

Stage 1

1. Given the graph of a function $d = \frac{t^2}{2}$, where d is the distance in kilometres a car travelled in t minutes.

(i) Find the distance travelled when $t = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$.

t	1	2	3	4	5
d					

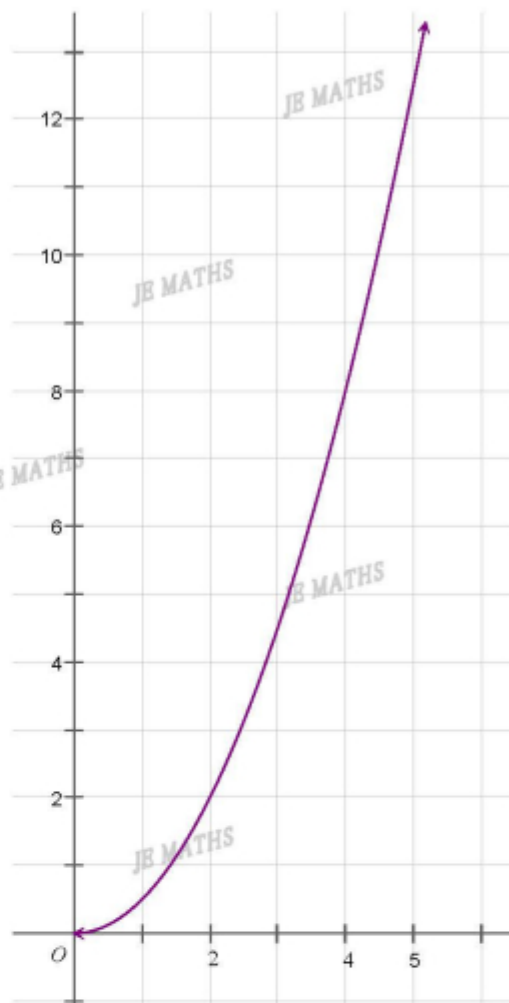
(ii) Mark the points A, B, C, D, E on the graph where $t = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ respectively.

(iii) (a) Find the average speed of the car over the first five minutes.

(b) Draw the secant OE . Find the gradient of OE .

(c) What conclusion can be drawn from (a) and (b)?

(iv) (a) Find the average speed of the car over the first three minutes.



(b) Draw the secant OC . Find the gradient of OC .

(c) What conclusion can be drawn from (a) and (b)?

(v) (a) Find the average speed of the car over the period from $t = 2$ to $t = 4$.

(b) Draw the secant BD . Find the gradient of BD .

(c) What conclusion can be drawn from (a) and (b)?

(vi) (a) Draw secant OB . Find the gradient of OB .

(b) What is the geometric significance of gradient of secant OB ?

(vii) (a) Draw secant AC . Find the gradient of AC .

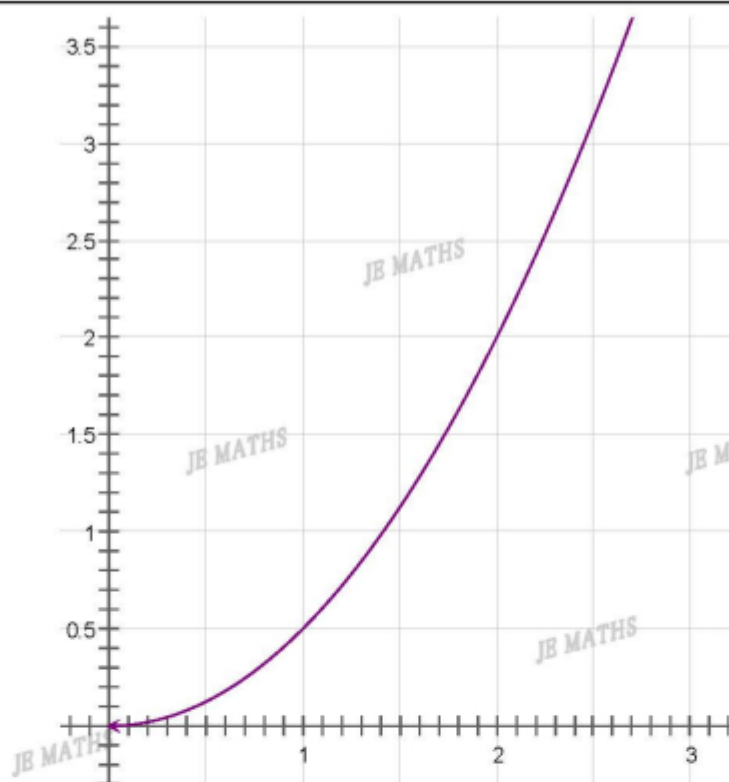
(b) What is the geometric significance of gradient of secant AC ?

2. Given the graph of a function $d = \frac{t^2}{2}$, where d is the distance in kilometres a car travelled in t minutes.

(i) Find the distance travelled at the given times.

t	1	1.125	1.25	1.5	2
d					

(ii) Mark these points A, B_3, B_2, B_1, B on the graph.



(iii) Find the average speed of the car over the time period:

(a) from $t = 1$ to $t = 2$

(b) from $t = 1$ to $t = 1.5$

(c) from $t = 1$ to $t = 1.25$

(d) from $t = 1$ to $t = 1.125$

(iv) Draw the corresponding secants AB , AB_1 , AB_2 , AB_3 whose gradient represents the average speeds in (ii).

(v) What value does the gradient of the secant appear to approach as B get closer to A ?

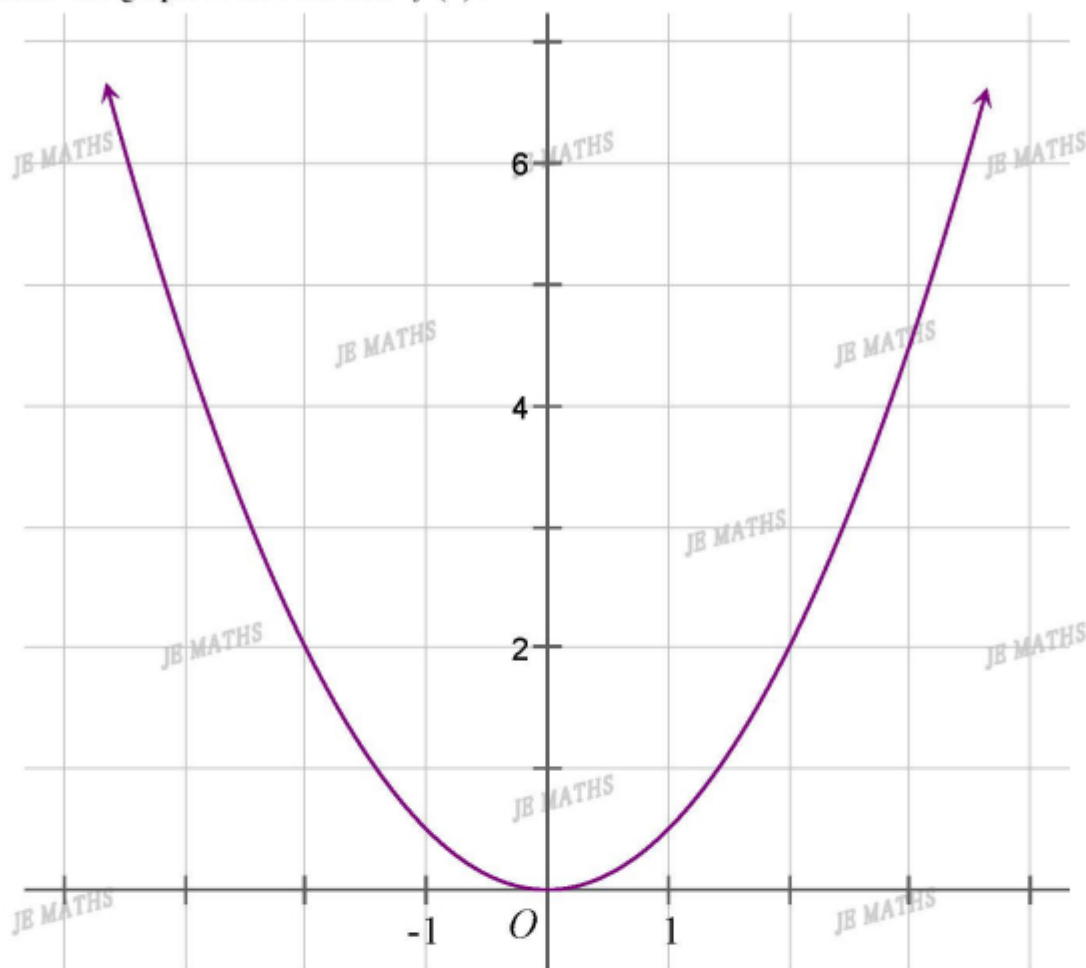
(vi) When the point B coincides with the point A , secant AB becomes the tangent at A .
Gradient of tangent at A is the limit of gradient AB when B get infinitely close to A .
Hence, write down the gradient of tangent to the curve at point A .

(vii) Gradient of tangent at point A represent the instantaneous speed of the car at $t = 1$.
Hence, write down the instantaneous speed of the car at $t = 1$.

(viii) Similarly, state the geometric significance of the gradient of tangent at $t = 3.5$.

Stage 2

1. Consider the graph of the function $f(x)$.



(i) Draw tangent lines at the points where $t = -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$.

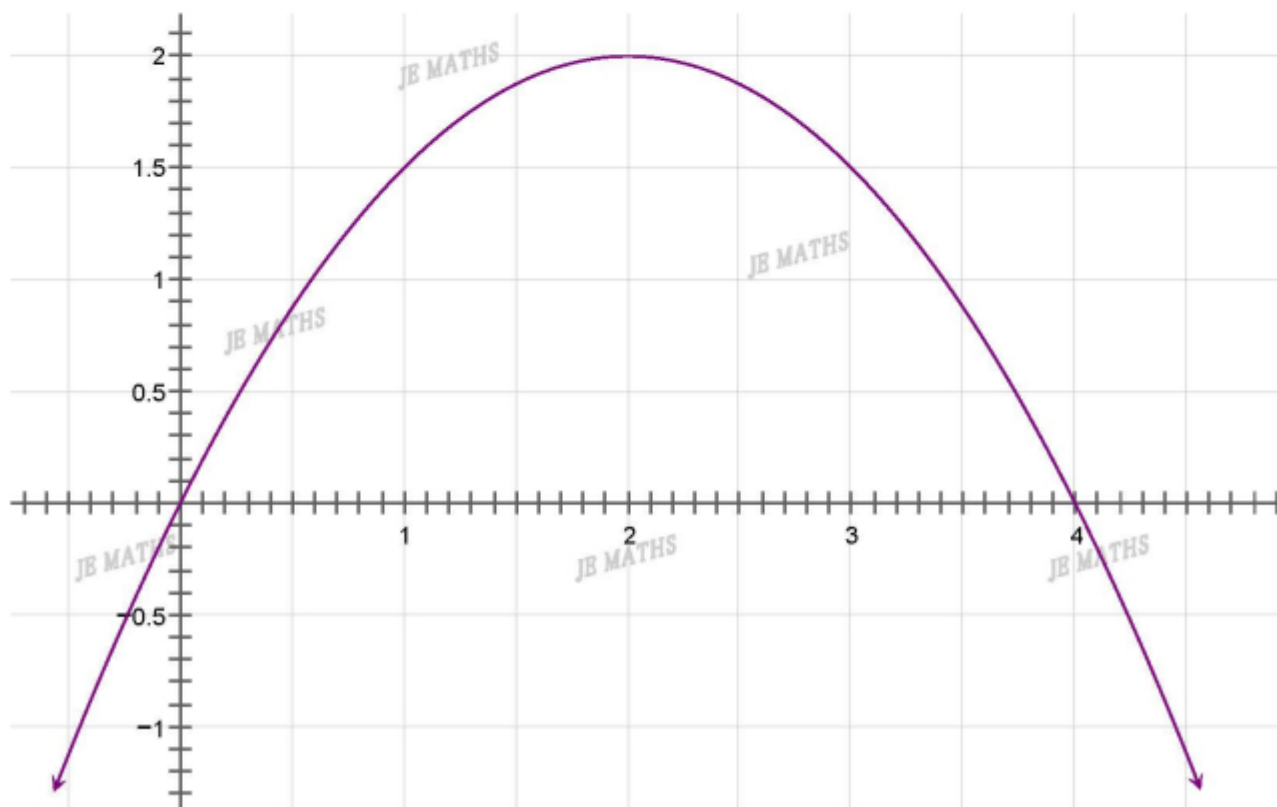
(ii) Use the definition $\text{gradient} = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$ to measure the gradient of tangent at the given x values.

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
m							

(iii) Plot these points in part (ii) on a number plane and sketch the derivative function $f'(x)$.

(iv) Hence, make a reasonable guess to the equation of the derivative $f'(x)$.

2. Consider the graph of the function $f(x)$.



(i) Draw tangent lines at the points where $t = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$.

(ii) Use the definition $gradient = \frac{rise}{run}$ to measure the gradient of tangent at the given x values.

x	0	1	2	3	4
m					

(iii) Plot these points in part (ii) on a number plane and sketch the derivative function $f'(x)$.

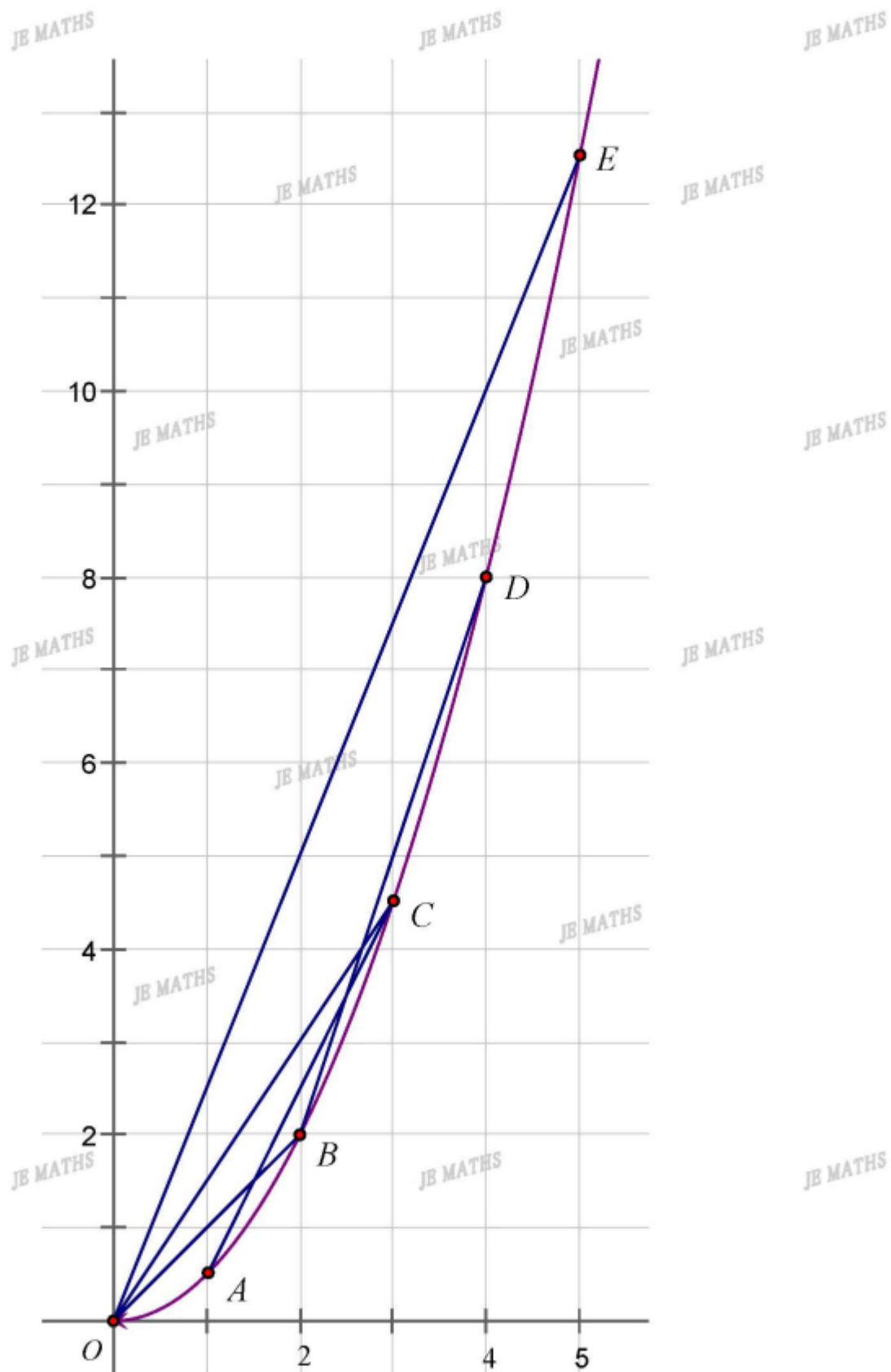
(iv) Hence, make a reasonable guess to the equation of the derivative $f'(x)$.

Stage 1:

1. (i)

t	1	2	3	4	5
d	0.5	2	4.5	8	12.5

(ii)



(iii) (a) $\frac{12.5}{5} = 2.5 \text{ km/min}$

(b) $m_{OE} = \frac{12.5 - 0}{5 - 0} = 2.5$

(c) (the gradient of secant OE in the graph represents the average speed of the car over the first five minutes)

(iv) (a) $\frac{4.5}{3} = 1.5 \text{ km/min}$

(b) $m_{OC} = \frac{4.5 - 0}{3 - 0} = 1.5$

(c) (the average speed of the car over the first three minutes represented by the gradient of secant OC in the graph)

(v) (a) $\frac{8 - 2}{4 - 2} = 3 \text{ km/min}$

(b) $m_{BD} = \frac{8 - 2}{4 - 2} = 3$

(c) (the average speed of the car over the period from $t = 2$ to $t = 4$ represented by the gradient of secant BD in the graph)

(vi) (a) $m_{OB} = \frac{2 - 0}{2 - 0} = 1$

(b) (the average speed of car over the first two minutes is 1km/min)

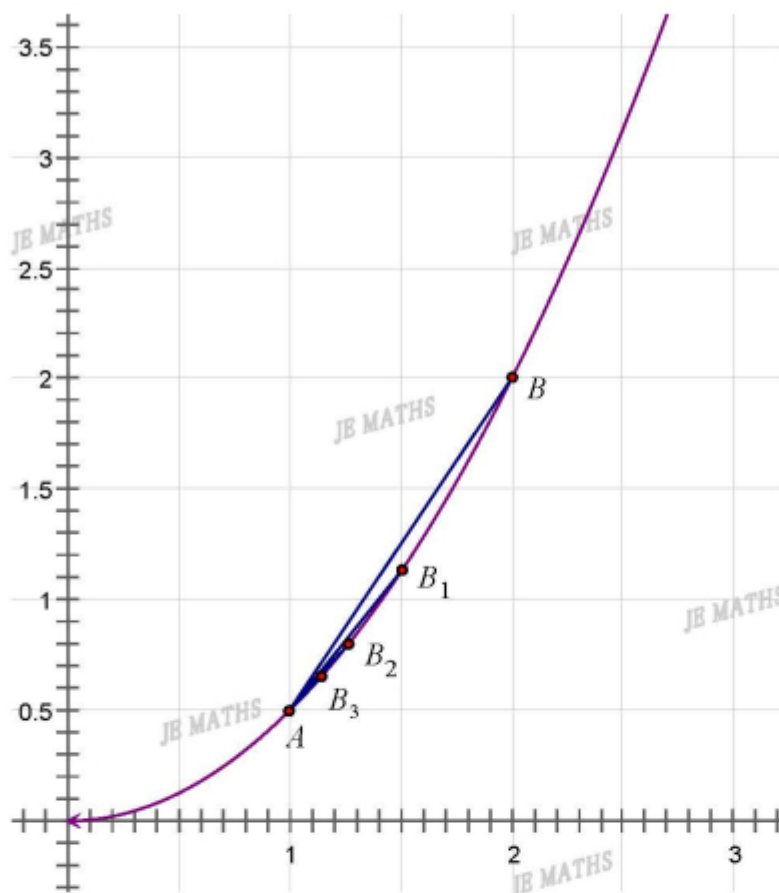
(vii) (a) $m_{AC} = \frac{4.5 - 0.5}{3 - 1} = 2$

(b) (the average speed of car over the time from $t = 1$ to $t = 3$ is 2km/min)

2. (i)

t	1	1.125	1.25	1.5	2
d	0.5	0.6328125	0.78125	1.125	2

(ii)



(iii) (a) $\frac{2-0.5}{2-1} = 1.5 \text{ km/min}$

(b) $\frac{1.125-0.5}{1.5-1} = 1.25 \text{ km/min}$

(c) $\frac{0.78125-0.5}{1.25-1} = 1.125 \text{ km/min}$

(d) $\frac{0.6328125-0.5}{1.125-1} = 1.0625 \text{ km/min}$

(iv)

(v) As point B approaches to point A, gradient of secant approaches to 1.

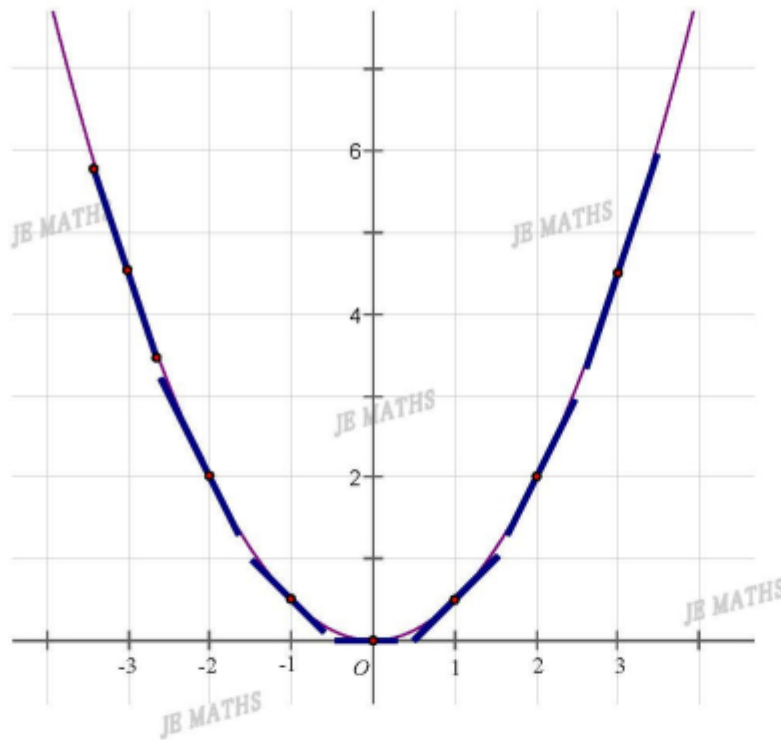
(vi) gradient of tangent at A = 1

(vii) 1 km/min

(viii) the instantaneous speed of the car at $t = 3.5$ represented by the gradient of tangent at $t = 3.5$

Stage 2

1. (i)

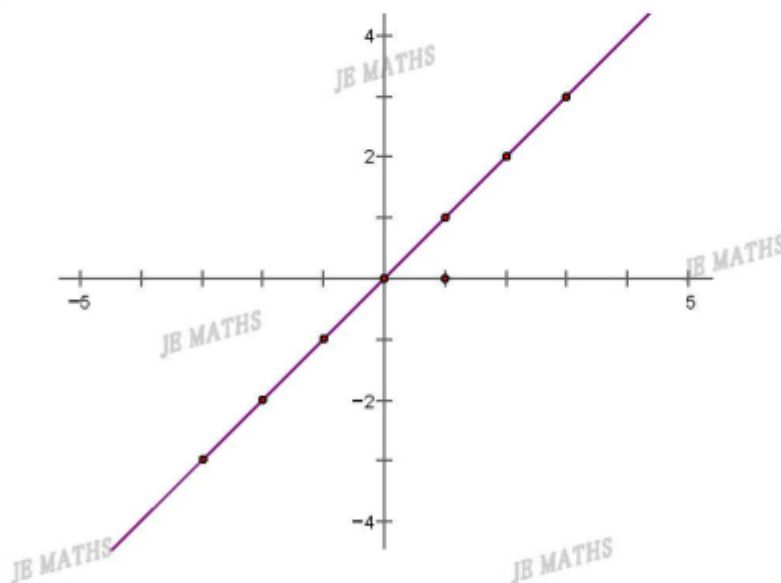


(ii)

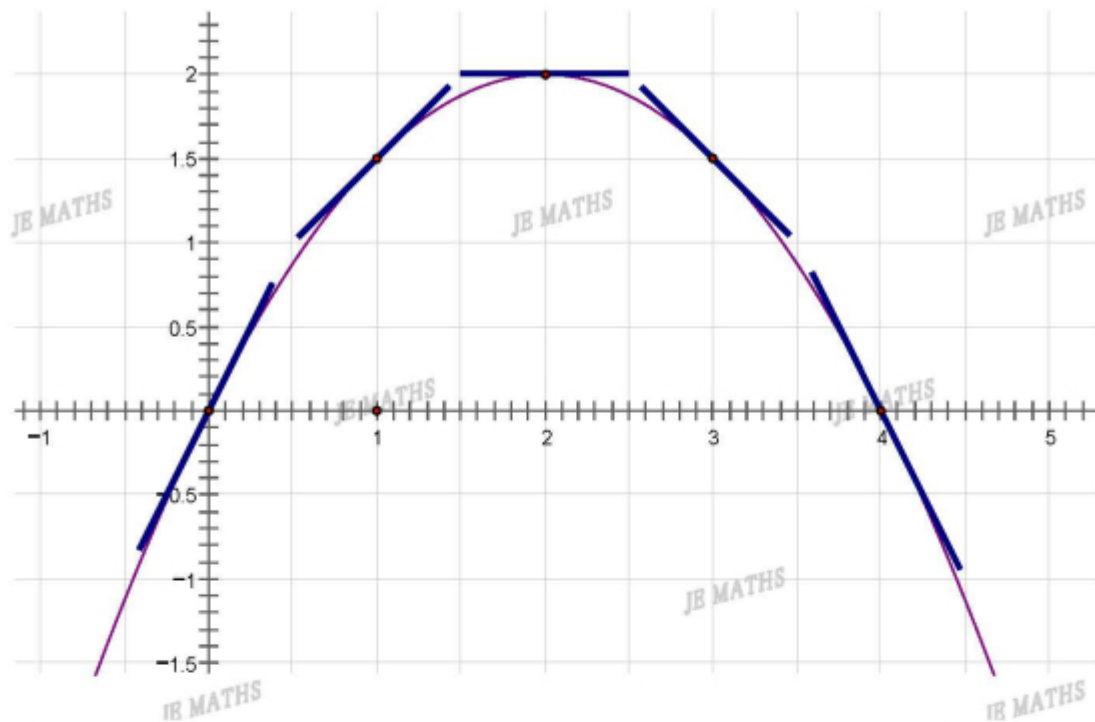
x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
m	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3

(answers of m that close to those values shown above are acceptable)

(iii)

(iv) $f'(x) = x$

2. (i)

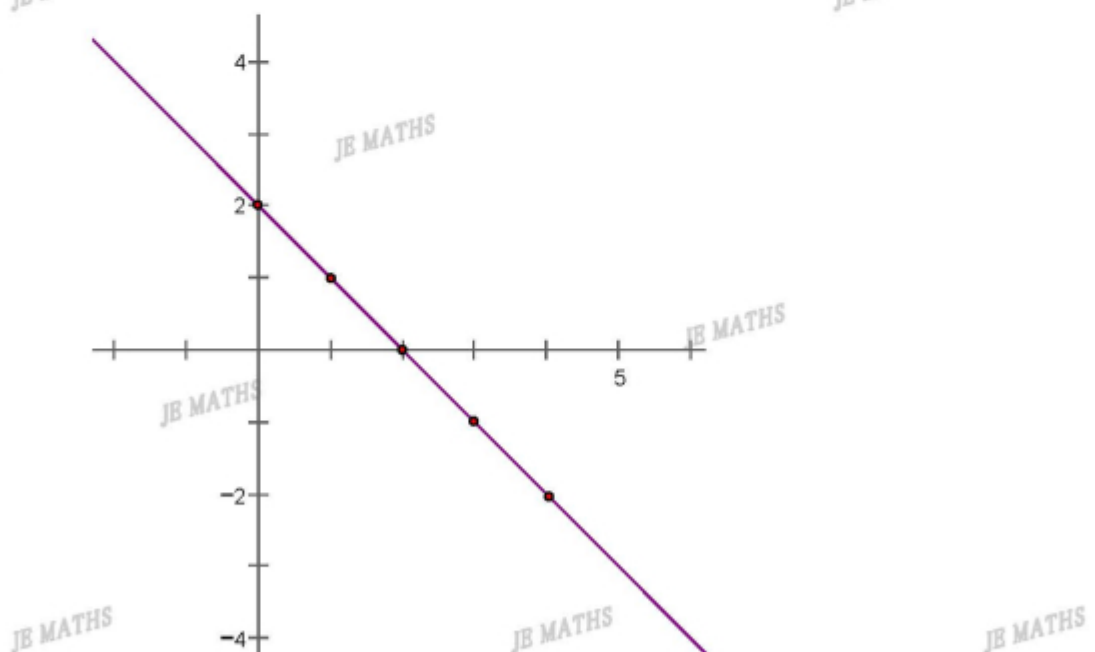


(ii)

x	0	1	2	3	4
m	2	1	0	-1	-2

(answers of m that close to those values shown above are acceptable)

(iii)

(iv) $f'(x) = 2 - x$

3. $f(-2) = 3$, $f'(-2) = 0$

$$f(0) = 3, \quad f'(0) = 0$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 3, \quad f'\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

4. $f(-1) = -3$, $f'(-1) = 2$

$$f(0) = -1, \quad f'(0) = 2$$

$$f(2) = 3, \quad f'(2) = 2$$

$$f'(x) = 2$$

5. $f(0) = 2$, $f'(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$

$$f(4) = 1, \quad f'(4) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f(8) = 0, \quad f'(8) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

6. (a)~(f) $f'(x) = 0$

7. (a) $f'(x) = 1$ (b) $f'(x) = 2$

(c) $f'(x) = 11$ (d) $f'(x) = \frac{3}{4}$

(e) $f'(x) = -1$ (f) $f'(x) = -3$

(g) $f'(x) = -\frac{5}{2}$ (h) $f'(x) = \sqrt{3}$

8. (a) $f'(x) = 1$ (b) $f'(x) = 1$

(c) $f'(x) = 8$ (d) $f'(x) = 6$

(e) $f'(x) = -4$ (f) $f'(x) = -15$

(g) $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}$ (h) $f'(x) = -\frac{13}{4}$

(i) $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{3}$ (j) $f'(x) = \frac{5}{7}$

(k) $f'(x) = 10$ (l) $f'(x) = -\frac{7}{3}$

(m) $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{5}$ (n) $f'(x) = -\frac{3}{8}$

