



### EXERCISE 1

1. Simplify  $A = \ln 216 - 3(\ln 2 + \ln 3)$
2. Solve in  $\mathbb{R}$  :  $\ln x + \ln(x-3) = \ln 4$

### EXERCISE 2

We assume that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x \ln x) = 0$

We consider the function  $f$  defined on  $]0; +\infty[$  by :  $f(x) = 1 - \frac{\ln x}{x+1}$ . Let  $\Gamma$  be its graph.

#### 1. Study of an auxiliary function

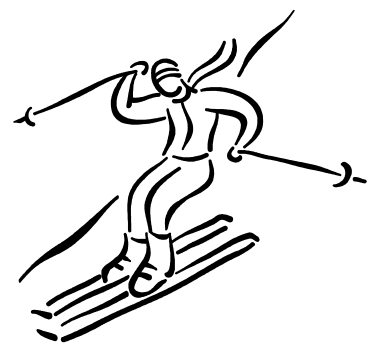
Let  $g$  be the function defined on  $]0; +\infty[$  by :  $g(x) = x \ln x - x - 1$

- a. Study the variations of  $g$ .
- b. Find its limits at 0 and  $+\infty$ .
- c. Justify that the equation  $g(x) = 0$  has a unique solution  $\alpha$  in  $]0; +\infty[$ . Give an approximate value of  $\alpha$  (to  $10^{-2}$ ).
- d. Deduce then the sign of  $g(x)$  with regards to  $x$ .

#### 2. Study of $f$

- a. Prove that the derivative  $f'$  has the same sign as  $g$ .
- b. Deduce then the table of variations of  $f$ .
- c. Draw up the graph  $\Gamma$ .

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**EXERCISE 1**

1.  $\ln 216 = \ln(6^3) = 3\ln(2 \times 3) = 3(\ln 2 + \ln 3)$  hence  $A = 0$

2. (E)  $\ln x + \ln(x-3) = \ln 4$  Existing conditions : ( $x > 0$  and  $x > 3$ ) so  $x > 3$

on  $I = ]3; +\infty[$ , (E)  $\Leftrightarrow \ln(x(x-3)) = \ln 4 \Leftrightarrow x(x-3) = 4$  since the  $\ln$  function is strictly increasing on  $I$ .  $x(x-3) = 4 \Leftrightarrow x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \dots \Leftrightarrow x = 4$  or  $x = -1$

So, according to the existing conditions, the only solution of (E) is 4

**EXERCISE 2**

1a.  $g(x) = x \ln x - x - 1$

$g'(x) = 1 \times \ln x + x \times \frac{1}{x} - 1 = \ln x$  thus  $g$  is decreasing on  $]0; 1]$  and increasing on  $[1; +\infty[$

1b. \*  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = -1$  since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x \ln x) = 0$

\*  $g(x) = x \ln x - x - 1 = x \left( \ln x - 1 - \frac{1}{x} \right)$  thus .....  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} g(x) = +\infty$

1c. Table of variation of  $g$ :

$x$	0	1	$\alpha$	$+\infty$
$g'(x)$		-	0	+
$g(x)$	-1	-2	0	+ + $\infty$

\*  $g$  is continuous and decreasing on  $]0; 1]$ , thus, if  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then  $g(x) < \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x)$ , hence  $g(x) < 0$ , hence

$g(x) = 0$  has no solution in  $]0; 1]$ .

\*  $g$  is continuous and increasing on  $[1; +\infty[$ ,  $g(x)$  belonging to  $[-2; +\infty[$ .  $0 \in [-2; +\infty[$ , hence, according to the intermediate value theorem, the equation  $g(x) = 0$  has a unique solution  $\alpha$  in  $[1; +\infty[$ .

\* Finally, the equation  $g(x) = 0$  has a unique solution  $\alpha$  in  $]0; +\infty[$ .

\* With the calculator, we get  $\alpha \approx 3,59$

2a.  $f'(x) = 0 - \frac{\frac{1}{x} \times (x+1) - \ln x \times 1}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{-1 - \frac{1}{x} + \ln x}{(x+1)^2} = \frac{-x - 1 + x \ln x}{x(x+1)^2} = \frac{g(x)}{x(x+1)^2}$

$x(x+1)^2$  being positive on the domain of  $f$ ,  $f'(x)$  has the same sign as  $g(x)$ .

2b.

$x$	0	$\alpha$	$+\infty$
$f'(x)$		-	+
$f(x)$	+ $\infty$	$\approx 0.72$	1

2c.

