

2 (a) State Newton's first law of motion.

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(b) (i) A sky-diver jumps from a high-altitude balloon.

Explain briefly why the acceleration of the sky-diver decreases with time.

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

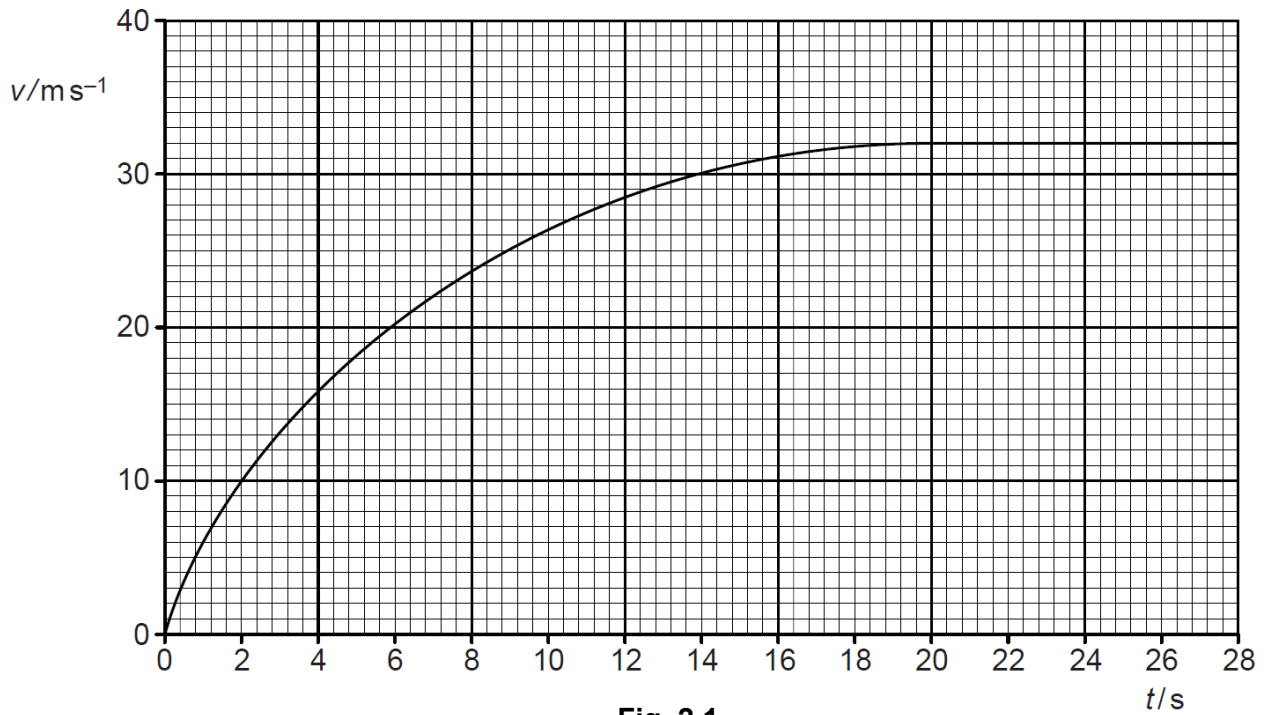


Fig. 2.1

Using Fig. 2.1, determine the acceleration of the sky-diver at time $t = 4.0$ s.

acceleration = m s^{-2} [2]

(iii) The sky-diver and his equipment have a total mass of 80 kg and accelerates downwards.

Calculate the accelerating force at time $t = 4.0$ s.

force = N [1]

(iv) Use your answer to (b)(ii) to determine the total resistive force acting on the sky-diver at time $t = 4.0$ s.

force = N [2]

(v) The sky-diver descends such that his body remains in the horizontal plane..

who In Fig. 2.1, sketch the variation with time t of the vertical speed v of another sky-diver
dives head first. [1]

(c) For the sky-diver in (b)(i), the variation with gravitational potential energy GPE and work
done against resistive force W of the height from the ground for the first 28 s is shown in
Fig. 2.2.

In Fig. 2.2, sketch the variation of kinetic energy with height of the sky-diver.

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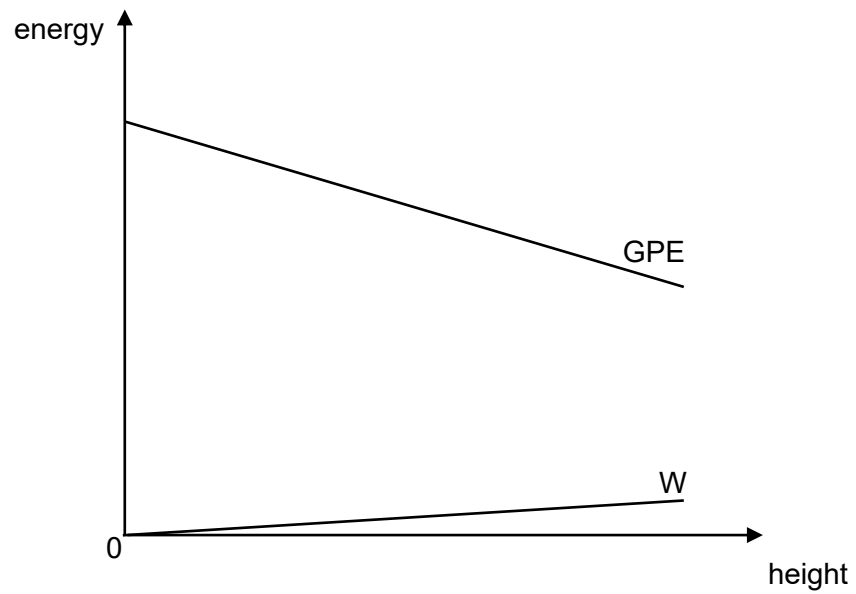


Fig. 2.2

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