

## Exercise sheet #9

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**Exercise 1.** Let  $p > 2$  be a prime number. Let  $\alpha$  be a primitive 8th root of unity in  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ . Let  $\beta = \alpha + \alpha^{-1}$ .

1. Show that  $\beta^2 = 2$ .
2. Show that  $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p^2-1)/8}$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let  $p$  be a prime number such that  $p = x^2 - 6y^2$ , for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Show that  $p$  is congruent to 1, 5, 19 or 23 modulo 24.

*Hint:*  $\left(\frac{6}{p}\right)$ .

**Exercise 3.** We may extend the definition of the Legendre symbol in the following way: for any integers  $a$  and  $n \geq 1$  we define

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^r \left(\frac{a}{p_i}\right),$$

where  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i$  is the prime factorization of  $n$  and where  $\left(\frac{a}{p_i}\right)$  denotes the Legendre symbol. This new symbol is called *Jacobi symbol*.

1. Show that  $\left(\frac{-1}{n}\right) = (-1)^{(n-1)/2}$ .
2. Show that  $\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) = (-1)^{(n^2-1)/8}$ .
3. Show that for all coprime odd integers  $a$  and  $b$ ,

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right) (-1)^{(a-1)(b-1)/4}.$$

4. Compute  $\left(\frac{1003}{10007}\right)$ .