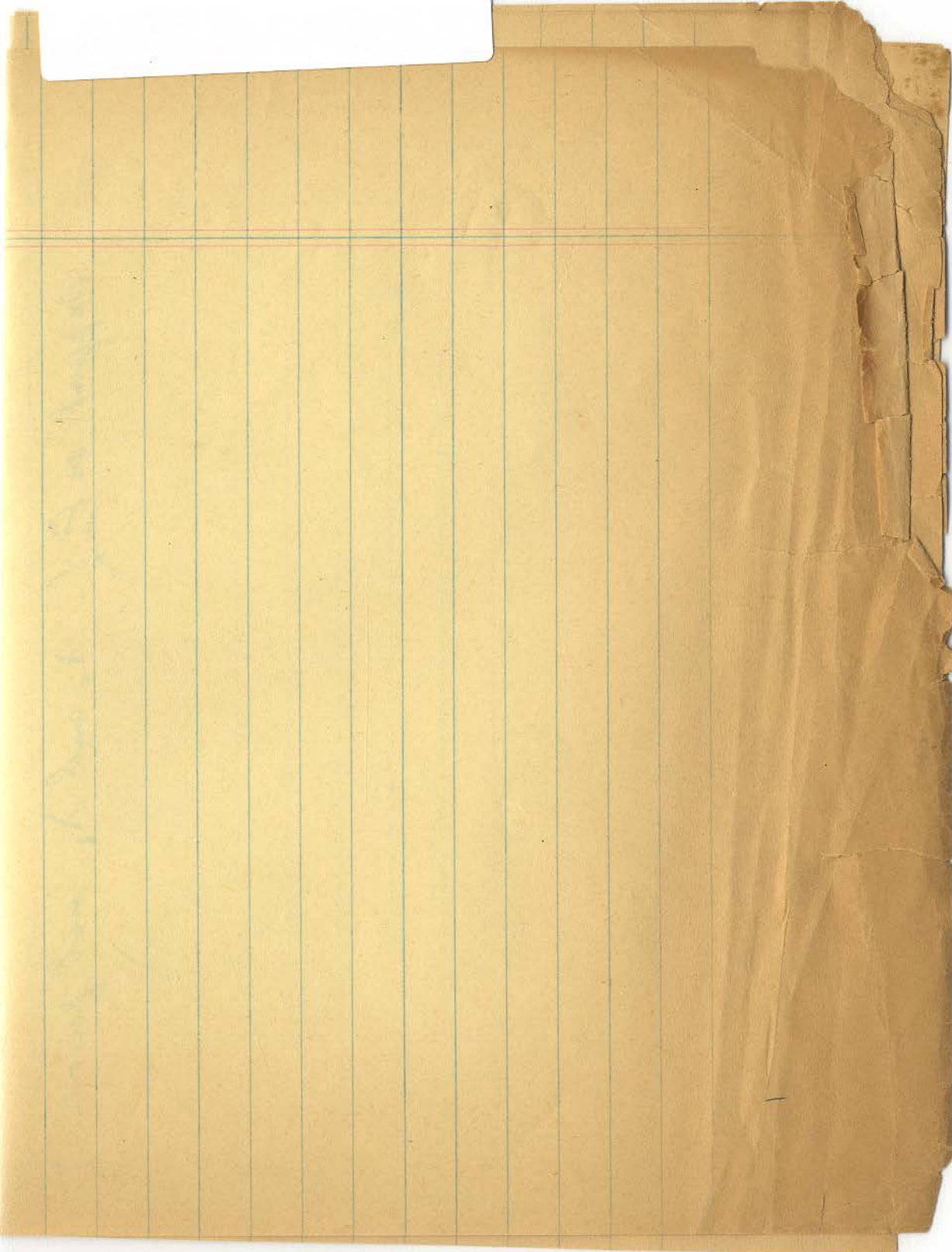


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## Lemma I

Let  $f(t) = \int e^{itx} d\mu(x)$

be pos. def. <sup>(real)</sup> (and  $f(0) = 1$ ). Assume that there

are sequences of numbers  $\{t_n\}^\infty$  and  $\{t'_n\}^\infty$

such that  $t_n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{A} < |t_n - t'_n| < A$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(t_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(t'_n).$$

Then  $f(t)$  is periodic.

Set  $h_n = t'_n - t_n$ ,  $e^{it_n x} d\mu(x) = d\nu_n(x)$ .

Then  $f_n(t) = f(t_n + t) = \int e^{itx} d\nu_n(x)$ .

$\int |d\nu_n| \leq 1$ ;  $\int d\nu_n \rightarrow 1$ . We assume

without loss of generality that  $\nu_n$

converges weakly to a pos. measure  $\nu$  and

that  $h_n \rightarrow h$ ,  $\frac{1}{A} \leq h \leq A$ .

Then  $\int e^{it_h} d\nu(x) = 1$  and the support of

$\nu$  is a subgroup of the real line. The same

set carries  $\mu$  and the lemma follows.

Corollary I Let  $\lambda(m)$  be neg. def. on the integers and  $\lambda(0) = 0$ . Assume that for some fixed  $A > 1$  there exists arbitrary large numbers  $p$  and  $q$   $p < q \leq A$  where  $A$  is arbitrary small. Then  $\lambda$  is periodic.

Apply Lemma 1 to the pos. def. function  $e^{-\lambda}$ .

Corollary II Let  $\Delta_\varepsilon = \{m, \lambda(m) < \varepsilon\}$ .

Then the minimal distance  $L_\varepsilon$  between numbers in  $\Delta_\varepsilon$  tends to  $\infty$  for  $\varepsilon \searrow 0$ , unless  $\lambda$  is periodic.

Corollary III Let  $p(m) = \frac{\lambda_1(m)}{\lambda_2(m)}$  <sup>( $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  not periodic)</sup>  $m \neq 0, p(0) > 0$ .

The set  $\Delta_\varepsilon$  where ~~either~~ <sup>at least</sup> one of the

inequalities  $\frac{\varepsilon}{m^2} > p_m > \frac{m^2}{\varepsilon}$

hold, has the property that  $L_\varepsilon \rightarrow \infty$  as  $\varepsilon \searrow 0$

Lemma II (conjecture) Let  $E$  be a <sup>(closed)</sup> subset of the circle with the property that an arc of length  $2\pi\delta$  does not meet  $E$ . If  $\eta > 0$  is sufficiently small, then the

norms

$$\sum |\hat{\mu}(n)|^2 \frac{\lambda_1(n)}{\lambda_2(n)}$$

and  $\sum |\hat{\mu}(n)| \frac{\lambda_1(n) + \eta}{\lambda_2(n) + \eta}$

are equivalent for all distributions with support on  $E$ , ( $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  not periodic)