

- 2 A sky-diver jumps from a high-altitude balloon.
- (a) Explain briefly why the acceleration of the sky-diver

(i) decreases with time,

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(ii) is  $9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  at the start of the jump.

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- (b) The variation with time  $t$  of the vertical speed  $v$  of the sky-diver is shown in Fig. 2.1.

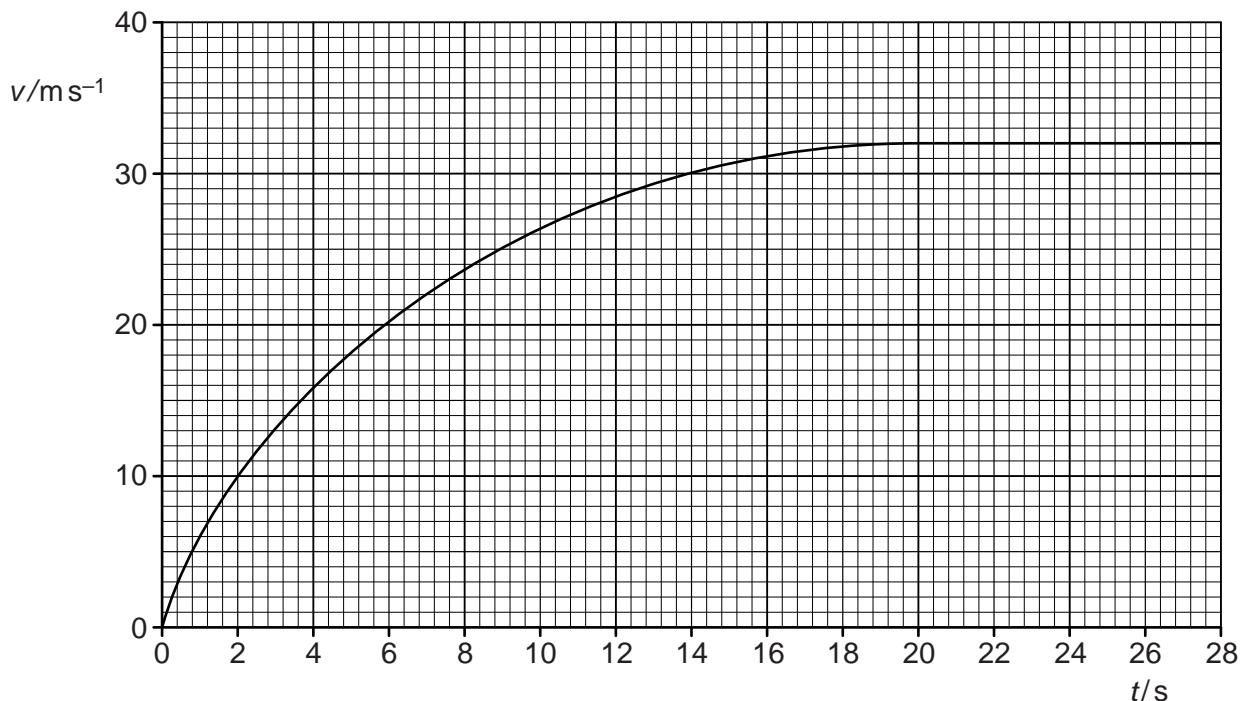


Fig. 2.1

Use Fig. 2.1 to determine the magnitude of the acceleration of the sky-diver at time  $t = 6.0\text{ s}$ .

$$\text{acceleration} = \dots \text{ m s}^{-2} [3]$$

- (c) The sky-diver and his equipment have a total mass of 90 kg.

(i) Calculate, for the sky-diver and his equipment,

1. the total weight,

$$\text{weight} = \dots \text{ N} [1]$$

2. the accelerating force at time  $t = 6.0\text{ s}$ .

$$\text{force} = \dots \text{ N} [1]$$

- (ii) Use your answers in (i) to determine the total resistive force acting on the sky-diver at time  $t = 6.0\text{ s}$ .

$$\text{force} = \dots \text{ N} [1]$$