

Study Guide 3.10

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Instructions: Complete the following problems. Justify all your answers in complete sentences, where appropriate.

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Problem 1) Solve the following related rates problems.

1. If $x = y^3 - y$ and $dy/dt = 5$, what is dx/dt when $y = 2$?
2. If $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ and $dx/dt = -2$, then what is dy/dt when $x = 3$ and $y = -4$?
3. If $x^2y^3 = 4/27$ and $dy/dt = 1/2$, then what is dx/dt when $x = 2$?
4. If $r + s^2 + v^3 = 12$, $dr/dt = 4$, and $ds/dt = -3$, find dv/dt when $r = 3$ and $s = -1$.

Problem 2) A cube's surface area is increasing at a rate of $72\text{in}^2/\text{sec}$. At what rate is the cube's volume changing when the edge length is $x = 3$. Note that the surface area of a cube is $SA = 6x^2$, and the volume is $V = x^3$.

Problem 3) The voltage V (volts), current I (amperes), and resistance R (ohms) of an electric circuit are related by the equation $V = IR$. Suppose that V is increasing at a rate of 1 volt/sec, while I is decreasing at a rate of $1/3$ amp/sec. Let t denote time in seconds.

- (a) Determine the values of dV/dt and dI/dt .
- (b) Find the rate at which R is changing when $V = 12$ volts and $I = 2$ amperes. Is R increasing or decreasing?

Problem 4) The length ℓ of a rectangle is decreasing at the rate of 2 cm/sec, while the width w is increasing at the rate of 2 cm/sec. When $\ell = 12$ cm and $w = 5$ cm, find the rates of change of the following.

- (a) The area.
- (b) The perimeter.

Problem 5) A 13-ft ladder is leaning against a house when its base starts to slide away. By the time the base is 12 ft from the house, the base is moving at a rate of 5 ft/sec. [**Hint:** The hypotenuse of our triangle is the length of the ladder. Is this changing?]

- (a) How fast is the ladder sliding down the wall at this point?
- (b) At what rate is the area of the triangle formed by the ladder, wall, and ground changing at this point?

Problem 6) Water is flowing out of a conical reservoir (pointed downwards) at a rate of $50\text{m}^3/\text{min}$. The reservoir has base 45 meters and height 6 meters. The volume of a cone is $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$.

- (a) How fast is the water level falling when the water is 5 meters deep?
- (b) How fast is the radius of the water's surface changing when the water is 5 meters deep?

Problem 7) When a circular plate of metal is heated in an oven, its radius increases at the rate of $1/100$ cm/min. At what rate is the plate's area increasing? Note that the area of a circle is $A = \pi r^2$.