

Linear Approximation (cont.)

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Use differentials to solve each problem.

- 1) The hypotenuse of a right triangle is known to be exactly 5 in. One of the acute angles is measured to be 45° , with a possible error of $\pm 1^\circ$. Estimate the possible propagated error in the side opposite to the measured angle.

- 2) The hypotenuse of a right triangle is known to be exactly 7 cm. One of the acute angles is measured to be 30° , with a possible error of $\pm 3^\circ$. Estimate the possible propagated error in the side opposite to the measured angle.

- 3) The radius of a circle is measured to be 6 cm, with a possible error of $\pm \frac{1}{10}$ cm. Estimate the possible propagated error in the calculated area.

- 4) The sides of a square are measured to be 7 ft, with a possible error of $\pm \frac{3}{10}$ ft. Estimate the possible propagated error in the calculated area.

- 5) The sides of a cube are measured to be 6 in, with a possible error of $\pm\frac{1}{10}$ in. Estimate the possible propagated error in the calculated volume.
- 6) The hypotenuse of a right triangle is known to be exactly 10 in. One of the acute angles is measured to be 60° , with a possible error of $\pm 1^\circ$. Estimate the possible propagated error in the side opposite to the measured angle.
- 7) The sides of a square are measured to be 4 ft, with a possible error of $\pm\frac{1}{10}$ ft. Estimate the possible propagated error in the calculated area.
- 8) The sides of a cube are measured to be 5 in, with a possible error of $\pm\frac{1}{5}$ in. Estimate the possible propagated error in the calculated volume.

- 9) The radius of a circle is measured to be 7 cm, with a possible error of $\pm\frac{1}{5}$ cm. Estimate the possible propagated error in the calculated area.
- 10) The hypotenuse of a right triangle is known to be exactly 7 ft. One of the acute angles is measured to be 30° , with a possible error of $\pm 1^\circ$. Estimate the possible propagated error in the side opposite to the measured angle.

Answers to Linear Approximation (cont.) (ID: 1)

1) $x = 5\sin \theta, dx = 5\cos \theta d\theta$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ radians}, d\theta = \pm \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radians}$$

$$\Delta x \approx dx = \pm \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{72} \approx \pm 0.0617 \text{ in}$$

3) $A = \pi r^2, dA = 2\pi r dr$

$$r = 6, dr = \pm 0.1$$

$$\Delta A \approx dA = \pm \frac{6\pi}{5} \approx \pm 3.7699 \text{ cm}^2$$

5) $V = s^3, dV = 3s^2 ds$

$$s = 6, ds = \pm 0.1$$

$$\Delta V \approx dV = \pm \frac{54}{5} = \pm 10.8 \text{ in}^3$$

7) $A = s^2, dA = 2s ds$

$$s = 4, ds = \pm 0.1$$

$$\Delta A \approx dA = \pm \frac{4}{5} = \pm 0.8 \text{ ft}^2$$

9) $A = \pi r^2, dA = 2\pi r dr$

$$r = 7, dr = \pm 0.2$$

$$\Delta A \approx dA = \pm \frac{14\pi}{5} \approx \pm 8.7965 \text{ cm}^2$$

2) $x = 7\sin \theta, dx = 7\cos \theta d\theta$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ radians}, d\theta = \pm \frac{\pi}{60} \text{ radians}$$

$$\Delta x \approx dx = \pm \frac{7\pi\sqrt{3}}{120} \approx \pm 0.3174 \text{ cm}$$

4) $A = s^2, dA = 2s ds$

$$s = 7, ds = \pm 0.3$$

$$\Delta A \approx dA = \pm \frac{21}{5} = \pm 4.2 \text{ ft}^2$$

6) $x = 10\sin \theta, dx = 10\cos \theta d\theta$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ radians}, d\theta = \pm \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radians}$$

$$\Delta x \approx dx = \pm \frac{\pi}{36} \approx \pm 0.0873 \text{ in}$$

8) $V = s^3, dV = 3s^2 ds$

$$s = 5, ds = \pm 0.2$$

$$\Delta V \approx dV = \pm 15 \text{ in}^3$$

10) $x = 7\sin \theta, dx = 7\cos \theta d\theta$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ radians}, d\theta = \pm \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radians}$$

$$\Delta x \approx dx = \pm \frac{7\pi\sqrt{3}}{360} \approx \pm 0.1058 \text{ ft}$$