31. Prove that

$$\sqrt{3a^2 + ab} + \sqrt{3b^2 + bc} + \sqrt{3c^2 + ca} \le 2(a + b + c)$$

holds for all non-negative real numbers a, b, c.

**Hint.** Apply the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

32. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2\times 3}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times 3}$  and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times 2}$  be the matrices as follows:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -7 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which of the following expressions are well-defined? Compute the result if possible.

(a) 
$$A \cdot B$$
 (b)  $B \cdot A$  (c)  $A \cdot (B \cdot C)$  (d)  $C \cdot (B \cdot A)$  (e)  $A \cdot (B + C)$  (f)  $5 \cdot (A^{\top} + C)$  (g)  $B^{\top} \cdot A^{\top}$ .

- 33. (a) Give an example to show that the matrix multiplication in  $\mathbb{R}^{3\times3}$  is not commutative.
  - (b) Prove that, for all  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\lambda(A+B) = \lambda A + \lambda B.$$

(c) Prove that, for all  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$  and  $B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ ,

$$A \cdot (B + C) = A \cdot B + A \cdot C.$$

(d) Prove that, for all  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times s}$ ,

$$(A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$$
.

(e) Let  $I_n \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $I_m \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  be the identity matrices of order n and m respectively. Prove that for  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,

$$A \cdot I_n = A$$
 and  $I_m \cdot A = A$ .

(f) Prove that for all  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ 

$$(A+B)^{\top} = A^{\top} + B^{\top}.$$

- 34. Assume you have ordered 4 pizzas and 5 drinks, but you forgot the individual prices. You only know that you have paid total 50 EURO, and that a pizza was 8 EURO more expensive than a drink. How much is a pizza and how much is a drink?
- 35. (a) Which of the following matrices are in row echelon form? Reduced row echelon form? For those matrices which are not in (reduced) row echelon form, explain the reason.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) For each of the following matrices, compute their reduced row echelon forms and ranks.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & -4 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

36. Find all solutions  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of the following systems of linear equations.

(a)

$$x_1$$
 -  $x_3 = 2$   
 $x_2 + 2x_3 = 5$   
 $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 7$ .

(b)

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 = -4$$
$$2x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 = 2$$
$$x_2 - x_3 = 1.$$