

Last class:

Linear approximation of $f(x,y)$ at (a,b)

$$L(x,y) = f(a,b) + f_x(a,b)(x-a) + f_y(a,b)(y-b)$$

$L(x,y) \approx f(x,y)$ for x,y near (a,b) .

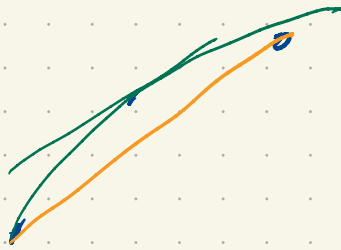
e.g. perceived temp as a function of temp, humidity

T	65	70	75	Rel hum H
94	114	118	122	
96	121	125	130	
98	127	133	138	

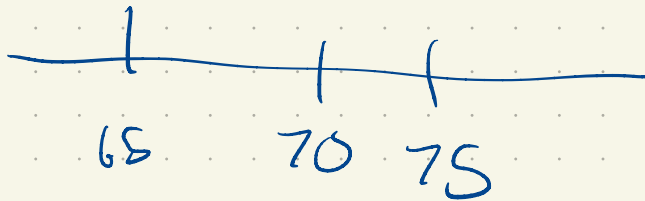
$$I = f(T, H)$$

Approximate $f(97, 72)$.

We approximate the linear approximation!



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial H}(96, 70) \approx \frac{130 - 121}{10} \\ = 0.9$$



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial T}(96, 70) \approx \frac{133 - 118}{4} \\ = \frac{15}{4} = 3.75$$

$$f(96, 70) = 125$$

$$L(T, H) \approx 125 + 3.75(T - 96) + 0.9(H - 70)$$

$$L(97, 72) = 125 + 3.75 + 1.8 \\ = 130.55$$

Differentials

$$f(x,y) \approx f(a,b) + f_x(a,b)(x-a) + f_y(a,b)(y-b)$$

$$f(x,y) - f(a,b) \approx f_x(a,b)(x-a) + f_y(a,b)(y-b)$$

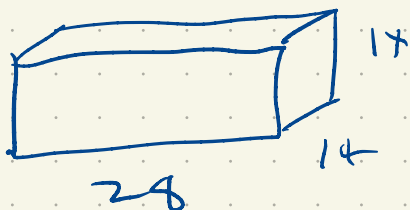
$$df := f_x(x,y) dx + f_y(x,y) dy$$

Don't think about this too hard. You are just using the linear approx.

"If you change (x,y) to $(x+dx, y+dy)$

then f changes by an amount approximately df "

Eg: A cardboard box has ^{outer} dimensions 14, 14, 28 inches.



It is 1/8 inch thick.

Approximate the volume of cardboard.

$$V = xyz$$

$$dV = yz dx + xz dy + xy dz$$

$$x = 14 \quad y = 14 \quad z = 28 \quad dx = dy = dz = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$dV = -14 \cdot 28 \cdot \frac{1}{4} - 14 \cdot 28 \cdot \frac{1}{4} - 14 \cdot 14 \cdot \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= -14^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right]$$

$$= \frac{14^2 \cdot 5}{4} = 7^2 \cdot 5 = 245 \text{ m}^3$$

Ex. A cone has ~~height~~ 10 cm and ~~radius~~ height 25 cm
radius

with error ± 0.1 cm.

estimate the error in the volume.

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$$

$$dU = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} dr + \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} dh$$

$$= \frac{2\pi r h dr}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 dh$$

$$= \frac{2\pi \cdot 10 \cdot 25}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{3} \pi \cdot 100 \cdot 0.1$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{3} \left[\frac{500}{10} + 10 \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{3} \cdot 60 = 20\pi \approx 60 \text{ cm}^3$$

A function is differentiable if...