## 8C Part 1 Damped Harmonic Motion



1. A particle $P$ of mass 0.5 kg moves in a horizontal straight line. At time $t$ seconds, the displacement of $P$ from a fixed point $O$, on the line is $x m$ and the velocity of $P$ is $v \mathrm{~ms}^{-1}$. A force of magnitude $8 x N$ acts on $P$ in the direction $P O$. The particle is also subject to a resistance of magnitude $4 v N$. When $t=0, x=1.5$ and $P$ is moving in the direction of $x$ increasing with speed $4 \mathrm{~ms}^{-1}$.
a) Show that $\frac{d^{2} x}{d t^{2}}+8 \frac{d x}{d t}+16 x=0$
b) Find the value of $x$ when $t=1$
2. A particle $P$ hangs freely in equilibrium attached to one end of a light elastic string. The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point $A$. The particle is pulled down and held at rest in a container of liquid which exerts a resistance on the motion on $P . P$ is then released from rest. While the string remains taut and the particle in the liquid, the motion can be modelled using the equation:

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\frac{d^{2} x}{d t^{2}}+6 k \frac{d x}{d t}+5 k^{2} x=0
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Where $k$ is a positive real constant.
Find the general solution to the differential equation and state the type of damping the particle is subject to.
3. One end of a light elastic spring is attached to a fixed point $A$. A particle $P$ is attached to the other end and hangs in equilibrium vertically below $A$. The particle is pulled vertically down from its equilibrium position and released from rest. A resistance proportional to the speed of $P$ acts on $P$.

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\frac{d^{2} x}{d t^{2}}+2 k \frac{d x}{d t}+2 k^{2} x=0
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The equation of motion of $P$ is given as:
Where $k$ is a positive real constant and $x$ is the displacement of $P$ from its equilibrium position.
a) Find the general solution to the differential equation.
b) Find the period of the motion

