## Practice exercises 5.

1.\* Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence of positive terms and let

$$A_n = \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{n}, \quad G_n = \sqrt[n]{a_1 a_2 \dots a_n}, \quad H_n = \frac{n}{\frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{a_n}}.$$

- a) Prove that if  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = A \in \mathbb{R}$  or  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = +\infty$  then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} A_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} G_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} H_n$ . b) Using this result prove that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} = 0$  and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} = e$ .

## **Numerical series**

2. Evaluate the sum of the following series:

a) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(3n+1)\cdot(3n+4)}$$
 b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+3)}$ 

c) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sqrt{n+2} - 2 \sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n} \right)$$
 d)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right)$ 

e) 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2n}}{(-5)^{n+1}}$$
 f)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{7 \cdot 2^{-n} + (-3)^{n+1}}{2^{2n+1}}$  g)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^{n+2} - (-2)^{n+2}}{6^n}$ 

3. Prove that  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} < 2$ .

4. Decide whether the following series are convergent or divergent (use the nth term test and the comparison test).

a) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n^3-1}$$
 b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2}\right)$  c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2(n\sqrt{n})}{n\sqrt{n}}$  d)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+100}}{n+2}$  e)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2n+1}}$  f)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{2n+1}}$  g)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - 3n + 1}{n^3 + 2n + 2}$  h)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n^3 + n + 7}{n^5 - n^2 + 3}$  i)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 3n + 2}{n^5 - 7n^3 - 1}$  j)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{7n^5 - 2n^3 + 1}{n^6 + 2n^2 - \sqrt{n}}$  k)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\sqrt{n}}$  l)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + 3^n}{6^n + 2^{n+1}}$ 

m) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{2^{n+2} - 3}$$
 
n)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3 + 7n}{5^n + n}$  
o)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n}$  
p)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n^3}$  
q)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n + \sqrt{n \log n}}{n^2 + 1}$  
r)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left( \sqrt[n]{e} - 1 \right)^2$ 

- 5. Prove that there exists no real sequence  $a_n > 0$  such that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$  both converge.
- 6.\* Using the Cauchy condensation test, investigate the convergence of the following series:

a) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log_2 n}{n}$$
 b) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log_2 n}{n^2}$$
 c) 
$$\sum_{n=n_1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot \log_2 n}$$
 d) 
$$\sum_{n=n_1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot (\log_2 n)^p}$$
 e) 
$$\sum_{n=n_1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot \log_2 n \cdot \log_2 \log_2 n}$$
 f) 
$$\sum_{n=n_1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot \log_2 n \cdot (\log_2 \log_2 n)^2}$$

7. Estimate the error if the sum of the series is approximated by the 10th partial sum:

a) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{2^{2n} + n^2 + 3}$$
 b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 \cdot 2^{2n+2}}{(n^2 + 1) \cdot (3^{2n+1} + 5^n)}$  c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n! + \sqrt{2}}$  d)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(2n)!}$ 

- 8.\* Using the divergence of the harmonic series, prove that
- a) there are infinitely many prime numbers;
- b) the series of the reciprocals of the prime numbers is divergent.