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• Why do you say this equation represents a line?

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• While plotting f(x) knowledge of the values of f at x = 0, $\pm \infty$ and the values of x at which f(x) is zero are important bits of information.

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 Do you notice any relation between the graphs of e^x and ln(x)? What is the reason for that?

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• Thus the graph of the inverse function is found by interchanging the x and y axis. (By reflecting the graph about the line y=x)

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 You don't need to learn or work with this code but if you would like to play with it, I suggest you install anaconda and open the notebook in Jupyter. Differential of a real function,

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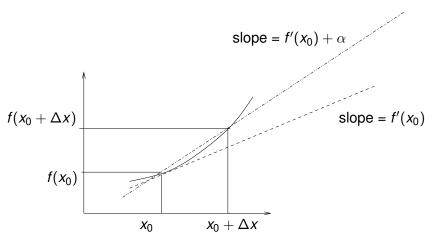
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• In reality one is often interested in cases where Δx does not approach zero. In such a situation,

$$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x}(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0)}{\Delta x} = f'(x_0) + \alpha.$$

and for differentiable functions, $\alpha \to 0$ as $\Delta x \to 0$.



- Exercises: sketch the graphs of
 - (1) $x(1-x), x^3, x^3-x, e^{-x^2}$.
 - (2) The inverse function \sin^{-1} and \cos^{-1} .