

# Part IA — Variational Principles Example Sheet

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**QUESTION 1**

$$\begin{aligned} F[x + \delta x] - F[x] &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(x + \delta x, \dot{x} + \delta \dot{x}, \ddot{x} + \delta \ddot{x}, t) \, dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t, x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) \, dt \\ &= \end{aligned}$$