



Homework 2.5 – Linear Approximation

1. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter2/lesson5/eibniz2pet.pg](#)

NOTE: Units are required in the answer blank on the right side of each equal sign. Complete this problem on paper first so you can practice writing Leibniz notation.

The position s (in miles) of a car at time t (in hours) is given by

$$s(t) = -8t^3 - 5t^2 + 5t - 4.$$

(a) The velocity v of the car is given by the formula

_____ = _____

(b) The velocity of the car at time $t = 6.5$ hours is

_____ | $t = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ = _____

(c) The acceleration of the car is given by the formula

_____ = _____

(d) The acceleration of the car at 6.5 hours is

_____ | $t = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ = _____

2. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter2/lesson5/differential2p.pg](#)

Recall that

$$\Delta y = y(x + \Delta x) - y(x) \quad \text{and} \quad dy = y'(x)dx.$$

Let $y = 2x^2$.

(a) Find Δy when $x = 2$ and $\Delta x = 0.4$:

$\Delta y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

(b) Find the differential dy when $x = 2$ and $dx = 0.4$:

$dy = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

3. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter2/lesson5/errorprop2p.pg](#)

The radius of a circular disk is measured as 24 cm with a maximum error in measurement of ± 0.1 cm. Use differentials to estimate the propagated error and the relative error in the calculated area of the disk.

Propagated error $\approx \pm \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ square centimeters

Relative error (as a unitless decimal) $\approx \pm \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

4. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter2/lesson5/error10pet.pg](#)

An oil tank in the form of a right circular cylinder of radius of r has a height h of 37 meters and a volume of $V = 37\pi r^2$. The radius is measured as 12 meters with a maximum possible error of ± 0.1 meters. Estimate the propagated and relative errors in the calculated volume of the tank.

Propagated error $\approx \pm \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ (Your answer requires **units**.)

Relative error (as a percentage) $\approx \pm \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$