Quiz 8 Solutions

Problem 1 (5 points): Find the gradient of the function $f(x,y) = \arctan \frac{xy}{7} + \ln (x^4 + y^2)$ at the given point (1,7).

$$f_x = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{xy}{7}\right)^2} \frac{y}{7} + \frac{4x^3}{x^4 + y^2} \to \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{7}{7}\right)^2} \frac{7}{7} + \frac{4}{1 + 49} = \frac{7}{14} + \frac{4}{50} = \frac{29}{50}$$

$$f_y = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{xy}{7}\right)^2} \frac{x}{7} + \frac{2y}{x^4 + y^2} \to \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{7}{7}\right)^2} \frac{1}{7} + \frac{14}{1 + 49} = \frac{1}{14} + \frac{14}{50} = \frac{123}{350}$$

Therefore, grad $(f)(1,7) = \frac{29}{50}i + \frac{123}{350}j$.

Problem 2 (5 points): Find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial v}$ when $u=2,\,v=2$ if $w=xy+\ln z,\,x=\frac{v^5}{u},\,y=-u-v,\,z=-\cos u.$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\frac{\partial y}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}\frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = y\left(\frac{5v^4}{u}\right) + x\left(-1\right) + \frac{1}{z}\left(0\right) = \left(-u - v\right)\left(\frac{5v^4}{u}\right) - \frac{v^5}{u}$$

Therefore,
$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial v}(2,2) = (-2-2)\left(\frac{5(2^4)}{2}\right) - \frac{2^5}{2} = -4(40) - 16 = -176$$