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PROBLEMS PROPOSED BY SWEDEN.

S1 Determine the maximum value of

$$x^2 y^2 z^2 w$$

when x, y, z, w are ≥ 0 and $2x + xy + z + yzw = 1$.

S2 Given the integer $n > 1$ and the real number $a > 0$, determine the maximum of

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i x_{i+1}$$

taken over all nonnegative numbers x_i with sum a .

S3 Let $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n$ and $b_1 \leq b_2 \leq \dots \leq b_n$ be two sequences such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k \geq \sum_{k=1}^m b_k$$

for all $m \leq n$ with equality for $m = n$. Let f be a convex function defined on the real numbers. Prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n f(a_k) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n f(b_k).$$

S4 T is a given triangle with vertices P_1, P_2, P_3 . Consider an arbitrary subdivision of T into finitely many subtriangles such that no vertex of a subtriangle lies strictly between two vertices of another subtriangle. To each vertex V of the subtriangles there is assigned a number $n(V)$ according to the following rules:

- (i) If $V = P_i$, then $n(V) = i$
- (ii) If V lies on the side $P_i P_j$ of T , then $n(V) = i$ or j .
- (iii) If V lies inside the triangle T , then $n(V)$ is any of the numbers $1, 2, 3$.

Prove that there exists at least one subtriangle whose vertices are numbered $1, 2$ and 3 .

