

IB Math 1 1H Optimization

Three ways to find the vertex:

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

- Completing the Square (Vertex Form)

- Find the x-value of the vertex using $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$

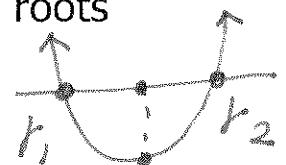
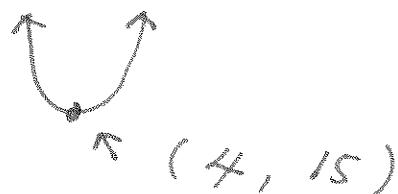
- Find the x-value of the vertex using the midpoint of the roots

Example 1

Find the minimum y-value of $f(x) = 3x^2 - 24x + 63$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I } y &= 3(x^2 - 8x + 16) + 63 \quad \ominus(4)^2 \div 3 \\ &= 3(x-4)^2 + 15 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{y_{\min} : 15}$$



$$x_1 = \frac{r_1 + r_2}{2}$$

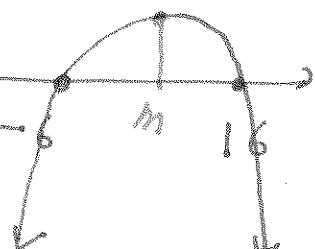
$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \\ 3 \\ \hline 48 \\ 63 \\ \hline 48 \\ 5 \end{array}$$

Example 2

Find the maximum y-value of $g(x) = -8(x-16)(x+6)$.

$$r_1 = 16 \quad r_2 = -6$$

$$m : \frac{16 + -6}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5.$$



$$g(5) = -8(5-16)(5+6)$$

$$= -8(-11)(11)$$

$$= 968$$

$$12$$

$$16$$

$$968$$

$$\boxed{y_{\max} : 968}$$

Example 1) A rectangle has length 3 cm longer than the width. Its area is 42 cm^2 . Find the width.

$$W: x$$

$$L: x+3$$

$$A: W \cdot L = x(x+3) = 42$$

$$x^2 + 3x = 42$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 42 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 3x = 42$$

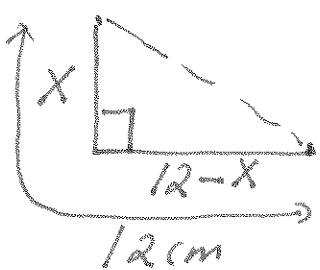
$$+(\frac{3}{2})^2 + (\frac{3}{2})^2$$

$$(x + \frac{3}{2})^2 = 42 + \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\sqrt{(x + \frac{3}{2})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{177}{4}}$$

$$x + \frac{3}{2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{177}{4}}$$

Example 2) Is it possible to bend a 12 cm length of wire to form one leg of a right angled triangle with area 20 cm^2 ?



$$A = \frac{1}{2}x(12-x) = 20$$

$$x = ?$$

Not possible

$$x = -\frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{177}{4}}$$

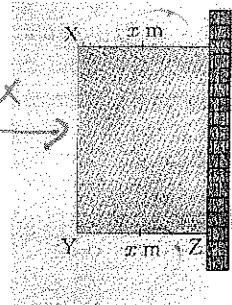
$$= -3 + \sqrt{177}$$

Example 3) A gardener has 40 m of fencing to enclose a rectangular garden plot, where one side is an existing brick wall. Suppose the two new equal sides are x m long.

a) Write an expression for the area enclosed by the fence in terms of x .

$$A = -2x(x-20)$$

$$40 - 2x$$



$$A = (x)(40-2x) = -2x(x-20)$$

b) Find the dimensions of the garden of maximum area.

$$A = -2x(x-20)$$

$$x = \frac{40}{2} = 20$$

$$A = -2(10)(10-20)$$

$$= 200 \text{ m}^2$$

$[10 \text{ m} \times 20 \text{ m}]$