

1. A particle P moves with acceleration $(4\mathbf{i} - 5\mathbf{j})\text{m s}^{-2}$

At time $t = 0$, P is moving with velocity $(-2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j})\text{m s}^{-1}$

(a) Find the velocity of P at time $t = 2$ seconds.

(2)

At time $t = 0$, P passes through the origin O .

At time $t = T$ seconds, where $T > 0$, the particle P passes through the point A .

The position vector of A is $(\lambda\mathbf{i} - 4.5\mathbf{j})\text{m}$ relative to O , where λ is a constant.

(b) Find the value of T .

(4)

(c) Hence find the value of λ

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{v} &= -2\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} \text{ m s}^{-1} & \underline{v} &= \underline{u} + \underline{a}t \\ \underline{a} &= 4\underline{i} - 5\underline{j} \text{ m s}^{-2} & \underline{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \\ t &= 2 & \underline{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 + 8 \\ 2 - 10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} \\ & & \underline{v} &= 6\underline{i} - 8\underline{j} \text{ m s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \underline{s} &= \lambda\underline{i} - 4.5\underline{j} \\ \underline{v} &= -2\underline{i} + 2\underline{j} \\ \underline{a} &= 4\underline{i} - 5\underline{j} \\ t &= T \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{s} = \underline{u}t + \frac{1}{2}\underline{a}t^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda \\ -4.5 \end{pmatrix} = T \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2}T^2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i components } \lambda &= -2T + 2T^2 & \textcircled{1} \\ \text{j components } -4.5 &= 2T - 2.5T^2 & \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ gives } 2.5T^2 - 2T - 4.5 = 0$$

Using calculator to solve quadratic
 $T = 1.8$ or $T = -1$

b) as $T > 0$, $T = 1.8$

c) in $\textcircled{1}$

$$\lambda = -2 \times 1.8 + 2 \times 1.8^2$$

$$\lambda = 2.88$$

3.

[In this question \mathbf{i} and \mathbf{j} are horizontal unit vectors due east and due north respectively and position vectors are given relative to the fixed point O .]

A particle P moves with constant acceleration.

At time $t = 0$, the particle is at O and is moving with velocity $(2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j})\text{m s}^{-1}$

At time $t = 2$ seconds, P is at the point A with position vector $(7\mathbf{i} - 10\mathbf{j})\text{m}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \underline{s} &= \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} \\ t &= 2 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

(a) Show that the magnitude of the acceleration of P is 2.5m s^{-2}

At the instant when P leaves the point A , the acceleration of P changes so that P now moves with constant acceleration $(4\mathbf{i} + 8.8\mathbf{j})\text{m s}^{-2}$

At the instant when P reaches the point B , the direction of motion of P is north east.

$$\underline{v} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Find the time it takes for P to travel from A to B .

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{s} &= \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} & (4) \\ \underline{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \underline{a} &= \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\ t &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{s} = \underline{v}t + \frac{1}{2}\underline{a}t^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \times 2^2 \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$7 - 4 = 2x$$

$$3 = 2x$$

$$x = 1.5$$

$$-10 = -6 + 2y$$

$$-4 = 2y$$

$$y = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\underline{a}| = \sqrt{1.5^2 + (-2)^2} = 2.5\text{m s}^{-2}$$

as required

b)

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \text{NE} \\ \text{direction} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8.8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t = \dots$$

at point a, velocity (from a)

$$\vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{a}t$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+3 \\ -3-4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$$

this means $\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$ for A to B

$$\vec{v} = \vec{u} + \vec{a}t$$

$$\lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8.8 \end{pmatrix} t$$

$$\lambda = 5 + 4t \quad (1)$$

$$\lambda = -7 + 8.8t \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad 0 = -12 + 4.8t$$

$$t = \frac{12}{4.8} = 2.5 \text{ seconds}$$

4.

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 .

(4)

$$a) \quad \underline{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{at } t = 0$$

$$\underline{v} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t = T$$

$$\underline{v} = \underline{u} + \underline{a} \times t$$

$$\lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + T \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{i's} \quad 3\lambda = -1 + 2T \quad (1) \quad \times 3 \\ \text{j's} \quad -4\lambda = 4 - 3T \quad (2) \quad \times 2 \end{array}$$

$$9\lambda = -3 + 6T \quad (1)$$

$$-8\lambda = 8 - 6T \quad (2)$$

$$(1) + (2) \quad \lambda = 5$$

$$\text{in } (1) \quad 2T = 1 + 3 \times 5$$

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$$2T = 16$$

$$T = 8 \text{ seconds}$$

b) $t = 0$ at point A

$$\underline{s} = \underline{u}t + \frac{1}{2}\underline{a}t^2 \quad t = 4$$

$$\underline{s} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \times 4^2$$

$$\underline{s} = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 16 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ -24 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|AB| = \sqrt{12^2 + (-8)^2} = 4\sqrt{13} \text{ m} \\ = 14.4 \text{ m (3 sf)}$$