



The diagram shows part of the curve $y = (x + 1)^2 + (x + 1)^{-1}$ and the line $x = 1$. The point A is the minimum point on the curve.

- (i) Show that the x -coordinate of A satisfies the equation $2(x + 1)^3 = 1$ and find the exact value of $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at A . [5]

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