

# The filter and the funnel

## Problem sheet

### The funnel problem

A company makes funnels from moulded plastic.

What is the best shape cone to make if they want to use plastic efficiently?

If the funnel had to have a capacity of  $500 \text{ cm}^3$ , what would the radius and height have to be to minimise the surface area?

How about a capacity of  $2000 \text{ cm}^3$ ?

Can you explain the relationship of your findings to the original problem?