

Risp 6: The Gold and Silver Cuboid

Put the equation $y = 8x^3 - px^2 + qx - r$ into your graph plotter.
Now adjust p , q and r using the Constant Controller.

Can you find positive values for p , q and r so that the equation $y = 0$ has three positive solutions a , b and c ?

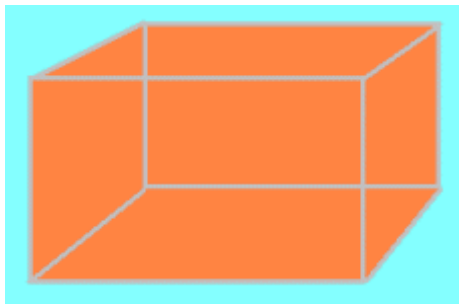
Note down p , q and r , and your values for a , b and c to 4sf.

Sketch the cuboid with sides $2a$, $2b$, and $2c$.

Find V (= volume), S (= surface area) and E (= edge-length).

Can you find a connection between p , q and r and V , S and E ?

Can you prove this will always work?



A cuboid uses exactly 10 cm of silver edging for its edges and exactly 3 cm² of gold paint to cover its surface area.

What is the maximum V can be, and what are the sides of the cuboid in this case? (to 3sf)

What is the minimum V can be, and what are the sides of the cuboid in this case? (to 3sf)