

OPTIMIZATION OPTIMIZE MAX  
 ← goal

1. Find two numbers whose sum is 23 and whose product is a maximum.

SUM:  $x + y = 23$

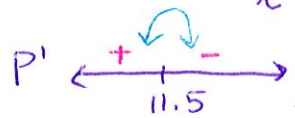
$y = 23 - x$

PRODUCT =  $xy$

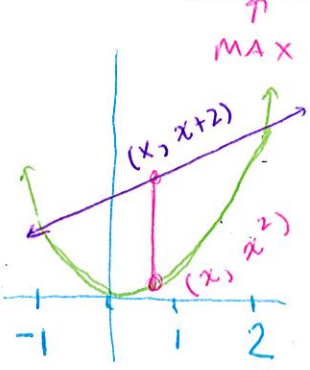
$P = x(23 - x)$   
 $= 23x - x^2$

$P' = 23 - 2x = 0$   
 $-2x = -23$   
 $x = 11.5$

Answer: 11.5 and 11.5



2. What is maximum vertical distance between the line  $y = x + 2$  and the parabola  $y = x^2$  for  $-1 \leq x \leq 2$ ?



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$d = (x + 2) - (x^2)$   
 $= x + 2 - x^2$

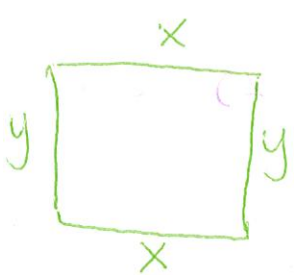
$d' = 1 - 2x = 0$  DNE  
 $x = 1/2$



Answer: 2.25

plug  $x = 1/2$  into "d" to find distance

3. Find the dimensions of a rectangle with perimeter 100m whose area is as large as possible.



$P: 2x + 2y = 100$

$y = \frac{100 - 2x}{2}$

$y = 50 - x$

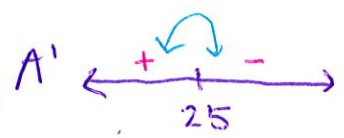
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Area =  $xy$

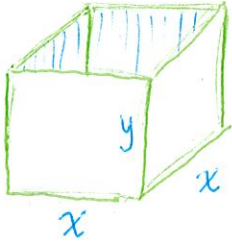
$A = x(50 - x)$   
 $= 50x - x^2$

$A' = 50 - 2x = 0$   
 $50 = 2x$   
 $x = 25$

Answer: 25<sub>m</sub> by 25<sub>m</sub>



4. 1200 cm<sup>2</sup> of material is available to make a box with a square base and an open top. Find largest possible volume of the box.



↑ OPTIMIZE  $SA = x^2 + 4xy = 1200$

$$y = \frac{1200 - x^2}{4x}$$

$$y = \frac{300}{x} - \frac{x}{4}$$

MAX

$$V = x^2 y$$

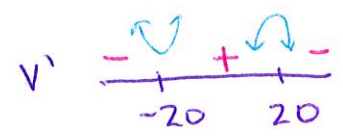
$$= x^2 \left( \frac{300}{x} - \frac{x}{4} \right)$$

$$= 300x - \frac{x^3}{4}$$

$$V' = 300 - \frac{3}{4}x^2 = 0$$

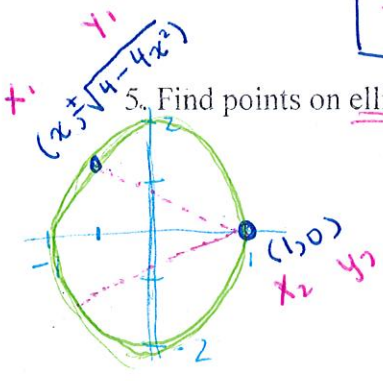
$$400 = x^2$$

$$x = \pm 20$$



**Answer:  $V = 4000 \text{ cm}^3$**

↑ OPTIMIZE + MAX



5. Find points on ellipse  $4x^2 + y^2 = 4$  that are farthest away from point  $(1, 0)$ .

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(x - 1)^2 + (\pm\sqrt{4 - 4x^2})^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 - 2x + 1 + 4 - 4x^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{-3x^2 - 2x + 5}$$

$$d' = \frac{1}{2} (-3x^2 - 2x + 5)^{-1/2} \cdot (-6x - 2) = 0$$

~~$2\sqrt{-3x^2 - 2x + 1} = 0$~~   
 ~~$-3x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$~~   
 ~~$(3x + 1)(-x + 1)$~~   
 ~~$x = 1$~~

from discriminant, there are no x-values from denominator

$$\frac{-6x - 2}{2\sqrt{-3x^2 - 2x + 1}} = 0$$

$$-6x - 2 = 0$$

$$2 = -6x$$

$$x = -1/3$$

**Answer:  $(-\frac{1}{3}, \pm\sqrt{\frac{32}{9}})$**

