# Calculus I - Lecture 19 - Applied Optimization

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- 7. Compute the remaining variables (if asked for) and state the answer in a sentence.

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The total amount of metal is minimized by a height of  $2\sqrt[3]{50/\pi} \approx 5.030$  cm and a radius of  $\sqrt[3]{50/\pi} \approx 2.515$  cm.

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**Example:** A lifeguard wishes to get to a person 100 ft downstream on the opposite shore of a 50 ft wide river, as fast as possible. What path should she take if she can swim 5 ft/sec and run 15 ft/sec.

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7. Life guard should swim straight to the point  $x = \frac{25}{\sqrt{2}} \approx 17.68$  and then run to the person.

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