

## misc

SCHWARZ  $[0, 1] \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$  continuous,  $f(x+h) + f(x-h) - 2f(x) = o(h^2)$  for all  $x \in (0, 1)$  implies  $f(x) = ax + b$  is affine.

proof wlog  $f(0) = f(1) = 0$ . let  $g_\varepsilon(t) = f(t) - \varepsilon t(1-t)$ . then  $\frac{g(t+h)+g(t-h)-2g(t)}{h^2} \rightarrow 2\varepsilon$  for  $t \in (0, 1)$  meaning  $g_\varepsilon$  has maximum at 0 or 1. hence  $g_\varepsilon \leq 0$  for all  $\varepsilon$  and  $f \leq 0$ . similarly  $f \geq 0$ . ■

claim  $a_n = o(n)$  (weakly) increasing sequence of positive integers  $\implies \frac{n}{a_n}$  contains all positive integers.

proof as  $ka_n$  has the same properties, it suffices to show  $a_n = n$  has a solution. at  $n = 1$  we have  $\geq$ , and at some point  $<$ . we cannot however have a flip from  $>$  to  $<$  as  $a_n > n \implies a_{n+1} \geq n+1$ . ■

claim a bounded harmonic function  $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is constant.

proof fix two points  $p, q$ . then  $f(p) - f(q) = \frac{\int_{B_R(p) \Delta B_R(q)} \pm f}{\text{Vol} B_R}$ , but  $\text{Vol}(B_R(p) \Delta B_R(q)) = o(\text{Vol} B_R)$  is negligible. ■

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proof suppose not. let  $r(x) = \Delta_{e_1} g(x) = g(x+e_1) - g(x)$ . then  $r(x) + r(x+e_1) + \dots + r(x+ke_1)$  is uniformly bounded. wlog  $s = \sup r(x) > 0$ . fix  $x_\varepsilon$  with  $r(x_\varepsilon) > s - \varepsilon$ . since  $r(x) \leq s$  and  $\frac{1}{2d} \sum_{x \sim y} r(x) = r(y)$ , we get  $g(x_\varepsilon + e_1) > s - 2d\varepsilon$ . taking  $k$  big and  $\varepsilon$  small yields arbitrarily large  $r(x_\varepsilon) + r(x_\varepsilon + e_1) + \dots + r(x_\varepsilon + ke_1) > (k+1)s - \varepsilon(1 + 2d + \dots + (2d)^k)$ . ■

claim assume  $\mathbb{Z} = \bigsqcup_{j \in [k]} a_j + d_j \mathbb{Z}$  is a nontrivial ( $k \geq 2$ ) partition of the integers into arithmetic progressions. then the differences  $d_j$  are not all distinct.

proof wlog we have  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} = \bigsqcup a_j + d_j \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . now  $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum x^n = \sum_j \sum_m x^{a_j + d_j m} = \sum_j \frac{x^{a_j}}{1-x^{d_j}}$ . since there is no pole at  $e^{2\pi i / \max d_j}$ , the maximal  $d_j$  has to be the difference of at least two progressions. ■