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P 34, R 2. Sous l'hypothèse que E est dénombrable, la réponse à la première question est positive (1).

I.2, p. 152, et XLIII.2, p. 385.

(1) R. O. Davies and A. J. Ostaszewski, Denumerable compact metric spaces admit isometry-invariant finitely additive measure, Mathematika 26 (1979), p. 184-186.

P 644, R 2. The answer to the first question is in general negative (2). XIX.2, p. 334, et XXVIII.2, p. 329.

(2) D. Pigozzi, On the structure of equationally complete varieties. I, this fascicle, p. 191-201.

P 1018, R 1. The answer is negative (3).

XXXVII.2, p. 329.

(3) M. De Wilde and B. Tsirulnikov, Barelledness and the supremum of two locally convex topologies, Mathematische Annalen 246 (1980), p. 241-248, Corollary 2.5.

P 1046, R 1. The answer is negative (4).

XL.1, p. 189.

- (4) J. C. Smith, Applications of shrinkable covers, Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society 73 (1979), p. 379-387, Corollary 2.5.
- **P 1162, R 1.** W. Wessel (5) has observed that if for the u's one takes all positive integers not exceeding n which are congruent mod 32 to 1, 5, 9, 10, 13, 14, 17, 21, 25, 29, 30, then no sum of two of them is a square. This can be seen by congruential considerations. Consequently, one has

$$\max l \geqslant \left(\frac{11}{32} + o(1)\right) n.$$

More precisely, the following hold:

$$\max l \geqslant \left(\frac{11}{32}\left[\frac{n+23}{32}\right]+2\right)n\left(32\left[\frac{n+23}{32}\right]+8\right)^{-1} \quad \text{ for } n \neq 28,$$
 $\max l \geqslant \left[\frac{11}{32}n\right] \quad \text{ for every } n.$

The estimate (1) has been found independently by J. P. Massias (6) by means of the same arithmetic progressions.

XLII, p. 399 (7).

- (5) Manuscript submitted to the Editors in July 1980.
- (6) Reported at a meeting on analytic number theory in Oberwolfach, November 1980.
- (7) P 1162 has been presented inexactly: in the assumption " $1 \le u_1 < ... < u_l < n$ " the last inequality has been omitted.

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P 1233. Formulé dans la communication On the structure of equationally complete varieties. I.

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Let M be a closed (i.e., compact without boundary) C^{∞} differentiable manifold of dimension m and let $f: M \to R$ be a C^{∞} differentiable real-valued function on M. We define the Morse-Smale characteristic of M as

$$\mu(M) = \min_{f \in \Omega} \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i(M, f),$$

where Ω is the space of Morse functions on M and $c_i(M, f)$ is the number of critical points of index i of f in Ω .

- **P 1240.** For what closed C^{∞} differentiable manifolds M is it true that $\mu(M \times M) = \mu(M) \cdot \mu(M)$?
- **P 1241.** Given a (fixed) closed C^{∞} differentiable manifold M, determine for what closed C^{∞} differentiable manifolds N it is true that $\mu(M \times N) = \mu(M) \cdot \mu(N)$.
- **P 1242.** For what pairs (M, N) of closed C^{∞} differentiable manifolds M and N is it true that $\mu(M \times N) = \mu(M) \cdot \mu(N)$? (Of course, $\mu(M \times N) \leq \mu(M) \cdot \mu(N)$ for any M and N.) It is known that the answer is positive in the case

$$\mu(M) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} R_i(M), \quad \mu(N) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} R_i(N),$$

where $m = \dim M$, $n = \dim N$, and $R_i(M)$, $R_i(N)$ are the *i*-th Betti numbers of M, N, respectively.

P 1243. Determine the class of closed C^{∞} differentiable manifolds M for which $\mu(M \times N) = \mu(M) \cdot \mu(N)$ holds for every closed C^{∞} differentiable manifold N.