

[MATHEMATICS I] EXERCISE SHEET 16: LINEAR APPROXIMATIONS AND THE ANGLE BETWEEN TWO CURVES

① a) i) $f(x) = x^2$ $f'(x) = 2x$

$f(3) = 9$ $f'(3) = 6$

$f(x) \approx 9 + 6(x - 3)$

$= 9 + 6x - 18$

$= 6x - 9$

$f(3) \approx 6(3) - 9$

$= 9$

ii) $2.99^2 = f(2.99) \approx 6(2.99) - 9$
 $= 8.94$

iii) $2.99^2 = 8.9401$

b) i) $f(x) = x^2$ $f'(x) = 2x$

$f(10) = 100$ $f'(10) = 20$

$f(x) \approx 100 + 20(x - 10)$

$= 100 + 20x - 200$

$= 20x - 100$

$f(10) \approx 20(10) - 100$

$= 100$

ii) $10.05^2 = f(10.05) \approx 20(10.05) - 100$
 $= 101$

iii) $10.05^2 = 101.0025$

c) i) $g(x) = \cos x$ $g'(x) = -\sin x$

$g(0) = 1$ $g'(0) = 0$

$g(x) \approx 1 + 0(x - 0)$

$= 1$

$g(0) \approx 1$

ii) $\cos(0.1) = g(0.1) \approx 1$

iii) $\cos(0.1) = 0.9950$ (4dp)

d) i) $g(x) = \cos x$ $g'(x) = -\sin x$

$g(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$ $g'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -1$

$g(x) \approx 0 + (-1)(x - \frac{\pi}{2})$

$= -x + \frac{\pi}{2}$

$g(\frac{\pi}{2}) \approx -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}$

$= 0$

ii) $\cos(1.55) = g(1.55) \approx -1.55 + \frac{\pi}{2}$
 $= 0.0208$ (4dp)

iii) $\cos(1.55) = 0.0208$ (4dp)

② a) $f(x) = 2x + 7$ $f'(x) = 2$

$f(1) = 9$ $f'(1) = 2$

$f(x) \approx 9 + 2(x - 1)$

$= 9 + 2x - 2$

$= 2x + 7$

b) $f(x) = 2x + 7$ $f'(x) = 2$

$f(5) = 17$ $f'(5) = 2$

$f(x) \approx 17 + 2(x - 5)$

$= 17 + 2x - 10$

$= 2x + 7$

③ a) $f(x) = \ln(x+1)$ $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$

$f(0) = 0$ $f'(0) = 1$

$f(x) \approx 0 + 1(x - 0)$

$= x$

$f(0) \approx 0$

b) i) $\ln(1.02) = \ln(0.02 + 1) = f(0.02) \approx 0.02$

ii) $\ln(1.02) = 0.0198$ (4dp)

c) i) $\ln(0.99) = \ln(-0.01 + 1) = f(-0.01) \approx -0.01$

ii) $\ln(0.99) = -0.0101$ (4dp)

④ a) $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$f(0) = 1$ $f'(0) = \frac{1}{2}$

$f(x) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x - 0)$

$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x$

$f(0) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2}(0)$

$= 1$

b) i) $\sqrt{1.1} = \sqrt{0.1 + 1} = f(0.1) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2}(0.1)$
 $= 1.05$

ii) $\sqrt{1.1} = 1.0488$ (4dp)

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$$c) \sqrt{0.97} = \sqrt{-0.03+1} = f(0.03) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2}(-0.03) = 0.985$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{100+x} \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(100+x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$g(0) = 10 \quad g'(0) = 0.05$$

$$g(x) \approx 10 + 0.05(x-0) = 10 + 0.05x$$

$$i) \sqrt{0.97} = 0.9849 \text{ (4dp)}$$

$$⑤ a) f(x) = \frac{1}{x} = x^{-1} \quad f'(x) = -x^{-2}$$

$$f(4) = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25 \quad f'(4) = -\frac{1}{16} = -0.0625$$

$$f(x) \approx 0.25 + (-0.0625)(x-4)$$

$$= 0.25 - 0.0625x + 0.25$$

$$= 0.5 - 0.0625x$$

$$f(4) \approx 0.5 - 0.0625(4) = 0.25$$

$$h(x) = \sqrt{45+x} \quad h'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(45+x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$h(5) = 10 \quad h'(5) = 0.05$$

$$h(x) \approx 10 + 0.05(x-5) = 0.05x + 9.75$$

$$\sqrt{100.1} = \sqrt{100+0.1} = g(0.1) \approx 10 + 0.05(0.1) = 10.005$$

$$\sqrt{99.8} = \sqrt{100-0.2} = g(-0.2) \approx 10 + 0.05(-0.2) = 9.99$$

$$b) \frac{1}{4.01} = f(4.01) \approx 0.5 - 0.625(4.01) = 0.249375$$

$$i) \sqrt{103} = f(103) \approx 0.05(103) + 5 = 10.15$$

$$ii) \frac{1}{4.2} = f(4.2) \approx 0.5 - 0.625(4.2) = 0.2375$$

$$⑧ a) \text{ let } f(x) = (1+x)^n \quad f'(x) = n(1+x)^{n-1}$$

$$f(0) = 1 \quad f'(0) = n$$

$$f(x) \approx 1 + n(x-0) = 1 + nx$$

$$iii) \frac{1}{3.98} = f(3.98) \approx 0.5 - 0.625(3.98) = 0.25125$$

$$⑥ a) g(x) = \frac{1}{4+x} \quad g'(x) = -(4+x)^{-2}$$

$$g(0) = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25 \quad g'(0) = -0.0625$$

$$g(x) \approx 0.25 + (-0.0625)(x-0)$$

$$= 0.25 - 0.0625x$$

$$g(0) \approx 0.25 - 0.0625(0) = 0.25$$

⑥ Pascal's Triangle

$$(1+x)^1 \approx 1+x \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \end{array} \quad \rightarrow (1+x)^1 = 1+x$$

$$(1+x)^2 \approx 1+2x \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{array} \quad \rightarrow (1+x)^2 = 1+2x+x^2$$

$$(1+x)^3 \approx 1+3x \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{array} \quad \rightarrow (1+x)^3 = 1+3x+3x^2+x^3$$

$$b) \frac{1}{4.01} = \frac{1}{4+0.01} = g(0.01) \approx 0.25 - 0.0625(0.01) = 0.249375$$

$$⑨ a) f(x) = \sqrt{x} \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \Delta x = 1$$

$$f(100) = 10 \quad f'(100) = 0.05$$

$$i) \text{ Approximate maximum error } (f) = |f'(x_0) \Delta x|$$

$$= |f'(100)(1)| = 0.05$$

$$ii) \frac{1}{4.2} = \frac{1}{4+0.2} = g(0.2) \approx 0.25 - 0.0625(0.2) = 0.2375$$

$$ii) \text{ Approximate maximum percentage error } (f) = \left| \frac{0.05}{10} \right| \times 100\%$$

$$= 0.5\%$$

$$iii) \frac{1}{3.98} = \frac{1}{4-0.02} = g(-0.02) \approx 0.25 - 0.0625(-0.02) = 0.25125$$

$$⑩ a) f(x) = 200 + 5 \sin(\pi x) \quad f'(x) = 5\pi \cos(\pi x)$$

$$f(100) = 200 + 5 \sin(100\pi) \quad f'(100) = 5\pi \cos(100\pi) \quad \Delta x = 1$$

$$= 200 \quad = 5\pi$$

$$i) \text{ Approximate maximum error } (f) = |5\pi(1)| = 5\pi = 15.71 \text{ (2dp)}$$

$$⑦ f(x) = \sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f(100) = 10 \quad f'(100) = 0.05$$

$$f(x) \approx 10 + 0.05(x-100)$$

$$= 0.05x + 5$$

$$ii) \text{ Approximate maximum percentage error } (f) = \left| \frac{5\pi}{200} \right| \times 100\%$$

$$= 7.85\%$$

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11a) $f(x) = 11 + e^{-3x}$ $f'(x) = -3e^{-3x}$ a) Approximate maximum error (f) = $\left| \frac{19e^{16}}{400} \times 0.05 \right|$
 $f(0) = 12$ $f'(0) = -3$ $\Delta x = 0.2$

✓ Approximate maximum error (f) = $(-3)(0.2)$
 $= 0.6$

✓ Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{-0.6}{12} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 5\%$

✓ Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{21104.51}{e^{16} \div 20} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 4.75\% (2dp)$

12a) $f(x) = 7 + 5\cos x$ $f'(x) = -5\sin x$ b) Let $f(x) = 4x$ $f'(x) = 4$ $\Delta x = 0.1$
 $f(0) = 12$ $f'(0) = 0$ $\Delta x = 0.05$ $f(35) = 140$ $f'(35) = 4$

✓ Approximate maximum error (f) = $(0)(0.05)$
 $= 0$

✓ Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{0}{12} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 0\%$

✓ Approximate maximum error (f) = $(4)(0.1)$
 $= 0.4$

The approximate maximum error in the perimeter of the square block of land is 0.4 metres.

b) $f(0.8) = 7 + 5\cos(0.8)$ $f'(x) = -5\sin(0.8)$ $\Delta x = 0.05$

✓ Approximate maximum error (f) = $(-5\sin(0.8))(0.05)$
 $= 0.18 (2dp)$

✓ Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{0.18}{7+5\cos(0.8)} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 1.71\% (2dp)$

✓ Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{0.4}{140} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 0.29\% (2dp)$

The approximate maximum percentage error in the perimeter is 0.29%.

13 $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{1+x^2}$ $f'(x) = \frac{(\sin x)(2x) - (1+x^2)(\cos x)}{(1+x^2)^2}$
 $\Delta x = 0.1$ $f(3) = \frac{\sin 3}{10}$ $f'(3) = \frac{6\sin 3 - 10\cos 3}{100}$

a) Approximate maximum error (f) = $(6\sin 3 - 10\cos 3)(0.1)$
 $= 1.07 (2dp)$

b) Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{1.07}{\sin 3 \div 10} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 107\%$

b) Let $g(x) = x^2$ $g'(x) = 2x$
 $g(35) = 1225$ $g'(35) = 70$ $\Delta x = 0.1$
 ✓ Approximate maximum error (g) = $(70)(0.1)$
 $= 7$

The approximate maximum error in the area of the square block is 7 metres².

✓ ii) Approximate maximum percentage error (g) = $\left| \frac{7}{1225} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 0.57\% (2dp)$

The approximate maximum percentage error in the area of the square block of land is 0.57%.

13 $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{1+x^2}$ $f'(x) = \frac{-(\sin x)(2x) + (1+x^2)(\cos x)}{(1+x^2)^2}$
 $\Delta x = 0.1$ $f(3) = \frac{\sin 3}{10}$ $f'(3) = \frac{-6\sin 3 + 10\cos 3}{100}$

✓ a) Approximate maximum error (f) = $\left| \frac{-6\sin 3 + 10\cos 3}{100} (0.1) \right|$
 $= 0.01 (2dp)$

b) Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $\left| \frac{(-6\sin 3 + 10\cos 3)(0.1)}{(\sin 3) \div 10} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 76.15\% (2dp)$

16 $V = \frac{2h^2 + 5h^4}{h+1}$ $V' = \frac{(h+1)(4h+5) - (2h^2+5h)}{(h+1)^2}$ $\Delta h = 0.5$
 $V_{100} = \frac{20500}{101}$ $V'_{100} = \frac{20405}{10201}$

✓ Approximate maximum error V = $\left| \frac{20405}{10201} \times 0.5 \right|$
 $= 1$

The approximate maximum error of the water's volume is 1 cm³.

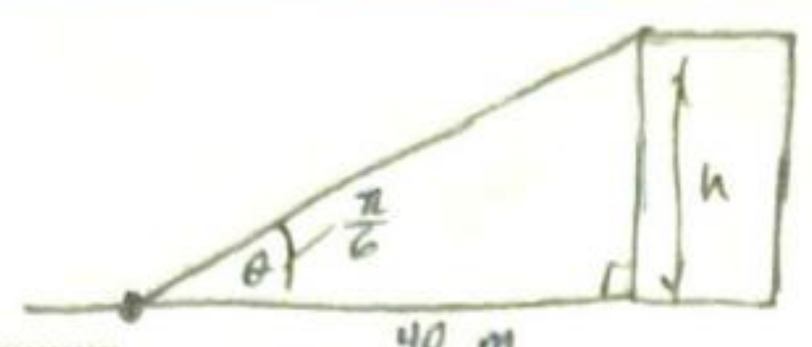
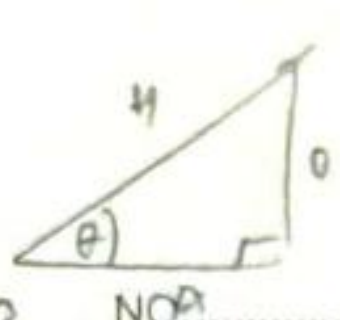
14 $f(x) = \frac{e^x}{4+x}$ $f'(x) = \frac{(4+x)(e^x) - (e^x)(1)}{(4+x)^2}$
 $f(16) = \frac{e^{16}}{20}$ $f'(16) = \frac{19e^{16}}{400}$
 $\Delta x = 0.05$

✓ b) Approximate maximum percentage error V = $\left| \frac{1}{\frac{20500}{101}} \right| \times 100\%$
 $= 0.49\% (2dp)$

The approximate maximum percentage error of the water's volume is 0.49%.

$\tan \theta = \frac{h}{40}$

$h = 40 \times \tan \theta$



$\Delta \theta = 0.02 \text{ rad}$

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17) Let $f(x) = 40x \tan \theta$ $f'(x) = 40 \sec^2 \theta$

$\Delta \theta = 0.02$

$f(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{40}{\sqrt{3}}$

$f'(\frac{\pi}{6}) = \frac{160}{3}$

Approximate maximum error (f) = $|\frac{160}{3} \times 0.02|$
 $= 1.07 (2dp)$

The approximate maximum error in the building's height is 1.07 metres.

Approximate maximum percentage error (f) = $|\frac{1.07}{\frac{40}{\sqrt{3}}}| \times 100\%$
 $= 4.62\%$

The approximate maximum percentage error in the building's height is 4.62%.

i) ① $y = x^3$ ② $y = x^2 - x$

Substitute ① into ②:

$x^3 = x^2 - x$

$x^3 - x^2 + x = 0$

$x(x^2 - x + 1) = 0$

$x = 0$

$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

$= \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)}$

$= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$ <rejected>

Substitute $x = 0$,

into $y = x^3$:

$y = 0$

$(0, 0)$

Points of intersection

ii) ① $y = x^2$ ② $y = x$
 $x^2 = x$ substitute ① into ②

$x^2 - x = 0$

$x(x - 1) = 0$

$x = 0$ $x = 1$

Substitute $x = 0$ & $x = 1$ into $y = x$:

$y = 0$ $y = 1$

$(0, 0)$, $(1, 1)$ ← Points of intersection

iii) ① $y = x^3$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x^2$

at $(0, 0)$

$m_1 = 3(0)^2$

$= 0$

$0 = \tan \theta_1$

$\theta_1 = 0$

$\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 0 - -45$

$= 45^\circ$

Angle between curves at the point of intersection $(0, 0)$:
 45°

② $y = x^2 - x$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x - 1$

at $(0, 0)$

$m_2 = 2(0) - 1$

$= -1$

$-1 = \tan \theta_2$

$\theta_2 = -45$

iv) ① $y = x^2$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$

at $(0, 0)$

$m_1 = 2(0)$

$= 0$

$0 = \tan \theta_1$

$\theta_1 = 0$

② $y = x$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$

at $(0, 0)$

$m_3 = 1$

$1 = \tan \theta_3$

$\theta_3 = 45$

$\theta_3 - \theta_1 = 45 - 0$

$= 45^\circ$

Angle between curves at point(s) of intersection:
 45° and 18.43°

at $(1, 1)$

$m_2 = 2(1)$

$= 2$

$2 = \tan \theta_2$

$\theta_2 = 63.43494882$

at $(1, 1)$

$m_4 = 1$

$1 = \tan \theta_4$

$\theta_4 = 45$

$\theta_2 - \theta_4 = \tan^{-1}(2) - 45$

$= 18.43^\circ (2dp)$

v) ① $y = \sqrt{1+x}$ ② $y = \sqrt{1-x}$

Substitute ① into ②:

$\sqrt{1+x} = \sqrt{1-x}$

$1+x = 1-x$

$2x = 0$

$x = 0$

when $x = 0$,

$y = \sqrt{1+0}$

$= 1$

Point of intersection = $(0, 1)$

vi) ① $y = \sqrt{1+x}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}(1+x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

at $(0, 1)$

$m_1 = \frac{1}{2}(1+0)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$= \frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1}{2} = \tan \theta_1$

$\theta_1 = 26.56505118$

② $y = \sqrt{1-x}$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2}(1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

at $(0, 1)$

$m_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(1-0)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$= -\frac{1}{2}$

$-\frac{1}{2} = \tan \theta_2$

$\theta_2 = -26.56505118$

$\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 26.56505118 - -26.56505118$

$= 53.13^\circ (2dp)$

Angle between curves at $(0, 1)$ is 53.13°