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## Level 2 Mathematics and Statistics, 2015

### 91262 Apply calculus methods in solving problems

2.00 p.m. Tuesday 10 November 2015  
Credits: Five

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**Low Merit**

**TOTAL**

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## QUESTION ONE

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

Find the gradient of the graph of the function at the point where  $x = -1$ .

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 + 4x$$

$$f'(-1) = 4(-1)^3 + 4(1)$$

$$m = -4$$

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- (b)  $f(x) = 8 + 3x + x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3}$

For what values of  $x$  is  $f$  a decreasing function?

Justify your answer.

You must show the use of calculus.

$$f'(x) = 3 + 2x - x^2$$

$$x = 3, x = -1$$

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$$f(3) = 8 + 3(3) + (3)^2 - \frac{(3)^3}{3} = 23$$

$$f(-1) = 8 + 3(-1) + (-1)^2 - \frac{(-1)^3}{3} = 6.33$$

- (c) Calculate the rate at which the volume of a cube is changing with respect to its length, at the instant when the length of each edge of the cube is 5 cm.

$$V = 5 \times 5 \times 5$$

$$V = 5^3$$

$$V = L^3$$

$$V' = 3L^2$$

$$V'(5) = 3(5)^2$$

$$= 75$$

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When the volume is changing

When Lengths are 5cm,  
volume changes at rate  
of ~~75~~ ~~375~~ 375 cm<sup>3</sup>

- (d) A train passes a signal at a velocity of  $40 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .  
The train's acceleration,  $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$ ,  $t$  seconds after it passes the signal, can be modelled by the function

$$a(t) = (16 - 2t)$$

- (i) What is the greatest speed attained by the train after it passes the signal?

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$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= 16t - t^2 + C & 16 - 2t &= 0 \\ 40 &= 16t - t^2 + C & 16 &= 2t \\ 16t - t^2 + C &= 40 & 16/2 &= t \\ a(8) &= (16 - 2(8)) & 8 &= t \\ a(8) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) How far past the signal does the train travel before it stops?

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$$v(t) = 16t - t^2 + C$$

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$$v(8) = 16(8) - (8)^2 + C$$

$$0 = 64 + C$$

$$C = -64$$

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$$d(t) = 8t^2 - \frac{1}{2}t^3 + 64t$$

$$d(8) = 8(8)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(8)^3 + 64(8)$$

$$d = 256 \text{ m}$$

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## QUESTION TWO

- (a) The gradient of function  $f$  is given by  $f'(x) = 4x - 3$   
 The point  $(4, 6)$  lies on the graph of the function.

Find the equation of the function  $f$ .

$$f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + C$$

$$f(4) = 2 \times (4)^2 - 3(4) + C$$

$$f(4) = 20 + C$$

$$C = -20$$

$$f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x - 20$$

- (b) A function  $g$  is given by  $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 18$ .

- (i) Find the equation of the tangent at the point on the graph of  $g$  where the gradient is 0.

$$g'(x) = 2x - 3$$

$$0 = 2x - 3$$

$$2x = 3$$

$$x = 3/2$$

$$g(3/2) = (3/2)^2 - 3(3/2) + 18$$

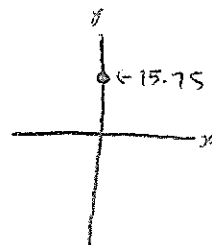
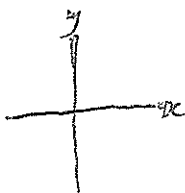
$$y = 15.75$$

$$y - 15.75 = 0(x - 3/2)$$

$$y = 15.75$$

- (ii) In relation to the graph, fully describe the point where this tangent meets the function.

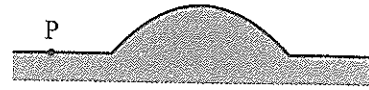
The point stays on 0 on the  $x$  axis and  
 is placed 15.75 up on the  $y$  axis



- (c) A skateboard park has a mound that is  $h$  metres high at the point where the horizontal distance, from a fixed point P, is  $x$  metres.

The mound can be modelled by

$$h = -0.5x^2 + 3x - 1.5$$



- (i) What is the maximum height of the mound?

~~KE = 1000~~

$$\frac{dh}{dx} = -1.0x + 3$$

$$0 = -1.0x + 3$$

$$+x = 3$$

~~max~~

~~dx~~

$$\frac{dh}{dx} = -1.0x + 3$$

~~max~~

$$h(-3) = 0.5(+3)^2 + 3(+3) - 1.5$$

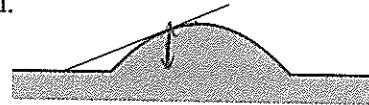
$$h = 3 \text{ metres}$$

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- (ii) A ramp up the side of the mound is a tangent to the mound.

The ramp can be modelled by the function

$$h = 0.5x - c$$



Use calculus to find the vertical distance below the top of the mound where the ramp will meet the mound.

Ignore the thickness of the ramp.

~~KE = 1000~~

~~KE = 1000~~

~~by~~

- (iii) The height  $h$  metres of a skateboard path at a horizontal distance  $r$  metres from another point Q, can be modelled by the function

$r = \text{metres}$

$$h = \frac{r^3}{3} - 2r^2 + 3r \quad (0.15 < r < 3.5)$$

There is a height regulation that requires no part of the skateboard path to be more than 3 m above the ground.

Fully describe this curve including its turning points, and state whether or not the skateboard path complies with the height regulation.

You must show calculus in answering this question.

~~$$h' = r^2 - 4r + 3$$

$$0 = r^2 - 4r + 3$$~~

~~4/3~~

~~$$3 = \frac{r^3}{3} - 2r^2 + 3r$$

$$\frac{r^3}{3} - 2r^2 + 3r - 3 = 0$$~~

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$$h' = r^2 - 4r + 3$$

$$0 = r^2 - 4r + 3$$

$$r = 3$$

$$r = 1$$

~~$$\text{using } r = 3: \frac{3^3}{3} - 2(3)^2 + 3(3) = 0$$

$$\text{using } r = 1: \frac{1^3}{3} - 2(1)^2 + 3(1) = \frac{4}{3}$$~~

turning points are  $(1, 4/3)$  and  $(3, 0)$ .

using  $r = 3$

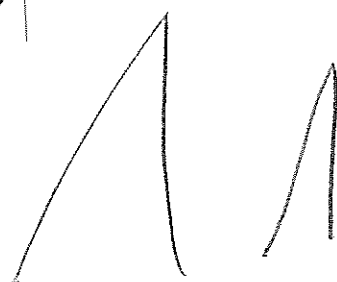
$$h = \frac{(3)^3}{3} - 2(3)^2 + 3(3) = 0 \text{ m}$$

using  $r = 1$

$$h = \frac{(1)^3}{3} - 2(1)^2 + 3(1) = \frac{4}{3} \text{ m}$$

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The curve does not comply with the height regulations



## QUESTION THREE

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- (a) The velocity  $v$  m s<sup>-1</sup> of an object  $t$  seconds after it passes a fixed point can be modelled by the function

$$v(t) = 4t^3 - t^2 + 2t$$

Find the equation for the acceleration of the object.

$$a(t) = 12t^2 - 2t + 2$$

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

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 1$$

$$f'(2) = 3(2)^2 - 4(2) + 1$$

$$m = 5$$

$$y - 2 = 5(x - 2)$$

$$y - 2 = 5x - 10$$

$$y = 5x - 8$$

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- (c) In an area surrounding a farming airstrip there is a height restriction for fireworks of 50 m.

The height  $h$  metres above the ground reached by a firework  $t$  seconds after it is fired, can be modelled by the function

$$h = 20t - 5t^2$$

Will the firework break the 50 m limit?

Use calculus methods to justify your answer.

$$h' = 20 - 10t$$

$$0 = 20 - 10t$$

$$20 = 10t$$

$$20/10 = t$$

$$t = 2$$

$$h = 20(2) - 5(2)^2$$

$$h = 20$$

The firework doesn't break the limit

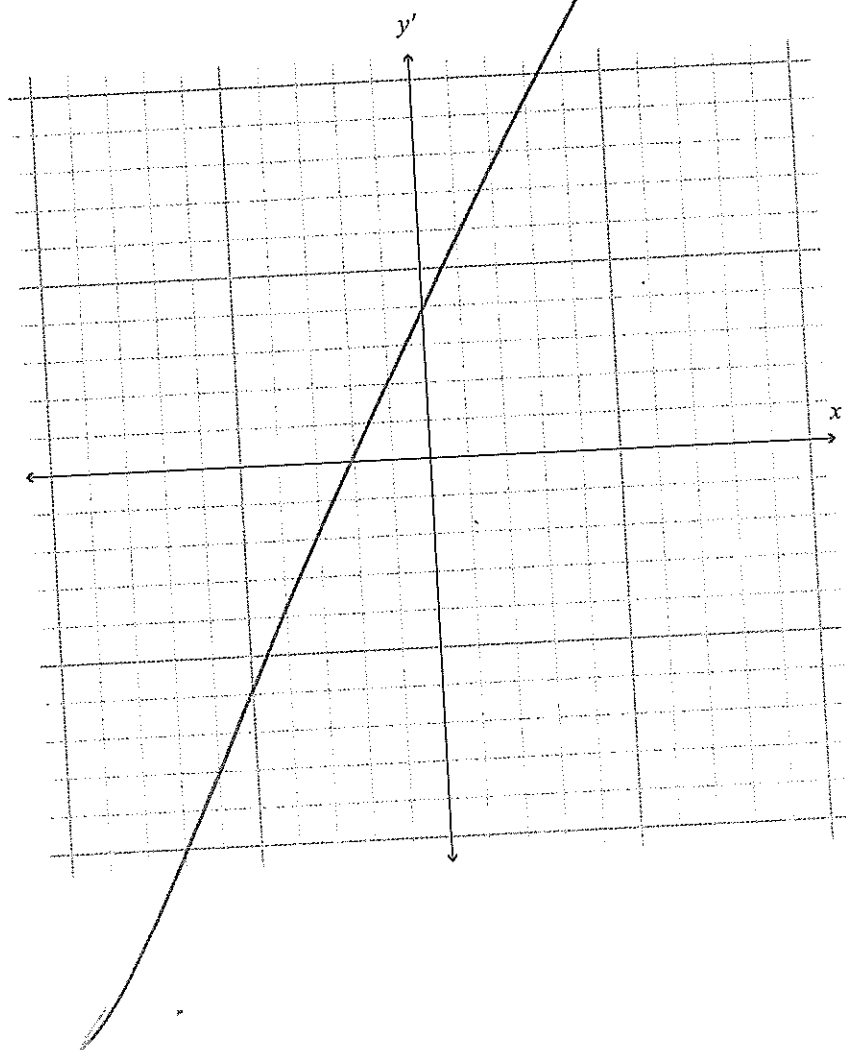
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- (d) For a function  $y = -ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  
 $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are positive numbers and  $b = 2a$ .

On the grid below, sketch the gradient function.

Show the value of all intercepts. The  $y'$ -intercept should be given in terms of  $b$ .

Handwritten area with horizontal lines for sketching the gradient function.



If you need  
to redraw this  
graph, use the  
grid on page 10.

ASSESSOR'S  
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- (e)  $y$  is the value of  $x$  after 3 has been subtracted and then the answer doubled, and  $x$  is between  $-0.5$  and  $3$ .

Find the maximum and minimum values of the product of  $x^2y$ .

Justify your answer.

~~if  $x=0$~~   $y = 2(x-3)$   
 $y = 2x - 6$

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$x^2(2x-6) = \text{product}$   
 $2x^3 - 6x^2 \rightarrow \text{product}' = 6x^2 - 12x = 0$   
~~max and min~~  $x = 0$  and  $x = 2$

using  $x=0$   $y = 2(0) - 6$   
 $y = -6$

$\rightarrow 2(0)^3 - 6(0)^2 = 0$

using  $x=2$   $y = 2(2) - 6$   
 $y = -2$

$\rightarrow 2(2)^3 - 6(2)^2 = -4$

$x^2$   
 $y$   
 $-40$

max  
 $2x^2$   
 min  
 maximum value of 0  
 minimum value of -40

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1. Correct derivative found and  $x=-1$  correctly substituted into the derivative to calculate the gradient.
2. Correct derivative given and the two values for  $x$  found. No region identified and no justification for when the function was decreasing.
3. Equation incorrectly set up leading to an incorrect solution.
4. Acceleration equation correctly equated to zero and  $t=8$  second found. No velocity value given.
5. No relevant working.
6. Correct derivative found and equated to zero. This gives an  $x$  value of 3. This is then substituted into the height formula to get the correct height of 3m.
7. Correct derivative found and the two correct  $r$  values stated. Both the corresponding  $y$  values correctly evaluated. No justification for the nature of the turning points and the curve not described.
8. Correct derivative found and  $x=2$  substituted accurately into the derivative to find  $m=5$ . The gradient correctly substituted into the point gradient formula to find the correct equation of the tangent.
9. Correct derivative found, equated to zero and the  $x$  value of 2 seconds found. Correctly substituted into the height formula to find  $h=20$ m. Then a correct and consistent answer to the question "will the firework break the 50m limit"?
10. Correct relationship formed and differentiated accurately. Incorrect  $x$  value.

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$$f'(-1) = -8$$

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- (b)  $f(x) = 8 + 3x + x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3}$

For what values of  $x$  is  $f$  a decreasing function?

Justify your answer.

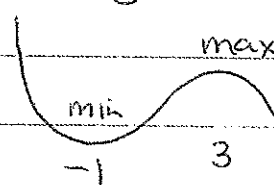
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$$f'(x) = 3 + 2x - x^2$$

$$0 = 3 + 2x - x^2$$

$$x = 3, -1$$

(negative cubic)



Decreasing  $x > 3$

Decreasing  $x < -1$

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- (c) Calculate the rate at which the volume of a cube is changing with respect to its length, at the instant when the length of each edge of the cube is 5 cm.

$$V = L^3$$

$$V' = 3L^2 \Rightarrow 75$$

$$V'(5) = 3 \times 5^2$$

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The train's acceleration,  $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$ ,  $t$  seconds after it passes the signal, can be modelled by the function

$$a(t) = (16 - 2t)$$

- (i) What is the greatest speed attained by the train after it passes the signal?

$$a = 16 - 2t$$

$$v = 16t - t^2 + 40$$

$$0 = 16 - 2t$$

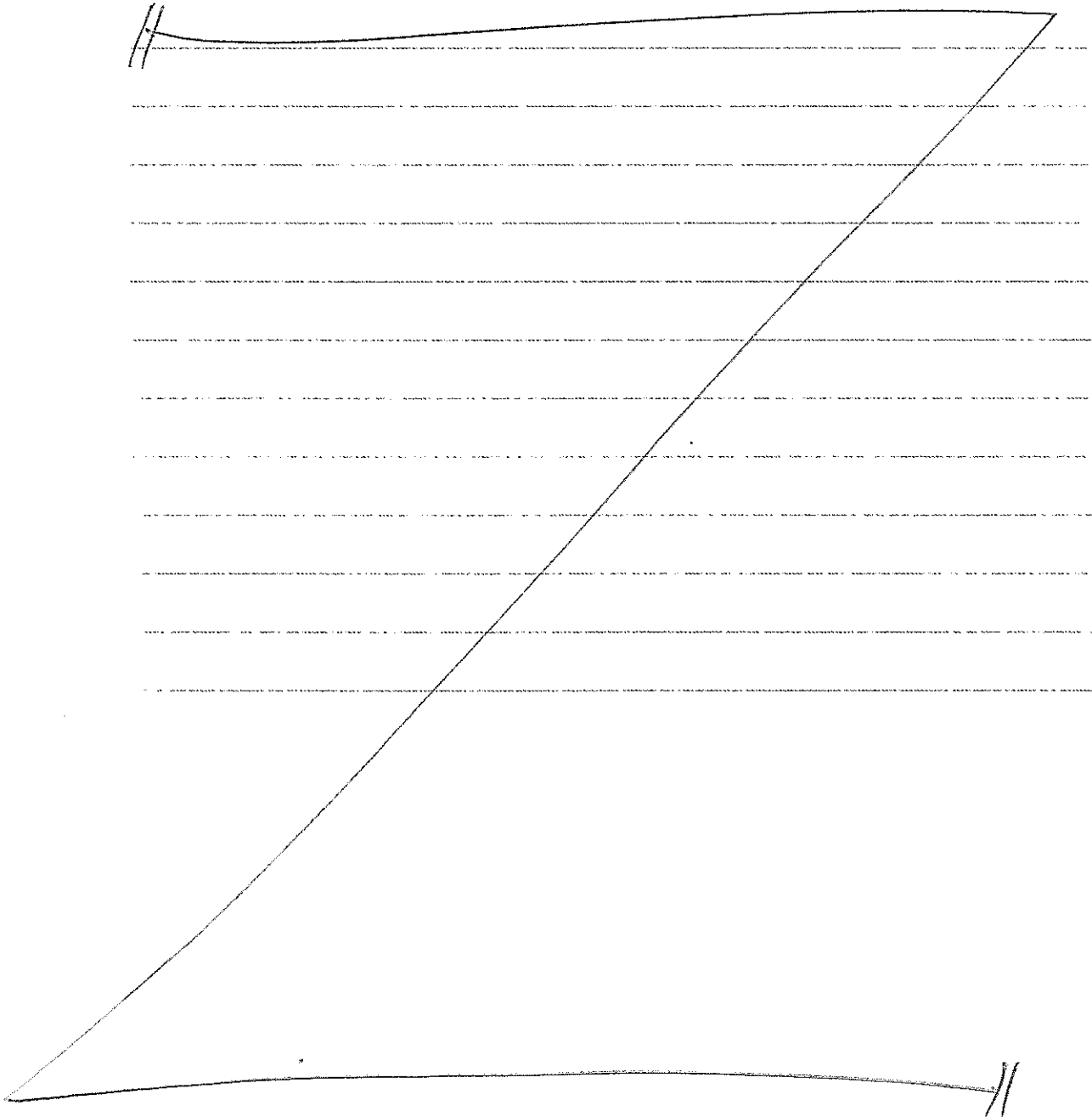
$$v = 16(8) - 8^2 + 40$$

$$\therefore t = 8 \text{ seconds}$$

$$v = 104 \text{ m/s}$$

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- (ii) How far past the signal does the train travel before it stops?



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The point  $(4, 6)$  lies on the graph of the function.

Find the equation of the function  $f$ .

$$f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x + C$$

$$6 = 2(4)^2 - 3(4) + C \quad \therefore C = 14$$

$$f(x) = 2x^2 - 3x - 14$$

- (b) A function  $g$  is given by  $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 18$ .

- (i) Find the equation of the tangent at the point on the graph of  $g$  where the gradient is 0.

$$g'(x) = 2x - 3$$

$$0 = 2x - 3$$

$$x = 3/2$$

$$y - 15.75 = 0(x - 3/2)$$

$$y - 15.75 = 0$$

$$y = 15.75$$

- (ii) In relation to the graph, fully describe the point where this tangent meets the function.

It is a turning point because the gradient is always zero at a turning point. The coordinates are  $(3/2, 15.75)$ .

- (c) A skateboard park has a mound that is  $h$  metres high at the point where the horizontal distance, from a fixed point P, is  $x$  metres.

The mound can be modelled by

$$h = -0.5x^2 + 3x - 1.5$$



- (i) What is the maximum height of the mound?

$$h' = -1x + 3$$

$$h = -0.5(3)^2 + 3(3) - 1.5$$

$$0 = -1x + 3$$

$$-3 = -1x$$

$$h = 3 \text{ meters}$$

$$3 = x$$

- (ii) A ramp up the side of the mound is a tangent to the mound.

The ramp can be modelled by the function

$$h = 0.5x - c$$



Use calculus to find the vertical distance below the top of the mound where the ramp will meet the mound.

Ignore the thickness of the ramp.

$$h'(x) = 0.5 \quad \therefore \text{gradient} = 0.5$$

$$0.5 = -1x + 3$$

$$-2.5 = -1x$$

$$x = 2.5$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{height} &= -0.5(2.5)^2 + 3 \times (2.5) - 1.5 \\ &= 2.875 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{height is } 2.875 \text{ m}$$

- (iii) The height  $h$  metres of a skateboard path at a horizontal distance  $r$  metres from another point Q, can be modelled by the function

$$h = \frac{r^3}{3} - 2r^2 + 3r \quad (0.15 < r < 3.5)$$

There is a height regulation that requires no part of the skateboard path to be more than 3 m above the ground.

Fully describe this curve including its turning points, and state whether or not the skateboard path complies with the height regulation.

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$$h' = r^2 - 4r + 3$$

$$0 = r^2 - 4r + 3$$

$$r = 3, 1$$

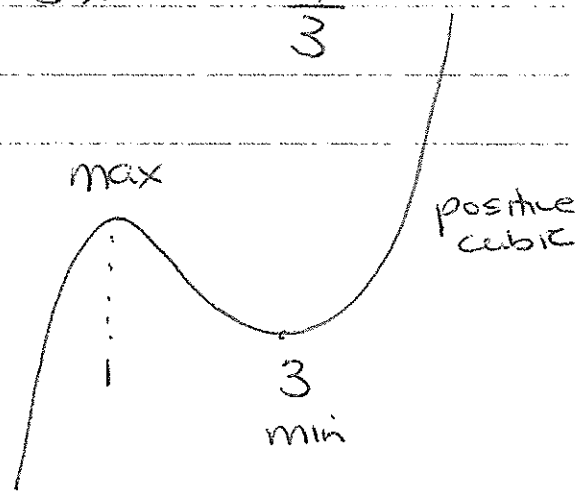
$$h = \frac{3^3}{3} - 2 \times 3^2 + 3 \times 3 = 0$$

$$(3, 0)$$

$$h = \frac{1^3}{3} - 2 \times 1^2 + 3 \times 1 = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\left(1, \frac{4}{3}\right)$$

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Max is  $\frac{4}{3}$  m which is less than 3  
So the skateboard park complies  
with the height regulations //



## QUESTION THREE

ASSESSOR'S  
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$$v(t) = 4t^3 - t^2 + 2t$$

Find the equation for the acceleration of the object.

$$a(t) = 12t^2 - 2t + 2$$

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

$$f'(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 1$$

$$f'(2) = 3 \times 2^2 - 4(2) + 1 = 5$$

$$y - 2 = 5(x - 2)$$

$$y - 2 = 5x - 10$$

$$y = 5x + 8$$

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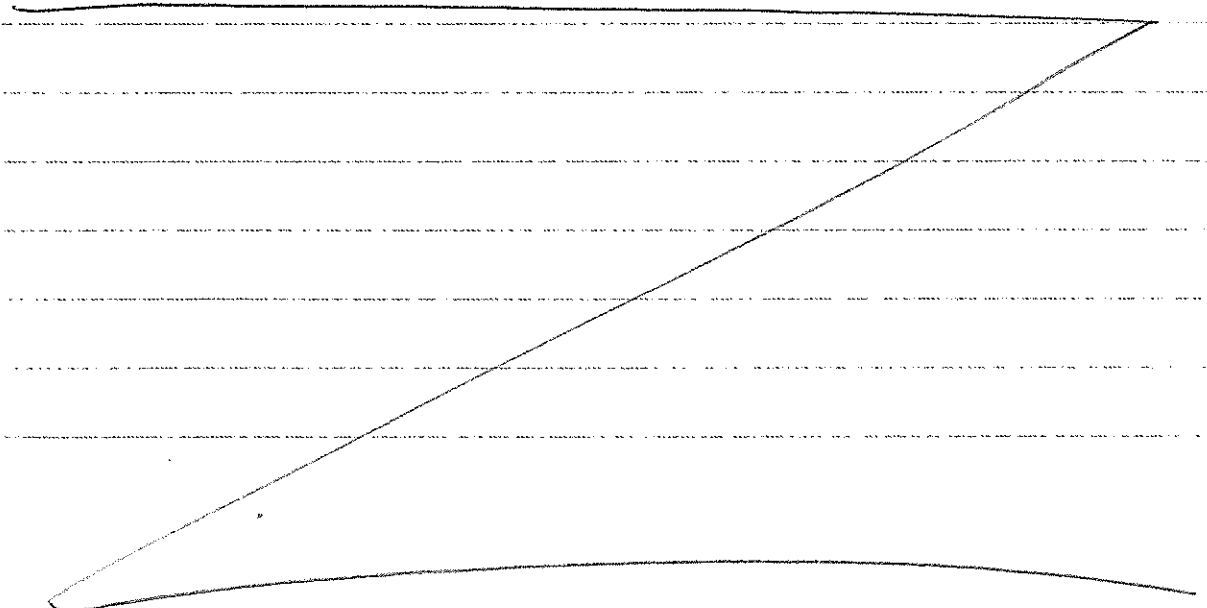
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$$h = 20t - 5t^2$$

Will the firework break the 50 m limit?

Use calculus methods to justify your answer.



- (d) For a function  $y = -ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  
 $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are positive numbers and  $b = 2a$ .

On the grid below, sketch the gradient function.

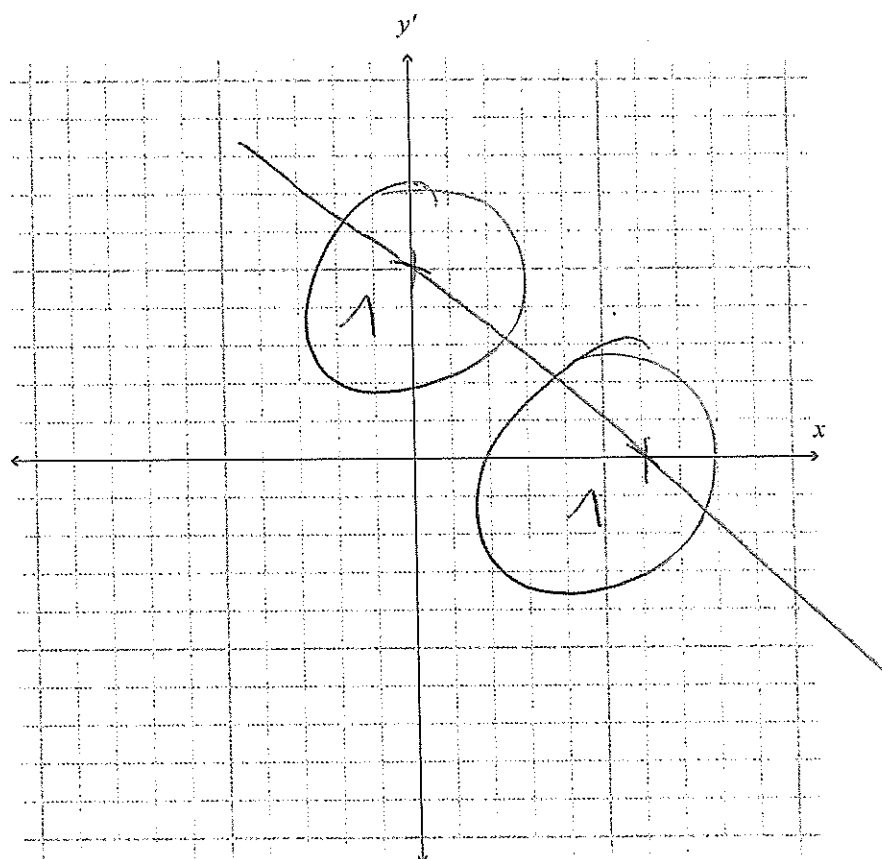
Show the value of all intercepts. The  $y'$ -intercept should be given in terms of  $b$ .

$$y' = -2ax + b$$

$$y' = -2ax + 2a$$

$$y' = \text{graph of a line with a positive slope}$$

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If you need  
to redraw this  
graph, use the  
grid on page 10.

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- (e)  $y$  is the value of  $x$  after 3 has been subtracted and then the answer doubled, and  $x$  is between  $-0.5$  and  $3$ .

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Find the maximum and minimum values of the product of  $x^2y$ .

*Justify your answer.*

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**GRADE = HIGH MERIT**

1. Correct derivative found and  $x=-1$  correctly substituted into the derivative to calculate the gradient.
2. Correct derivative given and the two values for  $x$  found. Region for function decreasing identified and justification demonstrated with the naming of the negative cubic and the graph.
3. Acceleration equation correctly equated to zero and  $t=8$  second found. Correct velocity found.
4. Correct derivative recognised. Equated the gradient function to 0.5 and found the correct  $x$  value of 2.5. Substituted this into the height formula to find the height of 2.875m. Incomplete solution as the candidate did not subtract this solution for the original height of 3m (found in part (c) above).
5. Complete and accurate solution. Both  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates found for the turning points. A graph to demonstrate which of the turning points is a max and which is a min and an answer to the statement about the skate park being within the 3m regulations.
6. Correct derivative found and then  $x=2$  substituted into the derived function to find the gradient  $m=5$ . Correct use of the point gradient formula to find the equation of the tangent.
7. Correct derivative found but then no further progress towards the solution. Correct graph drawn but neither of the intercepts labelled.