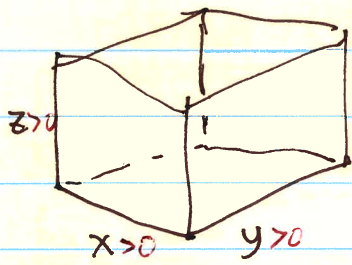


14.7 II Σ 1 **Word Problems**

A rectangular box with no lid is to be made from 12 m^2 of cardboard. Find the maximum volume of the box.



3 variables BUT $x > 0, y > 0, z > 0$ (to be extremized)

$$V = xyz > 0$$

(constraint)

$$A = xy + 2xz + 2yz = 12$$

use to eliminate 1 variable.

bot sides sides

$$V = xy \frac{(12-xy)}{2(x+y)} = \frac{12xy - x^2y^2}{2(x+y)} = f(x,y) \text{ on } x > 0, y > 0$$

$$xy + 2z(x+y) = 12$$

$$z = \frac{12-xy}{2(x+y)} > 0$$

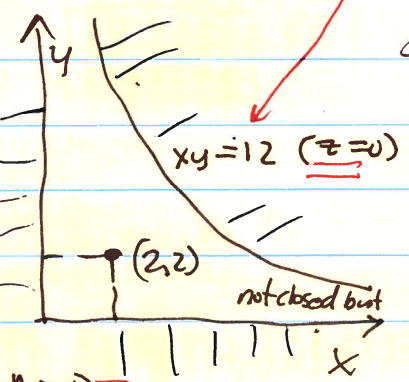
note also $xy < 12$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \dots = \frac{y^2(12-2xy-x^2)}{2(x+y)^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = \dots = \frac{x^2(12-2xy-y^2)}{2(x+y)^2} = 0$$

$x \neq 0, y \neq 0 \rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} 12-2xy-x^2=0 \\ 12-2xy-y^2=0 \end{cases}$$



show Maple evaluation

Subtract

$$y^2 - x^2 = 0 \rightarrow y = \pm x$$

(since both > 0)

backsub $12 - 2x^2 - x^2 = 0$

$$12 = 3x^2, x^2 = 4, x = 2 \quad (x > 0)$$

$\therefore y = 2$

$(2, 2) \rightarrow z = \frac{12-4}{2(2+2)} = \frac{8}{8} = 1$

exactly 1 critical pt has to be local max. since a largest such box clearly must exist.

(physical reasoning)

bottom dimensions should be $2\text{m} \times 2\text{m}$, height 1m , resulting Volume = 4m^3

$$V = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 4$$

Extremize $f(x,y,z)$ subject to $C(x,y,z) = 0$ (constraint).

solve $z = \frac{f}{C}(x,y)$

$$F(x,y) = f(x,y, z(x,y))$$