1. Find an equation of the tangent plane to the surface given by  $z = 2x^2 + y^2 - 5y$  at the point (1, 2, -4)

**Solution.**  $\partial z/\partial x = 4x$ ,  $\partial z/\partial y = 2y - 5$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\Big|_{P_0} = 4$$
 and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\Big|_{P_0} = -1$ 

The equation of the tangent plane:

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

2. Use the chain rule to find  $\partial z/\partial s$  and  $\partial z/\partial t$ , given that  $z=x^2\sin y,\, x=s^2t,\, y=st.$ 

Solution.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} = 4xst \sin y + x^2 t \cos t$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 2s^2x\sin y + x^2s\cos y$$