

MOTION UNDER VARIABLE ACCELERATION

1. a) $a = \frac{k}{v} \Rightarrow 4 = \frac{k}{1}$ i.e. $k = 4$ M1 A1
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- b) $a = \frac{4}{v} \Rightarrow v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{4}{v}$ B1
 $v^2 dv = 4 dx$ M1
 $\therefore \frac{v^3}{3} = 4x + C$ A1
 $x = 0 \quad v = 1 \Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{3}$
 $v^3 = 12x + 1$ A1 f.t
 \therefore when $x = 4 \quad v = 3.66\text{ms}^{-1}$ (3 S.F.) M1 A1 c.a.o.
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- c) $\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{4}{v}$ B1
 $v dv = 4 dt \quad \therefore \frac{v^2}{2} = 4t + C$ M1 A1
 $t = 0 \quad v = 1 \Rightarrow C = \frac{1}{2}$
 $v^2 = 8t + 1$ A1 c.a.o.
 $\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{8t + 1}$ M1
 $x = \frac{1}{12}(8t + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C$ A1
 $t = 0 \quad x = 0 \Rightarrow C = -\frac{1}{12}$ A1 f.t
 $\therefore x = \frac{(8t + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1}{12}$ A1 ca.o.
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2. a) When moving upwards the only force is gravity \Rightarrow use equations of motion. B1
 $u = 7 \quad v = 0 \quad a = -9.8$ B1
- $v^2 = u^2 + 2as \Rightarrow s = 2.5$ M1 A1
 $\therefore \text{Height above ground} = 1 + 2.5 = 3.5$ A1
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- b) For journey down taking downwards as the positive direction
 resistance $= 0.25v^2$ B1
- $a = 0.25g - 0.25v^2$ M1 A1
- $a = v \frac{dv}{dx}$ M1
- $\int \frac{v}{g - v^2} dv = \int 0.25 dx$ M1
- $-\frac{1}{2} \ln |g - v^2| = 0.25x + C$ A1
- $v = 0 \quad x = 0$ (“measuring” from greatest height) B1
- $\Rightarrow C = -\frac{1}{2} \ln g$ A1 f.t
- $\therefore \ln \left| \frac{g}{g - v^2} \right| = 0.5x$
- $\frac{g}{g - v^2} = e^{0.5x}$ M1
- $\frac{g - v^2}{g} = e^{-0.5x}$
- $v^2 = g(1 - e^{-0.5x})$ A1 f.t
 $x = 3.5 \Rightarrow v = 2.85$ (3 s.f.) A1 ca.o.
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3. a) Taking downwards as positive direction

$$a = 2g - kv$$

M1 A1

At limiting speed $a = 0$

B1

$$\therefore 2g - kv = 0 \Rightarrow k = 2$$

A1

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b) $\therefore a = 2(g - v)$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{dv}{dt} = 2(g - v)$$

M1

$$\int \frac{dv}{g - v} = \int 2 dt$$

M1

$$-\ln |g - v| = 2t + C$$

A1

$$t = 0 \quad v = 0 \Rightarrow C = -\ln g$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{g - v}{g} \right| = -2t$$

M1

$$\frac{g - v}{g} = e^{-2t} \Rightarrow v = g(1 - e^{-2t})$$

A1

$$\therefore t = 3 \Rightarrow v = g(1 - e^{-6})$$

A1 f.t.

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = g(1 - e^{-2t})$$

M1

$$x = g \left(t + \frac{e^{-2t}}{2} \right) + C$$

A1

$$t = 0 \quad x = 0 \Rightarrow C = \frac{-g}{2} \quad \therefore x = \frac{g}{2} (2t + e^{-2t} - 1)$$

M1 A1

$$t = 3 \quad x = \frac{g}{2} (5 + e^{-6})$$

A1 f.t.

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4. a) $x = -2e^{-t} + 3t + C$ M1
 $t = 0, x = -2 \Rightarrow -2 = -2 + C, \text{ so } C = 0$ M1
 $x = -2e^{-t} + 3t$ A1
 $a = -2e^{-t}$ B1
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- b) $t = \ln 5, v = 2e^{-\ln 5} + 3 = 3.4$ M1 A1
 $x = -2e^{-\ln 5} + 3 \ln 5 = 3 \ln 5 - \frac{2}{5}$ A1
 So: between $t = 0$ and $t = \ln 5$, distance moved = $3 \ln 5 - \frac{2}{5} - (-2)$ M1
 $= 3 \ln 5 + 1 \frac{3}{5}$ A1
- Between $t = \ln 5$ and $t = 2$: $a = -6$ $u = 3.4$ $t = 2 - \ln 5$ B2
 $s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$ M1
 $= 3.4(2 - \ln 5) + \frac{1}{2} (-6)(2 - \ln 5)^2$ A1
 $= 0.8703$ A1
- So total = $3 \ln 5 + 1.6 + 0.8703 = 7.30 \text{ m (3 S.F.)}$ A1
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5. Newton II $\Rightarrow \frac{kmv}{(x+k)^2} = -ma \quad \therefore a = \frac{-kvu}{(x+k)^2}$ M1 A1

$a = v \frac{dv}{dx}$ B1

$v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{-kvu}{(x+k)^2}$ i.e. $\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{-ku}{(x+k)^2}$ A1 f.t.

$\therefore v = \frac{ku}{(x+k)} + C$

$v = u$ when $x = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$ M1

$\therefore v = \frac{ku}{(x+k)}$ A1

\therefore when speed is halved $\frac{u}{2} = \frac{ku}{(x+k)}$ M1

i.e. $x = k \Rightarrow$ distance is k m from O M1 A1

$v = \frac{dx}{dt} \quad \therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{ku}{(x+k)}$ M1

$\int (x+k) dx = \int ku dt$ } M1

$\frac{x^2}{2} + kx = kut + D$ } A1 f.t.

$t = 0, x = 0 \Rightarrow D = 0$ A1 f.t.

$kut = \frac{x^2 + 2kx}{2}$

$\therefore x = k \Rightarrow t = \frac{3k}{2u}$ M1 A1 f.t.

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6. a) $a = -2v$

$$\therefore \frac{dv}{dt} = -2v \quad \int \frac{1}{v} dv = \int -2 dt$$

$$\ln|v| = -2t + C$$

$$v = 4 \quad t = 0 \Rightarrow C = \ln 4$$

$$\therefore \ln \frac{v}{4} = -2t \quad \text{i.e.} \quad v = 4e^{-2t}$$

B1

M1 M1

A1

M1

M1 A1

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b) Since $v = 4e^{-2t}$ and $e^{-2t} > 0$ particle will never come to rest.

Maximum value of e^{-2t} is when $t = 0 \therefore$ speed will decrease tending to zero.

$$a = -2v$$

$$\Rightarrow v \frac{dv}{dx} = -2v \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = -2$$

$$v = -2x + C \quad v = 4 \quad x = 2 \Rightarrow C = 8$$

$$\therefore v = -2x + 8$$

$$x = 4 - \frac{1}{2}v$$

Since $v > 0$, $x < 4$

B1

B1

M1

A1

M1 A1

M1 A1

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7. a) Since unit mass $a = g - kv^2$ M1
 For terminal speed $a = 0$ B1

$$\therefore g = 4k \quad \text{i.e.} \quad a = g - \frac{gv^2}{4}$$
A1

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b) $a = g - \frac{gv^2}{4} = \frac{g}{4}(4 - v^2)$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{g}{4}(4 - v^2)$$
M1 A1

$$\int \frac{dv}{4 - v^2} = \int \frac{g}{4} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \int \left(\frac{1}{2 - v} + \frac{1}{2 + v} \right) dv = \int \frac{g}{4} dt$$
M1 A1

$$\ln \left| \frac{2 + v}{2 - v} \right| = gt + C$$
M1 A1

$$v = 0 \quad t = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$$
A1 f.t.

$$\therefore \frac{2 + v}{2 - v} = e^{gt}$$

$$2 + v = 2e^{gt} - ve^{gt}$$

$$v = \frac{2(e^{gt} - 1)}{e^{gt} + 1}$$
A1 f.t

$$t = 1 \Rightarrow v = 2.00\text{ms}^{-1} \text{ (3 S.F.)}$$
A1 ca.o.
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8. a) Resultant force = $-F - 2x$	M1
Since moving $F = \mu N$	B1
\therefore resolving vertically and no vertical motion $\Rightarrow N = 0.5g$	B1
$\therefore F = 2$	A1 f.t.
\therefore Newton II $\Rightarrow -2 - 2x = 0.5a$	M1
$a = -4(1 + x)$	A1
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b) Impulse = change in momentum	M1
$\therefore 3 = 0.5 \times v$ i.e. initial velocity = 6ms^{-1}	A1
$a = v \frac{dv}{dx} = -4(1 + x)$	B1 M1
$\therefore \frac{v^2}{2} = \frac{-4(1 + x)^2}{2} + C$	A1
$\Rightarrow v^2 = -4(1 + x)^2 + K$	
$v = 6$ when $x = 0 \Rightarrow K = 40$	A1 f.t.
$\therefore v^2 = 40 - 4(1 + x)^2$	
When $v = 0$ $(1 + x)^2 = 10 \Rightarrow x = 2.16 \text{ m}$ (3 S.F.)	M1 A1 ca.o
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9. a) $a = -e^{-x}$ B1
 $v \frac{dv}{dx} = -e^{-x}$ M1
 $\int v dv = \int -e^{-x} dx \Rightarrow \frac{v^2}{2} = e^{-x} + C$ A1 A1

Initially, $v = 1$, $x = \ln 2$

$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-\ln 2} + C \Rightarrow C = 0$ B1
 $v^2 = 2e^{-x}$
 $v = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{e^{-x}} = \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$ A1 c.a.o.
[6]

b) $\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$
 $\int e^{\frac{x}{2}} dx = \int \sqrt{2} dt$ M1
 $2e^{\frac{x}{2}} = \sqrt{2}t + C$ A1

$t = 0$, $x = \ln 2 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{2} = C$ M1 A1

$2e^{\frac{x}{2}} = \sqrt{2}t + 2\sqrt{2}$
 $e^{\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}t + 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{t + 2}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\frac{x}{2} = \ln\left(\frac{t + 2}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ M1 A1

$x = 2 \ln\left(\frac{t + 2}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$
 $= \ln\left(\frac{(t + 2)^2}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{(t + 2)^2}{2}\right)$ M1 A1
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c) $v = \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$
 $= \sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{(t+2)^2}{2}\right)} = \sqrt{2} e^{\ln\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{(t+2)^2}}\right)}$ M1 A1
 $= \frac{2}{t + 2}$ A1 (or by diffn)
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d) 0 B1
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10.a) $ma = -\frac{kv}{t}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} = -\frac{k}{m} \frac{v}{t}$ B1 B1
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b) $\int \frac{dv}{v} = -\frac{k}{m} \int \frac{dt}{t}$ M1

$\ln v = -\frac{k}{m} \ln t + C$ A1 A1

Taking exponentials : $v = e^{-\frac{k}{m} \ln t + C}$ M1

$v = t^{-\frac{k}{m}} e^C$ A1

so $L = \frac{k}{m}$, $A = e^C$ [6]

c) $\frac{dx}{dt} = At^{-L}$ M1

$\int dx = \int At^{-L} dt$

$L \neq -1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{At^{-L+1}}{-L+1} + C$ A1

$t = 0, x = 0: 0 = \frac{A \times 0^{-L+1}}{-L+1} + C$

$L < -1 \Rightarrow -L+1 > 2$, so $0^{-L+1} = 0$ B1
 so $C = 0$

$x = \frac{At^{1-L}}{1-L}$ A1
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d) $t = 3, x = 18 \Rightarrow 18 = \frac{A \times 3^{1-L}}{1-L}$ ① }
 $t = 3, v = 18 \Rightarrow 18 = A3^{-L}$ ② } M1 A1

Hence $A = 18(3^L)$ M1
 (attempt to solve)

Substituting into ①:

$18 = \frac{18(3^L)(3^{1-L})}{1-L}$ M1 (powers)

$18 = \frac{18 \times 3}{1-L}$

$1-L = 3 \Rightarrow L = -2$ A1

$18 = A \times 3^2 \Rightarrow A = 2$ M1 A1
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QUESTION 10 CONTINUED

$$v) x = \frac{2t^3}{3}$$

$$t = 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$t = 4 \Rightarrow x = \frac{128}{3}$$

$$\text{Distance} = 37\frac{1}{3}$$

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M1 A1

A1

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11.a) $|\mathbf{r}|^2 = 9\cos^2 2t + 9\sin^2 2t$

M1 A1

$$|\mathbf{r}|^2 = 9 \quad |\mathbf{r}| = 3$$

A1

implies particle always 3 m from 0 \therefore locus is a circle radius 3m.

A1

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b) $\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -6\sin 2t \mathbf{i} + 6\cos 2t \mathbf{j}$

M1 A1

$$|\mathbf{v}|^2 = 6^2\sin^2 2t + 6^2\cos^2 2t$$

A1

$$|\mathbf{v}| = 6 \text{ i.e. speed is constant and } 6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

A1

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c) Initially $\mathbf{r} = 3\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j}$

B1

Returns to A when $\cos 2t = 1$ and $\sin 2t = 0$

M1

i.e. $2t = 2\pi \quad t = \pi$

A1

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12. a) $\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -6\sin 2t \mathbf{i} - 4\cos 2t \mathbf{j}$

M1 A1

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -12\cos 2t \mathbf{i} + 8\sin 2t \mathbf{j}$$

M1 A1 f.t.

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b) $-12\cos 2t \mathbf{i} + 8\sin 2t \mathbf{j} = -4(3\cos 2t \mathbf{i} - 2\sin 2t \mathbf{j})$

$$\therefore \mathbf{a} = -4\mathbf{r} \quad \text{i.e. } \mathbf{a} = k\mathbf{r} \quad k = -4$$

M1 A1

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c) $x = 3\cos 2t \quad y = -2\sin 2t$

B1

$$\cos 2t = \frac{x}{3} \quad \sin 2t = -\frac{y}{2}$$

M1

$$\cos^2 A + \sin^2 A = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

A1

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13.a) $v = 0 \Rightarrow \cos t = \sqrt{3} \sin t$ M1
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \tan t \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{6}$ M1 A1
 $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = -\sin t - \sqrt{3} \cos t$ M1 A1
 $\Rightarrow a = -2$ A1
 \therefore acceleration of magnitude 2 ms^{-2} , in direction of x decreasing. B1
[7]

b) $x = \int v \, dt$ M1
 $\therefore x = \sin t + \sqrt{3} \cos t + C$ A1
 When $t = 0 \quad x = 0 \quad \therefore C = -\sqrt{3}$ A1 f.t.
 $\therefore x = \sin t + \sqrt{3} \cos t - \sqrt{3}$ A1
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14.a) $\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = 6e^{2t} \mathbf{i} + 4e^{-2t} \mathbf{j}$ M1 A1
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 b) $\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = 12e^{2t} \mathbf{i} - 8e^{-2t} \mathbf{j}$ M1 A1 f.t.
 $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} \Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = 36e^{2t} \mathbf{i} - 24e^{-2t} \mathbf{j}$ B1
 $\Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = 12 \mathbf{r}$ A1 f.t.
 \therefore force always in direction of \vec{OP} . B1
 $t = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = 36\mathbf{i} - 24\mathbf{j}$ M1
 $|\mathbf{F}| = \sqrt{36^2 + 24^2} = 43.3 \text{ (1.d.p)}$ M1 A1 ca.o.
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c) $x = 3e^{2t} \quad y = -2e^{-2t}$ B1
 $e^{2t} = \frac{x}{3} \quad e^{2t} = -\frac{2}{y}$ M1 A1
 $\therefore \frac{x}{3} = -\frac{2}{y} \quad xy = -6$ M1 A1
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15.a) $t = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{r} = (2 + \sqrt{3})\mathbf{i}$ M1 A1

$\therefore |\mathbf{r}| = 2 + \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \text{distance} = (2 + \sqrt{3})\text{m}$ A1 f.t.
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b) i) $\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}$ and $\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$ M1
 $\mathbf{v} = -\sqrt{3} \sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j}$ A1 ca.o.
 $\mathbf{a} = -\sqrt{3} \cos t \mathbf{i} - \sin t \mathbf{j}$ A1 f.t.
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ii) $\tan \theta = \frac{\cos t}{-\sqrt{3} \sin t} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cot t$ M1 A1

$\tan \phi = \frac{-\sin t}{-\sqrt{3} \cos t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \tan t$ A1
[3]

iii) $\alpha = \phi - \theta$ B1
 $\Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \frac{\tan \phi - \tan \theta}{1 + \tan \phi \tan \theta}$ M1

So $\tan \alpha = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\tan t + \cot t)}{1 - \frac{1}{3}}$ A1 A1
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(\tan t + \cot t)$ A1
[5]

iv) $\tan \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\frac{2}{\sin 2t} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sin 2t}$ M1

Perpendicular $\Rightarrow \alpha = 90^\circ$ B1
 $\tan \alpha$ infinite B1
 $\Rightarrow \sin 2t = 0$ M1 A1
 True when $t = 0, t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ A1 A1
[7]

c) $|\mathbf{v}| = 3\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t = 1 + 2\sin^2 t$ M1 A1

Max $|\mathbf{v}|^2 = 3$ min $|\mathbf{v}|^2 = 1$ M1
 Max $|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{3}$ min $|\mathbf{v}| = 1$ A1
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