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11768. *Proposed by Ovidiu Furdui.* Let f be a bounded continuous function mapping $[0, \infty)$ to itself. Find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n \left(\sqrt[n]{\int_0^\infty f^{n+1}(x)e^{-x}dx} - \sqrt[n]{\int_0^\infty f^n(x)e^{-x}dx} \right).$$

11769. *Proposed by Pál Péter Dályay.* Let a_1, \ldots, a_n and b_1, \ldots, b_n be positive real numbers. Show that

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{a_j}{b_j}\right)^2 - 2\sum_{j,k=1}^{n} \frac{a_j a_k}{(b_j + b_k)^2} \le 2\left(\sum_{j,k=1}^{n} \frac{a_j a_k}{(b_j + b_k)} \sum_{l,m=1}^{n} \frac{a_l a_m}{(b_l + b_m)^3}\right)^{1/2}.$$

11770. *Proposed by Spiros P. Andriopoulos.* Prove, for real numbers a, b, x, y with a > b > 1 and x > y > 1, that

$$\frac{a^x - b^y}{x - y} > \left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right)^{(x+y)/2} \log\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right).$$

11771. Proposed by D. M. Bătineţ-Giurgiu and Neculai Stanciu. Let $n!! = \prod_{i=0}^{\lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor} (n-2i)$. Find

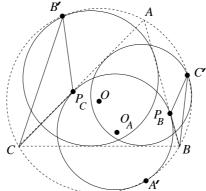
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\sqrt[n]{(2n-1)!!} \left(\tan \frac{\pi \sqrt[n+1]{(n+1)!}}{4\sqrt[n]{n!}} - 1 \right) \right).$$

11772. Proposed by Mircea Merca. Let n be a positive integer. Prove that the number of integer partitions of 2n + 1 that do not contain 1 as a part is less than or equal to the number of integer partitions of 2n that contain at least one odd part.

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11773. Proposed by Moubinool Omarjee. Given a positive real number a_0 , let $a_{n+1} = \exp(-\sum_{k=0}^n a_k)$ for $n \ge 0$. For which values of b does $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n)^b$ converge?

11774. Proposed by Yunus Tunçbilek and Danny Lee. Let ω be the circumscribed circle of triangle ABC. The A-mixtilinear incircle of ABC and ω is the circle that is internally tangent to ω , AB, and AC, and similarly for B and C. Let A', P_B , and P_C be the points on ω , AB, and AC, respectively, at which the A-mixtilinear circle touches. Define B' and C' in the same manner that A' was defined. (See figure.)



Prove that triangles $C'P_BB$ and CP_CB' are similar.