

1. The water acidity in a pool is considered normal when the average pH reading of three daily measurements is between 8.2 & 8.5. If the first two pH readings are 8.48 & 8.35, find the range of pH value for the third reading that will result in the acidity level being normal.

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given, first pH value = 8.48

Second pH value = 8.35

let third pH value = x

given that average pH value lies between
8.2 & 8.5

$$\text{average of all pHs} = \frac{8.48 + 8.35 + x}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 8.2 < \frac{8.48 + 8.35 + x}{3} < 8.5$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times (8.2) < 16.83 + x < 3 \times 8.5$$

$$\Rightarrow 24.6 < 16.83 + x < 25.5$$

$$\Rightarrow 7.77 < x < 8.67$$

Thus, third pH value lies between 7.77 & 8.67