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1. The largest possible sphere that can be chiseled out from a cube of side "a" cm.



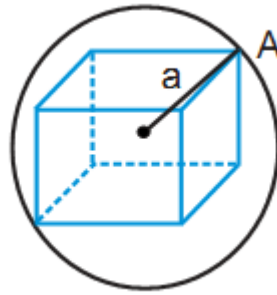
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Diagonal of the sphere is  $a$ , so radius =  $a/2$ .

$$\text{Remaining empty space in the cube} = a^3 - \frac{\pi a^3}{6}$$

2. The largest possible cube that can be chiseled out from a sphere of radius "a" cm



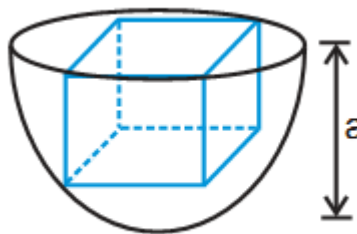
Here  $OA$  = radius of the sphere. So diameter of the sphere =  $2a$ .

Let the side of the square =  $x$ , then the diagonal of the cube =  $\sqrt{3}x$

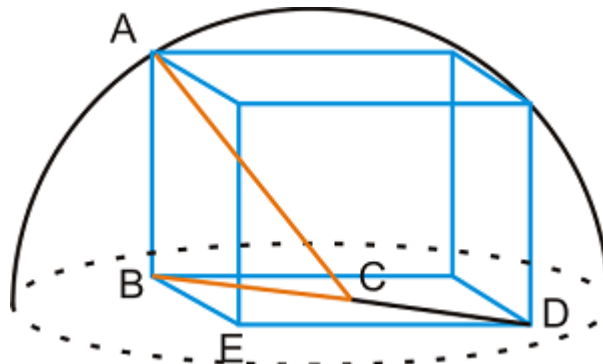
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3}x = 2a \Rightarrow x = \frac{2a}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Therefore side of the square} = \frac{2a}{\sqrt{3}}$$

3. The largest possible cube that can be chiseled out from a hemisphere of radius 'a' cm.



Sol:



Given, the radius of the hemisphere  $AC = a$ . Let the side of the cube is  $x$ .

$$\text{From the above diagram, } BE^2 + ED^2 = BD^2$$

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$$\Rightarrow BC = \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{2} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{From } \triangle ABC, AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

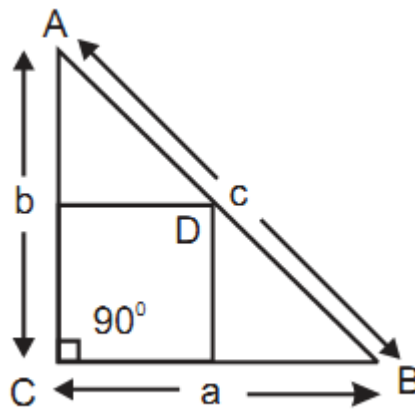
$$\Rightarrow a^2 = x^2 + \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = \frac{3x^2}{2}$$

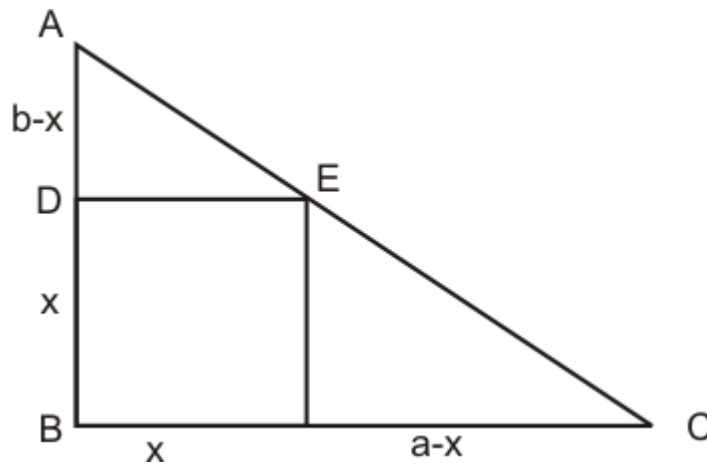
$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}a$$

$$\text{The edge of the cube} = a\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

4. The largest square that can be inscribed in a right angled triangle ABC when one of its vertices coincide with the vertex of right of the triangle.



Solution:



let the side of the square =  $x$

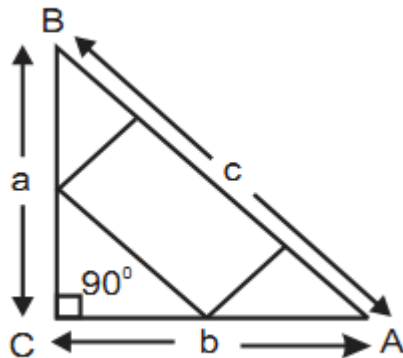
$DE \parallel BC$ , therefore,  $\triangle ADE$  and  $\triangle ABC$  are similar.

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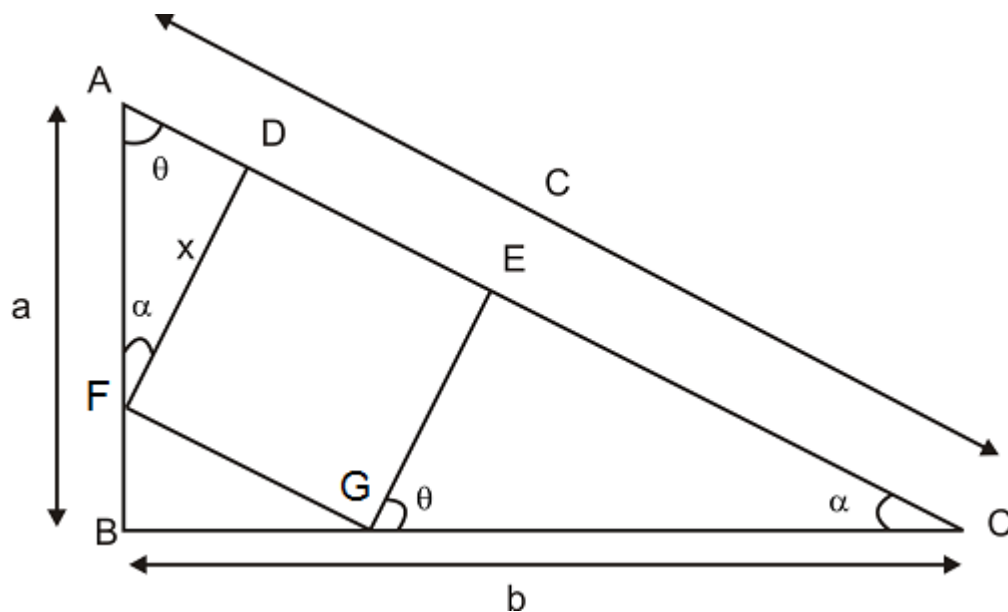
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{b}{x} &= \frac{a}{x} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= \frac{b}{x} + \frac{a}{x} \\ \Rightarrow 1 &= x \left( \frac{a+b}{ab} \right) \\ \Rightarrow x &= \left( \frac{ab}{a+b} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Side of the square =  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$  and area of the square =  $\left( \frac{ab}{a+b} \right)^2$

5. The largest square that can be inscribed in a right angled triangle ABC when one of its vertices lies on the hypotenuse of the triangle



**Solution 1:**



From the above diagram,  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle AFD$  are similar.

$\triangle D$   $\triangle R$

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$$\Rightarrow AD = \frac{xa}{b} \text{ ----- (1)}$$

Also,  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle EGC$  are similar.

$$\Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \frac{GE}{EC} = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{EC} = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow EC = \frac{xb}{a} \text{ ----- (2)}$$

We know that  $c = AD + x + EC$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{xa}{b} + x + \frac{xb}{a}$$

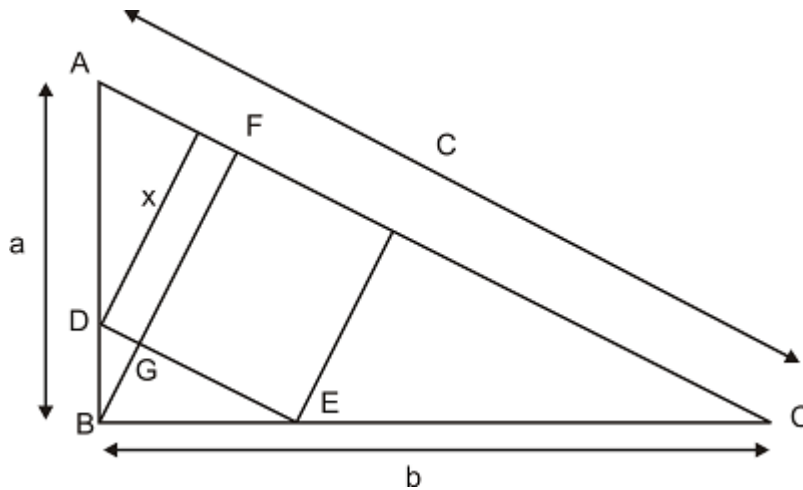
$$\Rightarrow c = x \left( \frac{a}{b} + 1 + \frac{b}{a} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow c = x \left( \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{ab} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left( \frac{abc}{a^2 + ab + b^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Side of the square} = \frac{abc}{a^2 + b^2 + ab}$$

Solution 2:



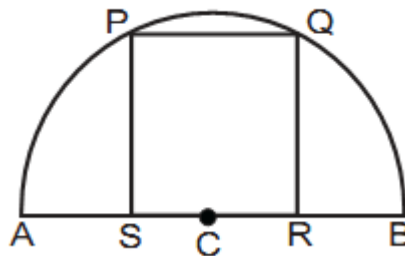
From the above diagram, drop a perpendicular to AC from vertex B.

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times a \times b = \frac{1}{2} \times BF \times c$$

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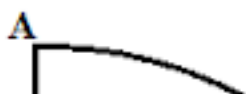
$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \frac{BG}{BF} = \frac{DE}{AC} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{ab}{c} - x}{\frac{ab}{c}} = \frac{x}{c} \\
 &\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{xc}{ab} = \frac{x}{c} \\
 &\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{xc}{ab} + \frac{x}{c} \\
 &\Rightarrow 1 = x \left( \frac{c}{ab} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow 1 = x \left( \frac{c^2 + ab}{abc} \right) \\
 &\Rightarrow x = \frac{abc}{c^2 + ab} = \frac{abc}{a^2 + b^2 + ab}
 \end{aligned}$$

6. The largest square that can be inscribed in a semi circle of radius 'r' units

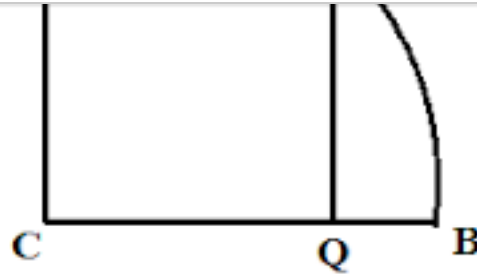


$$\text{Area of the square} = \frac{3}{5}r^2$$

7. The largest square that can be inscribed in a quadrant of radius 'r' cm.

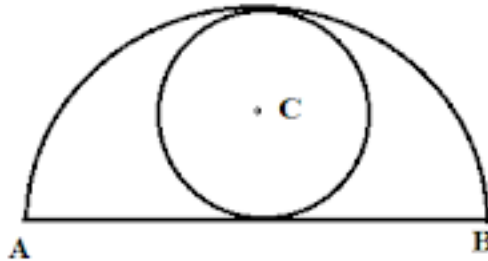


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$$\text{Side of the square} = \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, \text{ and area of the square} = \frac{r^2}{2}$$

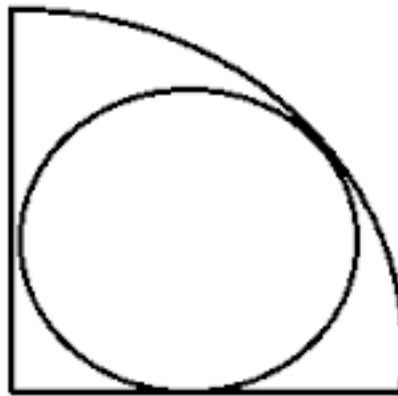
8. The largest circle that can be inscribed in the semi circle of radius 'r' cm is



$$\text{Inscribed circle area} = \frac{\pi r^2}{4}$$

(Remember: Inscribed circle area is half of the semi circle area)

9. The largest circle that can be inscribed in a quadrant of radius 'r' cm is



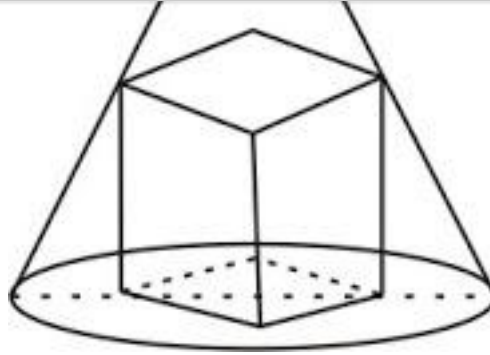
$$\text{Area of the circle} = \frac{\pi r^2}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

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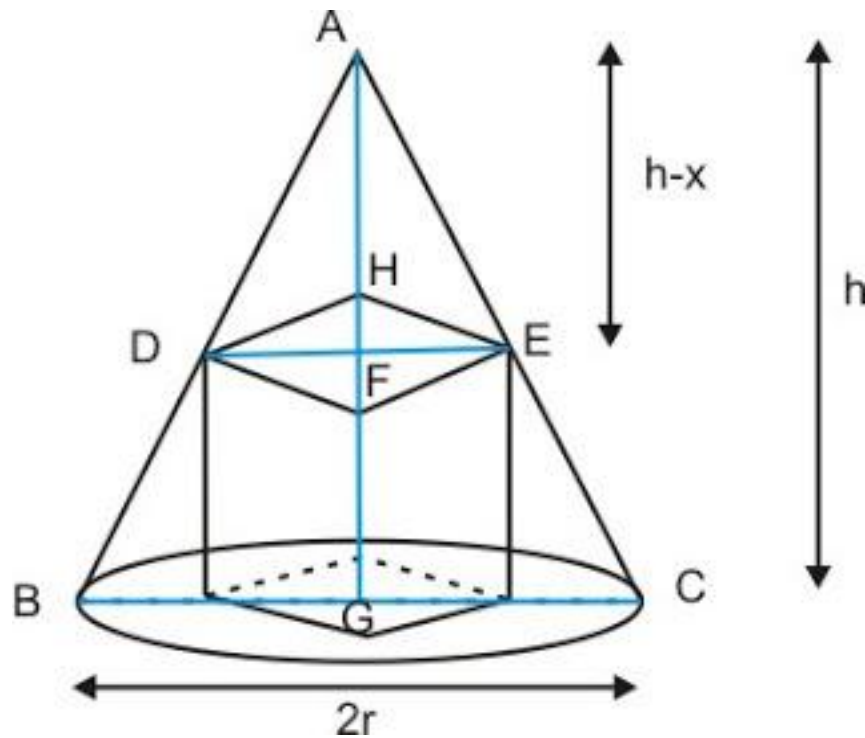
10. The largest cube that can be chiseled out from a cone of height 'h' cm and radius of 'r' cm



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Solution:



Let the side of the square =  $x$

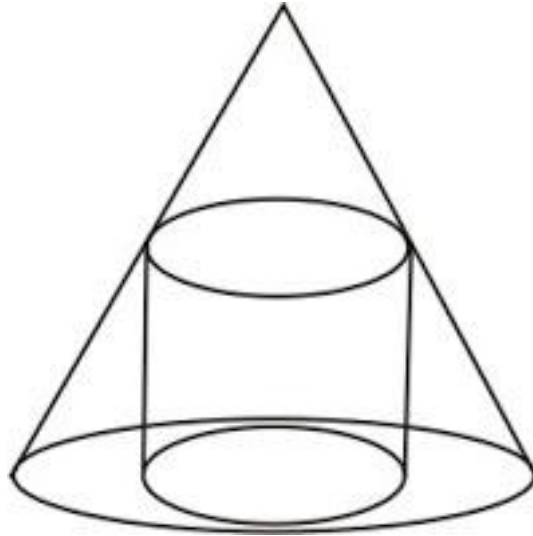
DHE is a right angle triangle. Therefore,  $DE^2 = DH^2 + HE^2$



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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow \frac{AG}{h-x} = \frac{BC}{\sqrt{2}x} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{h}{h-x} = \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{2r} \\
 &\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{x}{h} = \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{2r} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}r} + \frac{x}{h} = 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow x \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}r} + \frac{1}{h} \right) = 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow x \left( \frac{h + \sqrt{2}r}{\sqrt{2}rh} \right) = 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{2}rh}{h + \sqrt{2}r} \\
 &\text{Square side} = \frac{\sqrt{2}rh}{h + \sqrt{2}r}
 \end{aligned}$$

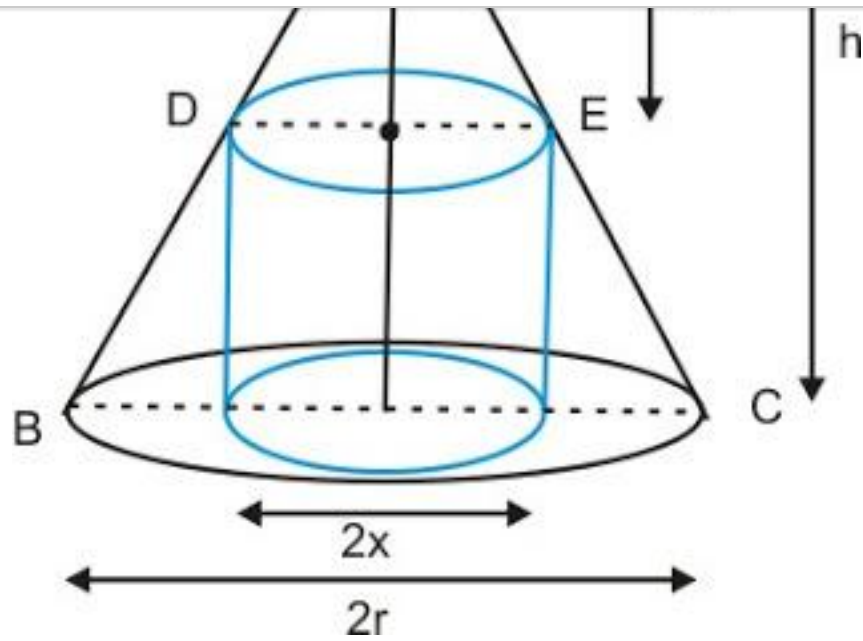
11. Find the maximum volume of cylinder that can be made out of a cone of radius 'r' and height 'h'



Sol:  
 Let the radius of the cylinder =  $x$  and height =  $y$ . We have to maximize the volume of the cylinder  $V = \pi x^2 y$ .  
 To maximize the volume we have to change one of the given variable in the equation into "r" and "h" and differentiate the equation with respect to the other variable.



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From the above,  $\triangle ADE$  and  $\triangle ABC$  are similar.

$$\text{So, } \Rightarrow \frac{h-y}{h} = \frac{2x}{2r} \text{ ----- (1)}$$

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Substituting the above result in the volume we get,

$$V = \pi x^2 \left( h - \frac{hx}{r} \right)$$

$$V = \pi hx^2 - \frac{\pi hx^3}{r}$$

Differentiation the above equation w.r.t x,

$$V'(x) = 2\pi hx - \frac{3\pi hx^2}{r}$$

By equating the above equation to zero, we can find the value of x where the above equation becomes maximum.

$$2\pi hx - \frac{3\pi hx^2}{r} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\pi hx \left( 2 - \frac{3x}{r} \right) = 0$$

$$h, x \text{ cannot be zero. So } 2 - \frac{3x}{r} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2r}{3} \text{ ----- (2)}$$

Substituting the above result in equation (1),

$$\Rightarrow \frac{h-y}{h} = \frac{2 \left( \frac{2r}{3} \right)}{2r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{h-y}{h} = \frac{2}{3}$$

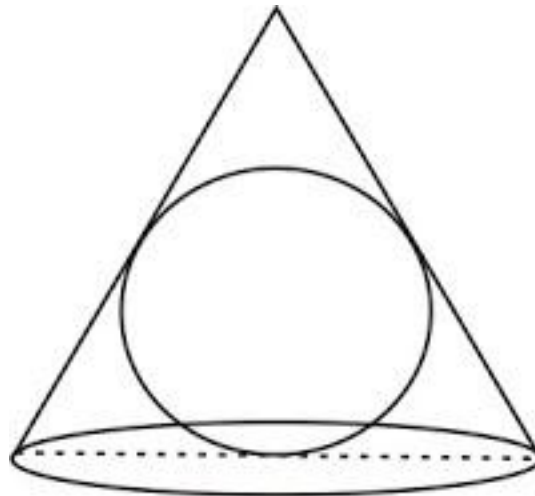
$$\Rightarrow h-y = \frac{2}{3}h$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{h}{3} \text{ ----- (3)}$$

$$\text{Therefore, maximum volume of the cylinder} = \pi \left( \frac{2r}{3} \right)^2 \left( \frac{h}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{27} \pi r^2 h$$

12. Find the maximum volume of sphere that can be inscribed in a cone.

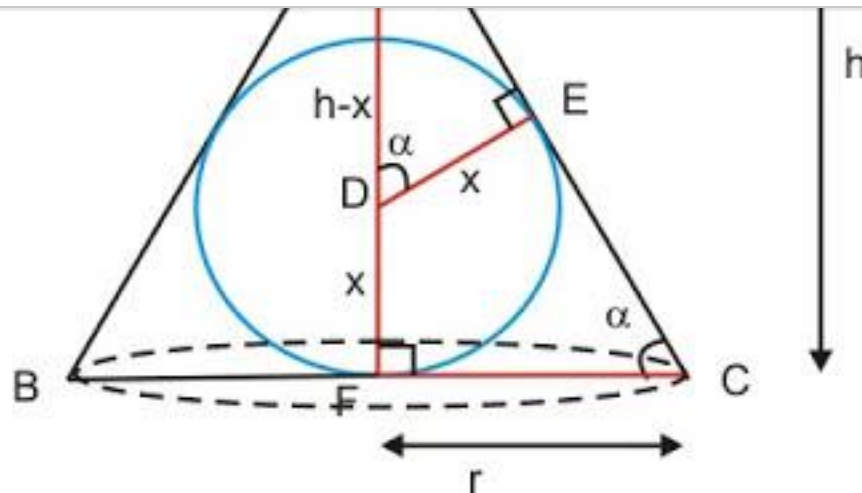


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Let the cone height =  $h$  and radius =  $r$ . Also let the radius of the sphere inside the cone =  $x$

We have to maximize the volume of the sphere =  $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi x^3$

From the above diagram,  $\triangle AFC$  and  $\triangle ADE$  are similar. ( $\because$  AAA rule)

Therefore,  $\frac{CF}{DE} = \frac{AC}{AD}$

From Pythagoras rule,  $AC = \sqrt{AF^2 + FC^2} = \sqrt{h^2 + r^2}$

Now,  $\frac{r}{x} = \frac{\sqrt{r^2 + h^2}}{h - x}$

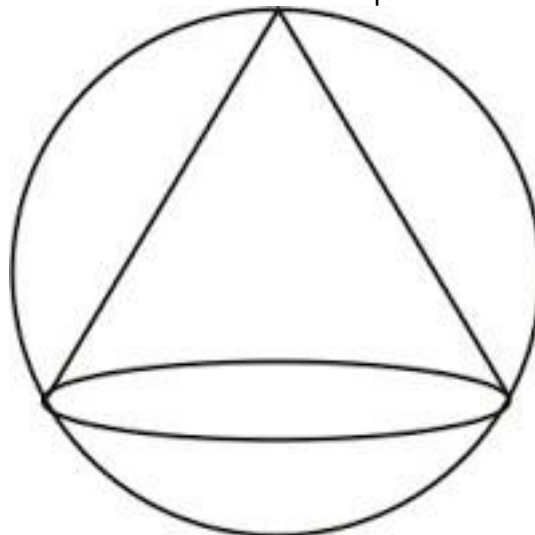
$$\Rightarrow rh - rx = x\sqrt{r^2 + h^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow rh = rx + x\sqrt{r^2 + h^2}$$

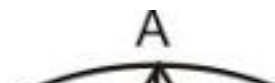
$$\Rightarrow rh = x(r + \sqrt{r^2 + h^2})$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{rh}{r + \sqrt{r^2 + h^2}}$$

13. Find the maximum volume of cone that can be inscribed in a sphere.



Sol:



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