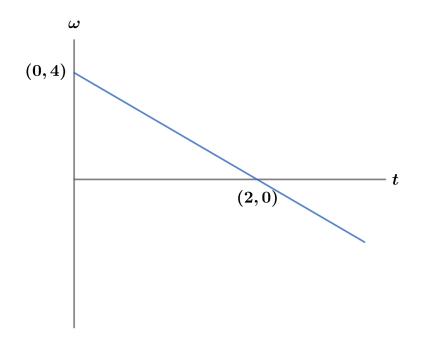
## 2009 F=ma Exam: Problem 8

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Since angular acceleration  $\alpha$  is the time derivative of the angular velocity  $\omega$ , we can determine  $\alpha$  from a  $\omega$ -t plot by finding the slope.

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta\omega}{\Delta t} = \frac{0-4}{2-0} \,\mathrm{s}^{-2} = -2 \,\mathrm{s}^{-2}$$

so the answer is  $\boxed{\mathrm{D}}$ .