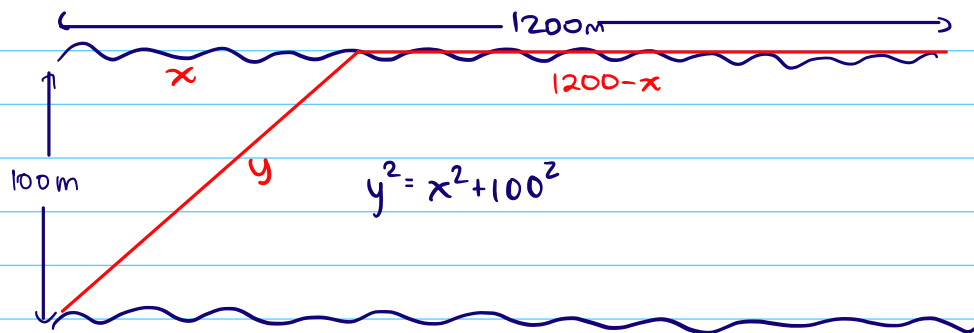


A cable television company is laying cable in an area with underground utilities. Two subdivisions are located on opposite sides of willow creek, which is 100m wide. The company has to connect points P and Q with cable, where Q is on the north bank 1200m east of P. It costs \$40/m to lay cable underground and \$80/m to lay cable underwater. Find the least expensive way to lay cable.



$$C = 80y + 40(1200 - x)$$

$$C = 80\sqrt{x^2 + 100^2} + 48000 - 40x$$

$$C' = 80 \times \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 100^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x) - 40$$

set $C' = 0$ to find min value

$$0 = \frac{80x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 100^2}} - 40$$

$$x = \frac{100}{\sqrt{3}}$$

