Math 21A Kouba Challenge Discussion Sheet 8

- 1.) A woman on a dock is pulling in a rope attached to a small boat. If the woman's hands are 12 feet higher than the boat and she is pulling in the rope at 2 ft./sec., at what rate is the boat approaching the dock when
  - a.) 25 ft. of rope are out?
  - b.) 13 ft. of rope are out?
- 2.) You are standing 100 feet from a small rocket as it is lauched vertically into the air at the constant rate of 50 ft./sec. At what rate is the angle formed by you, the ground, and the rocket changing when the rocket is
  - a.) 100 ft. above the ground?
  - b.) 1000 ft. above the ground?
- 3.) An inverted conical tank with base radius 5 ft. and height 10 feet is being filled with water at the rate of  $5\pi$  ft.<sup>3</sup>/min. At what rate is
  - a.) the depth of the water changing
  - b.) the circular surface area of the water changing

when the depth of the water is 8 feet?

- 4.) Use Newton's Method to estimate the solution to  $x^5 4x + 5 = 0$  to four decimal places.
- 5.) Use Newton's Method to estimate the positive solution to  $\sin x = x^3$  to four decimal places.
- 6.) Use Newton's Method to estimate the square root of 20 to four decimal places.
- 7.) Use a differential to estimate the square root of 20.
- 8.) Use a differential to show that  $\sin h \approx h$  for small h.
- 9.) A cube measuring 2 feet on each edge is dipped in warm chocolate until the candy coating on the cube is exactly 1 inch thick.
  - a.) Use a differential to estimate the volume of chocolate surrounding the cube.
  - b.) Compute the exact volume of chocolate surrounding the cube
- c.) What is the percentage error (relative to the exact volume) in using the differential's estimate?