

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

$$\frac{f(4+h) - f(4)}{h}$$

$$\frac{f(4+h) - f(4)}{h} = \frac{1}{h} [f(4+h) - f(4)]$$

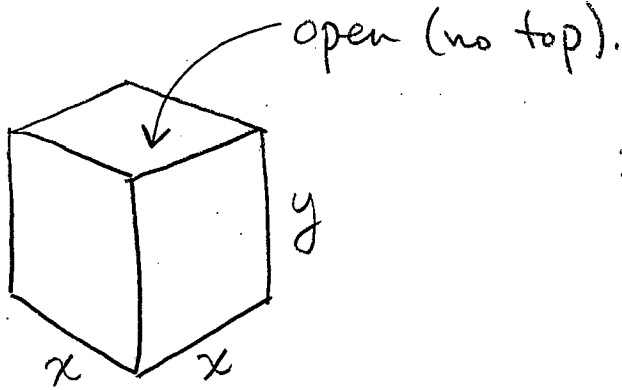
$$= \frac{1}{h} [(3 + 4(4+h) - (4+h)^2) - (3 + 4(4) - (4)^2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} [\cancel{3} + \cancel{16} + 4h - \cancel{16} - 8h - h^2 - \cancel{3} - \cancel{16} + \cancel{16}]$$

$$= \frac{h(-4-h)}{h}$$

$$= \boxed{-4-h}$$

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



$$x^2 y = 5$$

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

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

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

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