

Motion Along a ~~curve~~ Line

A particle moves along a line $s = 2t^3 - 9t^2 + 12t - 4$ where $t \geq 0$.

a. Find ~~when~~ all t for which the distance s is increasing.

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = 6t^2 - 18t + 12 = 6(t-2)(t-1)$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = 12t - 18 = 12(t - 3/2)$$

$$v = 6(t-2)(t-1)$$

$$0 = 6(t-2)(t-1)$$

$$t = 2, t = 1$$

$$t < 1, v > 0$$

$$1 < t < 2, v < 0$$

$$t > 2, v > 0$$

s is increasing when $t < 1$, or $t > 2$.

b. Find all t ~~when~~ for which the velocity is increasing.

$$a = 12(t - 3/2) \quad 3/2 - \text{critical \#}$$

$$t < 3/2, a < 0$$

$$t > 3/2, a > 0$$

$$t > 3/2$$

c. Find the speed when $t = 3/2$.

speed

$$v = 6t^2 - 18t + 12$$

$$|v| = 6(3/2)^2 - 18(3/2) + 12$$

$$|v| = 3/2$$

$$\text{speed} = 3/2$$

Find the total distance traveled between $t=0$, $t=4$.

	1	
	0	
t=0	-4	
t=4	28	
(0, -4)	(1, 1)	(2, 0)
	5	28
	34 units	