

158. Controlling error

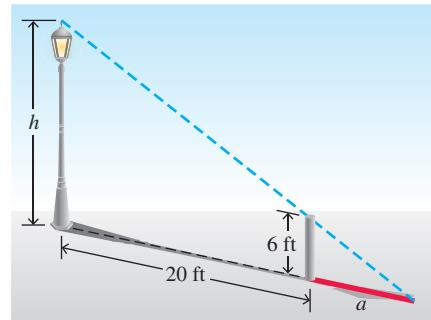
a. How accurately should you measure the edge of a cube to be reasonably sure of calculating the cube's surface area with an error of no more than 2%?

b. Suppose that the edge is measured with the accuracy required in part (a). About how accurately can the cube's volume be calculated from the edge measurement? To find out, estimate the percentage error in the volume calculation that might result from using the edge measurement.

159. Compounding error The circumference of the equator of a sphere is measured as 10 cm with a possible error of 0.4 cm. This measurement is used to calculate the radius. The radius is then used to calculate the surface area and volume of the sphere. Estimate the percentage errors in the calculated values of

a. the radius.
b. the surface area.
c. the volume.

160. Finding height To find the height of a lamppost (see accompanying figure), you stand a 6 ft pole 20 ft from the lamp and measure the length a of its shadow, finding it to be 15 ft, give or take an inch. Calculate the height of the lamppost using the value $a = 15$ and estimate the possible error in the result.



CHAPTER 3 Additional and Advanced Exercises

1. An equation like $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$ is called an **identity** because it holds for all values of θ . An equation like $\sin \theta = 0.5$ is not an identity because it holds only for selected values of θ , not all. If you differentiate both sides of a trigonometric identity in θ with respect to θ , the resulting new equation will also be an identity.

Differentiate the following to show that the resulting equations hold for all θ .

a. $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$
b. $\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$

2. If the identity $\sin(x + a) = \sin x \cos a + \cos x \sin a$ is differentiated with respect to x , is the resulting equation also an identity? Does this principle apply to the equation $x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$? Explain.

3. a. Find values for the constants a , b , and c that will make

$$f(x) = \cos x \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = a + bx + cx^2$$

satisfy the conditions

$$f(0) = g(0), \quad f'(0) = g'(0), \quad \text{and} \quad f''(0) = g''(0).$$

b. Find values for b and c that will make

$$f(x) = \sin(x + a) \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = b \sin x + c \cos x$$

satisfy the conditions

$$f(0) = g(0) \quad \text{and} \quad f'(0) = g'(0).$$

c. For the determined values of a , b , and c , what happens for the third and fourth derivatives of f and g in each of parts (a) and (b)?

4. Solutions to differential equations

a. Show that $y = \sin x$, $y = \cos x$, and $y = a \cos x + b \sin x$ (a and b constants) all satisfy the equation

$$y'' + y = 0.$$

b. How would you modify the functions in part (a) to satisfy the equation

$$y'' + 4y = 0?$$

Generalize this result.

5. **An osculating circle** Find the values of h , k , and a that make the circle $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = a^2$ tangent to the parabola $y = x^2 + 1$ at the point $(1, 2)$ and that also make the second derivatives d^2y/dx^2 have the same value on both curves there. Circles like this one that are tangent to a curve and have the same second derivative as the curve at the point of tangency are called *osculating circles* (from the Latin *osculari*, meaning “to kiss”). We encounter them again in Chapter 13.

6. **Marginal revenue** A bus will hold 60 people. The number x of people per trip who use the bus is related to the fare charged (p dollars) by the law $p = [3 - (x/40)]^2$. Write an expression for the total revenue $r(x)$ per trip received by the bus company. What number of people per trip will make the marginal revenue dr/dx equal to zero? What is the corresponding fare? (This fare is the one that maximizes the revenue.)

7. Industrial production

a. Economists often use the expression “rate of growth” in relative rather than absolute terms. For example, let $u = f(t)$ be the number of people in the labor force at time t in a given industry. (We treat this function as though it were differentiable even though it is an integer-valued step function.)

Let $v = g(t)$ be the average production per person in the labor force at time t . The total production is then $y = uv$. If the labor force is growing at the rate of 4% per year ($du/dt = 0.04u$) and the production per worker is growing at the rate of 5% per year ($dv/dt = 0.05v$), find the rate of growth of the total production, y .

b. Suppose that the labor force in part (a) is decreasing at the rate of 2% per year while the production per person is increasing at the rate of 3% per year. Is the total production increasing, or is it decreasing, and at what rate?

8. Designing a gondola The designer of a 30-ft-diameter spherical hot air balloon wants to suspend the gondola 8 ft below the bottom of the balloon with cables tangent to the surface of the balloon, as shown. Two of the cables are shown running from the top edges of the gondola to their points of tangency, $(-12, -9)$ and $(12, -9)$. How wide should the gondola be?

9. Pisa by parachute On August 5, 1988, Mike McCarthy of London jumped from the top of the Tower of Pisa. He then opened his parachute in what he said was a world record low-level parachute jump of 179 ft. Make a rough sketch to show the shape of the graph of his speed during the jump. (Source: *Boston Globe*, Aug. 6, 1988.)

10. Motion of a particle The position at time $t \geq 0$ of a particle moving along a coordinate line is

$$s = 10 \cos(t + \pi/4).$$

a. What is the particle's starting position ($t = 0$)?
b. What are the points farthest to the left and right of the origin reached by the particle?
c. Find the particle's velocity and acceleration at the points in part (b).
d. When does the particle first reach the origin? What are its velocity, speed, and acceleration then?

11. Shooting a paper clip On Earth, you can easily shoot a paper clip 64 ft straight up into the air with a rubber band. In t sec after firing, the paper clip is $s = 64t - 16t^2$ ft above your hand.

a. How long does it take the paper clip to reach its maximum height? With what velocity does it leave your hand?
b. On the moon, the same acceleration will send the paper clip to a height of $s = 64t - 2.6t^2$ ft in t sec. About how long will it take the paper clip to reach its maximum height, and how high will it go?

12. Velocities of two particles At time t sec, the positions of two particles on a coordinate line are $s_1 = 3t^3 - 12t^2 + 18t + 5$ m and $s_2 = -t^3 + 9t^2 - 12t$ m. When do the particles have the same velocities?

13. Velocity of a particle A particle of constant mass m moves along the x -axis. Its velocity v and position x satisfy the equation

$$\frac{1}{2}m(v^2 - v_0^2) = \frac{1}{2}k(x_0^2 - x^2),$$

where k , v_0 , and x_0 are constants. Show that whenever $v \neq 0$,

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = -kx.$$

In Exercises 14 and 15, use implicit differentiation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

14. $y^{\ln x} = x^{x^y}$ **15.** $y^{e^x} = x^y + 1$

16. Average and instantaneous velocity

a. Show that if the position x of a moving point is given by a quadratic function of t , $x = At^2 + Bt + C$, then the average velocity over any time interval $[t_1, t_2]$ is equal to the instantaneous velocity at the midpoint of the time interval.
b. What is the geometric significance of the result in part (a)?

17. Find all values of the constants m and b for which the function

$$y = \begin{cases} \sin x, & x < \pi \\ mx + b, & x \geq \pi \end{cases}$$

is

a. continuous at $x = \pi$.
b. differentiable at $x = \pi$.

18. Does the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

have a derivative at $x = 0$? Explain.

19. a. For what values of a and b will

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax, & x < 2 \\ ax^2 - bx + 3, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

be differentiable for all values of x ?
b. Discuss the geometry of the resulting graph of f .

20. a. For what values of a and b will

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} ax + b, & x \leq -1 \\ ax^3 + x + 2b, & x > -1 \end{cases}$$

be differentiable for all values of x ?
b. Discuss the geometry of the resulting graph of g .

21. Odd differentiable functions Is there anything special about the derivative of an odd differentiable function of x ? Give reasons for your answer.

22. Even differentiable functions Is there anything special about the derivative of an even differentiable function of x ? Give reasons for your answer.

23. Suppose that the functions f and g are defined throughout an open interval containing the point x_0 , that f is differentiable at x_0 , that $f(x_0) = 0$, and that g is continuous at x_0 . Show that the product fg is differentiable at x_0 . This process shows, for example, that

although $|x|$ is not differentiable at $x = 0$, the product $x|x|$ is differentiable at $x = 0$.

24. (Continuation of Exercise 23.) Use the result of Exercise 23 to show that the following functions are differentiable at $x = 0$.

a. $|x| \sin x$ b. $x^{2/3} \sin x$ c. $\sqrt[3]{x}(1 - \cos x)$

d. $h(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$

25. Is the derivative of

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

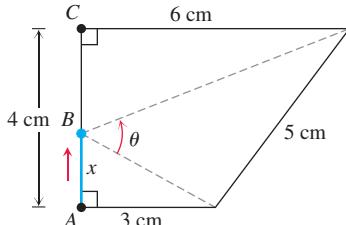
continuous at $x = 0$? How about the derivative of $k(x) = xh(x)$?

Give reasons for your answers.

26. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \text{ is rational} \\ 0, & x \text{ is irrational.} \end{cases}$

Show that f is differentiable at $x = 0$.

27. Point B moves from point A to point C at 2 cm/sec in the accompanying diagram. At what rate is θ changing when $x = 4$ cm?



28. Suppose that a function f satisfies the following conditions for all real values of x and y :

i) $f(x + y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$.

ii) $f(x) = 1 + xg(x)$, where $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = 1$.

iii) Show that the derivative $f'(x)$ exists at every value of x and that $f'(x) = f(x)$.

29. **The generalized product rule** Use mathematical induction to prove that if $y = u_1 u_2 \cdots u_n$ is a finite product of differentiable functions, then y is differentiable on their common domain and

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{du_1}{dx} u_2 \cdots u_n + u_1 \frac{du_2}{dx} \cdots u_n + \cdots + u_1 u_2 \cdots u_{n-1} \frac{du_n}{dx}.$$

30. **Leibniz's rule for higher-order derivatives of products**

Leibniz's rule for higher-order derivatives of products of differentiable functions says that

a. $\frac{d^2(uv)}{dx^2} = \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}v + 2 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} + u \frac{d^2v}{dx^2}$.

b. $\frac{d^3(uv)}{dx^3} = \frac{d^3u}{dx^3}v + 3 \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} \frac{dv}{dx} + 3 \frac{du}{dx} \frac{d^2v}{dx^2} + u \frac{d^3v}{dx^3}$.

c. $\frac{d^n(uv)}{dx^n} = \frac{d^n u}{dx^n} v + n \frac{d^{n-1} u}{dx^{n-1}} \frac{dv}{dx} + \cdots + \frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-k+1)}{k!} \frac{d^{n-k} u}{dx^{n-k}} \frac{d^k v}{dx^k} + \cdots + u \frac{d^n v}{dx^n}$.

The equations in parts (a) and (b) are special cases of the equation in part (c). Derive the equation in part (c) by mathematical induction, using

$$\binom{m}{k} + \binom{m}{k+1} = \frac{m!}{k!(m-k)!} + \frac{m!}{(k+1)!(m-k-1)!}.$$

31. **The period of a clock pendulum** The period T of a clock pendulum (time for one full swing and back) is given by the formula $T^2 = 4\pi^2 L/g$, where T is measured in seconds, $g = 32.2$ ft/sec², and L , the length of the pendulum, is measured in feet. Find approximately

a. the length of a clock pendulum whose period is $T = 1$ sec.
b. the change dT in T if the pendulum in part (a) is lengthened 0.01 ft.
c. the amount the clock gains or loses in a day as a result of the period's changing by the amount dT found in part (b).

32. **The melting ice cube** Assume that an ice cube retains its cubical shape as it melts. If we call its edge length s , its volume is $V = s^3$ and its surface area is $6s^2$. We assume that V and s are differentiable functions of time t . We assume also that the cube's volume decreases at a rate that is proportional to its surface area. (This latter assumption seems reasonable enough when we think that the melting takes place at the surface: Changing the amount of surface changes the amount of ice exposed to melt.) In mathematical terms,

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = -k(6s^2), \quad k > 0.$$

The minus sign indicates that the volume is decreasing. We assume that the proportionality factor k is constant. (It probably depends on many things, such as the relative humidity of the surrounding air, the air temperature, and the incidence or absence of sunlight, to name only a few.) Assume a particular set of conditions in which the cube lost $1/4$ of its volume during the first hour, and that the volume is V_0 when $t = 0$. How long will it take the ice cube to melt?