

Inequalities Tutorial 1

1. [2012/MI/I/2]

(a) Without using a calculator, solve the inequality $\frac{2x^2+2x+1}{x^2-2x+1} \geq 1$. [4]

(b) Hence, solve $\frac{2(\ln x)^2+\ln x^2+1}{(\ln x)^2-\ln x^2+1} \geq 1$. [3]

$$[(a) x \leq -4 \text{ or } x \geq 0, x \neq 1 \text{ (b) } x \leq e^{-4} \text{ or } x \geq 1 \text{ } x \neq e]$$

2. [2010/HCI/Prelim/I/1]

(a) Solve the inequality

$$\frac{x}{x-2} \leq \frac{4}{(x-2)^2}$$

giving your answer in exact form. [3]

(b) Hence solve $\frac{e^x}{e^x+2} \leq \frac{4}{(e^x+2)^2}$. [2]

$$[1 - \sqrt{5} \leq x \leq 1 + \sqrt{5}, x \neq 2 \text{ (a) } x \leq \ln(\sqrt{5} - 1)]$$

3. [2015/RI/Prelim/I/5]

Without using a calculator,

i. Solve the inequality $\frac{8-5x}{2x+1} \leq 2 - x$. [4]

ii. hence find the set of values of θ for which $\frac{8-5\sin\theta}{2\sin\theta+1} \leq 2 - \sin\theta$, where $0 < \theta < 2\pi$. [3]

$$[(i)x < -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } 1 \leq x \leq 3 \text{ (ii) } \{\theta \in \mathbb{R} | \frac{7\pi}{6} < \theta < \frac{11\pi}{6} \text{ or } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}\}]$$

4. [2009/SAJC/Prelims/I/2]

(a) Using an algebraic method, solve the inequality $\frac{2x+11}{x^2+2} > 4$, leaving your answer in exact form. [3]

(b) Hence by completing the square or otherwise, solve the inequality

$$\frac{2x+7}{x^2-4x+6} > 4.$$

[3]

$$[(a) \frac{1-\sqrt{13}}{4} < x < \frac{1+\sqrt{13}}{4} \text{ (b) } \frac{9-\sqrt{13}}{4} < x < \frac{9+\sqrt{13}}{4}]$$

5. [2010/TPJC/Prelim/I/4]

Given that x is real, prove that $4x^2 + 2x + 1$ is always positive.

(a) Hence, without using a calculator, solve the inequality $2x + \frac{1}{1+2x} > 0$. [4]

(b) Deduce the range of values of $\frac{x+2}{x} + \frac{x}{x+2} > 1$. [3]

$$[(a) x > -\frac{1}{2} \text{ (b) } x < -2 \text{ or } x > 0]$$

6. [2012/PJC/I/4]

Without the use of the graphic calculator, solve the inequality

$$\frac{4x^2 + 4x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1} > 0.$$

Hence, solve the inequality $\frac{x^2+4x+4}{x^2+x+1} > 0$. [5]

$$[x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -\frac{1}{2}; x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -2]$$

*Its not the end! Flip for more questions :)

7. [2015/JJC/Prelim/I/1]

Solve $\frac{2x+1}{x^2+x+1} < 1$ without the aid of a graphic calculator. Hence solve $\frac{3-2x}{x^2-3x+3} < 1$. [5]

$$[x < 0 \text{ or } x > 1; x > 1 \text{ or } x < 0]$$

8. [2015/AJC/Prelim/I/1]

Without using a graphic calculator, solve the inequality $\frac{x+2}{2x-1} < 2x + 1$. [3]

Hence find the exact solution of the inequality $\frac{2x^2+1}{2-x^2} < \frac{2+x^2}{x^2}$. [3]

$$[-\frac{3}{4} < x < \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x > 1; \quad x > \sqrt{2} \text{ or } x < -\sqrt{2} \text{ or } -1 < x < 1, x \neq 0]$$