

Closing *Tues*: 3.6-9

Closing *Thurs*: 3.9

Closing next *Tues*: 3.10

Closing next *Thurs*: 4.1(1), 4.1(2)

Remember: Friday is a Holiday (no class)

### ***3.9 Related Rates:***

1. Draw & label ***everything***.
2. What you **know**?  
What you **want**?
3. Equations relating quantities?
4. *Differentiate* with respect to  $t$ .
5. Substitute in your values and solve.  
Do **NOT** substitute until last step.

*Entry Task:* (Like HW 3.9/3) A kite at an altitude of 400 ft is being blown horizontally at 10 ft/sec away from the person holding the kite string at ground level. At what rate is the string being let out when 500 ft of string is already out?

*Example:* (Like HW 3.9/2) One bike is 4 miles east of an intersection, travelling toward the intersection at the rate of 9 mph. At the same time, a 2<sup>nd</sup> bike is 3 miles south of the intersection and is travelling away from the intersection at a rate of 10 mph.

- At what rate is the distance between them changing?
- Is this distance increasing or decreasing?

*Example:* (Like 3.6-9/13, 3.9/9)

A 13-foot ladder is leaning against a wall and its base is slipping away from the wall at a rate of 3 ft/sec when it is 5 ft from the wall.

How fast is the top of the ladder dropping at that moment?

*Example:* (Like 3.9/6)

A lighthouse is located on a small island 2 km away from the nearest point  $P$  on a straight shoreline and its light makes three revolutions per minute.

How fast is the beam of light moving along the shoreline when it is 1 km from  $P$ ?

Other Questions?

### **3.10 Linear Approximation (Preview)**

*Idea:* “Near” the point  $(a, f(a))$  the graphs of  $y = f(x)$  and the tangent line  $y = f'(a)(x - a) + f(a)$  are very close together.

We say the tangent line is a **linear approximation** (or **linearization** or **tangent line approximation**) to the function. Sometimes it is written as

$$L(x) = f'(a)(x - a) + f(a)$$

In other words:

If  $x \approx a$ , then

$$f(x) \approx f'(a)(x - a) + f(a)$$

*Example:* Find the linear approximation of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  at  $x = 81$ . Then use it to approximate the value of  $\sqrt{82}$ .

*Example:* Find the linearization of  $g(x) = \sin(x)$  at  $x = 0$ . Then use it to approximate the value of  $\sin(0.03)$ .

*Example:*

Using tangent line approximation  
estimate the value of  $\sqrt[3]{8.5}$ .