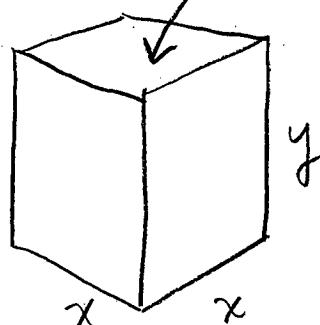


(1) [7 points] Let  $f(x) = 3 + 4x - x^2$ . Evaluate and simplify the difference quotient

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{f(4+h) - f(4)}{h} &= \frac{1}{h} [f(4+h) - f(4)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{h} [(3+4(4+h) - (4+h)^2) - (3+4(4) - (4)^2)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{h} [3+16+4h-16-8h-h^2-3-16+16] \\
 &= \frac{h(-4-h)}{h} \\
 &= \boxed{-4-h}
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) [8 points] An open rectangular box has a volume of  $5 \text{ m}^3$  and a square base of side length  $x$ . Express the surface area  $S$  of the box as a function of  $x$ .

open (no top.)



$$x^2 y = 5$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{5}{x^2}$$

$$\therefore S = x^2 + 4xy$$

$$= x^2 + 4x \left( \frac{5}{x^2} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{x^2 + \frac{20}{x}}, \quad x > 0$$