8. A particle, P, moves along the x-axis. At time t seconds, $t \ge 0$, the displacement,

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x metres, of P from the origin O, is given by
$$x = \frac{1}{2}t^2(t^2 - 2t + 1)$$

(a) Find the times when P is instantaneously at rest.

(b) Find the total distance travelled by *P* in the time interval $0 \le t \le 2$

(c) Show that *P* will never move along the negative *x*-axis.