1. List all the subgroups of the symmetric group  $(S_3, \circ)$ . Use e for the identity and cycle notation otherwise.

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$c = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = r, x_4 = s, x_5 = t.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = r \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{nullity } (A) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -3\\1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -2\\0\\-4\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1\\0\\-3\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

column ranking 
$$B: \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} \to A: \begin{pmatrix} 1\\2\\3\\3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1\\3\\3\\3 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Show that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}}$  converges conditionally.

For 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

according to the rule of convergence of p-series,  $p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$ , it diverges

For 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}}, \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 0.$$

when  $n > 0, n \le n + 1$ 

$$\sqrt{n} \le \sqrt{n+1}$$

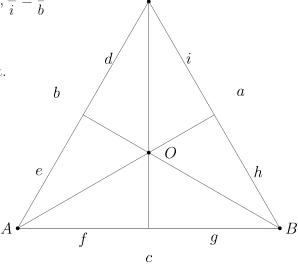
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

According to the alternating series test, the series converges.

Therefore,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}}$  converges conditionally.

- 4. Use the converse of Ceva's theorem to prove that the angle bisectors of a triangle are concurrent.
  - According to the angle bisector theorem,  $\frac{d}{e} = \frac{a}{c}, \frac{f}{g} = \frac{b}{a}, \frac{h}{i} = \frac{c}{b}$
  - Therefore,  $\frac{d}{e} \cdot \frac{f}{g} \cdot \frac{h}{i} = \frac{a}{c} \cdot \frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{c}{b} = 1$ .

So the angle bisectors intersect at O and are concurrent.



- 5. Consider the locus of a point whose distance from the point (6,0) is  $\frac{3}{2}$  its distance from the line 3x 8 = 0.
  - (a) Find the equation of the locus.

$$a = 4, e = \frac{3}{2}, b^2 = 20$$
, Asymptote:  $y = \frac{b}{a} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ , Equation:  $\frac{x^2}{16} - \frac{y^2}{20} = 1$ .

(b) Sketch the locus clearly indicating any key features.

