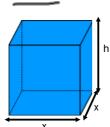
## p211 Section 3.7: Optimization Problems

In other words: Applied Max & Min Problems

#### WARM-UP: p212 - find the volume of each of the 5 figures

#### Example 1: Finding Maximum Volume

A manufacturer wants to design an open box having a square base and a surface area of 108 square inches. What dimensions will produce a box with maximum



Nax Volume:  $V = x^2h$ Primary Equation

Solve S equat for h (to get rid of avariable)  $108 = X^2 + 4Xh$ 

$$V = X^{2} \left( \frac{108 - X^{2}}{4x} \right) = \frac{108 X^{2}}{4x} - \frac{X^{4}}{4x} = 27 X - \frac{X^{3}}{4}$$

Domain: x>0, V>0

Area of Base (x2) £108

 $0 < x^2 \leq 108$ 

0 4 X 4 \ \(\text{108}\) (10.39)

To maximize V, find crit#

$$\frac{dV}{dX} = 27 - \frac{3X^2}{4} = 0$$

$$27 = \frac{3X^2}{4}$$

$$36 = X^2$$

$$X=\pm b \rightarrow X=b$$
 (domain)

$$V(0) = 0$$
  $V(6) = 108 V(\sqrt{108}) = 0$   
 $4 \times 108$ 

$$h = \frac{108 - \chi^2}{4\chi} = 3$$
 Dimensions:  $6 \times 6 \times 3$  in

## **Guidelines for Solving Applied Minimum and Maximum Problems**

- 1. Identify all given quantities and quantities to be determined. When feasible, make a sketch.
- 2. Write a **primary equation** for the quantity that is to be maximized (or minimized).
- 3. Reduce the primary equation to one having a *single independent variable*. This may involve the use of **secondary equations** relating the independent variables of the primary equation.
- 4. Determine the feasible domain of the primary equation. That is, determine the values for which the stated problem makes sense.
- 5. Determine the desired maximum or minimum value by the calculus techniques discussed in Sections 3.1 through 3.4.

**Example 2: Finding Minimum Distance** 

Which points on the graph of the indicated function are closest to the point (0, 2)?

Distance b/n 
$$(0, \frac{1}{2}) \notin (x, y)$$

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(x - 0)^2 + (y - 2)^2} \quad y = 4 - x^2$$

$$d = \sqrt{x^2 + (y - x^2) - 2} \quad = \sqrt{x^2 + (2 - x^2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + 4 - 4x^2 + x^4} \quad = \sqrt{x^4 - 3x^2 + 4} \qquad D = Aii Real \#s$$

# you only need to find the critical \pm s of inside the radical
$$f(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 + 4$$

$$f'(x) = 4 + x^3 - 6x = 0$$

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

$$x = 0 \quad x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$-\infty \le x \le -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \quad -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \le x \le 0 \quad 0 \le x \le \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \quad \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \le x \le \infty$$

$$x = -2 \quad x = 1 \quad x = 2$$

$$f' \ge 0 \quad f' \ge 0 \quad f' \ge 0$$

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

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Minimum (-13 5) (13 5)

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# Example 3: Finding Minimum Area

A rectangular page is to contain 24 square inches of print. The margins at the tops and bottom of the page are to be a 1 1/2 inches, and the margins on the left and right are to be 1 inch. What should the dimensions of the page be so that the least amount of paper is used?

Area Minimized: A=JW

$$A = (x+3) \text{ (y+2)}$$
Printed Area  $A = 24 = xy$ 

$$A = (x+3) \left(\frac{24}{x} + 2\right) \text{ For L}$$

$$A = 34 + 2x + \frac{72}{x} + 6 = 30 + 2x + \frac{32}{x}$$

$$A = 2 - 72x^{-2} = 2 - \frac{72}{x^2} = 0$$

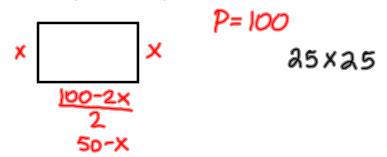
$$2x^2 = 72$$

$$x = 46 \Rightarrow x = 6$$

$$x = \pm 6 \Rightarrow x = 6$$

$$x = 7 \Rightarrow x = 6$$

100 feet of wire will be used to enclose a rectangular area. What are the dimensions of the rectangle of the largest area?



Example 4: Finding Minimum Length

Two posts, one 12 feet high and the other 28 feet high, stand 30 feet apart. They are to be stayed by two wires, attached to a single stake, running from ground level to the top of each post. Where should the stake be placed to use the least wire?

Pyth Thrm:  

$$X^{2}+12^{2}=Y^{2}$$
  $(30-X)^{2}+28^{2}=Z^{2}$   
 $12\pi$   $12\pi$ 

$$\frac{dW}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(x^{2}+144)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x) + \frac{1}{2}(x^{2}+1684)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x-160)$$

$$O = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^{2}+144}} + \frac{x-30}{\sqrt{x^{2}-400x+1684}}$$

$$-\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^{2}+144}} = \frac{x-30}{\sqrt{x^{2}-400x+1684}} \quad \text{cross-multiply}$$

$$-x\sqrt{x^{2}-400x+1684} = (x-30)\sqrt{x^{2}+144}$$

$$x^{2}(x^{2}-400x+1684) = (x-30)^{2}(x^{2}+144)$$

$$x^{4}-400x^{2}+1684x^{2} = x^{4}-400x^{2}+144x^{2}-8640x+129,600}$$

$$0 = -640x^{2}-8640x+129,600$$

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$$0 = 2x^{2}+27+-405$$

$$x = 2x^{2}+$$

In each of the first four examples, the extreme value occurs at a critical number. Although this happens often, remember that an extreme value can also occur at an endpoint of an interval

#### Example 5: An Endpoint Maximum

Four feet of wire is to be used to form a square and a circle. How much of the wire should be used for the square and how much should be used for the circle to enclose the maximum total area?

Total Area = Area + Area circle

Area 
$$\pi^2$$

Area  $\pi^2$ 

Area  $\pi^$