

(1) For $1 \leq k \leq 4$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}2000 - k &= f(2005 - k) = f(f(2010 - k)) \\ &= f(1999 - k) = f(f(2004 - k)) \\ &= f(1993 - k).\end{aligned}$$

In particular we have $1999 = f(1998) = f(1992) = f(2004)$. Now $1995 = f(2000) = f(f(2005)) = f(1994)$. Also $f(1993) = f(f(2004)) = f(1999) = f(f(2010)) = f(2005) = 2000$ so in fact $2000 - k = f(1999 - k)$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, 5$, and $2000 - k = f(1993 - k)$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, 4$. We claim that $f(6n + 1 - k) = 2000 - k$ for $n \leq 333$ and $0 \leq k \leq 5$. By what has been said, this is true for $n = 333$, $n = 332$. Assuming it is true for $n = m + 2$ we get $f(6m + 1 - k) = f(f(6m + 12 - k)) = f(f(6(m + 2) + 1 - (k + 1))) = f(1999 - k) = 2000 - k$. So $f(n) = 1999$ is true for every $n = 6m \leq 2004$, that is all $n \in \{0, 6, 12, \dots, 2004\}$.

(2) It is easy to give an example of such a heptagon with two angles of 120° . We now show that a third angle of that size cannot occur.

Consider a cyclic heptagon $ABCDEFGH$. If the angles at two neighbouring vertices, say, B and C , are equal, then the sides AB and CD are symmetric with respect to the perpendicular bisector of segments BC . This collides with the condition that no sides have equal lengths.

All that remains is to exclude the virtual possibility of $\angle B = \angle D = \angle F = 120^\circ$ (up to a shift of labelling). Assume this is the case. Let O be the circumcenter. Then the concave angle $\angle COA$ is equal to 240° , giving the convex angle $\angle COA$ equal to 120° . Analogously, $\angle COE = 120^\circ$ and $\angle EOG = 120^\circ$. But that leaves no room for the angle $\angle GOA$! Contradiction ends the proof.

(3) If $\gcd(a, b) = d > 1$ then starting at the origin only lattice points (x, y) where both x and y are divisible by d can be reached so a necessary condition is

$$\gcd(a, b) = 1. \tag{1}$$

Also note that if $a + b$ is even, then starting at the origin only lattice points (x, y) with $x + y$ even can be reached (that is, coloring the lattice points black and white like on a regular chess board, either only black lattice points can be reached or only white.) Hence another necessary condition is

$$a + b \equiv 1 \pmod{2}. \quad (2)$$

We now show that conditions (1) and (2) together are sufficient:

We may assume $a, b \geq 1$ since the only pairs (a, b) with $ab = 0$ satisfying (1) and (2) are $(1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$. By (1) there are positive integers r and s such that $ra - sb = 1$ or $sb - ra = 1$, say $ra - sb = 1$. By this we can construct an allowed (a, b) -knight-walk from (x, y) as follows

$$(x, y) + r(a, b) + r(a, -b) = (x + 2ra, y)$$

to the lattice point $(x + 2ra, y)$ where each step is represented by a "+" in the above display ($2r$ steps altogether.) From this lattice point we construct likewise an allowed (a, b) -knight-walk

$$(x + 2ra, y) + s(-b, a) + s(-b, -a) = (x + 2ra - 2sb, y)$$

to the point $(x + 2ra - 2sb, y) = (x + 2, y)$. In the same way we can use allowed (a, b) -knight-walks to get from (x, y) to any of the four lattice points $(x \pm 2, y)$ or $(x, y \pm 2)$. Hence starting at the origin, all lattice points with both coordinates even can be reached.

By (2) one of the numbers a and b is even the other odd, say $a = 2\alpha + 1$ and $b = 2\beta$. Hence an allowed (a, b) -knight-walk can take us from (x, y) to

$$(x, y) + (a, b) + (-2\alpha, -2\beta) = (x + 1, y)$$

and in the same way we can get from (x, y) to any of the four lattice points $(x \pm 1, y)$ or $(x, y \pm 1)$. Hence any lattice point can be reached by an (a, b) -knight-walk in this case.

(4) The inequality can clearly be rewritten as follows:

$$\frac{1}{1+a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{1+a_n} \leq \frac{n \left(\frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_n} \right)}{n + \frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_n}}.$$

Dividing both the numerator and denominator of the right hand side by $\frac{1}{a_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{a_n}$ we get that the inequality is equivalent to

$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{a_1^{-1}} + 1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{a_n^{-1}} + 1} \leq \frac{n}{\left(\frac{1}{\frac{a_1^{-1} + \cdots + a_n^{-1}}{n}} \right) + 1}. \quad (1)$$

Consider now the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + 1} = 1 - \frac{1}{1+x}$ from the set of positive real numbers to itself. We will show that f is strictly concave by showing that $g(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$ is strictly convex: For distinct positive real numbers x and y and a real $t \in]0; 1[$ we have that the inequality $g(tx + (1-t)y) < tg(x) + (1-t)g(y)$ is equivalent to $t^2(y-x)^2 < (y-x)^2$ which is valid since $t \in]0; 1[$. Hence $f(x)$ is a strictly concave function which therefore satisfies

$$\frac{f(x_1) + \cdots + f(x_n)}{n} \leq f\left(\frac{x_1 + \cdots + x_n}{n}\right) \quad (2)$$

with equality if and only if $x_1 = \cdots = x_n$ (a special case of Jensens inequality!) Putting each $x_i = a_i^{-1}$ into (2) gives us (1) which proves the inequality, and equality holds if and only if $a_1 = \cdots = a_n$.

REMARK: Knowing that

$$tf(x) + (1-t)f(y) \leq f(tx + (1-t)y) \quad (3)$$

for all positive real numbers x and y and $t \in [0; 1]$ with equality if and only if $x = y$ or $t \in \{0, 1\}$, we can prove (2) by induction on n :

For $n = 1$ there is nothing to prove since both sides of (2) are equal to $f(x_1)$. Assuming validity for n we get that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_{n+1})}{n+1} &= \frac{n \left(\frac{f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_n)}{n} \right) + f(x_{n+1})}{n+1} \\ &\leq \frac{nf \left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} \right) + f(x_{n+1})}{n+1} \\ &= \frac{n}{n+1} f \left(\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} \right) + \frac{1}{n+1} f(x_{n+1})\end{aligned}$$

with equality throughout if and only if $x_1 = \dots = x_n$. Now putting $t = \frac{n}{n+1}$, $x = \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}$ and $y = x_{n+1}$ into (3) we get (2) for $n + 1$, where equality holds throughout if and only if $x_1 = \dots = x_n$ and $\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} = x_{n+1}$, that is $x_1 = \dots = x_n = x_{n+1}$.