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44106-7058. On a conjecture of Ehrhart.

Let K be a convex body in the plane whose center of gravity lies at the origin. E. Ehrhart conjectured that if $\operatorname{Area} K \geq 6$ then K contains two antipodal (nonzero) lattice points. Let $M = K \cap -K$ and $g(K) = \frac{\operatorname{Area} M}{\operatorname{Area} K}$. Ehrhart's conjecture translates via Minkowski's theorem to $g(K) \geq \frac{2}{3}$. This was proved by Kozinec and Stewart. In this paper we give a new proof to the theorem and show the stability of g. (Received September 28, 2005)