## Particle Motion – Day 2

- 1. The graph of v(t) of a particle measured in m/s for t=0 to t=7 is at the right. The position of the particle at t=0 is 7.
  - a. When is the particle changing directions?
  - b. What is the acceleration at t = 2?
  - c. What is the maximum speed of the particle?
  - d. Name the particles position at t=4 and t=7.
  - e. When is the speed increasing?
  - f. What is the average velocity of the particle over the 7 second interval?
  - g. What is the average acceleration of the particle over the 7 second interval?
- 2. The graph of a(t) of a particle measured in m/s for t=0 to t=6 is at the right. The velocity of the particle at t=0 is 2.
  - a. Find the velocity at time t=2 and t=6.
  - b. What is the minimum velocity? When does it occur?
  - c. Is the particle speeding up or slowing down at t=6? Why?
- 3. a(t) = 6t + 2 and velocity is 2 and position is -2 at t=0.
  - a. Find an expression for the velocity v(t).
  - b. Find an expression for the position x(t).
- 4. A particle moves along the x-axis so that its position is given by  $x(t) = t^3 6t^2 + 9t + 6$ .
  - a. At what time is the particle at rest?
  - b. During what interval is the particle moving right? JYA
  - c. Find the position of the particle when the acceleration is 0.
- 5. A particle moves along the x-axis so that its position is given by  $x(t) = t(t-1)^3$ .
  - a. At what time is the particle at rest?
  - b. During what interval is the particle moving right? JYA
  - c. Find the position of the particle when the acceleration is 0.





- 6. A particle moves along the x-axis so that its velocity at time t is given by  $v(t) = -\cos(x^2)$  for  $0 \le x \le 2$ At time t = 0, the particle is at position x = 4.
  - a. Find the acceleration of the particle at time t = 1.
  - b. Find all points from t = 0 to t = 2 that the particle changes direction.
  - c. Find the total distance traveled by the particle from t=0 to t=2.
- 7. A particle moves along the x axis in such a way that the acceleration at time t for t > 0 is given by a(t) = 3t. When t = 1, the position of the particle is 6 and the velocity is 2.
  - (a) Write an equation for the velocity, v(t), of the particle for all t > 0.
  - (b) Write an equation of the position, x(t) of the particle for all t > 0.
  - (c) Find the position of the particle when t = 1.
  - (d) Find the average acceleration from t = 0 to t = 3.
  - (e) Find the average velocity from t = 0 to t = 3.
- 8. A particle moves along the x-axis in such a way that its position at time t is given by  $x(t) = (2t-1)(t-1)^2$ .
  - (a) At what time(s) t is the particle at rest?
  - (b) During what interval of time is the particle moving left? Justify your answer.
  - (c) At what time during the interval found in (b) is the particle moving the fastest? (that is, the

speed is the maximum)? Justify your answer.

- 9. A particle moves along the x axis in such a way that the acceleration at time t for t > 0 is given by a(t) = 2t 1. When t = 1, the position of the particle is 3 and the velocity is 1.
  - (a) Write an equation for the velocity, v(t), of the particle for all t > 0.
  - (b) Write an equation of the position, x(t) of the particle for all t > 0.
  - (c) Find the position of the particle when t = 3.

## Answers

1. a. t=2,5 b. 3/2 c. 6 d. t=4:7 t=7: 2.5 e. (2,4), (5,7) f. -9/14 g. -3/7 2. a. t=2:  $2 + \pi$ t=6:  $2\pi - 1$ b. at t = 0, v = 2. c. Slowing down; acc is neg, velocity is pos 3. – a.  $v(t) = 3t^2 + 2t + 2$ b.  $x(t) = t^3 + t^2 + 2t - 2$ 4. – a. t=1,3 b.  $(0,1)(3,\infty)$ ; v is pos! c. x(2) = 85. – a. t=1, ¼ b.  $\left(\frac{1}{4},1\right)\left(1,\infty\right)$ c. x(1)=0, x(1/2) = -1/166. – a. a(1) = 1.682b. t = 1.253 c. 1.493 7. – a.  $v(t) = \frac{3}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{2}$ b.  $x(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^3 + \frac{1}{2}t + 5$ c. 6 d. 9/2 e. 5 8. – a. 1, 2/3 b. (2/3, 1) c. Speed is a maximum at 5/6 9. – a.  $v(t) = t^2 - t + 1$ b.  $x(t) = \frac{1}{3}t^3 - \frac{1}{2}t^2 + t + \frac{13}{6}$ c. 29/3