

- 7 A car C is moving horizontally in a straight line with velocity $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ at time t seconds, where $v > 0$ and $t \geq 0$. The acceleration, $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$, of C is modelled by the equation

$$a = v \left(\frac{8t}{7+4t^2} - \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

- (a) In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

Find the times when the acceleration of C is zero.

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At $t = 0$ the velocity of C is 17.5 m s^{-1} and at $t = T$ the velocity of C is 5 m s^{-1} .

- (b) By setting up and solving a differential equation, show that T satisfies the equation

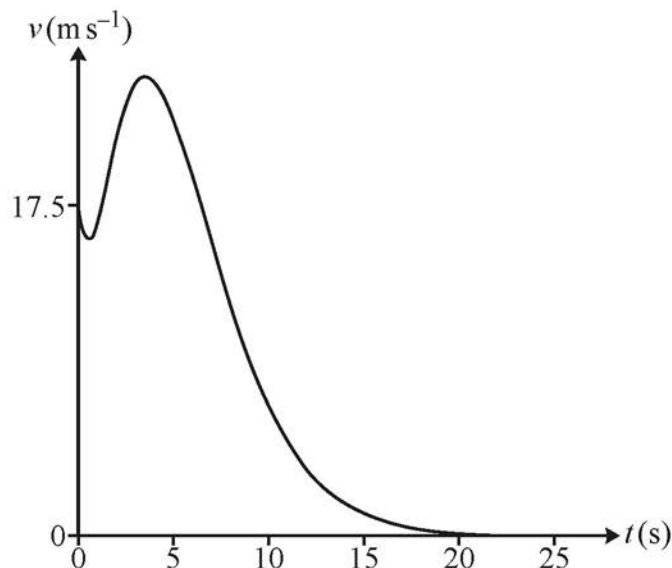
$$T = 2 \ln \left(\frac{7+4T^2}{2} \right).$$

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- (c) Use an iterative formula, based on the equation in part (b), to find the value of T , giving your answer correct to 4 significant figures. Use an initial value of 11.25 and show the result of each step of the iteration process.

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- (d) The diagram below shows the velocity-time graph for the motion of C .



Find the time taken for C to decelerate from travelling at its maximum speed until it is travelling at 5 m s^{-1} .

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