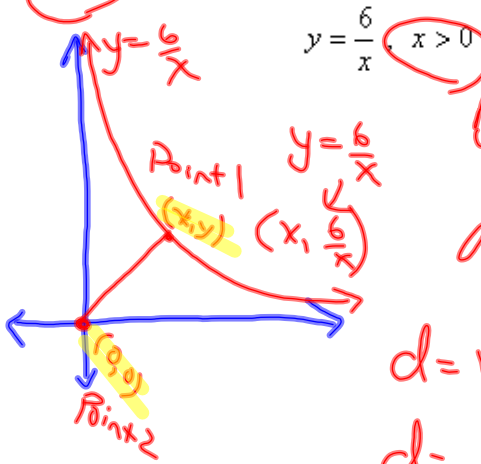


Warm Up

Determine the coordinates of the point closest to the origin on the graph of



Minimize Distance

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

$$d = \sqrt{(x-0)^2 + (y-0)^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{x^2 + \left(\frac{6}{x}\right)^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{x^2 + \frac{36}{x^2}}$$

$$d' = \frac{1}{2} \left(x^2 + \frac{36}{x^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(2x - \frac{36}{x^3} \right)$$

$$0 = \frac{x - 36x^{-3}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 36x^{-2}}} \Rightarrow \text{Numerator} = 0$$

$$\frac{2x - 72x^{-3}}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 36x^{-2}}} = 0$$

$$x - \frac{36}{x^3} = 0$$

$$x^4 - 36 = 0$$

$$x^4 = 36$$

$$x = \sqrt[4]{36}$$

Undefined ($f'(x)$)

$$\sqrt{x^2 + \frac{36}{x^2}} = 0$$

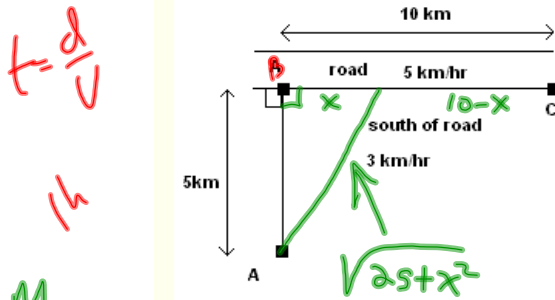
$$y = \frac{6}{x}$$

Point closest

$$\left(\sqrt[4]{36}, \frac{6}{\sqrt[4]{36}} \right)$$

Example 5:

You decide to walk from point A (see figure below) to point C. To the south of the road through BC, the terrain is difficult and you can only walk at 3 km/hr. However, along the road BC you can walk at 5 km/hr. The distance from point A to the road is 5 km. The distance from B to C is 10 km. What path you have to follow in order to arrive at point C in the shortest (minimum) time possible?



$t = \frac{d}{v}$
h

Minimize
TIME!

Time = $\frac{\sqrt{25+x^2}}{3}$ + $\frac{10-x}{5}$ (Road)
 Time = $\frac{1}{3}(25+x^2)^{1/2}$ + $2 - \frac{1}{5}x$

$T' = \frac{1}{6}(25+x^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x - \frac{1}{5}$

$0 = \frac{2x}{6\sqrt{25+x^2}} - \frac{1}{5}$

$\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2x}{6\sqrt{25+x^2}}\right)^2$

$\frac{1}{25} = \frac{4x^2}{36(25+x^2)}$

$36(25+x^2) = 100x^2$

$900 + 36x^2 = 100x^2$

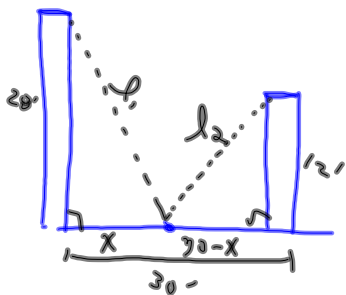
$\frac{900}{64} = \frac{64x^2}{64}$

$\sqrt{14.06} = \sqrt{x^2}$

$3.75 = x$

Head 3.75 km ...

Two posts, one 12 feet high and the other 28 feet high, stand 30 feet apart. They are to be stayed by two wires, attached at a single stake, running from ground level to the top of each post. Where should the stake be placed to use the least amount of wire?



$$\text{Total Wire} = l_1 + l_2$$

$$W = \sqrt{x^2 + 784} + \sqrt{(30-x)^2 + 144}$$

$$W = \sqrt{x^2 + 784} + \sqrt{900 - 60x + x^2 + 144}$$

$$W = \sqrt{x^2 + 784} + \sqrt{1044 - 60x + x^2}$$

$$W' = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 784)^{-1/2} (2x) + \frac{1}{2}(1044 - 60x + x^2)^{-1/2} (-60 + 2x)$$

$$0 = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 784}} + \frac{x-30}{\sqrt{x^2 - 60x + 1044}}$$

$$\left[\frac{x-30}{\sqrt{x^2 - 60x + 1044}} \right]^2 = \left[\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 784}} \right]^2$$

$$\frac{(x-30)^2}{x^2 - 60x + 1044} = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + 784}$$

$$x^4 - 60x^3 + 1044x^2 = (x-30)^2(x^2 + 784)$$

$$x^4 - 60x^3 + 1044x^2 = (x^2 - 60x + 900)(x^2 + 784)$$

$$\cancel{x^4} - \cancel{60x^3} + 1044x^2 = \cancel{x^4} + 784x^2 - \cancel{60x^3} - 47040x + 705600$$

$$1044x^2 - 784x^2 - 900x^2 + 47040x - 705600 = 0$$

$$-640x^2 + 47040x - 705600 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-47040 \pm \sqrt{(47040)^2 - 4(-640)(-705600)}}{2(-640)}$$

$$x = \frac{-47040 \pm 20160}{-1280}$$

$$x = 21 \text{ and } x = 52.5$$

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