

$$F(x, y, z) = yz - \ln(x + z) \Rightarrow \nabla F(x, y, z) = \left\langle -\frac{1}{x+z}, z, y - \frac{1}{x+z} \right\rangle$$

and  $\nabla F(0, 0, 1) = \langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle$ .

(a)  $(-1)(x - 0) + (1)(y - 0) - 1(z - 1) = 0$  or  $x - y + z = 1$

(b) Parametric equations are  $x = -t$ ,  $y = t$ ,  $z = 1 - t$  and symmetric equations are  $\frac{x}{-1} = \frac{y}{1} = \frac{z-1}{-1}$  or  $-x = y = 1 - z$ .