

Section 10.1

Limits

Reading Debrief

- Discuss 4-7 from Reading 5 w/ person next to you.
- Questions about anything from Section 10.1?

(b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + 1}$. The graph: [GeoGebra: Reading 5 Task 4\(b\)](#).

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + 1} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - 1)}{(x^2 + y^2) - 1} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - 1)}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - 1}{1} = 0$$

Removable Discontinuity

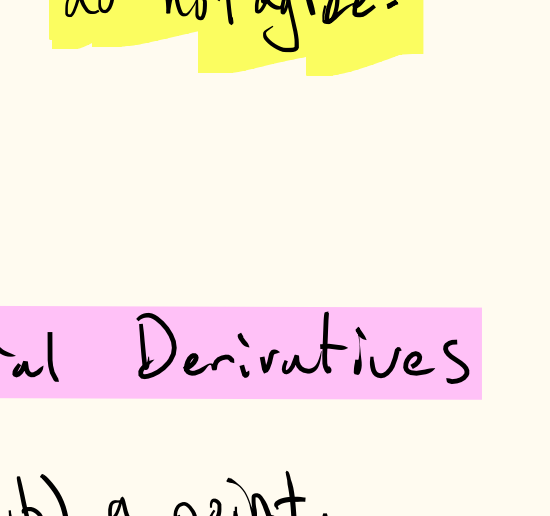
(b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = \frac{3x^2}{3x^2 + 5y^2}$. The graph: [GeoGebra: Reading 5 Task 5\(b\)](#)

$$r(t) = \langle 0, t \rangle, \quad t \geq 0$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x(t)^2}{3x(t)^2 + 5y(t)^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$$

$$r(t) = \langle t, t \rangle, \quad t \geq 0$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{3t^2}{3t^2 + 5t^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$$



The limit does not exist because the limits along two different paths do not agree.

Section 10.2

First-Order Partial Derivatives

Let $f(x,y)$ be a function and (a,b) a point.

We can get a single variable function

$$g(x) = f(x, b)$$

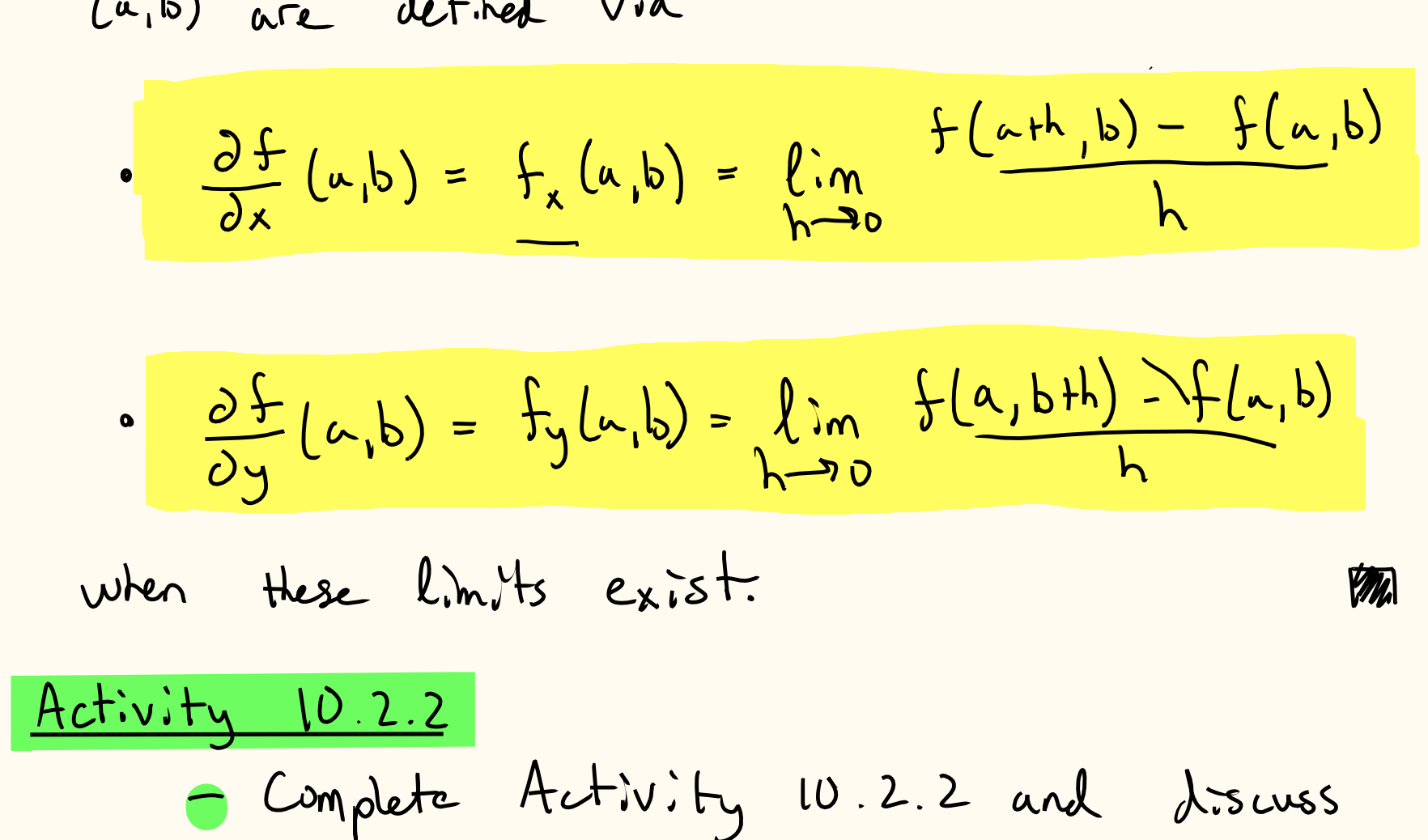
by setting $y=b$. the graph of $g(x)$ is the $y=b$ trace of $f(x,y)$. Since $g(x)$ is a single variable function, we can define its derivative w.r.t. x

$$g'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(a+h) - g(a)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h, b) - f(a, b)}{h}$$

this limit is the slope of the tangent line to the $y=b$ trace of $f(x,y)$ at the point $x=a$.

Thus, it measures the rate of change of $f(x,y)$ at (a,b) in the x -direction.



the derivative $g'(a)$ is called the partial derivative of f with respect to x .

Definition 10.2.4 The first-order partial derivatives of f with respect to x and y at a point (a,b) are defined via

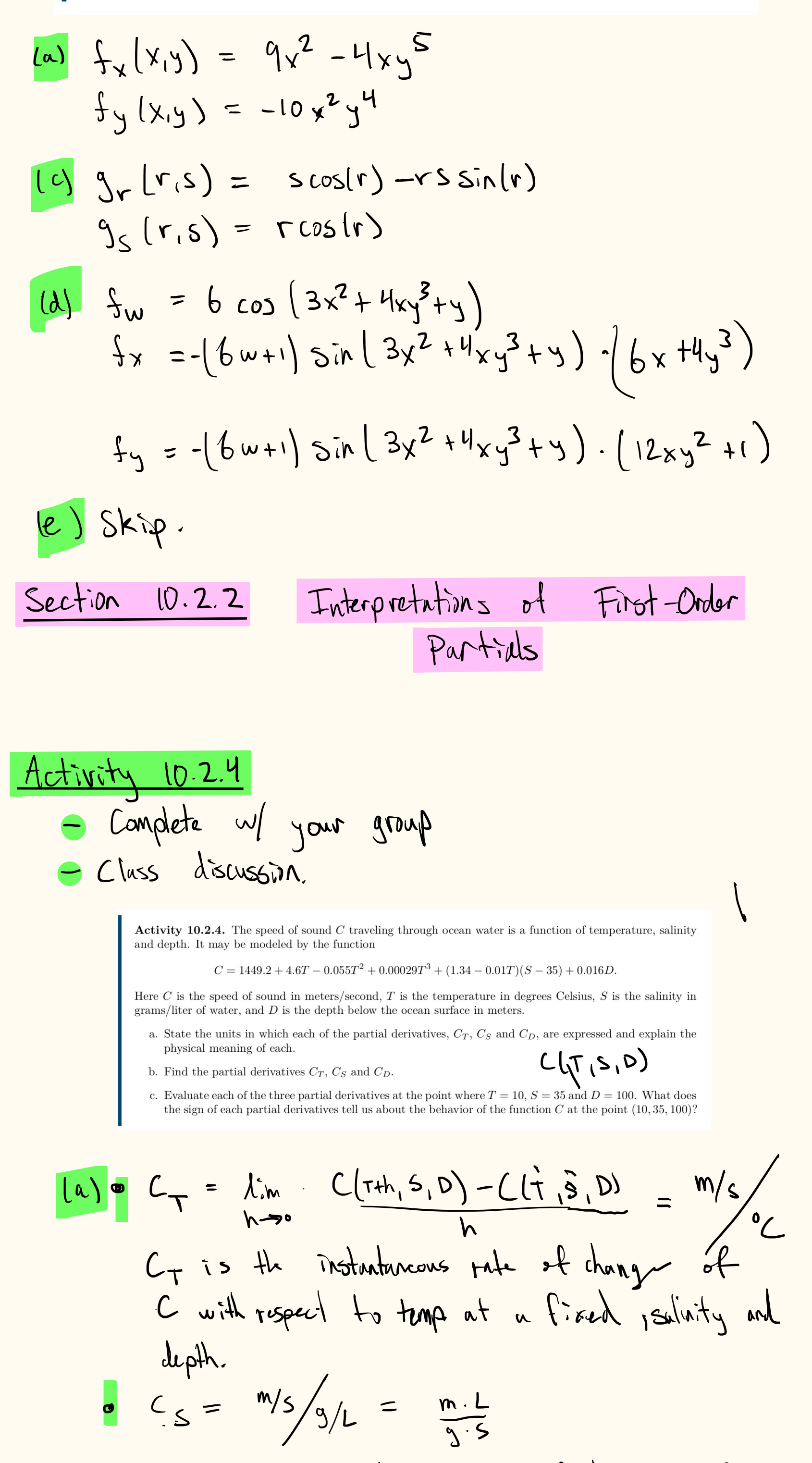
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) = f_x(a,b) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h, b) - f(a, b)}{h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) = f_y(a,b) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a, b+h) - f(a, b)}{h}$$

when these limits exist.

Activity 10.2.2

- Complete Activity 10.2.2 and discuss w/ your group.
- Class discussion



$$(b) \quad f_x(x,y) = y^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x}{x+1} \right) = y^2 \left(\frac{x+1 - x}{(x+1)^2} \right) = \frac{y^2}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$f_x(1,2) = 1 = \text{slope of tangent line to blue graph at } x=1$$

$$(d) \quad f_y(x,y) = \frac{2xy}{x+1} \quad f_y(1,2) = 2$$

Activity 10.2.3

- Complete together as a class.

Activity 10.2.3.

- If $f(x,y) = 3x^3 - 2x^2y^5$, find the partial derivatives f_x and f_y .
- If $f(x,y) = \frac{xy^2}{x+1}$, find the partial derivatives f_x and f_y .
- If $g(r,s) = r \cos(s)$, find the partial derivatives g_r and g_s .
- Assuming $f(w,x,y) = (6w+1) \cos(3x^2 + 4xy^3 + y)$, find the partial derivatives f_w , f_x , and f_y .
- Find all possible first-order partial derivatives of $g(x,t,z) = \frac{x^2 z^3}{1+x^2}$.

$$(a) \quad f_x(x,y) = 9x^2 - 4xy^5$$

$$f_y(x,y) = -10x^2y^4$$

$$(c) \quad g_r(r,s) = \cos(s) - r s \sin(s)$$

$$g_s(r,s) = r \cos(s)$$

$$(d) \quad f_w = 6 \cos(3x^2 + 4xy^3 + y)$$

$$f_x = -(6w+1) \sin(3x^2 + 4xy^3 + y) \cdot (6x + 4y^3)$$

$$f_y = -(6w+1) \sin(3x^2 + 4xy^3 + y) \cdot (12xy^2 + 1)$$

(e) Skip.

Section 10.2.2

Interpretations of First-Order

Partials

Activity 10.2.4

- Complete w/ your group
- Class discussion.

Activity 10.2.4. The speed of sound C traveling through ocean water is a function of temperature, salinity and depth. It may be modeled by the function

$$C = 1449.2 + 4.6T - 0.055T^2 + 0.00029T^3 + (1.34 - 0.01T)(S - 35) + 0.016D.$$

Here C is the speed of sound in meters/second, T is the temperature in degrees Celsius, S is the salinity in grams/liter of water, and D is the depth below the ocean surface in meters.

- State the units in which each of the partial derivatives, C_T , C_S and C_D , are expressed and explain the physical meaning of each.
- Find the partial derivatives C_T , C_S and C_D .
- Evaluate each of the three partial derivatives at the point where $T = 10$, $S = 35$ and $D = 100$. What does the sign of each partial derivatives tell us about the behavior of the function C at the point $(10, 35, 100)$?

$$C(T, S, D)$$

$$(a) \quad C_T = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{C(10+h, 35, 100) - C(10, 35, 100)}{h} = \text{m/s} / ^\circ\text{C}$$

C_T is the instantaneous rate of change of C with respect to temp at a fixed salinity and depth.

$$C_S = \text{m/s} / \text{g/L} = \frac{\text{m} \cdot \text{L}}{\text{s} \cdot \text{g}}$$

C_S is the instantaneous rate of change of C with respect to salinity at a fixed temp. and depth.

$$C_D = \text{m/s} / \text{m} = \frac{1}{\text{s}} = \text{Hz}$$

C_D is the instantaneous rate of change of C with respect to depth at a fixed temp. and salinity.

Section 10.2.3

Estimating Partial Derivatives

The derivative $f'(a)$ of a single-variable function can be estimated using the "symmetric difference"

$$f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a-h)}{2h}$$

when h is small.

The symmetric difference is the slope of the blue secant line

Activity 10.2.5

- Complete w/ your group.
- Class discussion.

$w(v,T)$ = wind chill

$v \backslash T$	-30	-25	-20	-15	-10	-5	0	5	10	15	20
5	-46	-40	-34	-28	-22	-16	-11	-5	1	7	13
10	-53	-47	-41	-35	-28	-22	-16	-10	-4	3	9
15	-58	-51	-45	-39	-32	-26	-19	-13	-7	0	6
20	-61	-55	-48	-42	-35	-29	-22	-15	-9	-2	4
25	-64	-58	-51	-44	-37	-31	-24	-17	-11	-4	3
30	-67	-60	-53	-46	-39	-33	-26	-19	-12	-5	1
35	-69	-62	-55	-48	-41	-34	-27	-21	-14	-7	0
40	-71	-64	-57	-50	-43	-36	-29	-22	-15	-8	-1

Units: $w = ^\circ\text{F}$

$v = \text{mi/h}$

$T = ^\circ\text{F}$

$$(a) \quad w_v(20, -10) \approx \frac{w(20+h, -10) - w(20-h, -10)}{2 \cdot h}$$

$$\approx \frac{w(25, -10) - w(15, -10)}{10} = \frac{-37 - (-32)}{10} = -\frac{1}{2} ^\circ\text{F}/\text{mi/h}$$

When temp is -10 , you will feel $-\frac{1}{2} ^\circ\text{F}$ colder for every 1 mi/h increase in wind speed.

$$(b) \quad w_T(20, -10) \approx \frac{w(20, -10+5) - w(20, -10-5)}{10}$$

$$= \frac{-29 - (-42)}{10} = 1.3 ^\circ\text{F}/^\circ\text{F}$$

When the wind is 20 mph you will feel $1.3 ^\circ\text{F}$ warmer per $1 ^\circ\text{F}$ increase in ambient temp.

(c) The idea is to use a linear approximation of the $T = -10$ trace.

Graph of $w(v,T)$

The green tangent line approximates the $T = -10$ trace near $v = 20$. For small values of h , we have

$$w(20+h, -10) \approx w(20, -10) + h w_v(20, -10)$$

Using $h = -2$,

$$w(18, -10) \approx w(20, -10) - 2 w_v(20, -10)$$

$$= -35 - 2 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -34 ^\circ\text{F}$$

(d) Similar to (c), using $v = 20$ trace.

$$w(20, -12) \approx w(20, -10) + (-2) w_T(20, -10)$$

$$= -35 - 2 \cdot 1.3 = -37.6 ^\circ\text{F}$$

$$(e) \quad w(18, -12) = w(20, -10) + (-2) w_v(20, -10) + (-2) w_T(20, -10)$$

$$= -35 - 2 \cdot 1.3 + (-2) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -36.6 ^\circ\text{F}$$

Approximate w/ tangent plane!

