

Designing a Wine Goblet

(Project and Contest!)

Math 112

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Your task is to design a wine goblet that meets the following mathematical specifications:

1. It is a solid of revolution.
2. It holds at least 150 cm^3 of liquid.
3. It takes no more than 150 cm^3 of glass to manufacture.
4. The ratio of the height of its center of mass to the radius of its base is no more than 3:1.
5. The radius of its stem must be at least $\frac{1}{4}$ cm at its thinnest point.

In order to qualify for the contest an entry must meet all the mathematical specifications given above. A qualifying entry for the contest will consist of a well-written paper that clearly describes the function used to form the wine goblet (careful analytical descriptions and good graphical representations should both be included) and clearly proves that all the mathematical requirements are met. The paper should meet good standards of mathematical and English grammar in addition to being clear and well written.

The winner of the contest will then be chosen based on aesthetic considerations only. There is a prize for each designer of the first place goblet.

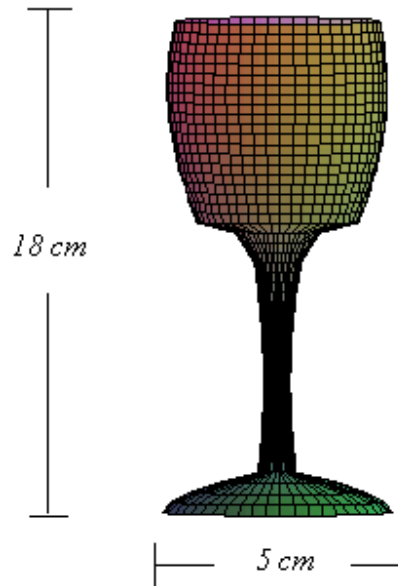
Submitting the Goblet Project

Work in groups of two or three people. This project is due on Friday, March 4th. When you turn in your goblet project you must include several things:

1. Turn in a well-written paper in which you present the goblet (giving the complete mathematical description of the functions involved in defining it) and show all the mathematics required to verify that it has the required properties. You may do this in the guise of presenting the goblet as a proposal to a company that makes goblets, if you wish. In addition, the paper should include properly proportioned pictures of the cross section of the glass as well as of the three dimensional goblet.

2. A one page submission for the contest. This must include an upright picture of the goblet properly labeled with the dimensions of the goblet. (As shown on the next page.) If you wish, you may also include a second view of the goblet shown from any viewpoint you wish. ***This is the only part of the project that the judge will see.***

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3. You must submit a Maple file including just the piecewise defined functions that describe the outside and the inside of your goblet via email to smither@kenyon.edu.

You should title the file with the last name of one or more of the persons in your group. Within the file, you should also include the names of all people who contributed to the project.

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