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D Chd. 10 $F = -kx^{-2} \Rightarrow V = -k/x$ + energy \Rightarrow

$\frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - k/x = E = 0$ by initial conditions.

$$\therefore \dot{x}^2 = \frac{2k}{m} \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow \dot{x} = -\sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}} \frac{1}{x^{1/2}} = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow dt = -\sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} x^{1/2} dx \Rightarrow t - t_c = -\sqrt{\frac{m}{2k}} \frac{2}{3} x^{3/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{3/2} = \left(\frac{2k}{m}\right)^{1/2} \frac{3}{2} (t_c - t) \Rightarrow$$

$$x^3 = \frac{2k}{m} \frac{9}{4} (t_c - t)^2 = \frac{9k}{2m} (t_c - t)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \left(\frac{9k}{2m}\right)^{1/3} (t_c - t)^{2/3}$$

The particle reaches the origin at $t = t_c$.

The force is ∞ at $x=0$, & \therefore conditions of theorem 1 for continuing solution are violated. Look also at the equation for \dot{x} .

Evidently $1/x^{1/2}$ is singular at $x=0$, & again the conditions for theorem 1 are violated.