

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

- a) Find the derivative  $f'(x)$ .  
 b) Fill in the table

Point	X	Y	$f'(x)$
	0	10	0
A	1	11	$\frac{1}{2}$
B	2	11.414	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$
C	3	11.732	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$

only positive part

$$\frac{d}{dx} (10 + x^{\frac{1}{2}}) = 0 + \frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

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

$$\Delta Y \approx f'(x_1) \Delta x$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} (0.2)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{30} \approx 0.0577$$

$$\text{real } Y_2 = f(x_2) = f(3.2) = 10 + \sqrt{3.2}$$

$$\Delta Y = Y_2 - Y_1 = (10 + \sqrt{3.2}) - (10 + \sqrt{3}) \approx 0.0568$$

$\left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{30} \right) > 0.0568$

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

$$\Delta Y \approx 0.0577$$

$$\Delta Y = 0.0568$$

∴ the approximation over-estimate