

Quiz 7 Solutions

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Problem 1 (5 points): Find the value of $\frac{\partial x}{\partial y}$ at the point $(1, -1, 3)$ if the equation $y^7x + z \ln x + x^3 - 1 = -1$ defines x as a function of the two independent variables y and z and the partial derivative exists.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} (y^7x + z \ln x + x^3 - 1) &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} (-1) \\ 7y^6x + y^7 \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + \frac{z}{x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + 3x^2 \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} &= 0 \\ 7y^6x + \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} (y^7 + \frac{z}{x} + 3x^2) &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} (y^7 + \frac{z}{x} + 3x^2) &= -7y^6x \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} &= \frac{-7y^6x}{y^7 + \frac{z}{x} + 3x^2} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} (1, -1, 3) &= \frac{-7(-1)^6 1}{(-1)^7 + \frac{3}{1} + 3(1)^2} = \frac{-7}{-1+3+3} = -\frac{7}{5}\end{aligned}$$

Problem 2 (5 points): Find a vector parallel to the line of intersection of the planes $-4x - 5z - 2y = 14$ and $2x + 3y + 3z = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}(-4i - 5j - 2k) \times (2i + 3j + 3k) &= -8i^2 - 12ij - 12ik - 10ji - 15j^2 - 15jk - \\ 4ki - 6kj - 6k^2 &= -12k + 12j + 10k - 15i - 4j + 6i = -9i + 8j - 2k\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -4 & -5 & -2 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = i(-15 + 6) + j(-12 + 4) + k(-12 + 10) = -9i - 8j - 2k$$