

Practise exercises 1.

- (1) Prove by induction that  $1^2 + 3^2 + \dots + (2n - 1)^2 = n(2n - 1)(2n + 1)/3$ .
- (2) Prove by induction that  $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$
- (3) Prove by induction that for every  $n > 1$  we have  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > \sqrt{n}$ .
- (4) Prove by induction that for all  $n > 1$  we have  $\frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2} > \frac{4^n}{n+1}$
- (5) Let  $a_0 = 1$  and  $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{3a_n + 10}$ . Prove that the sequence  $a_n$  is monotonically increasing.
- (6) Let  $A, B, C$  be some sets. Using set operations (intersection, union, complement, etc.) define the following sets:
  - a; The set of elements of  $B$  which are not included in either  $A$  or  $C$ .
  - b; The set of elements which belong to exactly two of the sets  $A, B, C$ .
  - c; The set of elements which are not included in all of the three sets.
  - d; Elements which belong to at most one of the sets.
- (7) Write the following statements with logical formulas:
  - a; There exists an odd natural number larger than 10.
  - b; Every odd number, which is larger than one, is a prime number.Write down also the negations of the above statements, both with words and with logical formulas.
- (8) Put the following statements into words:
  - a;  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}((x > 0) \Rightarrow (\exists k \in \mathbb{N}(2^{-k} < x)))$
  - b;  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}((x > 0) \Rightarrow (2^{-k} < x)))$ .Decide whether the statements are true or false. Write down also the negations of the above statements, both with words and with logical formulas.
- (9) Let  $P(x)$  mean that  $x$  is an even number, and let  $H(x)$  mean that  $x$  is divisible by 6. Put the following statements into words:
  - a;  $P(4) \wedge H(12)$
  - b;  $\forall x(P(x) \Rightarrow H(x))$
  - c;  $\exists x(P(x) \Rightarrow H(x))$
  - d;  $\exists x(H(x) \Rightarrow \neg P(x))$Decide whether the statements are true or false. Write down also the negations of the above statements, both with words and with logical formulas.