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A car leaves Melbourne at 8 a.m travelling at a constant speed of 80 km/hr. It is followed at 10 a.m by another car travelling at constant speed of 110 km/hr on the same road. At what time will the second car overtake the first ?

Solution. For two hours the first car drove off from Melbourne on the $2hr \cdot 80\text{km/hr} = 160\text{km}$. So, when the second car has started traveling the distance between cars was 160 km. Since the subtraction of the cars speed is $110\text{km/hr} - 80\text{km/hr} = 30\text{km/hr}$ then second car will overtake the first after: $\frac{160\text{km}}{30\text{km/hr}} = \frac{16}{3}hr = 5\frac{1}{3}hr$. Thus, 10 a.m. plus 5 hours and 20 minutes is 3p.m.20min

Answer: The second car will overtake the first at 3 p.m.20min