

- 3 (a) Define power.

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- (b) A cyclist travels along a horizontal road. The variation with time t of speed v is shown in Fig. 3.1.

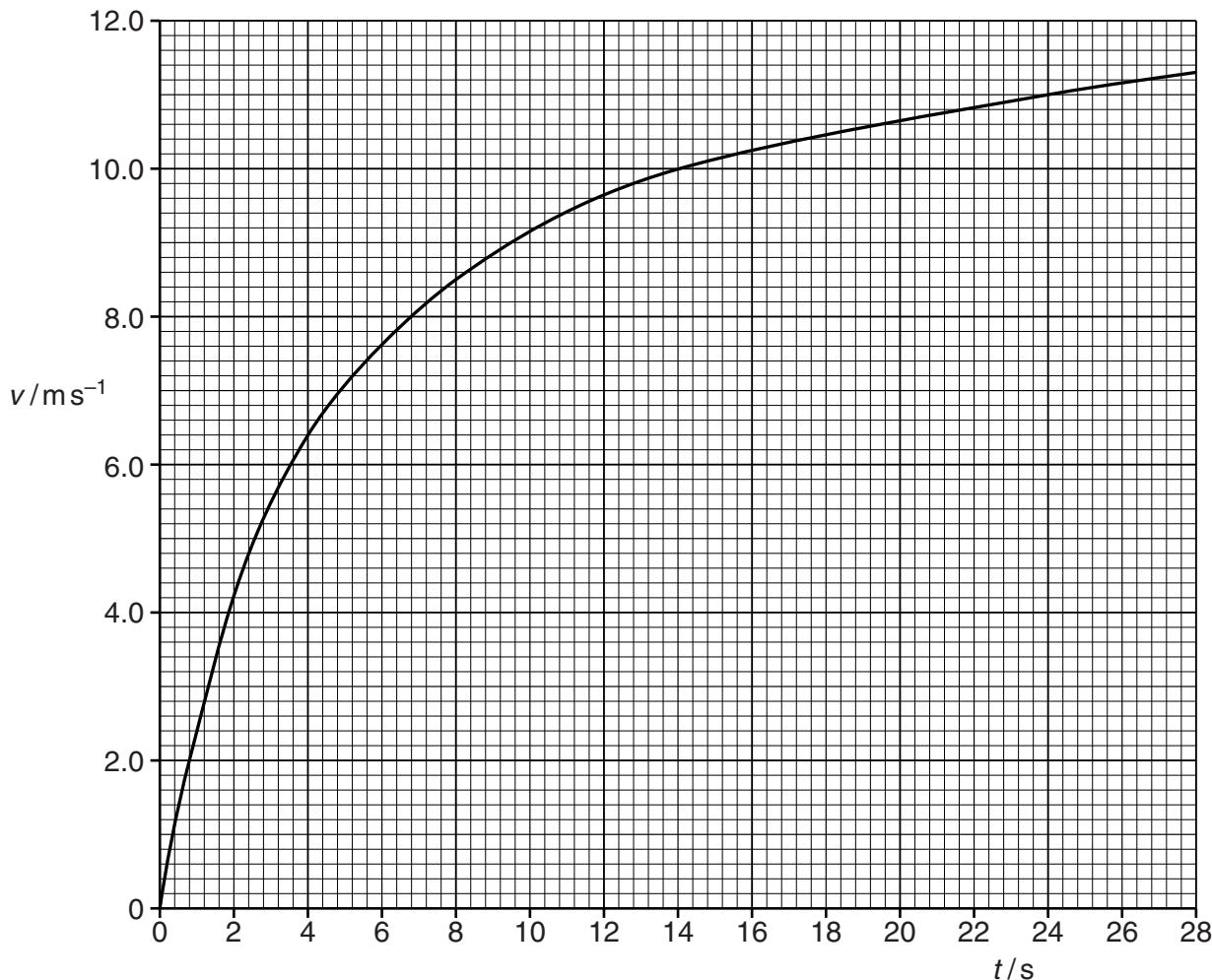


Fig. 3.1

The cyclist maintains a constant power and after some time reaches a constant speed of 12 ms^{-1} .

- (i) Describe and explain the motion of the cyclist.

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- (ii) When the cyclist is moving at a constant speed of 12 ms^{-1} the resistive force is 48 N. Show that the power of the cyclist is about 600 W. Explain your working.

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- (iii) Use Fig. 3.1 to show that the acceleration of the cyclist when his speed is 8.0 ms^{-1} is about 0.5 ms^{-2} .

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- (iv) The total mass of the cyclist and bicycle is 80 kg. Calculate the resistive force R acting on the cyclist when his speed is 8.0 ms^{-1} . Use the value for the acceleration given in (iii).

$$R = \dots \text{ N} \quad [3]$$

- (v) Use the information given in (ii) and your answer to (iv) to show that, in this situation, the resistive force R is proportional to the speed v of the cyclist.

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