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1  $a_1, a_2, ..., a_9$  are nonnegative reals with sum 1. Define S and T as below:

 $S = \min\{a_1, a_2\} + 2\min\{a_2, a_3\} + \dots + 9\min\{a_9, a_1\}$ 

 $T = \max\{a_1, a_2\} + 2\max\{a_2, a_3\} + \dots + 9\max\{a_9, a_1\}$ 

When S reaches its maximum, find all possible values of T.

- **2** A, B, C, D, E are points on a circle  $\omega$ , satisfying AB = BD, BC = CE. AC meets BE at P. Q is on DE such that BE//AQ. Suppose  $\odot(APQ)$  intersects  $\omega$  again at T. A' is the reflection of A wrt BC. Prove that A'BPT lies on the same circle.
- **3**  $S = \{1, 2, ..., N\}$ .  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 \subseteq S$ , each having cardinality 500.  $\forall x, y \in S$ ,  $\exists i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $x, y \in A_i$ . Determine the maximal value of N.
- 4 k > 2 is an integer.  $a_0, a_1, ...$  is an integer sequence such that  $a_0 = 0$ ,  $a_{n+1} = ka_n a_{n-1}$ . Prove that for any positive integer m,  $(2m)!|a_1a_2...a_{3m}$ .

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