

Section 3.3 Homework

1. (a) $s = f(t) = t^3 - 12t^2 + 36t \Rightarrow v(t) = f'(t) = 3t^2 - 24t + 36$

(b) $v(3) = 27 - 72 + 36 = -9 \text{ m/s}$

(c) The particle is at rest when $v(t) = 0$. $3t^2 - 24t + 36 = 0 \Rightarrow 3(t-2)(t-6) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 2, 6$.

(d) The particle is moving in the positive direction when $v(t) > 0$. $3(t-2)(t-6) > 0 \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq t < 2 \text{ or } t > 6$.

(e) Since the particle is moving forward and backward, we need to calculate (f)

the distance traveled in the intervals $[0, 2]$, $[2, 6]$, and $[6, 8]$ separately.

$$|f(2) - f(0)| = |32 - 0| = 32.$$

$$|f(6) - f(2)| = |0 - 32| = 32.$$

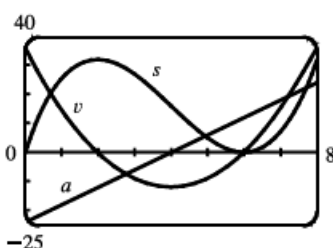
$$|f(8) - f(6)| = |32 - 0| = 32.$$

The total distance is $32 + 32 + 32 = 96 \text{ m}$.

(g) $s = f(t) = t^3 - 12t^2 + 36t, t \geq 0 \Rightarrow v(t) = f'(t) = 3t^2 - 24t + 36$. $a(t) = v'(t) = 6t - 24$.

$$a(3) = 6(3) - 24 = -6 \text{ (m/s)/s or m/s}^2.$$

(h)



(i) The particle is speeding up when v and a have the same sign. This occurs when $2 < t < 4$ and when $t > 6$. It is slowing down when v and a have opposite signs; that is, when $0 \leq t < 2$ and when $4 < t < 6$.

3. (a) From the figure, the velocity v is positive on the interval $(0, 2)$ and negative on the interval $(2, 3)$. The acceleration a is positive (negative) when the slope of the tangent line is positive (negative), so the acceleration is positive on the interval $(0, 1)$, and negative on the interval $(1, 3)$. The particle is speeding up when v and a have the same sign, that is, on the interval $(0, 1)$ when $v > 0$ and $a > 0$, and on the interval $(2, 3)$ when $v < 0$ and $a < 0$. The particle is slowing down when v and a have opposite signs, that is, on the interval $(1, 2)$ when $v > 0$ and $a < 0$.

(b) $v > 0$ on $(0, 3)$ and $v < 0$ on $(3, 4)$. $a > 0$ on $(1, 2)$ and $a < 0$ on $(0, 1)$ and $(2, 4)$. The particle is speeding up on $(1, 2)$ [$v > 0, a > 0$] and on $(3, 4)$ [$v < 0, a < 0$]. The particle is slowing down on $(0, 1)$ and $(2, 3)$ [$v > 0, a < 0$].

7. (a) $h = 10t - 0.83t^2 \Rightarrow v(t) = \frac{dh}{dt} = 10 - 1.66t$, so $v(3) = 10 - 1.66(3) = 5.02 \text{ m/s}$.

(b) $h = 25 \Rightarrow 10t - 0.83t^2 = 25 \Rightarrow 0.83t^2 - 10t + 25 = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{17}}{1.66} \approx 3.54 \text{ or } 8.51$.

The value $t_1 = (10 - \sqrt{17})/1.66$ corresponds to the time it takes for the stone to rise 25 m and

$t_2 = (10 + \sqrt{17})/1.66$ corresponds to the time when the stone is 25 m high on the way down. Thus,

$$v(t_1) = 10 - 1.66[(10 - \sqrt{17})/1.66] = \sqrt{17} \approx 4.12 \text{ m/s}.$$