

Wednesday November 2, 2022

### Reminders

- MLM on Related Rates due Thursday
  - Written HW 4 due Wednesday
  - Office hours today 1-2<sup>30</sup> in Locy 203
- 2 of them!

### Recap

Point-slope form of a line

### 3.9 Linearization

A linearization is

Ex 1. Find the linear approximation to  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1+2x)^4}$  at  $x=0$  and use it to estimate  $f(0.1)$ .

Ex 2. Use a linear approximation to estimate  $(8.06)^{2/3}$  by hand.

Ex. 3. Atmospheric pressure  $P$  decreases as altitude  $h$  increases. At a temperature of  $15^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the pressure is  $101.3\text{ kPa}$  at sea level,  $87.1\text{ kPa}$  at an altitude of  $1\text{ km}$ , and  $74.9\text{ kPa}$  at an altitude of  $2\text{ km}$ . Use a linear approximation to estimate the atmospheric pressure at an altitude of  $3\text{ km}$ .



Ex. 4. Ponder...

(a) Does a function always have a linearization at a given point  $x=c$ ?

(b) If  $f(x)$  has a linearization at  $x=c$ , is the linearization unique?

(c) When is a function  $f(x)$  equal to its linearization?

(d) If the linearization to  $f(x)$  at  $x=c$  is  $L(x)$ , is there a max or min on the error of using  $L(x)$ ?

(e) What are some ideas for getting an approximation to  $f(x)$  that's better than the linearization?