

Quiz 5

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1. Use a linear approximation (or differentials) to estimate $\sqrt{49.01}$. Show your work.

Let $x = 49.01$, $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, and $\tilde{x} = 49$. (3)

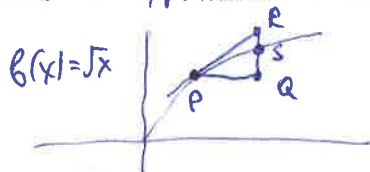
Then $f(x) \approx f(\tilde{x}) + (x - \tilde{x}) \cdot f'(\tilde{x})$ (3)

So $\sqrt{49.01} \approx \sqrt{49} + (0.01) f'(49)$.

Since $f(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$, then $f'(49) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{49}} = \frac{1}{14}$. (2)

So $\sqrt{49.01} \approx 7 + (0.01) \cdot \frac{1}{14} = \boxed{7 + \frac{1}{1400}}$

(Here's how I explained it in class:



$P = (49, 7)$
 $Q = (49.01, 7)$
 $S = (49.01, \sqrt{49.01})$

$QS \approx QR = (\text{slope of } PR) \cdot PQ$

$QS \approx f'(7) \cdot PQ$

$QS \approx \frac{1}{14} \times (0.01)$

So $\sqrt{49.01} \approx 7 + QS = 7 + \frac{0.01}{14}$

2. If $f''(x) = \sin x$, $f'(0) = 7$, and $f(0) = 3$, find $f(x)$.

Since $f''(x) = \sin x$,

Then $f'(x) = -\cos x + C$ (2) for some constant C .

Since $f'(0) = 7$, then

$7 = -\cos 0 + C$, so $7 = -1 + C$, so $C = 8$. (2)

Hence $f'(x) = -\cos x + 8$.

Therefore $f(x) = -\sin x + 8x + D$. (2)

Since $f(0) = 3$, then

$3 = -\sin 0 + 8 \cdot 0 + D$, so $3 = D$. (2)

So $\boxed{f(x) = -\sin x + 8x + 3}$. (2)