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- 1 For each integer  $n \geq 2$ , determine, with proof, which of the two positive real numbers  $a$  and  $b$  satisfying

$$a^n = a + 1, \quad b^{2n} = b + 3a$$

is larger.

- 2 Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral such that diagonals  $AC$  and  $BD$  intersect at right angles, and let  $E$  be their intersection. Prove that the reflections of  $E$  across  $AB, BC, CD, DA$  are concyclic.

- 3 Consider functions  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which satisfy
- (i)  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x$  in  $[0, 1]$ ,
  - (ii)  $f(1) = 1$ ,
  - (iii)  $f(x) + f(y) \leq f(x + y)$  whenever  $x, y$ , and  $x + y$  are all in  $[0, 1]$ .

Find, with proof, the smallest constant  $c$  such that

$$f(x) \leq cx$$

for every function  $f$  satisfying (i)-(iii) and every  $x$  in  $[0, 1]$ .

- 4 Let  $a, b$  be odd positive integers. Define the sequence  $(f_n)$  by putting  $f_1 = a, f_2 = b$ , and by letting  $f_n$  for  $n \geq 3$  be the greatest odd divisor of  $f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$ . Show that  $f_n$  is constant for  $n$  sufficiently large and determine the eventual value as a function of  $a$  and  $b$ .

- 5 Let  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  be a sequence of positive real numbers satisfying  $a_{i-1}a_{i+1} \leq a_i^2$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . (Such a sequence is said to be *log concave*.) Show that for each  $n > 1$ ,

$$\frac{a_0 + \dots + a_n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{a_1 + \dots + a_{n-1}}{n-1} \geq \frac{a_0 + \dots + a_{n-1}}{n} \cdot \frac{a_1 + \dots + a_n}{n}.$$

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