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On some of my problems in number theory I would most like to see solved. (In English)

Number theory, Proc. 4th Matsci. Conf., Ootacamund/India 1984, Lect. Notes Math. 1122, 74-84 (1985).

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The paper contains a summary of some problems formulated by the author in previous years. With respect to the topics concerned these problems can be divided into several classes. The first problems concern covering systems of congruences. The further problem is related to the maximal h(n) such that there are  $a_i$ ,  $1 \le a_1 < a_2 < \ldots < a_{h(n)}$  for which all the numbers  $\sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i a_i$   $(\epsilon_i = 0 \text{ or } 1)$  are distinct. The author asks whether the estimation  $h(n) < \log n / \log 2 + C$  (with an absolute constant C) holds.

The further group of problems belongs to the additive theory of numbers. A group of problems concerns the prime counting function  $\pi$  especially the conjecture according to which  $\pi(x + y) \leq \pi(x) + \pi(y)$  and finally there are formulated some problems dealing with the greatest prime factor of  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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