

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d(x^{\frac{1}{2}})}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

HW Given  $y = 10 + \sqrt{x}$ ,

- a) Find the derivative  $f'(x)$ .  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$   
 b) Fill in the table

Point	X	Y	$f'(x)$
	0	10	
A	1	11	0.5
B	2	14	0.35
C	3	19	0.29

- c) Does the slope increase as  $x$  increase? no when  $x \uparrow$   $Y \downarrow$   
 d) Approximate the change in  $Y$  when  $\Delta x = 0.2$  at  $x_1 = 3$ . Is the approximation under- or over-estimate?

$$\Delta y = f'(x_1) \cdot \Delta x = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \cdot 0.2 = \frac{0.2}{2\sqrt{3}} \approx 0.0577$$

$$x_1 = 3, y_1 = 10 + \sqrt{3} \approx 11.73$$

Note: If the function  $f(x)$  is linear, the approximation is exact.

$$\text{real } \Delta y : y_2 = f(3.2) = 10 + \sqrt{3.2} = 11.79$$

$$\Delta y = y_2 - y_1 = [10 + \sqrt{3.2}] - [10 + \sqrt{3}] = 0.0565$$

∴ We are over estimate the real change of  $y$ .