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- 1 Given a strictly increasing infinite sequence of natural numbers a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots . It is known that $a_n \leq n + 2020$ and the number $n^3 a_n - 1$ is divisible by a_{n+1} for all natural numbers n . Prove that $a_n = n$ for all natural numbers n .

- 2 The triangle ABC is inscribed in the circle ω . Points K, L, M are marked on the sides AB, BC, CA , respectively, and $CM \cdot CL = AM \cdot BL$. Ray LK intersects line AC at point P . The common chord of the circle ω and the circumscribed circle of the triangle KMP meets the segment AM at the point S . Prove that $SK \parallel BC$.

- 3 A polynomial $Q(x) = k_n x^n + k_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + k_1 x + k_0$ with real coefficients is called *powerful* if the equality $|k_0| = |k_1| + |k_2| + \dots + |k_{n-1}| + |k_n|$, and *non-increasing*, if $k_0 \geq k_1 \geq \dots \geq k_{n-1} \geq k_n$. Let for the polynomial $P(x) = a_d x^d + a_{d-1} x^{d-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$ with nonzero real coefficients, where $a_d > 0$, the polynomial $P(x)(x-1)^t(x+1)^s$ is *powerful* for some non-negative integers s and t ($s+t > 0$). Prove that at least one of the polynomials $P(x)$ and $(-1)^d P(-x)$ is *nonincreasing*.

- 4 Prove that for any natural number m there exists a natural number n such that any n distinct points on the plane can be partitioned into m non-empty sets whose *convex hulls* have a common point.
The *convex hull* of a finite set X of points on the plane is the set of points lying inside or on the boundary of at least one convex polygon with vertices in X , including degenerate ones, that is, the segment and the point are considered convex polygons. No three vertices of a convex polygon are collinear. The polygon contains its border.