

Class prep quiz on section 4.7, Stewart's Calculus (8th ed.)

1. When you try to solve an optimization problem (min/max word problem), among the steps you might try are:
 - (I) Solve the one-variable min/max problem using calculus.
 - (II) Use constraints to reduce the problem to a one-variable min/max problem.
 - (III) Name variables and translate the facts of the problem into equations.
 - (IV) Determine the quantity that needs to be minimized/maximized, and identify any other equations as constraints.

If you use all of these steps, in what order should you do them?

- (a) IV, III, I, II (b) II, I, III, IV
 - (c) III, IV, II, I (d) I, II, III, IV
2. Consider the following optimization problem:

Find the radius and height of the cylindrical container whose surface area is 50 square inches that has the largest possible volume.

Which equation or equations represent a **constraint** in the problem? (I.e., which equations do you use to reduce the quantity being maximized/minimized to a function of one variable?)

- (a) $2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh = 50$ and $V = \pi r^2 h$ (b) $V = \pi r^2 h$
- (c) $2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh = 50$ (d) None of the above

3. Consider the following optimization problem:

Find the length and width of the rectangle of area 24 with the smallest possible perimeter.

Which of the following is a one-variable min/max problem that will produce the answer to the above optimization problem?

- (a) Minimize $f(w) = w \left(\frac{24 - 2w}{2} \right)$ as a function of w .
- (b) Minimize $f(w) = 2w + 2 \left(\frac{24}{w} \right)$ as a function of w .
- (c) Minimize $f(w) = w(24 - w)$ as a function of w .
- (d) None of the above.

4. What is the point on the line $y = 5x + 7$ closest to the origin?

- (a) $\left(\frac{35}{26}, \frac{357}{26} \right)$
- (b) $(-1, 2)$
- (c) $\left(-\frac{35}{26}, \frac{7}{26} \right)$
- (d) $(0, 7)$