

CLASS XII APPLICATION OF DERIVATIVES CHAPTER 6

EX. 6.4 SOLUTIONS

1. Using differentials, find the approximate value of each of the following up to 3 places of decimal.

(i) $\sqrt{25.3}$

(ii) $\sqrt{49.5}$

(iii) $\sqrt{0.6}$

(iv) $(0.009)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

(v) $(0.999)^{\frac{1}{10}}$

(vi) $(15)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

(vii) $(26)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

(viii) $(255)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

(ix) $(82)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

(x) $(401)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

(xi) $(0.0037)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

(xii) $(26.57)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

(xiii) $(81.5)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

(xiv) $(3.968)^{\frac{3}{2}}$

(xv) $(32.15)^{\frac{1}{5}}$

ANS:

(i) $\sqrt{25.3}$

Consider $y = \sqrt{x}$. Let $x = 25$ and $\Delta x = 0.3$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= \sqrt{x + \Delta x} - \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{25.3} - \sqrt{25} = \sqrt{25.3} - 5 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{25.3} &= \Delta y + 5\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}(0.3) && \left[\text{as } y = \sqrt{x}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{25}}(0.3) = 0.03\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $\sqrt{25.3}$ is $0.03 + 5 = 5.03$.

(ii) $\sqrt{49.5}$

Consider $y = \sqrt{x}$. Let $x = 49$ and $\Delta x = 0.5$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= \sqrt{x + \Delta x} - \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{49.5} - \sqrt{49} = \sqrt{49.5} - 7 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{49.5} &= 7 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}(0.5) && \left[\text{as } y = \sqrt{x}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{49}}(0.5) = \frac{1}{14}(0.5) = 0.035\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $\sqrt{49.5}$ is $7 + 0.035 = 7.035$.

(iii) $\sqrt{0.6}$

Consider $y = \sqrt{x}$. Let $x = 1$ and $\Delta x = -0.4$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= \sqrt{x + \Delta x} - \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{0.6} - 1 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{0.6} &= 1 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \Delta x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} (\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = \sqrt{x} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (-0.4) = -0.2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $\sqrt{0.6}$ is $1 + (-0.2) = 1 - 0.2 = 0.8$.

(iv) $(0.009)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Let $x = 0.008$ and $\Delta x = 0.001$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (0.009)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (0.008)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (0.009)^{\frac{1}{3}} - 0.2 \\ \Rightarrow (0.009)^{\frac{1}{3}} &= 0.2 + \Delta y \end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \Delta x = \frac{1}{3(x)^{\frac{2}{3}}} (\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{3}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3 \times 0.04} (0.001) = \frac{0.001}{0.12} = 0.008 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(0.009)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ is $0.2 + 0.008 = 0.208$.

(v) $(0.999)^{\frac{1}{10}}$

Consider $y = (x)^{\frac{1}{10}}$. Let $x = 1$ and $\Delta x = -0.001$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{10}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{10}} = (0.999)^{\frac{1}{10}} - 1 \\ \Rightarrow (0.999)^{\frac{1}{10}} &= 1 + \Delta y \end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \Delta x = \frac{1}{10(x)^{\frac{9}{10}}} (\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = (x)^{\frac{1}{10}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{10} (-0.001) = -0.0001 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(0.999)^{\frac{1}{10}}$ is $1 + (-0.0001) = 0.9999$.

(vi) $(15)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{4}}$. Let $x = 16$ and $\Delta x = -1$.

Then,

$$\Delta y = (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{4}} - x^{\frac{1}{4}} = (15)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (16)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (15)^{\frac{1}{4}} - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (15)^{\frac{1}{4}} = 2 + \Delta y$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \Delta x = \frac{1}{4(x)^{\frac{3}{4}}} (\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{4}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4(16)^{\frac{3}{4}}} (-1) = \frac{-1}{4 \times 8} = \frac{-1}{32} = -0.03125 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(15)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ is $2 + (-0.03125) = 1.96875$.

(vii) $(26)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Consider $y = (x)^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Let $x = 27$ and $\Delta x = -1$.

Then,

$$\Delta y = (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (26)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (27)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (26)^{\frac{1}{3}} - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow (26)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 + \Delta y$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \Delta x = \frac{1}{3(x)^{\frac{2}{3}}} (\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = (x)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3(27)^{\frac{2}{3}}} (-1) = \frac{-1}{27} = -0.0370 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(26)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ is $3 + (-0.0370) = 2.9629$.

(viii) $(255)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

Consider $y = (x)^{\frac{1}{4}}$. Let $x = 256$ and $\Delta x = -1$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (255)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (256)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (255)^{\frac{1}{4}} - 4 \\ \Rightarrow (255)^{\frac{1}{4}} &= 4 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{4(x)^{\frac{3}{4}}}(\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{4}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4(256)^{\frac{3}{4}}}(-1) = \frac{-1}{4 \times 4^3} = -0.0039\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(255)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ is $4 + (-0.0039) = 3.9961$.

(ix) $(82)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{4}}$. Let $x = 81$ and $\Delta x = 1$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (82)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (81)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (82)^{\frac{1}{4}} - 3 \\ \Rightarrow (82)^{\frac{1}{4}} &= \Delta y + 3\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{4(x)^{\frac{3}{4}}}(\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{4}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4(81)^{\frac{3}{4}}}(1) = \frac{1}{4(3)^3} = \frac{1}{108} = 0.009\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(82)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ is $3 + 0.009 = 3.009$.

$$(x) (401)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Let $x = 400$ and $\Delta x = 1$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= \sqrt{x + \Delta x} - \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{401} - \sqrt{400} = \sqrt{401} - 20 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{401} &= 20 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}(\Delta x) \quad \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{2}}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \times 20}(1) = \frac{1}{40} = 0.025\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $\sqrt{401}$ is $20 + 0.025 = 20.025$.

$$(xi) (0.0037)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Let $x = 0.0036$ and $\Delta x = 0.0001$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{2}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (0.0037)^{\frac{1}{2}} - (0.0036)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (0.0037)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 0.06 \\ \Rightarrow (0.0037)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= 0.06 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}(\Delta x) \quad \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{2}}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \times 0.06}(0.0001) \\ &= \frac{0.0001}{0.12} = 0.00083\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the approximate value of $(0.0037)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ is $0.06 + 0.00083 = 0.06083$.

(xii) $(26.57)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Let $x = 27$ and $\Delta x = -0.43$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{3}} - x^{\frac{1}{3}} = (26.57)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (27)^{\frac{1}{3}} = (26.57)^{\frac{1}{3}} - 3 \\ \Rightarrow (26.57)^{\frac{1}{3}} &= 3 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{3(x)^{\frac{2}{3}}}(\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{3}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3(9)}(-0.43) \\ &= \frac{-0.43}{27} = -0.015\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(26.57)^{\frac{1}{3}}$ is $3 + (-0.015) = 2.984$.

(xiii) $(81.5)^{\frac{1}{4}}$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{4}}$. Let $x = 81$ and $\Delta x = 0.5$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (x)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (81.5)^{\frac{1}{4}} - (81)^{\frac{1}{4}} = (81.5)^{\frac{1}{4}} - 3 \\ \Rightarrow (81.5)^{\frac{1}{4}} &= 3 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{4(x)^{\frac{3}{4}}}(\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{4}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4(3)^3}(0.5) = \frac{0.5}{108} = 0.0046\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(81.5)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ is $3 + 0.0046 = 3.0046$.

$$(xiv) (3.968)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$. Let $x = 4$ and $\Delta x = -0.032$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{3}{2}} = (3.968)^{\frac{3}{2}} - (4)^{\frac{3}{2}} = (3.968)^{\frac{3}{2}} - 8 \\ \Rightarrow (3.968)^{\frac{3}{2}} &= 8 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{3}{2}(x)^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{3}{2}} \right] \\ &= \frac{3}{2}(2)(-0.032) \\ &= -0.096\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(3.968)^{\frac{3}{2}}$ is $8 + (-0.096) = 7.904$.

$$(xv) (32.15)^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

Consider $y = x^{\frac{1}{5}}$. Let $x = 32$ and $\Delta x = 0.15$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y &= (x + \Delta x)^{\frac{1}{5}} - x^{\frac{1}{5}} = (32.15)^{\frac{1}{5}} - (32)^{\frac{1}{5}} = (32.15)^{\frac{1}{5}} - 2 \\ \Rightarrow (32.15)^{\frac{1}{5}} &= 2 + \Delta y\end{aligned}$$

Now, dy is approximately equal to Δy and is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}dy &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)\Delta x = \frac{1}{5(x)^{\frac{4}{5}}}\cdot(\Delta x) && \left[\text{as } y = x^{\frac{1}{5}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{5 \times (2)^4}(0.15) \\ &= \frac{0.15}{80} = 0.00187\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $(32.15)^{\frac{1}{5}}$ is $2 + 0.00187 = 2.00187$.

2. Find the approximate value of $f(2.01)$, where $f(x) = 4x^2 + 5x + 2$.

ANS:

Let $x = 2$ and $\Delta x = 0.01$. Then, we have:

$$f(2.01) = f(x + \Delta x) = 4(x + \Delta x)^2 + 5(x + \Delta x) + 2$$

$$\text{Now, } \Delta y = f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)$$

$$\therefore f(x + \Delta x) = f(x) + \Delta y$$

$$\approx f(x) + f'(x) \cdot \Delta x \quad (\text{as } dx = \Delta x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(2.01) &\approx (4x^2 + 5x + 2) + (8x + 5)\Delta x \\ &= [4(2)^2 + 5(2) + 2] + [8(2) + 5](0.01) \quad [\text{as } x = 2, \Delta x = 0.01] \\ &= (16 + 10 + 2) + (16 + 5)(0.01) \\ &= 28 + (21)(0.01) \\ &= 28 + 0.21 \\ &= 28.21 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $f(2.01)$ is 28.21.

3. Find the approximate value of $f(5.001)$, where $f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 15$.

ANS:

Let $x = 5$ and $\Delta x = 0.001$. Then, we have:

$$f(5.001) = f(x + \Delta x) = (x + \Delta x)^3 - 7(x + \Delta x)^2 + 15$$

$$\text{Now, } \Delta y = f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)$$

$$\therefore f(x + \Delta x) = f(x) + \Delta y$$

$$\approx f(x) + f'(x) \cdot \Delta x \quad (\text{as } dx = \Delta x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(5.001) &\approx (x^3 - 7x^2 + 15) + (3x^2 - 14x)\Delta x \\ &= [(5)^3 - 7(5)^2 + 15] + [3(5)^2 - 14(5)](0.001) \quad [x = 5, \Delta x = 0.001] \\ &= (125 - 175 + 15) + (75 - 70)(0.001) \\ &= -35 + (5)(0.001) \\ &= -35 + 0.005 \\ &= -34.995 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate value of $f(5.001)$ is -34.995.

4. Find the approximate change in the volume V of a cube of side x metres caused by increasing the side by 1%.

ANS:

The volume of a cube (V) of side x is given by $V = x^3$.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore dV &= \left(\frac{dV}{dx} \right) \Delta x \\ &= (3x^2) \Delta x \\ &= (3x^2)(0.01x) \quad [\text{as 1\% of } x \text{ is } 0.01x] \\ &= 0.03x^3\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate change in the volume of the cube is $0.03x^3 \text{ m}^3$.

5. Find the approximate change in the surface area of a cube of side x metres caused by decreasing the side by 1%.

ANS:

The surface area of a cube (S) of side x is given by $S = 6x^2$.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{dS}{dx} &= \left(\frac{dS}{dx} \right) \Delta x \\ &= (12x) \Delta x \\ &= (12x)(0.01x) \quad [\text{as 1\% of } x \text{ is } 0.01x] \\ &= 0.12x^2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the approximate change in the surface area of the cube is $0.12x^2 \text{ m}^2$.

6. If the radius of a sphere is measured as 7 m with an error of 0.02 m, then find the approximate error in calculating its volume.

ANS:

Let r be the radius of the sphere and Δr be the error in measuring the radius.

Then,

$$r = 7 \text{ m and } \Delta r = 0.02 \text{ m}$$

Now, the volume V of the sphere is given by,

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$\therefore \frac{dV}{dr} = 4\pi r^2$$

$$\therefore dV = \left(\frac{dV}{dr}\right)\Delta r$$

$$= (4\pi r^2)\Delta r$$

$$= 4\pi(7)^2(0.02) \text{ m}^3 = 3.92\pi \text{ m}^3$$

Hence, the approximate error in calculating the volume is $3.92\pi \text{ m}^3$.

7. If the radius of a sphere is measured as 9 m with an error of 0.03 m, then find the approximate error in calculating its surface area.

ANS:

Let r be the radius of the sphere and Δr be the error in measuring the radius.

Then,

$$r = 9 \text{ m and } \Delta r = 0.03 \text{ m}$$

Now, the surface area of the sphere (S) is given by,

$$S = 4\pi r^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{dS}{dr} = 8\pi r$$

$$\therefore dS = \left(\frac{dS}{dr}\right)\Delta r$$

$$= (8\pi r)\Delta r$$

$$= 8\pi(9)(0.03) \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 2.16\pi \text{ m}^2$$

Hence, the approximate error in calculating the surface area is $2.16\pi \text{ m}^2$.

8. If $f(x) = 3x^2 + 15x + 5$, then the approximate value of $f(3.02)$ is
(A) 47.66 (B) 57.66 (C) 67.66 (D) 77.66

ANS:

Let $x = 3$ and $\Delta x = 0.02$. Then, we have:

$$f(3.02) = f(x + \Delta x) = 3(x + \Delta x)^2 + 15(x + \Delta x) + 5$$

$$\text{Now, } \Delta y = f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x + \Delta x) = f(x) + \Delta y$$

$$\approx f(x) + f'(x)\Delta x \quad (\text{As } dx = \Delta x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(3.02) \approx (3x^2 + 15x + 5) + (6x + 15)\Delta x$$

$$= [3(3)^2 + 15(3) + 5] + [6(3) + 15](0.02) \quad [\text{As } x = 3, \Delta x = 0.02]$$

$$= (27 + 45 + 5) + (18 + 15)(0.02)$$

$$= 77 + (33)(0.02)$$

$$= 77 + 0.66$$

$$= 77.66$$

Hence, the approximate value of $f(3.02)$ is 77.66.

The correct answer is D.

9. The approximate change in the volume of a cube of side x metres caused by increasing the side by 3% is
(A) $0.06x^3 \text{ m}^3$ (B) $0.6x^3 \text{ m}^3$ (C) $0.09x^3 \text{ m}^3$ (D) $0.9x^3 \text{ m}^3$

ANS:

The volume of a cube (V) of side x is given by $V = x^3$.

$$\therefore dV = \left(\frac{dV}{dx} \right) \Delta x$$

$$= (3x^2) \Delta x$$

$$= (3x^2)(0.03x) \quad [\text{As 3% of } x \text{ is } 0.03x]$$

$$= 0.09x^3 \text{ m}^3$$

Hence, the approximate change in the volume of the cube is $0.09x^3 \text{ m}^3$.

The correct answer is C.

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