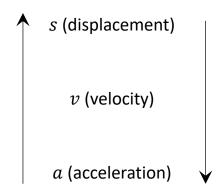
Using Differentiation



Example

A body moves in a straight line such that $v=2t^2-11t+14$. Initially (i.e. when t=0), the displacement of the body from some fixed point O on the line is 50m. Find:

- a) The initial velocity of the body
- b) The values of t when the body is at rest
- c) The acceleration of the body when t = 5s
- d) The displacement of the body when t = 6s (we cover integration later in the chapter)

Test Your Understanding

Pudding the Cat's displacement from a house, in metres, is $t^3 - \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 36t$ where t is in seconds.

- (a) Determine the velocity of the cat when t=2.
- (b) At what time will the cat be instantaneously at rest?
- (c) What is the cat's acceleration after 5 seconds?