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Leaving Certificate Examination, 2012

Mathematics (Project Maths – Phase 3)

Paper 1

Ordinary Level

Friday 8 June Afternoon 2:00 – 4:30

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Instructions

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

Section A	Concepts and Skills	150 marks	6 questions
Section B	Contexts and Applications	150 marks	3 questions

Answer all nine questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. You will lose marks if you do not do so. There is space for extra work at the back of the booklet. You may also ask the superintendent for more paper. Label any extra work clearly with the question number and part.

The superintendent will give you a copy of the *Formulae and Tables* booklet. You must return it at the end of the examination. You are not allowed to bring your own copy into the examination.

Marks will be lost if all necessary work is not clearly shown.

Answers should include the appropriate units of measurement, where relevant.

Answers should be given in simplest form, where relevant.

Write the make and model of your calculator(s) here:

Question 2

(25 marks)

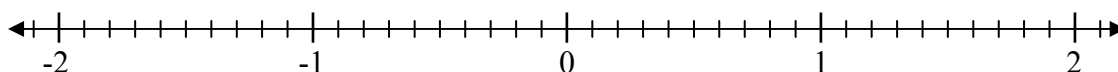
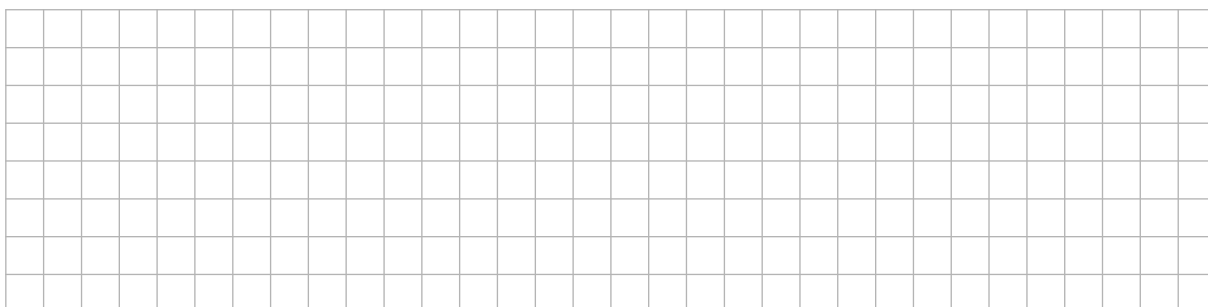
Let $a = \sqrt{2}$.

- (a) For each of the numbers in the table below, tick (✓) the correct box to say whether it is *rational* or *irrational*.

Number	rational	irrational
a		
$a - 1$		
$(-a)^2$		
$(a - 2)^2$		
$1 + a^2$		

- (b) Show the following numbers on the number line below.

$a, \quad -a, \quad \sqrt{a}, \quad a^{-2}$



- (c) Verify that $3 - \sqrt{2}$ is a root (solution) of the equation $x^2 - 6x + 7 = 0$.

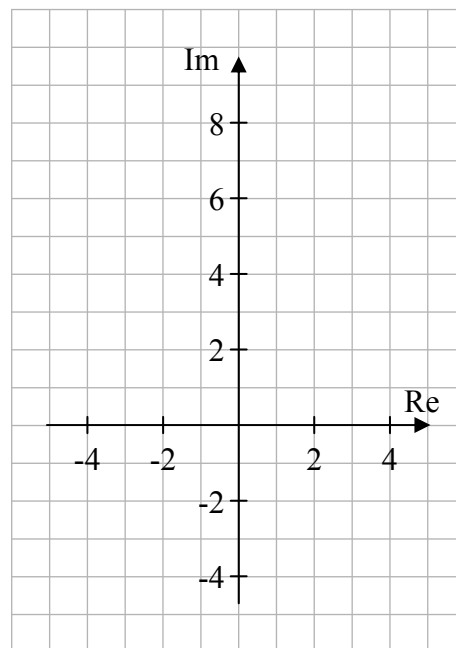
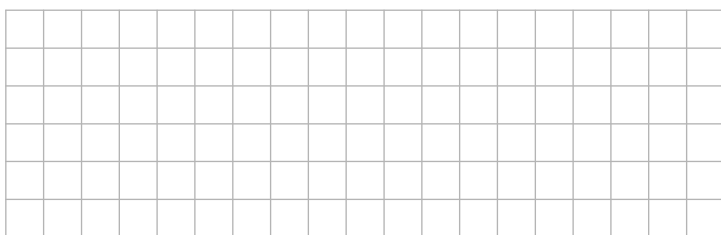


Question 3

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The complex number $z = 1 - 4i$, where $i^2 = -1$.

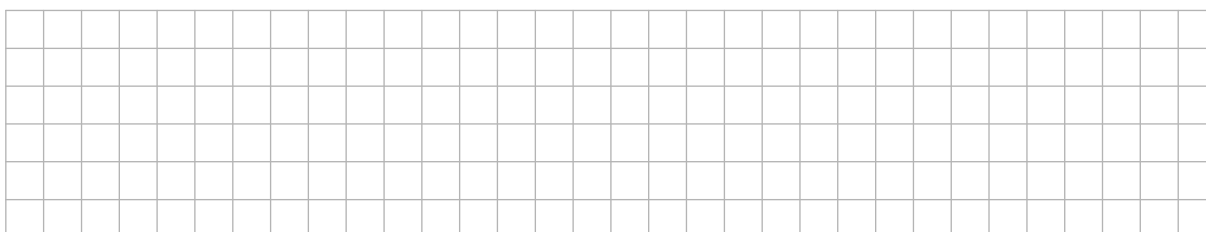
- (a) Plot z and $-2z$ on the Argand diagram.



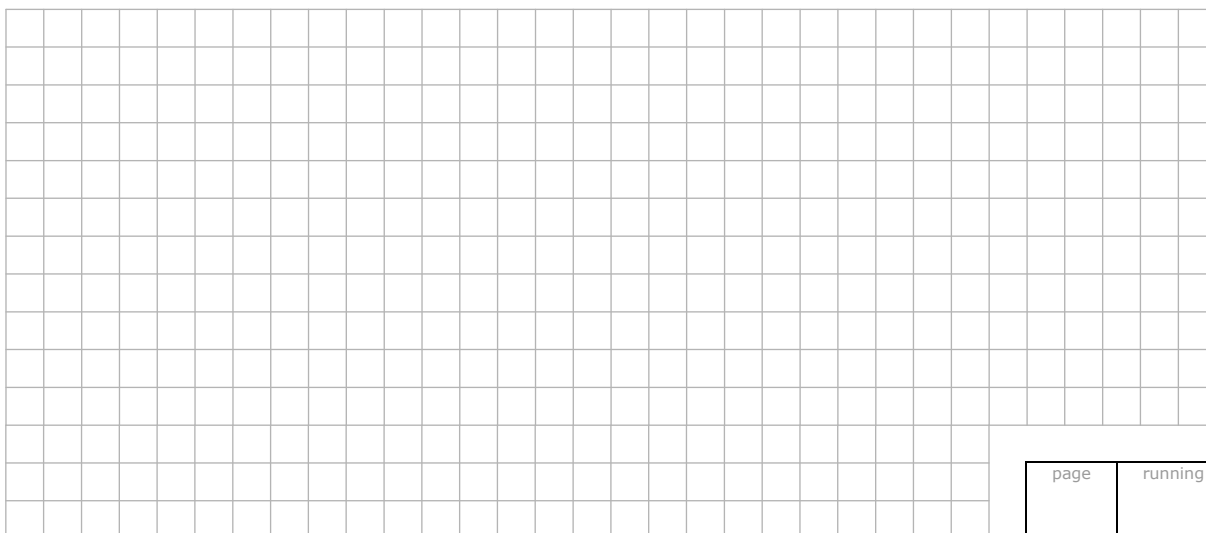
- (b) Show that $2|z| = |-2z|$.



- (c) What does part (b) tell you about the points you plotted in part (a)?



- (d) Let k be a real number such that $|z + k| = 5$. Find the two possible values of k .



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Question 4

(25 marks)

- (a) Solve the equation $\frac{1}{2}(7x - 2) + 5 = 2x + 7$.

- (b) Solve the equation $\frac{2}{3x - 4} - \frac{1}{2x + 1} = \frac{1}{2}$ and give your answers correct to one decimal place.

Question 5

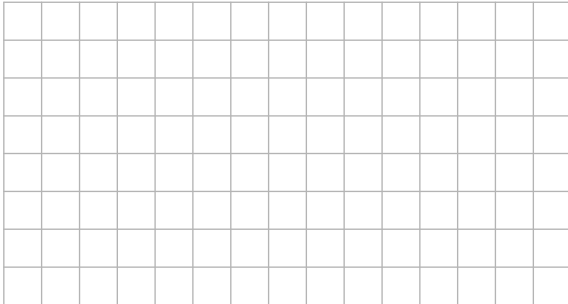
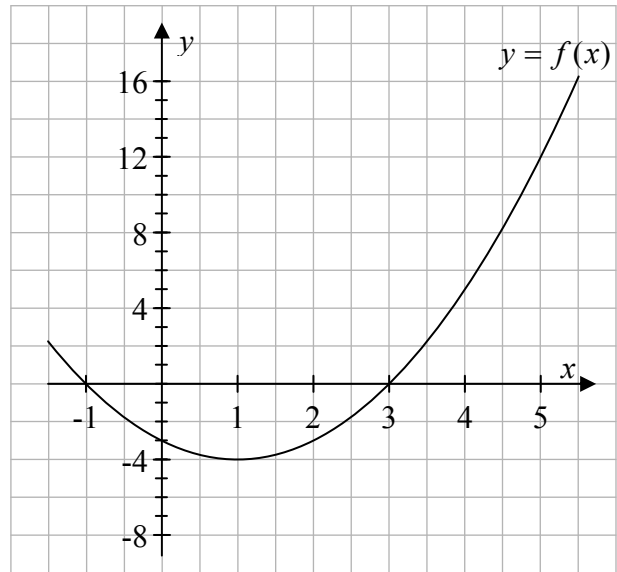
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The diagram shows the graph of a function f .

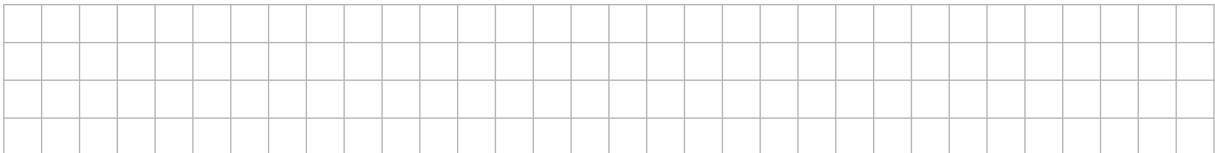
- (a) The graph of another function g is a straight line.

$$g(-1) = -6 \text{ and } g(3) = 6.$$

Draw the graph of g on the diagram.



- (b) Use the graphs to find the two values of x for which $g(x) = f(x)$.



- (c) The functions g and f are defined for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ by:

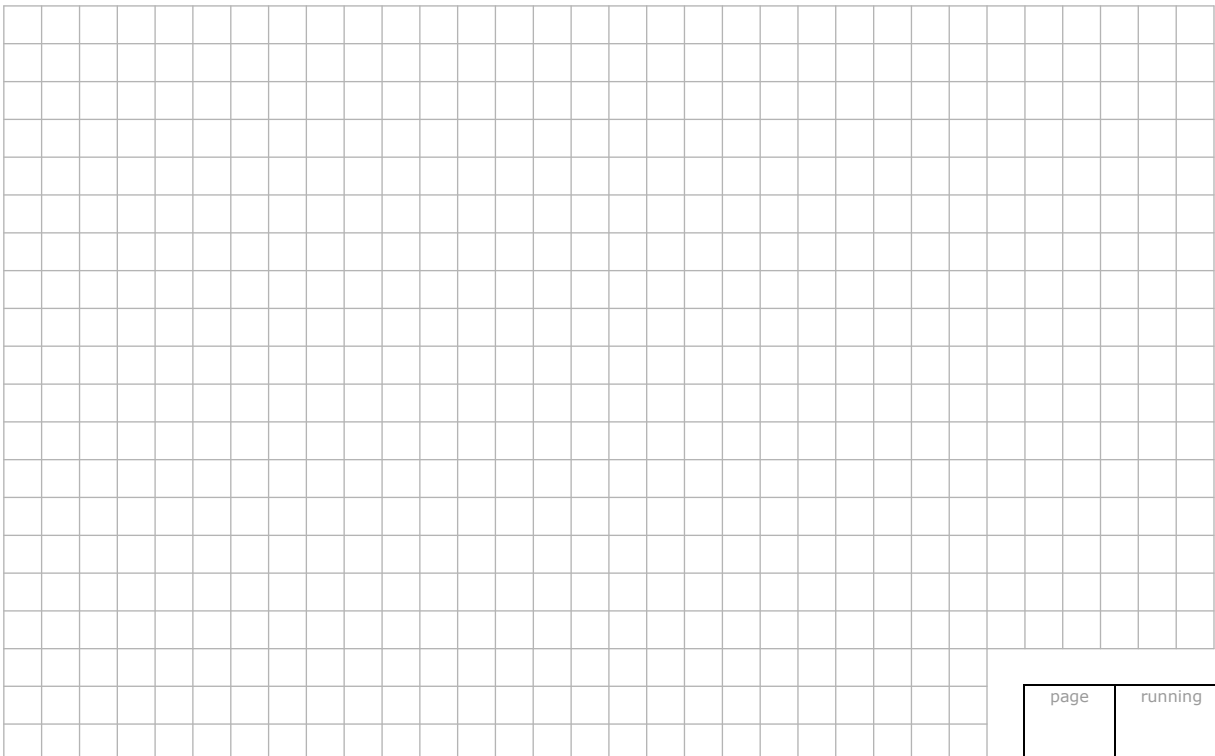
$$g : x \mapsto ax + b$$

$$f : x \mapsto x^2 + px + q$$

where a , b , p , and q are constants.

The graph of f crosses the x -axis at -1 and 3 , as shown.

By finding the values of a , b , p , and q , use algebra to solve $g(x) = f(x)$.



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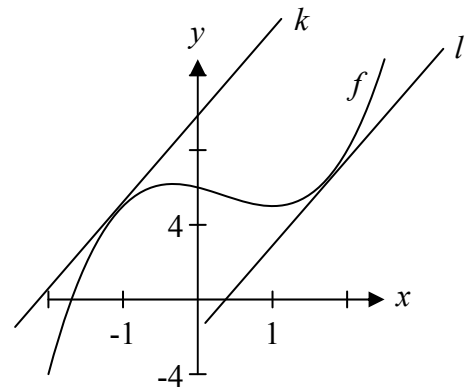
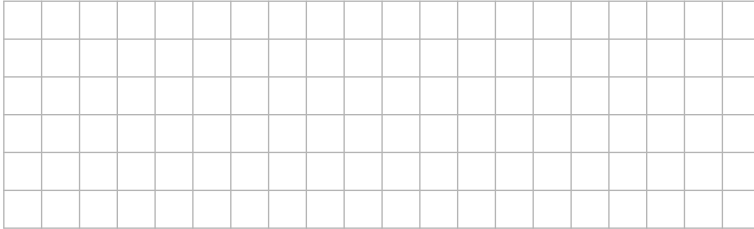
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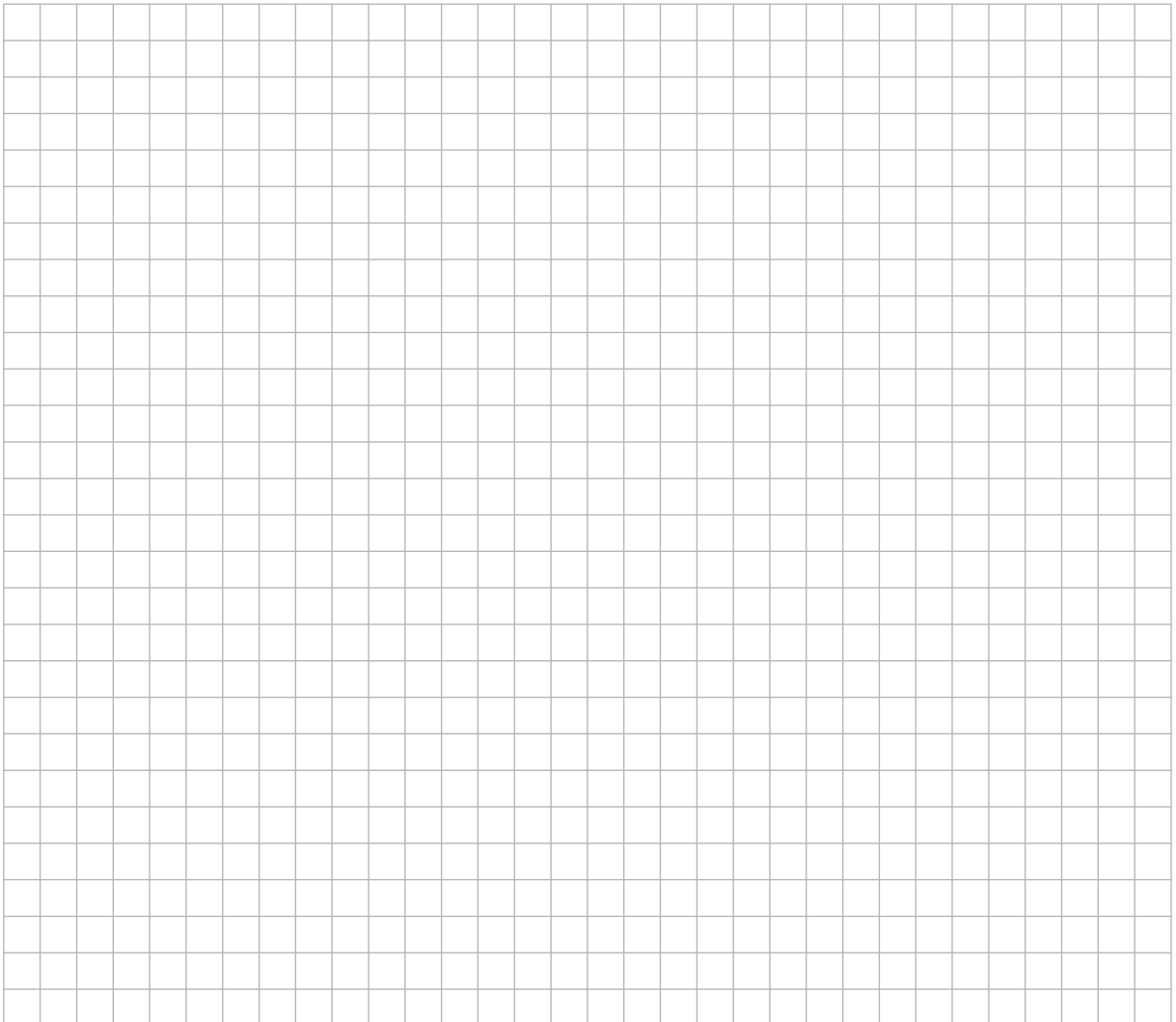
The diagram shows the graph of the cubic function f , defined for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ as

$$f : x \mapsto x^3 - x^2 - x + 6.$$

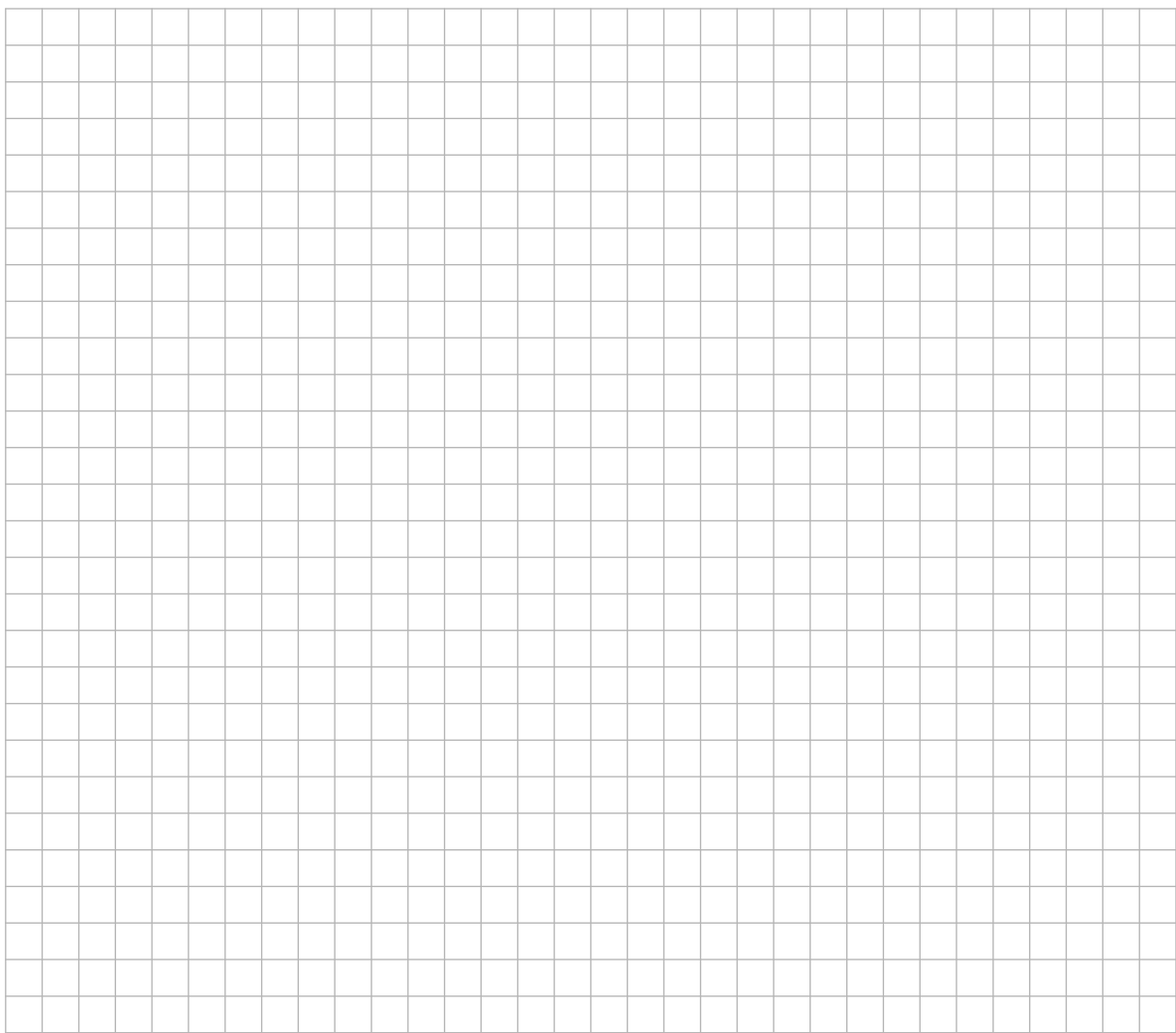
- (a) Find the co-ordinates of the point at which f cuts the y -axis.



- (b) f has a minimum turning point at $(1, 5)$. Find the co-ordinates of the maximum turning point.



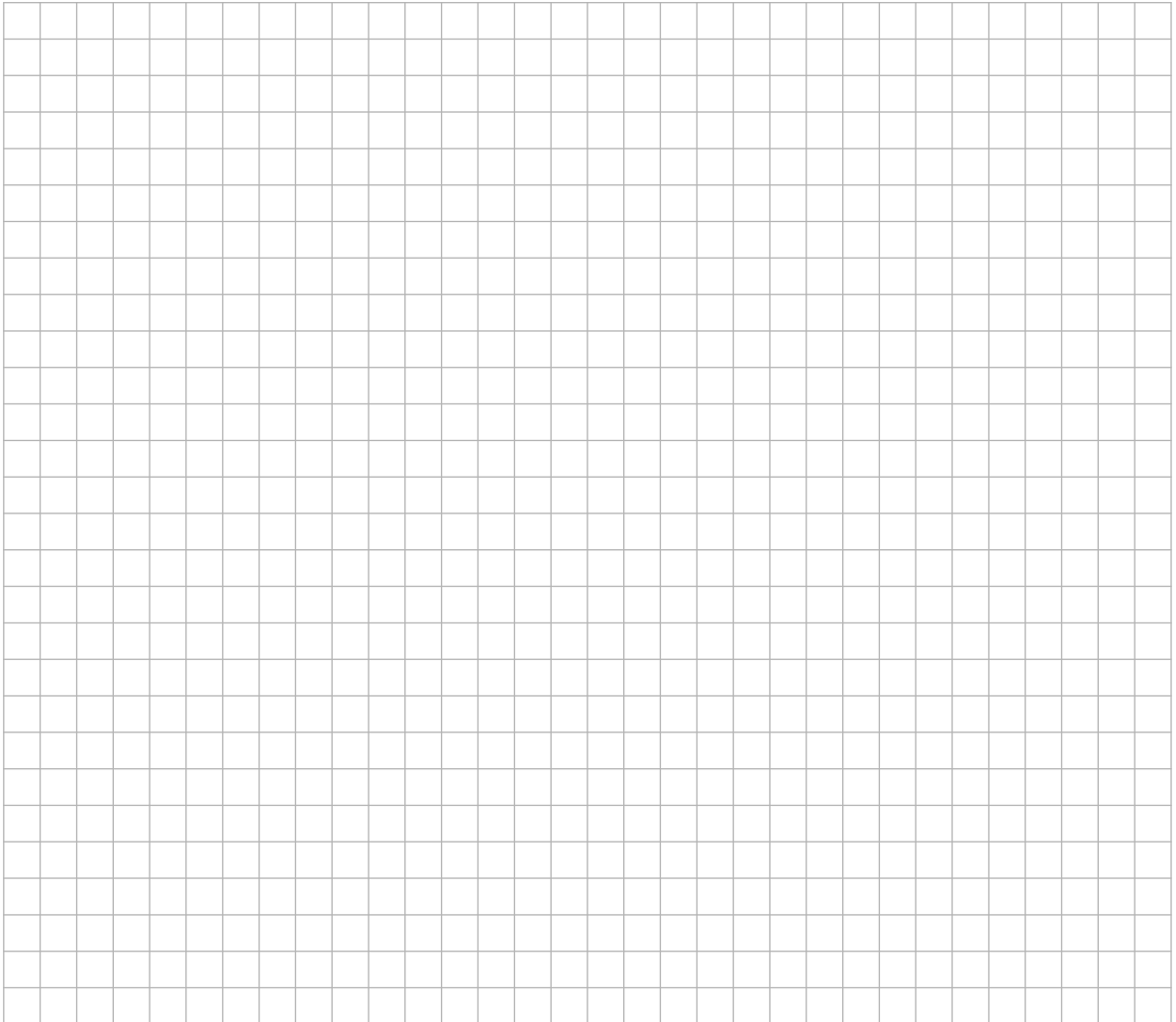
- (c) The lines k and l are tangents to the curve $y = f(x)$ and l is parallel to k . The equation of k is $4x - y + 9 = 0$. Find the x co-ordinate of the point at which l is a tangent to the curve.



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- (g) The following apply in the case of a certain medicine and a certain child:
- the child is nine years old
 - Clark's rule and Young's rule both give a dose of 90 mg per day
 - the BSA rule gives a dose of 130 mg per day.

Find the weight and height of this child.

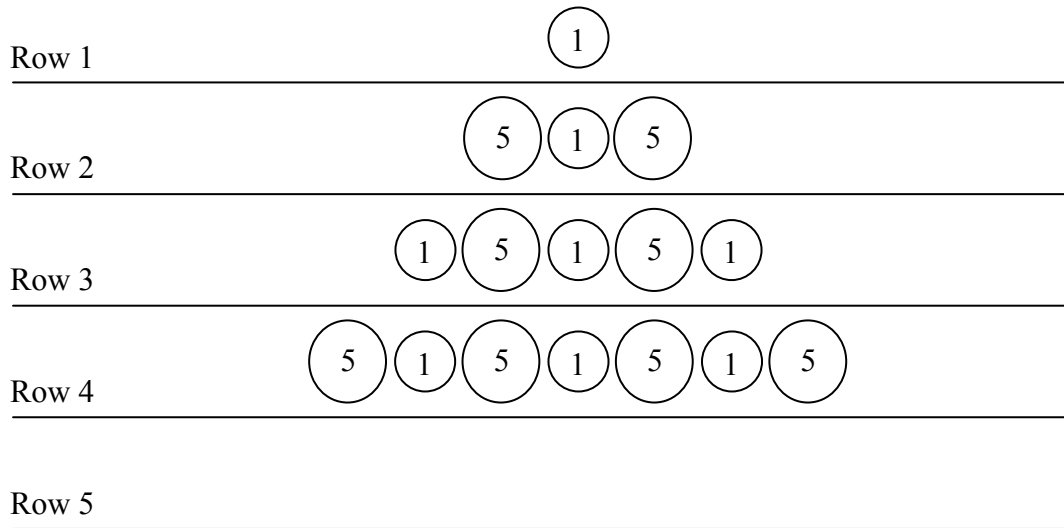


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Question 8

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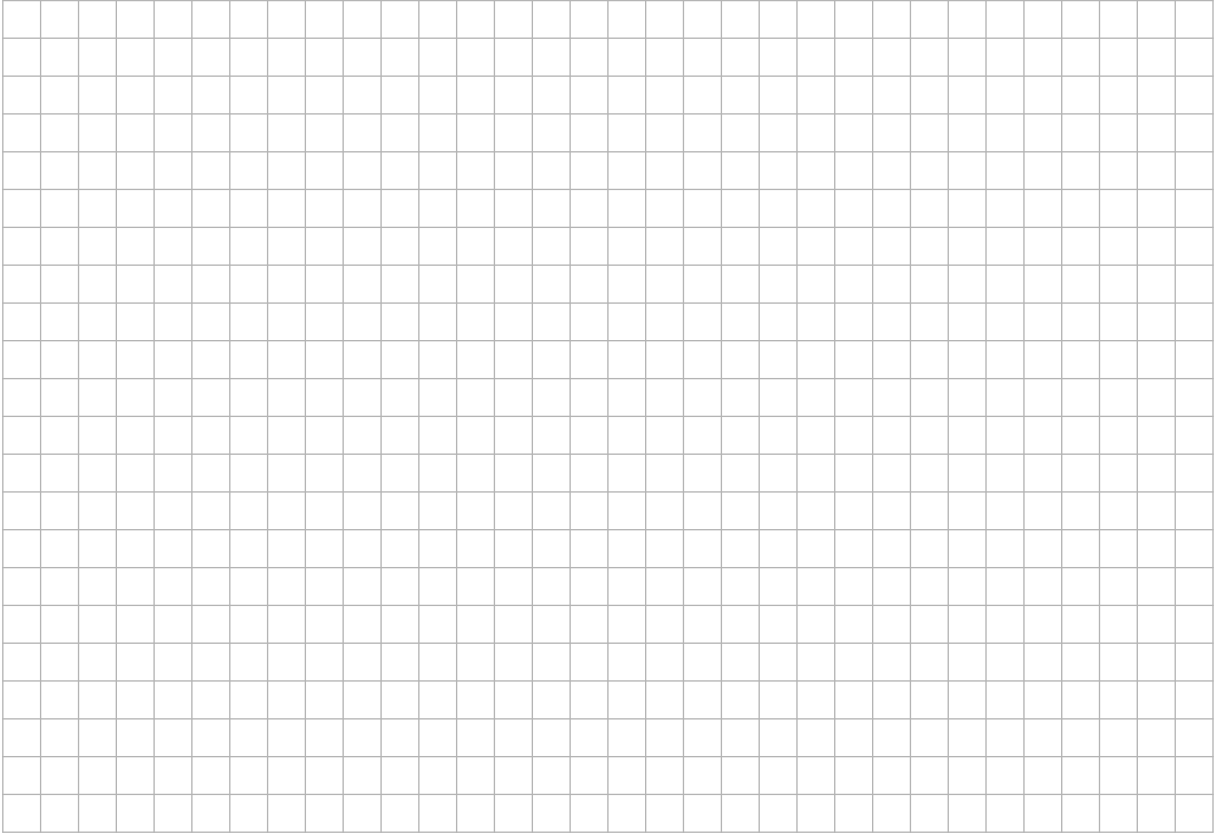
Lucy is arranging 1 cent and 5 cent coins in rows. The pattern of coins in each row is as shown below.



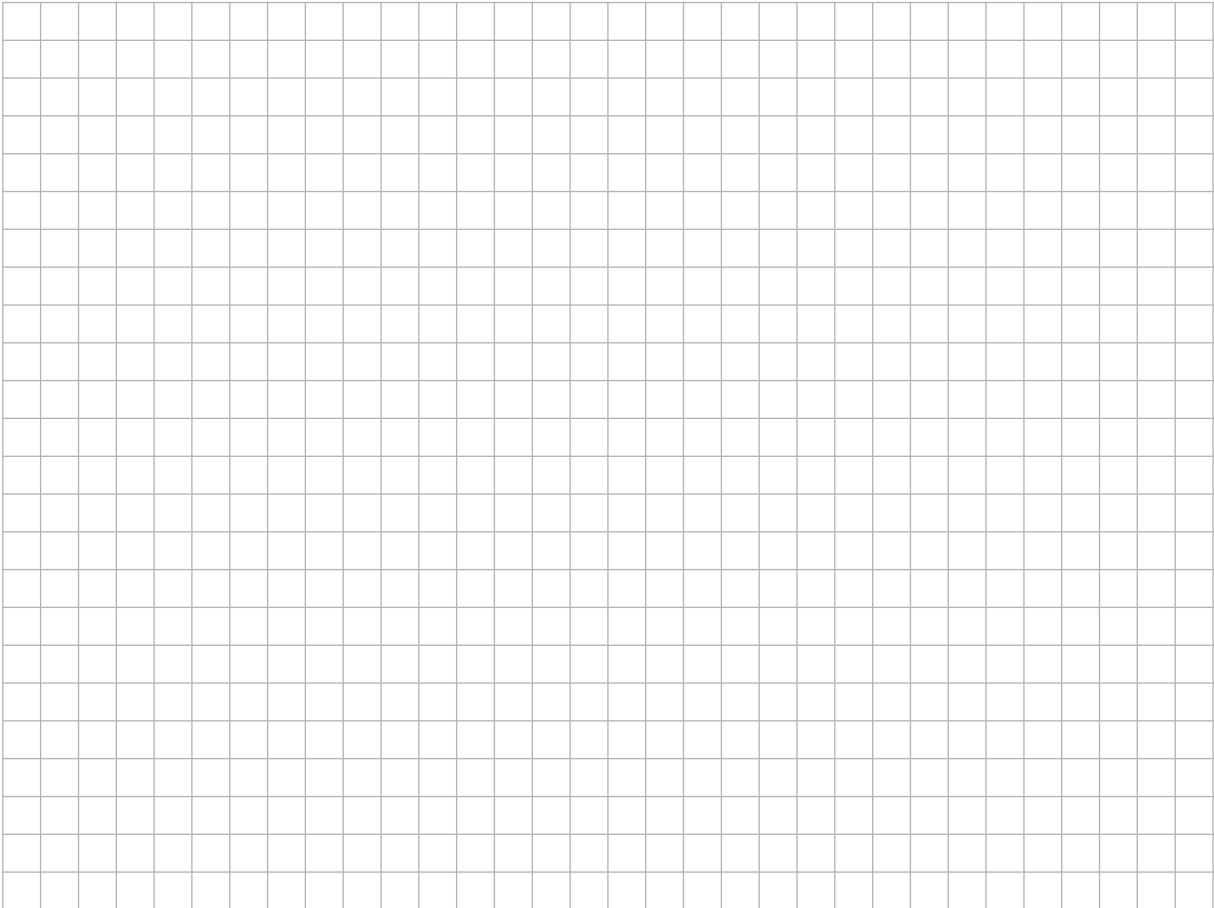
- (a) Draw the next row of coins above, continuing the same pattern.
- (b) The table below gives the number of coins and the total value of the coins in each row. Complete the table for rows 4 to 7.

<i>Row number n</i>	<i>Number of 1 cent coins</i>	<i>Number of 5 cent coins</i>	<i>Total number of coins in the row</i>	<i>Total value of the coins in the row</i>
1	1	0	1	1
2	1	2	3	11
3	3	2	5	13
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5				
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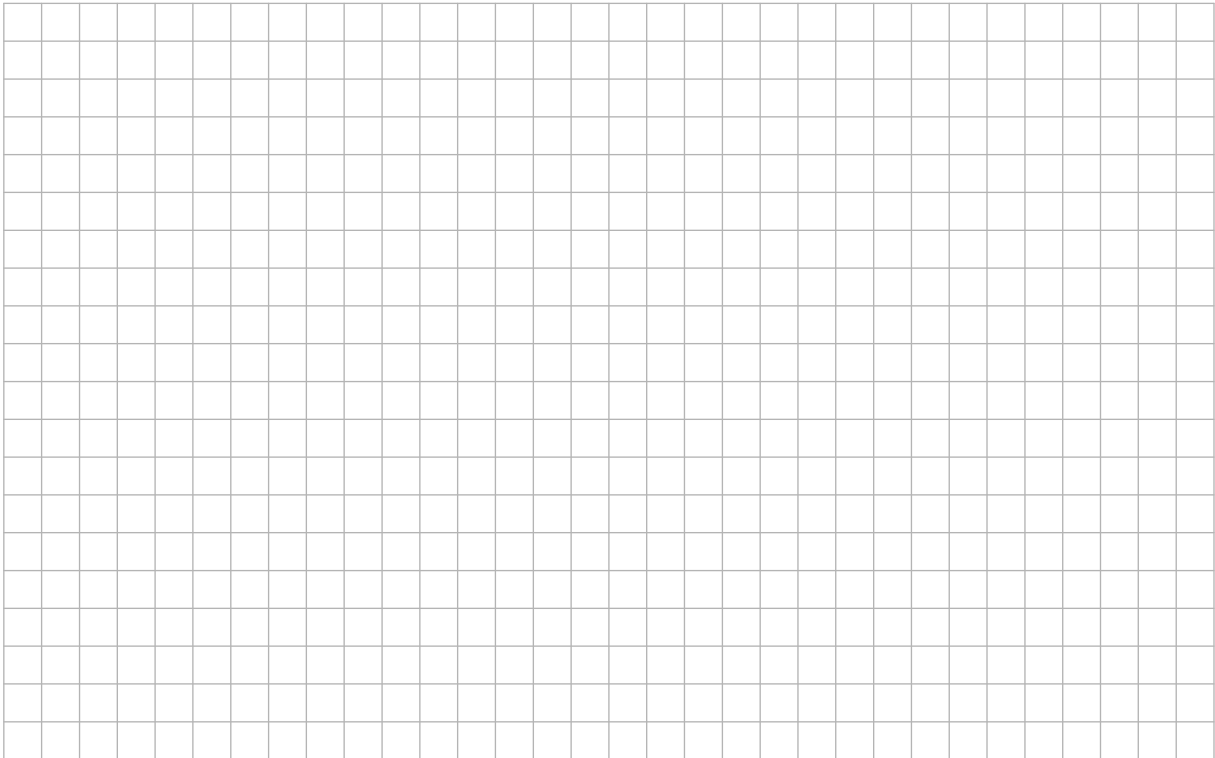
(f) Which row has coins with a total value of 337 cent?

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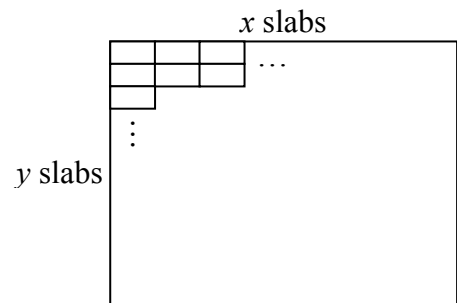
(g) Find the total value of the coins in the first 40 rows.

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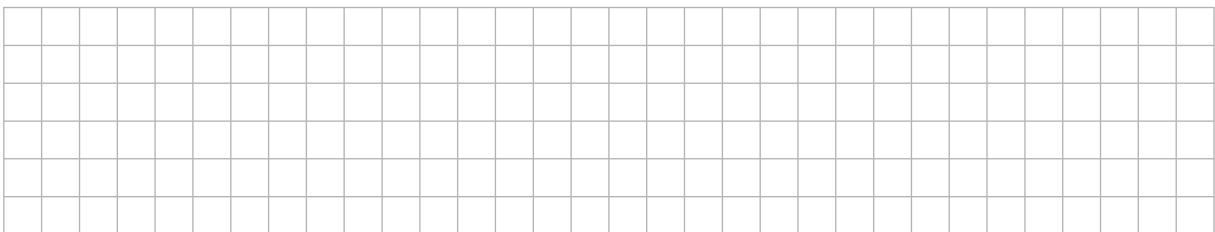
(iv) How much was the investment worth when it had its maximum value?



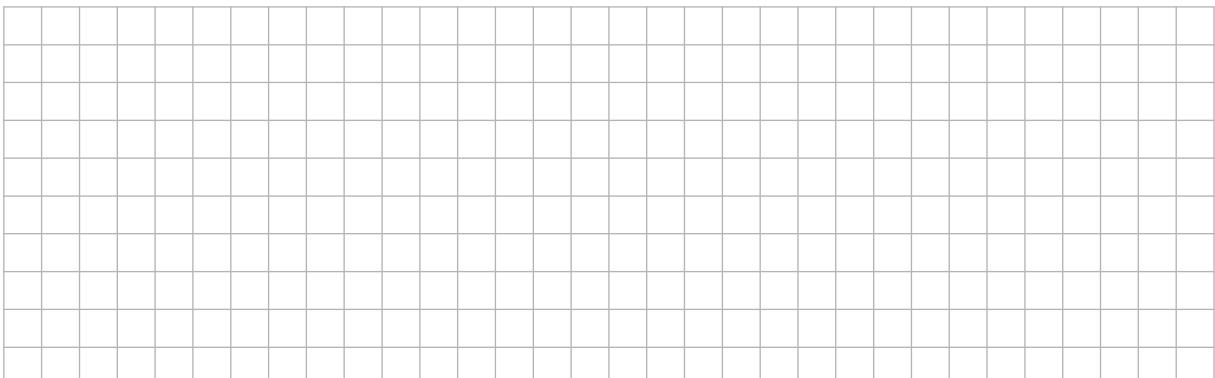
(b) Garden paving slabs measure 40 cm by 20 cm. The slabs are to be arranged to form a rectangular paved area. There are x slabs along one side and y slabs along an adjacent side, as shown.



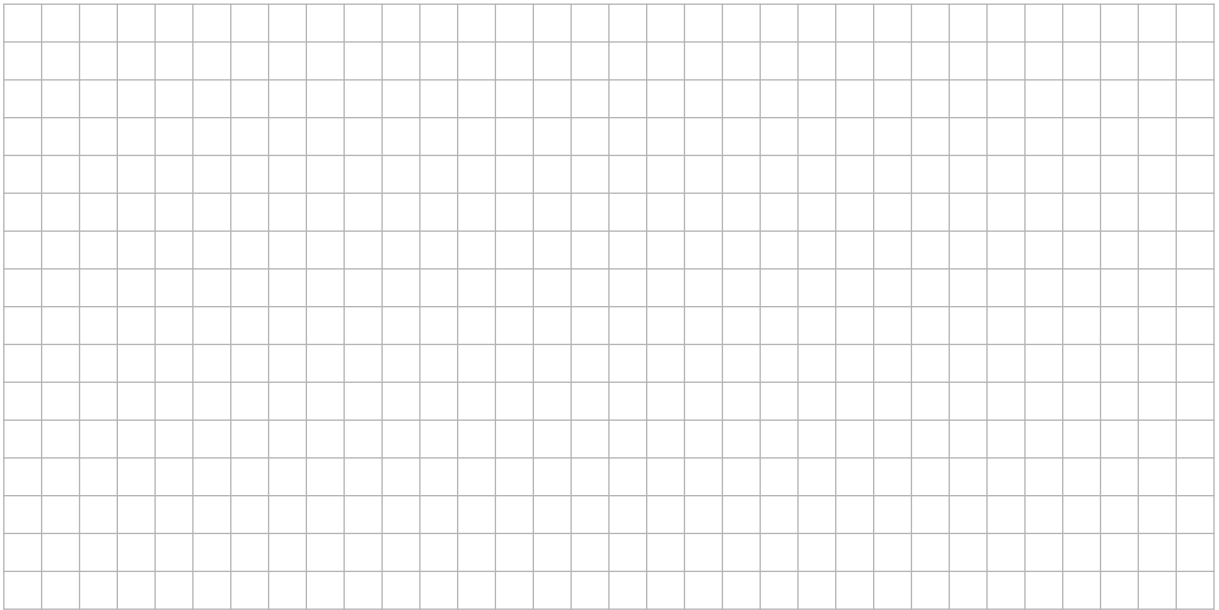
(i) Write the length of the perimeter, in centimetres, in terms of x and y .



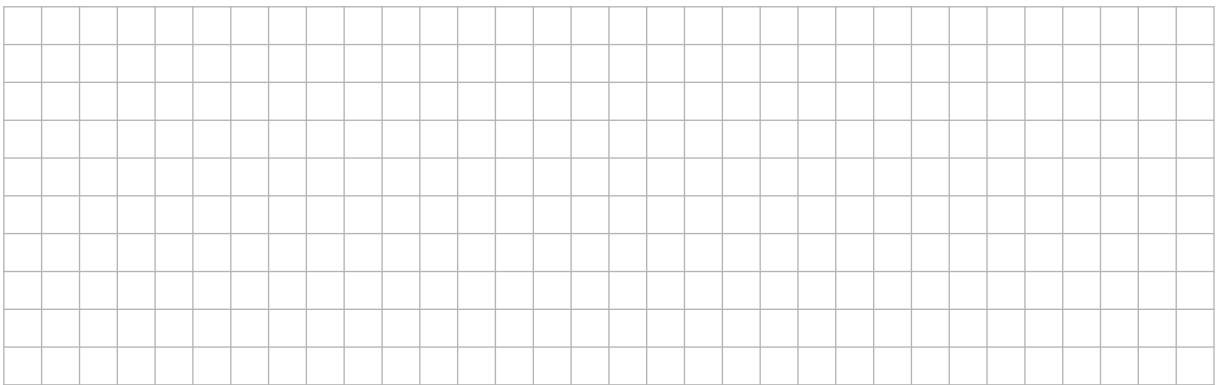
(ii) The material being used for edging means that the perimeter is to be 64 metres. Find y in terms of x .



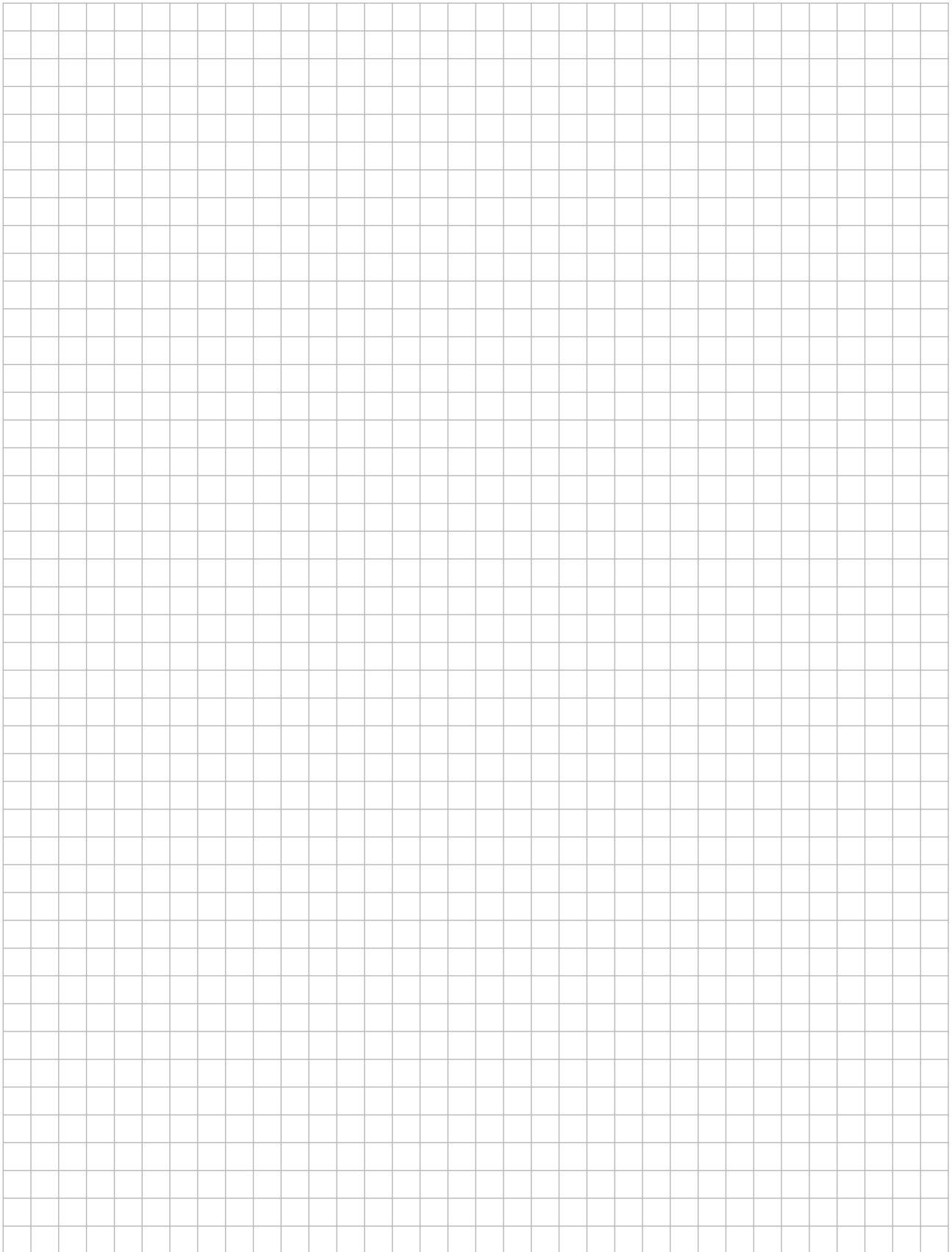
(iii) Find the value of x for which the paved area is as large as possible.



(iv) Find the number of slabs needed to pave this maximum area.



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