Answer on Question #65999 - Math - Calculus

Question

Near what points may the surface

$$x^3 + 3y^2 + 8xz^2 - 3yz^3 = 1$$

be represented as a graph of a differentiable function z = k(x, y)? Justify your answer.

Solution

Let
$$F(x, y, z) = x^3 + 3y^2 + 8xz^2 - 3yz^3 - 1$$
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Using the Implicit function theorem, a function z = k(x, y) exists if

$$F'_z(x, y, z) \neq 0$$

Then

$$F'_z(x, y, z) = 16xz - 9yz^2 = z(16x - 9yz) \neq 0$$
, hence a point (x, y, z) meets the conditions $z \neq 0$ and $16x \neq 9yz$.

Answer: $z \neq 0$ and $16x \neq 9yz$.