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91262 Apply calculus methods in solving problems

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Apply calculus methods in solving problems.	Apply calculus methods, using relational thinking, in solving problems.	Apply calculus methods, using extended abstract thinking, in solving problems.

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QUESTION ONE

- (a) A function f is given by $f(x) = 4x^3 - 6x^2 + 5x + 2$.

Use calculus to find the gradient of the graph of the function at the point where $x = 2$.

- (b) For the function f :

$$f'(x) = 12 - 4x + 6x^2$$

The graph of $f(x)$ passes through the point $(2,36)$.

Find the equation of the function f .

- (c) A curve is given by $y = 3x^3 - 9x^2 - 27x + 4$.

Using calculus methods:

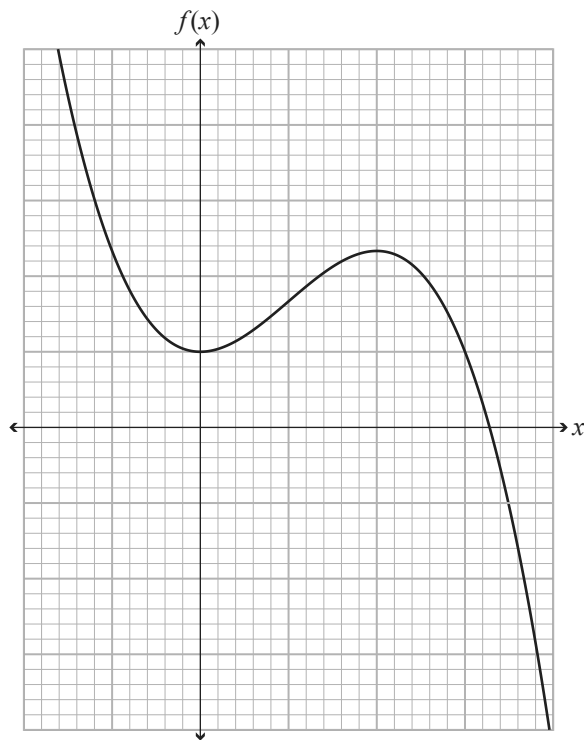
- (i) Find the x -coordinate of the local minimum.
- (ii) Explain how you know this is a minimum point.

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- A diagram of a cylinder. The top circular face is shaded green. A dashed line with arrows at both ends, labeled r , indicates the radius from the center of the top face to its edge. To the right of the cylinder, a vertical dashed line with arrows at both ends, labeled h , indicates the height of the cylinder.

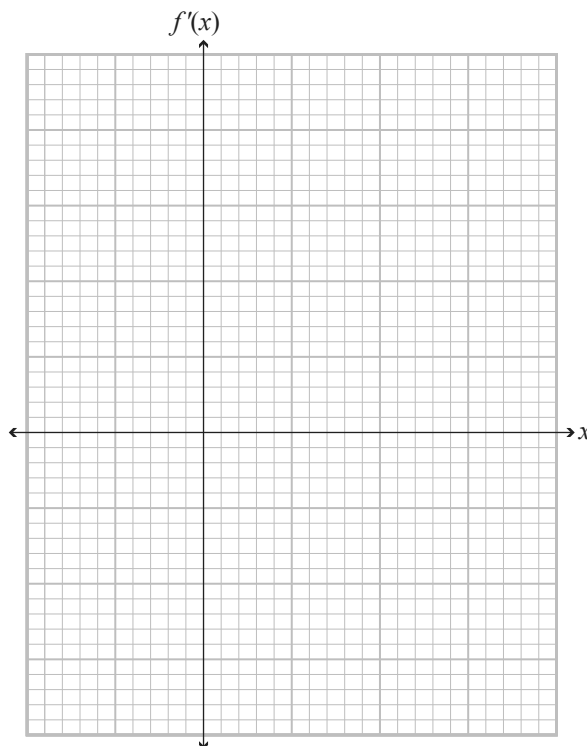
Surface area of a cylinder: $SA = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh$

QUESTION TWO

- (a) The graph of a function $y = f(x)$ is shown on the axes below.



Sketch the graph of the gradient function $y = f'(x)$ on the axes below.



If you need to redraw your graph, use the grid on page 11.

- (b) Find the equation of the tangent to the graph of the function $f(x) = 3 - 12x + 3x^3$ at the point $(-2, 3)$.

- (c) A microbiologist is growing bacteria in a Petri dish in a lab, and monitoring the population of bacteria in the dish.

After a certain number of days the bacteria colony will have used up all the nutrients in the Petri dish. At this time, the population will be at a maximum and it will then begin to decrease. When the microbiologist adds more nutrients to the Petri dish, the population of bacteria will begin to increase again.

The microbiologist thinks the population could be modelled by this equation:

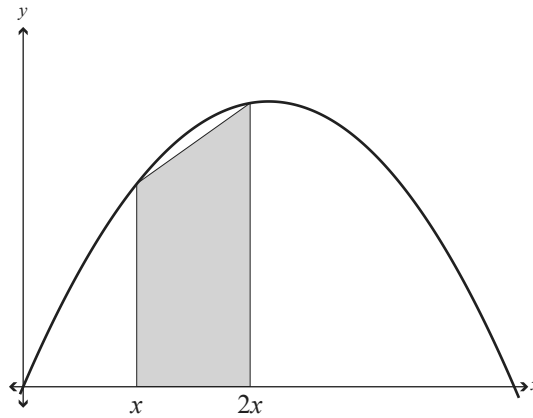
$$P(t) = t^3 - 60t^2 + 768t + 40\,960$$

where P is the population of the bacteria, and t is the number of days since the sample was prepared.

- (i) What is the rate at which the population is decreasing on day 10?

- (ii) Use calculus methods to determine the **difference** in bacteria population size from the time all the nutrients in the Petri dish had been used up, to the time the microbiologist added more nutrients.

- (d) A trapezium is drawn within a parabola given by $y = 8x - x^2$ and the x -axis, such that the two parallel sides are positioned at x and $2x$, as shown in the graph below, where $0 \leq x \leq 4$.



Given that the area of a trapezium is given by $A = \frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$, where a and b are the lengths of the parallel sides, and h is the perpendicular distance between them, use calculus to find the maximum area of the trapezium.

QUESTION THREE

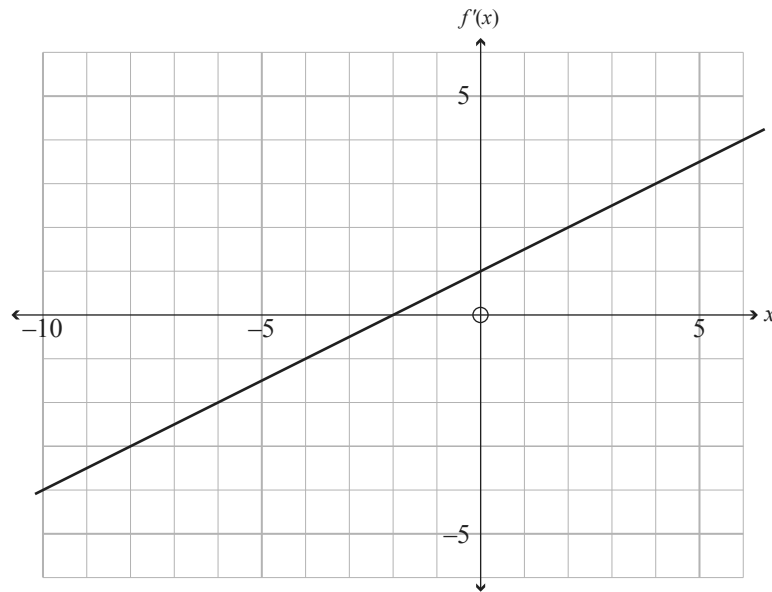
- (a) A function is given by $h(x) = 0.25x^2 - 2x + 4$.

Find the coordinate(s) of the point on the graph of this function where the gradient is equal to 3.

- (b) A truck is waiting at a red traffic light. When the traffic light turns green, the truck begins to accelerate at 0.64 m s^{-2} until it reaches its top speed of 25 m s^{-1} .

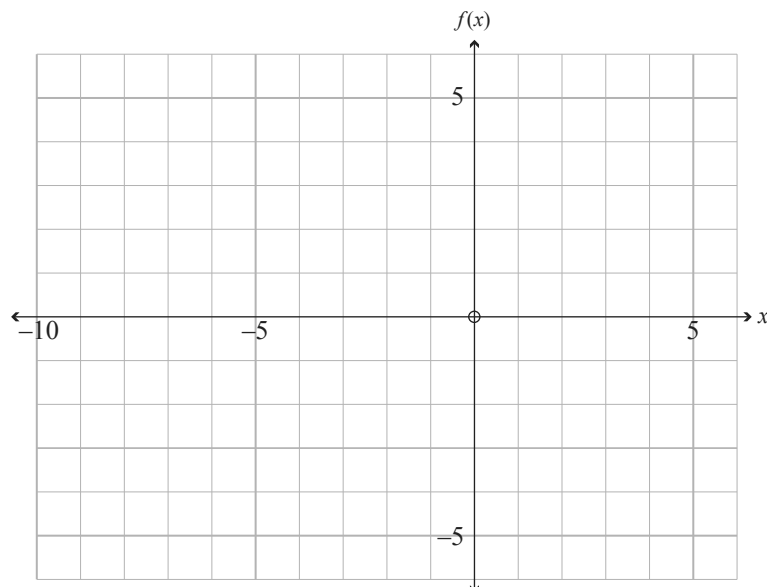
Use calculus to find the distance the truck travelled until it reached its top speed.

- (c) Shown on the graph below is a gradient function $f'(x)$:



- (i) Find the equation for $f(x)$ which passes through $(1,0)$.

- (ii) Draw the graph of $f(x)$ on the axis below, labelling the coordinates of any intercept or stationary point(s).

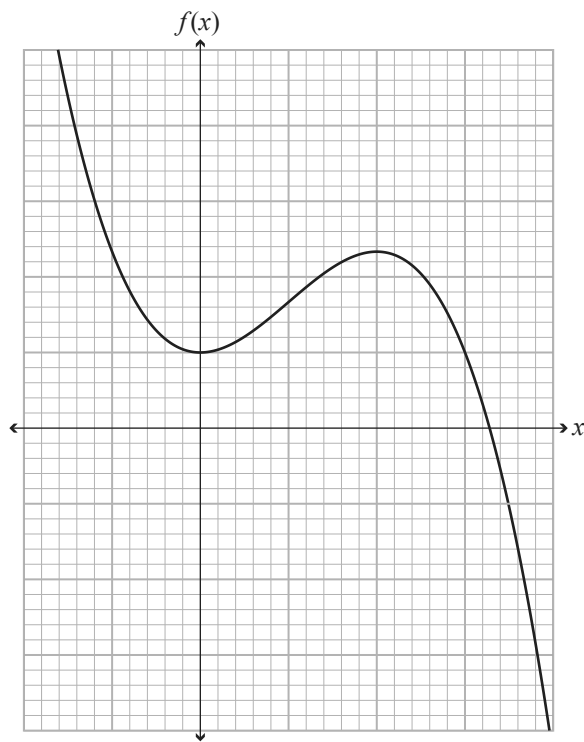


If you need to redraw your graph, use the grid on page 12.

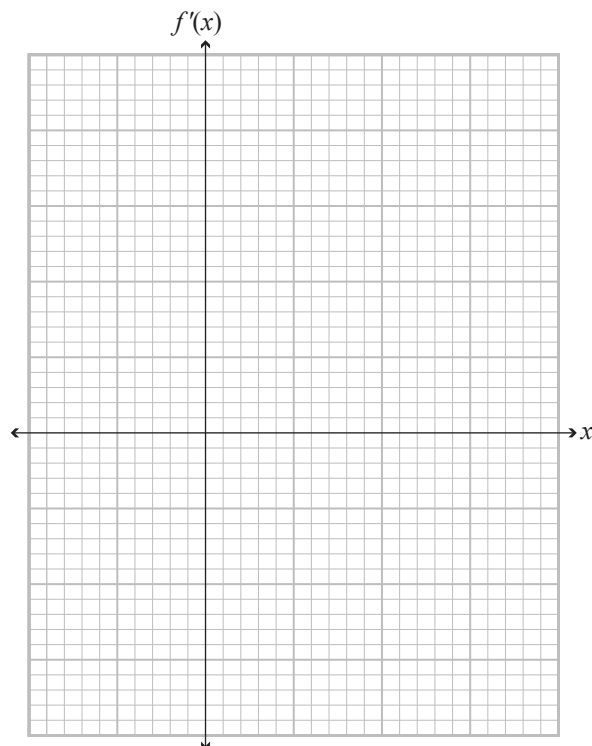
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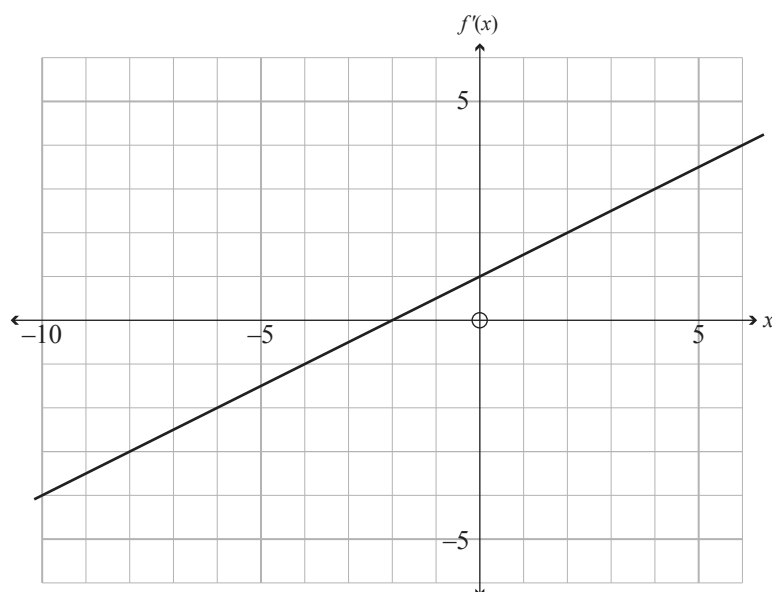
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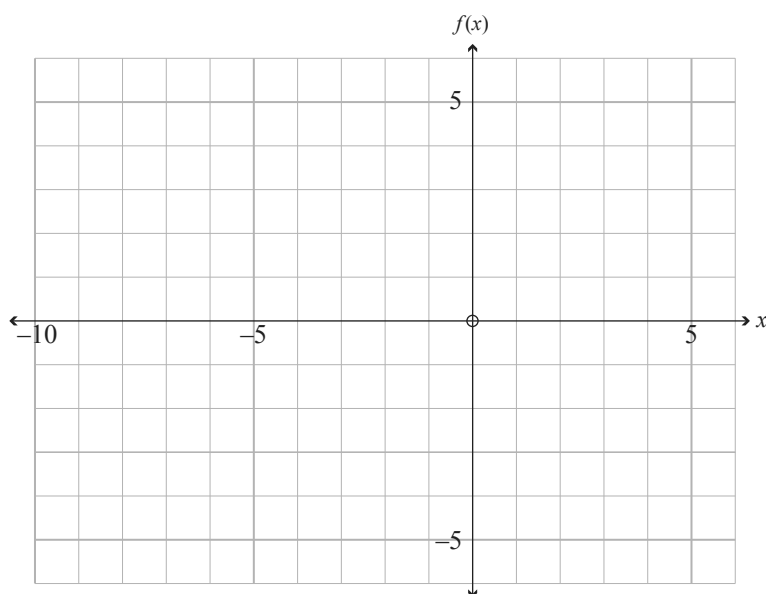
Sketch the graph of the gradient function $y = f'(x)$ on the axes below.



If you need to redraw your response to Question Three (c)(ii), use the lower grid. Make sure it is clear which answer you want marked.



Draw the graph of $f(x)$ on the axis below, labelling the coordinates of any intercept or stationary point(s).



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