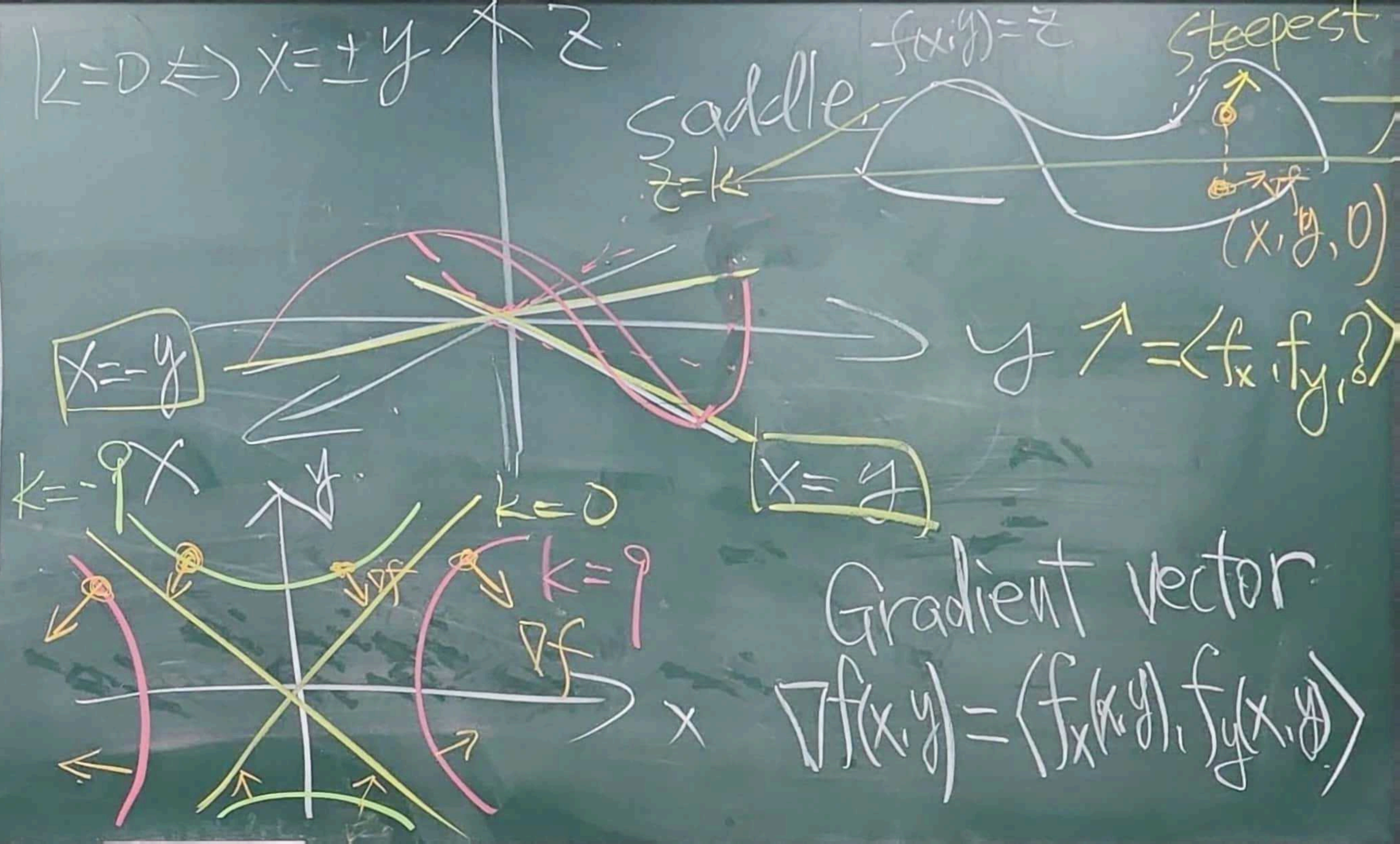


Quiz ①  $f = \text{const.}$   
 $= f(r)$   
 $= f(x, y, z)$   
 ②  $K \equiv ?$  Find max

(Ex)  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$  height  
 level curves  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 = \boxed{K}$

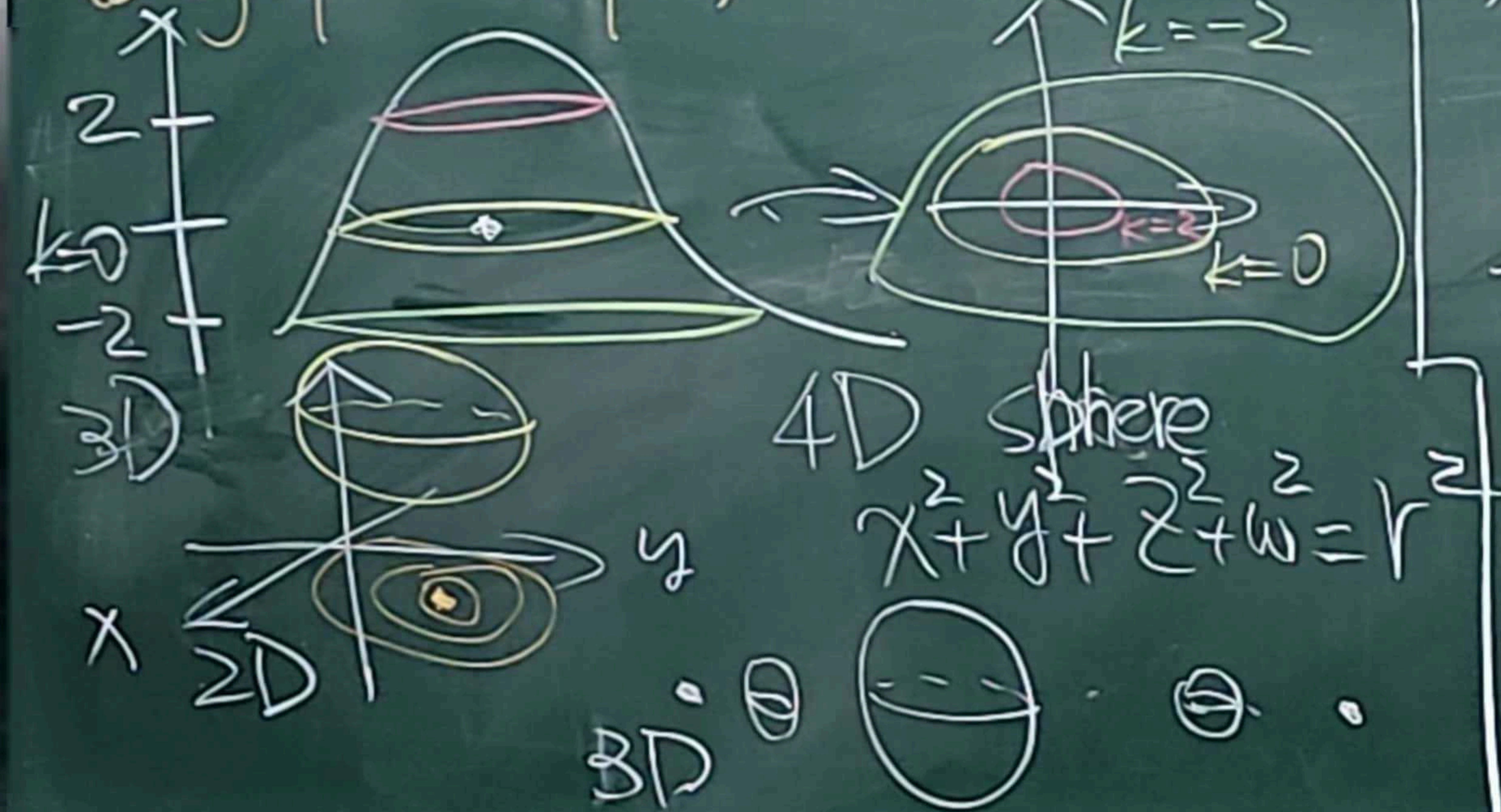
$$|L=0 \Leftrightarrow x = \pm y \wedge z$$



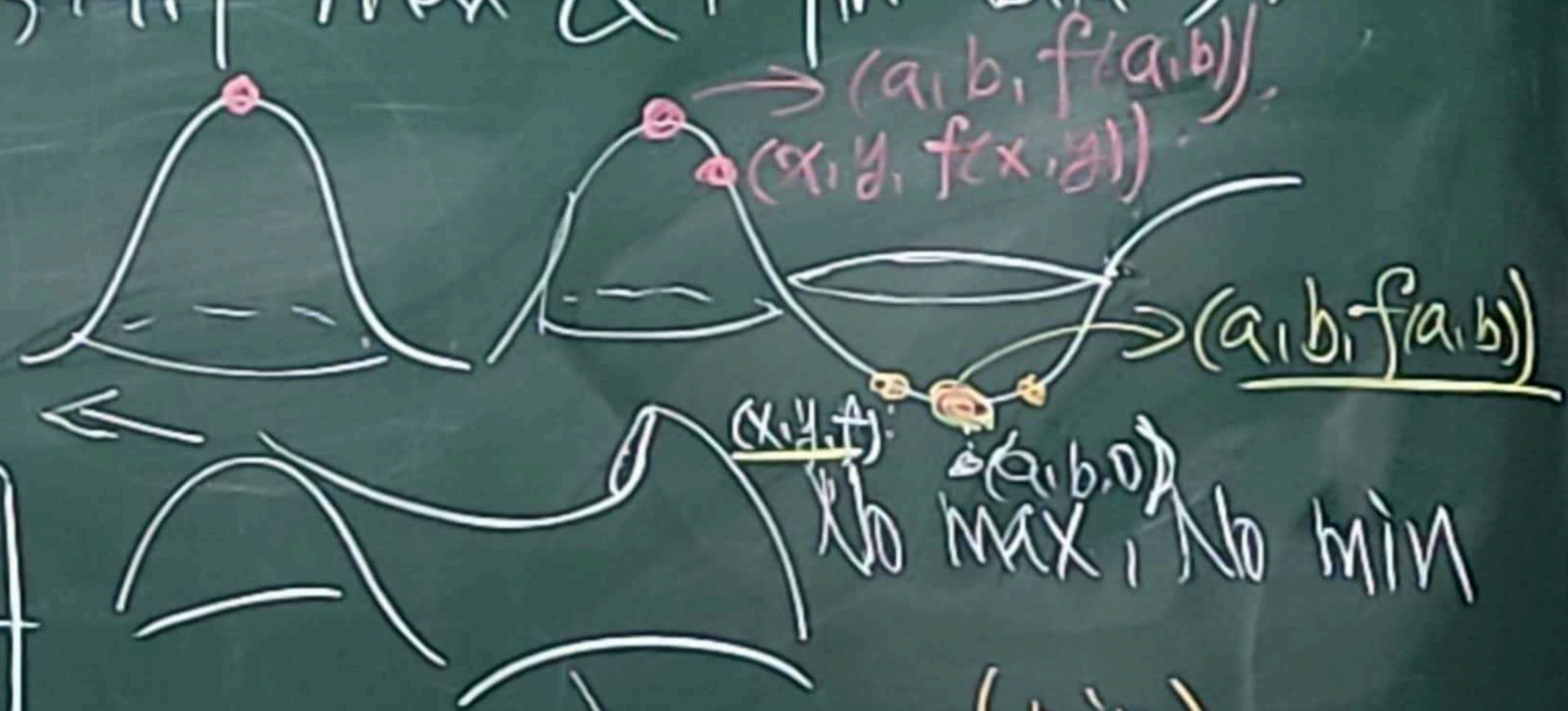
Gradient vector  
 $\nabla f(x, y) = \langle f_x(x, y), f_y(x, y) \rangle$



topographic map of a hill.



§ 14.7. max & Min values.

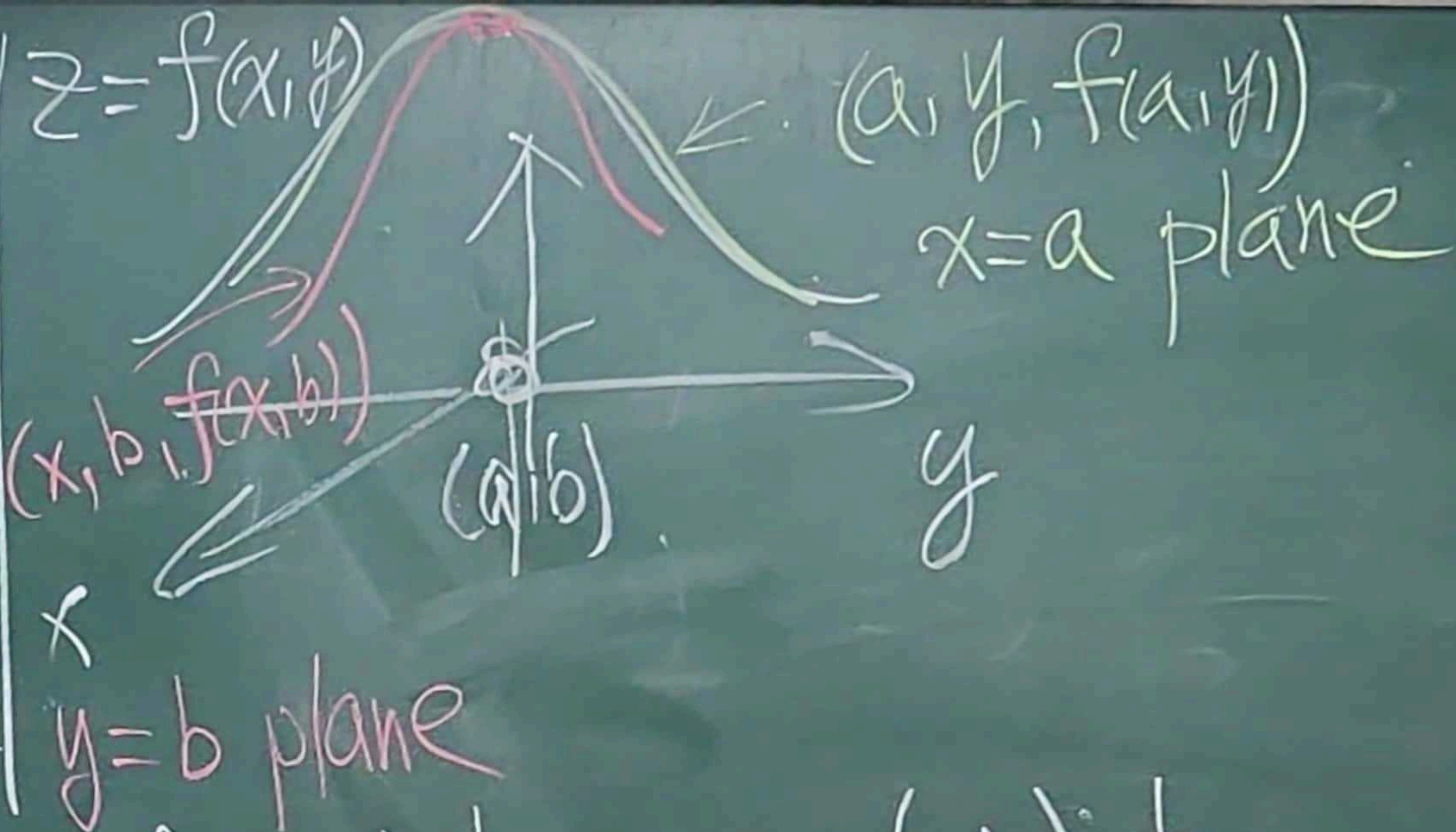


Def  $f$  has a local <sup>(min)</sup> max at  $(a, b)$  if  $\underline{f(x, y)} \leq \underline{f(a, b)}$  when  $(x, y)$  is near



$f(a,b)$  = local max value of  $f$ .  
(min).

$f$  has an absolute max at  $(a,b)$   
if  $f(x,y) \leq f(a,b) \quad \forall (x,y) \in \text{Dom}$



Thm. If  $f$  has a local max or min at  $(a,b)$  and  $f_x, f_y$  exist  
 $\Rightarrow f_x(a,b) = 0 = f_y(a,b)$

$g(x) = f(x, b)$  has a max (min) at  $x = a$   
 $\Rightarrow g'(x)|_{x=a} = f_x(a, b) = 0$



Similarly,  $f_y(a,b)=0$ . ~~xx~~ | <Ex>  $f(x,y)=x^2y^2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x(x,y)=0 \\ f_y(x,y)=0 \end{cases}$

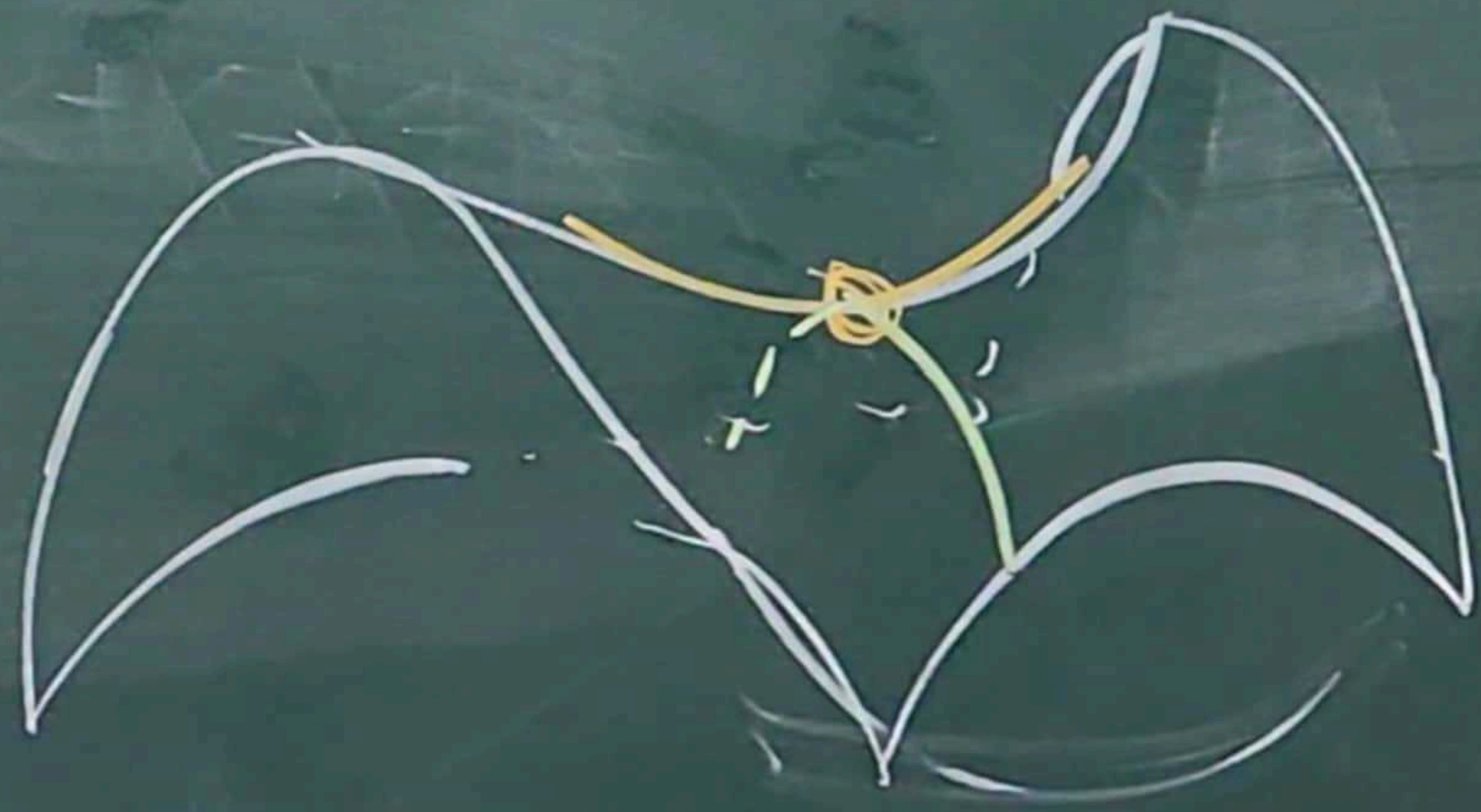
~~$(a,b,f(a,b))$  tangent plane~~

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2x=0 \\ 2y=0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x=0 \\ y=0 \end{cases}$$

~~$z=f(x,y)$~~

$$z - f(a,b) = \underbrace{f_x(a,b)}_{=0}(x-a) + \underbrace{f_y(a,b)}_{=0}(y-b)$$

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





Ex)  $f(x) = x^2 \Rightarrow f'(0) = 0$  and  $f(0) = \min$

$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x(0,0) = 0 \\ f_y(0,0) = 0 \end{cases}$  and  $f(0,0) = \min$

$f(x) = x^3 \Rightarrow f'(0) = 0$  and  $f(0) \neq \min$  nor  $\max$

$f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x(0,0) = 0 \\ f_y(0,0) = 0 \end{cases}$  and  $f(0,0) \neq \min$  nor  $\max$

Recall

For  $y = f(x)$  we use 1st-derivative test,  
or 2nd derivative test to determine min or max

Def  $(a, b) = \text{critical pt of } f$  if  
 $f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b)$  or  $f_x(a, b)$  DNE  
 $f_y(a, b)$  DNE

Ex)  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 14$

Find critical pts, local min,  
absolute min, (max)



Sol:  $\begin{cases} f_x(x,y)=0 \\ f_y(x,y)=0 \end{cases}$  critical pts

$f_x, f_y$  exist  $\forall (x,y)$

$$f(x,y) = (x-1)^2 + (y-3)^2 + 4 \geq 4$$

$\Rightarrow f(1,3) = 4$  ~~local min~~  
absolute min

No local max  
Graph

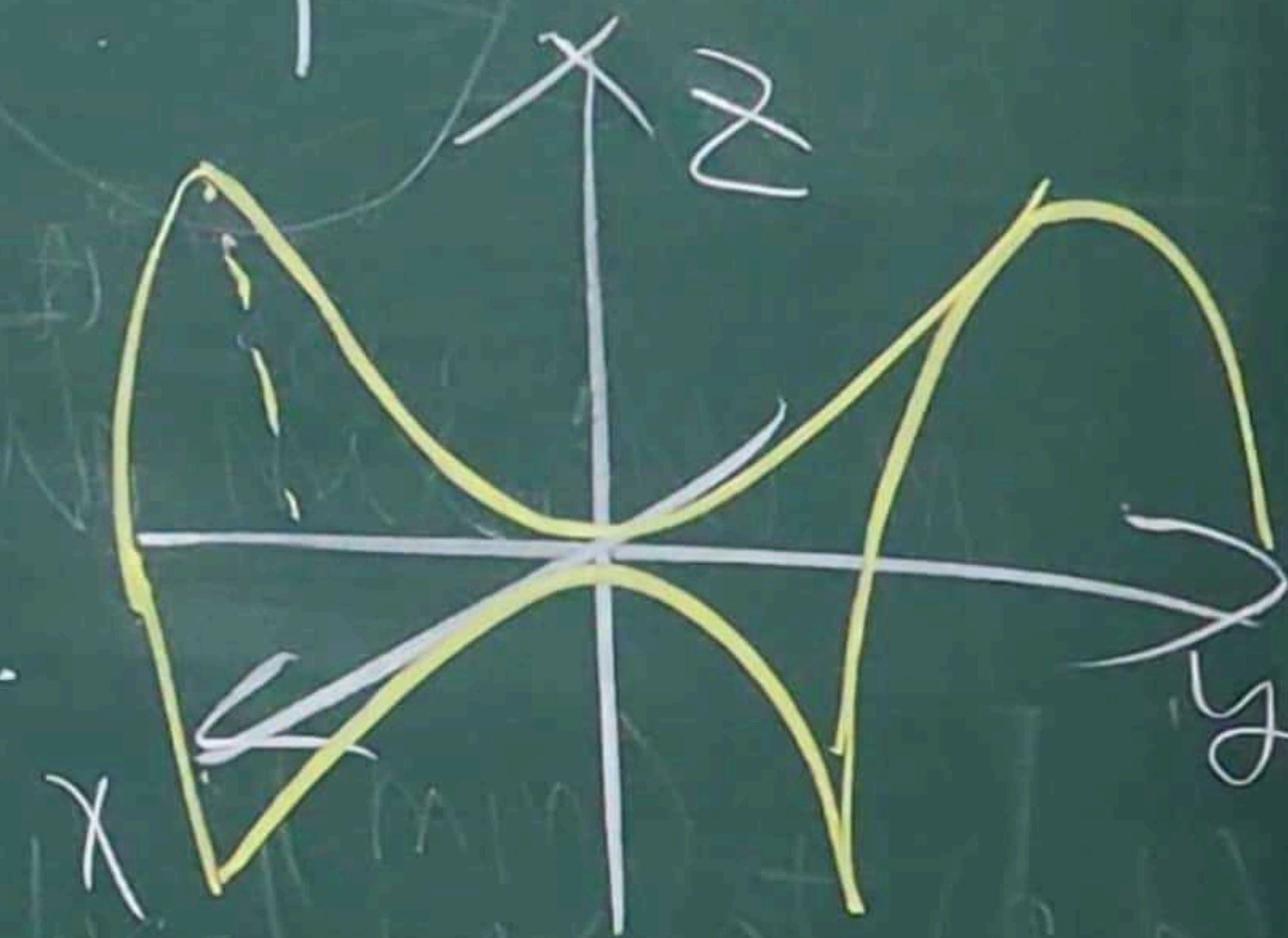
<Ex> Find extreme values of  $f(x,y) = y^2 - x^2$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x = 0 \\ f_y = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{cases}$  critical pt of  $f$ .

$f(0,y) = y^2 > 0 \ (y \neq 0)$

$f(x,0) = -x^2 < 0 \ (x \neq 0)$

$\Rightarrow f(0,0) \neq \text{min nor max}$





# 2nd Derivative Test

Suppose  $f_{xx}, f_{yy}, f_{xy}$  = conti near  $(a,b)$   
and  $f_x(a,b) = f_y(a,b) = 0$ . Let

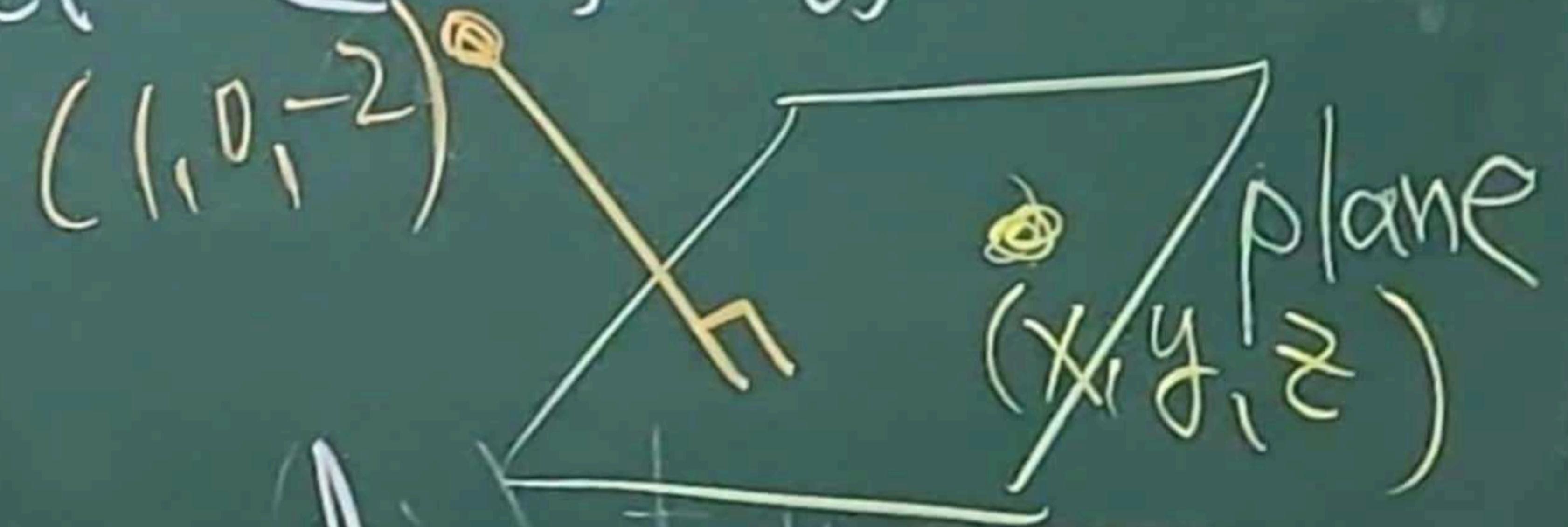
$$D = D(a,b) = f_{xx}(a,b)f_{yy}(a,b) - (f_{xy}(a,b))^2 = \begin{vmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{yx} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{vmatrix}_{x=a, y=b}$$

- (a)  $D > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a,b) > 0 \Rightarrow f(a,b) = \text{local min}$
- (b)  $D > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a,b) < 0 \Rightarrow f(a,b) = \text{local max}$
- (c)  $D < 0 \Rightarrow f(a,b) \neq \text{local min or max}$

(Ex) Find the shortest distance from

$(1, 0, -2)$  to  $x + 2y + z = 4$

Sol: Set  $z = f(x, y) = 4 - x - 2y$



distance  $d \equiv \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z+2)^2}$

$$= \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + y^2 + (6-x-2y)^2} = f(x, y)$$



min of  $d(x, y) = d(a, b)$ .

min of  $d^2(x, y) = d^2(a, b)$ .

Set  $f(x, y) = d^2 = (x-1)^2 + y^2 + (6-x-2y)^2$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x = 0 \\ f_y = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = \frac{11}{6} \\ b = \frac{5}{3} \end{cases}$$

compute  $f_{xx}(a, b), f_{yy}(a, b), f_{xy}(a, b) = f_{yx}(a, b)$

compute  $D = \begin{vmatrix} f_{xx}(a, b) & f_{xy}(a, b) \\ f_{yx}(a, b) & f_{yy}(a, b) \end{vmatrix} = 24 > 0$

By 2nd derivative test

$$D(a, b) > 0, f_{xx}(a, b) > 0,$$

$f(a, b) = \frac{25}{6}$  local min (absolute min)

$$\Rightarrow d = \sqrt{f(a, b)} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ shortest distance}$$