

## Solution

### Exercise 1

a) we will show by induction that  $P(n); \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (1 + \alpha)^n \geq 1 + n\alpha$

for  $n = 0$ , we have  $(1 + \alpha) = 1 \geq 1 + 0\alpha = 1$ , so  $P(0)$  is true

assume that  $P(n)$  is true and show that  $P(n + 1)$  is true, we show that  $(1 + \alpha)^{n+1} \geq 1 + (n + 1)\alpha$

since  $1 + \alpha \geq 0$  then  $(1 + \alpha)^{n+1} = (1 + \alpha)(1 + \alpha)^n \geq (1 + \alpha)(1 + n\alpha) = 1 + \alpha + n\alpha + n^2\alpha \geq 1 + (n + 1)\alpha \quad / \quad (n^2\alpha \geq 0)$

therefore  $P(n + 1)$  is true, hence

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (1 + \alpha)^n \geq 1 + n\alpha$$

• If we put  $\alpha = 1$  we obtain the following inequality  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 2^n \geq n \quad (1 + 1)^n \geq 1 + n \geq n$

b) Let  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Q}^+ \times \mathbb{Q}^+$  such that  $\sqrt{ab} \notin \mathbb{Q}$

Suppose that  $\sqrt{a} + 3\sqrt{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . So  $\exists (p, q) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$  such that  $\sqrt{a} + 3\sqrt{b} = \frac{p}{q}$

Then,  $\left(\sqrt{a} + 3\sqrt{b}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^2$  which implies that  $a + 9b + 6\sqrt{ab} = \frac{p^2}{q^2}$

so  $\sqrt{ab} = \frac{\frac{p^2}{q^2} - a - 9b}{6} \in \mathbb{Q}$  which contradicts the fact that  $\sqrt{ab} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ . then  $\sqrt{a} + 3\sqrt{b} \notin \mathbb{Q}$

### Exercise 2: integer part

$E(x) \stackrel{def}{\Rightarrow}$  is the greatest integer less than or equal to  $x : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $E(x) \leq x < E(x) + 1$  or  $x - 1 < E(x) \leq x$

1)  $x = 0.79 \Rightarrow E(0.79) = 0, E(1.08) = 1, E\left(\frac{11}{3}\right) = 3, E(e) = 2$

2) Show that:  $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, E(x) + E(-x) = 0$

• if  $x \in \mathbb{Z} : E(x) = x$  and  $E(-x) = -x$  so  $E(x) + E(-x) = 0$

• if  $x \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$  then  $E(x) \leq x < E(x) + 1 \Rightarrow -E(x) - 1 < x \leq -E(x)$

$\Rightarrow \underbrace{-E(x) - 1}_K < x \leq \underbrace{-E(x) - 1 + 1}_K, \quad K \in \mathbb{Z}$  then  $-E(x) - 1$  is

the integer part of  $-x$

2)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we show that  $E(\frac{x}{2}) + E(\frac{x+1}{2}) = E(x)$

we distinguish 2 cases  $x \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} E(x) \text{ is even} \Rightarrow E(x) = 2k \\ \text{or} \\ E(x) \text{ is odd} \Rightarrow E(x) = 2k + 1 \end{cases}$

1<sup>st</sup> case •  $E(x) = 2k \Rightarrow E(x) \leq x < E(x) + 1 \Rightarrow 2k \leq x < 2k + 1$ , we divide by 2

$$k \leq \frac{x}{2} < \frac{2k+1}{2} \Rightarrow k \leq \frac{x}{2} < k + \frac{1}{2} < k + 1 \text{ from where}$$

$$E\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = k$$

and  $E(x) + 1 \leq x + 1 < E(x) + 2 \Rightarrow \frac{E(x) + 1}{2} \leq \frac{x + 1}{2} < \frac{E(x) + 2}{2}$  ( $E(x) = 2k$ ) then

$$\frac{2k + 1}{2} \leq \frac{x + 1}{2} < \frac{2k + 2}{2}$$

which give  $k < k + \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{x + 1}{2} < k + 1$

then  $E(\frac{x+1}{2}) = k$  d'ou  $E(\frac{x}{2}) + E(\frac{x+1}{2}) = k + k = 2k = E(x)$

2<sup>nd</sup> case •  $E(x) = 2k + 1$  in the same way

### Exercise 3

1• we prove the second triangle inequality

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \quad ||x| - |y|| \leq |x + y|$$

let

$$|x| = |(x + y) + (-y)| \leq |x + y| + |-y| = |x + y| + |y|$$

we have

$$|x| - |y| \leq |x + y| \dots (1)$$

in the same way

$$|y| = |(y + x) + (-x)| \leq |x + y| + |-x| = |x + y| + |x|$$

then

$$|y| - |x| \leq |x + y| \Rightarrow -(|x| - |y|) \leq |x + y| \Rightarrow |x| - |y| \geq -|x + y| \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we have  $-|x + y| \leq |x| - |y| \leq |x + y|$

which implies  $\boxed{||x| - |y|| \leq |x + y|}$

in the same way, we can show that  $||x| - |y|| \leq |x - y|$

2•  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $2|x| = |(x + y) + (x - y)| \Rightarrow 2|x| \leq |x + y| + |x - y|$

$$2|y| = |(x+y) + (y-x)| \Rightarrow 2|y| \leq |x+y| + |y-x|$$

then

$$|x| + |y| \leq |x+y| + |y-x|, \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

3. Prove that  $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 1 + |xy - 1| \leq (1 + |x - 1|)(1 + |y - 1|)$

$$\text{Let } x, y \in \mathbb{R} : (1 + |x - 1|)(1 + |y - 1|) = 1 + |x - 1| + |y - 1| + |(x - 1)(y - 1)|$$

$$\text{and } 1 + |x - 1| + |y - 1| + |(x - 1)(y - 1)| \geq 1 + |x + y - 2| + |xy - x - y + 1|$$

$\geq$

$$1 + |x + y - 2 + xy - x - y + 1| \geq 1 + |xy - 1|$$

$$\text{then } \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 1 + |xy - 1| \leq (1 + |x - 1|)(1 + |y - 1|)$$

### Exercise 5

It holds that  $\inf(A) \leq x$  for all  $x \in A$  and therefore,  $-\inf(A) \geq -x$  for all  $x \in A$ ,

which is equivalent to  $-\inf(A) \geq y$  for all  $y \in -A$ .

Therefore,  $-\inf(A)$  is an **upper bound** of the set  $-A$  and therefore  $\sup(-A) \leq -\inf(A)$ .

Now,  $y \leq \sup(-A)$  for all  $y \in -A$ , or equivalently  $-x \leq \sup(-A)$  for all  $x \in A$ .

Hence,  $x \geq \sup(-A)$  for all  $x \in A$ . This proves that  $-\sup(-A)$  is a **lower bound** of  $A$  and therefore  $-\sup(-A) \leq \inf(A)$ , or  $\sup(-A) \geq -\inf(A)$ .

This proves that  $\sup(-A) = -\inf(A)$ .

### Exercise 6:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet A &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |2x + 1| \leq 5\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -5 \leq 2x + 1 \leq 5\} = \\ &= \left\{x \in \mathbb{R} : \frac{-6}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{4}{2}\right\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -3 \leq x \leq 2\} = [-3, 2] \end{aligned}$$

$A$  is bounded with  $\sup A = \max A = 2$  and  $\inf A = \min A = -3$ .

$$\bullet B = \{x \in \mathbb{R}, e^x < \frac{1}{2}\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}, x < \ln \frac{1}{2}\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}, x < -\ln 2\} = ]-\infty, -\ln 2[$$

$B$  is bounded above such that  $\sup B = -\ln 2$ , on the other hand  $B$  is not bounded below

so  $\nexists \inf B$ , then  $B$  is not bounded.

$$\bullet C = \left\{E\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), n \in \mathbb{N}^*\right\}$$

si  $n = 1, E(1) = 1 \in C \Rightarrow C \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow D$  is bounded

then  $\exists \sup C, \exists \inf C$  such that  $\forall c \in C; \inf C \leq c \leq \sup C$

We have if  $n > 1$  then  $0 < \frac{1}{n} < 1$  and  $E\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = 0$  so  $C = \{0, 1\} \Rightarrow \sup C = \max C = 1$  and  $\inf C = \min C = 0$

### Exercise 7

$$\bullet A = \left\{ \frac{n-2}{n+1}; n \in \mathbb{N}^* \right\}$$

$A$  is not empty : for  $n = 0, \frac{n-2}{n+1} = -2 \in A$

we have  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}; \frac{n-2}{n+1} = 1 - \frac{3}{n+1}$ .

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n+1 > 1 \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{3}{n+1} < 3 \Rightarrow 1 > 1 - \frac{3}{n+1} > -2$ .

Then  $A$  is bounded below by  $-2$  and bounded above by  $1$  then  $A$  is bounded

$\Rightarrow \exists \sup A, \inf A$  such that  $\forall x_n \in A; \inf A \leq x_n \leq \sup A$ .

The set of upper bound of  $A$  is  $[1, +\infty[$  and the set of lower bound of  $A$  is  $]-\infty, -2]$

since  $-2 \in A$  then  $-2 = \min A = \inf A$

$1 \notin A$ , then  $\nexists \max A$ , show that  $\sup A = 1$ ,

using characterization of the Supremum

$$\sup A = 1 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \forall x_n \in A, x_n < 1 \\ \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists x_{n_0} \in A \text{ such that } x_{n_0} > 1 - \varepsilon \end{cases}, M = 1$$

so

$$x_{n_0} \in A \Rightarrow \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}^* \text{ such that } x_{n_0} = 1 - \frac{3}{n_0 + 1},$$

which implies  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}^* \text{ such that } 1 - \frac{3}{n_0 + 1} > 1 - \varepsilon \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{3}{n_0 + 1} < \varepsilon$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, (n_0 + 1) \varepsilon > 3$$

According to Archimedean property :  $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}^*$  such that  $n_0 > \frac{3}{\varepsilon} - 1$ , just take:  $n_0 = E\left(\frac{3}{\varepsilon} - 1\right) + 1$ ,

2) Let  $B = \{x^2 + 1; x \in ]1, 2]\}$

we have  $x \in ]1, 2] \Rightarrow 1 < x \leq 2 \Rightarrow 1 < x^2 \leq 4$  ( $x^2$  increasing function)

$1 + 1 < x^2 + 1 \leq 4 + 1$  that is to say  $\forall y \in B, y = x^2 + 1, 2 < y \leq 5$

then the set  $B$  is bounded below by 2 and bounded above by 5 hence  $B$  is bounded.

indeed there exist  $\inf B$  and  $\sup B$  such that  $\forall y \in B; \inf B < y \leq \sup B$

on the other hand  $5 = 2^2 + 1 \in B$ , therefore  $\sup B = \max B = 5$ , let us show that  $\inf B = 2$ .

We use the characterization of infimum

$$\inf B = 2 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \forall y \in B, 2 < y \\ \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists y_0 \in B \text{ such that } 2 + \varepsilon > y_0 \end{cases}, m = 2$$

$$\inf B = 2 \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists x_0 \in ]1, 2] \text{ such that } 2 + \varepsilon > x_0^2 + 1 \Rightarrow 1 + \varepsilon > x_0^2$$

$$\text{which give } |x_0| < \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon} \Leftrightarrow -\sqrt{1 + \varepsilon} < x_0 < \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon}$$

so, we search for the existence of  $x_0 \in ]1, 2] \cap ]-\sqrt{1 + \varepsilon}, \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon}[$ , as  $\varepsilon > 0$  then  $\sqrt{1 + \varepsilon} > 1$

hence, we distinguish two cases

• If  $\sqrt{1 + \varepsilon} < 2$

in this case we take  $x_0 \in ]1, \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon}[$

• If  $\sqrt{1 + \varepsilon} > 2$

in this case we take any value of  $x_0 \in ]1, 2]$

then  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists x_0 \in ]1, 2]$  such that  $2 + \varepsilon > x_0^2 + 1$  hence  $\inf B = 2$ , and  $2 \notin B$  then  $\nexists \min B$