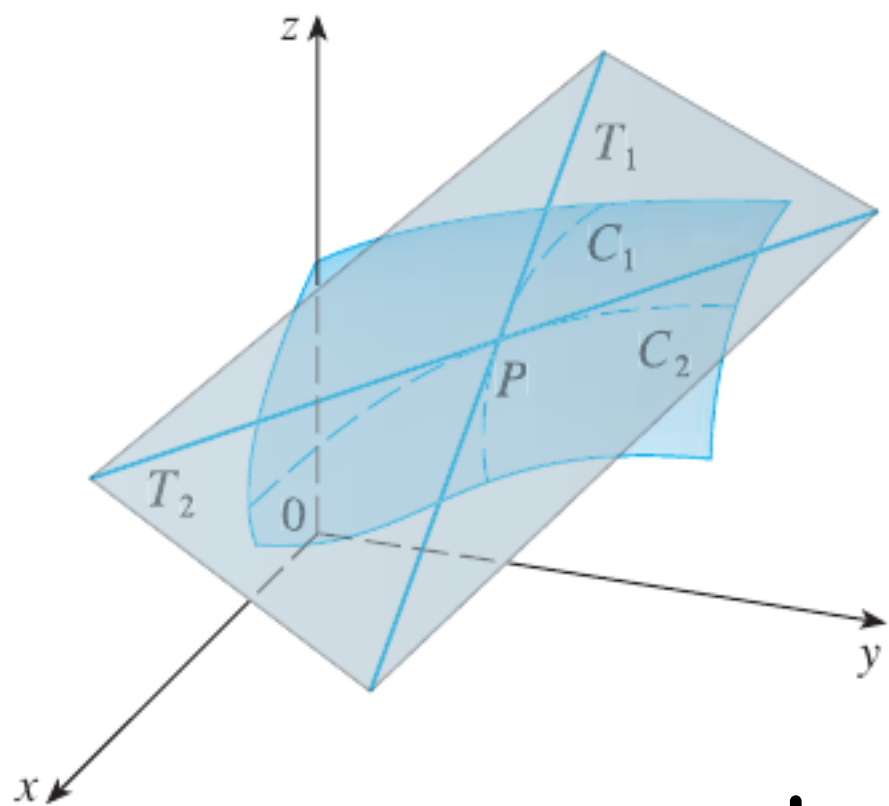


11.4

TANGENT PLANES AND LINEAR APPROXIMATIONS



where

→ applications
 → Linearization
 → Differentials

$$f(x, y) \quad p = (a, b, z_0) \\ z_0 = f(a, b)$$

$$z - z_0 = A(x - a) + B(y - b)$$

$$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b) \quad , \quad B = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b)$$

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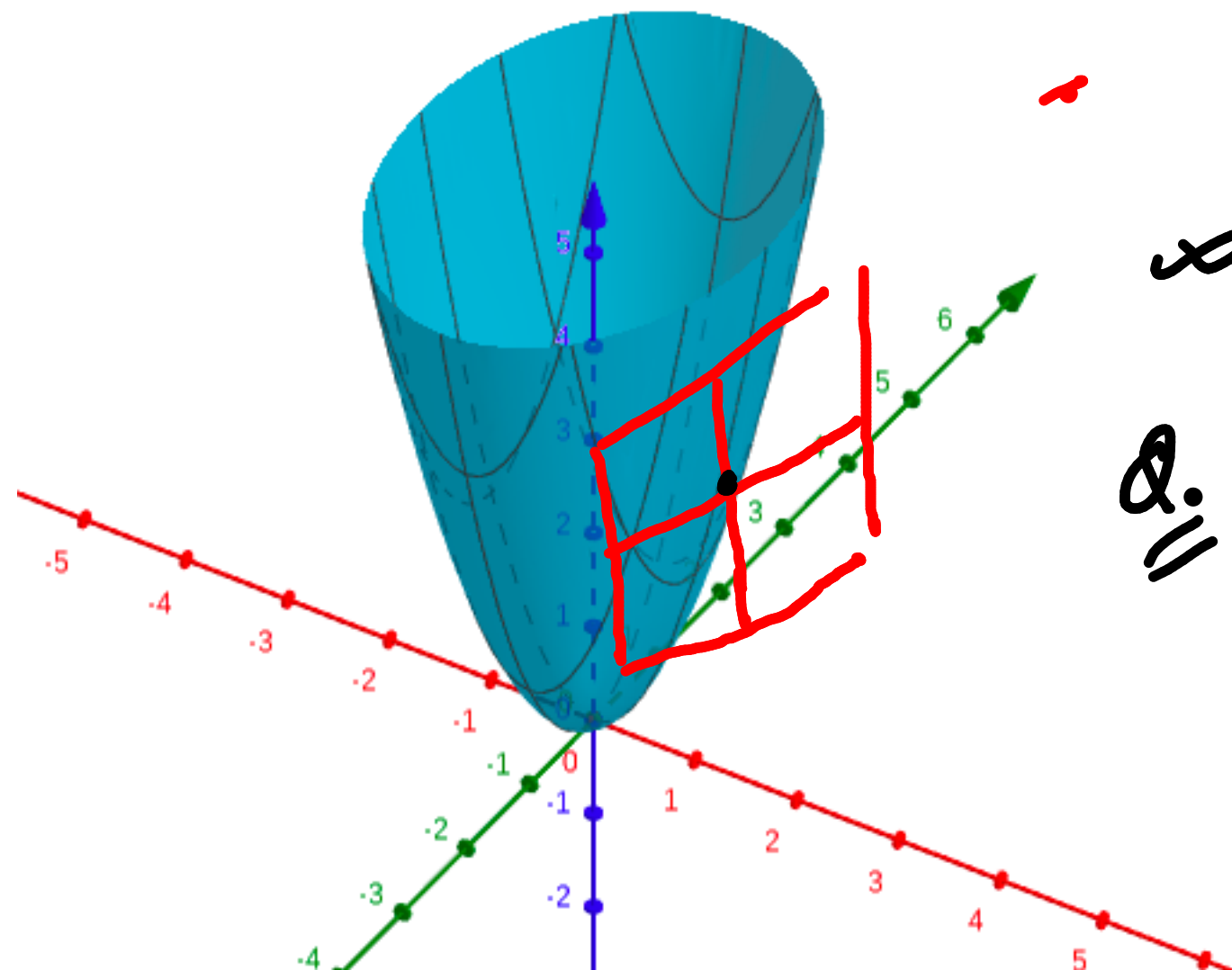
\mathcal{Q}_1 is $(1, 1, 3)$ a point on the graph??

\mathcal{Q}_2 give general eqn of planes passing through $(1, 1, 3)$??

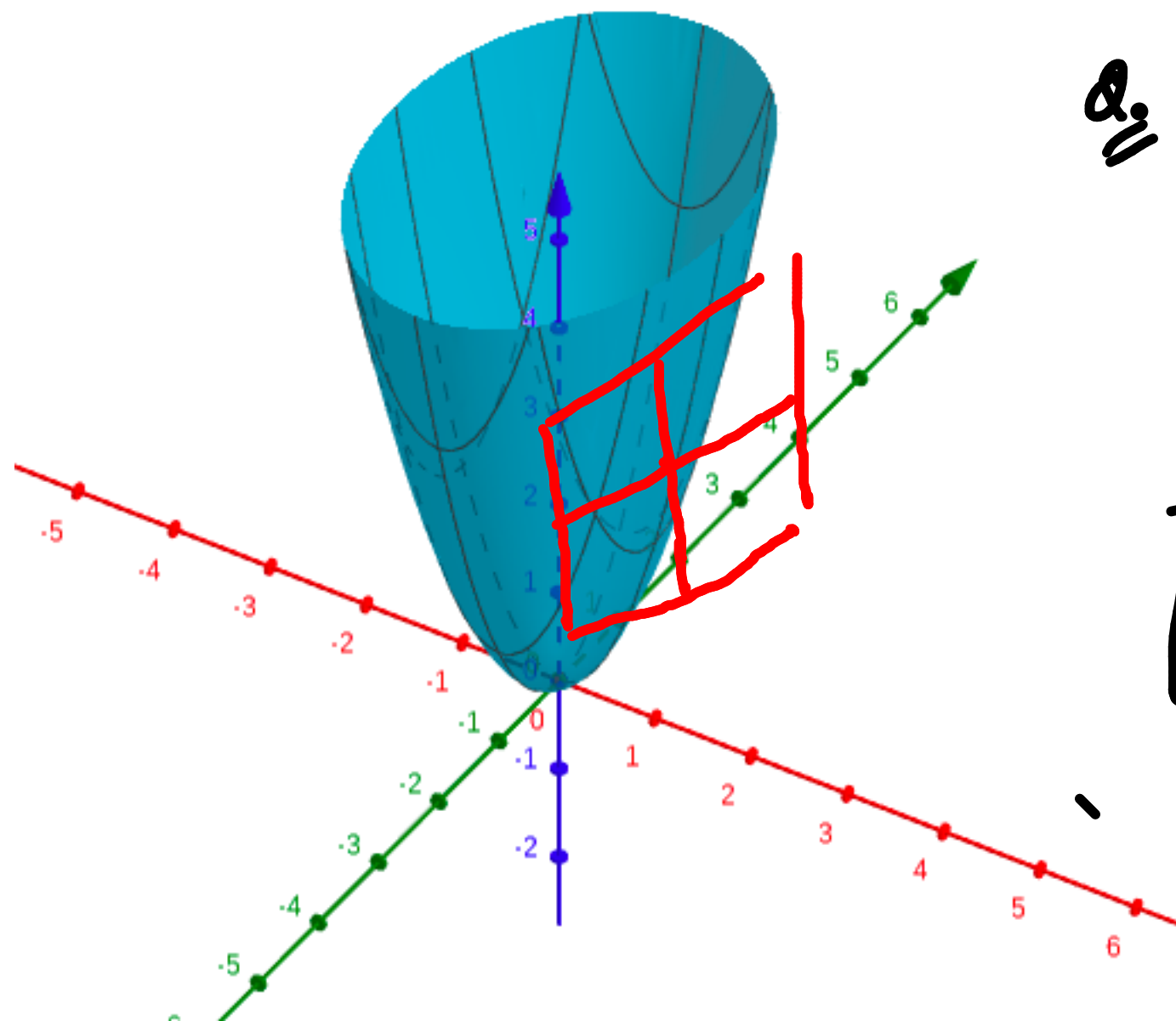
$$\propto A(x-1) + B(y-1) + C(z-3) = 0$$

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$$\text{Q. if } C = 0 ??$$

the tangent plane becomes vertical

$$z-3 = -\frac{A}{C}(x-1) + \left(\frac{B}{C}\right)(y-1)$$

$$z-3 = A(x-1) + B(y-1)$$

$$A = \left. \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right|_{x=1, y=1}$$

$$B = \left. \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right|_{x=1, y=1}$$

$$z = 2x^2 + y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 4x$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(1,1) = 4 = A$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2y$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}(1,1) = 2 = B$$

$$z - 3 = 4(x - 1) + 2(y - 1)$$

Q. Find the eqⁿ of tangent plane

$$f(x, y) = x \sin(y-1)$$

$$a = 2, \quad b = 1$$

$$\underbrace{z - (-2 \sin(1))}_{\substack{z_0 \\ = f(a, b)}} = \underbrace{(-\sin(1) - 2 \cos(1))}_{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, 1)}(x - 2) + \underbrace{2 \cos(1)}_{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, 1)}(y - 1)$$

Q: Find the eqⁿ of tangent plane

$$f(x, y) = x \sin(y - x)$$

$$a = 2 \quad b = 1$$

Recall the formula for the tangent plane

$$z - z_0 = A(x - a) + B(y - b)$$

where $z_0 = f(a, b)$

$$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)$$

$$B = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b)$$

$$z_0 = f(2, 1) = 2 \sin(-1) = -2 \sin(1)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -x \cos(y - x) + \sin(y - x)$$

$$A = -2 \cos(-1) + \sin(-1)$$

$$= -2 \cos(1) - \sin(1)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x \cos(y-x)$$

$$B = 2 \cos(1-2) = 2 \cos(1)$$

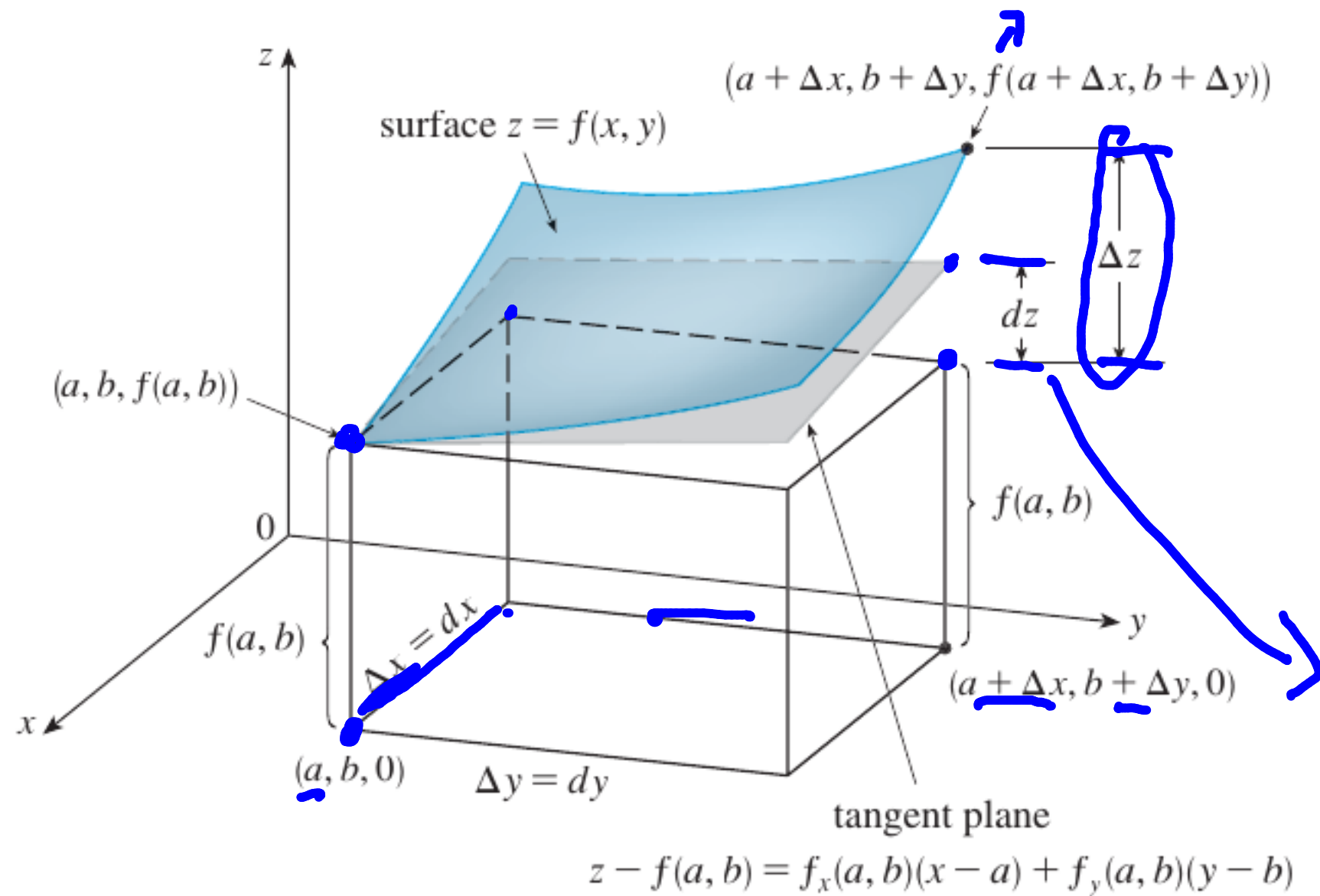
Rule: To find the tangent plane
of $z = f(x, y)$ at point (a, b, c) , the
eqⁿ:

$$z - c = A(x - a) + B(y - b)$$

where $A = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(a, b)$, $B = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}(a, b)$

DIFFERENTIALS

$$dz = f_x(x, y) dx + f_y(x, y) dy = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy$$



→ Suppose we are given a formula $f(x, y)$

→ Suppose we are at point $x = a, y = b$

→ $z = f(a, b)$

$dz \approx$ approximate change in z
 $=$ exact change in the tangent plane

→ in Differentials:
Q: how much change will happen in $f(x, y)$

$$\text{as } x \rightarrow a \rightarrow a + \Delta x$$

$$y \rightarrow b \rightarrow b + \Delta y$$

→ Use the tangent plane to approximate
the change in f for small changes in
 x & y

Recall the eqⁿ of the tangent plane

$$z - f(a,b) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b)(x-a) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b)(\underbrace{y-b})$$

→ Aim: as x changes from a to $a + \Delta x$
& y changes from b to $b + \Delta y$

find the corresponding change in z

→ simply substitute $x = a + \Delta x$, $y = b + \Delta y$

$$\underbrace{z - f(a,b)}_{\text{change in } z} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) \underbrace{\Delta x}_{\text{change in } x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) \underbrace{\Delta y}_{\text{change in } y}$$

$$\underline{z - f(a,b)} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) \underline{(x-a)} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) \underline{(y-b)}$$

Q: find z for $x=a$, $y=b$.

$$z = f(a,b)$$

Q: find z for $x=a+\Delta x$, $y=b+\Delta y$

$$z = f(a,b) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) \Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) \Delta y$$

notice: the change in z as $x: a \rightarrow a+\Delta x$,
 $y: b \rightarrow b+\Delta y$

change in
 z in tangent
 plane

$$dz = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) \Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) \Delta y$$

$$\underbrace{z - f(a,b)}_{\text{change in } z} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) \underbrace{\Delta x}_{\text{change in } x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) \underbrace{\Delta y}_{\text{change in } y}$$

Differentials

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy$$

→ estimate of actual change

V EXAMPLE 3

- (a) If $z = f(x, y) = x^2 + 3xy - y^2$, find the differential dz .
(b) If x changes from 2 to 2.05 and y changes from 3 to 2.96, compare the values of Δz and \underline{dz} .

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x + 3y$$
$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 3x - 2y$$

$z = x^2 + 3xy - y^2$

estimate dz at $x = 2$ & $y = 3$
for $dx = 0.05$ $dy = -0.04$

$$\begin{aligned} dz &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy = (2x + 3y) dx + (3x - 2y) dy \\ &= 13(0.05) + (0)(-0.04) \\ &= 0.65 \end{aligned}$$

& actual change $\Delta z = f(2.05, 2.96) - f(2, 3) = 0.64$

EXAMPLE 4 The base radius and height of a right circular cone are measured as 10 cm and 25 cm, respectively, with a possible error in measurement of as much as 0.1 cm in each. Use differentials to estimate the maximum error in the calculated volume of the cone.

1–6 ■ Find an equation of the tangent plane to the given surface at the specified point.

$$z = y \cos(x - y), \quad (2, 2, 2)$$

11–14 ■ Explain why the function is differentiable at the given point. Then find the linearization $L(x, y)$ of the function at that point.

$$f(x, y) = x\sqrt{y}, \quad (1, 4)$$

- 30.** The pressure, volume, and temperature of a mole of an ideal gas are related by the equation $PV = 8.31T$, where P is measured in kilopascals, V in liters, and T in kelvins. Use differentials to find the approximate change in the pressure if the volume increases from 12 L to 12.3 L and the temperature decreases from 310 K to 305 K.