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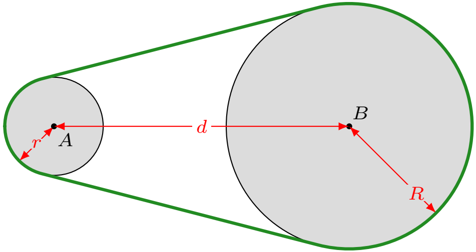

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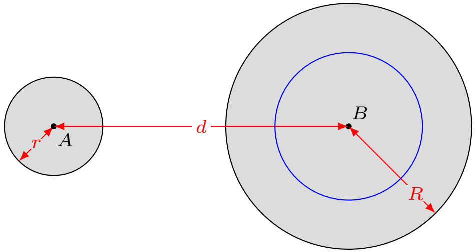

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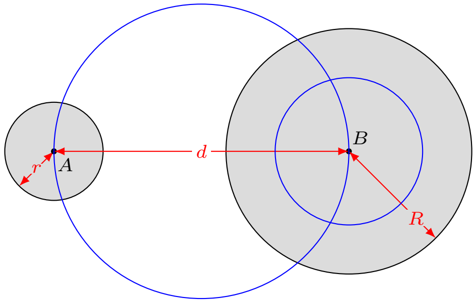

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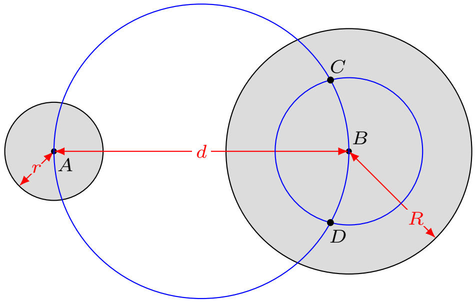

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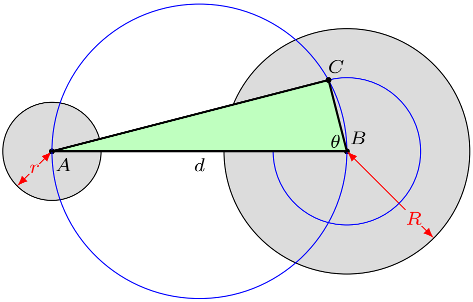

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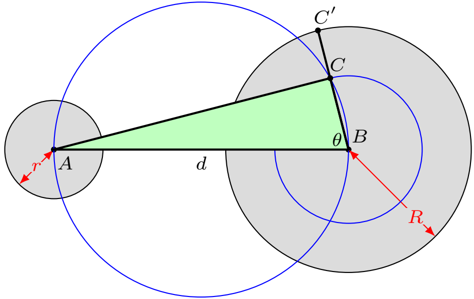

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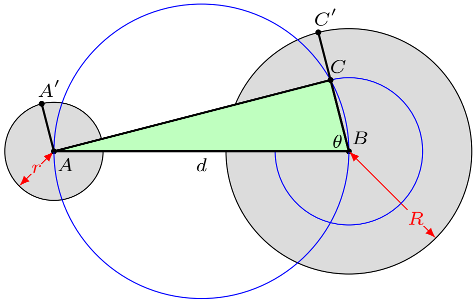

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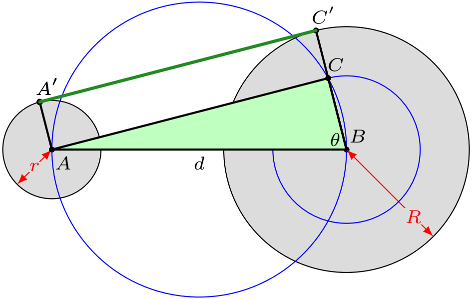

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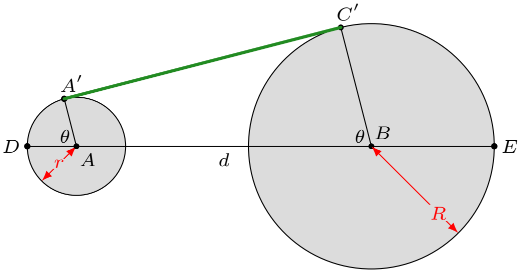

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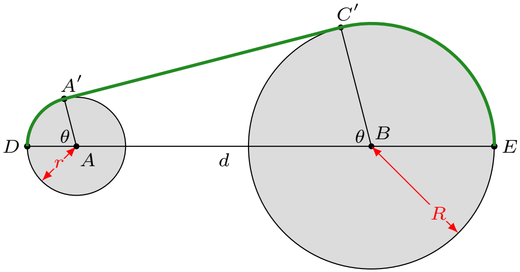

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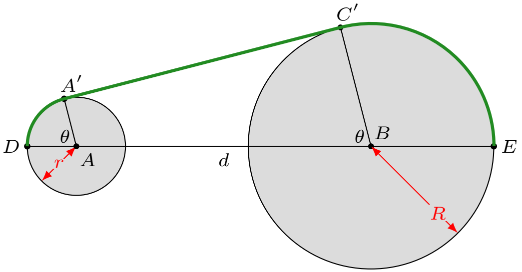

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$$= 2\left(DA' + A'C' + C'E\right)$$
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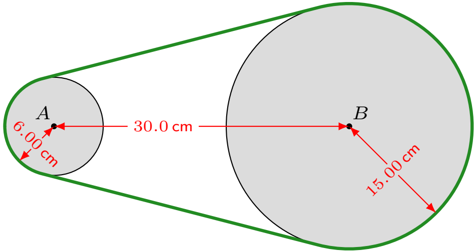

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Example:

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{d^2-(R-r)^2}}{d}\right) = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{6.00^2-1.50^2}}{6.00}\right) = 1.3181 \text{ (radians)}$$

$$\text{B-L} = 2\left(6.00 \times 1.3181 + \sqrt{6.00^2-1.50^2} + 15.00 \times (\pi - 1.3181)\right) = 82.141$$

The belt length is 82.1 cm.

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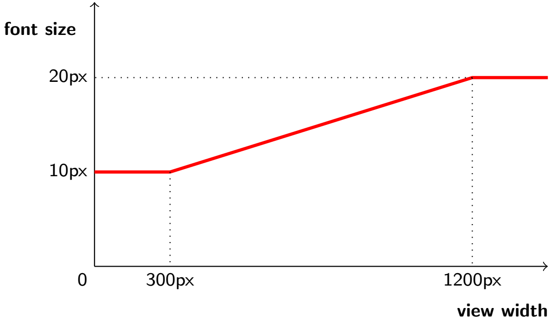
- For more precise control, without trial and error that rapidly becomes frustrating, I turned to this excellent CSS-tricks page showing examples such as

  ```
  font-size:  calc(16px + 6 * ((100vw - 320px) / 680));
  ```

  What are these magic numbers? At the moment, I can tell that, at a screen width of 320px, the font size is 16px. Font size increases smoothly until, at a screen width of 1000px, the font size of 22px. But I probably won't remember how to figure that out next week! The CSS-tricks page doesn't show how these numbers are derived...

  ...but it's just some (relatively) simple high-school math. All you need to recall from high-school is the equation of a line in the form: $\dfrac{y - y_1}{x - x_1} = \dfrac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$



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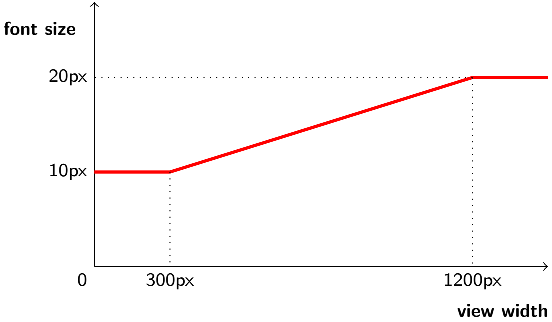

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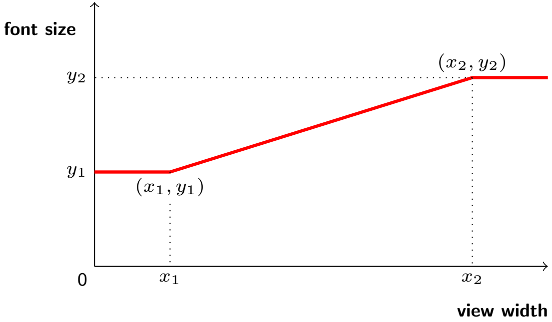

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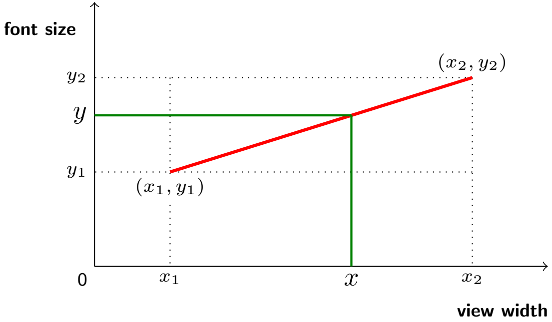

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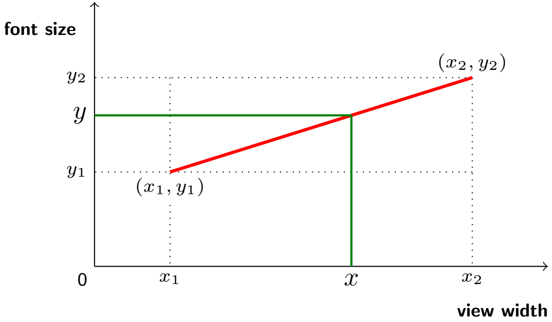

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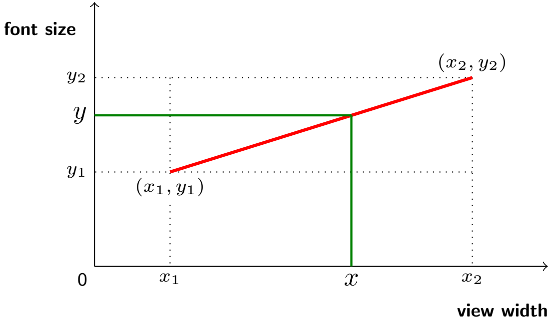

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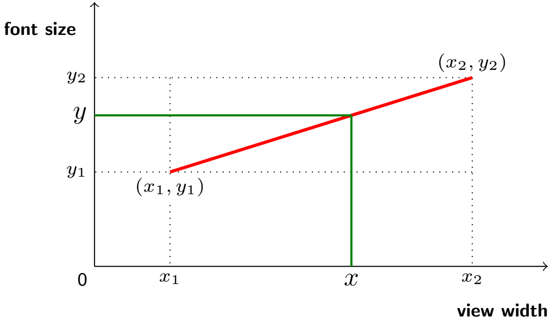

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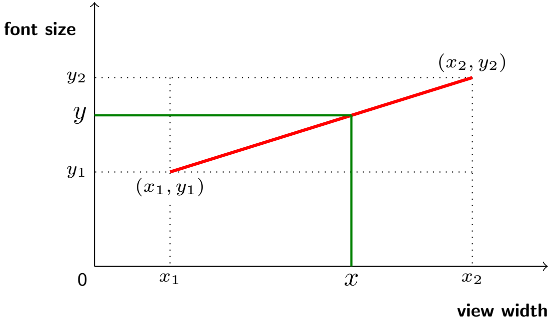

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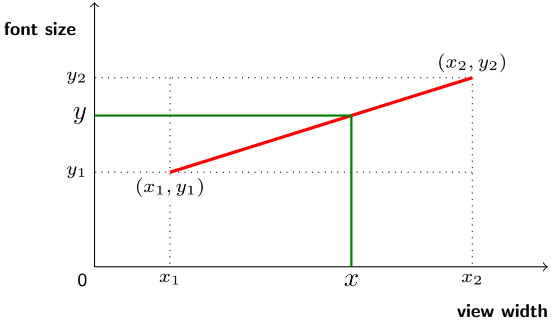

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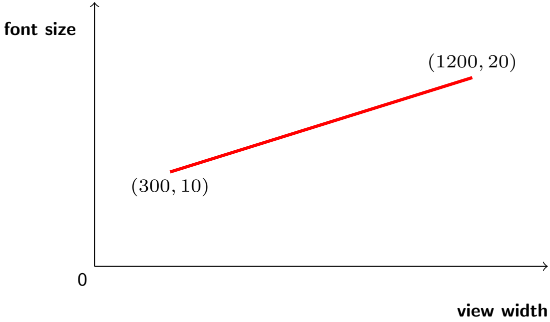

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8 From our previous example:

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or, more concisely:

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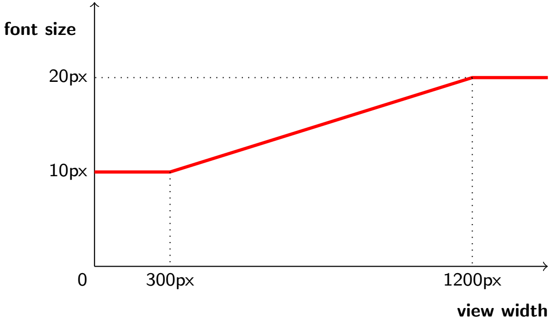

- CSS for the complete range of view widths:

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}
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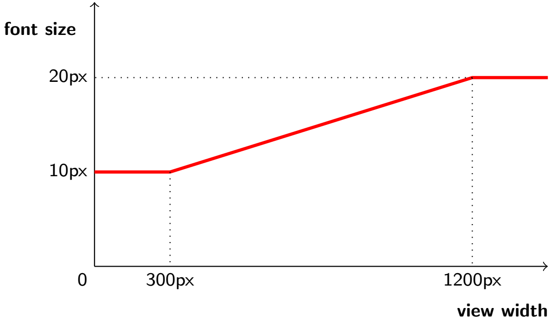

10 For ease of editing, using SASS variables for min-font, min-width, max-font, max-width is a better solution. Or write a mixin...