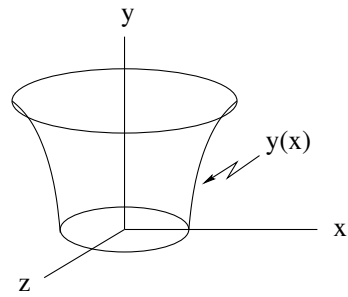


[mex27] Economy plastic cup

A manufacturer of plastic cups receives an order for cups of given height, diameters at the top and bottom, and material thickness. Determine the profile  $y(x)$  at  $z = 0$  of the cup which minimizes the amount of plastic needed for each cup.



**Solution:**