

Name: Answers

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P1. Grandma Mildred's Fabulous Metallic Products, LLC, produces an steel-uranium alloy that is then used to make guitar strings for melodic death metal bands. Their expected profit can be approximated by

$$P(s, u) = -s^3 - 27u^3 + 108su$$

where  $s$  is the amount of steel and  $u$  is the amount of uranium used in production. Find the combination of steel and uranium that maximizes the expected profit, and compute what that profit is.

$$P_s(s, u) = -3s^2 + 108u = 0 \rightarrow s = \pm 6\sqrt{u}$$

$$P_u(s, u) = -81u^2 + 108s = 0 \rightarrow -81u^2 + 108(\pm 6\sqrt{u}) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow u = 0 \text{ or } 4, \text{ so } (s, u) = (0, 0) \text{ or } (12, 4)$$

$$P_{ss}(s, u) = -6s$$

$$\Delta(s, u) = P_{ss}(s, u)P_{uu}(s, u) - (P_{su}(s, u))^2 = -11664 + 972su$$

$$P_{uu}(s, u) = -162u \rightarrow$$

$$\Delta(0, 0) = -11664 \text{ so } (0, 0) \text{ is a saddle point}$$

$$P_{su}(s, u) = 108$$

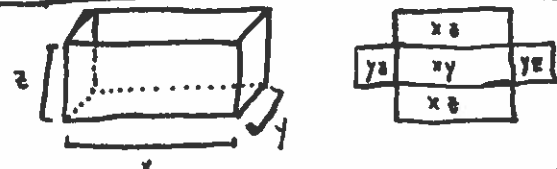
$$\Delta(12, 4) = 34992 \text{ and } P_{ss}(12, 4) = -72 \text{ so } (12, 4)$$

is a local maximum. The profit is then  $P(12, 4) = 1728$ .

P2. You just got a job working for Giant Fish Tanks for Aquariums Incorporated, a company which constructs giant fish tanks for aquariums. Your boss wants you to determine the least amount of money that can be spent to construct a rectangular manatee aquarium, open on top, with a volume of 343 square meters. Glass costs \$35 per square meter. What is the minimum cost? *Hint: Find the dimensions that will minimize the surface area (and hence the cost of glass.)*

constraint:  $g(x, y, z) = xyz = 343$

minimize:  $f(x, y, z) = xy + 2xz + 2yz$



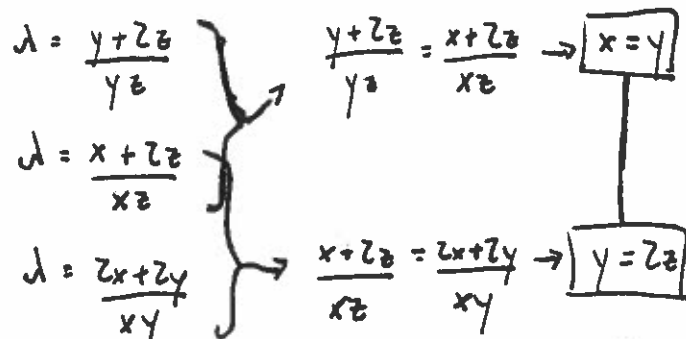
$$F(x, y, z, \lambda) = xy + 2xz + 2yz - \lambda(xyz - 343)$$

$$F_x(x, y, z, \lambda) = y + 2z - \lambda yz = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{y+2z}{yz}$$

$$F_y(x, y, z, \lambda) = x + 2z - \lambda xz = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{x+2z}{xz}$$

$$F_z(x, y, z, \lambda) = 2x + 2y - \lambda xy = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2x+2y}{xy}$$

$$F_\lambda(x, y, z, \lambda) = xyz - 343 = 0$$



so,  $x = y = 2z \rightarrow 2z \cdot 2z \cdot z - 343 = 0 \rightarrow z = \frac{7}{\sqrt[3]{4}}, x = y = \frac{14}{\sqrt[3]{4}}$  so  $f(x, y, z) \times 35 = 147 \cdot 2^{2/3} \approx 233.308$