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## Fearless Frames

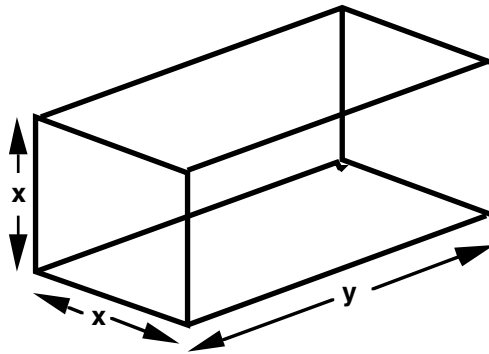
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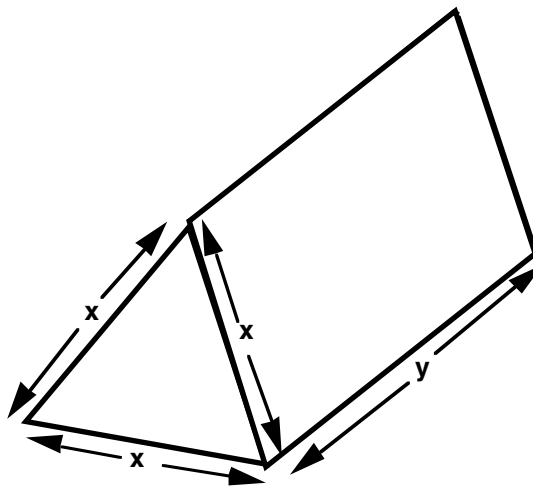
Find the dimensions of the container which holds the maximum volume the company can make using 60 meters of tubing.



2. The client changes his mind!

He asks for a container which is a prism with a cross section which is an equilateral triangle

Investigate the maximum volume of the container that can be made using 60 meters of tubing for the frame.



**Fearless Frames: (continued)**

3. What advice do you think Fearless Frames should offer to this customer?  
Show all your calculations.

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Fearless Frames		Rubric	
		Points	Section points
<p>Shows that the volume of the prism <math>V = x^2y</math>.</p> <p>The perimeter of the prism <math>P = 8x + 4y = 60</math>      <math>y = 15 - 2x</math></p> <p><math>V = x^2(15 - 2x)</math></p> <p>The graph of <math>V</math> against <math>x</math> shows that as <math>x</math> increases from 1 to 5 the volume increases, and then decreases for values of <math>x</math> from 5 to 7.</p> <p><math>V</math> is max when <math>x = 5</math>.</p> <p>Alternatively</p> <p>May make a list showing the values <math>x = 4</math> and volume 112  <math>x = 6</math> and volume 108</p> <p>When <math>x = 5</math>, <math>y = 5</math> and <math>V = 125</math></p> <p>States that for <math>P = 60</math> meters, the maximum volume is 125 cubic meters.</p>		<p>3</p> <p>2</p> <p>or</p> <p>2</p>	5
<p>Shows that the height of the equilateral triangle is <math>\sqrt{3}x/2</math>.</p> <p>The volume of the prism (<math>V</math>) = <math>\sqrt{3}x^2y/4</math></p> <p>The perimeter of the prism (<math>P</math>) = <math>6x + 3y = 60</math>      <math>y = 20 - 2x</math></p> <p><math>V = \sqrt{3}x^2(20 - 2x)/4</math></p> <p><math>V</math> is maximum when <math>x = y = 6^{2/3}</math> (accept values 6 – 7)</p> <p>For perimeter 60 meters, the maximum volume is 128 cubic meters.</p> <p>Accept vales 124 - 128</p>		4	4
<p>Advise the customer that, using 60 meters of tubing, a container with a cross section which is an equilateral triangle holds a little more than one which is a square.</p>		1 ft	1
<b>Total Points</b>			<b>10</b>





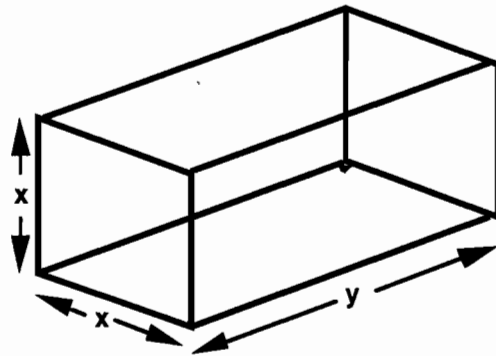
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Show how you figured it out.



$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= 4y + 8x = 60 \\
 y + 2x &= 15 \\
 y &= 15 - 2x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$V = x^2 y = x^2 (15 - 2x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= 4 \quad y = 15 - 8 = 7 \\
 V &= 16 \cdot 7 \\
 &= 112
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= 5 \quad y = 15 - 10 = 5 \\
 V &= 25 \cdot 5 \\
 &= 125
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= 6 \quad y = 15 - 12 = 3 \\
 V &= 36 \cdot 3 \\
 &= 108
 \end{aligned}$$

So when  $x = 5$  and  $y = 5$  the volume is at its highest at  $125 \text{ m}^3$

## Fearless Frames: (continued)

## 2. The client changes his mind!

He asks for a container that is a prism with a cross section which is an equilateral triangle.

Investigate the maximum volume of the container that can be made using 60 meters of tubing for the frame.

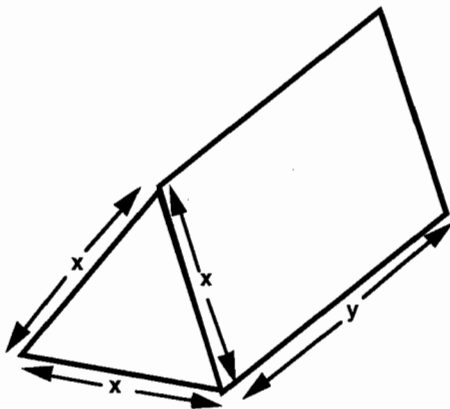
$$P = 60 = 6x + 3y$$

$$20 = 2x + y$$

$$y = 20 - 2x$$

$$Vol = \frac{x}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}(x)}{2} y$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}x^2(20-2x)}{4}$$



$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

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

$$a = x^2 - \frac{x^2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2}{4}$$

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{3}(x)}{2}$$

• When  $x = 5$ ,  $y = 20 - 2x = 10$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 25 \cdot 10}{4} = 108.25$$

• When  $x = 6.5$

$$y = 20 - 13 = 7$$

$$Vol = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 42.25 \cdot 7}{4} = 128.06 \text{ m}^3 \text{ highest}$$

between  $x=6$  and  $x=7$

• When  $x = 6$ ,  $y = 20 - 12 = 8$

$$V = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 36 \cdot 8}{4} = 124.7 \text{ bigger.}$$

When  $P = 60$

$$V = 128 \text{ m}^3$$

• When  $x = 7$ ,  $y = 20 - 14 = 6$

$$V = \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 49 \cdot 6}{4} = 127.3 \text{ bigger}$$

• When  $x = 8$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot 64 \cdot 4}{4} = 110.8 \text{ smaller}$$

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There's not much in it. When  $x = y$ , the rectangle holds  $125 \text{ m}^3$  and the prism holds  $128.06 \text{ m}^3$ . The prism holds a little more as it would take a long time and patience to work out the correct dimensions some where between 6 and 7.

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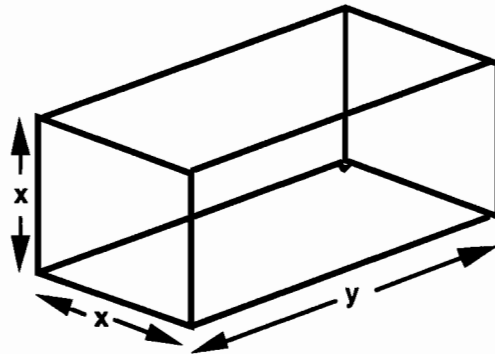
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$$\text{Max Volume} = 125 \text{ m}^3$$

The company has only 60 meters of suitable metal tubing in stock. Dimensions =  $5 \times 5 \times 5$

Find the dimensions of the container which holds the maximum volume the company can make using 60 meters of tubing.

Show how you figured it out.



x	Volume
1	13
2	44
3	81
4	112
5	125
6	108

$$\begin{aligned} \text{volume} &= x^2 \times y \\ x^2 \times (-2x + 15) \\ &= -2x^3 + 15x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2(5+15) \\ -10+15 \\ y=5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + 4x + 4y - 60 \\ 60 - 4y - 60 &= 4y \\ 8x - 60 &= 4y \\ \frac{8x - 60}{4} &= \frac{4y}{4} \\ y &= -2x + 15 \end{aligned}$$



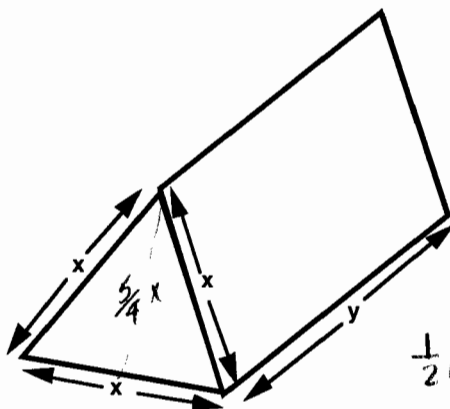
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Investigate the maximum volume of the container that can be made using 60 meters of tubing for the frame.

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)^2 &= h^2 \\x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^2 &= h^2 \\ \sqrt{\frac{5}{4}x^2} &= h \\ \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}x &= h\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\text{If } x &= 5, y = 10 \\ \frac{1}{2}(5)\left[\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}(5)\right] \cdot 10 &= 15.625 \cdot 10 \\ &= 156.25 \text{ m}^3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{If } x &= 6, y = 8 \\ \frac{1}{2}(6)\left[\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}(6)\right] \cdot 8 &= 180 \text{ m}^3\end{aligned}$$

length

$$\begin{aligned}2(3x) + 3y &= 60 \\ 6x + 3y &= 60 \\ 2x + y &= 20 \\ y &= 20 - 2x\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Volume} &= \frac{1}{2}bh \cdot y \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}x\right) \cdot y\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{If } x &= 4, y = 12 \\ \text{Vol } \frac{1}{2}(4)\left[\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}(4)\right] \cdot 12 &= \frac{1}{2}(20) \cdot 12 \\ &= 120 \text{ m}^3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{If } x &= 7, y = 6 \\ \frac{1}{2}(7)\left[\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}(7)\right] \cdot 6 &= 30.625 \cdot 6 \\ &= 183.75 \text{ m}^3\end{aligned}$$

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The prism container has more volume. If the customer wants the maximum volume, the dimensions (x, y) need to be very close to give the most space. If the customer likes larger containers, he should go with the rectangular prism.

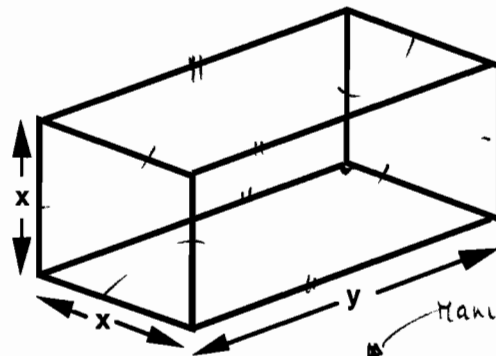
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Find largest  
if  $x$  is a  
whole number

Area of base =  $x^2$

$$8x + 4y = 60$$

$$2x + y = 15$$

$$y = 15 - 2x$$

Manipulative variable

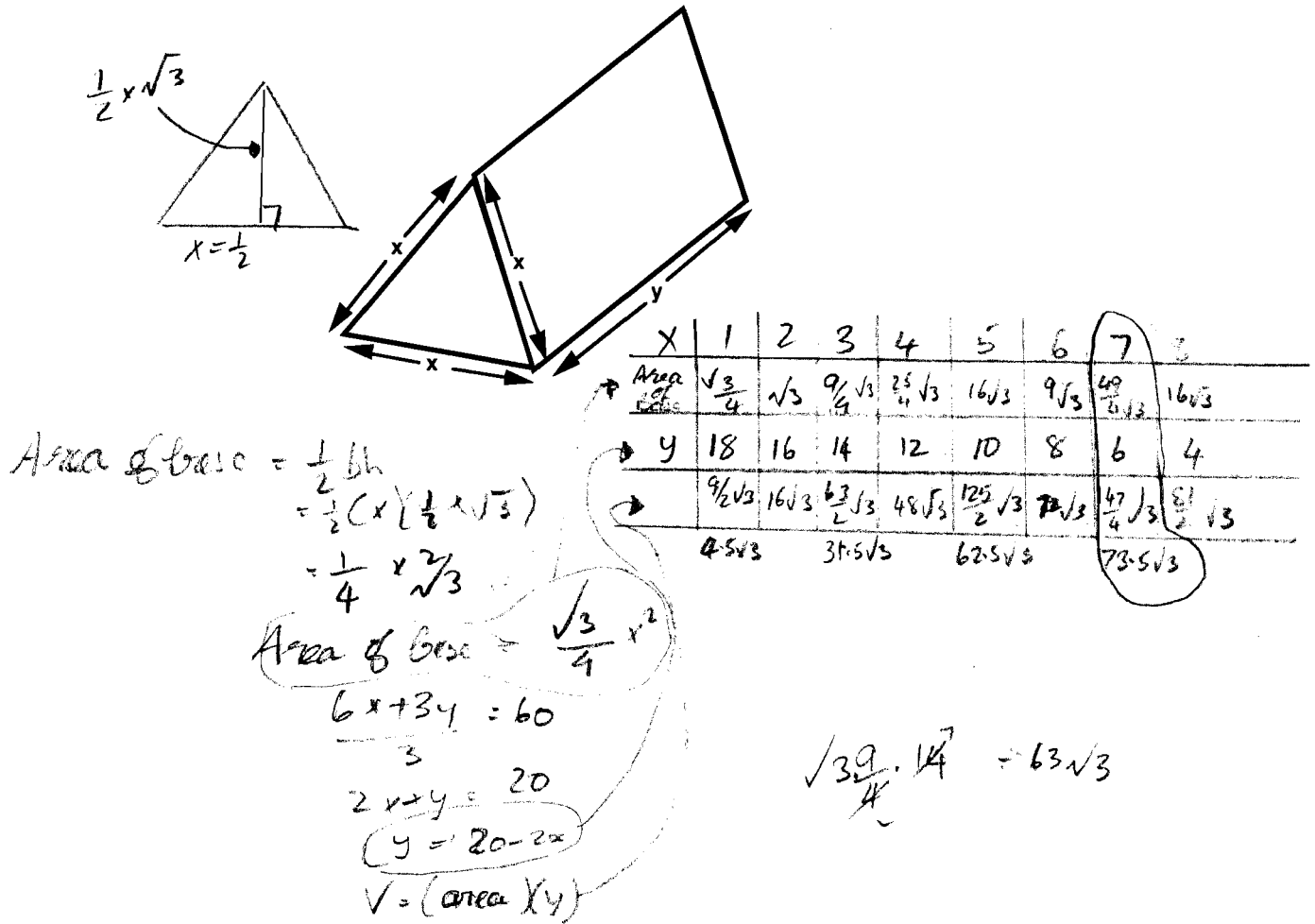
$x$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Area of Base	1	4	9	16	25	36	49
$y$	13	11	9	7	5	3	1
Volume	13	44	81	112	125	108	49

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For both containers, it's best they choose the highest values for  $x$ , while  $y$  is still a large number.

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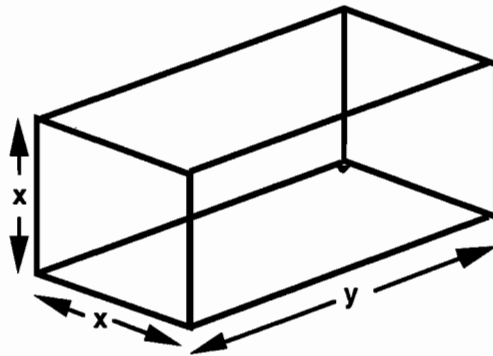
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length:



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$$y = 15 - 2x$$

$$\text{Volume} = x^2 \cdot y = x^2(15 - 2x)$$

$$\text{if } x = 4, y = 7$$

$$\text{Volume} = 4^2 \cdot 7 = 112 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{if } x = 5, y = 5 \text{ but not sure if } x \text{ can} = y$$

$$5^2 \cdot 5 = 125 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{if } x = 6, y = 3$$

$$6^2 \cdot 3 = 108 \text{ m}^3$$

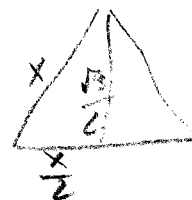
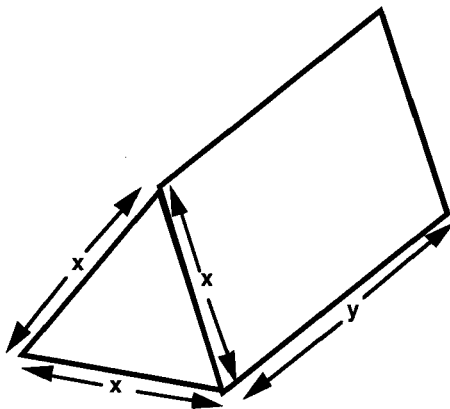
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Max Volume  
Dimensions



$$3x + 3x + 3y = 60$$

$$6x + 3y = 60$$

$$6x - 60 = -3y$$

$$30 - 2y = y$$

$$\text{Volume} = \frac{x \times h \times y}{2} =$$

$$V = \frac{x \left( \frac{\sqrt{3} \cdot x}{2} \right)}{2} \cdot (-2x + 50)$$

$$x \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \cdot 2(-x + 15)$$

$$V = \frac{\sqrt{3}x^2 - (-x + 15)}{2}$$

$$-\sqrt{3}x^3 + 15\sqrt{3} \cdot x^2 = 20$$

$$-\sqrt{3}(10)^3 + 15\sqrt{3} \cdot (10)^2 = 20$$

$$\cdot 100 = 20$$

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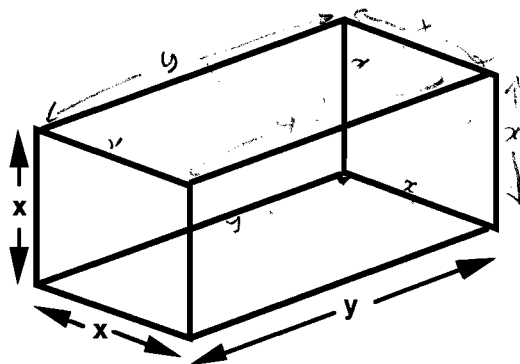
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$$y = 15 - 2x$$

$$V = x^2 y = \text{maximum}$$

$$V = x^2 (15 - 2x) = 15x^2 - 2x^3$$

$$x = 5\text{m} \quad y = 15 - 10$$

$$y = 5\text{m}$$

$$V = 125\text{m}^3$$

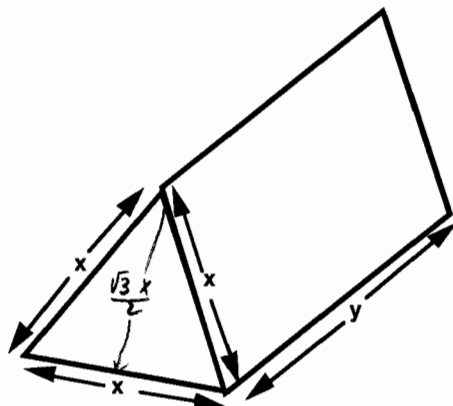
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$$6x + 3y = 60$$

$$2x + y = 20 \quad y = 20 - 2x$$

$$V = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} x^2 y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} x^2 (20 - 2x)$$

$$\text{Maximize } x^2(10 - x)$$

$$x = 6.7 \text{ m} \quad y = 20 - 13.4$$

$$y = 6.6 \text{ m}$$

$$V = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (6.7)^2 (10 - 6.7)$$

$$V = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (44.89)(3.3)$$

$$V = 128.29 \text{ m}^3$$

$$0 < x < 10$$

x	$x^2(10-x)$
2	32
3	63
4	96
5	125
6	144
7	147
8	128
6.5	147.875
6.7	148.137
6.8	147.968

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It is better to use a triangular frame than a squarish frame, because a triangular frame gives you a bigger volume while using the same amount of wiring.