

DIFFERENTIAL CALCULUS

1. Compute the first derivative of

$$(a) x^8 e^{-x^3} - x - 100, \quad (b) \frac{\ln(\sin^2(x))}{\cos(x)}, \quad (c) \arctan(\sqrt{x}).$$

(Hint for (c): Set $\tan(y) = \sqrt{x}$ and differentiate with respect to x)

2. Compute the first derivative of the two functions

$$(a) f(x) = e^{\sin(x^3 + \cos(x^2))},$$
$$(b) g(x) = \cos^2\left(\frac{x^3+1}{x^2+1}\right).$$

3. For which $x \in \mathbb{R}$ does the graph of $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with

$$y = f(x) = e^{\sin x} \cdot e^{\cos x}$$

have horizontal tangents? These are tangents of the form $t(x) = a$ with $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

4. What is the domain of the function of the function

$$h(x) = \ln(\ln(x))?$$

Compute the second derivative $h''(x) = (h'(x))'$. Does the function h have any inflection points (i.e. points where h'' changes sign)?

5. Use the definition of the derivative to

- (a) differentiate x^3 ,
- (b) prove the product rule $(fg)' = f'g + fg'$.

6. Find the derivative of x^x . (Hint: Rewrite the expression as $e^{\text{something}}$)

7. (Optional) Have a listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tSovv1CxUNs>
(You don't need to know German for this.)