Sciences and Technology Department

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Series 1 : Properties of the real set $\mathbb R$

Exercise 1:

Determine (if they exist): the upper bounds, the lower bounds, the supremum, the infimum, the maximum, and the minimum of the following sets:

1.
$$[-1,3]$$
; $]0,1[$; $[-1,3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$; \mathbb{N}

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

3.
$$B = \left\{ \frac{1}{2x+1}; x \in [0,1] \right\}$$

Exercise 2:

1. Let f and g be two functions such that :

$$f(x) = 3 + |x - 1|, \quad g(x) = |x - 2| + |2x + 3|$$

Write the above expressions without absolute value.

2. Solve the following equations and inequalities in \mathbb{R} :

a)
$$|x-2|=3$$

b)
$$|2x - 6| = |x + 1|$$

c)
$$2 \le |x^2 - 1|$$

Exercise 3:

Prove that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\max(x, y) = \frac{x + y + |x - y|}{2}$$
 and $\min(x, y) = \frac{x + y - |x - y|}{2}$

Exercise 4:

Solve the following equations:

$$1. E\left(-\frac{x-1}{2}\right) = -2$$

2.
$$E(2x) = x - 1$$

3.
$$E(x) + |x - 1| = x$$

$\underline{\mathbf{Exercise}\ 5}\ : \mathbf{Additional}\ \mathbf{Exercise}$

Let x, y be two real numbers such that $: x \ge \frac{1}{2}, y \le 1, x - y = 3$

1. Calculate
$$E = \sqrt{(2x-1)^2} + \sqrt{(2y-2)^2}$$

2. Show that :
$$\frac{1}{2} \le x \le 4$$
, and $-\frac{5}{2} \le y \le 1$

3. Calculate
$$F = |x + y - 5| + |x + y + 2|$$