

Worksheet 12

Math 251, Summer 2017

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I have given you the answers to these problems on the bottom of the last page. You need to make sure you know how to get these answers.

1. The sum of two positive numbers is 16. What is the smallest value of the sum of their squares? Prove that your answer is a minimum.

$x + y = 16$. Minimize $S := x^2 + y^2$, Want the out.

$S = x^2 + (16-x)^2$

$S' = 2x + 2(16-x) \cdot (-1) = 0$

$x - (16-x) = 0$

$2x - 16 = 0$

$2x = 16$

$x = 8$

Check it is a minimum: 1st der. test!

$S' \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \searrow \\ 8 \end{array}$

Yes, it's a min.

So, min. value is:

$S = 8^2 + (16-8)^2 = 64 + 64 = 128$

2. Find two numbers whose difference is 100 and whose product is a minimum. Prove that it is indeed a minimum.

$x - y = 100$, Minimize $F = x \cdot y$. Want: x and y themselves.

$F = x(x-100)$, $F' = x-100 + x = 2x-100 = 0$

$x = 50$

Solve for y :

$x - y = 100$

$x = 100 + y$

$-100 = y$

$\Rightarrow y = 50 - 100 = -50$

Minimum? $F'' = 2 > 0$, so F is concave up.

So $x = 50$ must be a minimum by 2nd Derivative Test.

3. A box with a square base and open top (meaning no lid) must have a volume of 32,000 cm³. Find the dimensions of the box that minimize the amount of material used.

Minimize Surface area with fixed volume.



$V = x^2 \cdot h$

$32000 = x^2 h$

$h = \frac{32000}{x^2}$

Min: $S = x^2 + 4hx$

$S = x^2 + 4 \left(\frac{32000}{x^2} \right) x$

$S = x^2 + \frac{128000}{x}$

$\Rightarrow h = \frac{32000}{(40)^2} = 20$

Dimensions:

$40 \times 40 \times 20$

$S' = 2x - \frac{128000}{x^2} = 0$

$2x^3 = 128000$

$x = 40$

Is it a Min?

$S'' = 2 + \frac{128000}{x^3}$

$S'' > 0$, so yes!

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4. A cylindrical can without a top needs to be designed to hold 2000 cm^3 of liquid. Find the dimensions that will minimize the cost to make such a can.



$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$2000 = \pi r^2 h$$

$$h = \frac{2000}{\pi r^2}$$

$$\text{Min: } S = \pi r^2 + 2\pi r h$$

$$S = \pi r^2 + 2\pi r \left(\frac{2000}{\pi r^2} \right)$$

$$S = \pi r^2 + \frac{4000}{r}$$

$$S' = 2\pi r - \frac{4000}{r^2} = 0 \quad (\text{Mult. by } r^2)$$

$$2\pi r^3 - 4000 = 0$$

$$2\pi r^3 = 4000$$

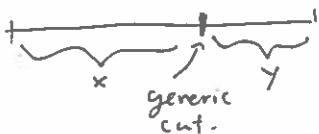
$$r^3 = \frac{4000}{2\pi}$$

$$r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4000}{2\pi}} \approx \boxed{8.6 \text{ cm}}$$

$$h = \frac{2000}{\pi (8.6)^2} = \boxed{8.6}$$

Min? $S'' = 2\pi + \frac{8000}{r^3}$
 pos pos.
 $\Rightarrow S'' > 0 \Rightarrow \text{concave up}$
 $\Rightarrow \text{it's a min!}$

5. A piece of wire 10 m long is cut into two pieces. One piece is bent into a square, and the other is bent into an equilateral triangle. How should the wire be cut so that the total area enclosed by both figures is (a) minimum? (b) maximum?



$$x + y = 10$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \cdot y^2$$

$$A = \frac{1}{16} x^2 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{36} (10 - x)^2$$

$$A' = \frac{1}{8} x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{18} (10 - x)(-1) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{8} x = (10 - x) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{18}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{18} \right) x = \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{18}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{10\sqrt{3}}{18} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{18} \right)}$$

$$x \approx 4.35$$

$$A'' = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{18} (-1)(-1) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{18} > 0$$

So, A concave up at $x = 4.35$. Hence, 4.35 m is a min.

For Max, check endpoints:

$x=0$ or $x=10$
 all triangle

$x=10$
 all square.

$$A(0) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{36} (10)^2 = 4.8 \text{ m}^2, \quad A(10) = \frac{100}{16} = 6.25 \text{ m}^2$$

So, $x=10 \text{ m}$ (all square) gives max. area.

Answers: 1) 128. 2) 50 and -50. 3) $40 \times 40 \times 20$. 4) $r = 8.6 \text{ cm}$, $h = 8.6 \text{ cm}$. 5a) Cut piece to be 4.35 m b) cut one piece to be 10 m .