

Calculus Practice: Rectilinear Motion 2

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3) $v(t) = -4t^3 + 30t^2$

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$$9) v(t) = -2t + 6$$

$$10) v(t) = 4t^3 - 42t^2$$

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1) $v(t) = -3t^2 + 44t - 105$

$$a(t) = -6t + 44$$

$$\text{Changes direction at: } t = \left\{3, \frac{35}{3}\right\}, \text{ Moving down: } 0 \leq t < 3, t > \frac{35}{3}, \text{ Moving up: } 3 < t < \frac{35}{3}$$

$$\text{Acceleration zero at: } t = \left\{\frac{22}{3}\right\}, \text{ Slowing down: } 0 \leq t < 3, \frac{22}{3} < t < \frac{35}{3}, \text{ Speeding up: } 3 < t < \frac{22}{3}, t > \frac{35}{3}$$

2) $v(t) = -2t + 8$

$$a(t) = -2$$

$$\text{Changes direction at: } t = \{4\}, \text{ Moving down: } t > 4, \text{ Moving up: } 0 \leq t < 4$$

$$\text{Acceleration zero: Never, Slowing down: } 0 \leq t < 4, \text{ Speeding up: } t > 4$$

3) $v(t) = -4t^3 + 30t^2$

$$a(t) = -12t^2 + 60t$$

$$\text{Changes direction at: } t = \left\{\frac{15}{2}\right\}, \text{ Moving down: } t > \frac{15}{2}, \text{ Moving up: } 0 < t < \frac{15}{2}$$

$$\text{Acceleration zero at: } t = \{0, 5\}, \text{ Slowing down: } 5 < t < \frac{15}{2}, \text{ Speeding up: } 0 < t < 5, t > \frac{15}{2}$$

4) $v(t) = -4t^3 + 24t^2$

$$a(t) = -12t^2 + 48t$$

$$\text{Changes direction at: } t = \{6\}, \text{ Moving down: } t > 6, \text{ Moving up: } 0 < t < 6$$

$$\text{Acceleration zero at: } t = \{0, 4\}, \text{ Slowing down: } 4 < t < 6, \text{ Speeding up: } 0 < t < 4, t > 6$$

5) $v(t) = -2t + 12$

$$a(t) = -2$$

$$\text{Changes direction at: } t = \{6\}, \text{ Moving down: } t > 6, \text{ Moving up: } 0 \leq t < 6$$

$$\text{Acceleration zero: Never, Slowing down: } 0 \leq t < 6, \text{ Speeding up: } t > 6$$

6) $v(t) = -2t + 16$

$a(t) = -2$

Changes direction at: $t = \{8\}$, Moving down: $t > 8$, Moving up: $0 \leq t < 8$

Acceleration zero: Never, Slowing down: $0 \leq t < 8$, Speeding up: $t > 8$

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

$a(t) = -2$

Changes direction at: $t = \{7\}$, Moving left: $t > 7$, Moving right: $0 \leq t < 7$

Acceleration zero: Never, Slowing down: $0 \leq t < 7$, Speeding up: $t > 7$

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Changes direction at: $t = \{6\}$, Moving left: $t > 6$, Moving right: $0 < t < 6$

Acceleration zero at: $t = \{0, 4\}$, Slowing down: $4 < t < 6$, Speeding up: $0 < t < 4, t > 6$

9) $v(t) = -2t + 6$

$a(t) = -2$

Changes direction at: $t = \{3\}$, Moving left: $t > 3$, Moving right: $0 \leq t < 3$

Acceleration zero: Never, Slowing down: $0 \leq t < 3$, Speeding up: $t > 3$

10) $v(t) = 4t^3 - 42t^2$

$a(t) = 12t^2 - 84t$

Changes direction at: $t = \left\{\frac{21}{2}\right\}$, Moving left: $0 < t < \frac{21}{2}$, Moving right: $t > \frac{21}{2}$

Acceleration zero at: $t = \{0, 7\}$, Slowing down: $7 < t < \frac{21}{2}$, Speeding up: $0 < t < 7, t > \frac{21}{2}$