

1. A bird leaves its nest at time $t = 0$ for a short flight along a straight line.

The bird then returns to its nest.

The bird is modelled as a particle moving in a straight horizontal line.

The distance, s metres, of the bird from its nest at time t seconds is given by

$$s = \frac{1}{10}(t^4 - 20t^3 + 100t^2), \quad \text{where } 0 \leq t \leq 10$$

- (a) Explain the restriction, $0 \leq t \leq 10$

(3)

- (b) Find the distance of the bird from the nest when the bird first comes to instantaneous rest.

(6)

$$(a) \text{ When } t=0, s = \frac{1}{10} (0^4 - 20(0)^3 + 100(0)^2)$$

$$s = 0$$

$$\text{When } t = 10, s = \frac{1}{10} (10^4 - 20(10)^3 + 100(10)^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} (10000 - 20(1000) + 100(100))$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} (10000 - 20000 + 10000)$$

$$= 0$$

So when $t=0$ and $t=10$, $s=0$

$$\text{Now, } s = \frac{1}{10} (t^4 - 20t^3 + 100t^2)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{10} t^2 (t^2 - 20t + 100)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{10} t^2 (t - 10)(t - 10)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{10} t^2 (t-10)^2$$

$\therefore s$ is a perfect square, so
 $s > 0$ for $0 < t < 10$

(b) Differentiate displacement, s for velocity, v :

$$v = \frac{1}{10} (4t^3 - 60t^2 + 200t)$$

When the bird reaches rest, velocity = 0 m s^{-1}

$$\therefore \frac{1}{10} (4t^3 - 60t^2 + 200t) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{10} t(4t^2 - 60t + 200) = 0$$

$$\frac{4}{10} t(t^2 - 15t + 50) = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{5} t(t-10)(t-5) = 0$$

Either $t=0$ or $t=5$ or $t=10$

When the bird first reaches instantaneous rest, $t=5$. It isn't $t=0$, because this is when the bird leaves the nest.

Now, substitute $t=5$ into
 $s = \frac{1}{10} (t^4 - 20t^3 + 100t^2)$:

$$s = \frac{1}{10} (5^4 - 20(5)^3 + 100(5)^2)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{10} (625 - 20(125) + 100(25))$$

$$s = \frac{1}{10} (625 - 2500 + 2500)$$

$$s = \frac{1}{10} (625)$$

$$\boxed{s = 62.5 \text{ m}}$$

distance of the bird from the nest
when it first comes to instantaneous
rest is 62.5m

2. A particle, P , moves along the x -axis. At time t seconds, $t \geq 0$, the displacement,

$$x \text{ metres, of } P \text{ from the origin } O, \text{ is given by } x = \frac{1}{2}t^2(t^2 - 2t + 1)$$

(a) Find the times when P is instantaneously at rest.

(5)

(b) Find the total distance travelled by P in the time interval $0 \leq t \leq 2$

(3)

(c) Show that P will never move along the negative x -axis.

(2)

a) $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}t^4 - t^3 + \frac{1}{2}t^2$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2t^3 - 3t^2 + t$$

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

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

$$t=0 \quad t=\frac{1}{2} \quad t=1$$

b) $t=0, x=0$
 $t=\frac{1}{2}, x=\frac{1}{32}$ $\downarrow +\frac{1}{32}$

$t=1, x=0$ $\downarrow -\frac{1}{32}$

$t=2, x=2$ $\downarrow +2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{distance travelled} &= 2\left(\frac{1}{32}\right) + 2 \\ &= \frac{33}{16} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2.0625$$

$$\approx 2.06$$

c) $x = \frac{1}{2}t^2(t^2 - 2t + 1)$
 $= \frac{1}{2}t^2(t-1)^2$

For $t \geq 0$, x is always positive



3. A particle, P , moves along a straight line such that at time t seconds, $t \geq 0$, the velocity of P , $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$, is modelled as

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

Find

- (a) the magnitude of the acceleration of P when P is at instantaneous rest, (5)
- (b) the distance travelled by P in the interval $0 \leq t \leq 3$ (3)

a rest $\Rightarrow v = 0$!

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

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

$$t = 6 \text{ s (or } t = -2, \text{ not valid)}$$

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

$$\text{at } t = 6, a = 4 - 2 \times 6$$

$$= -8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

$$\text{The magnitude} = 8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

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

$$= \int_0^3 (12 + 4t - t^2) \, dt$$

$$= \left[12t + 2t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} \right]_0^3$$



$$= 36 + 18 - 9 - 0$$

$$= \underline{45 \text{ m}}$$

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4. A particle P moves along a straight line such that at time t seconds, $t \geq 0$, after leaving the point O on the line, the velocity, $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$, of P is modelled as

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

- (a) Find the value of t at the instant when P stops accelerating. (4)
- (b) Find the distance of P from O at the instant when P changes its direction of motion. (5)

In this question, solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

a) 'stops accelerating': $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 0$

$$v = (7 - 2t)(t + 2) = 3t - 2t^2 + 14$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 3 - (2 \times 2)t$$

$$= 3 - 4t$$

$$\text{so } 3 - 4t = 0$$

$$t = \frac{3}{4} \text{ s}$$

b) change of direction: $v = 0$

$$3t - 2t^2 + 14 = 0 \Rightarrow (2t - 7)(t + 2) = 0$$

$$t = \frac{7}{2} \text{ or } t = -2$$

$$t > 0 \text{ so } t = \frac{7}{2}$$

find t @ which direction changes

$$s = \int v dt$$

integrate to find distance

$$= \int_0^{\frac{7}{2}} (3t - 2t^2 + 14) dt$$

$$= \left[\frac{3}{2}t^2 - \frac{2t^3}{3} + 14t \right]_0^{\frac{7}{2}}$$



$$= \frac{3}{2}\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{2}{3}\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^3 + 14\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{931}{24} \text{ m} = 38.79166\dots \text{ m}$$

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5. At time t seconds, where $t \geq 0$, a particle P moves so that its acceleration \mathbf{a} m s⁻² is given by

$$\mathbf{a} = 5t\mathbf{i} - 15t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

When $t = 0$, the velocity of P is $20\mathbf{i}$ m s⁻¹

Find the speed of P when $t = 4$

(6)

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = 5t\mathbf{i} - 15t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}, \quad t = 0, \quad \underline{\mathbf{v}} = 20\mathbf{i} \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

↓ $\underline{\mathbf{v}}?$

Speed when $t = 4$?

Differentiate ↓ Displacement ↑
Velocity
Acceleration ↑ Integrate

We can integrate our equation for acceleration with respect to t , to find an expression for the velocity.

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{a}} = 5t\mathbf{i} - 15t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\int 5t \, dt = \frac{5t^2}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \int 15t^{\frac{1}{2}} \, dt = 10t^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int 5t\mathbf{i} - 15t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j} \, dt = \frac{5t^2}{2}\mathbf{i} - 10t^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j} + C = \underline{\mathbf{v}} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{When } t = 0, \underline{\mathbf{v}} = 20\mathbf{i} \Rightarrow \frac{5(0)^2}{2}\mathbf{i} - 10(0)^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j} + C = 20\mathbf{i} \Rightarrow C = 20\mathbf{i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{5t^2}{2}\mathbf{i} - 10t^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j} + 20\mathbf{i} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{When } t = 4, \text{ we need to find velocity} \Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{5(4)^2}{2}\mathbf{i} - 10(4)^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j} + 20\mathbf{i} = 40\mathbf{i} - 80\mathbf{j} + 20\mathbf{i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{v}} = 60\mathbf{i} - 80\mathbf{j} \quad \textcircled{1} \text{ (velocity expression for } t=4)$$

We can now find the speed by working out the magnitude since speed is the scalar equivalent of velocity.

$$\text{Speed} = |\underline{\mathbf{v}}| = \sqrt{(60)^2 + (-80)^2} = \underline{\underline{100 \text{ ms}^{-1}}} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

6. Unless otherwise stated, whenever a numerical value of g is required, take $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ and give your answer to either 2 significant figures or 3 significant figures.

At time t seconds, where $t \geq 0$, a particle P moves in the x - y plane in such a way that its velocity $\mathbf{v} \text{ ms}^{-1}$ is given by

$$\mathbf{v} = t^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{i} - 4t\mathbf{j}$$

When $t = 1$, P is at the point A and when $t = 4$, P is at the point B .

Find the exact distance AB .

(6)

$$\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{d\underline{\mathbf{s}}}{dt}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\mathbf{s}} = \int \underline{\mathbf{v}} \cdot dt$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = \int (t^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{i} - 4t\mathbf{j}) dt \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = 2t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{i} - 2t^2\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

At A : - substitute $t=1$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = 2(1)^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{i} - 2(1)^2\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = 2\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(As we are finding the length of the vertical and horizontal lines, the $\underline{\mathbf{c}}$'s cancel out and can therefore be left out.)

At B : - substitute $t=4$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = 2(4)^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{i} - 2(4)^2\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}}$$

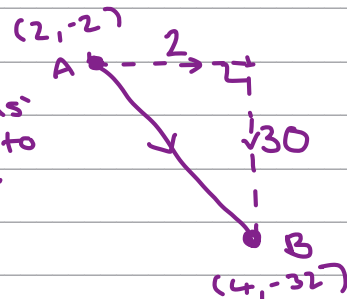
$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = 4\mathbf{i} - 32\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{(2)^2 + (30)^2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$= \sqrt{904}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{226} \text{ m} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

use Pythagoras' theorem to find AB .



[In this question position vectors are given relative to a fixed origin O]

7. At time t seconds, where $t \geq 0$, a particle, P , moves so that its velocity \mathbf{v} m s^{-1} is given by

$$\mathbf{v} = 6t\mathbf{i} - 5t^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

When $t = 0$, the position vector of P is $(-20\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j})\text{m}$.

- (a) Find the acceleration of P when $t = 4$ (3)

- (b) Find the position vector of P when $t = 4$ (3)

a) $\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \int \underline{\mathbf{a}} \cdot dt$
 $\underline{\mathbf{a}} = \frac{d\underline{\mathbf{v}}}{dt} = 6\mathbf{i} - \frac{15}{2} t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j} \quad \text{--- (2)}$

When $t = 4$

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = 6\mathbf{i} - \frac{15}{2} (4)^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = (6\mathbf{i} - 15\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

b) $\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{d\underline{\mathbf{s}}}{dt}$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = \int (6t\mathbf{i} - 5t^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j}) dt \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = 3t^2\mathbf{i} - 2t^{\frac{5}{2}}\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

When $t = 0$:

$$3(0)^2\mathbf{i} - 2(0)^{\frac{5}{2}}\mathbf{j} + \underline{\mathbf{c}} = -20\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{c}} = -20\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = (3t^2 - 20)\mathbf{i} + (20 - 2t^{\frac{5}{2}})\mathbf{j}$$

when $t = 4$:

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = (3(4)^2 - 20)\mathbf{i} + (20 - 2(4)^{\frac{5}{2}})\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{s}} = (28\mathbf{i} - 44\mathbf{j}) \text{ m} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

8. A particle, P , moves with constant acceleration $(2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j})\text{m s}^{-2}$

At time $t = 0$, the particle is at the point A and is moving with velocity $(-\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j})\text{m s}^{-1}$

At time $t = T$ seconds, P is moving in the direction of vector $(3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j})$

- (a) Find the value of T .

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow \lambda(3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}) \\ &= 3\lambda\mathbf{i} - 4\lambda\mathbf{j} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

At time $t = 4$ seconds, P is at the point B .

- (b) Find the distance AB .

(4)

$$\text{a) } \underline{a} = \frac{d\underline{v}}{dt}$$

$$\underline{v} = \int (2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}) dt$$

$$= 2t\mathbf{i} - 3t\mathbf{j} + \underline{c} \quad - (1)$$

When $t = 0$;

$$2(0)\mathbf{i} - 3(0)\mathbf{j} + \underline{c} = -\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{c} = -\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{v} = (2t - 1)\mathbf{i} + (4 - 3t)\mathbf{j} \quad - (1)$$

When $t = T$;

$$(2T - 1)\mathbf{i} + (4 - 3T)\mathbf{j} = 3\lambda\mathbf{i} - 4\lambda\mathbf{j}$$

$$2T - 1 = 3\lambda$$

$$4 - 3T = -4\lambda$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2T - 1}{3} \quad - (1)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{-(-4 + 3T)}{4} \quad - (2)$$

$$(1) = (2)$$

$$\frac{2T - 1}{3} = \frac{-4 + 3T}{4} \quad - (1)$$

$$4(2T - 1) = 3(-4 + 3T)$$

$$8T - 4 = -12 + 9T$$

$$T = 8 \quad - (1)$$

$$\text{b) } \underline{v} = \frac{d\underline{s}}{dt}$$

$$\underline{s} = \int ((2t - 1)\mathbf{i} + (4 - 3t)\mathbf{j}) dt$$

$$b) \underline{s} = (t^2 - t)\underline{i} + (4t - \frac{3}{2}t^2)\underline{j} + \underline{d} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{when } t=0, \underline{s}=0$$

$$\therefore \underline{d} = 0$$

$$\underline{s} = (t^2 - t)\underline{i} + (4t - \frac{3}{2}t^2)\underline{j} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

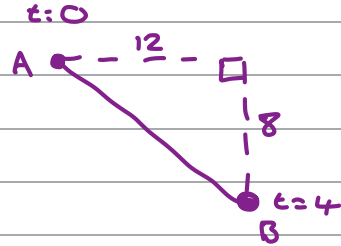
$$\text{when } t=4,$$

$$\underline{s} = (4^2 - 4)\underline{i} + (4(4) - \frac{3}{2}(4)^2)\underline{j}$$

$$\underline{s} = 12\underline{i} - 8\underline{j}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{12^2 + 8^2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{13}$$



$$\text{distance } AB = (4\sqrt{13}) \text{ m} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

a)

$$\underline{v} = \int \underline{a} dt \quad \Rightarrow \underline{v} = \int 4\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j} dt$$
$$= 4t\mathbf{i} - 5t\mathbf{j} + \underline{c}$$

$$\underline{v}(t) = 4t\mathbf{i} - 5t\mathbf{j} + \underline{c}$$

$$\underline{v}(0) = 4(0)\mathbf{i} - 5(0)\mathbf{j} + \underline{c} = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$
$$\underline{c} = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$

$$\underline{v}(t) = 4t\mathbf{i} - 5t\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{v}(2) = 4(2)\mathbf{i} - 5(2)\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$
$$= 8\mathbf{i} - 10\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$
$$= (6\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-1} \quad \checkmark$$

b)

$$v(t) = 4t\mathbf{i} - 5t\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$$

$$r = \int v \, dt \Rightarrow r = \int 4t\mathbf{i} - 5t\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} \, dt$$

$$= 2t^2\mathbf{i} - \frac{5t^2}{2}\mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j} + c$$

$$r(t) = 2t^2\mathbf{i} - \frac{5t^2}{2}\mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j} + c$$

$$r(0) = 2(0)^2\mathbf{i} - \frac{5(0)^2}{2}\mathbf{j} - 2(0)\mathbf{i} + 2(0)\mathbf{j} + c = 0$$

$$c = 0$$

$$r(t) = 2t^2\mathbf{i} - \frac{5t^2}{2}\mathbf{j} - 2t\mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j} \quad \checkmark$$

$$r(T) = 2T^2\mathbf{i} - \frac{5T^2}{2}\mathbf{j} - 2T\mathbf{i} + 2T\mathbf{j} = 1\mathbf{i} - 4.5\mathbf{j}$$

Equating \mathbf{j} component terms:

$$-\frac{5T^2}{2}\mathbf{j} + 2T\mathbf{j} = -4.5\mathbf{j} \quad \checkmark$$

$$-5T^2\mathbf{j} + 4T\mathbf{j} = -9\mathbf{j}$$

$$-5T^2 + 4T + 9 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\rightarrow T = 1.8 \text{ or } T = -1$$

$\hookrightarrow -1 < 0$ (Invalid)

$$\therefore T = 1.8 \quad \checkmark$$

c)

$$T = 1.8 \quad \Gamma(T) = 2T^2 \mathbf{i} - \frac{5T^2}{2} \mathbf{j} - 2T \mathbf{i} + 2T \mathbf{j} = \lambda \mathbf{i} - 4.5 \mathbf{j}$$

Equating \mathbf{i} component:

$$2T^2 \mathbf{i} - 2T \mathbf{i} = \lambda \mathbf{i} \quad \checkmark$$

$$2T^2 - 2T = \lambda$$

$$2(1.8)^2 - 2(1.8) = \lambda$$

$$\lambda = 2.88 \quad \checkmark$$

10. (i) At time t seconds, where $t \geq 0$, a particle P moves so that its acceleration \mathbf{a} m s^{-2} is given by

$$\mathbf{a} = (1 - 4t)\mathbf{i} + (3 - t^2)\mathbf{j}$$

At the instant when $t = 0$, the velocity of P is $36\mathbf{i} \text{ m s}^{-1}$ \rightarrow Initial condition

- (a) Find the velocity of P when $t = 4$ (3)

- (b) Find the value of t at the instant when P is moving in a direction perpendicular to \mathbf{i} \rightarrow No \mathbf{i} component (3)

- (ii) At time t seconds, where $t \geq 0$, a particle Q moves so that its position vector \mathbf{r} metres, relative to a fixed origin O , is given by

$$\mathbf{r} = (t^2 - t)\mathbf{i} + 3t\mathbf{j}$$

- Find the value of t at the instant when the speed of Q is 5 m s^{-1} \rightarrow Speed = $|\mathbf{v}|$ (6)

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i) a)

$$\underline{v} = \int \underline{a} \, dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underline{v} = \int (1 - 4t) \underline{i} + (3 - t^2) \underline{j} \, dt$$

$$= \int (1 - 4t) \underline{i} \, dt + \int (3 - t^2) \underline{j} \, dt \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{v} = (t - 2t^2) \underline{i} + \left(3t - \frac{t^3}{3}\right) \underline{j} + C \quad \checkmark$$

When $t = 0$, $\underline{v} = 36 \underline{i}$

$$36 \underline{i} = (\cancel{0} - 2(\cancel{0})^2) \underline{i} + (\cancel{3(0)} - \frac{\cancel{0}^3}{3}) \underline{j} + C$$

$$\therefore C = 36 \underline{i}$$

$$\underline{v} = (t - 2t^2 + 36) \underline{i} + \left(3t - \frac{t^3}{3}\right) \underline{j}$$

$$\underline{v}(4) = (4 - 32 + 36) \underline{i} + \left(12 - \frac{64}{3}\right) \underline{j}$$

$$= \left(8 \underline{i} - \frac{28}{3} \underline{j}\right) \text{ms}^{-1} \quad \checkmark$$



i) b)

$$\underline{v} = (t - 2t^2 + 36)\mathbf{i} + \left(3t - \frac{t^3}{3}\right)\mathbf{j}$$

$$t - 2t^2 + 36 = 0 \quad \checkmark\checkmark$$

$$2t^2 - t - 36 = 0 \quad \rightarrow t = 4.5, \quad t = -4$$

$$\therefore t = 4.5 \quad \checkmark$$



$$\downarrow \\ -4 < 0 \text{ (invalid)}$$

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ii)

$$\underline{v} = \frac{d}{dt}(\underline{r}) \Rightarrow \underline{v} = \frac{d}{dt}((t^2 - t)\underline{i} + 3t\underline{j}) \checkmark$$

$$\underline{v} = \frac{d}{dt}((t^2 - t)\underline{i}) + \frac{d}{dt}((3t)\underline{j})$$

$$\underline{v} = (2t - 1)\underline{i} + 3\underline{j} \checkmark$$

for a vector $a\underline{i} + b\underline{j}$, $|a\underline{i} + b\underline{j}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

$$\text{Speed} = \sqrt{(2t - 1)^2 + (3)^2} = 5 \checkmark$$

$$(2t - 1)^2 + (3)^2 = 25 \checkmark$$

$$(2t - 1)^2 = 16$$

$$(4t^2 - 4t + 1) = 16 \Rightarrow 4t^2 - 4t - 15 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$t = 2.5 \text{ or } t = -1.5$$

↓

$$-1.5 < 0$$

∴ invalid.

$$\therefore t = 2.5 \checkmark$$

