

W6 – Optimization Problems

Unit 2

MCV4U

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SOLUTIONS

- 1) A rectangular pen is to be built with 1200 m of fencing. The pen is to be divided into three parts using two parallel partitions. Find the max possible area of the pen.

$$\text{width} = x$$

$$1200 = 4x + 2l$$

$$\frac{1200 - 4x}{2} = l$$

$$\text{length} = 600 - 2x$$

$$A(x) = x(600 - 2x)$$

$$A(x) = 600x - 2x^2$$

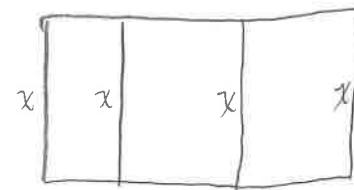
Critical Points:

$$A'(x) = 600 - 4x$$

$$0 = 600 - 4x$$

$$x = 150$$

$$A(150) = 45000 \text{ m}^2$$



2nd Derivative Test:

$$A''(x) = -4$$

$$A''(150) = -4; \text{ concave down}$$

$\therefore (150, 45000)$ is a max point.

The max area is 45000 m^2

- 2) A showroom for a car dealership is to be built in the shape of a rectangle with brick on the back and sides, and glass on the front. The floor of the showroom is to have an area of 500 m^2 . If a brick wall costs \$1200/m while a glass wall costs \$600/m, what dimensions would minimize the cost of the showroom? What is the min cost?

$$xy = 500$$

$$y = \frac{500}{x}$$

$$C(x) = 600\left(\frac{500}{x}\right) + 1200\left(\frac{500}{x}\right) + 1200(2x)$$

$$C(x) = \frac{300000}{x} + \frac{600000}{x} + 2400x$$

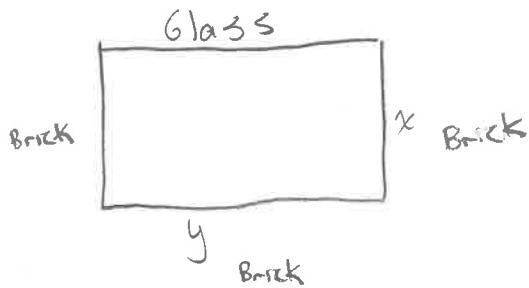
$$C(x) = \frac{900000}{x} + 2400x$$

2nd Derivative Test:

$$C''(x) = \frac{1800000}{x^3}$$

$$C''(19.36) \approx 244$$

\therefore concave up and $(19.36, 92951.6)$ is a min point. The dimensions that obtain a min cost of \$92951.6 are 19.36m by 25.83m.



Critical Points:

$$C'(x) = -900000x^{-2} + 2400$$

$$0 = -\frac{900000}{x^2} + 2400$$

$$-2400x^2 = -900000$$

$$x^2 = 375$$

$$x \approx 19.36 \text{ m}$$

$$C(19.36) \approx \$92951.6$$

3) A soup can is to have a capacity of 250 cm^3 and the diameter of the can must be no less than 4 cm and no greater than 8 cm. What are the dimensions of the can that can be constructed using the LEAST amount of material?

Domain: $2 \leq r \leq 4$

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

$$SA(r) = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi r \left(\frac{250}{\pi r^2} \right)$$

$$SA(r) = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{500}{r}$$

$$SA'(r) = 4\pi r - \frac{500}{r^2}$$

$$0 = 4\pi r - \frac{500}{r^2}$$

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

$$r = 3.41$$

From Volume Equation:

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$250 = \pi r^2 h$$

$$h = \frac{250}{\pi r^2}$$

Test endpoints of domain and critical number:

$$SA(2) = 275.1 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$SA(3.41) = 219.7 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$SA(4) = 225.5 \text{ cm}^3$$

Therefore a radius = 3.41 cm and a height = $\frac{250}{\pi(3.41)^2} = 6.84 \text{ cm}$ will minimize the amount of material needed to make the can.

4) A rectangular piece of paper with perimeter 100 cm is to be rolled to form a cylindrical tube. Find the dimensions of the paper that will produce a tube with maximum volume. What is the max volume?



$$x = 2\pi r$$

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

$$V(x) = \frac{25}{\pi} x - \frac{3}{4\pi} x^2$$

$$0 = x \left(\frac{25}{\pi} - \frac{3}{4\pi} x \right)$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$0 = \frac{25}{\pi} - \frac{3x}{4\pi}$$

$$\frac{3x}{4\pi} = \frac{25}{\pi}$$

$$\frac{3x}{4\pi} = 100$$

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

$$V''(x) = \frac{25}{\pi} - \frac{3}{2\pi} x$$

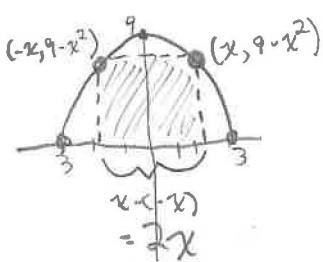
$$V''(0) = \frac{25}{\pi} \text{ is concave up (min)}$$

$$V''\left(\frac{100}{3}\right) \approx -8 \text{ is concave down (max)}$$

$$V\left(\frac{100}{3}\right) \approx 1473.66 \text{ cm}^3$$

A max volume of 1473.66 cm^3 can be obtained with a length of $\frac{100}{3} \text{ cm}$ and width of $\frac{50}{3} \text{ cm}$

5) Find the area of the largest rectangle that can be inscribed between the x -axis and the graph defined by $y = 9 - x^2$. $\therefore (3-x)(3+x)$



$$A(x) = 2x(9-x^2)$$

$$A(x) = 18x - 2x^3$$

$$A'(x) = 18 - 6x^2$$

$$0 = 18 - 6x^2$$

$$x^2 = 3$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$A(\sqrt{3}) \approx 20.78$$
 ~~$A(-\sqrt{3}) \approx 20.78$~~

Can't have $x < 0$

2nd derivative test

$$A''(x) = -12x$$

$A''(\sqrt{3}) \approx -20.8$ \therefore concave down (max)

$\therefore (\sqrt{3}, 20.78)$ is a max point.

The max area is about 20.78 units 2 .

6) For an outdoor concert, a ticket price of \$30 typically attracts 5000 people. For each \$1 increase in the ticket price, 100 fewer people will attend. The revenue, R , is the product of the number of people attending and the price per ticket. Let x equal the number of \$1 increases in price. Find the ticket price that maximizes the revenue. What is the max revenue?

$$R(x) = (30+x)(5000 - 100x)$$

$$R'(x) = 1(5000 - 100x) + (-100)(30+x)$$

$$R'(x) = 2000 - 200x$$

$$0 = 2000 - 200x$$

$$x = 10$$

2nd derivative test:

$$R''(x) = -200$$

$$R''(10) = -200 \therefore \text{concave down}$$

$$R(10) = (30+10)(5000 - 100(10))$$

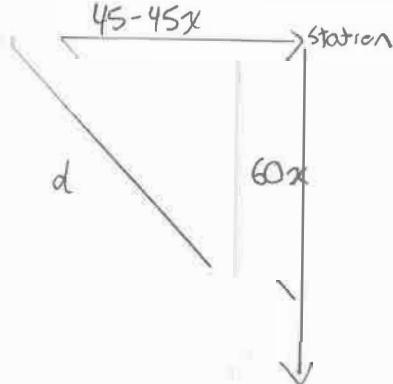
$$R(10) = (40)(4000)$$

$$R(10) = 160000$$

A \$40 ticket will maximize the revenue to \$160000.

\therefore 10 price increases will maximize revenue.

① A train leaves the station at 10:00 am and travels SOUTH at a speed of 60 km/h. Another train heading WEST at 45 km/h reaches the same station at 11:00 am. At what time were the two trains closest together?



$$d(x) = \sqrt{(45 - 45x)^2 + (60x)^2}$$

$$d(x) = \sqrt{2025 - 4050x + 2025x^2 + 3600x^2}^{1/2}$$

$$d(x) = \sqrt{5625x^2 - 4050x + 2025}^{1/2}$$

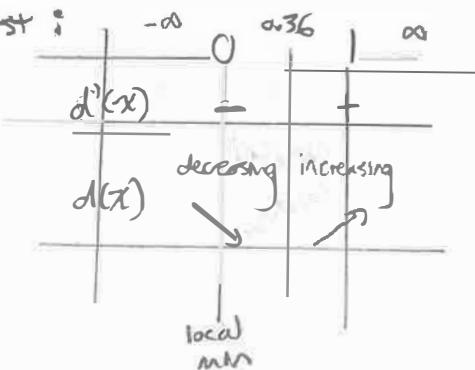
$$d'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{5625x^2 - 4050x + 2025}^{-1/2} (11250x - 4050)$$

$$d'(x) = \frac{5625x - 2025}{\sqrt{5625x^2 - 4050x + 2025}}$$

$$0 = 5625x - 2025$$

$$x = 0.36$$

1st derivative test:



∴ they are closest together 0.36 hours after 10:00 a.m.

(10:22 am)

Answers:

- 1) 45000 m^2
- 2) 19.4 m by 25.8 m; min cost is \$92952
- 3) $r = 3.41 \text{ cm}$ and $h = 6.83 \text{ cm}$
- 4) $\frac{50}{3} \text{ cm by } \frac{100}{3} \text{ cm}$; volume is 1473.7 cm^3
- 5) $12\sqrt{3} \text{ units}^2$
- 6) \$40; max revenue is \$160 000
- 7) 0.36 hours after the first train left the station (10:22 am)