

4. Determine the maximum integer n such that for each $k \leq \frac{n}{2}$ there are two positive divisors of n with difference k .

Solution. The answer is 24. This number obviously satisfies the condition: $1 = 2 - 1$, $2 = 4 - 2$, $3 = 6 - 3$, $4 = 8 - 4$, $5 = 8 - 3$, $6 = 8 - 2$, $7 = 8 - 1$, $8 = 12 - 4$, $9 = 12 - 3$, $10 = 12 - 2$, $11 = 12 - 1$, $12 = 24 - 12$.

Suppose $n > 24$ satisfies the condition. If n is odd, it has no divisors between n and $\frac{n}{3}$, therefore $\frac{n-1}{2}$ must have the form $n - d$, where d divides n . But then $d = \frac{n+1}{2}$ clearly does not divide n . Thus n is even.

If $\frac{n}{3} \leq k < \frac{n}{2}$ and $k = d_1 - d_2$, where d_1 and d_2 divide n , then $d_1 = \frac{n}{2}$ (since obviously $d_1 > \frac{n}{3}$, and for $d_1 = n$ the number d_2 must be greater than $\frac{n}{2}$). Therefore, for every such k the number $\frac{n}{2} - k$ divides n . This means that n is divisible by all positive integers not exceeding $\frac{n}{6}$. Since $n > 24$, it is divisible by 3 and 4 and therefore by 12.

The numbers $\frac{n}{6}$ and $\frac{n}{6} - 1$ are coprime and divide n . Therefore their product also divides n , and $n \geq \frac{n}{6}(\frac{n}{6} - 1)$, that is, $n \leq 42$. Since $12|n$, it remains to check the number 36, which is not divisible by $5 < \frac{36}{6}$ and therefore does not satisfy the condition.

5. Let A_n be the set of partitions of the sequence $1, 2, \dots, n$ into several subsequences such that every two neighbouring terms of each subsequence have different parity, and B_n the set of partitions of the sequence $1, 2, \dots, n$ into several subsequences such that all the terms of each subsequence have the same parity (for example, the partition $\{(1, 4, 5, 8), (2, 3), (6, 9), (7)\}$ is an element of A_9 , and the partition $\{(1, 3, 5), (2, 4), (6)\}$ is an element of B_6).

Prove that for every positive integer n the sets A_n and B_{n+1} contain the same number of elements.

Solution. To prove that $|A_n| = |B_{n+1}|$ we construct a bijection between the two types of partitions.

Let A be a partition of the first type, that is, the elements of each subsequence in A have alternating parities. We map this partition to the partition B defined by the following rule:

Two numbers $x < y$ are adjacent in some subsequence in A if and only if x and $y + 1$ are adjacent in some subsequence in B .

For example, the partition $\{(1, 4, 7, 8), (2, 5, 10), (3, 6), (9)\} \in A_{10}$ is mapped to the partition $\{(1, 5, 11), (2, 6), (4, 8), (3, 7, 9), (10)\} \in B_{11}$.

It follows immediately that all the terms of each subsequence in B have the same parity, that is, $B \in B_{n+1}$.

Transforming each pair (x, z) of consecutive terms in any partition $B \in B_{n+1}$ into pair $(x, z - 1)$ (where obviously $x < z - 1$ and the numbers x and $z - 1$ have different parity) we construct the unique $A \in A_n$ which maps to B . Thus our mapping is a bijection.

6. The area of a convex pentagon $ABCDE$ is S , and the circumradii of the triangles ABC , BCD , CDE , DEA , EAB are R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4, R_5 . Prove the inequality

$$R_1^4 + R_2^4 + R_3^4 + R_4^4 + R_5^4 \geq \frac{4}{5 \sin^2 108^\circ} S^2.$$

Solution. First we prove the following

Lemma 1. In a convex n -gon $A_1A_2 \dots A_n$ with area S we have

$$4S \leq A_nA_2 \cdot R_1 + A_1A_3 \cdot R_2 + \dots + A_{n-1}A_1 \cdot R_n,$$

where R_i is the circumradius of the triangle $A_{i-1}A_iA_{i+1}$, $A_0 = A_n$, $A_{n+1} = A_1$.

Let M_i be the midpoint of A_iA_{i+1} for $i = 1, \dots, n$. For each i we consider the quadrilateral formed by the segments A_iM_i and A_iM_{i-1} and the perpendiculars to this segments drawn through M_i and M_{i-1} , respectively. We claim that these n quadrilaterals cover the n -gon. Indeed, let P be a point inside the n -gon. Let PA_k be the minimum among the distances PA_1, PA_2, \dots, PA_n . We have $PA_k \leq PA_{k+1}$ and $PA_k \leq PA_{k-1}$, therefore P belongs to the n -gon and to each of the two half-planes containing A_k and bounded by the perpendicular bisectors to A_kA_{k+1} and A_kA_{k-1} , that is, to the k -th quadrilateral. To complete the proof it remains to note that the area of the i -th quadrilateral does not exceed $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{A_{i-1}A_{i+1}}{2} \cdot R_i$.

For our problem it follows that $4S \leq 2R_1^2 \sin \angle A_1 + 2R_2^2 \sin \angle A_2 + \dots + 2R_5^2 \sin \angle A_5$. Applying Cauchy-Buniakowsky inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2S &\leq R_1^2 \sin \angle A_1 + R_2^2 \sin \angle A_2 + \dots + R_5^2 \sin \angle A_5 \leq \sqrt{(R_1^4 + \dots + R_5^4)(\sin^2 \angle A_1 + \dots + \sin^2 \angle A_5)} \leq \\ &\leq \sqrt{5(R_1^4 + \dots + R_5^4) \sin^2 108^\circ}, \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\frac{4S^2}{5 \sin^2 108^\circ} \leq R_1^4 + R_2^4 + \dots + R_5^4.$$

In the above inequality we made use of the following

Lemma 2. If $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_5$ are angles of a convex pentagon, then $\sin^2 \alpha_1 + \dots + \sin^2 \alpha_5 \leq 5 \sin^2 108^\circ$.

The sum in question does not depend on the order of the angles, therefore we may assume $\alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots \leq \alpha_5$.

If $\alpha_1 = 108^\circ$, then $\alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_5 = 108^\circ$, and the inequality turns to equality.

If $\alpha_1 < 108^\circ$, then $\alpha_5 > 108^\circ$. Note that $\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 < 270^\circ$ (if $\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 \geq 270^\circ$, then $\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 \leq 270^\circ$, therefore $\alpha_2 \leq 90^\circ$, a fortiori $\alpha_1 \leq 90^\circ$ and thus $\alpha_5 \geq 180^\circ$, a contradiction). Then we have

$$\sin^2 108^\circ + \sin^2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 - 108^\circ) - \sin^2 \alpha_1 - \sin^2 \alpha_5 = 2 \cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5) \sin(\alpha_1 - 108^\circ) \sin(\alpha_5 - 108^\circ) > 0.$$

It means that changing the angles α_1 by 108° and α_5 by $\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 - 108^\circ$ increases the sum of squares of the sines. Iterating this operation, we shall make all the angles equal to 108° , thus proving the inequality.