$$

$$= 13 \text{ m}$$

7 (a) $s = -20$

$$16 - t^2 = -20$$

$$t^2 = 16 + 20$$

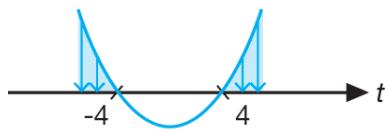
$$t^2 = 36$$

$$t = 6$$

(b) $s < 0$

$$16 - t^2 < 0$$

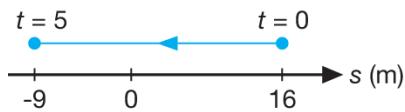
$$t^2 > 16$$



The range of values of t is $t > 4$.

(c) $s = 16 - t^2$

t (s)	0	1	2	3	4	5
s (m)	16	15	12	7	0	-9



Total distance travelled

$$= 9 + 16 = 25 \text{ m}$$

8 (a) $s = 20 + 8t - t^2$

Distance travelled during the sixth second

$$= |s_6 - s_5|$$

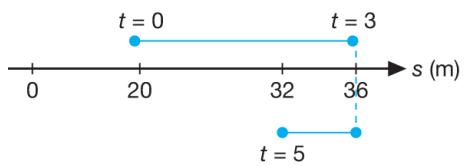
$$= |20 + 8(6) - 6^2 - [20 + 8(5) - 5^2]|$$

$$= |32 - 35|$$

$$= |-3| = 3 \text{ m}$$

(b) $s = 20 + 8t - t^2$

t	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	20	27	32	35	36	35	32



Total distance travelled

$$= (36 - 20) + (36 - 32)$$

$$= 16 + 4$$

$$= 20 \text{ m}$$

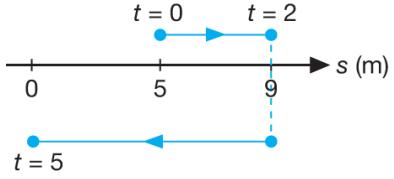
9 (a) $s = 5 + 4t - t^2$

$$s = 5 + 4(5) - 5^2 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad & |s_5 - s_4| \\ &= |[5 + 4(5) - 5^2] - [5 + 4(4) - 4^2]| \\ &= |0 - 5| \\ &= 5 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

(c)

t (s)	0	1	2	3	4	5
s (m)	5	8	9	8	5	0



Total distance travelled

$$= 4 + 9$$

$$= 13 \text{ m}$$

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1 (a) $v = t^2 - 7t + 12$

When $v = 0$,

$$t^2 - 7t + 12 = 0$$

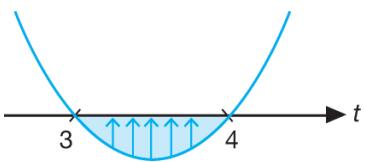
$$(t - 4)(t - 3) = 0$$

$$t = 4 \text{ or } 3$$

(b) (i) $v < 0$

$$t^2 - 7t + 12 < 0$$

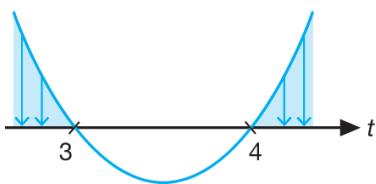
$$(t - 4)(t - 3) < 0$$



The range of values of t is $3 < t < 4$.

$$(ii) \quad v > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} t^2 - 7t + 12 &> 0 \\ (t-4)(t-3) &> 0 \end{aligned}$$



The range of values of t is $0 < t < 3$ or $t > 4$.

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$$1 (a) \quad a = 6 - 3t$$

When the particle travelled at a uniform velocity,

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 0 \\ 6 - 3t &= 0 \\ t &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) (i) \text{ When the particle accelerates,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &> 0 \\ 6 - 3t &> 0 \\ -3t &> -6 \\ t &< \frac{-6}{-3} \\ 0 < t &< 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \text{ When the particle decelerates,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &< 0 \\ 6 - 3t &< 0 \\ -3t &< -6 \\ t &> \frac{-6}{-3} \\ t &> 2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$1 (a) \quad s = t^2 + 5t - 36$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$v = 2t + 5$$

When $t = 0$,

$$v = 2(0) + 5 = 5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$(b) \text{ When } s = -22,$$

$$t^2 + 5t - 36 = -22$$

$$t^2 + 5t - 14 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t+7) = 0$$

$$t = 2$$

$$v = 2(2) + 5 = 9 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$(c) \text{ When } v = 13,$$

$$2t + 5 = 13$$

$$t = 4$$

$$s = 4^2 + 5(4) - 36$$

$$s = 0$$

$$2 (a) \quad s = \frac{1}{3}t^3 - \frac{7}{2}t^2 + 10t$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$v = t^2 - 7t + 10$$

When $v = 0$,

$$t^2 - 7t + 10 = 0$$

$$(t-5)(t-2) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \text{ or } 5$$

$$(b) \text{ When } t = 2,$$

$$s = \frac{1}{3}(2)^3 - \frac{7}{2}(2)^2 + 10(2)$$

$$s = 8\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

When $t = 5$

$$s = \frac{1}{3}(5)^3 - \frac{7}{2}(5)^2 + 10(5)$$

$$s = 4\frac{1}{6} \text{ m}$$

Hence, the distance between the two points

$$= 8\frac{2}{3} - 4\frac{1}{6}$$

$$= 4\frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

$$3 (a) \quad v = t^2 + 3t - 10$$

When $v = 8$,

$$t^2 + 3t - 10 = 8$$

$$t^2 + 3t - 18 = 0$$

$$(t-3)(t+6) = 0$$

$$t = 3$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$a = 2t + 3$$

$$a = 2(3) + 3 = 9 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

(b) When $v=0$,

$$t^2 + 3t - 10 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t+5) = 0$$

$$t=2$$

$$a=2(2)+3=7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

4 $s=t^3-9t$

$$v=\frac{ds}{dt}=3t^2-9$$

$$a=\frac{dv}{dt}=6t$$

When $s=0$,

$$t^3-9t=0$$

$$t(t^2-9)=0$$

$$t(t+3)(t-3)=0$$

$$t=3$$

$$v=3(3)^2-9=18 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$a=6(3)=18 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

5 (a) $v=t^2-3t-10$

$$a=\frac{dv}{dt}=2t-3$$

When $v=0$,

$$t^2-3t-10=0$$

$$(t-5)(t+2)=0$$

$$t=5$$

$$a=2(5)-3=7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

(b) When $a=0$,

$$2t-3=0$$

$$t=\frac{3}{2}$$

$$v=\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2-3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)-10=-12.25 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

6 (a) $s=t^3-9t^2+3$

$$v=\frac{ds}{dt}=3t^2-18t$$

$$a=\frac{dv}{dt}=6t-18$$

When $t=0$,

$$a=6(0)-18=-18 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

(b) When $a<0$,

$$6t-18<0$$

$$6t<18$$

$$0 < t < 3$$

7 (a) $s=t^3-6t^2$

$$v=\frac{ds}{dt}=3t^2-12t$$

$$a=\frac{dv}{dt}=6t-12$$

When $v=0$,

$$3t^2-12t=0$$

$$3t(t-4)=0$$

$$t=4$$

$$s=4^3-6(4)^2=-32 \text{ m}$$

(b) $a>0$

$$6t-12>0$$

$$6t>12$$

$$t>2$$

8 (a) $s=6t^2-t^3$

$$v=\frac{ds}{dt}=12t-3t^2$$

When $v=0$,

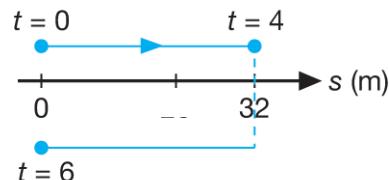
$$12t-3t^2=0$$

$$3t(4-t)=0$$

$$t=4$$

(b)

t (s)	0	4	6
s (m)	0	32	0



Total distance travelled

$$=32+32$$

$$=64 \text{ m}$$

9 (a) $s=t^2-6t$

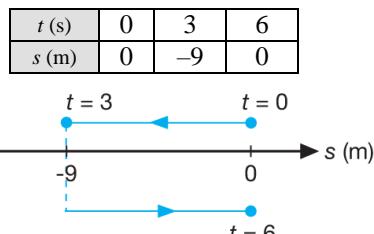
$$v=\frac{ds}{dt}=2t-6$$

When $v=0$,

$$2t-6=0$$

$$t=3 \text{ s}$$

(b)



Total distance travelled
 $= 9 + 9 = 18 \text{ m}$

10 (a) $s = 4t^2 - \frac{1}{3}t^3 - 15t$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = 8t - t^2 - 15$$

When $v = 0$,

$$8t - t^2 - 15 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 15 = 0$$

$$(t-5)(t-3) = 0$$

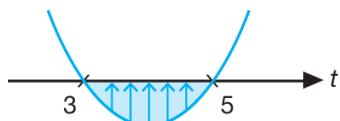
$$t = 5 \text{ or } 3$$

(b) $v > 0$

$$8t - t^2 - 15 > 0$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 15 < 0$$

$$(t-3)(t-5) < 0$$



The range of values of t is $3 < t < 5$.

11 (a) $s = 4t^2 - \frac{4}{3}t^3$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = 8t - 4t^2$$

When $v = 0$,

$$8t - 4t^2 = 0$$

$$4t(2-t) = 0$$

$$t = 2$$

$$s = 4(2)^2 - \frac{4}{3}(2)^3$$

$$s = 5\frac{1}{3} \text{ m}$$

(b) $s = 0$

$$4t^2 - \frac{4}{3}t^3 = 0$$

$$12t^2 - 4t^3 = 0$$

$$4t^2(3-t) = 0$$

$$t = 3$$

$$v = 8(3) - 4(3)^2 = -12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

12 (a) $s = 15t - 7t^2 - \frac{1}{3}t^3$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = 15 - 14t - t^2$$

When $v = 0$,

$$15 - 14t - t^2 = 0$$

$$t^2 + 14t - 15 = 0$$

$$(t+15)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 1$$

(b) When the displacement of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = 0$$

$$15 - 14t - t^2 = 0$$

$$t^2 + 14t - 15 = 0$$

$$(t+15)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 1$$

$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = -14 - 2t$$

When $t = 1$,

$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = -14 - 2(1) = -16 \text{ (negative)}$$

Hence, s is a maximum.

Maximum displacement

$$= 15(1) - 7(1)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(1)^3$$

$$= 7\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

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1 $v = 3t^2 - 2t + 1$

$$s = \int v dt$$

$$s = \int (3t^2 - 2t + 1) dt$$

$$s = t^3 - t^2 + t + c$$

When $t = 0, s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$s = t^3 - t^2 + t$$

Distance travelled during the fifth second

$$= |s_5 - s_4|$$

$$= |5^3 - 5^2 + 5 - (4^3 - 4^2 + 4)|$$

$$= |105 - 52|$$

$$= 53 \text{ m}$$

2 $v = 3 + 2t$

$$s = \int (3 + 2t) dt$$

$$s = 3t + t^2 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 2$. Thus, $c = 2$.

$$s = 3t + t^2 + 2$$

Distance travelled during the fourth second

$$= |s_4 - s_3|$$

$$= |12 + 16 + 2 - (9 + 9 + 2)|$$

$$= |30 - 20|$$

$$= 10 \text{ m}$$

3 $v = 12t - 3t^2$

$$s = \int v dt$$

$$s = \int (12t - 3t^2) dt$$

$$s = 6t^2 - t^3 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 1$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$s = 6t^2 - t^3$$

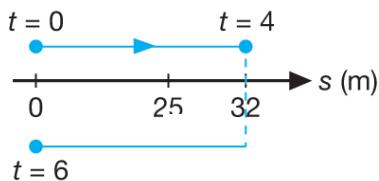
When $v = 0$,

$$12t - 3t^2 = 0$$

$$3t(4 - t) = 0$$

$$t = 4$$

t (s)	0	4	6
s (m)	0	32	0



Total distance travelled

$$= 32 + 32$$

$$= 64 \text{ m}$$

4 (a) $v = 2t - 6$

$$s = \int (2t - 6) dt$$

$$s = t^2 - 6t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$s = t^2 - 6t$$

When $v = 0$,

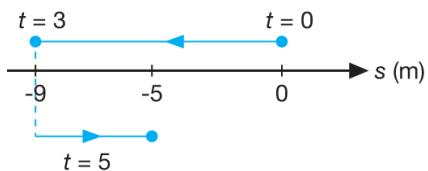
$$2t - 6 = 0$$

$$t = 3$$

$$s = 3^2 - 6(3) = -9 \text{ m}$$

(b)

t (s)	0	3	5
s (m)	0	-9	-5



Total distance travelled

$$= 9 + 4$$

$$= 13 \text{ m}$$

5 $v = 4 + 3t - t^2$

$$s = \int (4 + 3t - t^2) dt$$

$$s = 4t + \frac{3t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$s = 4t + \frac{3t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3}$$

When the displacement is a maximum,

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = 0$$

$$4 + 3t - t^2 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 3t - 4 = 0$$

$$(t - 4)(t + 1) = 0$$

$$t = 4$$

$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = 3 - 2t$$

When $t = 4$, $\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = 3 - 2(4) = -5$ (negative)

Hence, the maximum displacement

$$= 4(4) + \frac{3(4)^2}{2} - \frac{4^3}{3}$$

$$= 18\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

6 $a = 6 - 3t$

$$v = \int (6 - 3t) dt$$

$$v = 6t - \frac{3t^2}{2} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = -9$.

$$\text{Hence, } v = 6t - \frac{3t^2}{2} - 9$$

When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = a = 0 \\ 6 - 3t = 0 \\ t = 2$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -3 \text{ (Negative)}$$

Hence, the maximum velocity

$$= 6(2) - \frac{3(2)^2}{2} - 9 \\ = -3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

7 (a) $v = 12t - 3t^2 - 7$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 12 - 6t$$

When $v = 2$,

$$12t - 3t^2 - 7 = 2$$

$$3t^2 - 12t + 9 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 = 0$$

$$(t-3)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 3 \text{ or } 1$$

When $t = 3$, $a = 12 - 6(3) = -6 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

When $t = 1$, $a = 12 - 6(1) = 6 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

(b) When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = a = 0 \\ 12 - 6t = 0 \\ t = 2$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -6 \text{ (negative)}$$

Hence, the maximum velocity

$$= 12(2) - 3(2)^2 - 7$$

$$= 5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

8 (a) $a = 6t + 5$

$$v = \int a dt$$

$$v = \int (6t + 5) dt$$

$$v = 3t^2 + 5t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = -8$. Thus, $c = -8$.

$$v = 3t^2 + 5t - 8$$

When $t = 3$,

$$v = 3(3)^2 + 5(3) - 8 = 34 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$(b) s = \int v dt \\ s = \int (3t^2 + 5t - 8) dt \\ s = t^3 + \frac{5t^2}{2} - 8t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$.

$$\text{Hence, } s = t^3 + \frac{5t^2}{2} - 8t$$

When $v = 0$,

$$3t^2 + 5t - 8 = 0$$

$$(t-1)(3t+8) = 0$$

$$t = 1$$

When $t = 1$,

$$s = t^3 + \frac{5(t)^2}{2} - 8(1) = -4\frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

9 (a) $a = 3 - 2t$

$$v = \int (3 - 2t) dt$$

$$v = 3t - t^2 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = -2$. Thus, $c = -2$

$$v = 3t - t^2 - 2$$

When $v = 0$,

$$3t - t^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 3t + 2 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t-1) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \text{ or } 1$$

(b) $s = \int v dt$

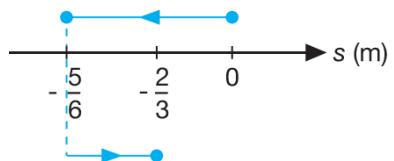
$$s = \int (3t - t^2 - 2) dt$$

$$s = \frac{3t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3} - 2t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$

$$s = \frac{3t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3} - 2t$$

t (s)	0	1	2
s (m)	0	$-\frac{5}{6}$	$-\frac{2}{3}$



Total distance travelled
 $= \frac{5}{6} + \left(\frac{5}{6} - \frac{2}{3} \right)$
 $= 1 \text{ m}$

10 $a = 4t - 8$

$$v = \int a \, dt$$

$$v = \int (4t - 8) \, dt$$

$$v = 2t^2 - 8t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 6$. Thus, $c = 6$

Hence, $v = 2t^2 - 8t + 6$

$$s = \int v \, dt$$

$$s = \int (2t^2 - 8t + 6) \, dt$$

$$s = \frac{2t^3}{3} - 4t^2 + 6t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$

$$s = \frac{2t^3}{3} - 4t^2 + 6t$$

When $v = 0$,

$$2t^2 - 8t + 6 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 = 0$$

$$(t-1)(t-3) = 0$$

$$t = 1 \text{ or } 3$$

When $t = 1$,

$$s = \frac{2(1)^3}{3} - 4(1)^2 + 6(1) = 2\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

When $t = 3$,

$$s = \frac{2(3)^3}{3} - 4(3)^2 + 6(3) = 0 \text{ m}$$

Distance of $PQ = 2\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$

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1 (a) $v = ht - kt^2$

$$s = \int (ht - kt^2) \, dt$$

$$s = \frac{ht^2}{2} - \frac{kt^3}{3} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$s = \frac{ht^2}{2} - \frac{kt^3}{3}$$

$$|s_1 - s_0| = \frac{13}{3}$$

$$\frac{h}{2} - \frac{k}{3} = \frac{13}{3}$$

$$3h - 2k = 26 \dots (1)$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = h - 2kt$$

When $t = 3$, $a = -2$

$$h - 2k(3) = -2$$

$$h = 6k - 2 \dots (2)$$

Substitute (2) into (1) :

$$3(6k - 2) - 2k = 26$$

$$18k - 6 - 2k = 26$$

$$16k = 32$$

$$k = 2$$

From (2) :

$$h = 6(2) - 2 = 10$$

(b) When $h = 10$ and $k = 2$,

$$v = ht - kt^2$$

$$v = 10t - 2t^2$$

$$s = \frac{10t^2}{2} - \frac{2t^3}{3}$$

$$s = 5t^2 - \frac{2t^3}{3}$$

When $v = 12$,

$$10t - 2t^2 = 12$$

$$2t^2 - 10t + 12 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 5t + 6 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t-3) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \text{ or } t = 3$$

Hence, the time taken by the particle to travel from point A to point B is 1 second.

(c) For point B,

$$s = 5(3)^2 - \frac{2(3)^3}{3}$$

$$s = 27 \text{ m}$$

When $v = 0$,

$$10t - 2t^2 = 0$$

$$2t(5-t) = 0$$

$$t = 5$$

For point C,

$$s = 5(5)^2 - \frac{2(5)^3}{3}$$

$$s = 41\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Distance of } BC = 41\frac{2}{3} - 27 = 14\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

$$2 \text{ (a) } v_M = 2t - 6$$

$$s_M = \int (2t - 6) dt$$

$$s_M = t^2 - 6t$$

$$v_N = 5 - t$$

$$s_N = \int (5 - t) dt$$

$$s_N = 5t - \frac{t^2}{2} + c$$

$$\text{When } t = 0, s_N = 8, \text{ Thus, } c = 8$$

$$s_N = 5t - \frac{t^2}{2} + 8$$

When the particles M and N meet,

$$t^2 - 6t = 5t - \frac{t^2}{2} + 8$$

$$2t^2 - 12t = 10t - t^2 + 16$$

$$3t^2 - 22t - 16 = 0$$

$$(t-8)(3t+2) = 0$$

$$t = 8$$

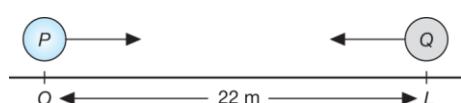
(b) When $t = 8$,

$$s_N = 5(8) - \frac{8^2}{2} + 8$$

$$s_N = 16 \text{ m}$$

Summative Practice 8

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$$(a) s_Q = 6t^3 - 2t$$

$$v_Q = \frac{ds_Q}{dt} = 18t^2 - 2$$

$$\text{When } t = 0, v_Q = 18(0)^2 - 2 = -2$$

Hence, the initial velocity of particle Q is -2 m s^{-1} .

(b) When particle Q reverses its direction,

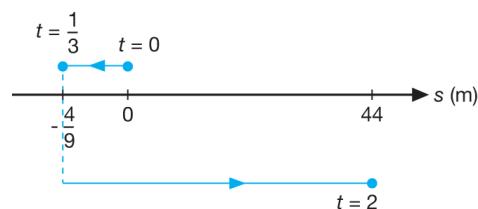
$$v_Q = 0$$

$$18t^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$t^2 = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{3}$$

$t \text{ (s)}$	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	2
$s_Q \text{ (m)}$	0	$-\frac{4}{9}$	44



Hence, the total distance travelled by particle Q in the first 2 seconds

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{4}{9} + \frac{4}{9} + 44 \\ &= 44\frac{8}{9} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) v_P = 18t^2 + 20$$

$$s_P = \int v_P dt$$

$$s_P = \int (18t^2 + 20) dt$$

$$s_P = 6t^3 + 20t + c$$

$$\text{When } t = 0,$$

$$s_P \text{ (from point } O) = 0.$$

$$\text{Thus, } s_P = 6t^3 + 20t$$

$$s_Q = 6t^3 - 2t + 22$$

When $t = 0$, the distance of particle Q from point O is 22 m.

When particles P and Q meet,

$$s_P = s_Q$$

$$6t^3 + 20t = 6t^3 - 2t + 22$$

$$22t = 22$$

$$t = 1$$

Hence, when particles P and Q meet, the distance of both particles from point O
 $= 6(1)^3 + 20(1)$
 $= 26 \text{ m}$

2 (a) $v = pt^2 - 6t$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$a = 2pt - 6$$

When $t = 5$, $a = 34$

$$34 = 2p(5) - 6$$

$$40 = 10p$$

$$p = 4$$

(b) $v = 4t^2 - 6t$

When the velocity of the particle decreases,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} < 0$$

$$8t - 6 < 0$$

$$8t < 6$$

$$t < \frac{3}{4}$$

Hence, the required range of values

$$\text{of } t \text{ is } 0 < t < \frac{3}{4}.$$

(c) $v = 0$

$$4t^2 - 6t = 0$$

$$2t(2t - 3) = 0$$

$$t = 0 \text{ or } \frac{3}{2}$$

Hence, the time when the particle

$$\text{stops momentarily is } 1\frac{1}{2} \text{ s.}$$

(d) $s = \int v dt$

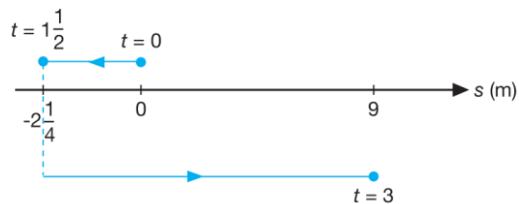
$$s = \int (4t^2 - 6t) dt$$

$$s = \frac{4t^3}{3} - \frac{6t^2}{2} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$\therefore s = \frac{4t^3}{3} - 3t^2$$

t (s)	0	$1\frac{1}{2}$	3
s (m)	0	$-2\frac{1}{4}$	9



The total distance travelled in the first 3 seconds

$$= 2\frac{1}{4} + 2\frac{1}{4} + 9$$

$$= 13\frac{1}{2} \text{ m}$$

3 (a) $v = -t^2 + 2t + 8$

When $t = 0$, $v = 8$

Hence, initial velocity of the particle is 8 ms^{-1} .

(b) When the particle stops momentarily,

$$v = 0$$

$$-t^2 + 2t + 8 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 2t - 8 = 0$$

$$(t+2)(t-4) = 0$$

$$t = -2 \text{ or } 4$$

$t = -2$ is not accepted

$$\therefore t = 4$$

(c) When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$-2t + 2 = 0$$

$$t = 1$$

When $t = 1$,

$$v_{\max} = -(1)^2 + 2(1) + 8 = 9 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

(d) $s = \int v dt$

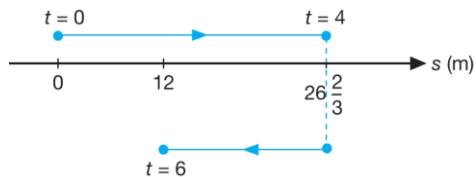
$$s = \int (-t^2 + 2t + 8) dt$$

$$s = -\frac{t^3}{3} + t^2 + 8t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$\therefore s = -\frac{t^3}{3} + t^2 + 8t$$

t (s)	0	4	6
s (m)	0	$26\frac{2}{3}$	12



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 6 seconds

$$= 26\frac{2}{3} + \left(26\frac{2}{3} - 12 \right) = 41\frac{1}{3} \text{ m}$$

- 4 (a) When $t = 0$, $a = 4 - 2(0) = 4$

Hence, the initial acceleration of the particle is 4 m s^{-2} .

$$(b) v = \int a dt$$

$$v = \int (4 - 2t) dt$$

$$v = 4t - \frac{2t^2}{2} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 12$. Hence, $c = 12$

$$v = 4t - t^2 + 12$$

When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$4 - 2t = 0$$

$$t = 2$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -2 \text{ (Negative)}$$

$$\therefore v_{\max} = 4(2) - 2^2 + 12 = 16 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

- (c) When $v = 0$,

$$4t - t^2 + 12 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 4t - 12 = 0$$

$$(t+2)(t-6) = 0$$

$$t = -2 \text{ or } 6$$

$t = -2$ is not accepted

$$\therefore t = 6 \text{ s}$$

$$(d) s = \int v dt$$

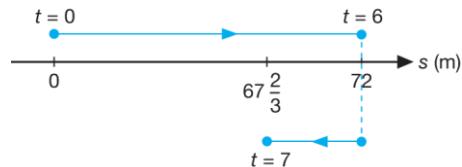
$$s = \int (4t - t^2 + 12) dt$$

$$s = \frac{4t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3} + 12t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$

$$s = 2t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} + 12t$$

t (s)	0	6	7
s (m)	0	72	$67\frac{2}{3}$



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 7 seconds

$$= 72 + \left(72 - 67\frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$= 76\frac{1}{3} \text{ m}$$

$$5 \quad (a) a = \frac{dv}{dt} = -4 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

- (b) When $v = 0$,

$$6 - 4t = 0$$

$$t = 1.5 \text{ s}$$

$$(c) s = \int v dt$$

$$s = \int (6 - 4t) dt$$

$$s = 6t - 2t^2 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Then, $c = 0$

$$s = 6t - 2t^2$$

When $s = -8$ (at point P),

$$6t - 2t^2 = -8$$

$$2t^2 - 6t - 8 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 3t - 4 = 0$$

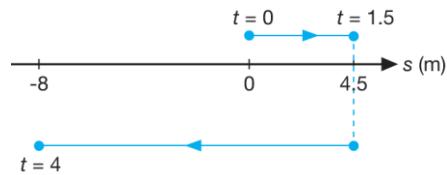
$$(t+1)(t-4) = 0$$

$$\therefore t = 4$$

When $t = 4$, $v = 6 - 4(4) = -10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

(d)

t (s)	0	1.5	4
s (m)	0	4.5	-8



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 5 seconds
 $= 4.5 + 4.5 + 8 = 17 \text{ m}$

6 (a) When $a = 0$, $7 - 4t = 0$

$$t = \frac{7}{4} \text{ s}$$

(b) At maximum velocity,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$a = 0$$

$$t = \frac{7}{4}$$

$$v = \int a \, dt$$

$$v = \int (7 - 4t) \, dt$$

$$v = 7t - 2t^2 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 4$, $\therefore c = 4$

$$\therefore v = 7t - 2t^2 + 4$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -4 \quad (< 0)$$

Hence, $v_{\max} = 7\left(\frac{7}{4}\right) - 2\left(\frac{7}{4}\right)^2 + 4$
 $= 10\frac{1}{8} \text{ m s}^{-1}$

(c) When $v = 0$,

$$7t - 2t^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$2t^2 - 7t - 4 = 0$$

$$(2t + 1)(t - 4) = 0$$

$$t = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } 4$$

$t = -\frac{1}{2}$ is not accepted

$$\therefore t = 4 \text{ s}$$

(d) $s = \int v \, dt$

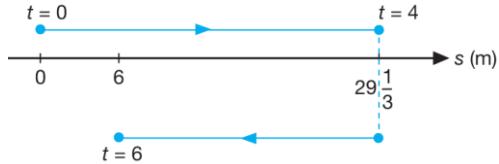
$$s = \int (7t - 2t^2 + 4) \, dt$$

$$s = \frac{7t^2}{2} - \frac{2t^3}{3} + 4t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$

$$s = \frac{7t^2}{2} - \frac{2t^3}{3} + 4t$$

$t \text{ (s)}$	0	4	6
$s \text{ (m)}$	0	$29\frac{1}{3}$	6



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 6 seconds

$$= 29\frac{1}{3} + \left(29\frac{1}{3} - 6 \right)$$

$$= 52\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

7 (a) $v = \int a \, dt$

$$v = \int (8 - 2t) \, dt$$

$$v = 8t - \frac{2t^2}{2} + c$$

$$v = 8t - t^2 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = -12$. Hence, $c = -12$.

$$\therefore v = 8t - t^2 - 12$$

When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$8 - 2t = 0$$

$$t = 4$$

$$v_{\max} = 8(4) - 4^2 - 12 = 4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

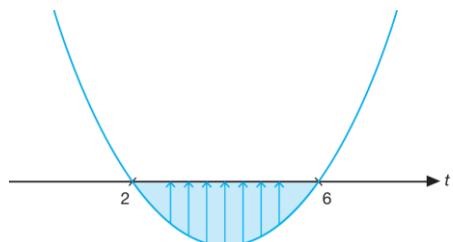
(b) When the particle moves to the right,

$$v > 0$$

$$8t - t^2 - 12 > 0$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 12 < 0$$

$$(t - 2)(t - 6) < 0$$



Hence, the range of values of t is $2 < t < 6$.

(c) $s = \int v \, dt$

$$s = \int (8t - t^2 - 12) \, dt$$

$$s = \frac{8t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3} - 12t + c$$

$$s = 4t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} - 12t + c$$

When $t = 0, s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$\therefore s = 4t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} - 12t$$

When the particle reverses its direction,

$$v = 0$$

$$8t - t^2 - 12 = 0$$

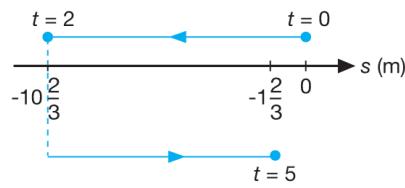
$$t^2 - 8t + 12 = 0$$

$$(t-2)(t-6) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \text{ or } 6$$

Since $t \leq 5$, we use $t = 2$.

t (s)	0	2	5
s (m)	0	$-10\frac{2}{3}$	$-1\frac{2}{3}$



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 5 seconds

$$= 10\frac{2}{3} + \left(10\frac{2}{3} - 1\frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$= 19\frac{2}{3} \text{ m}$$

8 (a) When $t = 0, v = 15 + 7(0) - 4(0)^2$
 $= 15 \text{ cm s}^{-1}$

(b) $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 7 - 8t$

When $t = 0, a = 7 - 8(0)$

$$a = 7 \text{ cm s}^{-2}$$

(c) $\frac{dv}{dt} = 7 - 8t$

When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$7 - 8t = 0$$

$$t = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -8 \text{ (Negative)}$$

Hence, the maximum velocity

$$= 15 + 7\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - 4\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^2$$

$$= 18\frac{1}{16} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$$

(d) $s = \int v dt$

$$s = \int (15 + 7t - 4t^2) dt$$

$$s = 15t + \frac{7t^2}{2} - \frac{4t^3}{3} + c$$

When $t = 0, s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$

$$\therefore s = 15t + \frac{7t^2}{2} - \frac{4t^3}{3}$$

When $v = 0$,

$$15 + 7t - 4t^2 = 0$$

$$4t^2 - 7t - 15 = 0$$

$$(4t+5)(t-3) = 0$$

$$t = -\frac{5}{4} \text{ or } 3$$

$$t = -\frac{5}{4} \text{ is not accepted}$$

$$\therefore t = 3$$

When $t = 3$,

$$s = 15(3) + \frac{7(3)^2}{2} - \frac{4(3)^3}{3} = 40\frac{1}{2} \text{ cm}$$

9 (a) At point A,

$$v = 0$$

$$12 + 4t - t^2 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 4t - 12 = 0$$

$$(t+2)(t-6) = 0$$

$$t = -2 \text{ or } 6$$

$$t = -2 \text{ is not accepted}$$

$$\therefore t = 6$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 4 - 2t$$

$$\text{When } t = 6, a = 4 - 2(6) = -8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

(b) When velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$4 - 2t = 0$$

$$t = 2$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -2 \quad (< 0)$$

$$\therefore v_{\max} = 12 + 4(2) - 2^2 = 16 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

(c) $s = \int v dt$

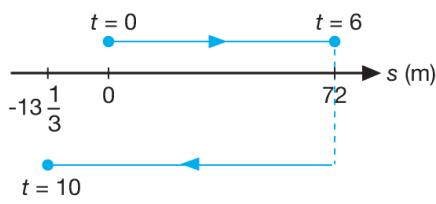
$$s = \int (12 + 4t - t^2) dt$$

$$s = 12t + 2t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$\therefore s = 12t + 2t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3}$$

t (s)	0	6	10
s (m)	0	72	$-13\frac{1}{3}$



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 10 seconds

$$= 72 + 72 + 13\frac{1}{3}$$

$$= 157\frac{1}{3} \text{ m}$$

10 (a) $v = -10 + 7t - t^2$

When $t = 0$, $v = -10$

Hence, the initial velocity is -10 ms^{-1} .

(b) When the velocity of the particle is a maximum,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$7 - 2t = 0$$

$$t = 3.5$$

When $t = 3.5$,

$$v = -10 + 7(3.5) - (3.5)^2$$

$$v = 2.25$$

$$\frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = -2 \quad (< 0)$$

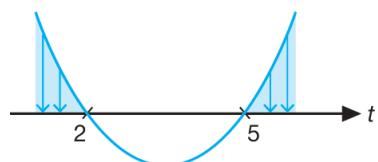
Hence, the maximum velocity is 2.25 ms^{-1} .

(c) When the particle moves to the right, $v > 0$

$$-10 + 7t - t^2 > 0$$

$$t^2 - 7t + 10 < 0$$

$$(t - 2)(t - 5) < 0$$



The range of values of t is $2 < t < 5$.

(d) When $v = 0$,

$$-10 + 7t - t^2 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 7t + 10 = 0$$

$$(t - 2)(t - 5) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \text{ or } 5$$

Hence, the particle is at instantaneous rest for the second time when $t = 5$.

$$s = \int v dt$$

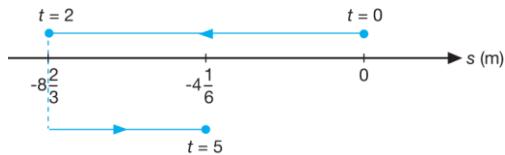
$$s = \int (-10 + 7t - t^2) dt$$

$$s = -10t + \frac{7t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3} + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$\therefore s = -10t + \frac{7t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3}$$

t (s)	0	2	5
s (m)	0	$-8\frac{2}{3}$	$-4\frac{1}{6}$



Hence, the total distance travelled in the first 5

$$= 8\frac{2}{3} + \left(8\frac{2}{3} - 4\frac{1}{6} \right)$$

$$= 8\frac{2}{3} + 4\frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 13\frac{1}{6} \text{ m}$$

SPM Spot

1 (a) $a = 6 - 4t$

$$v = \int (6 - 4t) dt$$

$$v = 6t - 2t^2 + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v = 36$. Thus, $c = 36$.

$$v = 6t - 2t^2 + 36$$

When $t = 2$, $v = 6(2) - 2(2)^2 + 36$

$$v = 40 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

(b) At maximum velocity,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0$$

$$a = 0$$

$$6 - 4t = 0$$

$$t = \frac{3}{2}$$

Maximum velocity

$$= 6\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 36 \\ = 40.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

(c) $s = \int v dt$

$$s = \int (6t - 2t^2 + 36) dt$$

$$s = 3t^2 - \frac{2t^3}{3} + 36t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $s = 0$. Thus, $c = 0$.

$$s = 3t^2 - \frac{2t^3}{3} + 36t$$

When the particle stops momentarily,
 $v = 0$.

$$6t - 2t^2 + 36 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 3t - 18 = 0$$

$$(t+3)(t-6) = 0$$

$$t = -3 \text{ or } t = 6$$

$t = -3$ is not accepted.

$$\therefore t = 6$$

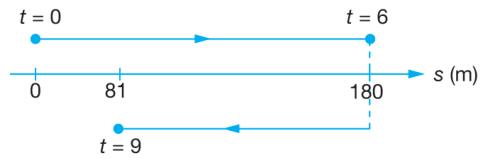
When $t = 6$,

$$s = 3(6)^2 - \frac{2(6)^3}{3} + 36(6)$$

$$s = 180 \text{ m}$$

(d)

t (s)	0	6	9
s (m)	0	180	81



Total distance in the first 9 seconds

$$= 180 + (180 - 81)$$

$$= 279 \text{ m}$$

Average speed

$$= \frac{279}{9}$$

$$= 31 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

2 (a) $a_A = 6t + 8$

$$v_A = \int (6t + 8) dt$$

$$= \frac{6t^2}{2} + 8t + c$$

$$= 3t^2 + 8t + c$$

When $t = 0$, $v_A = 5$, Thus, $c = 5$.

$$\therefore v_A = 3t^2 + 8t + 5$$

$$a_B = 6t - 2$$

$$v_B = \int (6t - 2) dt$$

$$= \frac{6t^2}{2} - 2t + k$$

$$= 3t^2 - 2t + k$$

When $t = 0$, $v_B = 4$, Thus, $k = 4$.

$$\therefore v_B = 3t^2 - 2t + 4$$

(b) $s_A = \int (3t^2 + 8t + 5) dt$

$$= \frac{3t^3}{3} + \frac{8t^2}{2} + 5t + h$$

$$= t^3 + 4t^2 + 5t + h$$

When $t = 0$, $s_A = 0$. Thus $h = 0$.

$$\therefore s_A = t^3 + 4t^2 + 5t$$

$$s_B = \int (3t^2 - 2t + 4) dt$$

$$= \frac{3t^3}{3} - \frac{2t^2}{2} + 4t + u$$

$$= t^3 - t^2 + 4t + u$$

When $t = 0$, $s_B = 18$. Thus, $u = 18$.

$$\therefore s_B = t^3 - t^2 + 4t + 18$$

(c) When the particles A and B collide,

$$s_A = s_B$$

$$t^3 + 4t^2 + 5t = t^3 - t^2 + 4t + 18$$

$$5t^2 + t - 18 = 0$$

$$(5t - 9)(t + 2) = 0$$

$$t = \frac{9}{5} \text{ or } t = -2$$

$t = -2$ is not accepted.

$$\text{Hence, } t = 1\frac{4}{5}.$$

- (d) Distance travelled by particle A when the particles A and B collide

$$= \left(\frac{9}{5}\right)^3 + 4\left(\frac{9}{5}\right)^2 + 5\left(\frac{9}{5}\right)$$

$$= 27\frac{99}{125} \text{ m}$$