The prime ant looks along the number line starting at 2. When she reaches a composite number, she divides by its least prime factor, and adds that factor to the previous term, and steps back.

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	5	2	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	5	2	7	3	7	8	9	10
2	5	2	7	3	9	4	9	10
2	5	2	7	6	3	4	9	10
2	5	2	9	2	3	4	9	10
2	5	5	3	2	3	4	9	10
2	5	5	3	2	3	7	3	10

Figure 1: An illustration of the prime ant's positions after the first 7 steps.

Question. Does the ant eventually stay to the right of any fixed position?

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- 1. Are there any positions that stay permanently greater than 7? Than 11?
- 2. Does sequence of numbers converge in the long run? If so, what to? $(2,5,5,3,2,\ldots)$
- 3. Let S be a subset of \mathbb{N} and let $f: S \times S^c \to \mathbb{N}^2$. For what "interesting" sets S and functions f can we answer the above questions? (In the example S is the prime numbers and f maps $(p,c) \mapsto (p+\operatorname{lpf}(c),\operatorname{gpf}(c))$.)

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