



Fall 2021 Pre-calculus Lesson 12.4

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students need calculators
no new vocab



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do now

be sure to: Get out your binder. Copy goal and answer do now questions below. Show all work or write a complete sentence for each answer.

1. Carefully read the paragraph to the right, bulleting key info in your notes.
2. How could you represent the key info as a table?
3. What do you think you will optimize for in this problem?

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Version #1 uses 50 mg of ingredient A, 25 mg of ingredient B, and 30 mg of ingredient C. Version #2 uses 100 mg of ingredient A, 75 mg of B, and only 5 mg of C. Version #1 sells for \$5 and version #2 for \$7.50. The factory has 1000 mg of A, 600 mg of B, and 400 mg of C

class: pre-calculus goal: HDW use graphs to find the optimal solution for a problem with 3+ constraints?

see handwritten notes for solution



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framing



- **what:** use graphical method to find the optimal solution for a problem with at least 3 constraints?
- **why:** this is an extension of what we were doing earlier in the week with two constraints
- **where to:** linear optimization with more than two variables

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the plan: We'll go through one of the Pset #5 word problems together. You'll work with a partner to solve some other word problems



be sure to: For each

question:

1. Write down the constraints as inequalities.
2. Use Desmos graphing calculator to find the **feasible region**. Describe the feasible region in a sentence.
3. Use vertices of feasible region to solve the problem.

Independent work

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2. Assume the recipes are identical for both versions of precalodine, and that the factory has the same amount of ingredients A and B. But now they must use **at least** 200 mg of ingredient C. What's the **smallest** amount of each version that can be made to satisfy these constraints?

Feasible region
The part of a graph that satisfies all the constraints for an optimization problem

Graphical method
The optimal solution for a problem is always one of the vertices of the feasible region

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preplanned questions:

+What are you trying to optimize for this problem? The revenue, based number of bookshelves and tables to be made?
+How do you figure out the inequalities? Focus on lumber and labor, how much is used for each product, and what the maximum amount is.

+What do the variables x and y represent? tables and bookshelves?

+How can the desmos graphing calculator be useful? plot the feasible region and find the vertices. Those represent possible solutions.



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Reflection

1. How is the graphical method different from the algorithm we learned before break? How is it similar?
2. Why is the graphical method useful?
3. What lingering questions do you have about the graphical method?

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