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Articles of (and about)

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Monochromatic and zero-sum sets of nondecreasing diameter. (In English)

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The authors consider a van der Waerden type number f(m,r), which is the minimum integer n such that for every coloring of the integers  $\{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ with r colors, there exist two monochromatic subsets  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  each with m integers such that each element of  $B_1$  is less than each element of  $B_2$  and that the diameter of  $B_1$  is less than or equal to the diameter of  $B_2$ . They verify that f(m,2) = 5m - 3, f(m,3) = 9m - 7,  $12m - 9 \le f(m,4) \le 13m - 11$ , and asymptotically,  $c_1mr \leq f(m,r) \leq c_2mr \log_2 r$ . Similar questions are considered when the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  are used as colors and zero-sum sets are required.

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