

WORKSHEET 3: Related Rates Jan 17, 2018

1. A baker rolls a dough that has a circular cylinder form. As he rolls, the shape remains a cylinder and it becomes thinner such that the radius of the dough is decreasing at a rate of 0.5 cm/s . How fast is the length increasing when radius is 10 cm and length is 25 cm ?

a) Draw a picture of the situation at different times. (draw for 2 or 3 instants in time)



b) Choose one of your pictures and based on the given solution, assign variables to the changing quantities. $\text{radius} = r$, $\text{length (height)} = h$

c) Answer the questions about the given solution.

Solution:

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

What's this formula? Volume of a cylinder with radius r and height h .
How would it help us? It's relating the variables r and h .

What are r and h ?

radius

height or length

$$0 = \pi (2r r' h + r^2 h')$$

Why 0?
Because volume
remains fixed
derivative = 0

Where did this come from? Applying the product rule on $r^2 h$.

Where did this come from? This is derivative of $(r(t))^2$ by implicate differentiation.

$$0 = -\pi \times 2 \times \frac{10}{1} \times \frac{0.5}{1} \times \frac{25}{1} + \pi \times \frac{100}{1} \times h'$$

$$\Rightarrow h' = 2.5 \text{ cm/sec}$$

Do the computation ...

Why negative?

because $r'(t) = -0.5$

Since r is decreasing.

Which quantities are they?

$$10 = r$$

$$-0.5 = r'$$

$$25 = h$$

$$100 = r^2$$

d) How this question is different from Question 3 in worksheet #2?

In Q3, worksheet #2, Volume is changing while the height is increasing but the radius is fixed. In this example, radius and height are changing but the volume remains fixed.

★ Include the units in your answer.

2. A rocket is launched on a vertical trajectory and is tracked by a radar station that is 3 km from the launch pad. $\frac{dy}{dt} = x'(t) \rightarrow \text{unknown}$

a) Find the vertical speed of the rocket at the instant when the distance from the rocket to the radar station is 5 km and that distance is increasing at 5000 km/h.

substitute it later \leftarrow

$$y = 5$$

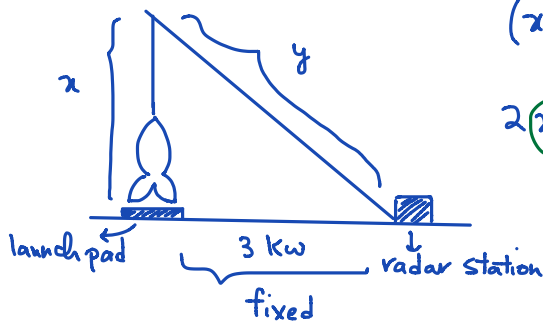
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y'(t)$$

b) If the radar station is always kept aimed at the rocket, how fast is the angle of elevation changing at that same moment?

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \theta'(t) \rightarrow \text{unknown}$$

(Hint: The angle of elevation is the angle that the line of sight in the radar station makes with the horizontal axis.)

a)



$$(x(t))^2 + 3^2 = (y(t))^2$$

$$2x(t)x'(t) + 0 = 2y(t)y'(t)$$

$$2 \cdot 4 \cdot x' = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 5000$$

$$\Rightarrow x' = \frac{2 \times 5 \times 5000}{2 \times 4} = \frac{25000}{4} \text{ km/h}$$

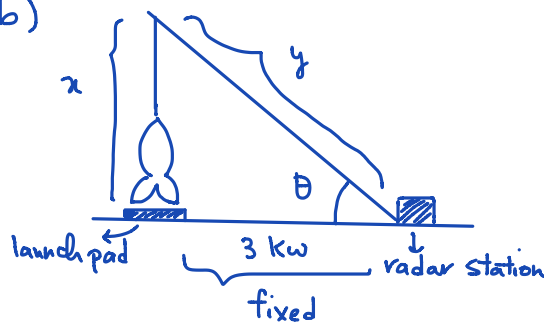
Use Pythagorean Thm to find x at a moment:

$$x^2 + 3^2 = 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 25 - 9 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4$$

(b)



Use any of the trig ratios:

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}, \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}, \quad \tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$$

Let's see which one is the best choice:

$$\sin \theta = \frac{x}{y}$$

The hardest because we need to apply quotient rule

$$\cos \theta = \frac{3}{y}$$

easier: $3y^{-1}$
 \rightarrow power rule

$$\tan \theta = \frac{x}{3}$$

easiest: $\frac{1}{3}x$
 \rightarrow simple derivative

$$\underbrace{\tan}_{\text{outside}} \underbrace{\theta(t)}_{\text{inside}} = \frac{x(t)}{3}$$

Derive $\rightarrow (1 + \underbrace{\tan^2 \theta(t)}_{\text{derivative of tan}}) \cdot \underbrace{\theta'(t)}_{\text{unknown}} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \underbrace{x'(t)}_{\text{in part (a) calculated}}$

\rightarrow If there's no part (a) then $\cos \theta = \frac{3}{y}$ is the best choice because y' is given.

Calculate $\tan \theta = \frac{x}{y}$
at the given moment
 $x = 4$, $y = 3$
 $\tan \theta = \frac{4}{3}$

$$\left(1 + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2\right) \cdot \theta'(t) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{25000}{4}$$

$$\frac{25}{9} \theta'(t) = \frac{25000}{12}$$

$$\theta'(t) = \frac{25000}{4 \cdot 12} \cdot \frac{9}{25} = \frac{3000}{4} \text{ rad/h}$$