

Related Rates Problems (cont.)

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① 2 or more quantities. These quantities are changing with respect to time.

② These quantities are related by an equation or set of equations.

③ Know (given) the rate of change of all but one quantity.

④ Find the rate of change of the remaining quantity.

How approach these problems

① Identify all changing quantities

② Name them using variables such as x, y, z, \dots

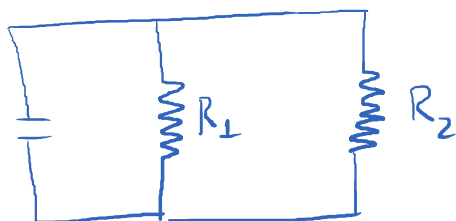
→ keep in mind these are functions of time

③ Find the relationship (equations) that relate these quantities

④ Differentiate w.r.t. time t .

⑤ Use the given information to find the missing R.O.C.

E.g. Parallel



2 resistors with resistances R_1 and R_2 .

R : total resistance.

R_1 : increasing at a rate of $0.3 \Omega/\text{s}$

R_2 : _____ $0.2 \Omega/\text{s}$

How fast is R changing when $R_1 = 80 \Omega$

and $R_2 = 100 \Omega$?

① Changing quantities: R, R_1, R_2

② \rightarrow Name

③ $\boxed{\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}}$

\leftarrow relation

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{dR_1}{dt} = 0.3 \Omega/\text{s} \\ \frac{dR_2}{dt} = 0.2 \Omega/\text{s} \end{array} \right\} \frac{dR}{dt} = ?$$

④ Differentiate the relation with respect to time:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{R} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{R^2} \frac{dR}{dt} = -\frac{1}{R_1^2} \frac{dR_1}{dt} - \frac{1}{R_2^2} \frac{dR_2}{dt}$$

$$\frac{1}{R^2} \boxed{\frac{dR}{dt}} = \frac{1}{R_1^2} \boxed{\frac{dR_1}{dt}} + \frac{1}{R_2^2} \boxed{\frac{dR_2}{dt}}$$

\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow
 $R_1 = 80$ 0.3 0.2
 $R_2 = 100$

⑤

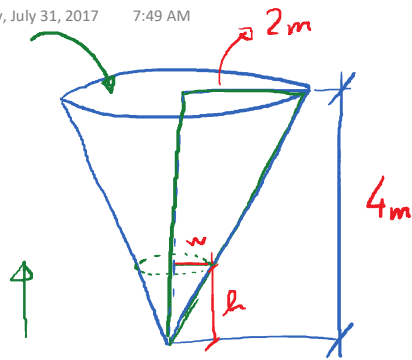
Need R .

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \quad \frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{80} + \frac{1}{100} = \frac{10+8}{800} = \frac{18}{800} = \frac{9}{400}$$

$$\rightarrow R = \frac{400}{9}$$

$$\frac{1}{\left(\frac{400}{9}\right)^2} \boxed{\frac{dR}{dt}} = \left[\frac{1}{(80)^2} \cdot (0.3) + \frac{1}{(100)^2} \cdot (0.2) \right]$$

E.g.



Water tank. Inverted Circular Cone.

Base radius: 2m

Height: 4m.

Water is being pumped into the tank at a rate of

$$\boxed{2 \text{ m}^3 / \text{min}} \rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt}$$

Q: Find the rate at which the water level is rising when the water reaches a depth of 3m.

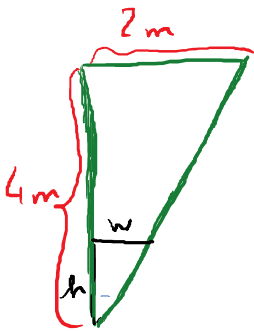
① Volume, height of water, radius of water surface.

② V, h, w

③ Relation: $V = \pi w^2 \cdot \frac{h}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \pi w^2 \cdot h$

$$\boxed{\frac{dh}{dt}}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi w^2 \cdot h$$



Similar triangles

$$\boxed{\frac{h}{4} = \frac{w}{2}} \rightarrow w = \frac{h}{2}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi \cdot \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 \cdot h = \frac{1}{3} \pi \cdot \frac{h^2}{4} \cdot h$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi \cdot \frac{h^3}{4} = \frac{1}{12} \pi h^3$$

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$$\textcircled{4} \quad \boxed{\frac{dV}{dt}} = \frac{1}{12} \pi \cdot \underbrace{3h^2}_3 \cdot \boxed{\frac{dh}{dt}} \quad \left| \quad 2 = \frac{9\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{dh}{dt} \right|$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{8}{9\pi} \text{ m/min}}$$

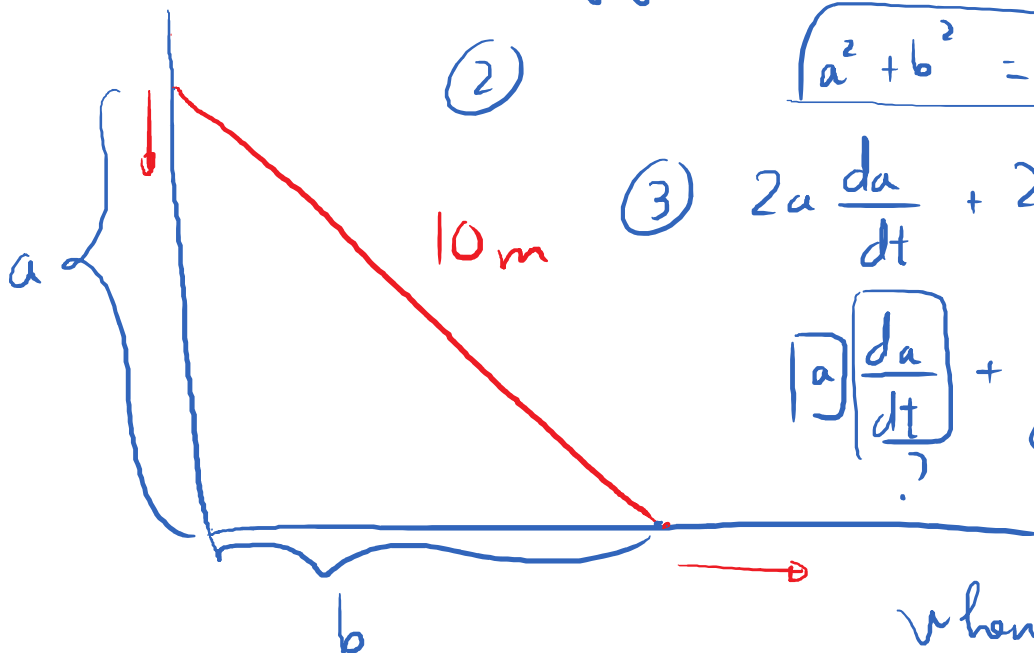
$$2 = \frac{\pi}{42} \cdot 3 \cdot (3)^2 \cdot \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\left| \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{8}{9\pi} \right| \boxed{m/min}$$

① Changing Quantities : b, a

②

$$a^2 + b^2 = 100$$



③ $2a \frac{da}{dt} + 2b \frac{db}{dt} = 0$

$$\boxed{a} \boxed{\frac{da}{dt}} + \boxed{b} \boxed{\frac{db}{dt}} = 0$$

0.4

when $b = 6$

$$a^2 + 36 = 100$$

$$a^2 = 64 ; a = 8$$

$$8 \cdot \frac{da}{dt} + 6 \cdot (0.4) = 0$$

$$8 \frac{da}{dt} = -2.4$$

$$\frac{da}{dt} = -0.3$$