

A company selling widgets has found that the number of items sold x depends upon the price p at which they're sold, according to the equation $x = \frac{20000}{\sqrt{2p+1}}$.

Due to inflation and increasing health benefit costs, the company has been increasing the price by \$2 per month. Find the rate at which revenue is changing when the company is selling widgets at \$190 each.

dollars per month

known variables

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \$2/\text{month}$$

$$p = \$190 |_{t=t_0}$$

$$\text{Revenue} = P \cdot x$$

$$\text{Revenue} = p \cdot \frac{20000}{\sqrt{2p+1}}$$

$$R = p \cdot \frac{20000}{\sqrt{2p+1}}$$

$$R = \frac{20000P}{\sqrt{2p+1}}$$

To find $\frac{dR}{dt}$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(R) = \frac{d}{dt} \cdot \frac{20000P}{(2p+1)^{1/2}}$$

apply the quotient rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{u(x)}{v(x)} = \frac{v(x) \cdot u'(x) - u(x) \cdot v'(x)}{(v(x))^2}$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{(2p+1)^{1/2} \cdot 20000 - 20000P \cdot \frac{d}{dt}(2p+1)^{1/2}}{(2p+1)^{1/2})^2}$$

apply chain rule to $\frac{d}{dt}$ in numerator & power exponent rule to denominator -

$$\frac{d}{dx} g(y(x)) = g'(y(x)) \cdot y'(x)$$

$$((a^u)^v) = a^{uv}$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{(2p+1)^{1/2} \cdot 20000 - 20000P \cdot \frac{1}{2}(2p+1)^{-1/2}(2)}{2p+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{substitute } p=190 &= \frac{(2(190)+1)^{1/2} \cdot 20000 - 20000(190) \cdot \frac{1}{2}(2(190)+1)^{-1/2}(2)}{2(190)+1} \\ &= \frac{(381^{1/2}) \cdot 20000 - 20000(190) \cdot (381)^{-1/2}}{381} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{dt}(2p+1)^{1/2} \\ &\text{let } u = 2p+1 \\ &e = u^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} e'(u(x)) \cdot u'(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(2p+1)^{-1/2}(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 196,160 / 381 = 514.44$$

$$= 514.44 \times \frac{dp}{dt}$$

$$= 1028.88 \text{ is the rate @ which revenue is changing}$$

when the company is selling assets @ \$190