Iwan Praton* (iwan. praton@fandm.edu), Department of Mathematics, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA 17604. Tiling a square with squares. Preliminary report.
Pack a unit square with $n$ squares of side lengths $s_{1}, \ldots, s_{n}$. Define $\phi(n)=\max \sum s_{i}$, where the maximum is taken over all packings of the unit square where the sides of the small squares are parallel to the sides of the unit square. Define also $\psi(n)=\max \sum s_{i}$, where the maximum is taken over all tilings of the unit square. (A tiling is a packing with no space left empty.) Clearly $\phi(n) \geq \psi(n)$. Staton and Tyler asked for what values of $n$ we have $\phi(n)=\psi(n)$. We show that $\phi(8) \neq \psi(8)=2.6$ and look at some other values of $n$. (Received September 09, 2010)

