Exercise 39

Inequalities Write each statement in terms of inequalities.

- (a) x is positive.
- (b) t is less than 4.
- (c) a is greater than or equal to π .
- (d) x is less than $\frac{1}{3}$ and is greater than -5.
- (e) The distance from p to 3 is at most 5.

Solution

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x is positive: x > 0.
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t is less than 4: t < 4.

a is greater than or equal to π : $a \ge \pi$.

x is less than $\frac{1}{3}$ and is greater than $-5 \colon -5 < x < \frac{1}{3}.$

The distance from p to 3 is at most 5: $d(p,3) \le 5$ or $|3-p| \le 5$ or $-5 \le 3-p \le 5$.