

- (b) If when A and B are 80 and 40 m from p, respectively, then A immediately accelerates at 0.1 m/s^2 and B decelerates at $q \text{ m/s}^2$.

- Find the velocity of B relative to A in terms of time t.
- Determine the value of q which causes them to arrive at p together.

A

$$u = 3$$

$$a = 0.1$$

$$v = u + at$$

$$\therefore v_A = (3 + 0.1t) \vec{i}$$

B

$$u =$$

$$a =$$

$$v =$$

$$v_B = ()$$

$$(i) v_{BA} = (4 - qt) \vec{j} - (3 + 0.1t) \vec{i}$$

(ii) If they arrive together then time taken is the same $\Rightarrow s_A = 80$ when $s_B = 40$

$$s_A = 80 \Rightarrow ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2 = 80$$

$$\Rightarrow 3t + \frac{1}{2}(0.1)t^2 = 80$$

$$\Rightarrow 3t + \frac{1}{20}t^2 = 80$$

$$\Rightarrow 60t + t^2 = 1600$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 + 60t - 1600 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (t - 20)(t + 80) = 0 \Rightarrow t = 20, -80$$

$$s_B = 40 \Rightarrow 4t - \frac{1}{2}qt^2 = 40$$

$$(\text{at } t = 20) \Rightarrow 4(20) - \frac{1}{2}q(400) = 40$$

$$\Rightarrow 80 - 200q = 40$$

$$\Rightarrow 40 = 200q$$

$$\Rightarrow q = 0.2$$