

Optimization

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Ex. 2

A cylindrical can is to be made to hold 1 L of cola. Find the dimensions that will minimize production costs (minimize surface area).

$$V = 1 \text{ L} = 1000 \text{ cm}^3 = \pi r^2 h$$

$$SA = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r h$$

minimize

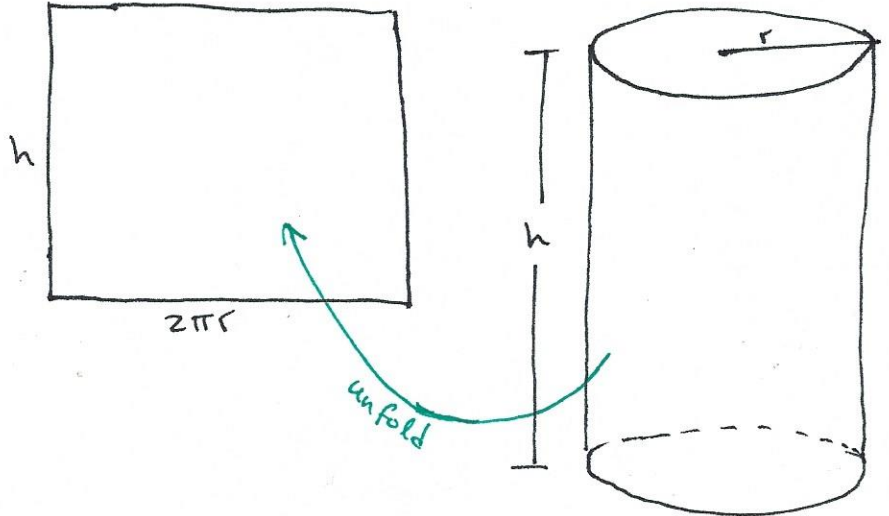
$$= 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \left(\frac{1000}{\pi r^2} \right)$$

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

$$h = \frac{1000}{\pi r^2}$$

$$r > 0$$

$$h > 0$$



$$(SA)' = 4\pi r - \frac{2000}{r^2} = 0$$

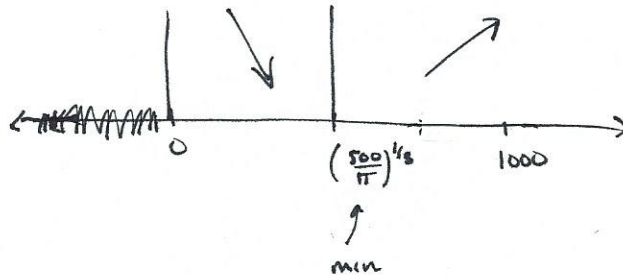
$$4\pi r = \frac{2000}{r^2}$$

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

$$r^3 = \frac{2000}{4\pi} = \frac{500}{\pi}$$

$$r = \left(\frac{500}{\pi} \right)^{1/3}$$

← Crit #



$$h = \frac{1000}{\pi r^2} = \frac{2 \cdot 500}{\pi \left(\frac{500}{\pi} \right)^{2/3}} = \frac{2 \cdot 500}{\pi^{1/3} \cdot 500^{2/3}} = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{500}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} = 2r$$

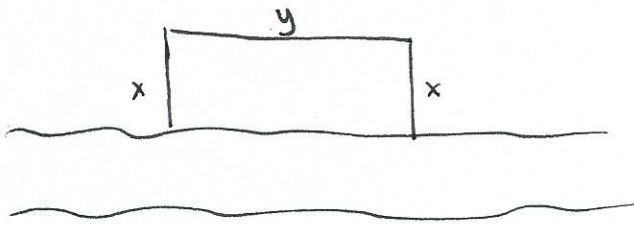
$$\rightarrow r = \left(\frac{500}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} \text{ cm}$$

$$\rightarrow h = 2r \text{ cm}$$

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Ex:1 A farmer has 2400 ft of fencing and wants to fence off a rectangular field that borders a straight river. (She needs no fence along the river). What are the dimensions of the field w/ the largest area?



$A = xy$, $2x + y = 2400$

↑ want to maximize ↑ constraint

* negative distance doesn't make sense

$0 \leq x \leq 1200$, $0 \leq y \leq 2400$

$y = 2400 - 2x \Rightarrow A = xy = x(2400 - 2x) = 2400x - 2x^2$

$A' = 2400 - 4x = 0$

$2400 = 4x$

one crit # $\rightarrow 600 = x$

$0 \leq x \leq 1200$

A is continuous on $[0, 1200]$,
so A has max by EVT.

x	A(x)
0	0
600	720,000
1200	0

← max

So $x = 600$ ft, $y = 1200$ ft gives the largest area.

