

Advanced Challenge Level 2 Problem #26

A point moves along the y -axis with velocity $v(t) = 5 - 5\arctan(0.25t)$ units per second where $0 \leq t \leq 10$. Assume that a positive velocity indicates 'upward' motion and a negative velocity indicates 'downward' motion. You are also given that the point is 10 units 'above' the origin when $t = 0$. Answer the following questions. (Where appropriate, in addition to representing the exact value, round your answers to three significant figures.)

1. Sketch a graph of v .
 2. Evaluate $v(4)$ and $v(8)$. Include appropriate units.
 3. What is the speed of the point when $t = 4$ seconds? Is the speed increasing or decreasing when $t = 4$ seconds?
 4. What is the speed of the point when $t = 8$ seconds? Is the speed increasing or decreasing when $t = 8$ seconds?
 5. Find the value of t when the point reaches its 'highest' position. What is that position?
 6. What is the total distance the point moves from $t = 0$ to $t = 10$ seconds?
 7. How far is the point from its starting position when $t = 10$ seconds?
 8. Let $a = g(t)$ represent the acceleration of the point. Find an appropriate equation for this function.
 9. Evaluate $g(4)$ and $g(8)$. Include appropriate units.
 10. Let $y = f(t)$ represent the position of the point at time t seconds. Evaluate $f(4)$ and $f(8)$.
- Bonus:** Write an equation for f and sketch its graph from $t = 0$ to $t = 10$ seconds.