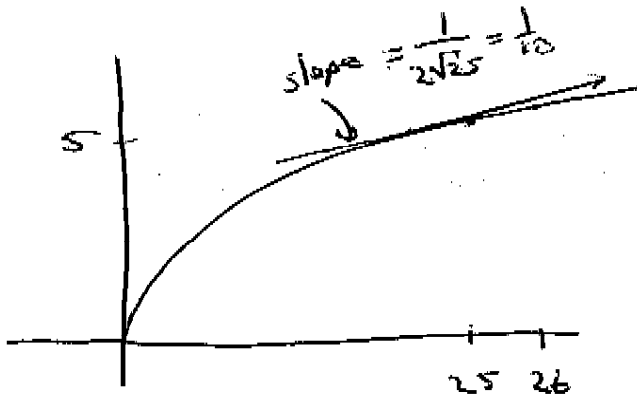


14.4: Tangent Planes & Linear Approx

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$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$



$$y = \frac{1}{10}(x - 25) + 5$$

$$\sqrt{26} \approx \frac{1}{10}(1) + 5 = 5.1.$$

Ex 2: Approx $\sqrt{26}$ w/ a tangent plane.

~~$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow f_x(x, y) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$~~

~~$$f_y(x, y) = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$~~

~~$$f(3, 4) \approx 5 + \frac{3}{5}(x-3) + \frac{4}{5}(y-4)$$~~

~~$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \Rightarrow f_x(x, y) = \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$~~

~~$$f_y(x, y) = \frac{2y}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$~~

~~$$f(3, 4) \approx 5 + \frac{3}{5}(x-3) + \frac{4}{5}(y-4)$$~~

~~$$f(1, 5) \approx 5 + \frac{3}{5}(-2) + \frac{4}{5}(1) = 4.8$$~~

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14.4: Tangent Planes

The equation of a plane thru $P(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ can be written $A(x-x_0) + B(y-y_0) + C(z-z_0) = 0$:

Solving for z : $z = z_0 - \frac{A}{C}(x-x_0) - \frac{B}{C}(y-y_0)$

and letting $a = -\frac{A}{C}$ and $b = -\frac{B}{C}$, we have

$$z = z_0 + a(x-x_0) + b(y-y_0).$$

Now, as we approximated $y = f(x)$ w/ tangent lines, we approximate $z = f(x, y)$ w/ tangent planes.

Intuitively, ~~at~~ given a pt (x_0, y_0) , the partials on $f(x, y)$ must be equal to those on the plane.

$$\Rightarrow L(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x-x_0) + f_y(\cancel{x_0, y_0})(y-y_0)$$

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Ex 2: Find the tangent plane to $z = y \ln(x)$ when $x=1$ and $y=4$.

Ex 3: Approx $4, 1 \ln(1.1)$ w/ \nearrow

Does every fct have a tangent plane approx @ every pt?

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2} & \text{else.} \\ 0 & , (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

Thm: If f_x, f_y exist near (a,b) and are cont at (a,b) , then f is differentiable at (a,b)

$$f_x = \frac{y(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

← not continuous at the origin.

Ex 4: Is $f(x,y) = \arctan(x+2y)$ differentiable at $(1,0)$? If so, find the linear approximation.

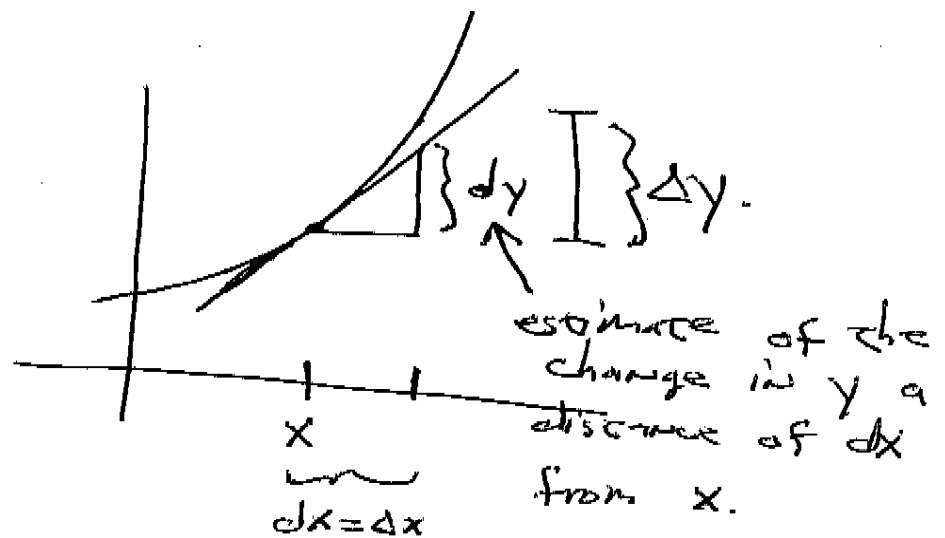
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Ex 5: Using AGI table, estimate the tax owed by a family w/ 2.2 children and an AGI of \$44,252.

Differentials.

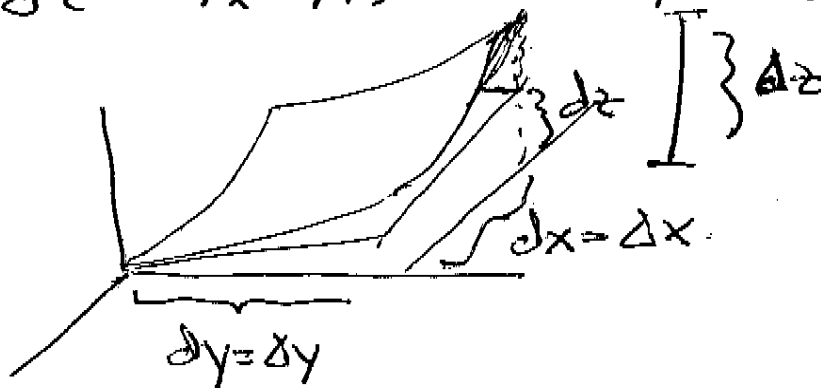
$$\text{If } f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow dy = f'(x) dx.$$

graphically.



Dfn: The Total Differential

$$dz = f_x(x, y) dx + f_y(x, y) dy.$$



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Ex 6: If $z = x^2 - xy + 3y^2$ and (x, y) changes from $(3, -1)$ to $(2.96, -0.95)$, compare the values of Δz and dz .