

Example what shape of cylindrical can minimizes the surface area?

if you want total volume to be 4ft^3 ?



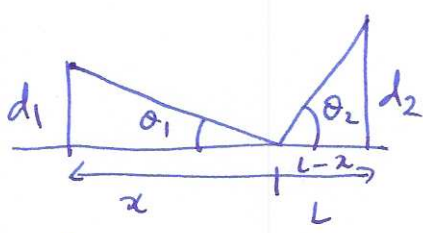
$$V = \pi r^2 h \Rightarrow h = \frac{V}{\pi r^2}$$

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

$$A = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{2\pi r V}{\pi r^2} = 2\pi r^2 + \frac{2}{r}$$

$$A'(r) = 4\pi r - \frac{2}{r^2} \quad \text{solve } A'(r) = 0 : \quad r^3 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \quad r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2\pi}}$$

Example a ball bounces off a wall. show that the path which minimizes distance has equal angles of incidence and reflection.

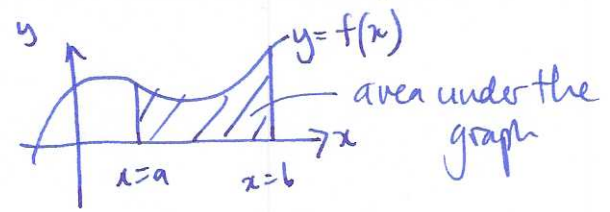


$$f(x) = \text{distance} = \sqrt{d_1^2 + x^2} + \sqrt{d_2^2 + (L-x)^2}$$

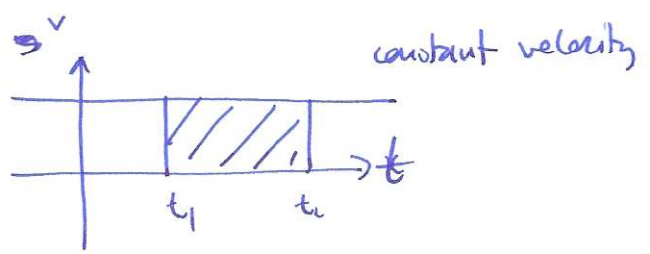
$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} (d_1^2 + x^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x + \frac{1}{2} (d_2^2 + (L-x)^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2(L-x)$$

$$f'(x) = 0 : \quad \frac{x}{\sqrt{d_1^2 + x^2}} = \frac{L-x}{\sqrt{d_2^2 + (L-x)^2}} \quad (\Rightarrow) \quad \cos \theta_1 = \cos \theta_2 \Rightarrow \theta_1 = \theta_2$$

§5.1 Approximating area

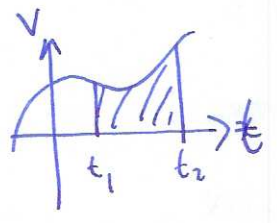


Example



distance travelled = velocity \times time
= area under the graph

non-constant velocity: fact: distance travelled = area under the graph.



finding the area:
approximate by
rectangles

