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**Zbl 044.03604****Erdős, Pál***Some problems and results in elementary number theory.* (In English)**Publ. Math., Debrecen 2, 103-109 (1951). [0033-3883]**

Let  $u_1 = 1 < u_2 < u_3 < \dots$  be the sequence of integers of the form  $x^2 + y^2$ . It is immediate, as shown by Bambah and Chowla, that  $u_{i+1} - u_i < cu_i^{\frac{1}{4}}$ . The conjecture  $u_{i+1} - u_i = o(u_i^{\frac{1}{4}})$  is still improved. Turán observed to Erdős that  $u_{i+1} - u_i > c \log u_i / \log \log u_i$  for infinitely many  $i$ .

The author improves Turán's result to:  $u_{i+1} - u_i > c \log u_i / (\log \log u_i)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . More generally he proves that if  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots$  is a sequence of primes such that  $\sum_{p_i \leq x} \frac{1}{p} f(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $v_i < v_2 < \dots$  denote the integers which either are not divisible by  $p_i$  or are divisible by  $p_i^2$ , then for infinitely many  $i$   $v_{i+1} - v_i > ce^{(f \log v_i)} \log v_i / \log \log v_i$ . In the last part of the paper the author gives some results concerning consecutive squarefree numbers. The relations (5), (10), (11) and (28) contain some misprints.

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