

Exercise 01: Prove that the following identities hold for all non-zero natural numbers n :

1) $1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$.

2) $\frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{2.3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}$.

Exercise 02:

1) Prove that for any real number $x \geq -1$ and any natural number n , we have the following **Bernoulli's inequality**:

$$(1 + x)^n \geq 1 + nx.$$

2) By applying **Bernoulli's inequality**, first with $x = \frac{2}{n}$ and then with $x = \frac{-2}{3n}$ prove that :

$$1 + \frac{2}{n} \geq 3^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq 1 + \frac{2}{3n-2} \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Exercise 03:

1) Find the integer part of the following numbers:

$$-9.1, \quad 3.8, \quad 0.1, \quad \pi, \quad e, \quad 11, \quad -3, \quad -4.6 .$$

2) Prove that:

a) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}: [x + 1] = [x] + 1$.

b) $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_+ : [x][y] \leq [xy]$.

c) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*: \left[\frac{[nx]}{n} \right] = [x]$.

d) $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}: [x] + [y] \leq [x + y] \leq [x] + [y] + 1$.

Exercise 04: Solve the following inequalities:

a) $|x - 2| \leq |x + 1|$, b) $\sqrt{4x - 3} > x$, c) $\frac{x - 1}{x^2 + 4} < \frac{x + 1}{x^2 - 4}$,

d) $|x + 1| + |x - 1| < 4$, e) $|17 - 2x^4| \leq 15$, f) $|2x^2 - 13| < 5$.

Exercise 05: Rewrite the following inequalities :

1) Without the absolute value sign:

$$a) |x - 1| \leq 2, \quad b) |x + 5| > 3.$$

2) By using the absolute value sign:

$$a) -3 < x < 0, \quad b) 1 < x + 2 < 4, \quad c) -2 \leq x - 1 \leq 5.$$

Exercise 06:

1) Prove that the following inequalities hold for all real numbers x and y :

$$a) |x + y| \leq |x| + |y|.$$

$$a) ||x| - |y|| \leq |x - y|.$$

2) Deduce that :

$$\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}: |x - z| \leq |x - y| + |y - z|.$$

3) Use the trigonometric inequality to prove that :

$$a) |x| \leq 1 \Rightarrow |3 + x^3| \leq 4, \quad b) |y| < 1 \Rightarrow |3 - y| > 2.$$

4) Are the reverse implications of a) and b) true? (Justify that).

Exercise 07: Prove that for any two real numbers x and y , we have:

$$\min\{x, y\} = \frac{1}{2}(x + y - |x - y|)$$

and

$$\max\{x, y\} = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + |x - y|).$$

Exercise 08: Prove that $\sqrt{3}$ is an irrational number.