Math 21A (2006 Summer Session I)
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Quiz 5

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2. No notes, books, or classmates may be used as resources for this exam. YOU MAY USE A CALCULATOR ON THIS EXAM.

3. Read directions to each problem carefully. Show all work for full credit. In most cases, a correct answer with no supporting work will receive little or no credit. What you write down and how you write it are the most important means of your getting a good score on this quiz. Neatness and organization are also important.

4. Make sure that you have 3 pages, including the cover page.

5. You will be graded on proper use of derivative notation.
1.) (10 pts.) Use a differential to estimate the value of \( \sqrt{18} \). Use a calculator to determine a percentage error relative to the exact value.

Let \( f(x) = \sqrt{x} \), \( x: 16 \to 18 \) so \( \Delta x = 2 \).

\[ f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \] \( \text{then} \)

\[ \Delta f = f(18) - f(16) = \sqrt{18} - 4 \]

\[ df = f'(16) \cdot \Delta x = \frac{1}{8} \cdot 2 = \frac{1}{4} \]

\[ \text{assume } df \approx \Delta f \]

\[ \sqrt{18} - 4 \approx \frac{1}{4} \to \frac{\sqrt{18}}{4} \approx 4.25 \]

\[ \boxed{\sqrt{18} \approx 4.243} \]

\[ \text{calc.} : \sqrt{18} \approx 4.243 \]

\[ \% \text{ error} = \frac{4.25 - 4.243}{4.243} \approx 0.0016 = 0.16 \% \]

2.) (10 pts.) The edge \( x \) of an isosceles right triangle is measured with an absolute error of at most 2.5%. Use a differential to estimate the corresponding percentage error in computing the area of the triangle.

\[ \text{assumed} \quad \left| \frac{\Delta x}{x} \right| \leq 2.5 \% ; \]

\[ \text{find} \quad \frac{\Delta A}{A} : \quad A = \frac{1}{2} x^2 \]

\[ A' = x \]

\[ \frac{\Delta A}{A} \approx \frac{\text{d}A}{A} = \frac{\left| A' \cdot \Delta x \right|}{A} = \frac{x \cdot |\Delta x|}{\frac{1}{2} x^2} \]

\[ \leq 2 \cdot \frac{|\Delta x|}{x} \leq 2 (2.5 \%) = 5 \% \]
3.) (10 pts.) The length $l$ of a rectangle is increasing at the rate of 2 in./sec. and the width $w$ is decreasing at the rate of 3 in./sec. At what rate is the area of the rectangle changing when $l = 7$ inches and $w = 4$ inches?

Assume $\frac{dl}{dt} = 2$ in./sec., $\frac{dw}{dt} = -3$ in./sec.; find $\frac{dA}{dt}$ when $l = 7$ in. and $w = 4$ in.: $A = lw \
\frac{dA}{dt} = l \cdot \frac{dw}{dt} + w = (7)(-3) + (4)(2) = -13$ in.$^2$/sec.

4.) (10 pts.) Consider the function $f(x) = x^2(x - 4)$ on the closed interval $[-1, 5]$. Set up a sign chart for $f'$ to determine the absolute and relative maximum and minimum values of $f$.

$f'(x) = x^2(1) + 2x(x-4) = x^2 + 2x^2 - 8x = 3x^2 - 8x = x(3x - 8) = 0$

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