

# Chapter 1

## Real functions (Fonctions réelles)

Lesson objective:

1. How do you determine the domain of definition of a function; (Comment déterminer le domaine de définition d'une fonction);
2. How do you find Limits (Comment Calculer les limites);
3. How do you study the continuity and differentiability of a function (Comment étudier la continuité et la dérivabilité d'une fonction).

### 1.1 Definitions and properties

**Definition 1** *real function (fonction réelle): Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  et  $J \subset \mathbb{R}$ . We call real function, denoted  $f$ , any application*

$$f : I \rightarrow J$$

$$x \rightarrow f(x),$$

where  $I$  is the starting set (the antecedents) and  $J$  the arriving set (the images).

**Remark 2** 1. The function  $f$  denotes the function;

2. The real variable  $x \in D_f$  is the antecedent;

3. The real number  $f(x)$  is the image of  $x$  by  $f$ .

**Definition 3** *Domaine de définition (domain of function):* Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  and  $J \subset \mathbb{R}$ . The set of elements of  $I$  which have exactly one image in  $J$  by the function  $f$  is called the domain of definition of  $I$ . We denote it  $D_f$  :

$$D_f = \{x \in \mathbb{R} / f(x) \text{ is defined}\}$$

### 1.1.1 Examples (exemples)

**Polynomial function (Fonction polynomiale):** The general form of this function is:

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

The domain of definition of polynomial functions is  $\mathbb{R} = ]-\infty, +\infty[$ , as examples:

$$f(x) = x^2, g(x) = 3 + 5x + 2x^2, \dots$$

where  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are second degree polynomials and  $D_f = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $D_g = \mathbb{R}$ .

**Nth root function (Fonction racinen-ième):** Let  $h$  a real fonction. The general form of root function is :

$$f(x) = h^{\frac{p}{q}} = \sqrt[q]{h(x)^p},$$

where  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

for  $p = 1$  and  $q = 2$  we obtain *square root function* (la fonction racine carrée), for examples:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}, \quad f(x) = \sqrt{x^2+2x}.$$

The condition for  $f$  to be defined is that the function  $h(x)$  is positive or zero, that's meaning:

$$D_f = \{x \in \mathbb{R}/h(x) \geq 0\}.$$

The domain of the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$  is  $D_f = \{x \in \mathbb{R}/x-1 \geq 0\}$ , so

$$x-1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq 1$$

then:  $D_f = [1, +\infty[$ .

for  $p = 1$  and  $q = 3$  we obtain *cube root function* (fonction racine cubique), for example:

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x-1},$$

The domain of *cube root function* is  $\mathbb{R} = ]-\infty, +\infty[$ .

**Rational function (Fonction rationnelle):** If  $h$  and  $g$  are two real functions, then The general form of rational functions is given by:

$$f(x) = \frac{h(x)}{g(x)}, \quad g(x) \neq 0.$$

The domain of quotient function  $f = \frac{h(x)}{g(x)}$  is the intersection of the domains of  $h(x)$  and  $g(x)$ .

**Remark 4** If  $h$  is a polynomial function, then for  $f$  to be defined it is necessary that  $g(x) \neq 0$ .

**Example 5** 1. Let  $f_1$  a function defined by:

$$f_1(x) = \frac{h_1(x)}{g_1(x)} = \frac{1}{x^2-1},$$

so:  $f_1$  is defined  $\Leftrightarrow g_1(x) = x^2 - 1 \neq 0$ , or  $D_{f_1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} / x^2 - 1 \neq 0\}$ , the solution of the equation  $x^2 - 1 = 0$  gives us the points which do not belong to  $D_{f_1}$ . So we have

$$x^2 - 1 = (x - 1)(x + 1)$$

and

$$(x - 1)(x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} (x - 1) = 0 \\ \text{ou } (x + 1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

then,  $x \neq 1$  et  $x \neq -1$

so

$$\begin{aligned} D_{f_1} &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} / x \neq -1 \text{ and } x \neq 1\} \\ &= \mathbb{R} - \{-1, 1\} \\ &= ]-\infty, -1[ \cup ]-1, 1[ \cup ]1, +\infty[ \end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $f_2$  a function defined by:

$$f_2(x) = \frac{h_2(x)}{g_2(x)} = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2 + 2x - 1}$$

The function  $f_2$  is defined  $\Leftrightarrow g_2(x) = x^2 + 2x - 1 \neq 0$ . We search the solution of the equation  $x^2 + 2x - 1$ , so we calculate the determinant  $\Delta$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= (2)^2 - 4(1)(-1) \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

and  $\Delta > 0$ , then we have two different solutions are:

$$x_1 = \sqrt{2} - 1 \text{ and } x_2 = -\sqrt{2} - 1$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{f_2} &= \mathbb{R} - \left\{ -\sqrt{2} - 1, \sqrt{2} - 1 \right\} \\ &= ]-\infty, -\sqrt{2} - 1[ \cup ]-\sqrt{2} - 1, \sqrt{2} - 1[ \cup ]\sqrt{2} - 1, +\infty[ \end{aligned}$$

3. Let  $f_3$  a function defined by:

$$f_3(x) = \frac{h_3(x)}{g_3(x)} = \frac{\sqrt{x-1}}{x^2 + 2x - 1}.$$

We observe that the function  $h_3(x)$  is a square root function then to find the domain of  $f_3$  it is necessary to add the condition that  $h_3(x) \geq 0$  and the intersection with  $g_3(x) \neq 0$  gives us  $D_{f_3}$ .

$D_{f_3} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} / x - 1 \geq 0 \text{ et } x^2 + 2x - 1 \neq 0\}$ , and we have:

$$D_{h_3} = [1, +\infty[ \text{ et } D_{g_3} = ]-\infty, -\sqrt{2} - 1[ \cup ]-\sqrt{2} - 1, \sqrt{2} - 1[ \cup ]\sqrt{2} - 1, +\infty[.$$

then the intersection gives us:  $D_{f_3} = [1, +\infty[.$

**Logarithmic function(Fonction logarithme):** The  $\ln$  function is defined as follows:

$$\ln : \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow \ln(x)$$

therefore the domain of the function  $\ln$  is  $\mathbb{R}_+^* = ]0, +\infty[$

**Exponential function(Fonction exponentielle):** exponential function  $\exp$  is defined as following :

$$\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow \exp(x)$$

and the domain of the exponential function is  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Sinus and Cosinus functions( Fonctions sinus et cosinus)**: The sinus function is defined as follows :

$$\sin : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \mapsto \sin(x)$$

and its domain is  $\mathbb{R}$

The sinus function is defined as follows:

$$\cos : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \mapsto \cos(x)$$

and its domain is  $\mathbb{R}$ .

The functions sin and cos are bounded functions, i.e.

$$\text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}, -1 \leq \sin(x) \leq 1 \text{ and } -1 \leq \cos(x) \leq 1.$$

### 1.1.2 Composition of two functions:

Let :  $f : D_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : D_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , then the function  $f \circ g$  is defined by:

$$D_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$

**Example 6** 1. Let:  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 2x - 1$  then  $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = \sin(x^2 + 2x - 1)$ .

2. Let:  $f(x) = \ln(x)$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  then  $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = \ln(\frac{1}{x})$ . the domain of  $f$  is

$\mathbb{R}_+^* = ]0, +\infty[$  and the domain of  $g$  is  $\mathbb{R}^*$ , then the domain of  $f(g(x))$  is  $\mathbb{R}_+^*$ .

**Definition 7** *graphical representation (Représentation graphique):* Let  $f$  a real function, the graph of  $f$ , noté  $G(f)$ , is defined by:

$$G(f) = \{(x, f(x), x \in D_f)\}.$$

### 1.1.3 Function operations (Opérations sur les fonctions)

If  $f$  and  $g$  are two functions defined on the same interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ , we then have the following results:

1. **Sum (Somme)**:The sum function  $f + g$  is defined for any real  $x$  of the interval  $I$  by:

$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x).$$

2. **Product (Produit)**:the product function  $fg$  is defined for all real  $x$  of the interval  $I$  by:

$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x).$$

3. **Quotient**: when the function  $g$  does not equal 0 on the interval  $I$ , the quotient function  $f/g$  is defined for any real  $x$  of  $I$  by:

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}, g(x) \neq 0.$$

## 1.2 limit of a function (Limite d'une fonction)

Let  $f : ]a, b[ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and let  $x_0 \in ]a, b[$  where  $x_0 \notin ]a, b[$ .

1. We say that  $f(x)$  tends to a real limit  $l$  as  $x$  tends to  $x_0$  on the left if:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x) = l$$

2. We say that  $f(x)$  tends to a real limit  $l$  as  $x$  approaches  $x_0$  on the right if:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) = l'$$

3. If we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x) = l = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x)$$

Then we say that  $l$  is the limit of  $f$  at the point  $x_0$ .

We say that  $f$  tends to an infinite limit  $+\infty(-\infty)$  when  $x$  approaches  $x_0$  on the left and on the right if:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \begin{cases} +\infty \\ \text{or} -\infty \end{cases} .$$

Sometimes, in the calculations of the limits we find forms called indeterminate forms (IF) when calculating the limits, these forms are:

$$+\infty - \infty, \frac{\infty}{\infty}, \frac{0}{0}, \frac{\infty}{0}, 0\infty, 0^\infty.$$

To remove the indeterminate form (IF) in the calculations of the limits, we use the following methods:

### 1.2.1 Method 01: Factoring higher degree polynomials (Factoriser le terme de plus haut degré)

We use this method when we have an indeterminate form of the type  $(+\infty - \infty)$  for a polynomial function or  $(\frac{\infty}{\infty})$  for a rational function. This method consists of putting the



highest degree term into a factor and if we obtain a fraction we simplify as much as possible.

**Example 8** 1. We want to calculate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x^2 - 2x + 1)$ , we have:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x^2 - 2x + 1) = +\infty - \infty$ , so it's an FI of the type  $+\infty - \infty$ . To remove the FI we put  $x^2$  as a factor, then:

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = x^2 \left(1 - \frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 &= +\infty \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

by product:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 \left(1 - \frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) = \infty \cdot 1 = \infty$$

2. We want to calculate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x + 1}\right)$ , we have:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x + 1}\right) = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$ , so it's an FI of the type  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ . To remove the FI we put the highest degree in the numerator and divide it by the highest degree in the denominator, then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x + 1}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2}{x}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x) = +\infty$$

### 1.2.2 Method 02: conjugate multiplication technique (Multiplier par l'expression conjuguée)

This method used when we have an indeterminate form of the type  $(+\infty - \infty)$  in an expression with square roots  $(\sqrt{A(x)} - \sqrt{B(x)})$ . To remove the FI in this type we multiply and divide by the conjugate expression of  $(\sqrt{A(x)} - \sqrt{B(x)})$ , it is  $(\sqrt{A(x)} + \sqrt{B(x)})$ .

**Example 9** We want to calculate:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+3})$ , we have:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x}) = +\infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x+3}) = +\infty$  but the sum of these two limits equals  $+\infty - \infty$ .

so we multiply and divide by:  $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+3}$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+3})(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+3})}{(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+3})} &= \frac{x - x + 3}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+3}} \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+3}} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+3}) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x+3}} \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{+\infty} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

### 1.2.3 Method 03: Comparison (La comparaison)

This method consists of comparing between two functions. We summarize this method as follows:

Let considered two functions  $f$  and  $g$  defined on the interval  $I$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

1. If  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = -\infty$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = -\infty,$$

2. If  $g(x) \leq f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = +\infty$ , then

3. Let  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$  three functions defined on the interval  $I$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , if  $h(x) \leq f(x) \leq g(x)$

and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} h(x) = l$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l.$$

**Example 10** Let considered a function  $f: f(x) = x^2 \sin(x) - 3x^2$ . We want to calculate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (x^2 \sin(x) - 3x^2)$$

We know that:

$$-1 \leq \sin(x) \leq 1$$

and  $x^2 \geq 0$ , so

$$x^2 \sin(x) \leq x^2$$

$$x^2 \sin(x) - 3x^2 \leq x^2 - 3x^2$$

$$x^2 \sin(x) - 3x^2 \leq -2x^2$$

and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (-2x^2) = -\infty$ , We conclude that :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x^2 \sin(x)) = -\infty$ .

#### 1.2.4 Method 04: Derivation method (Méthode de dérivation)

This method used when we have an indeterminate form of the type  $(\frac{+\infty}{+\infty}, \frac{-\infty}{-\infty}$  et  $\frac{0}{0}$ ). This method consists of using the derivative of the function (Hospital rule). We summarize this method as follows:

Let  $f$  and  $g$  two functions differentiable on an interval  $I = ]a, b[$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $g'(x) \neq 0$ , then

1.

$$\text{if } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = l \text{ then } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = l$$

2.

$$\text{if } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = +\infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = l \text{ then } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = l$$

**Remark 11** Sometimes you will have to use the hospital rule several times.

**Example 12** 1. Let  $h$  a function defined by:

$$h(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\ln(x)},$$

we calculate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left( \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\ln(x)} \right) = \frac{+\infty}{+\infty}$ , so we use the hospital rule and we obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}{\frac{1}{x}} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left( \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2} \right) = +\infty.$$

### 1.2.5 Properties of Limits

If  $L$ ,  $M$ ,  $c$ , and  $k$  are real numbers and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = M, \text{ then}$$

**Sum Rule:** The limit of the sum of two functions is the sum of their limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) + g(x)) = L + M.$$

**Difference Rule:** The limit of the difference of two functions is the difference of their limits

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) - g(x)) = L - M.$$

**Product Rule:** The limit of a product of two functions is the product of their limits.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x).g(x)) = LM.$$

**Constant Multiple Rule:** The limit of a constant times a function is the constant times the limit of the function

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (kf(x)) = kL.$$

**Quotient Rule:** The limit of a quotient of two functions is the quotient of their limits, provided the limit of the denominator is not zero

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{L}{M}, M \neq 0.$$

### 1.3 Continuity (Continuité)

**Definition 13** *Continuity left and right (Continuité à gauche et à droite):* Let  $f$  a function defined on an interval  $I$  ( $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ ). Let  $x_0$  a point of  $I$ .

-The function  $f$  is continuous to the left of  $x_0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{x \xrightarrow{<} x_0} f(x) = f(x_0).$$

-The function  $f$  is continuous to the right of  $x_0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{x \xrightarrow{>} x_0} f(x) = f(x_0).$$

-The function  $f$  is continuous at a point  $x_0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{x \xrightarrow{<} x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \xrightarrow{>} x_0} f(x) = f(x_0).$$

**Definition 14** *Continuity (Continuité):* Let  $f$  be a function defined on an interval  $I$  ( $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ ). We say that the function  $f$  is continuous in  $I$  if and only if  $f$  is continuous at each point of  $I$ .

**Remark 15** -If  $\lim_{x \xrightarrow{<} x_0} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \xrightarrow{>} x_0} f(x) \neq f(x_0)$  then the function  $f$  is discontinuous in  $x_0$ .

-If  $\lim_{x \xrightarrow{<} x_0} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \xrightarrow{>} x_0} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \xrightarrow{<} x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$  then  $f$  is discontinuous to the left of  $x_0$ .

-If  $\lim_{x \xrightarrow{>} x_0} f(x) = f(x_0)$  then  $f$  is continuous to the right of  $x_0$ .

**Example 16** -Polynomial functions are continuous at every point in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

-Rational fractions functions are continuous where they are defined.

-Let  $f$  a function defined by:  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x}$  and  $D_f = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$ . The function  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 = 1$  because:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+2}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+2}{x} = f(1) = 3.$$

-Let  $g$  a function defined by:  $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x|}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$ ,  $D_f = \mathbb{R}$ .

The function  $g$  is discontinuous at  $x_0 = 0$  because:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x}{x} = -1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{x} = 1$$

but it is continuous to the right because:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{x} = 1 = g(0)$ .

### 1.3.1 Extension by continuity (Prolongement par continuité)

Let  $f$  a function defined on interval  $I - \{x_0\}$ . If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$  (existe) then the function  $\tilde{f}$

défini on  $I$

$$\tilde{f} = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \neq x_0 \\ l & \text{if } x = x_0 \end{cases}$$

is called the extension by continuity from  $f$  to  $x_0$ . The function  $\tilde{f}$  is then continuous in  $x_0$ .

**Example 17** Let  $f$  defined by:

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$$

The domain  $D_f = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$  and the function  $f$  is continuous in  $D_f$  but  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = 1$ .

So we can extend  $f$  to  $x_0 = 0$

$$\tilde{f} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

## 1.4 Differentiability (Dérivabilité)

**Definition 18** *Differentiability left and right (Dérivée sur à droite et à gauche):* Let  $f$  a function defined on interval  $I$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $a$  a point of  $I$ .

-The function  $f$  is differentiable in left at a point  $x_0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{x \underset{<}{\rightarrow} x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = l.$$

-The function  $f$  is differentiable in right at a point  $x_0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{x \underset{>}{\rightarrow} x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = l'$$

-The function  $f$  is differentiable at a point  $x_0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{x \underset{<}{\rightarrow} x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{x \underset{>}{\rightarrow} x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = f'(x_0).$$

This number  $f'(x_0)$  is called derivative of  $f$  at  $x_0$ .

**Definition 19** *derivative on  $I$  (Dérivée sur  $I$ ):* We say that  $f$  is differentiable on  $I$  if, for all  $x$  of  $I$ ,  $f$  is differentiable on  $x$ . This function is called the derivative of  $f$ , denoted  $f'$ .

**Example 20** -Polynomial functions are differentiable at any point in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

-Rational fractions are differentiable where they are defined.

-Let  $f$  a function defined by:  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x}$  and  $D_f = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$ . the function  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0 = 1$  because:

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x < 1}} \frac{\frac{x+2}{x} - 3}{x-1} = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x < 1}} \frac{\frac{-2x+2}{x}}{x-1} = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x < 1}} \frac{-2x+2}{x(x-1)} = \frac{0}{0} (IF)$$

we use hospital rule:

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x < 1}} \frac{-2x+2}{x(x-1)} = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x < 1}} \frac{-2}{2x-1} = -2$$

also

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x > 1}} \frac{-2x+2}{x(x-1)} = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ x > 1}} \frac{-2}{2x-1} = -2$$

then  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0 = 1$ .

### 1.4.1 Properties (Propriétés)

Let  $f$  and  $g$  two functions differentiable on  $I$ . then we have:

1. for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  :  $(\alpha f + \beta g)' = \alpha f' + \beta g'$  linearity (linéarité)

$$(2 \cos(x) + 3 \ln(x))' = -2 \sin(x) + 3 \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = -2 \sin(x) + \frac{3}{x}.$$

### 2. Product derivative (Dérivé de produit):

$$(fg)' = f'g + fg'$$

as

$$(x \ln(x))' = \ln(x) + x \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \ln(x) + 1$$



### 3. Derivative of the quotient :

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

we take an example:

$$\left(\frac{x}{x^2+2}\right)' = \frac{1(x^2+2) - x(2x)}{(x^2+2)^2} = \frac{-x^2+2}{(x^2+2)^2}$$

### 4. Derivative of composition functions:

$$(f(g(x)))' = g'(x)f'(g(x))$$

for example:

$$(\cos(x^2+2x))' = -(2x+2)\sin(x^2+2x)$$

**Derivatives of usual functions:** They are presented in the following table:

Function $f$	Derivative $f'$	Function $f$	Derivative $f'$
$x^\alpha$	$\alpha x^{\alpha-1}$	$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$
$\ln(x)$	$\frac{1}{x}$	$e^x$	$e^x$
$\sqrt{x}$	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$	$a^x$	$\ln(a)a^x$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$-\frac{1}{x^2}$	$\sqrt[n]{x}$	$\frac{1}{n\sqrt[n]{x^{n-1}}}$
$\cos(x)$	$-\sin(x)$	$u(x)^n$	$nu'(x)u^{n-1}$