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Assignment 3

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The following problem illustrates several of the limit theorems on page 68 of the text, and shows how the limit concept is related to error analysis:

Suppose we have the estimates

$$|f(x) - 2| < 0.03 \quad |g(x) - 5| < 0.03$$

Using only this information, make the best possible estimates for

- (a) $|f(x) + g(x) - 7| < \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.06
- (b) $|f(x)g(x) - 10| < \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.2109
- (c) $|f(x)/g(x) - 0.4| < \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.0845

work $|f(x) - 2| < 0.03$

means $-0.03 < f(x) - 2 < 0.03$

+2:

$$1.97 < f(x) < 2.03$$

similarly,

$$4.97 < g(x) < 5.03$$

(a) add inequalities:

$$1.97 + 4.97 < f(x) + g(x) < 2.03 + 5.03$$

$$6.94 < f(x) + g(x) < 7.06$$

-7:

$$-0.06 < f(x) + g(x) - 7 < 0.06$$

$$\text{so } |f(x) + g(x) - 7| < 0.06$$

(b) since we are dealing with positive numbers, we see

$$9.7909 \approx (1.97)(4.97) < f(x)g(x) < (2.03)(5.03) \approx 10.2109$$

-10:

$$-0.2101 < f(x)g(x) - 10 < 0.2109$$

↑
larger error

so

$$|f(x)g(x) - 10| < 0.2109$$

(c) quotients of pos. numbers are largest when numerator is largest & denom is smallest, and analogous to minimize quotient.

Thus

$$.39165 \approx \frac{1.97}{5.03} < \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} < \frac{2.03}{4.97} \approx .40845$$

subtract $\frac{2}{5} = .4$:

$$-0.00835 < \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - .4 < 0.00845$$

↑
larger error

so

$$|\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - .4| < 0.00845$$