

Let  $a_0 > 0$  be a real number, and let

$$a_n = \frac{a_{n-1}}{\sqrt{1 + 2020 \cdot a_{n-1}^2}}, \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots, 2020.$$

Show that  $a_{2020} < \frac{1}{2020}$ . (2)

$$\frac{1}{a_n^2} = \frac{1 + 2020 \cdot a_{n-1}^2}{a_{n-1}^2} \underset{(3)}{\sim} \frac{1}{a_{n-1}^2} + 2020$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{a_n^2} - \frac{1}{a_{n-1}^2} = 2020 \quad \leftarrow (4)$$

$$\frac{1}{a_{2020}^2} - \cancel{\frac{1}{a_{2019}^2}} + \cancel{\frac{1}{a_{2018}^2}} - \cancel{\frac{1}{a_{2017}^2}} + \dots + \cancel{\frac{1}{a_1^2}} - \frac{1}{a_0^2} = 2020 \cdot 2020$$

$$\frac{1}{a_{2020}^2} - \frac{1}{a_0^2} = 2020^2$$

$$\frac{1}{a_{2020}^2} > \frac{1}{a_{2020}^2} - \frac{1}{a_0^2} = 2020^2$$

$$\frac{1}{a_{2020}^2} > 2020^2$$

$$a_{2020}^2 < \frac{1}{2020^2}$$

$$\therefore a_{2020} < \frac{1}{2020}$$

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