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According to the author's summary, this paper contains several disconnected remarks on number theory. The main results are:

Theorem 1. Let f(k) be a real-valued arithmetical function, with

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(k) = \alpha (\neq \pm \infty).$$

Assume that for every $\eta > 0$, there is a $g(\eta)$ so that for $l > g(\eta)$ and n > 0, $l^{-1}\sum_{k=0}^{l-1}f(n+k)<\alpha+\eta;$ then to every $\varepsilon>0,\ \delta>0,$ there is an $h(\varepsilon,\delta)$ so that for all but εx integers n < x, we have for every $l > h(\varepsilon, \delta)$ that

$$\left| l^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} f(n+k) - \alpha \right| < \delta.$$

This generalizes (a strengthened form of) a result of R.Bellman and H.N.Shapiro (Zbl 057.28602).

Theorem 2. To every c_1 , there is a $c_2(c_1)$, so that if $a_1 < a_2 < \cdots < a_k \le n$ are integers, $k > c_1 n$, $A = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$, then $\sum_{d|A} d^{-1} > c_2 \log n$. The proof uses Brun's method.

Also the following result (not stated as a formal theorem) is proved: Let $a_1 <$ $a_2 < \cdots < a_k \le x$ be k integers such that no two of them are relatively prime, but every three are. If, for given x, one sets $\max k = f(x)$, then f(x) = $(\frac{1}{2} + o(1))(\log x)/(\log \log x).$

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