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<u>Dimensional Analysis – 2022 GCE AS Mechanics Further Mathematics A</u>

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A particle moves in a straight line with constant acceleration a. Its initial velocity is u and at time t its velocity is v.

It is assumed that v depends only on u, a and t.

- (a) Assuming that this dependency is of the form $u^{\alpha}a^{\beta}t^{\gamma}$, use dimensional analysis to find α and γ in terms of β .
- (b) By noting that the graph of v against t must be a straight line, determine the possible values of β .

You may assume that the units of the given quantities are the corresponding SI units.

(c) By considering v when t = 0 seconds and when t = 1 second, derive the equation of motion v = u + at, explaining your reasoning. [3]