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Exercise 10: differential calculus II

Exercise 30

Differentiate the following functions

a)
$$a(x) = \sqrt[4]{x^3}$$

b)
$$b(x) = a\cos(x) - x^2 + \exp(x) + 1$$
, $a \in \mathbb{R}$

c)
$$c(x) = x^2 \arcsin(x)$$

d)
$$d(x) = \frac{1 + \cos(x)}{1 - \sin(x)}$$

e)
$$e(x) = \frac{5x^5 - 6x^2 + 1}{(x+1)^2}$$

f)
$$f(t) = \sin(3t + \frac{\pi}{2})$$

g)
$$g(x) = \left(\frac{1+x}{x}\right)^n$$

h)
$$h(x) = 2t\sqrt{t^2 - 1}$$

i)
$$i(x) = \exp(-5t)(3\sin(2t) + 4\cos(2t))$$

Moreover, give the maximal domain of definition, the set A, for the function and the corresponding set D for the derivative.

Exercise 31

Compute the following limits:

a)
$$\lim_{x\to 1} \frac{x^2 + x - 2}{x^2 - 1}$$

b)
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\ln(\cos(x))}{x}$$

c)
$$\lim_{x\to\infty} \left(\sqrt{x+\sqrt{x}}-\sqrt{x}\right)$$

Exercise 32

Proof the generalized mean value theorem:

Let a < b and $f, g : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ continuous functions that are continuously differentiable in (a,b), and $g'(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in (a,b)$,

then there exists a $\xi \in (a,b)$ such that

$$\frac{f'(\xi)}{g'(\xi)} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{g(b) - g(a)}.$$

Hint: Apply the Rolle theorem.

Exercise 33

Let $f:(x_1,x_2) \to \mathbb{R}$ with $x_1 < x_2$.

Suppose that

$$\frac{f(x) - f(x_1)}{(1 - \lambda)(x_2 - x_1)} \le \frac{f(x_2) - f(x)}{\lambda(x_2 - x_1)}$$

for a convex combination

$$x = \lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2 = x_2 + \lambda(x_1 - x_2), \quad 0 < \lambda < 1.$$

Show that *f* is convex on $(x_1, x_2) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

Remark: This is the skipped intermediate step in the proof, that $f''(x) \ge 0$ on $x \in X$ implies that f is convex on $x \in X$, where $(x_1, x_2) \subseteq X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.