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## **Linear approximation**

The linear approximation for a function  $\,f\,$  near a point x=a is given by the following equivalent formulas:

$$\left. \Delta f 
ight. pprox rac{df}{dx} 
ight|_{x=a} \cdot \Delta x \qquad ext{for } \Delta x ext{ near } 0$$

$$f\left(x
ight) \hspace{0.2cm} pprox f'\left(a
ight)\left(x-a
ight) + f\left(a
ight) \hspace{0.2cm} ext{for } x ext{ near } a$$

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