

Section 4.4 – Practice Problems

1. Find two numbers whose difference is 150 and whose product is a minimum.

Let x and y be the numbers

$$\begin{aligned}x - y &= 150 \\ xy &= \text{min}\end{aligned}$$

$$y = x - 150$$

$$P' = 2x - 150$$

$$0 = 2x - 150$$

$$\boxed{x = 75}$$

$$y = 75 - 150$$

$$\boxed{y = -75}$$

P has min at $x = 75$
 $y = -75$

2. Find two positive numbers with product 200 such that the sum of one number and twice the second number is as small as possible.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{let } xy &= 200 \\ x + 2y &= \text{min} \\ x + 2\left(\frac{200}{x}\right) &= S\end{aligned}$$

$$y = \frac{200}{x}$$

$$S' = 1 - \frac{400}{x^2}$$

$$0 = 1 - \frac{400}{x^2}$$

$$x = \pm 20$$

$$\begin{array}{c} - \\ + \\ 20 \end{array}$$

$$\text{if } x = 20 \quad y = 10$$

$$\text{if } x = -20 \quad y = -10$$

positive answers only.

$$\boxed{x = 20} \\ \boxed{y = 10}$$

3. A rectangle has a perimeter of 100cm. What length and width should it have so that its area is a maximum.

$$2l + 2w = 100$$

$$l + w = 50$$

$$l = 50 - w$$

open down
parabola has max

$$l \cdot w = A$$

$$(50 - w)w = A$$

$$50w - w^2 = A$$

$$A' = 50 - 2w$$

$$\boxed{w = 25} \\ \boxed{l = 25}$$

4. Show that a rectangle with given area has minimum perimeter where it is a square.

$$A = LW \rightarrow L = \frac{A}{W}$$

$$P = 2L + 2W$$

$$P = 2\left(\frac{A}{W}\right) + 2W \rightarrow P = \frac{2A}{W} + 2W$$

$$0 = 2W^2 - 2A$$

$$P' = -\frac{2A}{W^2} + 2$$

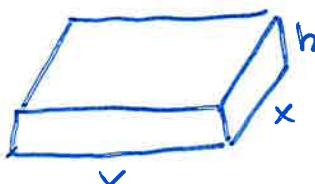
$$P' = \frac{2W^2 - 2A}{W^2}$$

min when $A = W^2$

therefore

it is a square
because l must
equal w .

5. A box with a square base and open top must have a volume of 4000cm^3 . Find the dimensions of the box that minimizes the amount of material used.



$$V = x^2 h$$

$$4000 = x^2 h$$

$$\frac{4000}{x^2} = h$$

$$SA = x^2 + 4xh$$

$$x^2 + 4x\left(\frac{4000}{x^2}\right)$$

$$= x^2 + \frac{16000}{x}$$

$$SA' = 2x - \frac{16000}{x^2}$$

$$SA' = \frac{2x^3 - 16000}{x^2}$$

$$0 = 2x^3 - 16000$$

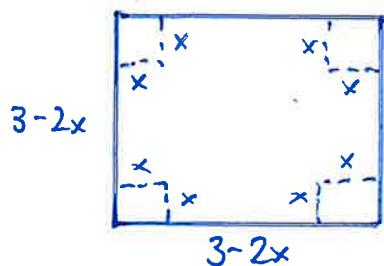
$$\frac{16000}{2} = x^3$$

$$8000 = x^3$$

$$20 = x$$

$$\text{if } x = 20 \\ h = 10$$

6. A box with an open top is to be constructed from a square piece of cardboard, 3m wide, by cutting out a square from each of the four corners and bending up the sides. Find the largest volume that the box can have.



$$V = (3-2x)^2 x$$

$$V' = 2(3-2x)(-2)x + (3-2x)^2$$

$$= -4x(3-2x) + (3-2x)^2$$

$$= (3-2x)[-4x + (3-2x)]$$

$$= (3-2x)(-6x+3)$$

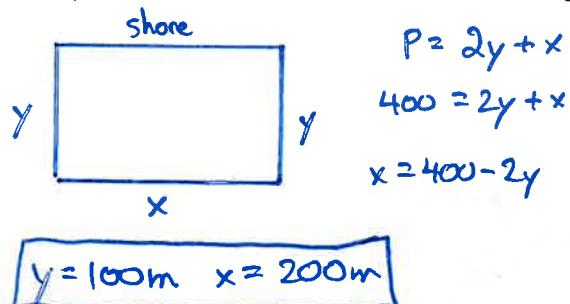
$$0 = (3-2x)(3)(1-2x)$$

$$0 = (3-2x)(1-2x)$$

reject $\rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2}$ $x = \frac{1}{2}$
gives $V = 0$

7. A lifeguard at a public beach has 400m of rope available to lay out a rectangular restricted swimming area using the straight shoreline as one side of the rectangle.

- a) If she wants to maximize the swimming area, what will the dimensions of the rectangle be?



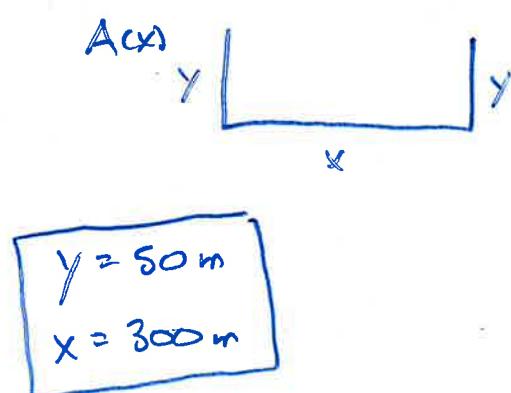
$$xy = A$$

$$(400-2y)y = A \quad A = 400y - 2y^2$$

$$A' = 400 - 4y \rightarrow 0 = 100 - y$$

$$y = 100$$

- b) To ensure the safety of the swimmers, she decides that nobody should swim more than 50m from shore. What should the dimensions of the swimming area be with the added restriction.



$$A = 400y - 2y^2 \quad \text{but } 0 < y \leq 50$$

no crit pts in this interval

$$\text{so } y = 50$$

8. A farmer wants to fence an area of 750 000m² in a rectangular field and divide it in half with a fence parallel to one of the sides of the rectangle. How can this be done so as to minimize the cost of the fence?

$$P = 2y + 3x \quad A = xy \quad 750\,000 = xy$$

$$P = 2\left(\frac{750\,000}{x}\right) + 3x \quad \frac{750\,000}{x} = y$$

$$P = \frac{1500\,000}{x} + 3x \quad 150\,000 = 3x^2$$

$$0 = 3 - \frac{1500\,000}{x^2} \quad 500\,000 = x^2$$

$$\frac{1500\,000}{x^2} = 3 \quad x = 707\text{ m}$$

$$P' = 3 - \frac{1500\,000}{x^2} \quad y = 1061\text{ m}$$

9. Show that if the function $y = f(x)$ has a minimum at c , then the function $y = \sqrt{f(x)}$ also has a minimum at c .

$$y' = f'(x)$$

$$f'(c) = 0$$

for
 $x < c \quad f'(x) < f'(c)$
 $x > c \quad f'(x) > f'(c)$

$\sqrt{f(x)}$ not in \mathbb{R} $\Rightarrow 0$
then $f'(c) < 0$
for $x < c$
and $f'(x) > 0$
 $x > c$
so it has a minimum

$$y' = \frac{f'(x)}{2\sqrt{f(x)}}$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{2}\frac{f'(x)}{\sqrt{f(x)}}$$

occurs at $f'(x) = 0$
which is at $f'(c)$

10. Find the point on the line $y = 5x + 4$ that is closest to the origin.

say some point (x, y) is closest to the origin

$$d^2 = (y-0)^2 + (x-0)^2$$

$$d^2 = y^2 + x^2$$

$$d^2 = (5x+4)^2 + x^2$$

$$d^2 = 25x^2 + 40x + 16 + x^2$$

$$y = 5x + 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} d^2 &= 26x^2 + 40x + 16 \\ (d^2)' &= 52x + 40 \\ 0 &= 52x + 40 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = -\frac{40}{52} = -\frac{10}{13}$$

-	min	+
$-\frac{10}{13}$		

11. Find the point on the parabola $2y = x^2$ that is closest to the point $(-4, 1)$.

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$d^2 = (y-1)^2 + (x+4)^2$$

$$d^2 = (\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 1)^2 + (x+4)^2$$

$$d^2 = \frac{1}{4}x^4 - x^2 + 1 + x^2 + 8x + 16$$

$$d^2 = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + 8x + 17 \rightarrow (d^2)' = x^3 + 8$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$(d^2)' = (x+2)(x^2 - 2x + 4)$$

$$0 = x = -2$$

-	min	+
-2		

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(-2)^2$$

$$y = 2$$

$$(-2, 2)$$

12. A can is to be made to hold a litre of oil. Find the radius of the can that will minimize the cost of the metal to make the can. (1L = 1000cm³).

$$SA = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh \quad V = \pi r^2 h \quad \rightarrow 1000 = \pi r^2 h \quad h = \frac{1000}{\pi r^2}$$

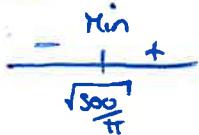
$$2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \left(\frac{1000}{\pi r^2} \right) \quad SA' = 4\pi r - \frac{2000}{r^2} = \frac{4\pi r^3 - 2000}{r^2}$$

$$2\pi r^2 + \frac{2000}{r}$$

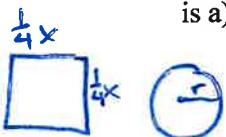
$$0 = 4\pi r^3 - 2000$$

$$0 = r^3 - \frac{500}{\pi}$$

$$r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{500}{\pi}}$$



13. A piece of wire 40cm long is cut into two pieces. One piece is bent into the shape of a square and the other is bent into the shape of a circle. How should the wire be cut so that the total area enclosed is a) a maximum and b) a minimum.



$$A_1 = x^2$$

$$A_2 = \pi r^2$$

$$x + 2\pi r = 40$$

$$r = \frac{40-x}{2\pi}$$

$$\text{Total Area} = \left(\frac{1}{4}x\right)^2 + \pi r^2 = \left(\frac{1}{4}x\right)^2 + \pi \left(\frac{40-x}{2\pi}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{(40-x)^2}{4\pi}$$

$$\frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{-1600 - 80x + x^2}{4\pi}$$

$$A' = \frac{x}{8} + \frac{1}{4\pi}(-80+2x)$$

$$= \frac{x}{8} - \frac{80}{4\pi} + \frac{2x}{4\pi}$$

$$0 = \frac{x}{8} - \frac{20}{\pi} + \frac{x}{2\pi}$$

$$0 = \frac{\pi x}{4} - 40 + x$$

$$40 = \frac{\pi x}{4} + x$$

$$40 = x \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{40}{\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + 1\right)} = x$$

$$x = 22.4$$

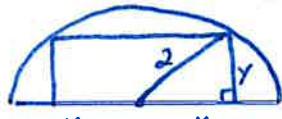
- local min

$$A(22.4) = 56 \text{ cm}^2$$

max: overall for circle

min: 22.4 for sq
17.6 for cir

14. A rectangle is inscribed in a semicircle of radius 2cm. Find the largest area of such a rectangle.
(Drawings Help)



$$A = 2xy$$

Equation of circle with radius 2

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

$$0 = -4x^2 + 8$$

$$2 = x^2$$

$$\sqrt{2} = x$$

+ -

max

$$A = 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}$$

$$= 4 \text{ cm}^2$$

15. Solve the problem in Example 4 if it costs \$120/m to lay the cable underwater.

$$\text{Total Cost: } C(x) = 40x + 120\sqrt{(1200-x)^2 + 100^2}$$

$$C'(x) = 40 + \frac{60 \cdot 2(1200-x)(-1)}{\sqrt{(1200-x)^2 + 100^2}} \rightarrow 40 - \frac{120(1200-x)}{\sqrt{(1200-x)^2 + 100^2}} = 0$$

$$40\sqrt{(1200-x)^2 + 100^2} - 120(1200-x) = 0$$

$$\sqrt{(1200-x)^2 + 100^2} - 3(1200-x) = 0$$

$$\sqrt{(1200-x)^2 + 100^2} = -3x + 3600$$

$$(1200-x)^2 + 100^2 = 9x^2 - 21600x + 12960000$$

$$1440000 - 2400x + x^2 + 10000 = 9x^2 - 21600x + 12960000$$

$$8x^2 - 19200x + 11510000 = 0$$

use quad eqn or Desmos.

$$x = 1165$$

$$x = 1235 \leftarrow \text{outside domain}$$

$$C(1165) = \$144499$$

$$C(1200) = \$60000$$

$$C(1165) = \$59314$$

min