DIFFERENTIATION

SET 2

1 Differentiate the following with respect to x:

(a)
$$f(x) = 3x^4 - x^2$$

(b) $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3}$
(c) $y = \frac{1}{4x^2}$
(d) $f(x) = (x+3)(x-2)$
(e) $y = 2\sqrt{x} - \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}}$
(f) $y = \frac{6x^3 + 2x}{2x^2}$

- 2 (a) Find the gradient of the curve $y = 2x^2 3x$ where x = 2.
 - (b) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve $y = 4 3x^2$, at the point where x = -1.
- 3 The diagram opposite shows a sketch of the cubic function f, with stationary points (-1,4) and (3,-2).

Sketch the graph of the derived function f'.



- 4 Consider the function $y = x^3(3 x)$.
 - (a) Find all points of intersection with the axes.
 - (b) Find the turning points and determine their nature.
 - (c) Sketch the curve, clearly showing all salient points.
- A glass display case is to be constructed as a square based cuboid with an open base.
 The volume of the case is 500cm³.
 The case has side x cm and height h cm.
 - (a) Show that the area of glass required to make the case is given by, $A(x) = x^2 + \frac{2000}{x} \text{ cm}^2$.



(b) Find the dimensions of the case that minimises the area of glass used.