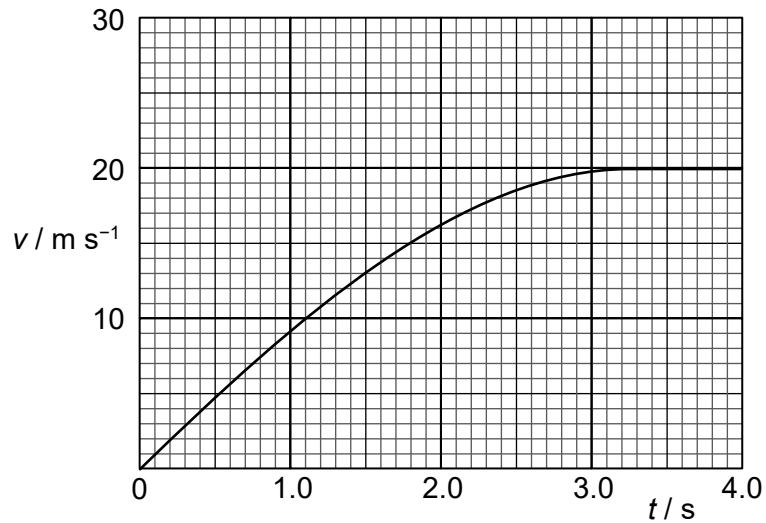


- 2 In housing estates, it is common for washed laundry to be dried on bamboo poles outside the kitchen windows. A towel falls from rest when a plastic peg holding the towel snapped due to long-term exposure to sunlight.

Fig. 2.1 shows the variation with time of the vertical velocity of the towel as it falls from a height.



**Fig. 2.1**

- (a) Explain why the towel reaches terminal velocity.

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- (b) (i) Using Fig. 2.1, estimate the acceleration at  $t = 2.0 \text{ s}$ .

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

- (ii) Using Fig. 2.1, estimate the height fallen by the towel in the first 4.0 s of its descent.

height = ..... m [2]

- (c) When the clothes peg snapped, it was projected at a speed of  $8.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  away from its original position 29 m above the ground. The initial angle of projection was  $40^\circ$  above the horizontal. Air resistance can be ignored.

- (i) Calculate the time taken for the clothes peg to hit the ground.

time = ..... s [2]

- (ii) Calculate the horizontal distance travelled by the clothes peg before it hits the ground.

distance = ..... m [1]

