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Paper 1

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Instructions

There are **two** sections in this examination paper.

Section A	Concepts and Skills	150 marks	6 questions
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Answer questions as follows:

- any **five** questions from Section A – Concepts and Skills
- any **three** questions from Section B – Contexts and Applications

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You may lose marks if your answers are not given in simplest form, where relevant.

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(b) Write $3(2 - i) + i(5 + 2i)$ in the form $x + yi$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

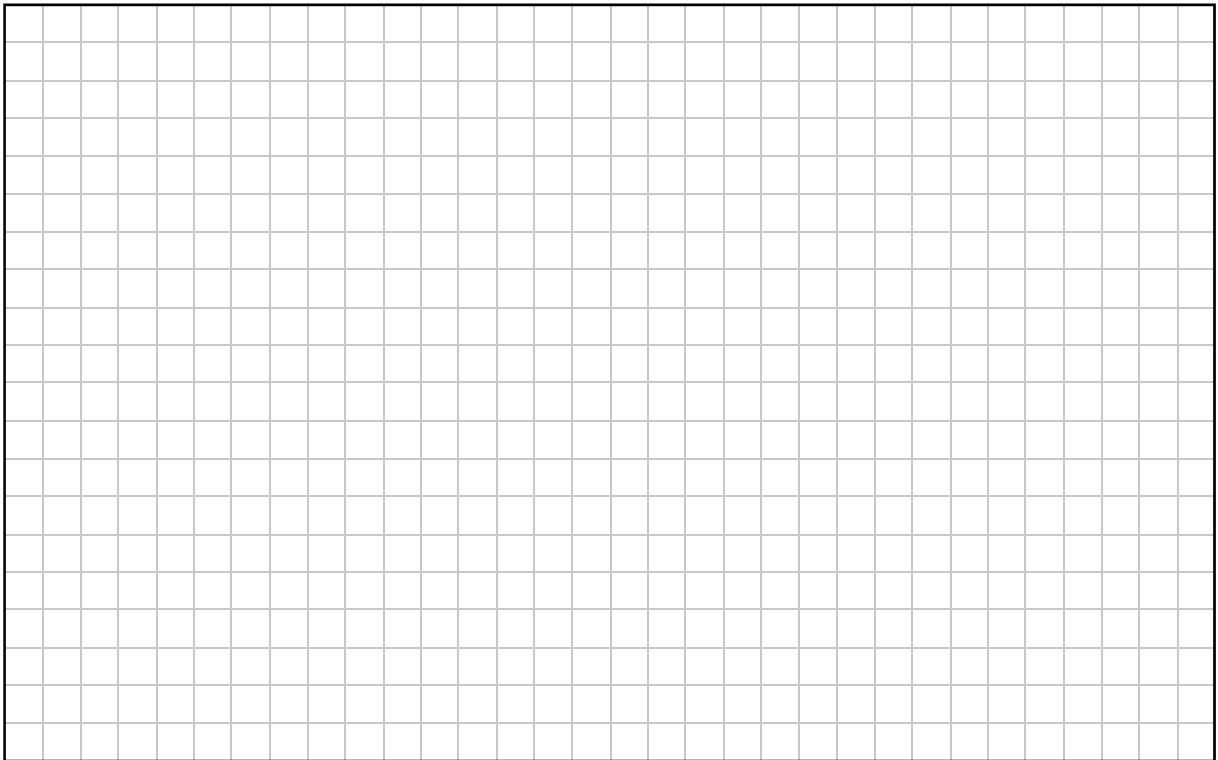
(c) The real numbers p and k are such that $2 - 3pi - 9 - ki = 4k + 1 - i$.
Find the value of p and the value of k .

$p =$ _____ $k =$ _____

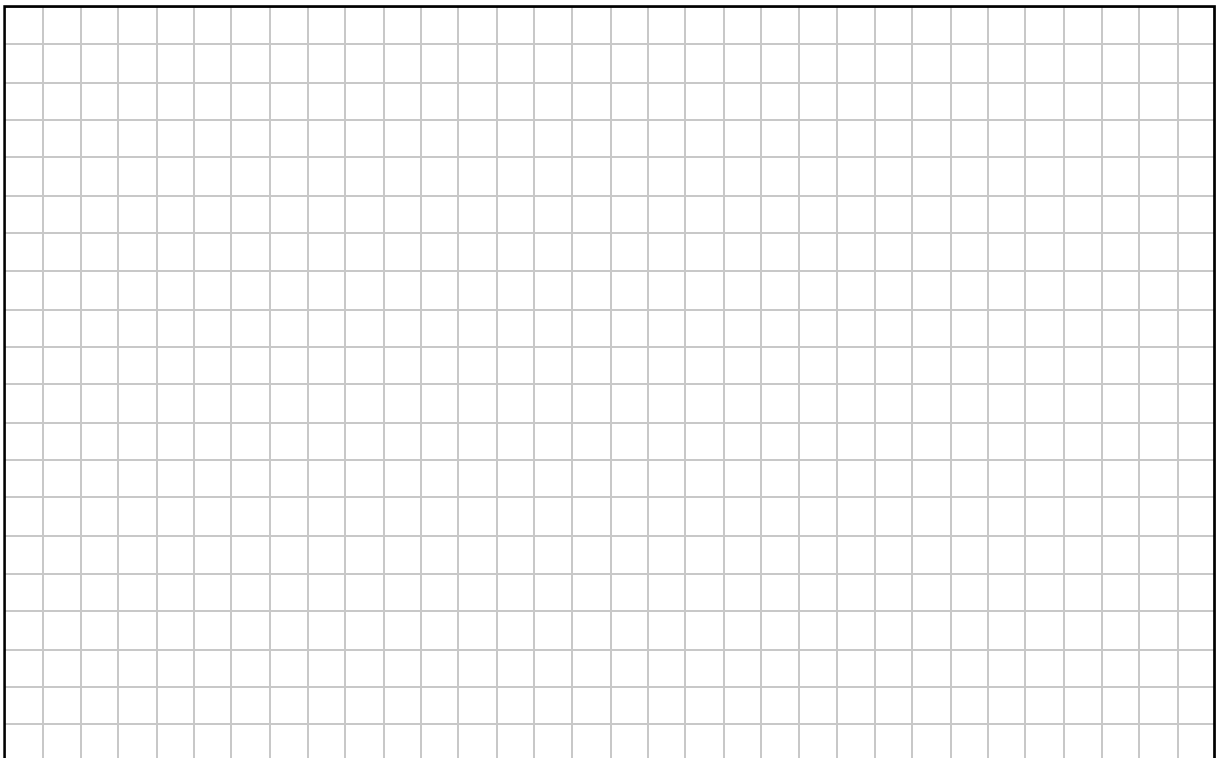
Question 2

(30 marks)

- (a) Solve the inequality $\frac{2x - 5}{3} \geq \frac{x - 4}{2}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, **and** show the solution set on a number line.

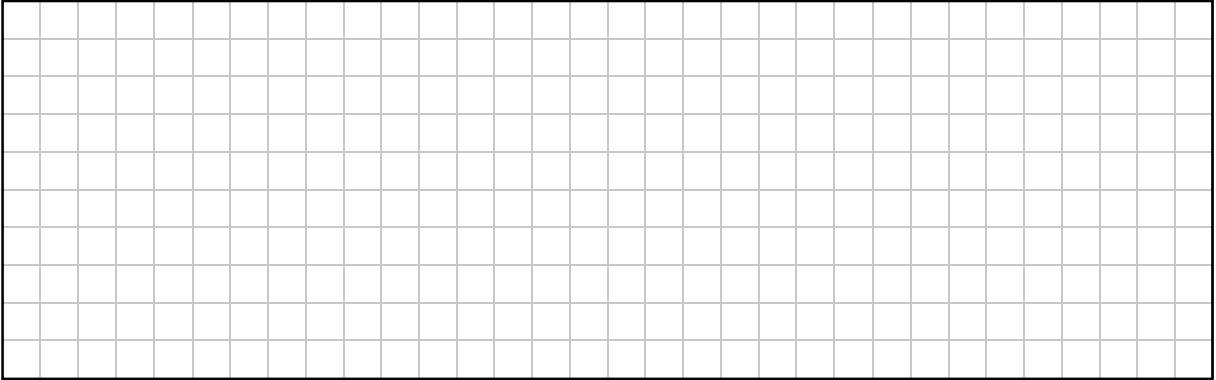


- (b) Write q in terms of p and t when $3(2p + q) = t$.

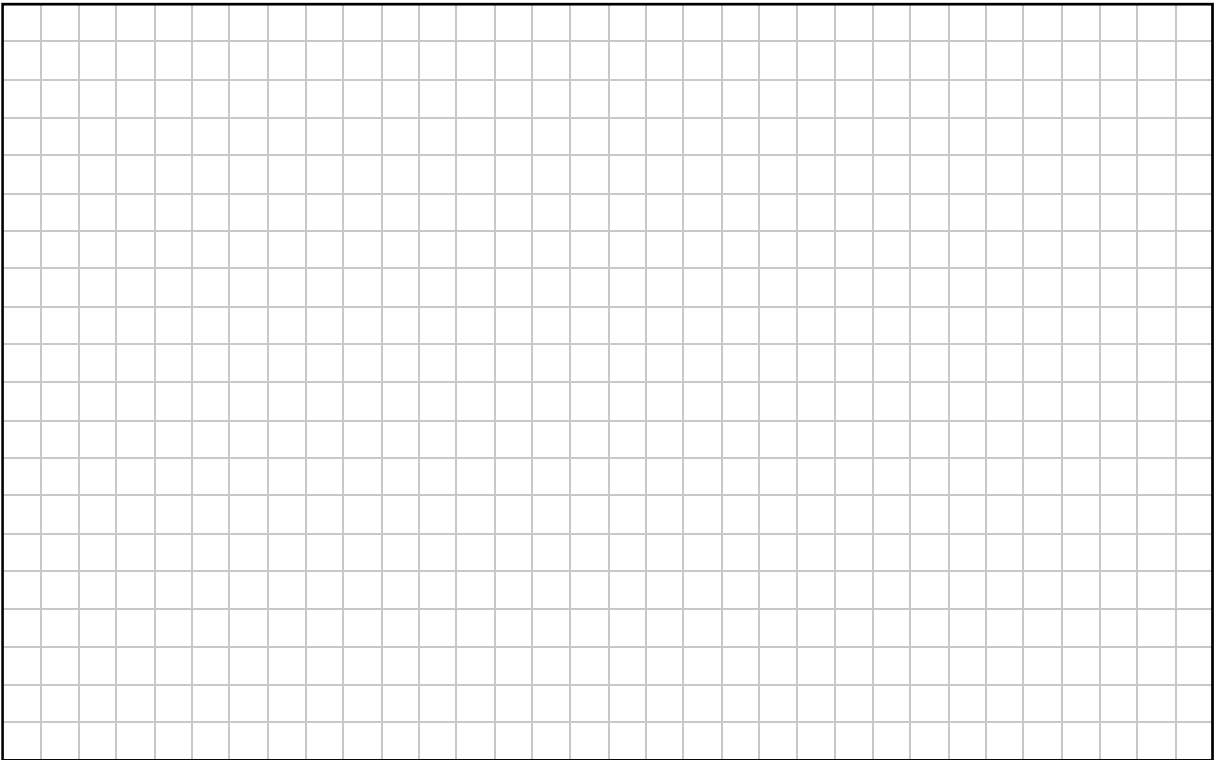


- (c) The function f is as follows for $x \in \mathbb{R}$: $f(x) = 3x^2 - 8x - 35$.
The function g is as follows for $x \in \mathbb{R}$: $g(x) = 2x - 7$.

(i) Find $f(6)$.



(ii) Find $f(g(2))$.



Question 3

(30 Marks)

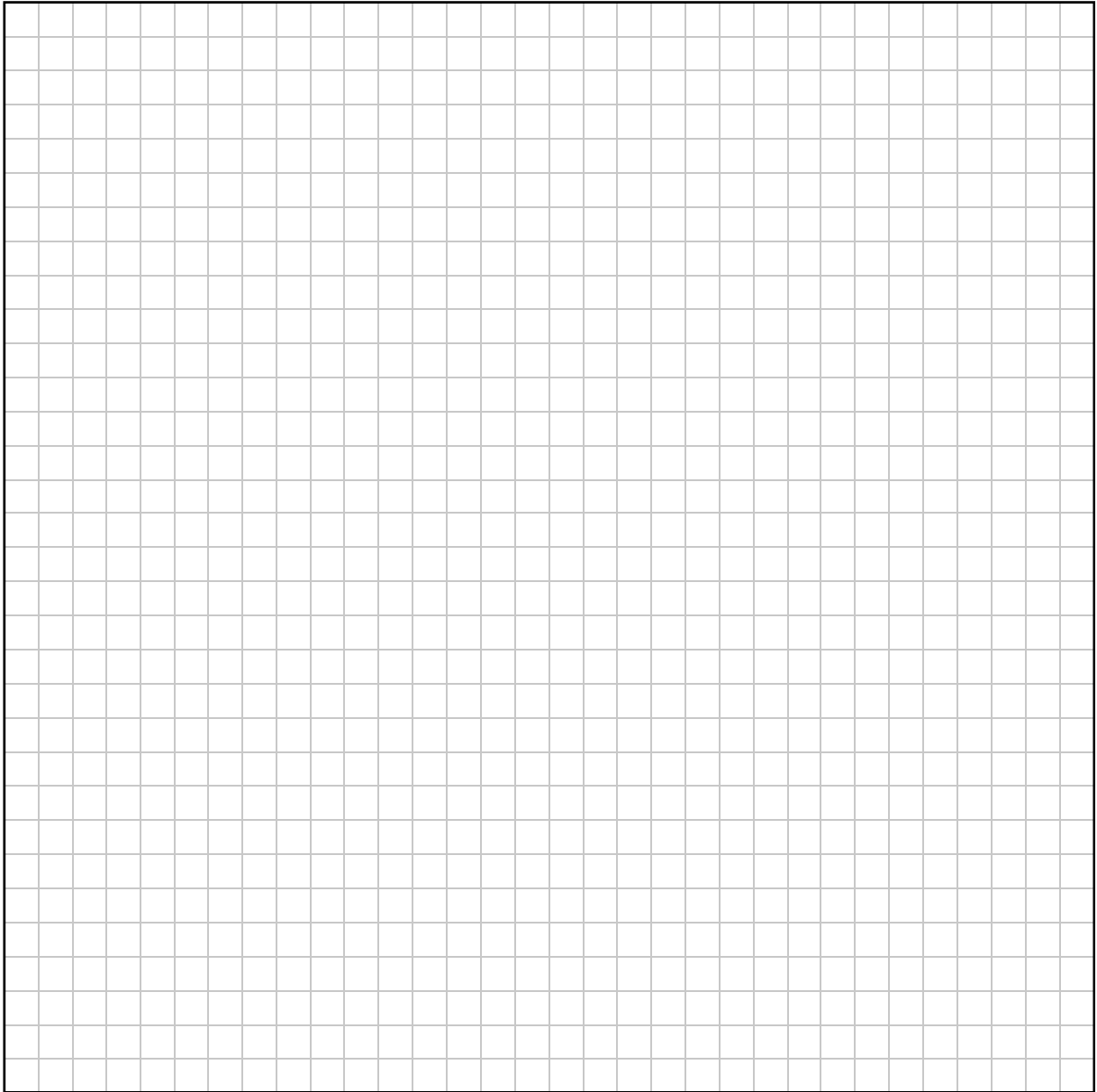
- (a) Given that $5x - 4y = 1$, find the value of y when $x = -7$.

- (b) Find the value of x for which $2^x = \sqrt{32}$, where $x \in \mathbb{Q}$.

(c) Solve the simultaneous equations:

$$x - y = 2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 10$$



Question 4

(30 Marks)

- (a) Solve the equation $x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$.
Give each solution correct to 1 decimal place.

- (b) The function h is as follows for $x \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$h(x) = \frac{6x^2 - 23x + 20}{2x - 5}$$

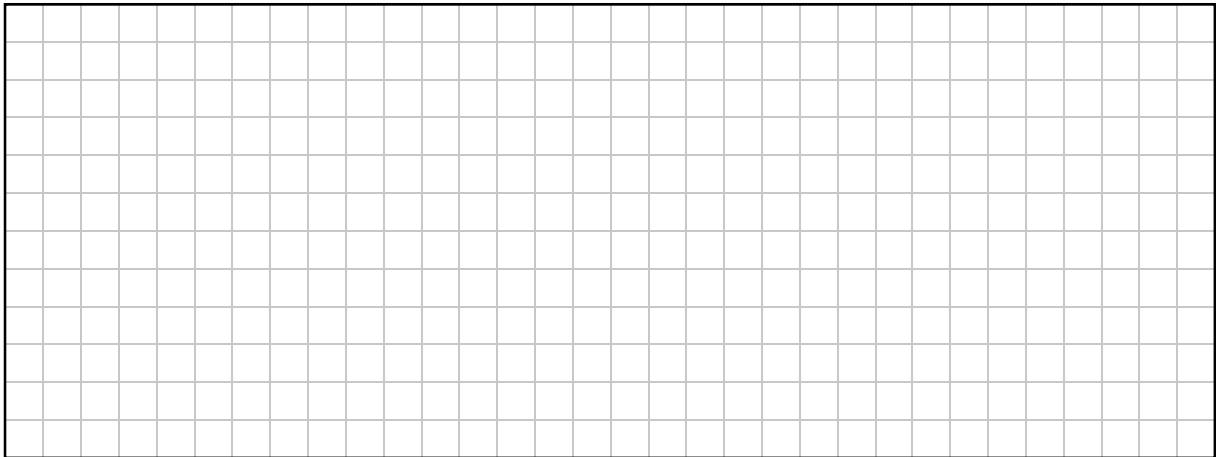
Express $h(x)$ in the form $ax + b$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Question 5

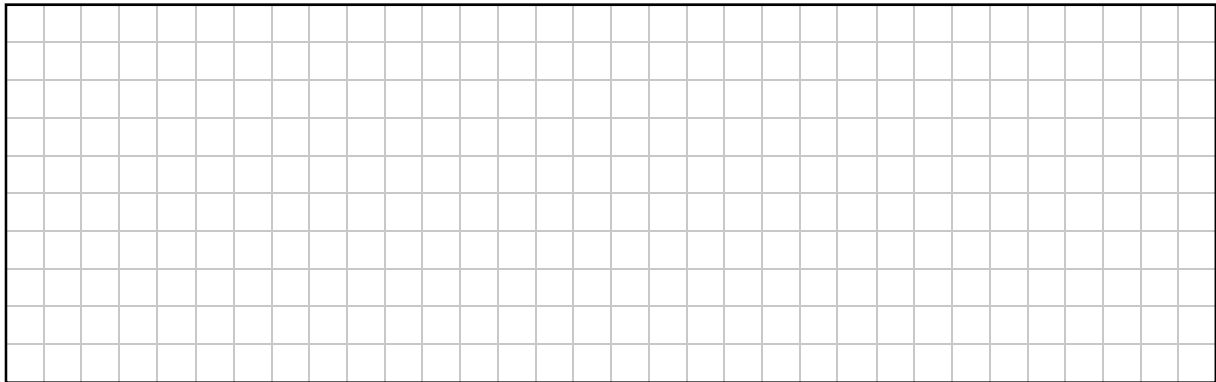
(30 Marks)

(a) Term n of an arithmetic sequence is given by $T_n = 4n + 1$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(i) Write down the first three terms of the sequence.



(ii) Term k of the sequence is 101. Find the value of k .



(b) The following identity is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2},$$

- (i) Use the expression $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ to find the sum of the natural numbers from 1 to 12 inclusive.

- (ii) The sequence of numbers $1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, n$ add to 325.

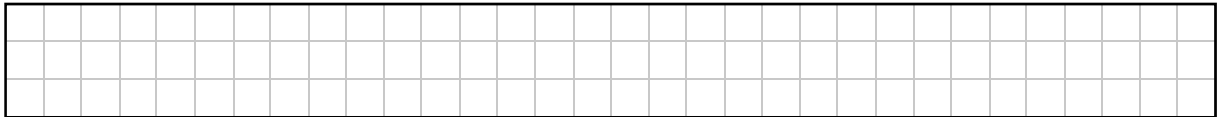
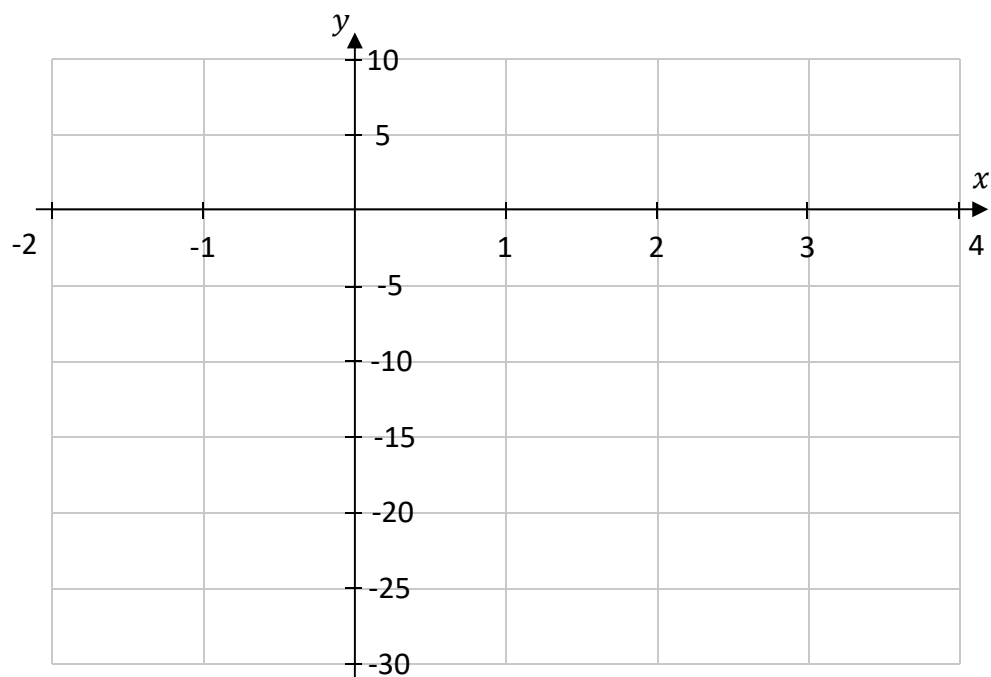
Solve the equation

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 325,$$

to find the value of n .

Question 6**(30 Marks)**Let $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 9x$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$.**(a)** Complete the table below to show the value of $f(x)$ for each of the given values of x .

x	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$							-20

**(b)** Draw the graph of $f(x)$ in the domain $-2 \leq x \leq 4$ where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, on the grid below.

(c) (i) Find $f'(x)$, the derivative of $f(x)$.

(ii) Use your derivative to find the co-ordinates of the local maximum point **and** the local minimum point of $f(x)$.

Local maximum point (,) – Local minimum point (,)

Answer **any three** questions from this section.

Question 7**(50 marks)**

A 5 km run takes place every Saturday morning over the same course, starting at **9:30 a.m.**

- (a)** The average time taken to finish the run is 34 minutes 30 seconds.
Find the average time it takes to complete 1 km of the run.
Give your answer in minutes and seconds.

- (b) (i)** One Saturday morning Aoife ran as follows:

First km: 5 minutes 10 seconds
Second km: 5 minutes 45 seconds
Third km: 6 minutes 25 seconds
Fourth and fifth km: constant speed.
She finished the race at 10:05 a.m.

How long did it take her to run the last km?

- (ii) Find Aoife's average speed over the 5 km run.
Give your answer, **in km/hr**, correct to 1 decimal place.

- (c) One Saturday Brian arrived late and started his run 3 minutes later than everyone else (at 9:33 a.m.)
His average speed, while he was running, was 15 km/hr.
Shane, who started on time (9:30 a.m.), ran at an average speed of 12.5 km/hr.
Which of the two finished the run first **and** by how many minutes?

First to finish: _____ Time Difference: _____

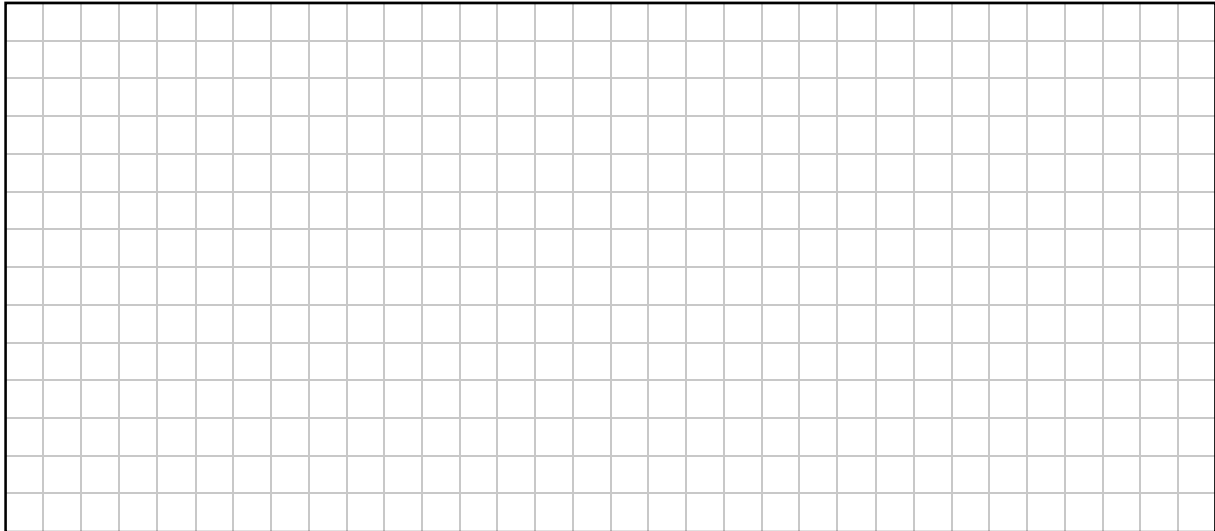
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(d) Shane is training for the run. One of his training sessions is as follows, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

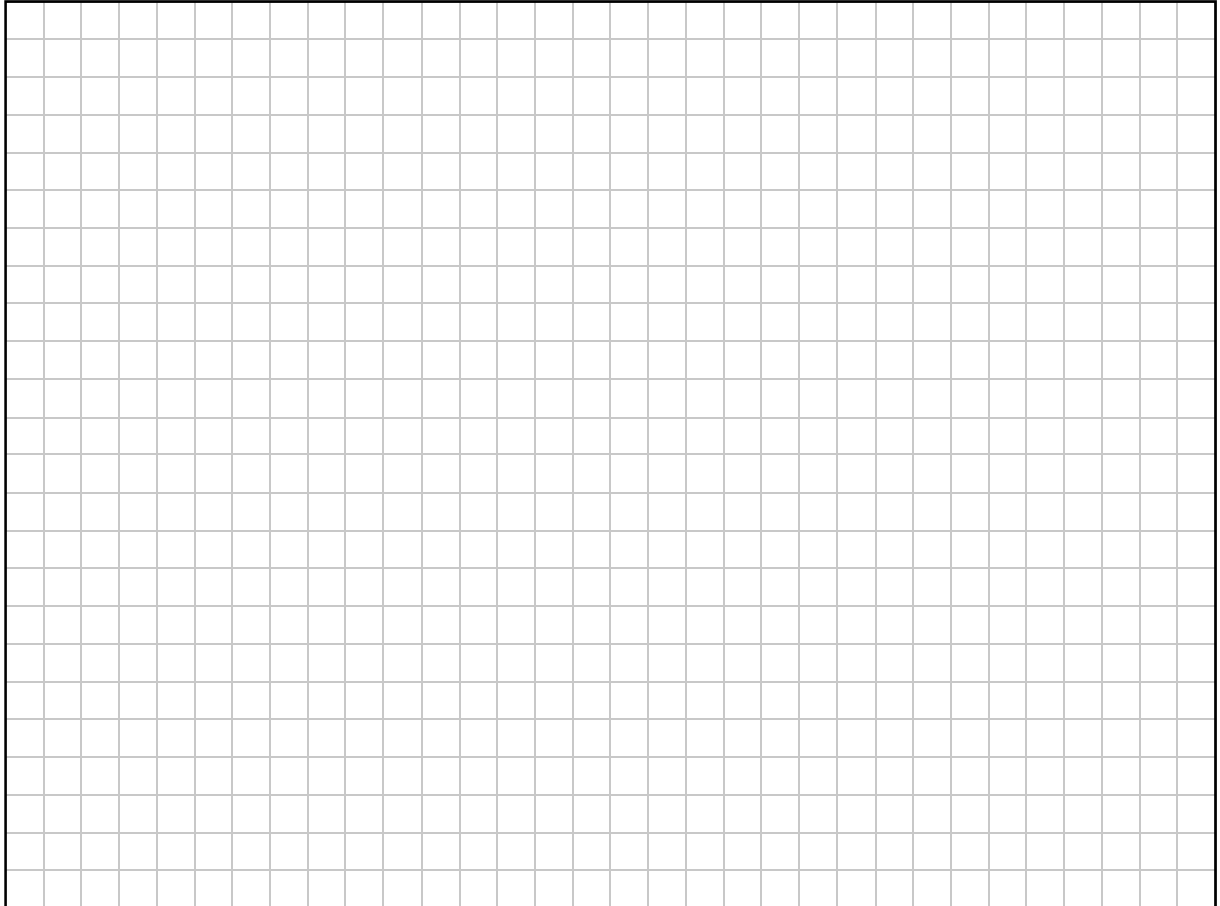
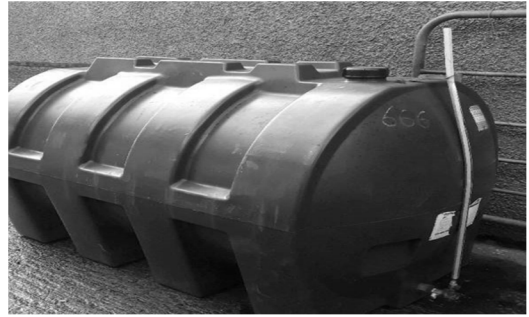
Warm up	Sprints	Warm down
10 minutes	n sprints for 10 seconds each Jog for 60 seconds between each pair of sprints	9 minutes

It takes Shane exactly 32 minutes to complete this session.

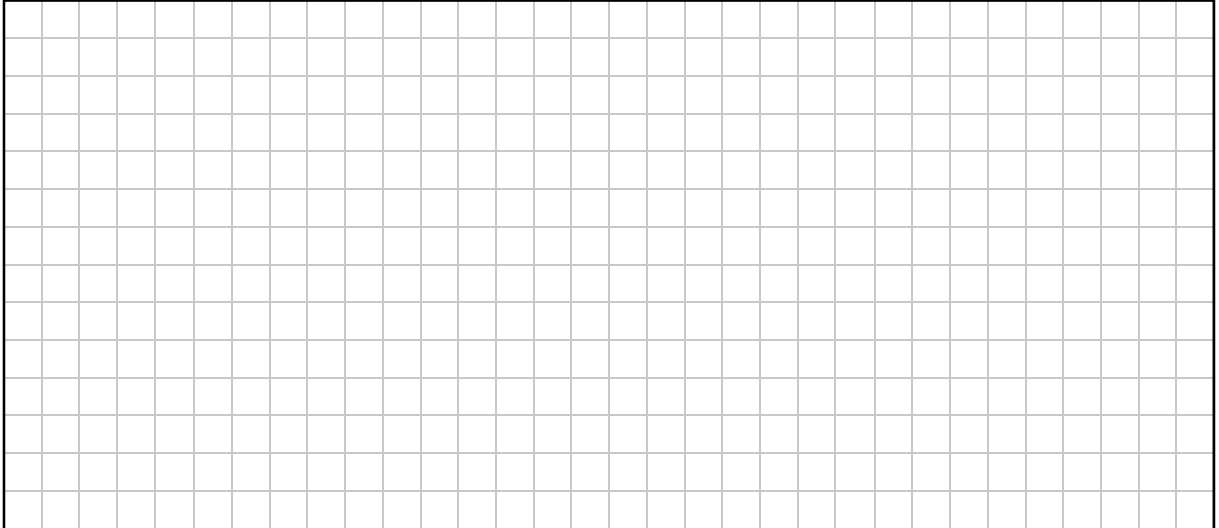
Work out the value of n , the number of 10-second sprints he does during this session.



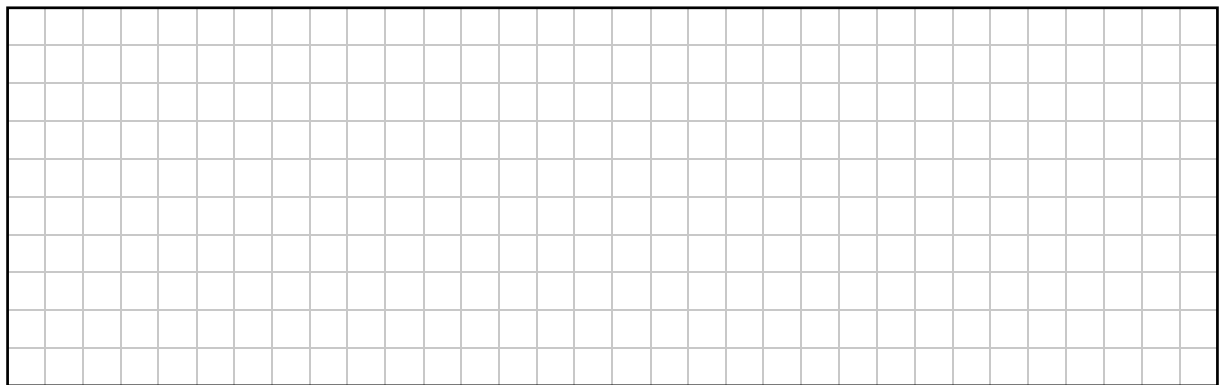
- (d) John's oil tank is in the shape of a cylinder. It is 2 m long and can hold 1500 litres of oil. Find the radius of the oil tank. Give your answer correct to the nearest cm. (Note: 1 Litre = 1000 cm³.)



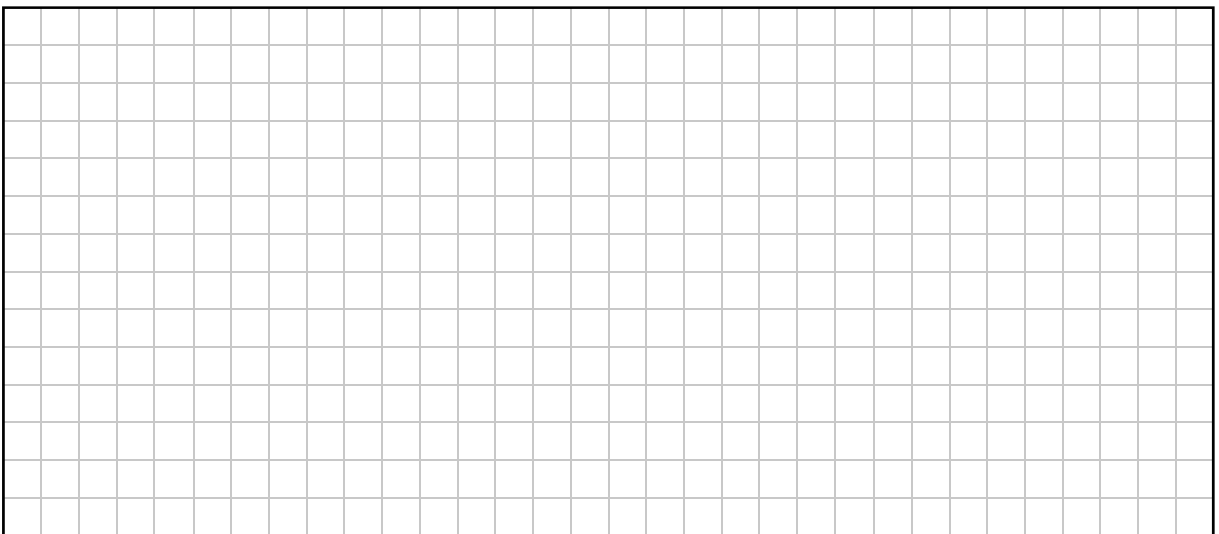
(iii) Find the maximum height of the ball above the ground.



(iv) How long was the ball in the air before it hit the ground?



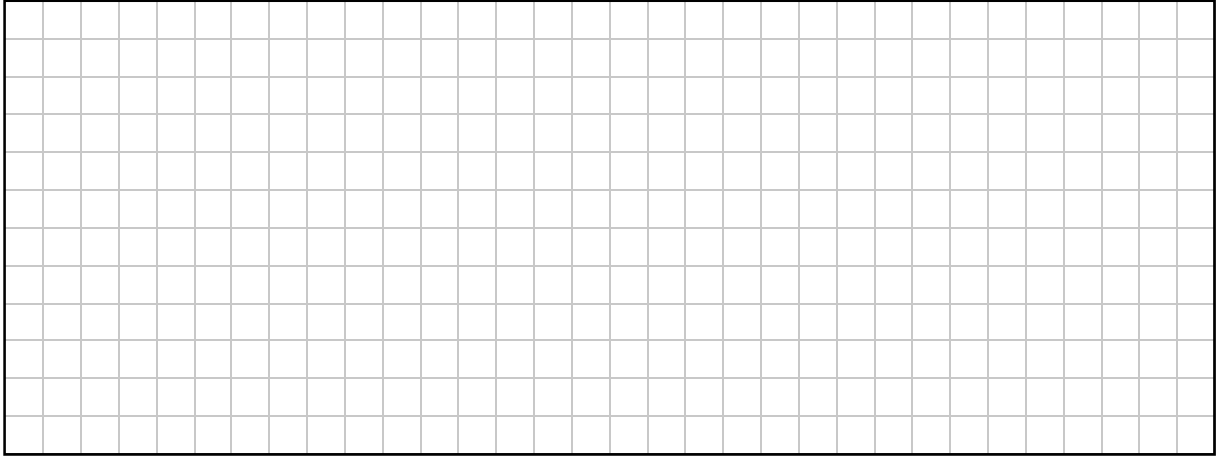
(v) The ball landed 240 m from the foot of the cliff.
Find the distance between the ball and the top edge of the cliff when it landed.
Give your answer, in metres, correct to 2 decimal places.



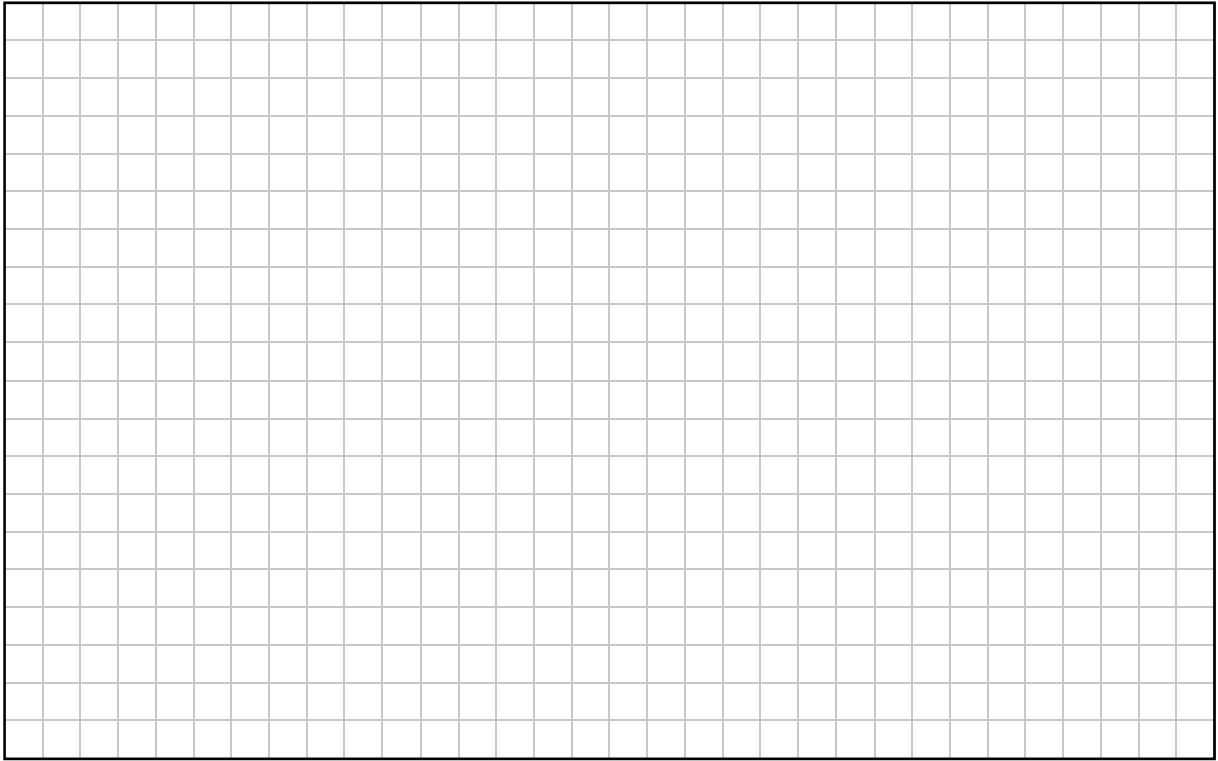
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- (b) (i)** Florence bought a golf club online from a company in Britain.
The cost was £138.75 sterling.
The exchange rate was €1 = £0.8338.

How much did the golf club cost in euro?
Give your answer correct to the nearest cent.

A large rectangular grid consisting of 20 columns and 15 rows of small squares, intended for the student to write their answer.

- (ii) Florence also bought a golf bag at her local golf club during a sale. The original cost was €125, including VAT at 23%. She got a discount of 15% in the sale. Work out how much **VAT** Florence paid. Give your answer correct to the nearest cent.

A large grid for working out the answer, consisting of 30 columns and 25 rows of small squares.

Question 10

(50 Marks)

- (a)** Mary got a new job where she was earning €950 per week. When she started the job, Mary had to pay emergency tax as she did not have a tax credit certificate. Emergency tax meant that all of her income was taxed at 40% and she had no tax credits.

(i) How much tax did she pay each week while she was on emergency tax?

- (ii)** When Mary got her tax credit certificate, she started to pay tax at the correct rate. Now, each week she pays tax at the standard rate of 20% on the first €678.85 of her income and 40% on the remainder. She also had tax credits of €65.38 each week.

How much does Mary now pay in tax each week?

- (iii) Mary was on emergency tax for a total of six weeks.
At the end of that time she got a refund of the tax **that she had overpaid** while she was on the emergency tax rate.

Find the total amount of the refund she got for these six weeks.

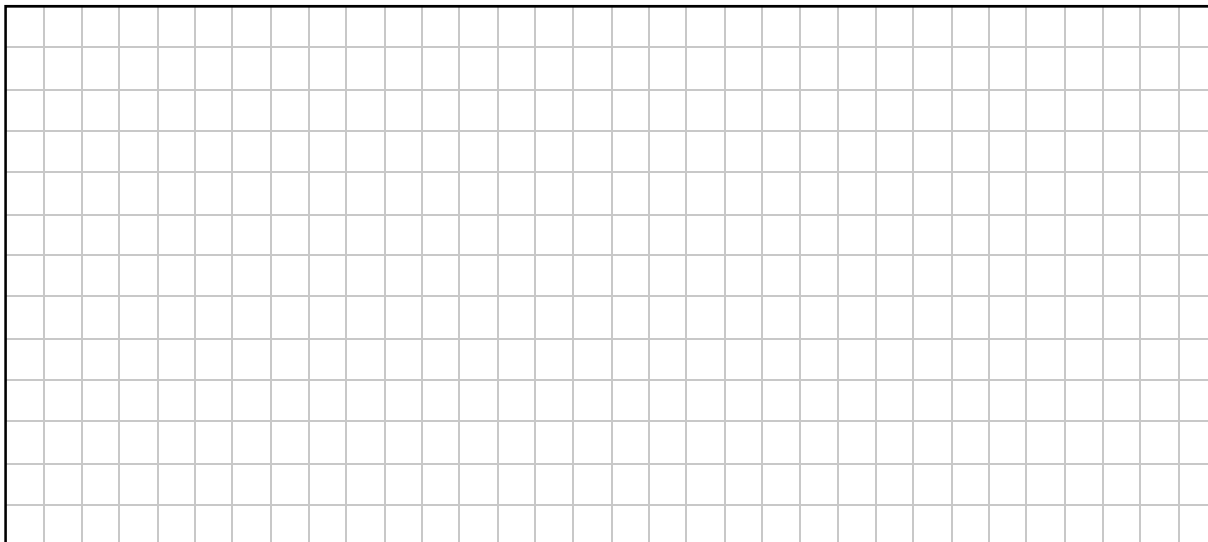
- (iv) Mary gets a pay increase of € x per week.
She continues to pay tax at the standard rate of 20% on the first €678.85 of her income and 40% on the remainder.
She still had tax credits of €65.38 each week.
She now pays €218.85 in tax each week.
Find the value of x .

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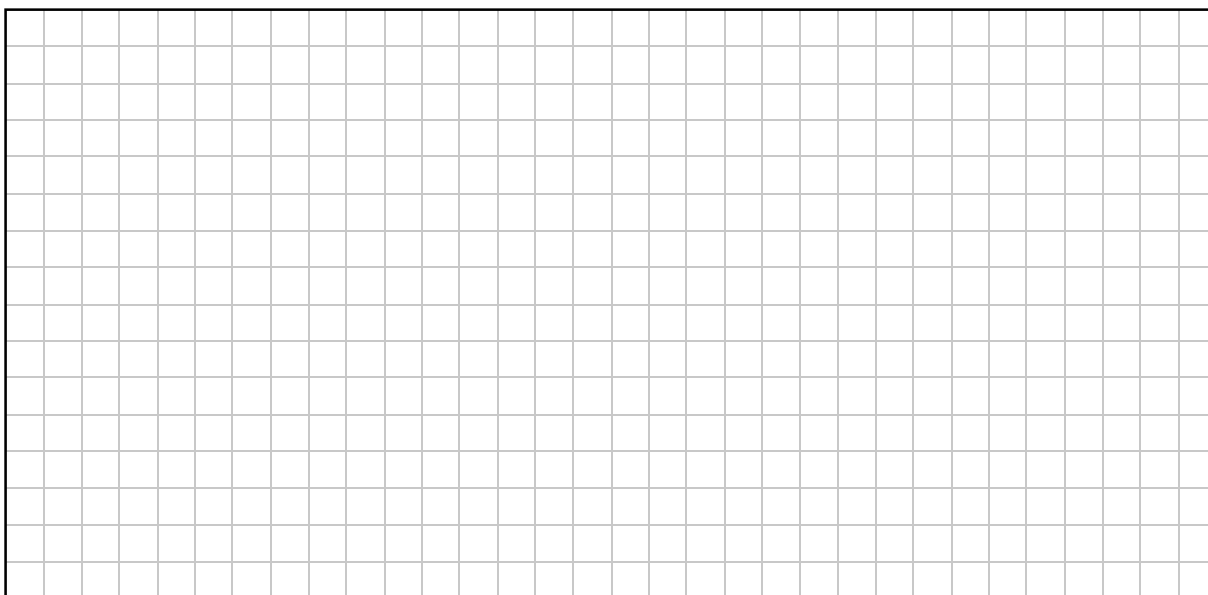
- (b) Mary has €15 000 in a savings account and would like to invest the money for a maximum of 3 years. An investment broker is offering two investment options, Option 1 and Option 2, as shown in the table below.

Option 1	Option 2
Invest €15 000 at an annual compound rate of $r\%$ and receive €16 153.36 at the end of 3 years	Invest €5000 at the beginning of each year for 3 years at an annual compound rate of 4.2%

- (i) Find the value of the annual compound interest rate, r , in Option 1.

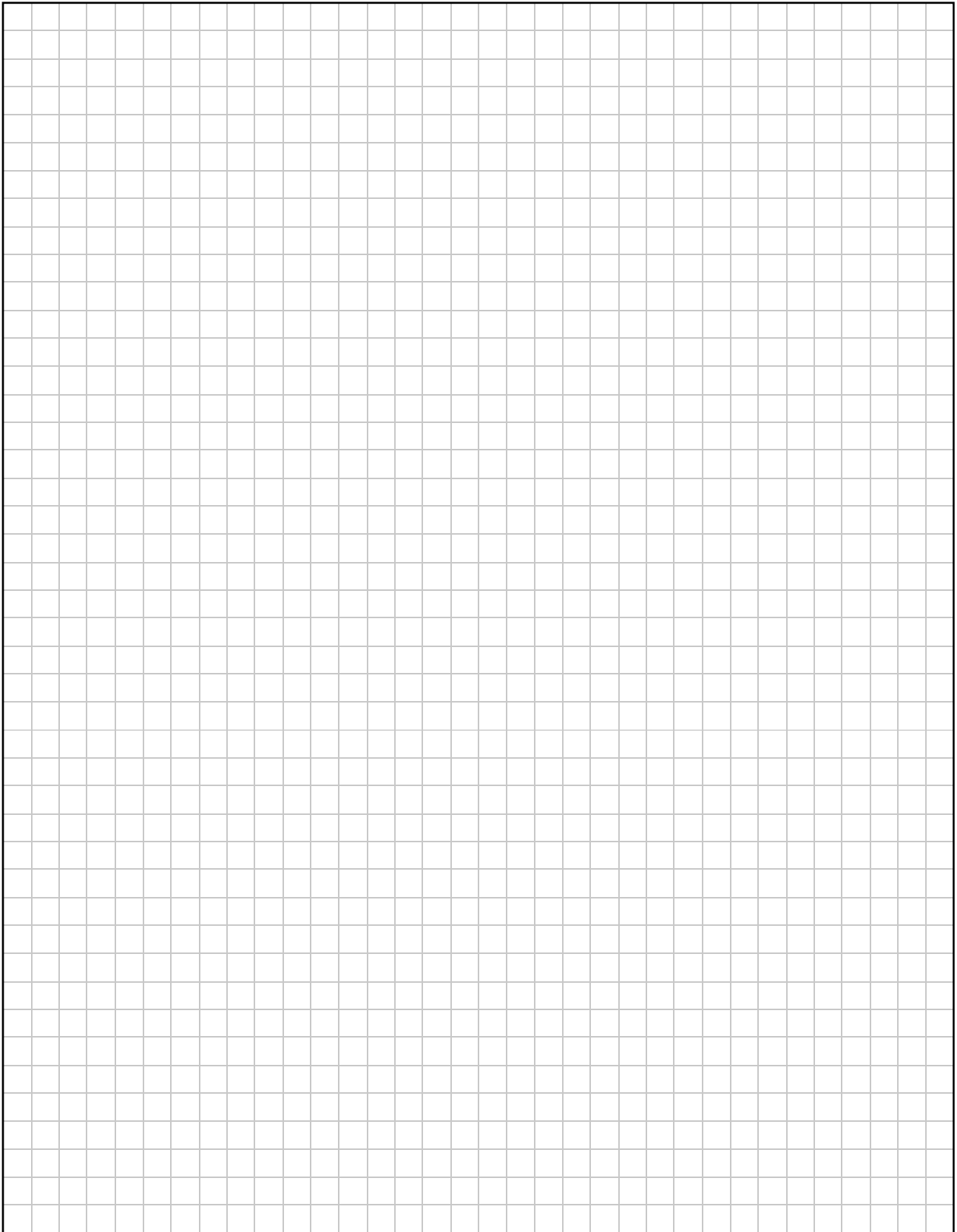


- (ii) Mary chooses Option 2.
She will invest €5000 at the beginning of year 1, another €5000 at the beginning of year 2, and another €5000 at the beginning of year 3.
Find how much money Mary will receive at the end of the 3 year period.
Give your answer correct to the nearest cent.



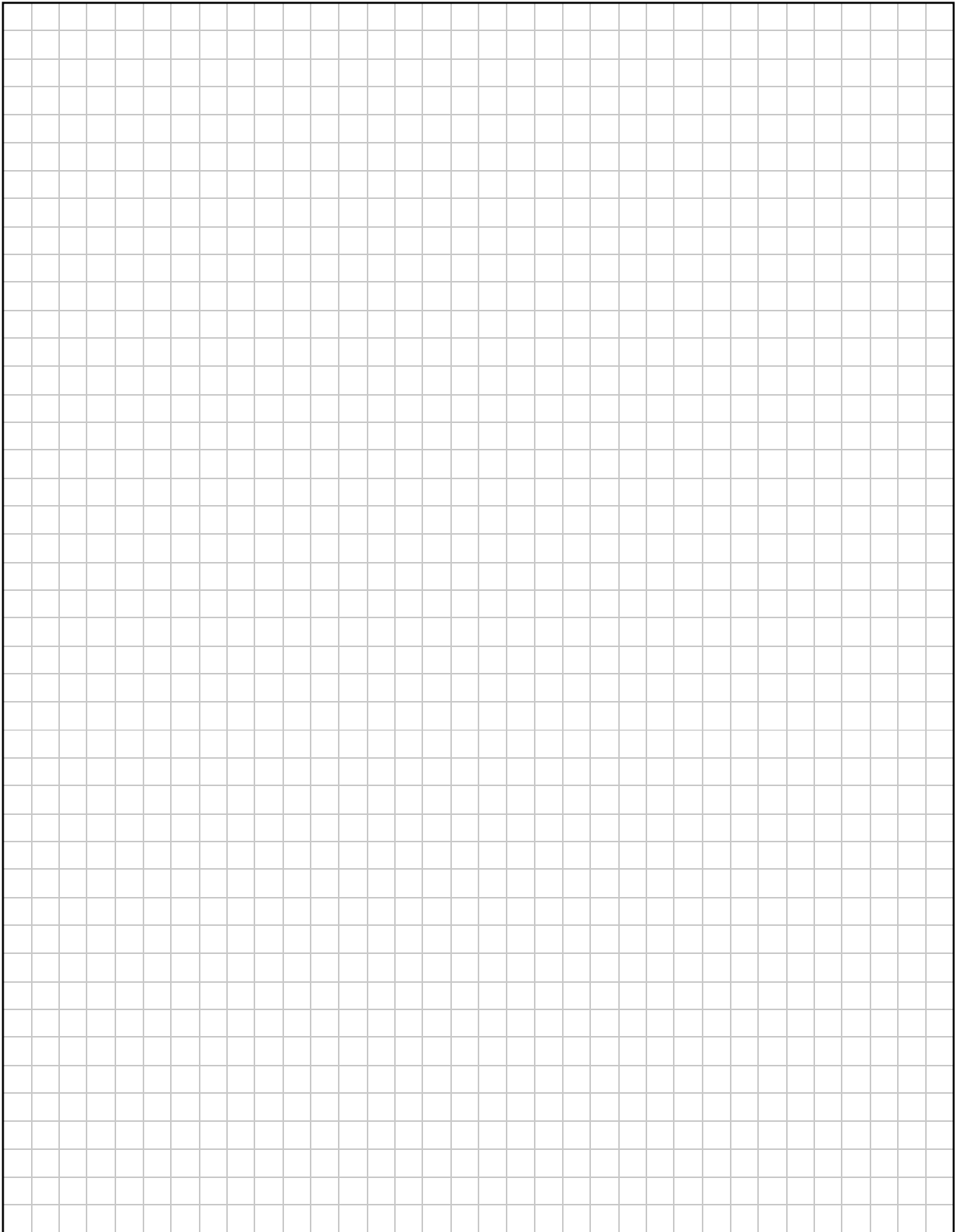
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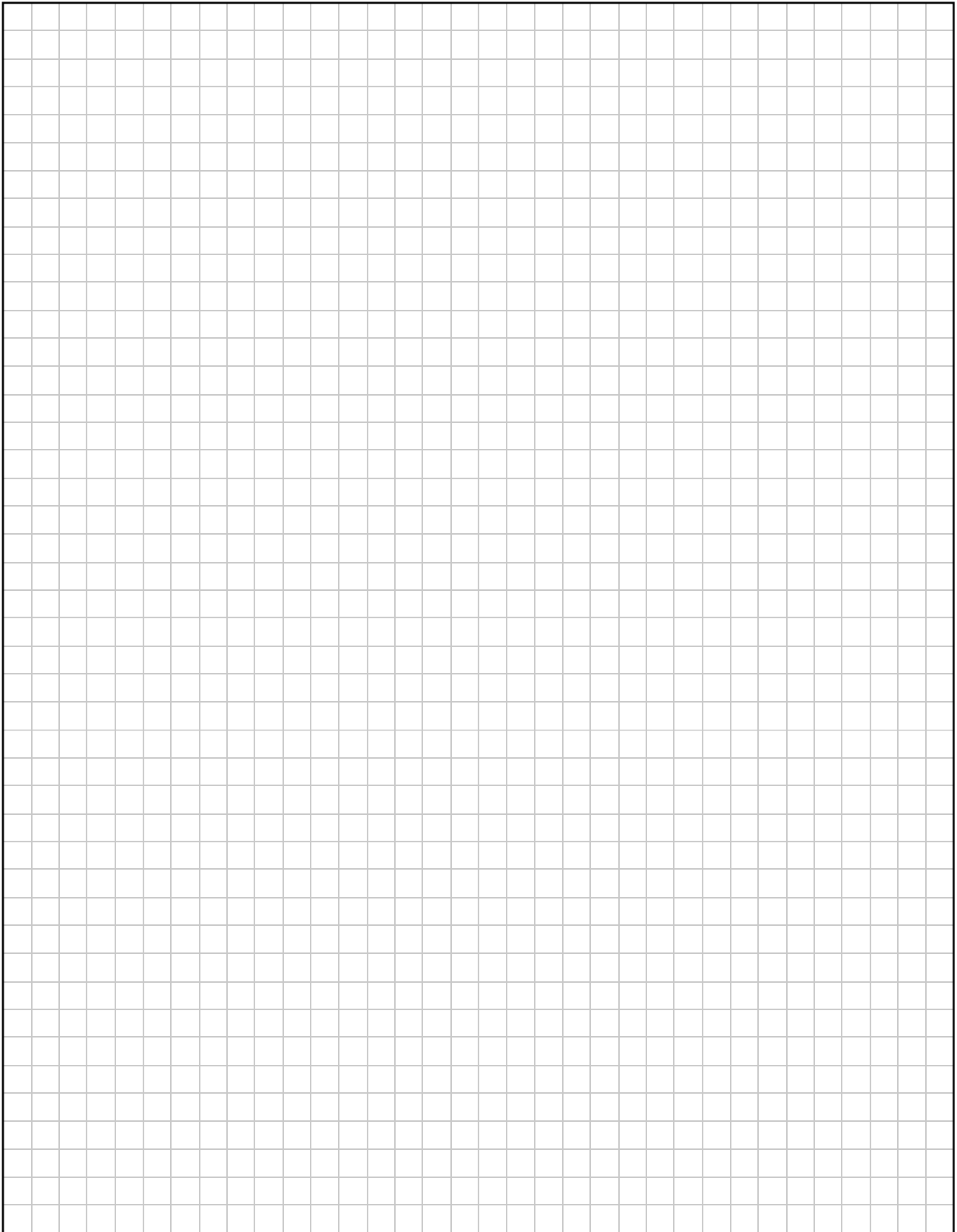
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