

EXTRA PROBLEM 2A

$$p = \frac{y - z}{x + z}$$

$$y = 10.00 \pm 0.82$$

$$z = 2.00 \pm 0.17$$

$$x = 12.00 \pm 0.55$$

$$p = \frac{10.00 - 2.00}{12.00 + 2.00} = \underline{0.571}$$

SOLUTION #1

$$\text{let } u = y - z \quad p = \frac{u}{v}$$

$$v = x + z$$

$$u = 10.00 - 2.00 = 8.00$$

$$v = 12.00 + 2.00 = 14.00$$

$$\sigma_u^2 = \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_z^2 = (0.82)^2 + (0.17)^2$$

$$\sigma_u = 0.837$$

$$\sigma_v^2 = \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_z^2 = (0.55)^2 + (0.17)^2$$

$$\sigma_v = 0.576$$

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_p}{p}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sigma_u}{u}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_v}{v}\right)^2$$

$$\sigma_p^2 = p^2 \left[\left(\frac{\sigma_u}{u}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_v}{v}\right)^2 \right]$$

$$= 0.576^2 \left[\frac{0.837^2}{8.00^2} + \frac{0.576^2}{14.00^2} \right]$$

$$\sigma_p = 0.0643$$

$$p = \underline{0.57 \pm 0.06}$$

$$\underline{\text{RELATIVE ERROR} = 11.2\%}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x+z}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = -\frac{y-z}{(x+z)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{x+z} - \frac{y-z}{(x+z)^2} = -\frac{x+y}{(x+z)^2}$$

$$\sigma_P^2 = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}\right)^2 \sigma_x^2 + \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial y}\right)^2 \sigma_y^2 + \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial z}\right)^2 \sigma_z^2$$

$$\sigma_P^2 = \left(\frac{y-z}{(x+z)^2}\right)^2 \sigma_x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{x+z}\right)^2 \sigma_y^2 + \left(\frac{x+y}{(x+z)^2}\right)^2 \sigma_z^2$$

$$\sigma_P^2 = \left(\frac{8}{196}\right)^2 (0.55)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{14}\right)^2 (0.82)^2 + \left(\frac{22}{196}\right)^2 (0.77)^2$$

$$\sigma_P^2 = 0.000504 + 0.003431 + 0.000364$$

$$\sigma_P = 0.0656$$

$$\underline{\underline{P = 0.57 \pm 0.07}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{RELATIVE ERROR = 11.5\%}}$$