

$$\text{gradient} = \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{x+\delta - x}$$

$$= \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta}$$

$$\text{gradient} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta} = f'(x)$$

Differentiation by  
FIRST PRINCIPLES

NOTE:  $f(x+\delta) - f(x) = \delta f$  }  
 $\delta = (x+\delta) - x = \delta x$  }  
 small change in x

### Ex 12B

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f(x) = x^2 \quad \text{a) } f'(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2\delta x + \delta^2 - x^2}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\delta x + \delta^2}{\delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 2x + \delta = 2x \quad \therefore f'(2) = 2 \cdot 2 = 4$$

③ A(-2, 8) on  $y = x^3$  A has gradient g

$$\text{a) let } y = f(x) \quad f'(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 3x^2\delta + 3x\delta^2 + \delta^3 - x^3}{\delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 3x^2 + 3x\delta + \delta^2$$

$$f'(-2) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} (12 - 6\delta + \delta^2) = g$$

$$\text{b) } \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} (12 - 6\delta + \delta^2) = 12$$

# POWER RULE (proof)

To differentiate  $f(x) = x^n$ , use binomial expansion

$$(a+b)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r a^r b^{n-r}$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta}$$

$$f(x+\delta) = (x+\delta)^n, \text{ where } (x+\delta)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r x^r \delta^{n-r}$$

$$= \delta^n + n x \delta^{n-1} + {}^n C_2 x^2 \delta^{n-2} + \dots + n x^{n-1} \delta + x^n$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta^n + n x \delta^{n-1} + \dots + n x^{n-1} \delta + x^n - x^n}{\delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \delta^{n-1} + n x \delta^{n-1} + \dots + n x^{n-1} = \boxed{n x^{n-1}}$$

## Differentiating Quadratics

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+\delta) &= a(x+\delta)^2 + b(x+\delta) + c \\ &= ax^2 + 2ax\delta + a\delta^2 + bx + b\delta + c \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta} = \frac{2ax\delta + a\delta^2 + b\delta}{\delta} = 2ax + a\delta + b$$

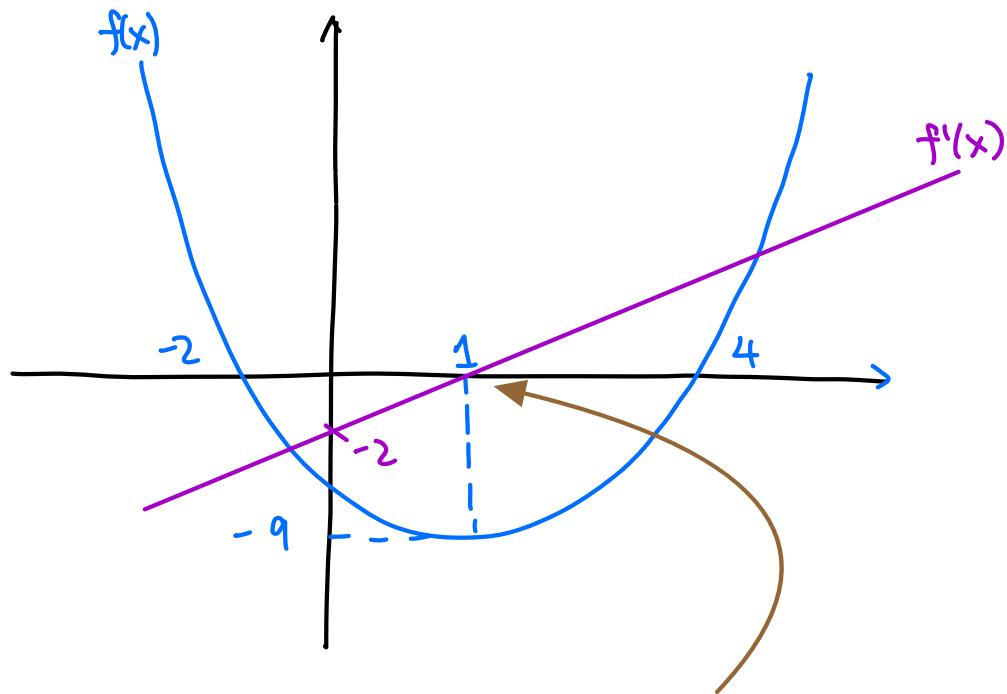
$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} (2ax + a\delta + b) = 2ax + b$$

### EX 12E

⑦  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 8$   
 $= (x-4)(x+2)$   
 $= (x-1)^2 - 9$

$$f'(x) = 2ax+b$$

$$= 2x-2$$



because at the turning point, rate of change = 0

## Derivative of functions with 2 or more terms

if  $y = f(x) \pm g(x)$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) \pm g'(x)$

easy!

### Linear combinations

Set:  $\{f_1(x), f_2(x), f_3(x), \dots, f_i(x)\}$

Set:  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_i(x)\}$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

let  $L(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i f_i(x) = \alpha_1 f_1(x) + \alpha_2 f_2(x) + \alpha_3 f_3(x) + \dots + \alpha_n f_n(x)$

then  $L'(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i f'_i(x)$  ie. what we said up there.

### EX 12E

⑥  $f(x) = \frac{12}{p\sqrt{x}} + x = \frac{12}{p} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + x \quad f'(x) = -\frac{6}{p} x^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 1$

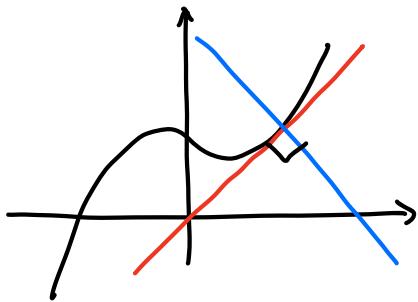
$$f'(2) = -\frac{6}{p} \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right) + 1 = 3$$

$$2p = -3 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \quad \therefore p = -\frac{3}{4}\sqrt{2}$$

# Gradient, Tangents & Normals

Gradient of tangent at  $x=a$  =  $\frac{dy}{dx}|_{x=a} = f'(a)$

Gradient of normal at  $x=a$  =  $-(\frac{dy}{dx}|_{x=a})^{-1} = -(f'(a))^{-1}$



EX12F

⑥ P:  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  on  $y = 2x^2 = f(x)$

Normal at P intersects  $f(x)$  at P & Q

$$f(x) = 4x \quad f'(\frac{1}{2}) = 2 \quad f(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{gradient of normal} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{eqn} \Rightarrow (y - \frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{1}{2}(x - \frac{1}{2})$$

$$y - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{4} &= 2x^2 \\ -2x + 3 &= 8x^2 \\ 8x^2 + 2x - 3 &= 0 \\ x = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{4} & \\ f(-\frac{3}{4}) &= \frac{9}{8} \quad \therefore Q(-\frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{8}) \end{aligned}$$

CHALLENGE: L is a tangent to  $f(x) = 4x^2 + 1$   $m_L > 0$  & L crosses  $(0, -8)$

$$\text{gradient} = \frac{-8 - 4}{0 - x} = \frac{-8 - 4x^2 - 1}{0 - x} = f'(x) = 8x$$

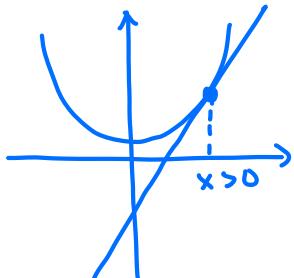
$$-4x^2 - 9 = -8x^2$$

$$4x^2 = 9$$

$$x = \pm \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$f(\frac{3}{2}) = 10 \quad m_L = \frac{10 - (-8)}{\frac{3}{2} - 0} = 18 \cdot \frac{2}{3} = 12$$

$$\therefore y = 12x - 8$$



Some random questions:

①  $P(p^2, 2p)$   $Q(q^2, 2q)$  curve  $C: y^2 = 4x$   $y = 2\sqrt{x} = f(x)$   $R$  = intersection of tangents at  $P \neq Q$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \quad f'(p^2) = \frac{1}{p} \quad y - 2p = \frac{1}{p}(x - p^2)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{p}x + p \quad \text{and} \quad y = \frac{1}{q}x + q$$

$$\text{intersection: } \frac{1}{p}x + p = \frac{1}{q}x + q$$

$$qx + p^2q = px + pq^2$$

$$\therefore R(pq, p+q)$$

$$x(p-q) = pq(p-q)$$

$$x = pq \quad y = p+q$$

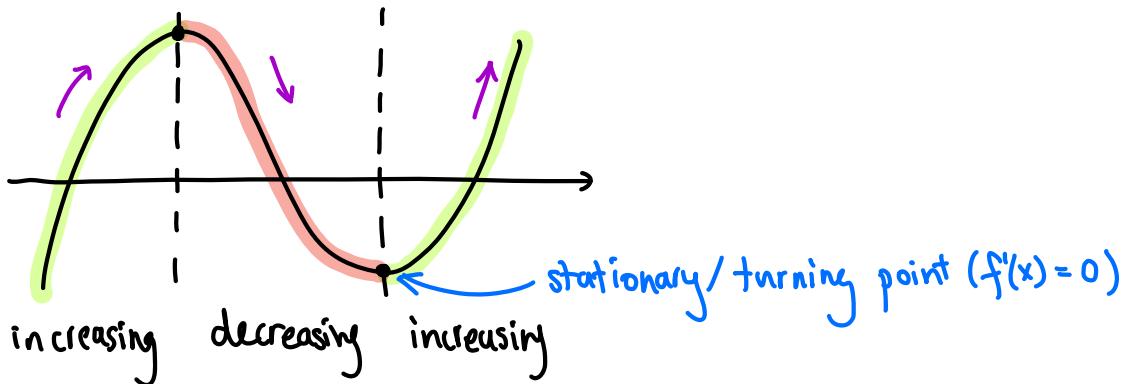
## Increasing and decreasing functions

Increasing function:  $f'(x) \geq 0$  for all values of  $x$

Decreasing function:  $f'(x) \leq 0$  for all values of  $x$

(strict increasing/decreasing function:  $f'(x) > / < 0$  for all values of  $x$ )

Functions with increasing/decreasing intervals



# Second Derivatives

FIRST	SECOND
$y = x^4$	$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x^3 \rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 12x^2$
$y' = 4x^3$	$y'' = 12x^2$
$y = 4x^3$	$y' = 12x^2$
leibniz	
newton	
legrange $f'(x) = 4x^3$	$f''(x) = 12x^2$

You don't need third in A-Level.

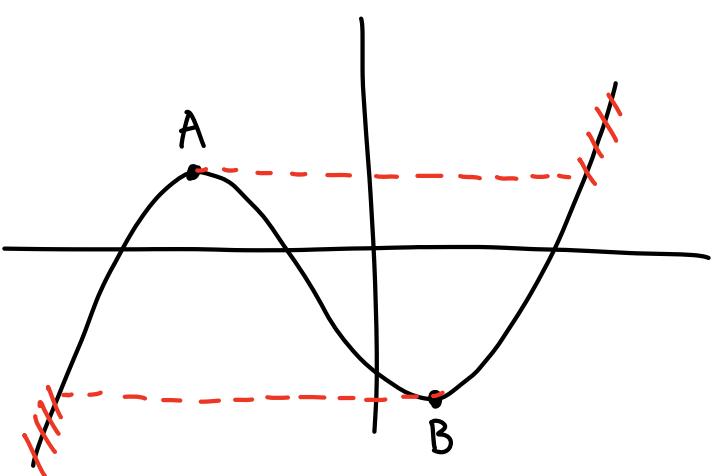
These are used to classify Stationary Points

## Stationary points

A stationary point is any point  $(x_0, y_0)$  on  $y=f(x)$  where  $\frac{dy}{dx}|_{x=x_0} = 0$

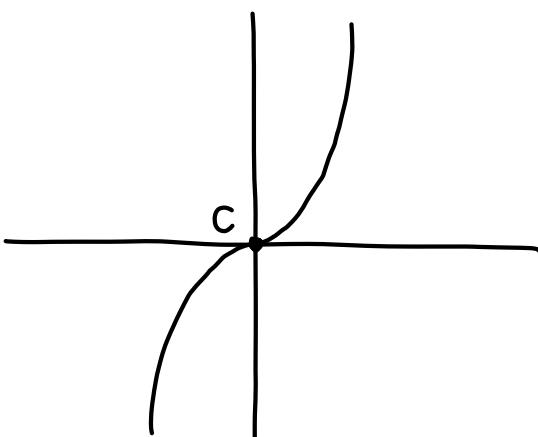
Maxima, minima and points of inflection are all stationary points.

Only maxima and minima are turning points (not points of inflection)

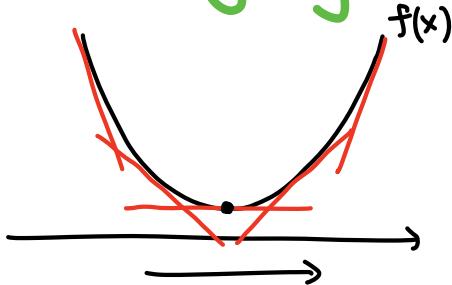


A & B are LOCAL maximum/minimum

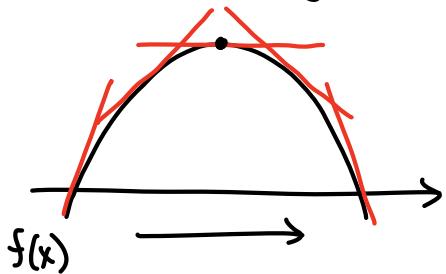
C is a point of inflection



# Classifying Stationary Points



gradient at  $x$  is given by  $f'(x)$

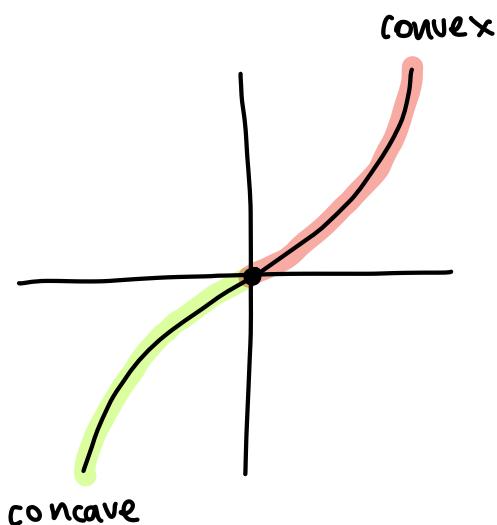


A function  $g(x)$  is increasing over some interval  $I$  provided that  $g'(x) > 0$  for  $x \in I$

$\downarrow$   
 $f'(x)$  is increasing. Therefore,  $\frac{d}{dx}(f'(x)) > 0$   
 i.e.  $f''(x) > 0$  at a minimum point.

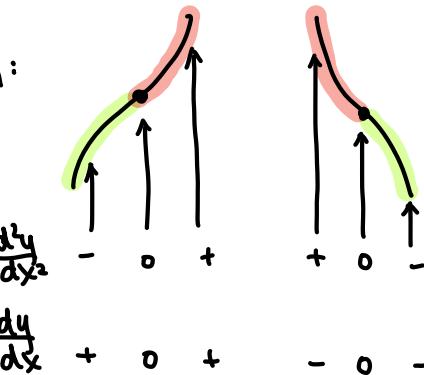
$f'(x)$  is decreasing. Therefore,  $\frac{d}{dx}(f'(x)) < 0$   
 i.e.  $f''(x) < 0$  at a maximum point.

$\uparrow$   
 A function  $g(x)$  is decreasing over some interval  $I$  provided that  $g'(x) < 0$  for  $x \in I$



A point of inflection is a point where the curve changes concavity. All inflection points have  $f''(x)=0$ , but some points have  $f''(x)\neq 0$  that aren't inflection points

Point of inflection:



## Ex12I

③ e)  $y = x + x^{-1}$  or  $x + \frac{1}{x}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - x^{-2} = 0$$

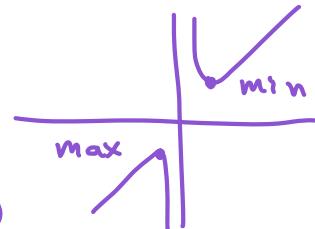
$$1 = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2x^{-3} = \frac{2}{x^3}$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=1} = 2 > 0 \quad \text{min at } x=1, y = 1 + \frac{1}{1} = 2 \text{ ie } (1, 2)$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=-1} = -2 < 0 \quad \text{max at } x=-1, y = -1 - \frac{1}{1} = -2 \text{ ie } (-1, -2)$$



h)  $y = x^{\frac{1}{2}}(x-6) = x^{\frac{3}{2}} - 6x^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{3}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 0$$

$$3x = 6$$

$$x = 2$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{3}{4x^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{3}{2x^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=2} = \frac{3}{4\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{4\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{2}} > 0 \quad \text{min at } x=2, y = \sqrt{2}(2-6) = -4\sqrt{2} \text{ ie } (2, -4\sqrt{2})$$

⑤  $y = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$$

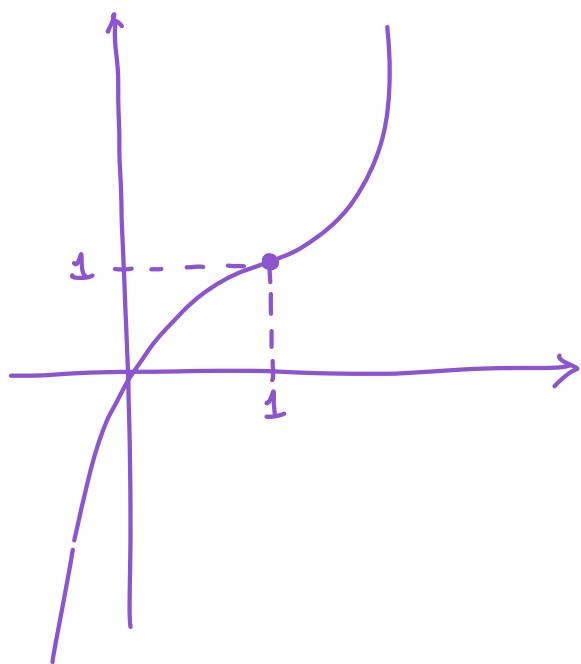
$$x = 1$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 6x - 6$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=1} = 0$$

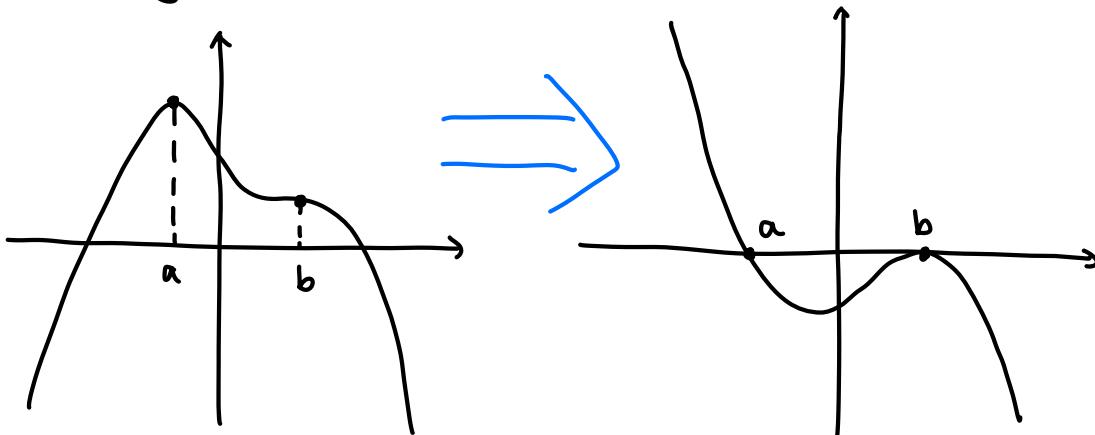
$x$	0	1	2
$\frac{dy}{dx}$	0	0	3

therefore, point of inflection

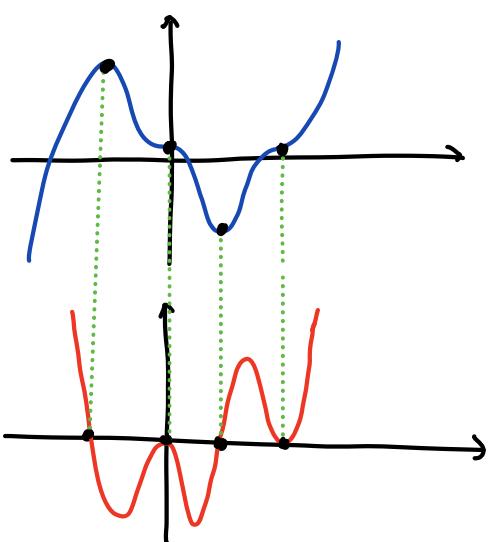


# Sketching gradient functions

plotting  $f'(x)$ . Remember: stationary point on  $f(x) \Rightarrow$  x-intercept on  $f'(x)$



General Rules

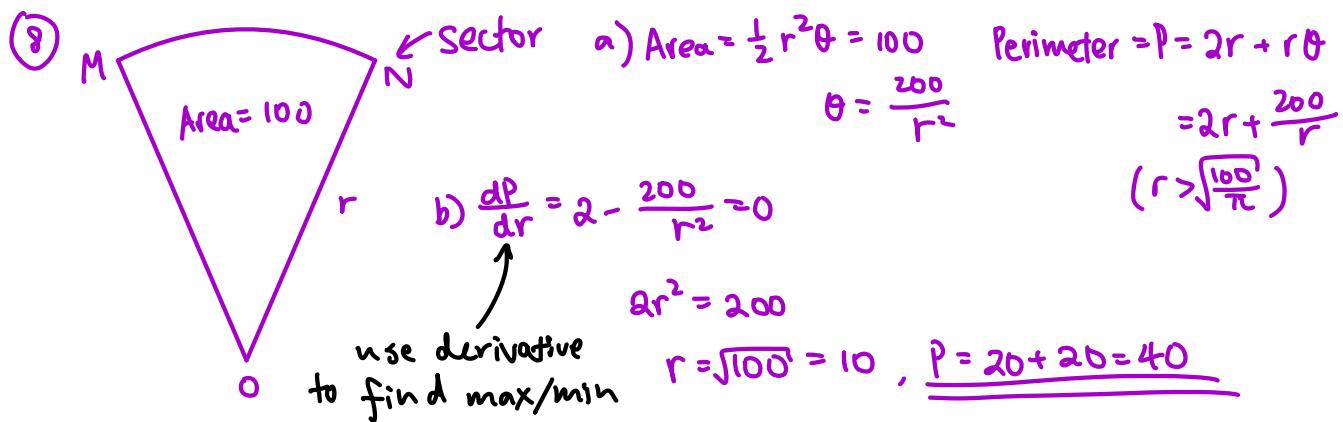


## Modelling



Use math to "summarize" a real-life scenario, then solve problems.

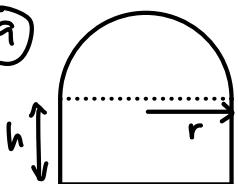
Ex 12K (p.281)



# More modelling:

Ex 12K (p. 28)

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a) Perimeter =  $\pi r + 2h + 2r = 40$

$$h = \frac{40 - 3r - \pi r}{2}$$

$$= 20 - r - \frac{\pi}{2}r$$

Area =  $A = \frac{\pi}{2}r^2 + 2rh$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2}r^2 + 40r - 2r^2 - \pi r^2$$

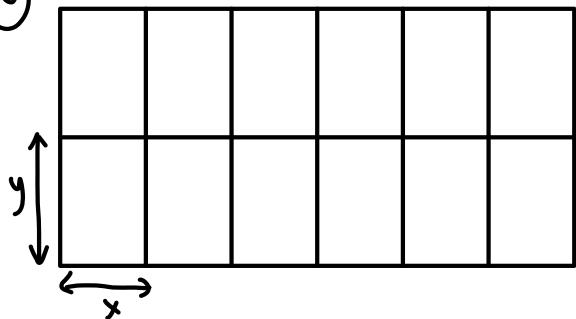
$$= 40r - 2r^2 - \frac{\pi r^2}{2}$$

b)  $\frac{dA}{dr} = 40 - 4r - \pi r = 0$

$$r = \frac{40}{\pi + 4}, A = 40 \left( \frac{40}{\pi + 4} \right) - 2 \left( \frac{40}{\pi + 4} \right)^2 - \frac{\pi \left( \frac{40}{\pi + 4} \right)^2}{2}$$

$$= 112 \text{ units}^2$$

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a)

Total wire =  $14y + 18x = 1512$

$$y = \frac{1512 - 18x}{14} = \frac{756 - 9x}{7}$$

Area =  $A = (6x)(2y) = 12xy = 1296x - \frac{108x^2}{7}$

b)  $\frac{dA}{dx} = 1296 - \frac{216x}{7} = 0$

$$216x = 9072$$

$$x = 42, A = 1296(42) - \frac{108(42)^2}{7} = 27216 \text{ units}^2$$

Mixed Ex 12 (p. 283)

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f(x) = 10x^2 \quad f'(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{10x^2 + 20x\delta + 10\delta^2 - 10x^2}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} 20x + 10\delta = 20x$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y = 3x^2 + 3 + \frac{1}{x} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 6x - \frac{2}{x^3}$$

$$A: \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=1} = 6 - 2 = 4 \quad B: \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=2} = 12 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{47}{4} \quad C: \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=3} = 18 - \frac{2}{27} = \frac{484}{27}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad y = x^3 - 11x + 1 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2 - 11 = 1 \\ x = \pm\sqrt{4} = \pm 2 \quad y = -13, 15$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad y = 3\sqrt{x} - \frac{4}{\sqrt{x}} = 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 4x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{2}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{2}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad a) (x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1)(x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 1) = x + x^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \\ b) \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + \frac{3}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}} - 1 = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{2x\sqrt{x}} \\ c) \frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=4} = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{13}{16}$$

$$\textcircled{11} \quad f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c \text{ passes through } (1, 2) \text{ & } (2, 1) \quad f'(2) = 1 \quad \text{iii} - \text{ii} : 3a + b = -1 \quad \text{iv} \\ f'(x) = 2ax + b \quad \therefore \begin{cases} f'(2) = 4a + b = 1 & \text{i} \\ f(1) = a + b + c = 2 & \text{ii} \\ f(2) = 4a + 2b + c = 1 & \text{iii} \end{cases} \quad \text{i} - \text{iv} : a = 2 \\ \therefore b = -7 \quad \therefore c = 7$$

$$\textcircled{13} \quad y = \frac{8}{x} - x + 3x^2, x > 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{8}{x^2} - 1 + 6x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \Big|_{x=2} = -2 - 1 + 12 = 9 = \text{tangent gradient}$$

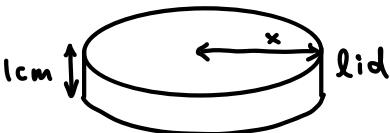
$$y \Big|_{x=2} = 4 - 2 + 18 = 20$$

$$\text{normal gradient} = m = -\frac{1}{9}$$

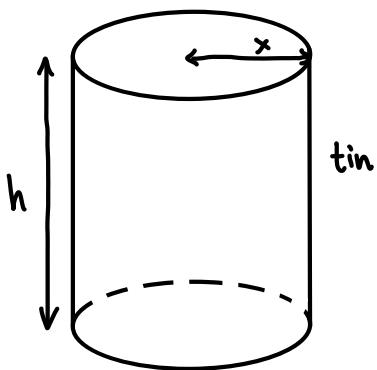
$$(y - 20) = -\frac{1}{9}(x - 2)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{9}x + \frac{2}{9} + 20 = -\frac{1}{9}x + \frac{182}{9}$$

(28)



lid

Made of  $80\pi \text{cm}^2$  sheet metal

$$\text{a) Area} = 2\pi x h + \pi x^2 + 2\pi x + \pi x^2 = 80\pi$$

$$2xh + x^2 + 2x + x^2 = 80$$

$$h = \frac{80 - 2x^2 - 2x}{2x} = \frac{40 - x - x^2}{x}$$

$$\text{Volume} = V = \pi x^2 h = \frac{40\pi x^2 - \pi x^3 - \pi x^4}{x} = \pi(40x - x^2 - x^3)$$

$$\text{b) } \frac{dV}{dx} = \pi \frac{d}{dx}(40x - x^2 - x^3) = \pi(40 - 2x - 3x^2) = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 2x - 40 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{10}{3} \text{ or } -4 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{req.}} \quad x = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\text{c) } \frac{d^2V}{dx^2} = \pi \frac{d}{dx}(40 - 2x - 3x^2) = \pi(-2 - 6x) \quad \left. \frac{d^2V}{dx^2} \right|_{x=\frac{10}{3}} = \pi(-2 - 20) = -22\pi < 0$$

$\therefore$  this is a maximum

$$\text{d) } V \Big|_{x=\frac{10}{3}} = \pi \left( \frac{400}{3} - \frac{100}{9} - \frac{1000}{27} \right) = 268 \text{ cm}^3$$

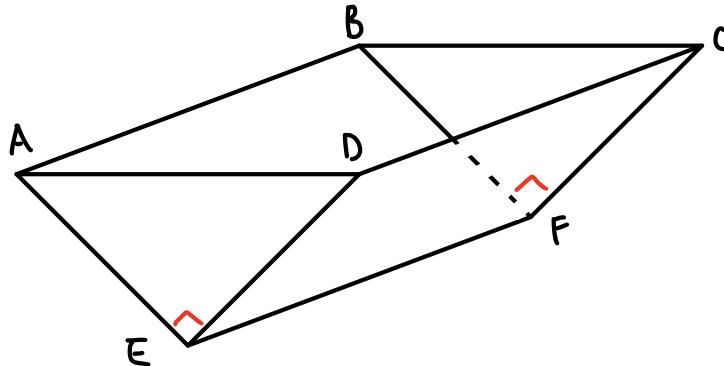
$$\text{e) when } x = \frac{10}{3}, \text{ area used in lid} = \pi x^2 + 2\pi x = \frac{100}{9}\pi + \frac{20}{3}\pi = \frac{160}{9}\pi$$

$$\text{percentage} = \frac{\frac{160}{9}\pi}{80\pi} = 22.2\%$$

(29) Tank for storing water

$$AD = x \text{ m}$$

$\triangle ADE$  &  $\triangle BCF$  are isosceles



$$a) (AD)^2 = 2(AE)^2$$

$$AE = \frac{AD}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{AD\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ADE = \frac{1}{2}(AE)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{(AD)^2}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{4}x^2 \text{ m}^2$$

Capacity (ie volume) =  $4000 \text{ m}^3$  total area of 2 triangles & 2 rectangles =  $S \text{ m}^2$

$$b) \text{ let } EF = DC = AB = l$$

$$\text{Volume} = \frac{1}{4}x^2 l = 4000$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + x l \sqrt{2} = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{16000\sqrt{2}}{x}$$

$$l = \frac{16000}{x^2}$$

$$c) \frac{dS}{dx} = x - \frac{16000\sqrt{2}}{x^2} = 0$$

$$x^3 = 16000\sqrt{2}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{16000\sqrt{2}}$$

$$S \Big|_{x=\sqrt[3]{16000\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{(16000\sqrt{2})^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2} + \frac{16000\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt[3]{16000\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{(16000\sqrt{2})^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2} + (16000\sqrt{2})^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}(16000\sqrt{2})^{\frac{2}{3}} = 1200 \text{ m}^2$$

$$d) \frac{d^2S}{dx^2} = 1 + \frac{32000\sqrt{2}}{x^3} \quad \frac{d^2S}{dx^2} \Big|_{x=\sqrt[3]{16000\sqrt{2}}} = 1 + \frac{32000\sqrt{2}}{16000\sqrt{2}} = 1+2=3>0$$

since  $\frac{d^2S}{dx^2} > 0$ , this is a minimum