

SOLUTION OF Series 1

Exercise 1:

Let's determine (if they exist): the upper bounds, the lower bounds, the supremum, the infimum, the maximum, and the minimum of the following sets:

1. (a) For the set $[-1; 3]$, We have:
 - The upper bounds of $[-1; 3]$ are: $[3; +\infty[$.
 - The lower bounds of $[-1; 3]$ are: $] - \infty; -1]$.
 - The supremum of $[-1; 3]$ is: $\sup([-1; 3]) = 3$.
 - The infimum of $[-1; 3]$ is: $\inf([-1; 3]) = -1$.
 - The greatest element of $[-1; 3]$ is: $\max([-1; 3]) = 3$.
 - The least element of $[-1; 3]$ is: $\min([-1; 3]) = -1$.
- (b) For the set $]0; 1[$, We have:
 - The upper bounds of $]0; 1[$ are: $[1; +\infty[$.
 - The lower bounds of $]0; 1[$ are: $] - \infty; 0]$.
 - The supremum of $]0; 1[$ is: $\sup(]0; 1[) = 1$.
 - The infimum of $]0; 1[$ is: $\inf(]0; 1[) = 0$.
 - The greatest element of $]0; 1[$ does not exist.
 - The least element of $]0; 1[$ does not exist.
- (c) For the set $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$, We have: $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z} = \{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$; therefore:
 - The upper bounds of $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ are: $[3; +\infty[$.
 - The lower bounds of $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ are: $] - \infty; -1]$.
 - The supremum of $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ is: $\sup([-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}) = 3$.
 - The infimum of $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ is: $\inf([-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}) = -1$.
 - The greatest element of $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ is: $\max([-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}) = 3$.
 - The least element of $[-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ is: $\min([-1; 3] \cap \mathbb{Z}) = -1$.
- (d) For the set \mathbb{N} , We have:
 - The upper bounds of \mathbb{N} do not exist.
 - The lower bounds of \mathbb{N} are: $] - \infty; 0]$.
 - The supremum of \mathbb{N} does not exist.
 - The infimum of \mathbb{N} is: $\inf(\mathbb{N}) = 0$.
 - The greatest element of \mathbb{N} does not exist.
 - The least element of \mathbb{N} is: $\min(\mathbb{N}) = 0$.

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

We have: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$: $\frac{1}{n}$ and $\frac{1}{n^2}$ are decreasing for $n \geq 1$, so we have:

$$\begin{cases} n \geq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \leq 1 \\ n \geq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n^2} \leq 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 < \frac{1}{n} \leq 1 \\ 0 < \frac{1}{n^2} \leq 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \leq 2$$

Thus,

- The upper bounds of A are: $[2; +\infty[$.
- The lower bounds of A are: $] - \infty; 0]$.
- The supremum of A is: $\sup(A) = 2$.
- The infimum of A is: $\inf(A) = 0$.
- The greatest element of A is: $\max(A) = 2$.
- The least element of A does not exist.

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

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} x \in [0; 1] &\Rightarrow 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ &\Rightarrow 0 \leq 2x \leq 2 \\ &\Rightarrow 1 \leq 2x + 1 \leq 3 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \leq \frac{1}{2x + 1} \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

- The upper bounds of B are: $[1; +\infty[$.
- The lower bounds of B are: $] - \infty, \frac{1}{3}]$.
- The supremum of B is: $\sup(B) = 1$.
- The infimum of B is: $\inf(B) = \frac{1}{3}$.
- The greatest element of B is: $\max(B) = 1$.
- The least element of B is: $\min(B) = \frac{1}{3}$.

Exercise 2:

1. Let's write the following expressions without absolute value:

(a) $f(x) = 3 + |x - 1|$

We have:

$$|x - 1| = \begin{cases} x - 1 & \text{if } x \in [1; +\infty[\\ -x + 1 & \text{if } x \in] - \infty; 1[\end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + 2 & \text{if } x \in [1; +\infty[\\ -x + 4 & \text{if } x \in] - \infty; 1[\end{cases}$$

(b) $g(x) = |x - 2| + |2x + 3|$

We have:

$$|x - 2| = \begin{cases} x - 2 & \text{if } x \in [2; +\infty[\\ -x + 2 & \text{if } x \in] - \infty; 2[\end{cases}$$

and

$$|2x + 3| = \begin{cases} 2x + 3 & \text{if } x \in [-\frac{3}{2}; +\infty[\\ -2x - 3 & \text{if } x \in]-\infty; -\frac{3}{2}] \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 3x + 1 & \text{if } x \in [2; +\infty[\\ -3x - 1 & \text{if } x \in]-\infty; -\frac{3}{2}] \\ x + 5 & \text{if } x \in [-\frac{3}{2}; 2[\end{cases}$$

2. a.

$$\begin{aligned} |x - 2| &= 3 \Leftrightarrow x - 2 = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 2 = -3 \\ \Leftrightarrow x &= 5 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1 \\ \Leftrightarrow S &= \{-1, 5\} \end{aligned}$$

b.

$$\begin{aligned} |2x - 6| &= |x + 1| \Leftrightarrow 2x - 6 = x + 1 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x - 6 = -x - 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow 2x - x &= 7 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x + x = 5 \\ \Leftrightarrow S &= \left\{ \frac{5}{3}, 7 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

c.

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &\leq |x^2 - 1| \dots\dots\dots (*) \\ \text{if } x &\in]-\infty, -1] \cup [1, +\infty[= A \quad \text{then} \quad x^2 - 1 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow |x^2 - 1| = x^2 - 1 \\ (*) &\Leftrightarrow 2 \leq x^2 - 1 \Leftrightarrow 3 \leq x^2 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{3} \leq \sqrt{x^2} \Leftrightarrow |x| \geq \sqrt{3} \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in]-\infty, -\sqrt{3}] \cup [\sqrt{3}, +\infty[= B \\ \text{we have } B \cap A &= B \quad (B \subset A) \\ \text{if } x &\in]-1, 1[\Leftrightarrow x^2 - 1 < 0 \Leftrightarrow |x^2 - 1| = -x^2 + 1 \\ (*) &\Leftrightarrow 2 \leq -x^2 + 1 \Leftrightarrow x^2 \leq 1 - 2 \Leftrightarrow x^2 \leq -1 \text{ impossible} \\ \text{Then } S &= B \end{aligned}$$

0.1 Exercise 3:

Let us demonstrate that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$:

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

1. If $x \geq y$, we have: $\max(x, y) = x$ and $\min(x, y) = y$, and

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

and

$$\frac{x + y - |x - y|}{2} = \frac{x + y - (x - y)}{2} = \frac{2y}{2} = y.$$

If $x \leq y$, we have: $\max(x, y) = y$ and $\min(x, y) = x$, and

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

and

$$\frac{x + y - |x - y|}{2} = \frac{x + y + (x - y)}{2} = \frac{2x}{2} = x.$$

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

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

and

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

0.2 Exercise 4:

1.

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

$$\begin{aligned} E(x) &= k, k \in \mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow k \leq x < k+1 \\ 0 &\leq \frac{x-1}{2} < -2+1 \Leftrightarrow -4 \leq x-1 < -2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow -3 \leq x < -1 \Leftrightarrow S = [-3, -1[\end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} E(2x) &= x-1 \Leftrightarrow x-1 \leq 2x < x \quad \text{and } x-1 \in \mathbb{Z} \\ &\Leftrightarrow x-1 \leq 2x \quad \text{and } 2x < x \quad \text{and } x-1 \in \mathbb{Z} \\ &\Leftrightarrow -1 \leq x \quad \text{and } x < 0 \quad \text{and } x \in \mathbb{Z} \\ &\Leftrightarrow -1 \leq x < 0 \quad \text{and } x \in \mathbb{Z} \\ &\Leftrightarrow x = -1 \end{aligned}$$

3.

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

- The first case: $x-1 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow x \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} E(x) + |x-1| &= x \Leftrightarrow E(x) + x-1 = x \\ &\Leftrightarrow E(x) = 1 \in \mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow 1 \leq x < 2 \Leftrightarrow x \in [1, 2[\end{aligned}$$

- The second case:

$$\begin{aligned}
E(x) + |x - 1| &= x \Leftrightarrow E(x) - x + 1 = x \\
&\Leftrightarrow E(x) = 2x - 1 \\
&\Leftrightarrow 2x - 1 \leq x < 2x - 1 + 1 \quad \text{and } 2x - 1 \in \mathbb{Z} \\
&\Leftrightarrow -1 \leq x - 2x < 0 \quad \text{and } 2x \in \mathbb{Z} \\
&\Leftrightarrow -1 \leq -x < 0 \quad \text{and } 2x \in \mathbb{Z} \\
&\Leftrightarrow 0 < x \leq 1 \quad \text{and } 2x \in \mathbb{Z} \\
&\Leftrightarrow x = 1 \text{ and } x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ because } x = \frac{1}{2}, 2x \in \mathbb{Z}, \left(2 \times \frac{1}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}\right) \\
&\Leftrightarrow S = [1, 2[\cap \left\{\frac{1}{2}\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

0.3 Exercise 5:

$$x \geq \frac{1}{2}, y \leq 1, x - y = 3$$

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= \sqrt{(2x - 1)^2} + \sqrt{(2y - 2)^2} \\
&= |2x - 1| + |2y - 2|
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|2x - 1| &= 2x - 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |2y - 2| = -2y + 2 \\
x &\geq \frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow 2x \geq 1 \Leftrightarrow 2x - 1 \geq 0 \\
y &\leq 1 \Leftrightarrow 2y \leq 2 \Leftrightarrow 2y - 2 \leq 0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= 2x - 1 - 2y + 2 \\
&= 2x - 2y + 1 \\
&= 2(x - y) + 1 \\
&= 2 \times 3 + 1 = 7
\end{aligned}$$

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

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
x - y &= 3 \Leftrightarrow y = x - 3 \\
\text{with } y &\leq 1 \quad \text{then } x - 3 \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 4
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 x - y &= 3 \Leftrightarrow x = y + 3 \\
 \text{with } \frac{1}{2} &\leq x \quad \text{then } \frac{1}{2} \leq y + 3 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} - 3 \leq y \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{5}{2} \leq y \leq 1
 \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$F = |x + y - 5| + |x + y + 2|$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2} &\leq x \leq 4 \quad \text{and} \quad -\frac{5}{2} \leq y \leq 1 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{2} \leq x + y \leq 4 + 1 \Leftrightarrow -2 \leq x + y \leq 5 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow -2 - 5 \leq x + y - 5 \leq 5 - 5 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow -7 \leq x + y - 5 \leq 0 \text{ and we have } 0 \leq x + y + 2 \leq 7
 \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{cases} |x + y - 5| = -x - y + 5 \\ |x + y + 2| = x + y + 2 \end{cases}$$

then

$$F = -x - y + 5x + y + 2 = 7$$