

# CALCULUS

## Related rates

**Problem:** A cube is growing.

At a certain moment,  $\leftarrow t_0$   
its **side length** is 7 inches  
and its **volume** is growing

at 4 cubic inches per second.

At that moment,  $\leftarrow t_0$

what is the rate of growth in **side length**,  
in inches per second?  $4/(3 \cdot 49)$  in/s

**Notation:**  
An overdot  
abbreviates  
 $d/dt$

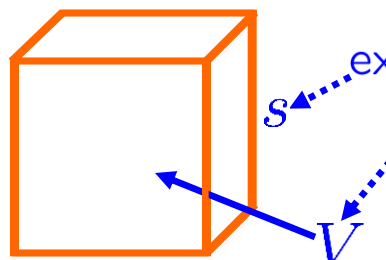
**SKILL**  
related rates

**Sol'n:** 12 step program... Admit you have a problem.

Read. Draw snapshot. Identify important quantities.

Notate drawing. Notate the requested rate.

Notate the other information given in the problem.



**Know:**  $[s]_{t:\rightarrow t_0} = 7$   $V = s^3$   
 $[\dot{V}]_{t:\rightarrow t_0} = 4$   $[\dot{V} = 3s^2 \dot{s}]_{t:\rightarrow t_0}$   
**Want:**  $[\dot{s}]_{t:\rightarrow t_0} = ?$   
 $4 = 3(7^2)(?)$   
 $? = 4/(3 \cdot 49)$

**RELATE THE QUANTITIES.**

**DIFFERENTIATE** (w.r.t.  $t$ ), RELATING THE RATES.

Plug in the information given in the problem.

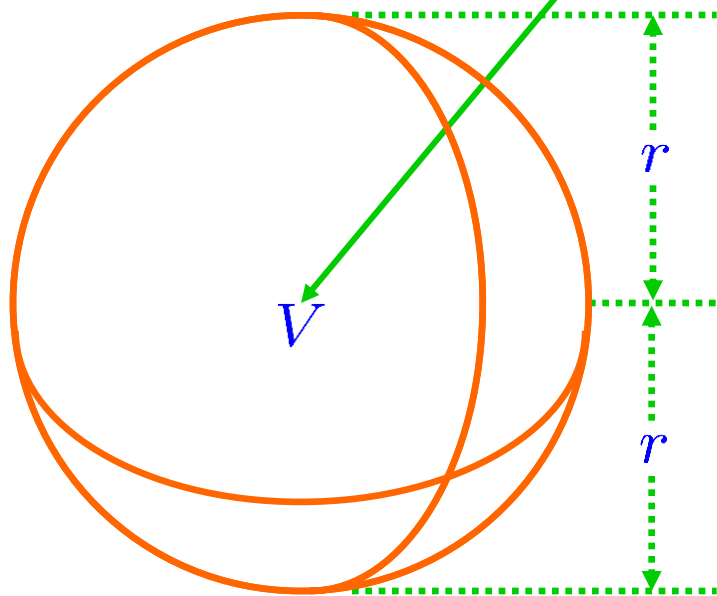
Solve for the requested rate.

§6.2 Celebrate! (Responsibly!)

**EXAMPLE:** Air is being pumped into a

spherical balloon so that its volume increases at a rate of  $200 \text{ in}^3/\text{s}$ . **How fast** is the radius of the balloon increasing

**when** the diameter is 80 in?



$$1/(32\pi) \text{ in/s}$$



**SKILL**  
related rates

$$\dot{V} = 200$$

$$[2r]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 80$$

$$[r]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 40$$

$$[\dot{r}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = ?$$

**RELATE THE QUANTITIES:**

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

**DIFFERENTIATE** (w.r.t.  $t$ ),  
**RELATING THE RATES:**

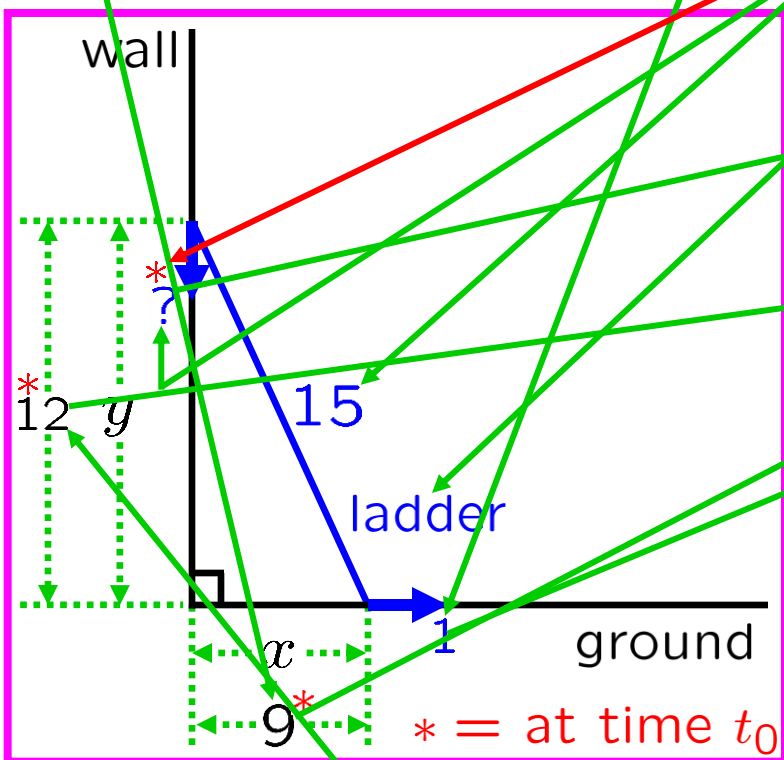
$$[\dot{V} = \frac{4}{3}\pi(3r^2)\dot{r}]_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

$$200 = 4\pi(40 \cdot 40)(?)$$

$$1/(32\pi) = \cancel{200} / (4\pi \cdot \cancel{40} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot 8) = ?$$

**EXAMPLE:** A ladder 15 ft long rests against vertical wall. If the bottom of the ladder slides away from the wall at a rate of 1 ft/s, how fast is the top of the ladder sliding down the wall when the bottom of the ladder is 9 ft from the wall?  $3/4$  ft/s ■

**SKILL**  
related rates



$$[\dot{y}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = \ominus ?$$

$$[x]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 9$$

$$[y]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 12$$

$$x = 1$$

**RELATE THE QUANTITIES:**  
 $x^2 + y^2 = 225$

**DIFFERENTIATE** (w.r.t.  $t$ ),  
**RELATING THE RATES:**  
 $[2x\dot{x} + 2y\dot{y} = 0]_{t \rightarrow t_0}$

$$\sqrt{15^2 - 9^2} = 12$$

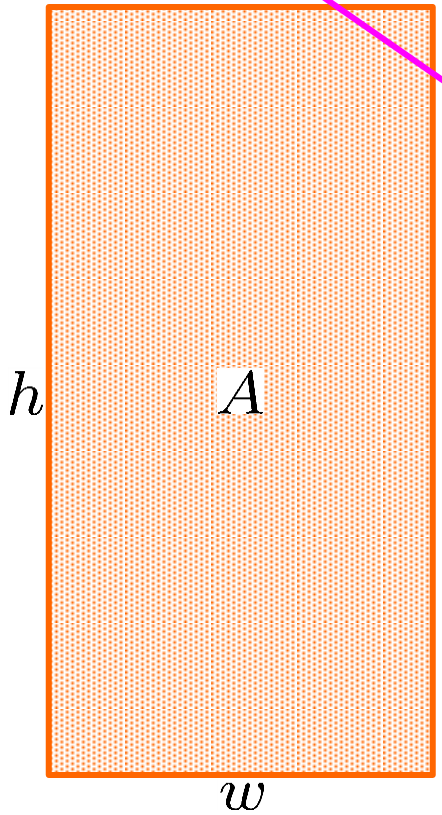
$$? = 3/4 \leftarrow 2(9)(1) + 2(12)(-?) = 0$$

**EXAMPLE:** The height of a rectangle is increasing at a rate of 9 cm/s and its width is increasing at a rate of 2 cm/s. **At some moment in time**, the height is 30 cm and the width is 15 cm.

**How fast** is its area increasing at that moment?

195 cm<sup>2</sup>/s ■

SKILL  
related rates



$$[\dot{A}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = ?$$

$$\dot{h} = 9$$

$$\dot{w} = 2$$

$$[h]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 30$$

$$[w]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 15$$

$$? = (9)(15) + (30)(2) = 195$$

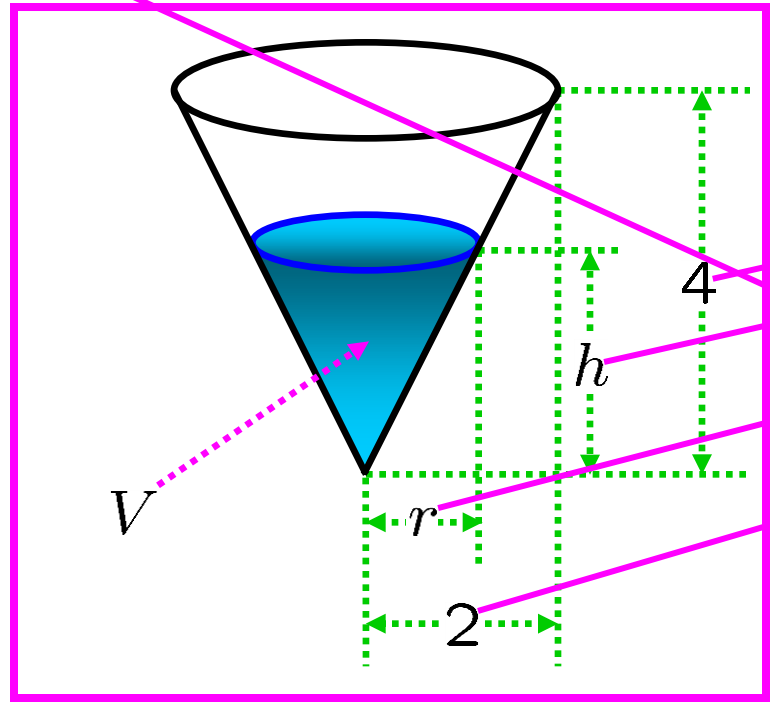
$$[\dot{A} = \dot{h}w + h\dot{w}]_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

$$A = hw$$

**EXAMPLE:** A tank has the shape of an inverted circular cone with base radius 2 yards and height 4 yards. Suppose water is being pumped into the tank at a rate of  $189 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$ . Find the rate at which the water level is rising when the water is 6 ft deep.  $7/\pi \text{ yards}/\text{min}$

$7 \text{ yards}^3/\text{min}$

when the water is 6 ft deep.  $7/\pi \text{ yards}/\text{min}$



**SKILL**  
related rates

$$[\dot{h}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = ?$$

$$[h]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 2$$

$$\dot{V} = 7$$

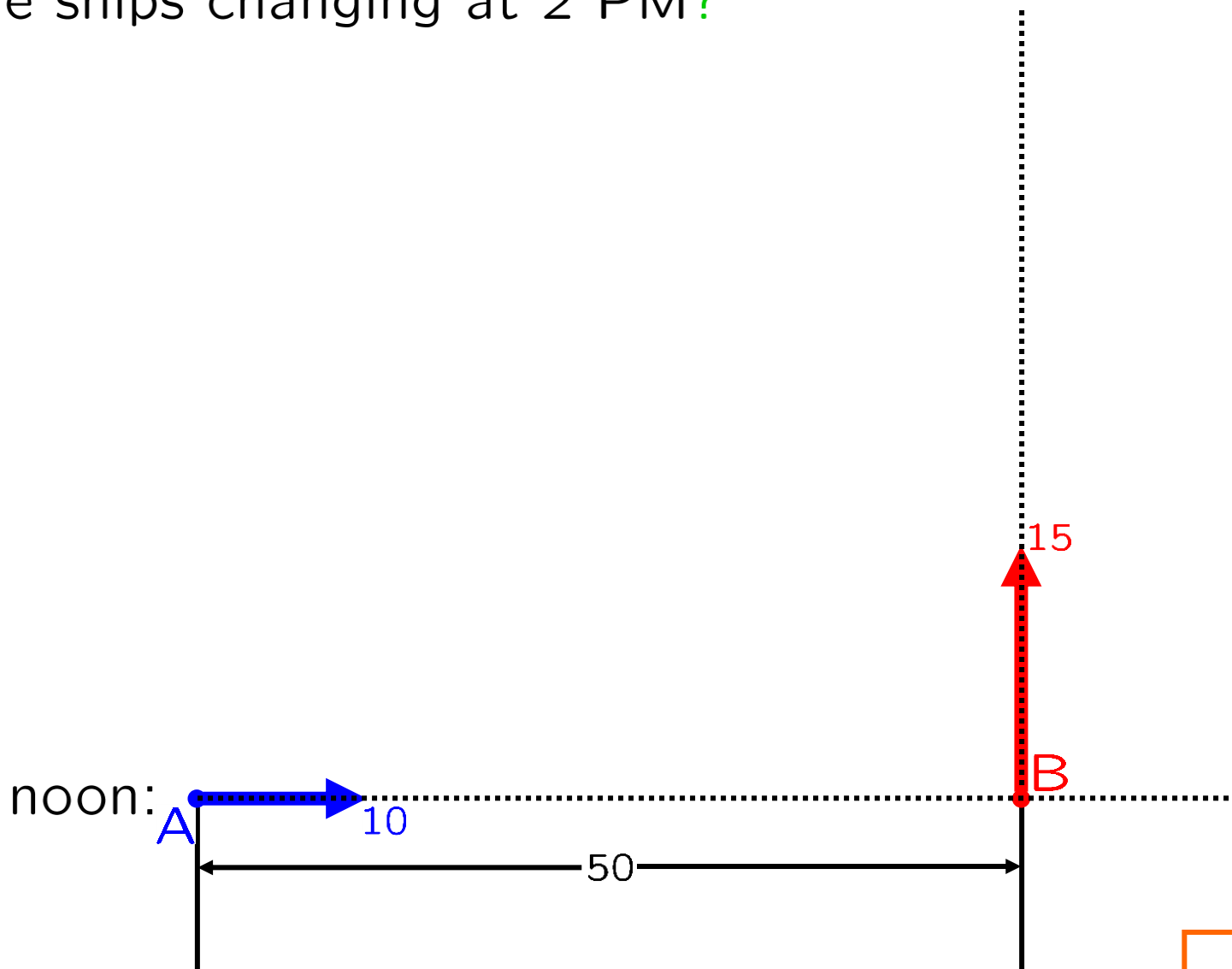
$$V = \pi r^2 h / 3 = \pi (h/2)^2 h / 3 = \pi h^3 / 12$$

$$\left[ \begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 3\pi h^2 \dot{h} / 12 \\ &= \pi h^2 \dot{h} / 4 \end{aligned} \right]_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

$$7 = \pi (2^2) (?) / 4$$

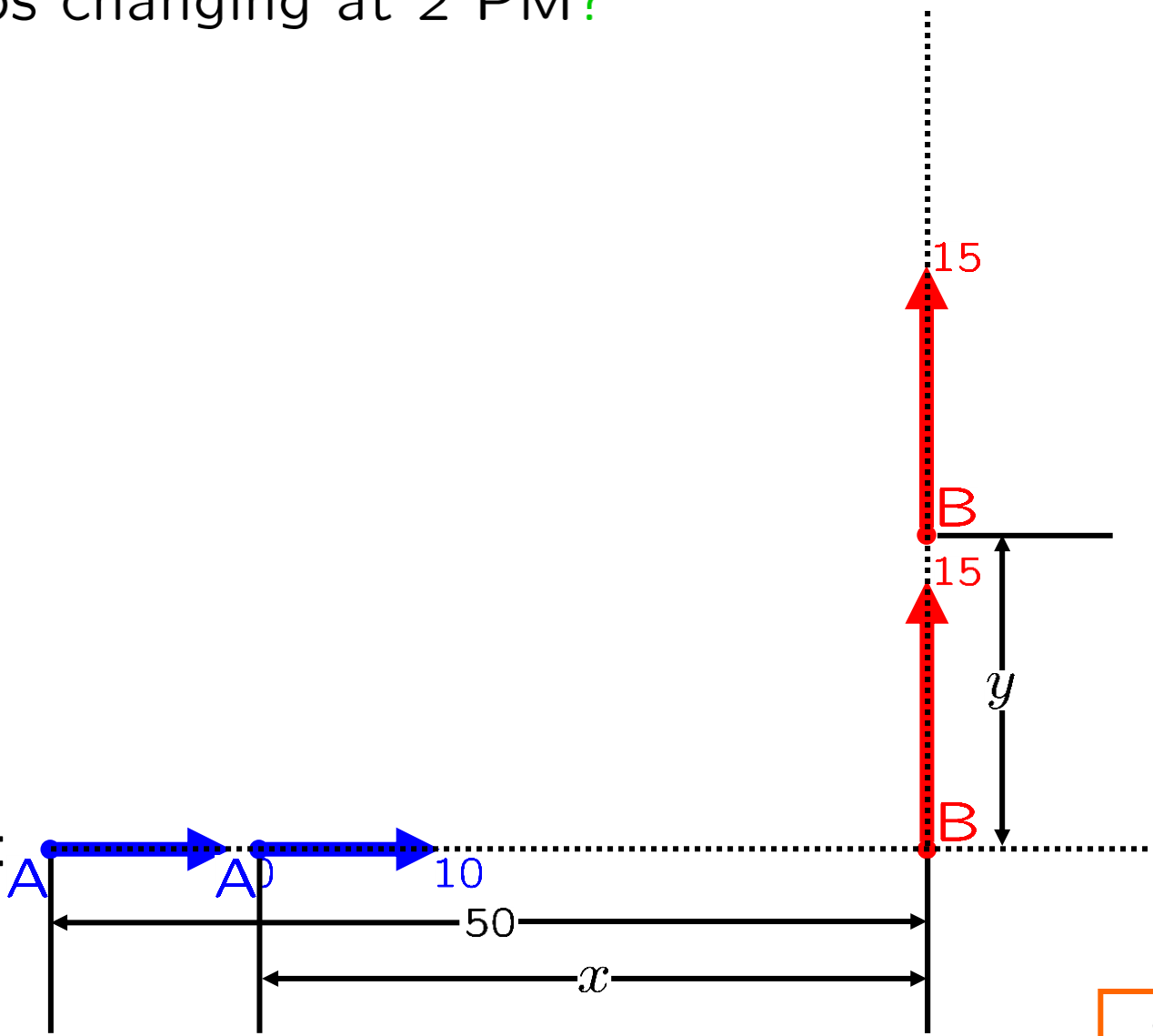
$$? = 7/\pi$$

**EXAMPLE:** At noon, ship A is 50 miles west of ship B. Ship A is traveling east at 10 miles/hr and ship B is traveling north at 15 miles/hr. How fast is the distance between the ships changing at 2 PM?



**EXAMPLE:** At noon, ship A is 50 miles west of ship B. Ship A is traveling east at 10 miles/hr and ship B is traveling north at 15 miles/hr. How fast is the distance between the ships changing at 2 PM?

$t$  hrs after noon:





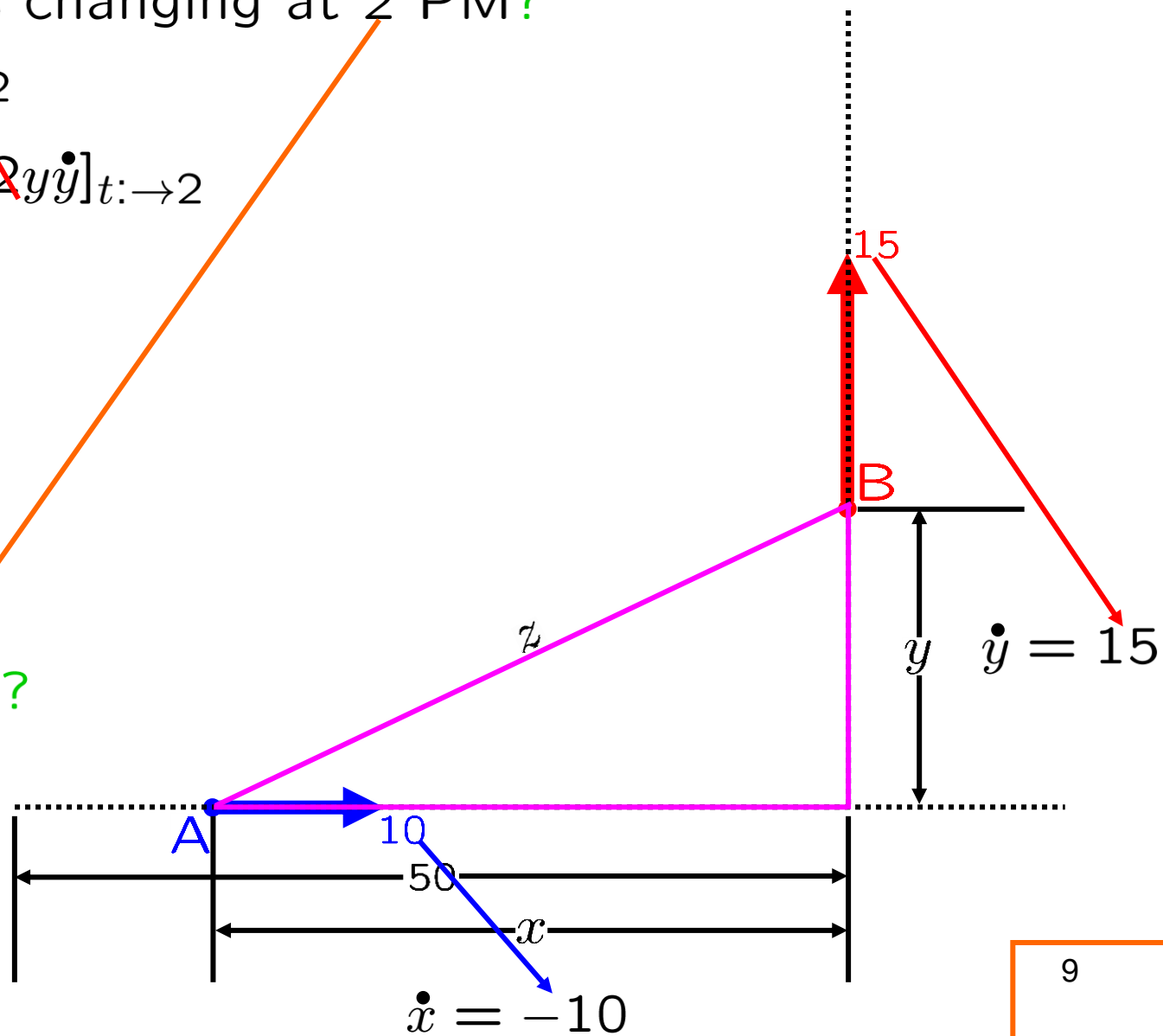
**EXAMPLE:** At noon, ship A is 50 miles west of ship B. Ship A is traveling east at 10 miles/hr and ship B is traveling north at 15 miles/hr. How fast is the distance between the ships changing at 2 PM?

$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$[\cancel{2z\dot{z}} = \cancel{2x\dot{x}} + \cancel{2y\dot{y}}]_{t:\rightarrow 2}$$

$$[\dot{z}]_{t:\rightarrow 2} = ?$$

$t$  hrs after noon:



**EXAMPLE:** At noon, ship A is 50 miles west of ship B. Ship A is traveling east at 10 miles/hr and ship B is traveling north at 15 miles/hr. How fast is the distance between the ships changing at 2 PM?

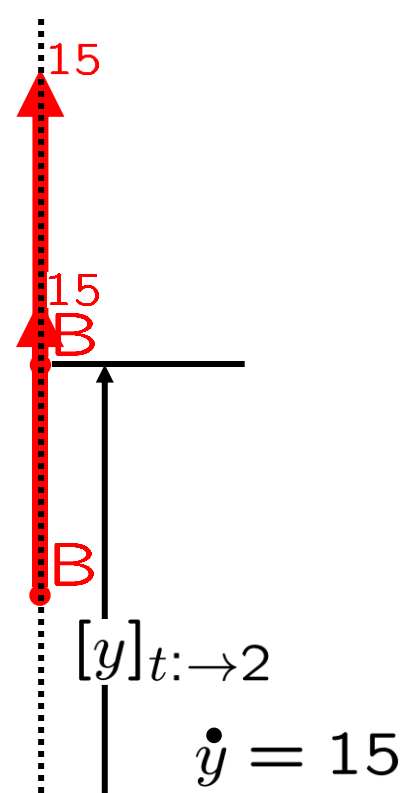
$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$[\cancel{2z\dot{z}} = \cancel{2x\dot{x}} + \cancel{2y\dot{y}}]_{t:\rightarrow 2}$$

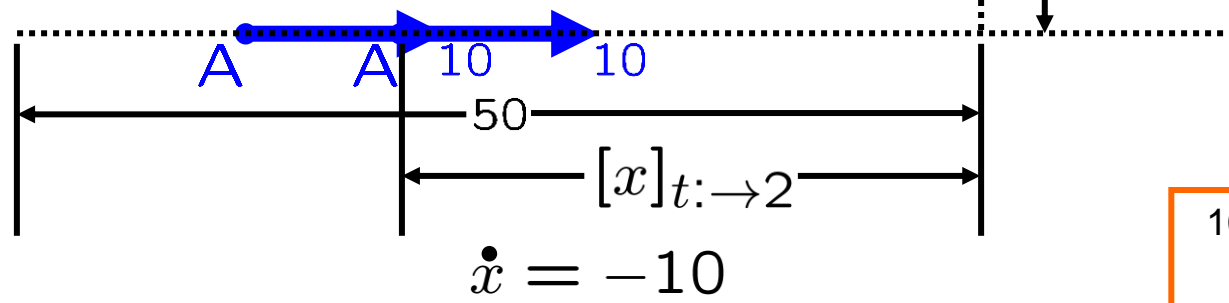
$$\dot{y} = 15$$

$$\dot{x} = -10$$

$$[\dot{z}]_{t:\rightarrow 2} = ?$$



2 hrs after noon:



**EXAMPLE:** At noon, ship A is 50 miles west of ship B. Ship A is traveling east at 10 miles/hr and ship B is traveling north at 15 miles/hr. How fast is the distance between the ships changing at 2 PM?

$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$[2z\dot{z} = 2x\dot{x} + 2y\dot{y}]_{t:\rightarrow 2}$$

$$30\sqrt{2} \dot{z} = (30)(-10) + (30)(15)$$

$$\sqrt{2} \dot{z} = 5$$

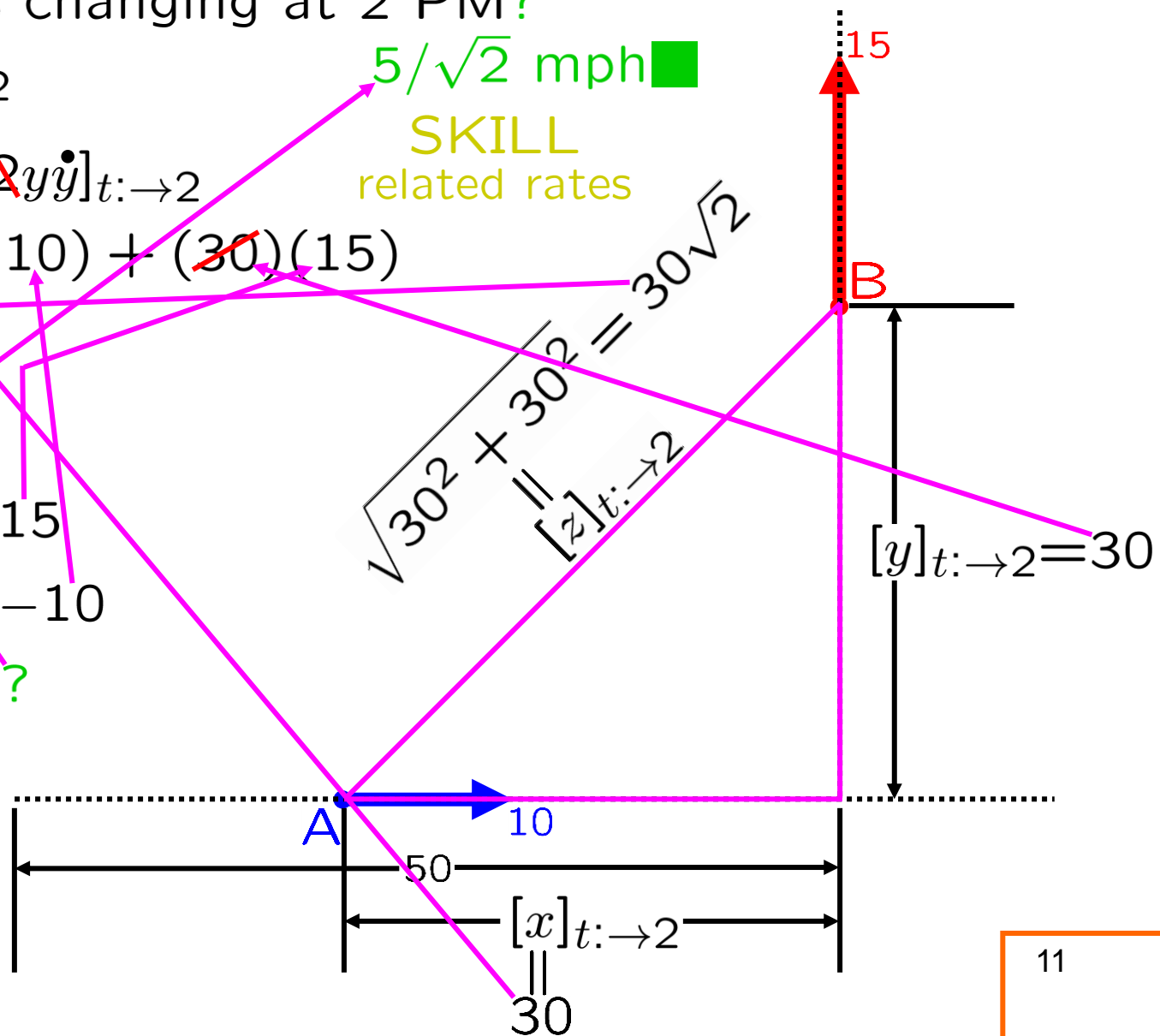
$$\dot{z} = 5/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\dot{y} = 15$$

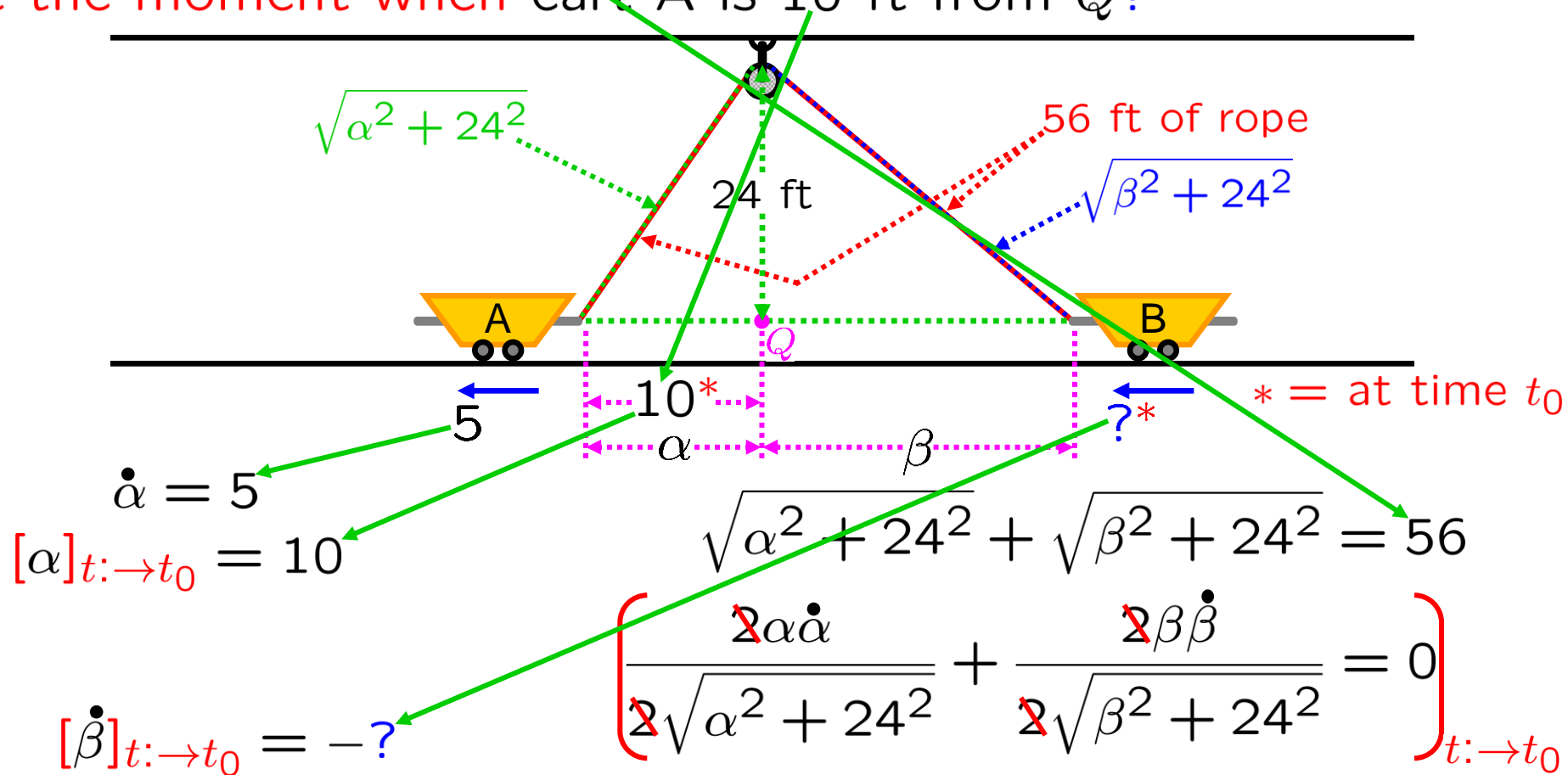
$$\dot{x} = -10$$

$$[\dot{z}]_{t:\rightarrow 2} = ?$$

5/√2 mph ■  
SKILL related rates



**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point  $Q$  is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from  $Q$  at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward  $Q$  **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from  $Q$ ?



**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point  $Q$  is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from  $Q$  at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward  $Q$  **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from  $Q$ ?

$$\sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2} + \sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2} = 56$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\alpha} &= 5 \\ [\alpha]_{t \rightarrow t_0} &= 10 \\ [\dot{\beta}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} &= -? \end{aligned} \quad \left( \frac{2\alpha\dot{\alpha}}{2\sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{2\beta\dot{\beta}}{2\sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2}} = 0 \right)_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

$\sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2} + \sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2} = 56$

**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point Q is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from Q at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward Q **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from Q?

$$\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} + \sqrt{??^2 + 24^2} = 56$$

$$\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = 26$$

$$\left( \sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2} + \sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2} = 56 \right)_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

$$[\beta]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = ??$$

$$\dot{\alpha} = 5$$

$$[\alpha]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 10$$

$$[\dot{\beta}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = -?$$

$$\left( \frac{2\alpha\dot{\alpha}}{2\sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{2\beta\dot{\beta}}{2\sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2}} = 0 \right)_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point  $Q$  is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from  $Q$  at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward  $Q$  **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from  $Q$ ?

$$\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} + \sqrt{??^2 + 24^2} = 56$$

$$\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = 26$$

$$26 + \sqrt{??^2 + 24^2} = 56$$

$$\sqrt{??^2 + 24^2} = 30$$

$$\sqrt{18^2 + 24^2} = 30$$

$$[\beta]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = ?? = 18$$

$$\dot{\alpha} = 5$$

$$[\alpha]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 10$$

$$[\dot{\beta}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = -?$$

$$\left( \frac{2\alpha\dot{\alpha}}{2\sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{2\beta\dot{\beta}}{2\sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2}} = 0 \right)_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$

**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point  $Q$  is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from  $Q$  at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward  $Q$  **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from  $Q$ ?

$$\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = 26 \quad \sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = 26$$

$$\frac{10 \cdot 5}{\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{18 \cdot (-?)}{\sqrt{18^2 + 24^2}} = 0$$

$$\sqrt{18^2 + 24^2} = 30$$

$$[\beta]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = ?? = 18$$

$$\dot{\alpha} = 5$$

$$[\alpha]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = 10$$

$$[\dot{\beta}]_{t \rightarrow t_0} = -?$$

$$\left( \frac{2\alpha\dot{\alpha}}{2\sqrt{\alpha^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{2\beta\dot{\beta}}{2\sqrt{\beta^2 + 24^2}} = 0 \right)_{t \rightarrow t_0}$$



**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point  $Q$  is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from  $Q$  at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward  $Q$  **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from  $Q$ ?

$$\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2} = 26$$

$$\frac{10 \cdot 5}{\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{18 \cdot (-?)}{\sqrt{18^2 + 24^2}} = 0$$

$$\sqrt{18^2 + 24^2} = 30$$

$$\frac{25}{13} - \frac{3 \cdot ?}{5} = \frac{50}{26} - \frac{18 \cdot ?}{30} = \frac{10 \cdot 5}{26} + \frac{18 \cdot (-?)}{30} = 0$$

$$\frac{25}{13} = \frac{3 \cdot ?}{5}$$

$$? = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} \doteq 3.205$$

**EXAMPLE:** Two carts, labeled "A" and "B", are connected by a rope 56 ft long that passes over a pulley (see below). The point  $Q$  is located 24 ft directly beneath the pulley between the carts. Cart A is being pulled away from  $Q$  at a speed of 5 ft/sec. **How fast** is cart B moving toward  $Q$  **at the moment when** cart A is 10 ft from  $Q$ ?

approx. 3.205 ft/s ■

**SKILL**  
related rates

$$\frac{10 \cdot 5}{\sqrt{10^2 + 24^2}} + \frac{18 \cdot (-?)}{\sqrt{18^2 + 24^2}} = 0$$

$$\frac{25}{13} - \frac{3 \cdot ?}{5} = \frac{50}{26} - \frac{18 \cdot ?}{30} = \frac{10 \cdot 5}{26} + \frac{18 \cdot (-?)}{30} = 0$$

$$\frac{25}{13} = \frac{3 \cdot ?}{5}$$

$$? = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} \doteq 3.205$$

# SKILL

related rates

Whitman problems

§6.2, p. 124–127, #1-25

