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# Fall 2021 Pre-calculus Lesson 12.4

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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

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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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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.

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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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## 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?