

# Some Basics of Multi-Variable

Calculus !

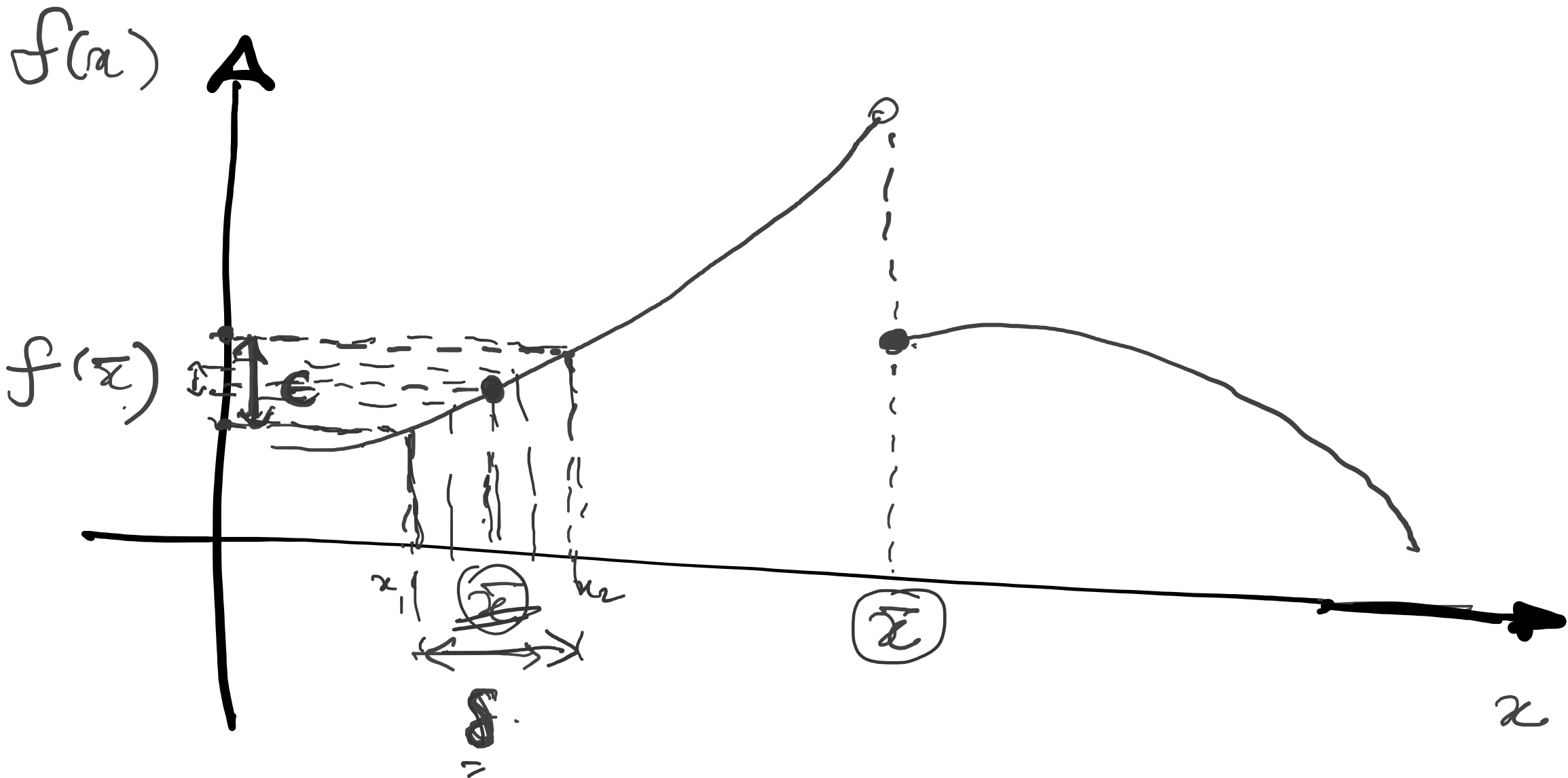
# Continuous function on $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is continuous at  $\underline{\bar{x}} \in X$   
 $x \mapsto f(x)$

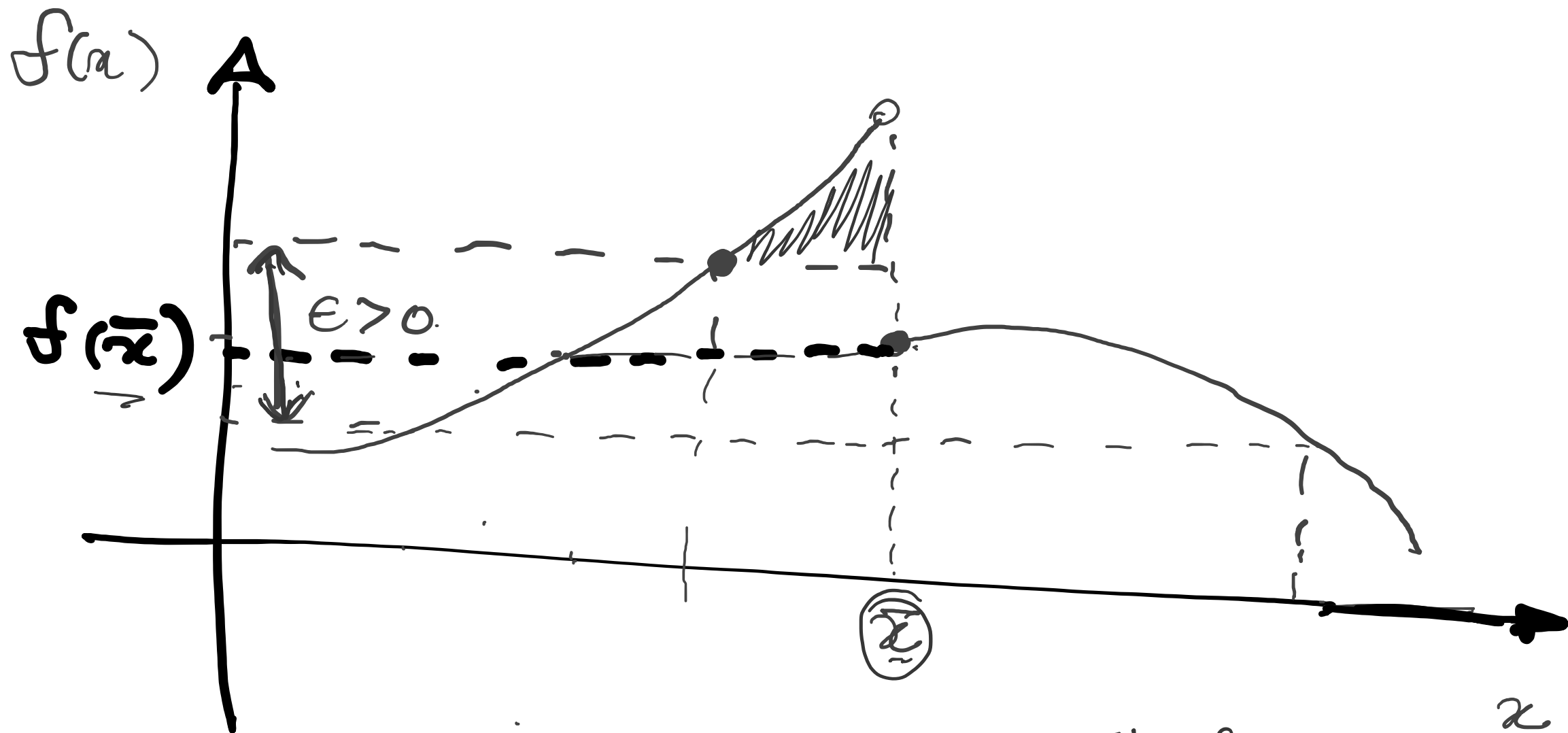
if  
choice.                      one should find  
 $\forall \underline{\epsilon} > 0, \exists \underline{\delta} > 0$  s. t.

$$\underline{\|x - \bar{x}\|} < \underline{\delta} \Rightarrow \underline{\|f(x) - f(\bar{x})\|} < \underline{\epsilon}$$

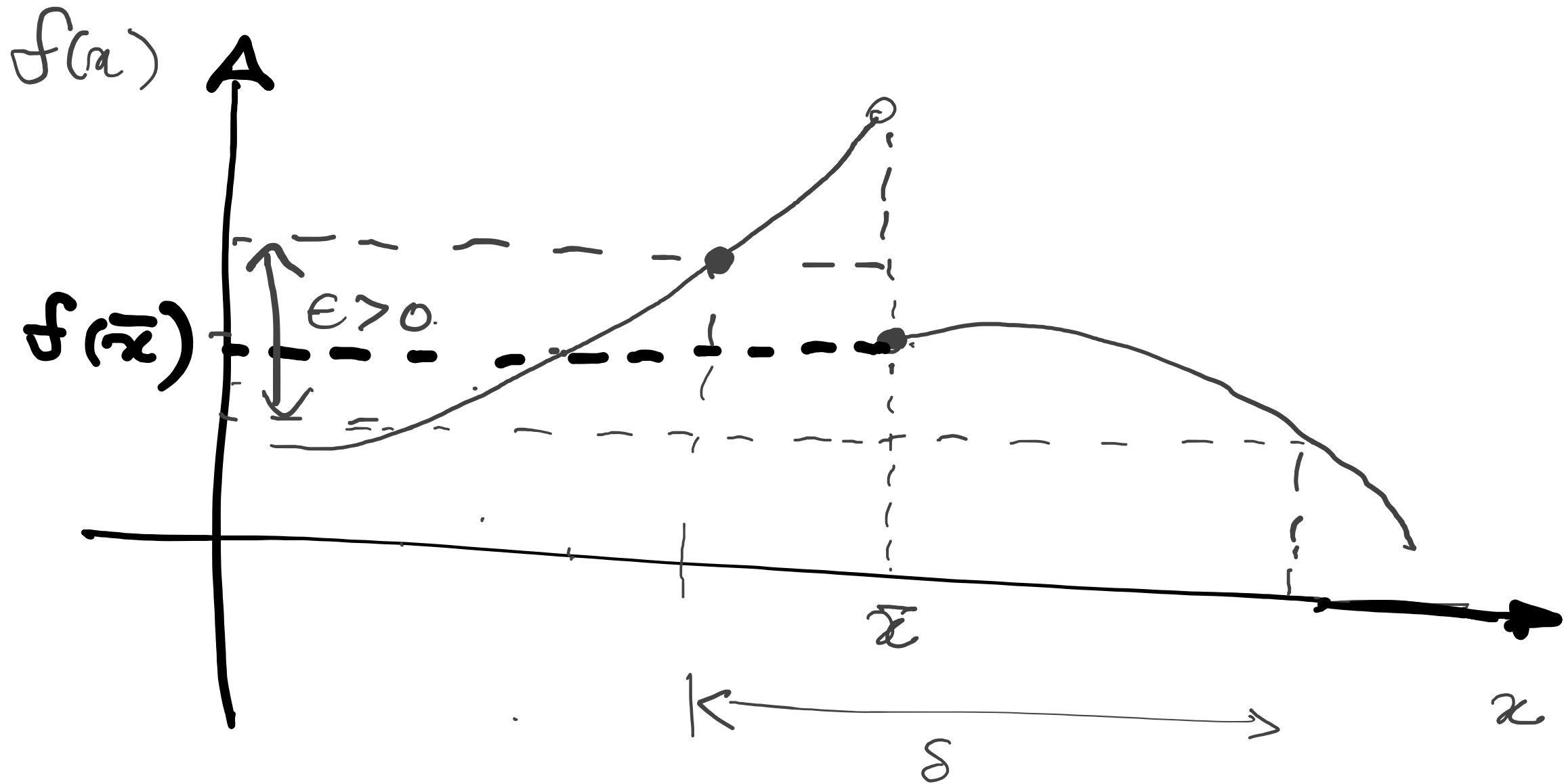
For arbitrary bds on co-domain,  $\exists$  bound on domain

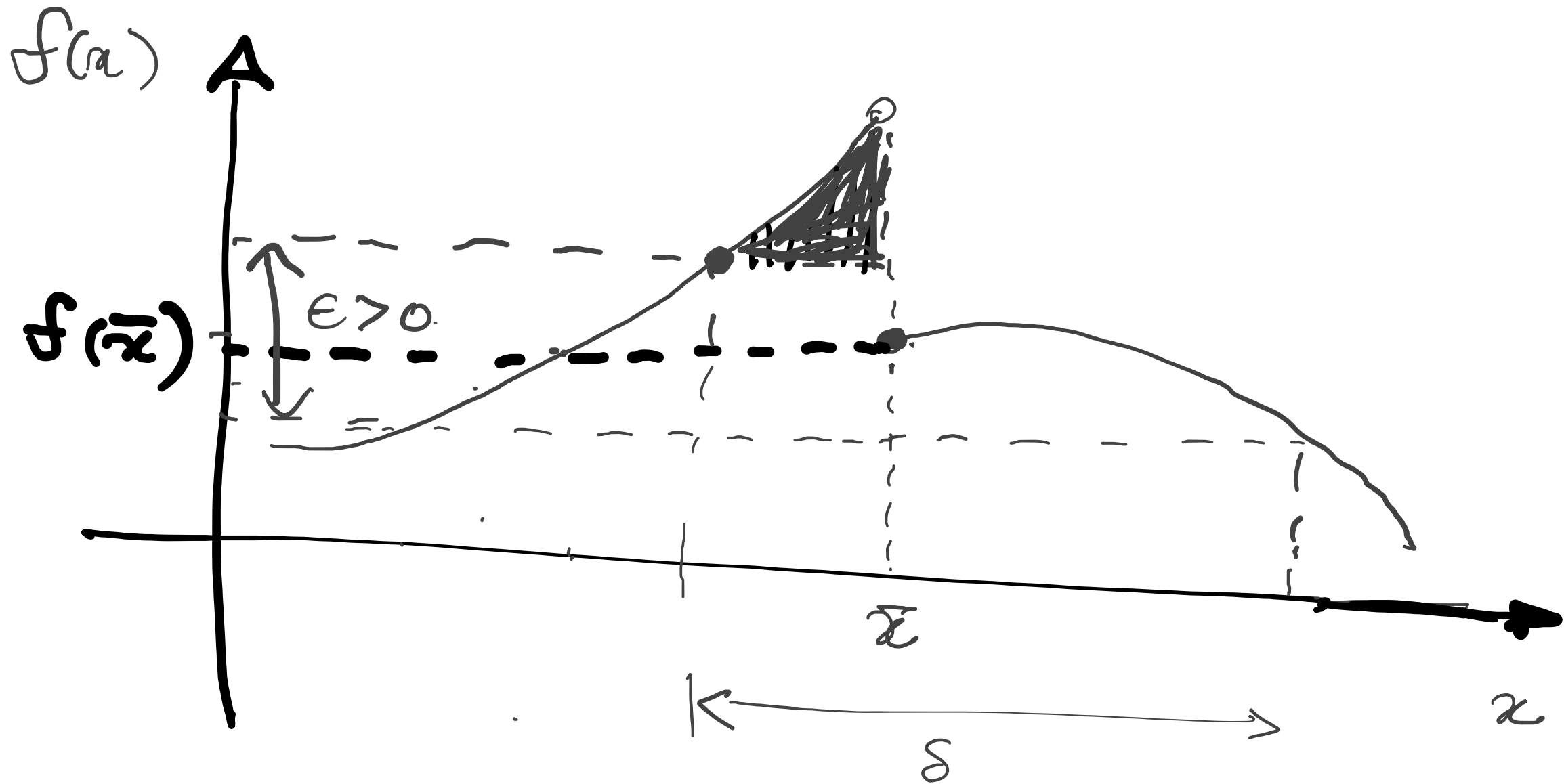


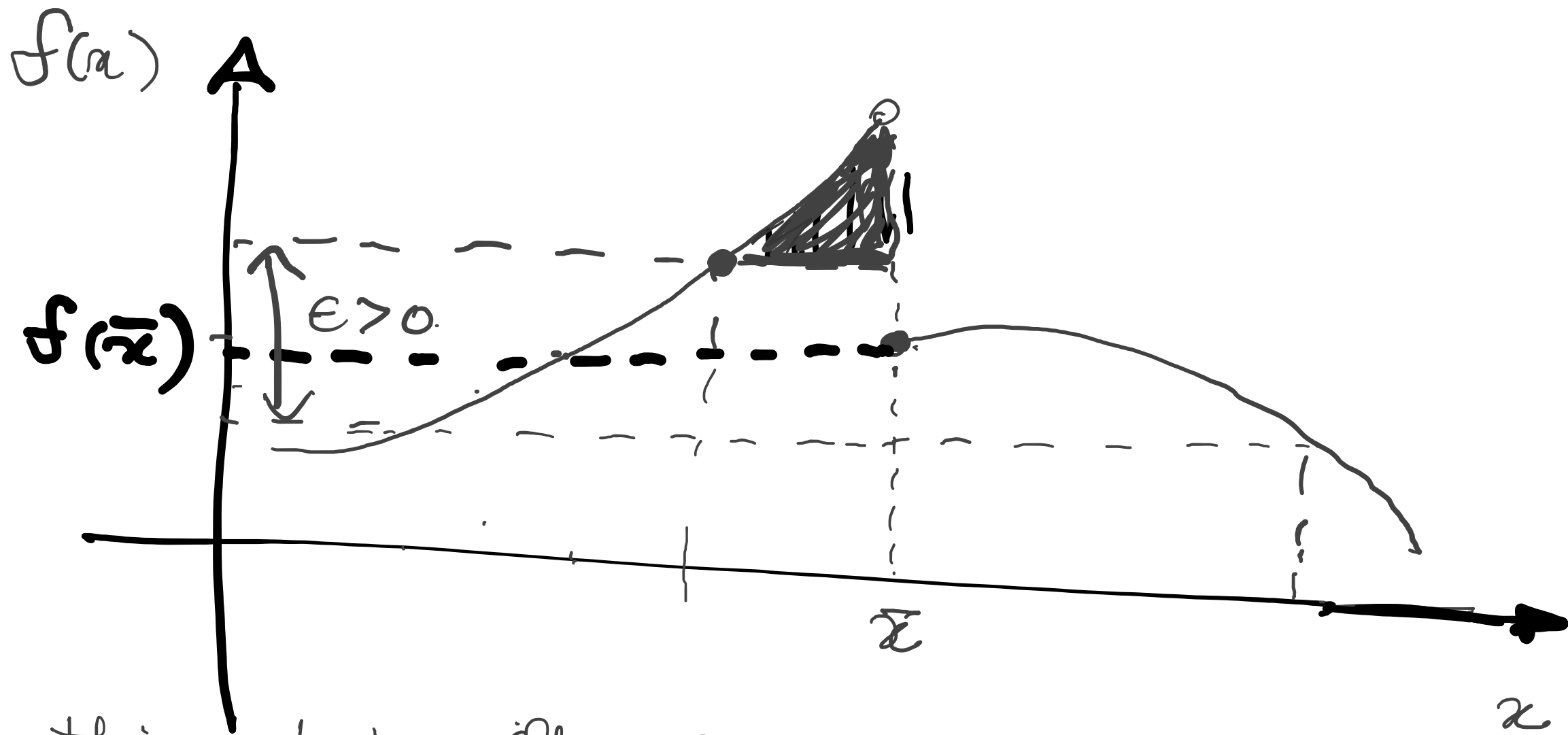
$f(x)$  is continuous at  $\bar{x}$



there is no  $\delta$  s-t  $\|x - \bar{x}\| \leq \delta$   
 $\Rightarrow \|f(x) - f(\bar{x})\| < \epsilon$

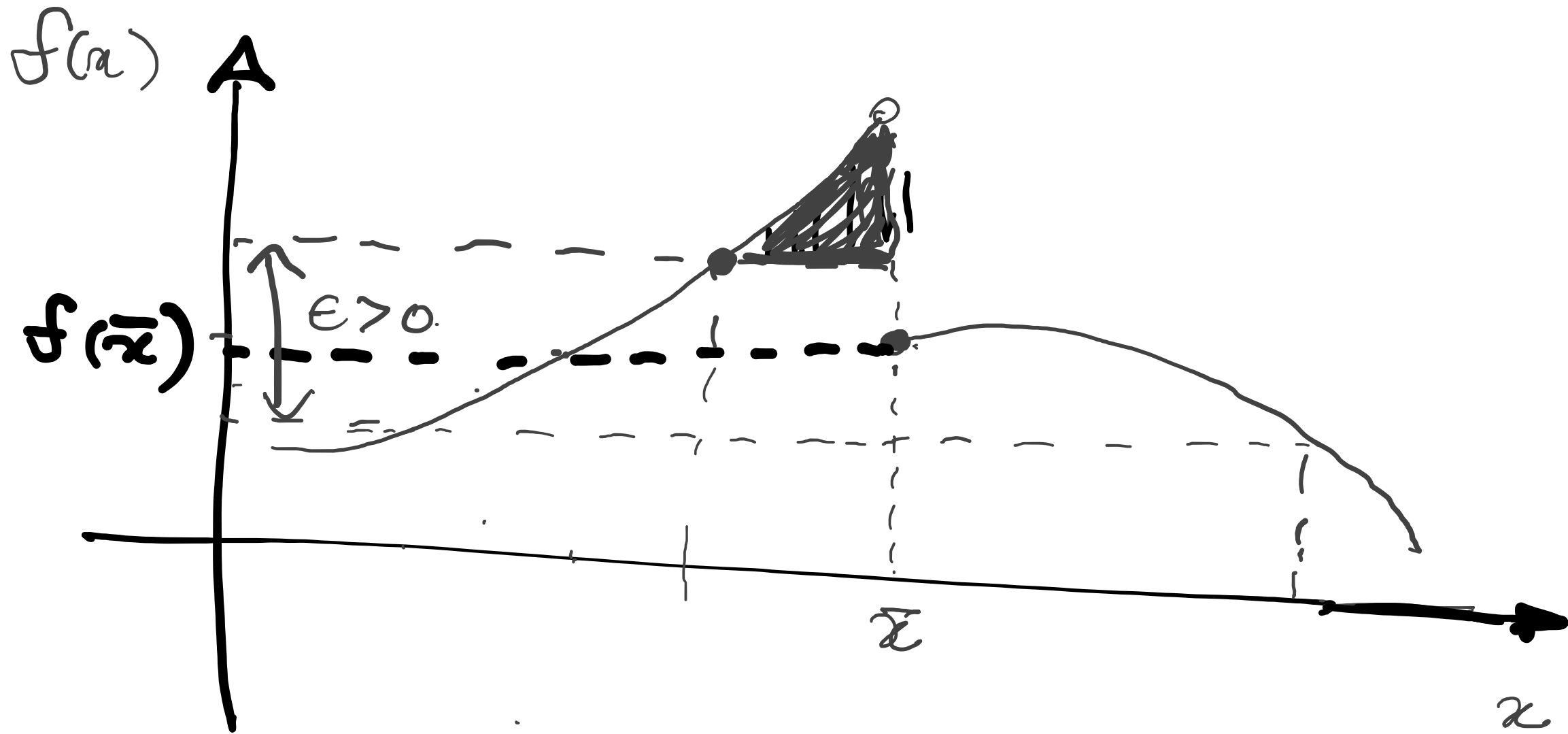






For this choice of  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\text{No } \delta \text{ s.t. } \|x - \bar{x}\| < \delta \Rightarrow \|f(x) - f(\bar{x})\| < \epsilon.$$



Not Continuous at  $\bar{x}$ .



Another def<sup>n</sup>.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \bar{x} \text{ left}} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \bar{x} \text{ right}} f(x)$$

$$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

Continuous at  $\bar{x}$

iff

$$\forall \{x_n\} \rightarrow \bar{x},$$

$$f(x_n) \rightarrow f(\bar{x}).$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto f(x) \end{array} \right\}$$

The Derivative

$$f'(x) := \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

What if  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  ?

# Directional Derivative:

of  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  in direction  $\underline{v}$ .  
 $x \mapsto f(x)$ .

$$f'(\underline{x}, \underline{v})$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(\underline{x} + t\underline{v}) - f(\underline{x})}{t}$$

$$\underline{x} + t\underline{v} \quad f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

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 $x \mapsto f(x)$ .

$$f'(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x + tv) - f(x)}{t}$$

## Partial Derivative:

$$f'(x, e_i) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x + te_i) - f(x)}{t}$$

$$x_i = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(x + te_i) - f(x)}{t} = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

# Gâteaux Differentiable at $x$

if

$$\underline{\underline{f'(x, v)}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x + tv) - f(x)}{t}$$

exists for all  $v \in X$

$f'(x, v)$

i.e. Directional derivative exists in

all directions  $v \in X$ . at  $x \in X$

# Frechet Differentiability, let $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is Differentiable  
=  $x \mapsto \underline{f(x)}$

at  $x \in X$ , if  $\exists$  Linear function.

$$D_x f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$
$$= v \mapsto D_x f [v]$$

$$\frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x} \approx f'(x)$$
$$\|f(x + \Delta x) - f(x) - f'(x)\Delta x\| \leq o(\|\Delta x\|)$$

s. t.

as  $\|v\| \rightarrow 0$ , we have:

$$\|f(x + v) - f(x) - D_x f [v]\| \leq o(\|v\|)$$

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$O(\|v\|_2)$  is a class of functions

$\mathcal{O}$  ( $(\cdot)$ )

s.t.  $\lim_{\|v\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(v)}{\|v\|_2} \rightarrow 0$

e.g.  $\psi(v) = \|v\|_2^2$  is in  $O(\|v\|_2)$

$$\lim_{\|v\|_2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(v)}{\|v\|_2} = 0$$



$$\|f(x + v) - f(x) - D_x f[x] \|_2 \leq o(\|v\|_2)$$

as  $\|v\|_2 \rightarrow 0$

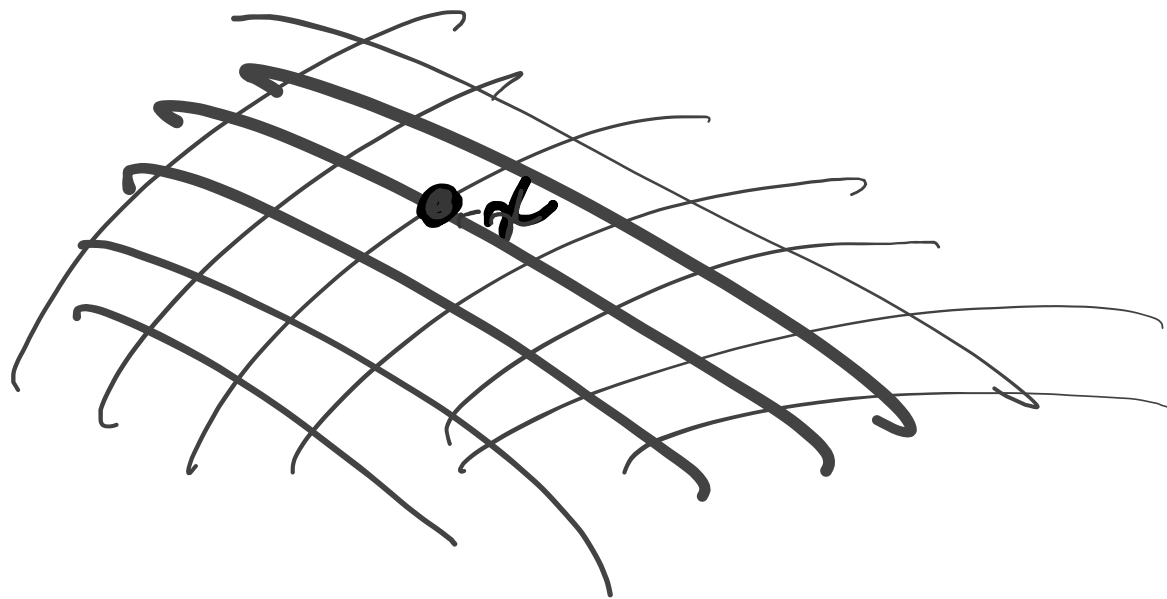
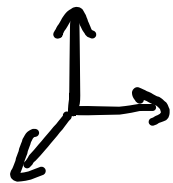
$$\underline{f(x + v) - f(x)} \Rightarrow D_x f[x]$$

$$f(x + v) \approx \boxed{f(x) + D_x f[x]}$$

First order Derivative approximation <sup>near x</sup> gives the of f at x.

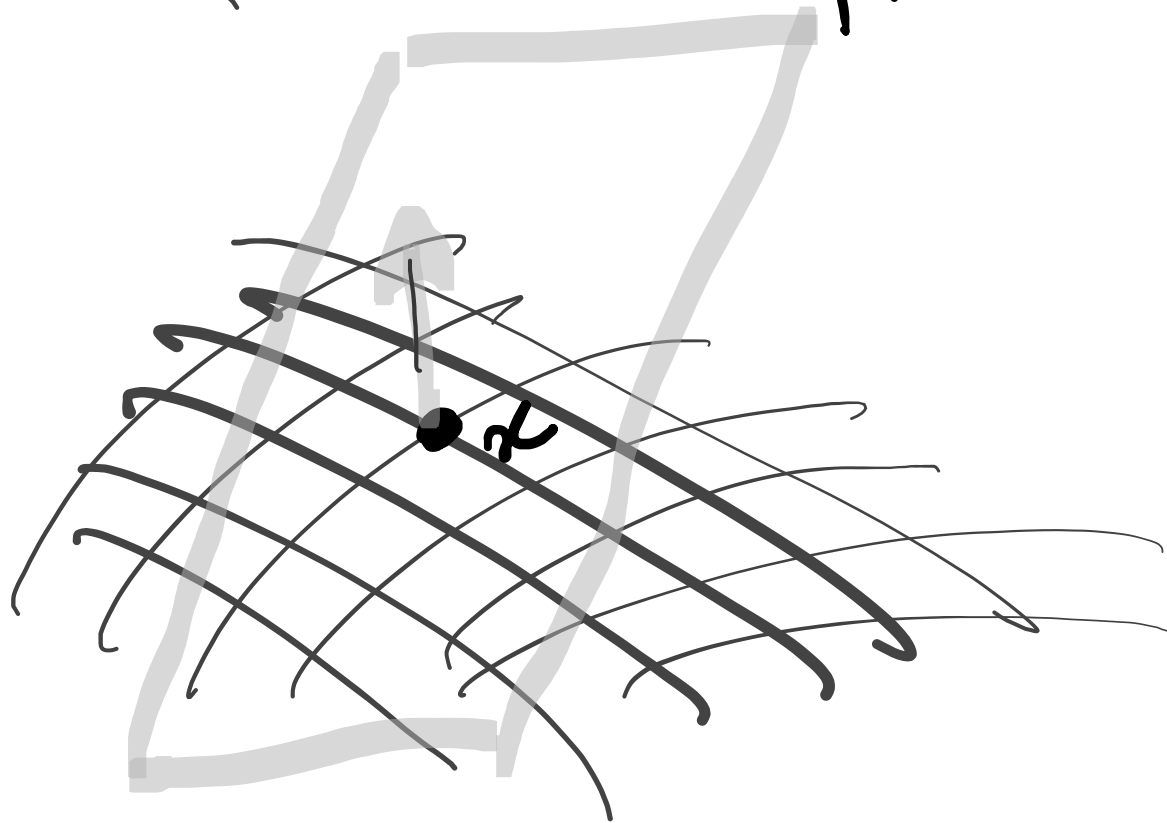
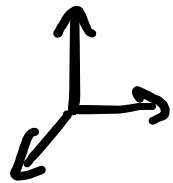
$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow f(x_1, x_2)$$



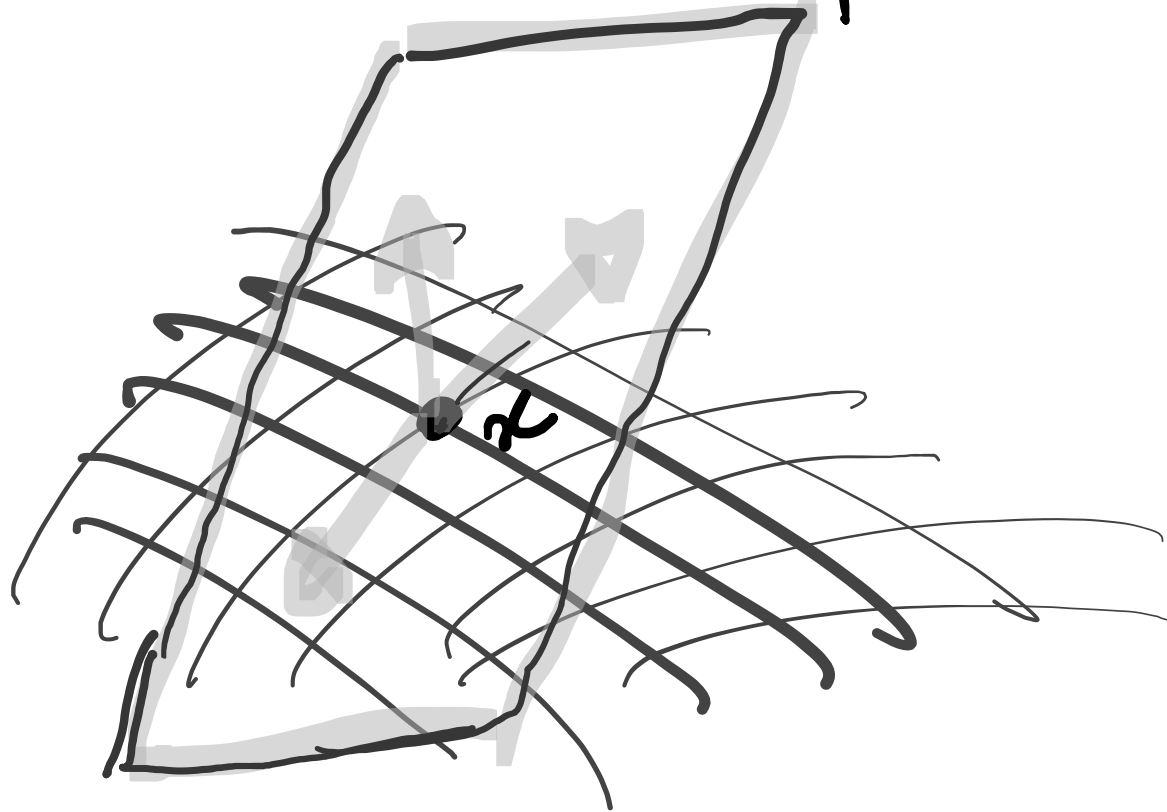
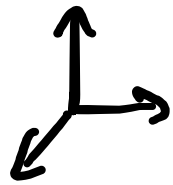
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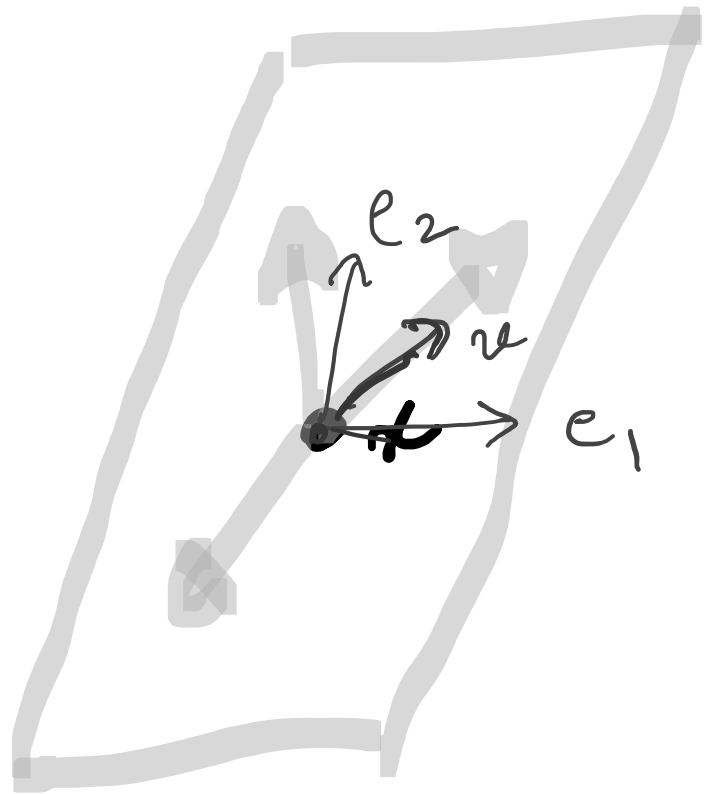
$$\underline{f(a + v)} - f(a) \approx \underbrace{D_a f}_{=} [v].$$

How to obtain representation?

$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Plane.

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial x_1 \\ \partial f / \partial x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$v = \alpha e_1 + \beta e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D_x f[e_1] = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}$$

$$D_x f[e_2] = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}$$

$$f(a+v) - f(a) \approx D_x f[v] = \alpha \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} + \beta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = \nabla f^T v$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \mapsto f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(\nabla f)^T v + f(x) \approx \underline{f(x+v)}$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial x_1 \\ \partial f / \partial x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \partial f / \partial x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Think of  $\frac{df}{dx}$

$$f(x) + \langle \nabla f, v \rangle$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

Jacobian of  $f$  at  $x$ .

$$D_x f :=$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\dots \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$n \times m$ .  
matrix

What about Second derivative?

$$\underline{\underline{\nabla f}} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\underline{\partial f / \partial x_1}} \\ \vdots \\ \partial f / \partial x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

→ take its Jacobian

$$G: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

~~D~~:

$$\underline{\underline{D \nabla f}} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial^2 f / \partial x_1^2 & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \partial^2 f / \partial x_1 \partial x_2 & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} & & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial^2 f / \partial x_1 \partial x_n & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} & & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hessian.  
of  $f$ .



$$\textcircled{1} \quad \underline{f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \\ \underline{f(x)} = \underline{a} + \underline{g^T} x$$

$$\nabla f = \underline{g}$$

$$\| \underline{f(x+v)} - \underline{f(x)} - \underline{D_x f(v)} \|$$

$$= \| \underline{a + g^T(x+v)} - (a + g^T x) - \underline{D_x f(v)} \|$$

$$= \| \underline{g^T v} - \underline{D_x f(v)} \|$$

Choose  $D_x f(v) = g^T v$

$$D_x f(v) = \langle g, v \rangle$$

$$\textcircled{1} f(x) = a + g^T x$$

$$\nabla f = g$$

$$\textcircled{2} f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = x^T A x.$$

$$\nabla f = \underline{(A + A^T)x}$$

$$\| f(x+v) - f(x) - D_x f(v) \|$$

$$= \| (x+v)^T A (x+v) - x^T A x - D_x f(v) \|$$

$$= \| \underbrace{(x^T(A + A^T) + v^T A)v}_{\text{}} - D_x f(v) \|$$

$$D_x f = \langle \underline{(A + A^T)x}, v \rangle$$

representation of  $D_x f$

$$\| v^T A v \| = \mathcal{O}(\|v\|)$$

$$\textcircled{1} f(x) = a + g^T x$$

$$\nabla f = g$$

$$\textcircled{2} f(x) = x^T A x.$$

$$\nabla f = (A + A^T)x$$

$$D_x \nabla f = A + A^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \| f(x+v) - f(x) - D_x f(v) \| \\ &= \| (x+v)^T A (x+v) - x^T A x - D \| \\ &= \| x^T (A + A^T) v - D \| \end{aligned}$$

$$D_x f = \langle (A + A^T)x, v \rangle$$

representation of  $D_x f$

Compute gradient of

$$f(x) = \log \det X$$

Then

$$f: S_{>0}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$X \mapsto \log \det X.$$

$$f(x) = \text{trace}(x^T x)$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow f(x)$$

$$\| (x+v)^T (x+v) - \text{trace}(x^T x) - 0 \|$$

$$= \| \cancel{x^T x} + x^T v + v^T x + v^T v - \text{trace}(x^T x) - 0 \|$$

$$= \| (x^T v + v^T x) - 0 \|$$

$$= \| \text{trace}(2x^T v) - 0 \|$$

$$= \text{trace}(2x^T v) - 0 \langle x, v \rangle$$

Exercise:

Hint

$$\text{use } \langle X, Y \rangle$$

$$= \text{trace}(XY)$$