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- warm up
- Lecture 13.4

Monday

13.5

When you are done with your homework you should be able to...

- π Understand the concepts of increments and differentials
- π Extend the concept of differentiability to a function of two variables
- π Use a differential as an approximation

Warm-up: The measurement of a side of a square is found to be 12 inches, with a possible error of  $\frac{1}{64}$  inch. Use differentials to approximate the possible propagated error in computing the area of the square.

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} = 2x$$

$$\partial A = 2x \partial x$$

$$\partial A = 2 \left( \frac{3}{12} \right) \left( \pm \frac{1}{64} \right)$$

$$\partial A = \pm \frac{3}{8} \text{ in}^2$$

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### DEFINITION OF TOTAL DIFFERENTIAL

If  $z = f(x, y)$  and  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$  are increments of  $x$  and  $y$ , then the differentials of the independent variables  $x$  and  $y$  are

$$dx = \Delta x \quad \text{and} \quad dy = \Delta y$$

and the total differential of the dependent variable  $z$  is

$$\partial z = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy = f_x(x, y) dx + f_y(x, y) dy$$

Example 1: Find the total differential.

a.  $z = \frac{x^2}{y}$

$$\partial z = f_x(x, y) \partial x + f_y(x, y) \partial y$$

$$\partial z = \frac{2x}{y} \partial x - \frac{x^2}{y^2} \partial y$$

b.  $w = e^y \cos x + z^2$

$$\partial w = f_x(x, y, z) \partial x + f_y(x, y, z) \partial y + f_z(x, y, z) \partial z$$

$$\partial w = -e^y \sin x \partial x + e^y \cos x \partial y + 2z \partial z$$

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$$\Delta z = f_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y$$

where both  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $(\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ . The function  $f$  is differentiable in a region  $R$  if it is differentiable at each point in  $R$ .

Example 2: Find  $z = f(x, y)$  and use the total differential to approximate the quantity.

$$(2.03)^2 (1+8.9)^3 - 2^2 (1+9)^3$$

Annotations for the expression above:  
 $\delta z$  (circled) with an arrow pointing to the first term.  
 $9 + (-.1)$  with an arrow pointing to the  $8.9$  in the second term.  
 $x=2, y=9$  with a wavy line under the second term.

$$z = x^2 (1+y)^3$$

$$x = 2$$

$$\partial x = .03$$

$$y = 9$$

$$\partial y = -.1$$

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

$$\partial z = 2x(1+y)^3 \partial x + x^2 [3(1+y)^2] \partial y$$

$$\partial z = 2(2)(1+9)^3 (.03) + (2)^2 3(1+9)^2 (-.1)$$

$$\partial z = 4(30) - 12(10)$$

$$\partial z = 120 - 120$$

$$\partial z = 0$$

### THEOREM: SUFFICIENT CONDITION FOR DIFFERENTIABILITY

If  $f$  is a function of  $x$  and  $y$ , where  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  are continuous in an open region  $R$ , then  $f$  is differentiable on  $R$ .

### THEOREM: DIFFERENTIABILITY IMPLIES CONTINUITY

If a function of  $x$  and  $y$  is differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$  then it is continuous at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

Example 3: A triangle is measured and two adjacent sides are found to be 3 inches and 4 inches long, with an included angle of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ . The possible errors in

measurement are  $\frac{1}{16}$  inch for the sides and 0.02 radian for the angle.

Approximate the maximum possible error in the computation of the area.

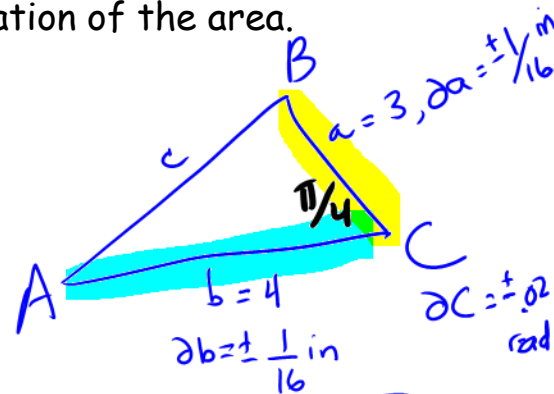
$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} a \cdot b \cdot \sin C$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$$

$$\partial A = \frac{\partial A}{\partial a} \partial a + \frac{\partial A}{\partial b} \partial b + \frac{\partial A}{\partial C} \partial C$$

$$\partial A = \frac{1}{2} [b \sin C \partial a + a \sin C \partial b + ab \cos C \partial C]$$

$$\partial A = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 4 \left( \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left( \frac{\pm 1}{16} \right) + 3 \left( \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \left( \frac{\pm 1}{16} \right) + 3 \cdot 4 \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \right) (0.02) \right]$$



$$\approx \boxed{\pm 0.239}$$

*continuous*

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$$\varepsilon_1 \text{ and } \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } (\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$$

$$\Delta z = f(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) - f(x_0, y_0)$$

let  $x = x_0 + \Delta x$  and  $y = y_0 + \Delta y$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) - f(x_0, y_0) &= [f_x(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_1] \Delta x + [f_y(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_2] \Delta y \\ &= [f_x(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_1] (x - x_0) + [f_y(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_2] (y - y_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y) = [f_x(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_1] (x - x_0) + [f_y(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_2] (y - y_0) + f(x_0, y_0)$$

$$= 0 + f(x_0, y_0)$$

$$= f(x_0, y_0)$$

So  $f$  is continuous at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

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let  $z = f(x, y)$

$$\Delta z = f(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)$$

$$= [(x + \Delta x)^2 + (y + \Delta y)^2] - (x^2 + y^2)$$

$$= \cancel{x^2} + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 + \cancel{y^2} + 2y\Delta y + (\Delta y)^2 - \cancel{x^2} - \cancel{y^2}$$

$$= 2x(\Delta x) + 2y(\Delta y) + \Delta x(\Delta x) + \Delta y(\Delta y)$$

$$= f_x(x, y)(\Delta x) + f_y(x, y)(\Delta y) + \varepsilon_1(\Delta x) + \varepsilon_2(\Delta y)$$

$$\varepsilon_1 = \Delta x, \varepsilon_2 = \Delta y \quad \text{as } (\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0, 0), \varepsilon_1 \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0 //$$