



PROBLEM OF THE WEEK #2  
(Spring 2023)

Suppose  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$  is a sequence of positive numbers with the property that for all  $n \geq 2$ ,  $(n+1)^{a_n} = n^{a_{n-1}}$ .

For which values of  $n$  is  $a_n < \frac{a_1}{2023}$ ?

[Please fully explain your answer.]

Email solutions to [kwonmi@uwplatt.edu](mailto:kwonmi@uwplatt.edu) by 2:00pm on Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

Every week, the best solution submitted earns a \$10 Platteville gift certificate; the top scorer each semester also wins a cash award. Good luck!

You can always see the Problem of the Week (and complete rules) online at:

<http://uwpmath.weebly.com/>