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New reciprocity laws for octic residues and nonresidues

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ABSTRACT. Let \mathbb{Z} be the set of integers, and let p be a prime of the form 8k + 1. Suppose $q \in \mathbb{Z}, 2 \nmid q, p \nmid q, p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. In this paper we establish congruences for $(-q)^{(p-1)/8} \pmod{p}$ and present new reciprocity laws.

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1. Introduction.

Let \mathbb{Z} be the set of integers, $i = \sqrt{-1}$ and $\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. For any positive odd number m and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ let $(\frac{a}{m})$ be the (quadratic) Jacobi symbol. For convenience we also define $(\frac{a}{1}) = 1$ and $(\frac{a}{-m}) = (\frac{a}{m})$. Then for any two odd numbers m and n with m > 0 or n > 0 we have the following general quadratic reciprocity law: $(\frac{m}{n}) = (-1)^{\frac{m-1}{2} \cdot \frac{n-1}{2}} (\frac{n}{m})$.

For $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid c$ and $2 \mid d$, one can define the quartic Jacobi symbol $\left(\frac{a+bi}{c+di}\right)_4$ as in [S1,S2,S4]. From [IR] we know that $\left(\frac{a-bi}{c-di}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{a+bi}{c+di}\right)_4^{-1}$. In Section 2 we list main properties of the quartic Jacobi symbol. See also [IR], [BEW] and [S4]. For the history of quartic reciprocity laws, see [Lem].

Let p be a prime of the form 4k + 1, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 \nmid q$ and $p \nmid q$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume that (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$, where (m, n) is the greatest common divisor of m and n. In [S5], using the quartic reciprocity law the author deduced some congruences for $q^{[p/8]} \pmod{p}$ in terms of c, d, x and y, where [a] is the greatest integer not exceeding a.

Let p be a prime of the form 8k + 1, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 \nmid q$ and $p \nmid q$. Then q is an octic residue (mod p) if and only if $q^{(p-1)/8} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$. In the classical octic reciprocity laws (see [Lem] and [BEW]), we always assume that $p = c^2 + d^2 = a^2 + 2b^2$ $(a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z})$. Inspired by [S5], in this paper we continue to discuss congruences for $(-q)^{(p-1)/8} \pmod{p}$ and present new reciprocity laws, but we assume that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$. Here are some typical results:

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* Let p and q be primes such that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}, p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, d = 2^r d_0 \text{ and } d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}.$ Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then $(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (\frac{d}{c})^m \pmod{p}$ if and only if $(\frac{c-di}{c+di})^{\frac{q+1}{8}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}$.

* Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ be a prime, $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2(a^2 + b^2)y^2$, $a, b, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a \neq 0, 4 \mid a, (a, b) = 1, c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then $(-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} (\frac{c}{d})^m \pmod{p}$ if and only if $(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai})_4 = i^m$.

* Let p be a prime of the form 8k + 1 and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0 (2 \nmid d_0)$ and $4 \mid y$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then $(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p}$.

When a is even, a congruence for $(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{(p-1)/4} \pmod{p}$ was given by the author in [S6, Corollary 4.1]. When $a \ge 3$ is a positive integer and $a^2 + 1$ is squarefree, $a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}$ is just the fundamental unit ε_{a^2+1} of the quadratic field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{a^2 + 1})$. For early results and conjectures on $\varepsilon_d^{(p-1)/4} \pmod{p}$, see [L2],[LW1],[LW2],[HK],[Lem] and [S2].

Throughout this paper, if $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2^{\alpha} \mid n$ and $2^{\alpha+1} \nmid n$, then we write that $2^{\alpha} \parallel n$.

2. Basic lemmas.

Lemma 2.1 ([S4, Proposition 2.1]). Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$ and $2 \mid b$. Then

$$\left(\frac{i}{a+bi}\right)_4 = i^{\frac{a^2+b^2-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{a^2-1}{8}} i^{(1-(-1)\frac{b}{2})/2}$$
and
$$\left(\frac{1+i}{a+bi}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} i^{((-1)\frac{a-1}{2}}(a-b)-1)/4 & \text{if } 4 \mid b, \\ i^{\frac{(-1)\frac{a-1}{2}}{4}}(b-a)-1 & \text{if } 2 \mid b. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2.2 ([S4, Proposition 2.2]). Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$ and $2 \mid b$. Then

$$\left(\frac{-1}{a+bi}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{b}{2}} \quad and \quad \left(\frac{2}{a+bi}\right)_4 = i^{(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}}\frac{b}{2}} = i^{\frac{ab}{2}}$$

Lemma 2.3 ([S4, Proposition 2.3]). Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid ac, 2 \mid b$ and $2 \mid d$. If a + bi and c + di are relatively prime elements of $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, we have the following general law of quartic reciprocity:

$$\left(\frac{a+bi}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{b}{2} \cdot \frac{c-1}{2} + \frac{d}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b-1}{2}} \left(\frac{c+di}{a+bi}\right)_4.$$

In particular, if $4 \mid b$, then $\left(\frac{a+bi}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{c+di}{a+bi}\right)_4$.

Lemma 2.4 ([E], [S1, Lemma 2.1]). Let $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid m$ and $(m, a^2 + b^2) = 1$. Then $(\frac{a+bi}{m})_4^2 = (\frac{a^2+b^2}{m})$.

Lemma 2.5 ([S3, Lemma 4.3]). Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$ and $2 \mid b$. For any integer x with $(x, a^2 + b^2) = 1$ we have $(\frac{x^2}{a+bi})_4 = (\frac{x}{a^2+b^2})$.

Lemma 2.6 ([S5, Lemma 2.9]). Suppose $c, d, m, x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 \nmid m, x^2 \equiv c^2 + d^2 \pmod{m}$ and (m, x(x+d)) = 1. Then $(\frac{c+di}{m})_4 = (\frac{x(x+d)}{m})$.

Lemma 2.7. Let p be a prime of the form 8k + 1, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 \nmid q$ and $p \nmid q$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. If $\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{s+\frac{p-1}{8}}i^n$, then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^s (\frac{d}{c})^{n-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid d-4, \\ (-1)^{s+\frac{d}{8}} (\frac{d}{c})^n \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid d. \end{cases}$$

Proof. As $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $4 \mid d$ we see that c + di is primary in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$. Since $i \equiv d/c \pmod{c+di}$ we have $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{s+\frac{p-1}{8}}i^n \equiv (-1)^{s+\frac{p-1}{8}}\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^n \pmod{c+di}$. As $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 \equiv -2q \pmod{p}$ and the norm of c + di is p, from the above we deduce that $(-2q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{s+\frac{p-1}{8}}\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^n \pmod{p}$. By [L1] or [HW, (1.4) and (1.5)],

(2.1)
$$(-2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^{-\frac{d}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^{-d_0} \equiv \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^{-1} = \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid d-4, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid d. \end{cases}$$

Thus the result follows.

3. Congruences for $(-q)^{(p-1)/8} \pmod{p}$ with $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$.

Theorem 3.1. Let p be a prime of the form 8n + 1, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 \nmid q$ and $p \nmid q$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$, $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and (c, x + d) = 1. Assume that $(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q})_4 = i^k$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-3}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^{k+1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-5}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{y}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^{k-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. We choose the sign of y so that $y = 2^t y_0$ and $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Since $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ we see that $2 \nmid x, 2 \mid y, 4 \mid d, (x,qy) = 1$ and $p \nmid x$. Thus $(x, c^2 + (x+d)^2) = (x,p) = 1$. As $2qy^2 = c^2 + (d+x)(d-x) = c^2 + (x+d)^2 - 2x(x+d)$ we see that $(qy, x+d) \mid c^2, (qy, x+d) = 1$ and $(qy^2, (c^2 + (x+d)^2)/2) = 1$. It is easily seen that $c + (x+d)i = i\frac{1\pm 1}{2}(1+i)(\frac{x+d\pm c}{2} + \frac{\pm (x+d)-c}{2}i)$ and so $(\frac{x+d\pm c}{2})^2 + (\frac{\pm (x+d)-c}{2})^2 = \frac{c^2 + (x+d)^2}{2}$. Set $\varepsilon = (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}$. As $4 \mid d$ and $4 \mid c-1$ we have $x + d \equiv \varepsilon \pmod{4}$ and $4 \mid (\varepsilon(x+d)-c)$. From Lemmas 2.1-2.5, [S5, Lemma 2.10(ii)] and the above we see that

$$i^{k} = \left(\frac{c + (x+d)i}{q}\right)_{4} = \left(\frac{i}{q}\right)_{4}^{\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}} \left(\frac{1+i}{q}\right)_{4} \left(\frac{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i}{q}\right)_{4}$$
$$= (-1)^{\frac{q-(\frac{-1}{q})}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2}} i^{\frac{(\frac{-1}{q})q-1}{4}} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \left(\frac{q}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i}\right)_{4}$$
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and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{q}{x+d+\varepsilon c} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i \end{pmatrix}_{4} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qy^{2}}{x+d+\varepsilon c} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i \end{pmatrix}_{4} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{y^{2}}{x+d+\varepsilon c} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i \end{pmatrix}_{4} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{(c^{2} + (x+d)^{2})/2 - x(x+d)}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i} \end{pmatrix}_{4} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{y}{(\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2})^{2} + (\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2})^{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-x(x+d)}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i} \end{pmatrix}_{4} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{y}{(c^{2} + (x+d)^{2})/2} \end{pmatrix} \\ = (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i \\ \frac{x(x+d)}{2} \end{pmatrix}_{4} (-1)^{\frac{c^{2}-(x+d)^{2}}{8}t+\frac{d}{4}t} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{y^{-1}}{c+di} \end{pmatrix}_{4}. \end{cases}$$

Clearly, $(-1)^{\frac{c^2 - (x+d)^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2 - x^2 - 2dx}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c - \varepsilon x}{4} \cdot \frac{c + \varepsilon x}{2} - \frac{d}{4}\varepsilon} = (-1)^{\frac{c - \varepsilon x}{4} - \frac{d}{4}\varepsilon} = (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon (x+d) - c}{4}}.$ Also,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i\\ \overline{x(x+d)} \end{pmatrix}_4 = \left(\frac{d+\varepsilon c + (\varepsilon d-c)i}{x}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\varepsilon c-ci}{x+d}\right)_4 \\ = \left(\frac{(\varepsilon-i)(c+di)}{x}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\varepsilon-i}{x+d}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{\varepsilon-i}{x(x+d)}\right)_4 \left(\frac{c+di}{x}\right)_4 \\ = \left(\frac{i\frac{5+\varepsilon}{2}(1+i)}{x(x+d)}\right)_4 \left(\frac{c+di}{x}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{i}{x(x+d)}\right)_4^{\frac{5+\varepsilon}{2}} \left(\frac{1+i}{x(x+d)}\right)_4 \left(\frac{x}{c+di}\right)_4 \\ = (-1)^{\frac{x(x+d)-1}{4} \cdot \frac{5+\varepsilon}{2}} i^{\frac{x(x+d)-1}{4}} \left(\frac{x}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{x+1}{2} + \frac{x^2-1}{8}} i^{\frac{dx}{4}} \left(\frac{x}{c+di}\right)_4.$$

Hence

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{q}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2}i}\right)_4 &= (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}(1+t) + \frac{d}{4}t} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{x+1}{2} + \frac{x^2-1}{8}}i^{\frac{dx}{4}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon x-c}{4}(1+t) + \frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{x^2-1}{8}}i^{\frac{dx}{4}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4. \end{split}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{split} i^{k} &= (-1)^{\frac{q-(\frac{-1}{q})}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{q-1}{2}(\frac{\varepsilon x-c}{4} + \frac{d}{4})} i^{\frac{(-1)}{q}q-1} \\ &\times (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon x-c}{4}(1+t) + \frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{x^{2}-1}{8}} i^{\frac{dx}{4}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_{4}. \end{split}$$

It is clear that

$$i^{\frac{dx}{4}} = i^{\frac{d}{4}(x-1) + \frac{d}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2}} i^{\frac{d}{4}}, \ (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1-2qy^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{2}},$$
$$(-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon x-c}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon x-c}{4} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon x+c}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{x^2-c^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{d^2-8q(\frac{y}{2})^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{y}{2}}$$

and so $(-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon x-c}{4}(1+t)} = (-1)^{\frac{y}{2}(1+t)} = 1$. Thus,

$$\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{q-(\frac{-1}{q})}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{q-1}{2}(\frac{y}{2} + \frac{d}{4}) + \frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{2}} i^{k-\frac{d}{4} - \frac{q(\frac{-1}{q}) - 1}{4}}.$$

Now applying Lemma 2.7 we deduce the result.

Theorem 3.2. Let *p* be a prime of the form 8n + 1, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 \nmid q$ and $p \nmid q$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$, $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $(d_0, x + c) = 1$ and $(\frac{-d/(x+c)+i}{q})_4 = i^k$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{x+1}{2} \cdot \frac{q-1}{4} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x+1}{2} \cdot \frac{q+1}{4}} (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose $2^m \parallel (x+c)$ and $y = 2^t y_0$ with $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Since $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ we see that $2 \nmid x, 2 \mid y, 4 \mid d, (x,qy) = 1$ and $p \nmid x$. Thus $(x, d^2 + (x+c)^2) = (x, p) = 1$. As $2qy^2 = d^2 + (c+x)(c-x) = d^2 + (x+c)^2 - 2x(x+c)$ we see that $(qy_0, x+c) \mid d_0^2, (qy_0, x+c) = 1$ and $(qy_0^2, (x+c)^2 + d^2) = 1$. We prove the theorem by considering the three cases m < r, m = r and m > r. We only give details for the first case. The other two cases can be proved similarly by using Lemmas 2.1-2.7. For the details, see the author's preprint "Congruences for $q^{[p/8]} \pmod{p}$ II" at arXiv:1401.0493.

Now suppose m < r. Using Lemmas 2.1-2.5 and the fact $\left(\frac{a}{q}\right)_4 = 1$ for $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with (a,q) = 1 we see that

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{-2^m}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{i}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}{q}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{q}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{qy^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{((x+c)^2 + d^2)/2 - x(x+c)}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y}{\frac{(x+c)^2+d^2}{2^{2m}}}\right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{-2^m x(x+c)/2^m}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y}{\frac{(x+c)^2+d^2}{2^{2m}}}\right). \end{split}$$

By [S5, p.15], $\left(\frac{y}{((x+c)^2+d^2)/2^{2m}}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2m+1}t+\frac{d}{4}t}\left(\frac{y^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4$. We also have $\left(\frac{2^m}{\frac{x+c}{2m}+\frac{d}{2m}i}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{2}{\frac{x+c}{2m}+\frac{d}{2m}i}\right)_4^m = i^{\frac{x+c}{2m}\cdot\frac{dm}{2m+1}}$ and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{-x(x+c)/2^m}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \end{pmatrix}_4 = (-1)^{\frac{-x(x+c)/2^m-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^m+1}} \left(\frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}{-x(x+c)/2^m} \right)_4$$

$$= (-1)^{\frac{x(x+c)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^m+1}} \left(\frac{x+c+di}{x} \right)_4 \left(\frac{di/2^m}{(x+c)/2^m} \right)_4$$

$$= (-1)^{\frac{x(x+c)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^m+1}} \left(\frac{c+di}{x} \right)_4 \left(\frac{i}{(x+c)/2^m} \right)_4$$

$$= (-1)^{\frac{x(x+c)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^m+1}} \left(\frac{x}{c+di} \right)_4 (-1)^{\frac{1}{8}((\frac{x+c}{2^m})^2-1)}.$$

Thus,

(3.1)
$$i^{k} = \left(\frac{d - (x + c)i}{q}\right)_{4} = (-1)^{\frac{q^{2} - 1}{8} + \frac{q - 1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} i^{\frac{x + c}{2^{m}} \cdot \frac{dm}{2^{m+1}}} \times (-1)^{\frac{x(x + c)/2^{m} + 1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} + \frac{(\frac{x + c}{2^{m}})^{2} - 1}{8}} (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t + \frac{d}{4}t} \left(\frac{x/y}{c + di}\right)_{4}}$$

As $2qy^2 = d^2 - (x+c)^2 + 2c(x+c)$ we have

(3.2)
$$q\frac{y^2}{2^m} = 2^{2r-m-1}d_0^2 - 2^{m-1}\left(\frac{x+c}{2^m}\right)^2 + c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2^m}.$$

Suppose m = 1. Then $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. From (3.2) we see that $2^{2t-1}q \equiv 2^{2r-2} - 1 + c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2} \pmod{8}$ and so $\frac{x+c}{2} \equiv c(2^{2t-1}q - 2^{2r-2} + 1) \pmod{8}$. If $8 \nmid d$, then r = 2 and $\frac{x+c}{2} \equiv c(2^{2t-1}q - 3) \pmod{8}$. Thus,

$$(-1)^{\frac{(x+c)^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8} + \frac{(2^{2t-1}q-3)^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8} + \frac{(2^{2t-2}q-2)(2^{2t-2}q-1)}{2}}$$
$$= (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8} + 1 + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + 1 + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}},$$
$$(-1)^{\frac{(x+c)/2+1}{2}} i^{\frac{x+c}{2}} = (-1)^{2^{2t-2}q-1} i^{2^{2t-1}q-3} = -(-1)^{2^{2t-2}} \cdot (-1)^{2^{2t-2}} i^{\frac{x+c}{2}} = -i$$

Hence, from (3.1) we deduce that

$$i^{k} = (-1)^{\frac{q^{2}-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2}} i^{\frac{x+c}{2}} (-1)^{\frac{(x+c)/2+1}{2}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{(\frac{x+c}{2})^{2}-1}{8}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_{4}$$
$$= (-1)^{\frac{q^{2}-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2}} (-i)(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + 1 + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_{4}.$$

That is, $(\frac{x/y}{c+di})_4 = (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} + \frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}} i^{k-1}$. Now applying Lemma 2.7 we obtain the result.

If 8 | d, from (3.2) we see that $2^{2t-1}q \equiv qy^2/2 \equiv -1 + c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2} \pmod{8}$ and so $\frac{x+c}{2} \equiv c(2^{2t-1}q+1) \pmod{8}$. Thus,

$$(-1)^{\frac{\left(\frac{x+c}{2}\right)^2 - 1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2 - 1}{8} + \frac{\left(2^{2t-1}q+1\right)^2 - 1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2 + d^2 - 1}{8} + \frac{2^{2t-2}q\left(2^{2t-2}q+1\right)}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}}.$$

From (3.1) and the above we derive that

$$i^{k} = (-1)^{\frac{q^{2}-1}{8}} i^{\frac{x+c}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4}} (-1)^{\frac{(\frac{x+c}{2})^{2}-1}{8}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_{4} = (-1)^{\frac{q^{2}-1}{8} + \frac{d}{8} + \frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_{4}.$$

Now applying Lemma 2.7 we obtain

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{4} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid q-1, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid q-3. \end{cases}$$

This yields the result.

Now assume $r > m \ge 2$. Then $x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, $2r - m - 1 \ge 2(m + 1) - m - 1 = m + 1 \ge 3$ and so $q\frac{y^2}{2m} \equiv -2^{m-1} + c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2m} \pmod{8}$ by (3.2). Hence $2^m \parallel y^2$, m = 2t and so $q \equiv -2^{m-1} + c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2m} \pmod{8}$. That is, $\frac{x+c}{2m} \equiv c(2^{m-1} + q) \pmod{8}$. Thus,

$$\begin{split} &(-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8}+\frac{q-1}{2}} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} \left(-1\right)^{\frac{x(x+c)/2^m+1}{2}} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} + \frac{\left(\frac{x+c}{2^m}\right)^2-1}{8}} \cdot \left(-1\right)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t+\frac{d}{4}t} i^{-\frac{x+c}{2^m}} \cdot \frac{dm}{2^{m+1}}} \\ &= \left(-1\right)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8}+\frac{q-1}{2}} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} \left(-1\right)^{\frac{-(2^m-1+q)+1}{2}} \cdot 2^{r-m-1} d_0 + \frac{c^2(2^{m-1}+q)^2-1}{8}} \left(-1\right)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t+\frac{d}{4}t} \left(-1\right)^{\frac{dt}{2^{m+1}}t} \\ &= \left(-1\right)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8}+\frac{q-1}{2}} \cdot 2^{r-m-1} d_0 \cdot \left(-1\right)^{\left(2^{m-2}+\frac{q-1}{2}\right)2^{r-m-1}} + \frac{c^2-1}{8} + \frac{(2^{m-1}+q)^2-1}{8}} \cdot \left(-1\right)^{\frac{d}{4}t} \\ &= \left(-1\right)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8}+\frac{q-1}{2}} \cdot 2^{r-m-1}} \cdot \left(-1\right)^{\left(2^{m-2}+\frac{q-1}{2}\right)2^{r-m-1}} + \frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q^2-1}{8} + 2^{m-3}(2^{m-2}+q)} \\ &= \left(-1\right)^{2^{r-3}+\frac{p-1}{8}} + 2^{m-3}(2^{m-2}+q) = \begin{cases} \left(-1\right)^{\frac{d}{8}+\frac{p-1}{8}+\frac{q+1}{2}} & \text{if } m = 2, \\ \left(-1\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} & \text{if } m > 2. \end{cases} \end{split}$$

Hence, from (3.1) and the above we get

$$\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{8} + \frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2}} i^k & \text{if } r > m = 2, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} i^k & \text{if } r > m > 2. \end{cases}$$

Now applying Lemma 2.7 and the fact m = 2t we obtain

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^k = (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{2}} (\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}) (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } r > m = 2, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{8}} (\frac{d}{c})^k = (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{2}} (\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}) (\frac{d}{c})^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } r > m > 2. \end{cases}$$

This yields the result in the case m < r. Thus the theorem is proved.

Theorem 3.3. Let p and q be primes such that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ and $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Suppose $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$, $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $(\frac{c-di}{x})^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then $(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{q+1}{4}} (\frac{d}{c})^m \pmod{p}$.

Proof. Clearly $q \nmid x$ and x is odd. We first assume (c, x+d) = 1. By the proof of Theorem 3.1, $(q, (x+d)(c^2+(x+d)^2)) = 1$. It is easily seen that $\frac{c/(x+d)-i}{c/(x+d)+i} = \frac{c-(x+d)i}{c+(x+d)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{ix} \pmod{q}$. Thus, from [S5, proof of Theorem 4.1] we have

$$\left(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q}\right)_4 = i^{m-\frac{q+1}{4}} = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q+5}{8}}i^{m+1} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8}}i^m & \text{if } q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Now, applying Theorem 3.1 we derive the result.

Now we assume $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. By the proof of Theorem 3.2, $(q, x + c) = (q, d^2 + (x + c)^2) = 1$. It is easily seen that $\frac{d+(x+c)i}{d-(x+c)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{-x} \pmod{q}$. From [S5, p.18] we get $(\frac{-d/(x+c)+i}{q})_4 = i^{m-\frac{q+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{4}}i^m$. Thus, applying Theorem 3.2 we deduce the result. The proof is now complete.

Corollary 3.1. Let p and q be primes such that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ and $q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$. Suppose $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$, $q \mid cd$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}, \\ \mp (-1)^{\frac{q-3}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. If $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}$, then $q \mid d$ and so $\left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv (\pm 1)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} = \pm 1 \pmod{q}$. If $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}$, then $q \mid c$ and so $\left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv (\mp i)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} = \mp (-1)^{\frac{q-3}{8}}i \pmod{q}$. Now applying Theorem 3.3 we deduce the result.

As an example, taking q = 3 in Corollary 3.1 we see that if p is a prime of the form 24k + 1 and so $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 6y^2$, and if (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$, then

(3.3)
$$(-3)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{3}, \\ \mp (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

Theorem 3.4. Let p and q be primes such that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}, p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2, c, d, m, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, d = 2^r d_0 \text{ and } d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}.$ Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then $(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (\frac{d}{c})^m \pmod{p}$ if and only if $(\frac{c-di}{c+di})^{\frac{q+1}{8}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}.$

Proof. Observe that $\left(\frac{c-di}{c+di}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} = \frac{(c-di)^{\frac{q+1}{4}}}{(c^2+d^2)^{\frac{q+1}{8}}} = \frac{(c-di)^{\frac{q+1}{4}}}{(x^2+2qy^2)^{\frac{q+1}{8}}} \equiv \left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \pmod{q}$. The result follows from Theorem 3.3.

Corollary 3.2. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ and $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$ be primes such that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $q \mid cd(c^2 - d^2)$. Suppose $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} \pmod{p} & if \ q \mid c, \\ 1 \pmod{p} & if \ q \mid d, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{q+9}{16}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & if \ 16 \mid (q-7) \ and \ c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{16}} \pmod{p} & if \ 16 \mid (q-15) \ and \ c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. If $q \mid c$, then $\frac{c-di}{c+di} \equiv -1 \pmod{q}$. If $q \mid d$, then $\frac{c-di}{c+di} \equiv 1 \pmod{q}$. If $c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}$, then $\frac{c-di}{c+di} \equiv \mp i \pmod{q}$. Thus the result follows from Theorem 3.4.

Theorem 3.5. Let *p* and *q* be distinct primes, $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$, $q = a^2 + b^2$, $a, b, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Suppose $(\frac{ac+bd}{ax})^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv (\frac{b}{a})^m \pmod{q}$. Then $(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{q-1}{4} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} (\frac{d}{c})^m \pmod{p}$. Proof. Clearly $q \nmid x$. We first assume (c, x + d) = 1. By the proof of Theorem 3.1, $(q, (x+d)(c^2 + (x+d)^2)) = 1$. It is easily seen that $\frac{ac+b(x+d)}{ac-b(x+d)} \equiv \frac{ac+bd}{ax} \cdot \frac{b}{a} \pmod{q}$. Thus, from [S5, p.20] we get $(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q})_4 = i^{m+\frac{q-1}{4}}$. Now the result follows from Theorem 3.1 immediately.

Suppose $(d_0, x+c) = 1$. By the proof of Theorem 3.2, $(q, (x+c)(d^2+(x+c)^2)) = 1$. It is easily seen that $\frac{ad-b(x+c)}{ad+b(x+c)} \equiv \frac{ac+bd}{-ax} \pmod{q}$. From [S5, p.21] we know that $(\frac{-d/(x+c)+i}{q})_4 = i^{m-\frac{q-1}{2}}$. Now applying Theorem 3.2 we deduce the result. The proof is now complete.

Corollary 3.3. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ and $q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ be primes such that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $q \mid cd$. Suppose $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{y}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{q-5}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{y}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose $q = a^2 + b^2$ with $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}$, then $q \mid d$ and so $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{c}{x}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv (\pm 1)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} = \pm 1 \pmod{q}$. If $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}$, then $q \mid c$ and so $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv (\pm \frac{b}{a})^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \pm (-1)^{\frac{q-5}{8}} \frac{b}{a} \pmod{q}$. Now combining the above with Theorem 3.5 we deduce the result.

Theorem 3.6. Let p and q be distinct primes such that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, $q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, $p \equiv c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$, $q \equiv a^2 + b^2$, $a, b, c, d, m, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d \equiv 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^m \pmod{p} \iff \left(\frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^m \pmod{q}$$

Proof. Observe that $b^2 \equiv -a^2 \pmod{q}$, $p \equiv x^2 \pmod{q}$ and so

$$\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} = \frac{(ac+bd)^{\frac{q-1}{4}}}{(a^2c^2-b^2d^2)^{\frac{q-1}{8}}} \equiv \frac{(ac+bd)^{\frac{q-1}{4}}}{(a^2p)^{\frac{q-1}{8}}} \equiv \left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \pmod{q}$$

The result follows from Theorem 3.5.

Corollary 3.4. Let p and q be distinct primes of the form 8k + 1 such that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2qy^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $q \mid cd(c^2 - d^2)$. Suppose $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(-q)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \mid c, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \mid d, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{16} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-1) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{q-9}{16} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-9) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose that $q = a^2 + b^2$ with $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then the result follows from Theorem 3.6 and the congruence for $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \pmod{q}$ in [S5, p.23].

Theorem 3.7. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ be a prime, $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2(a^2 + b^2)y^2$, $a, b, c, d, m, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0, 2 \mid a, (a, b) = 1, c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, d = 2^r d_0 \text{ and } d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(-a^{2}-b^{2})^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}+\frac{y}{2}} (\frac{c}{d})^{m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}+\frac{d}{4}+\frac{y}{2}+\frac{x-1}{2}} (\frac{c}{d})^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a-2 \\ \iff \left(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai}\right)_{4} = i^{m}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose $q = a^2 + b^2$ and $(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai})_4 = i^m$. Then clearly $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p \nmid q$. We first assume (c, x + d) = 1. By the proof of Theorem 3.1, $(q, x + d) = (q, c^2 + (x + d)^2) = 1$. Since $\frac{c-(x+d)i}{c+(x+d)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{ix} \pmod{q}$, from [S5, p.24] we know that $(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q})_4 = (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2} + [\frac{q}{8}]}i^{-m}$. This together with Theorem 3.1 yields the result in this case.

Now we assume $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. By the proof of Theorem 3.2, $(q, x + c) = (q, (x + c)^2 + d^2) = 1$. Since $\frac{d+(x+c)i}{d-(x+c)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{-x} \pmod{q}$, from [S5, p.24] we know that

$$\left(\frac{-d/(x+c)+i}{q}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}}i^{1-m} & \text{if } 4 \mid a-2, \\ i^{-m} & \text{if } 4 \mid a. \end{cases}$$

Now applying Theorem 3.2 we deduce the result in this case. So the theorem is proved.

Corollary 3.5. Let $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$ be a prime and so $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$ with $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$. Suppose $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x+d) = 1 or $(d_0, x+c) = 1$. Then

$$(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{y}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{y}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Clearly 5 | cd. When $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ we have 5 | d and so $(\frac{(2c+d)/x}{1+2i})_4 = (\frac{\pm 2}{1+2i})_4 = \pm i$. When $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}$ we have 5 | c and so $(\frac{(2c+d)/x}{1+2i})_4 = (\frac{\pm 1}{1+2i})_4 = \pm 1$. Now taking a = 2 and b = 1 in Theorem 3.7 we derive the result.

We remark that Corollary 3.5 partially solves [S4, Conjecture 9.8].

4. Congruences for $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1)$ and $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1) \pmod{p}$.

For two numbers P and Q the Lucas sequences $\{U_n(P,Q)\}$ and $\{V_n(P,Q)\}$ are defined by

$$U_0(P,Q) = 0, \ U_1(P,Q) = 1, \ U_{n+1}(P,Q) = PU_n(P,Q) - QU_{n-1}(P,Q) \ (n \ge 1),$$

$$V_0(P,Q) = 2, V_1(P,Q) = P, V_{n+1}(P,Q) = PV_n(P,Q) - QV_{n-1}(P,Q) \ (n \ge 1).$$

Set $D = P^2 - 4Q$. It is well known that

(4.1)
$$U_n(P,Q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} \left\{ \left(\frac{P + \sqrt{D}}{2} \right)^n - \left(\frac{P - \sqrt{D}}{2} \right)^n \right\} \quad (D \neq 0),$$

(4.2)
$$V_n(P,Q) = \left(\frac{P+\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{P-\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)^n.$$

Theorem 4.1. Let *p* be a prime of the form 8k + 1 and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$, $y = 2^t y_0$ and $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a,-1) \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y - 2, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a,-1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y - 2, \\ 2(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$

Proof. Set $a_1 = (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}}a)/2$ and $b_1 = (1 + (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}}a)/2$. Then $2 \mid a_1, 2 \nmid b_1$ and $a^2 + 1 = 2(a_1^2 + b_1^2)$. It is clear that $\left(\frac{(a_1c+b_1d)/((-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}x)}{b_1+a_1i}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a_1}{2}} \left(\frac{(a_1c+b_1d)/x}{b_1+a_1i}\right)_4$. We first assume $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Replacing d, x with $-d, (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}x$ in [S4, Theorem 8.3(i)] we obtain

$$\begin{split} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a,-1) \\ &= \begin{cases} \mp (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a-1}{4}} (-a_1^2 - b_1^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (-\frac{c}{d})^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2 \text{ and } \left(\frac{(a_1c+b_1d)/x}{b_1+a_1i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a-1}{4}} (-a_1^2 - b_1^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (-\frac{c}{d})^{1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2 \text{ and } \left(\frac{(a_1c+b_1d)/x}{b_1+a_1i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} \text{ if } 4 \mid y \end{aligned}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a,-1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a-1}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} (-a_1^2 - b_1^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (-\frac{c}{d})^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(a_1c+b_1d)/x}{b_1+a_1i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a-1}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} (-a_1^2 - b_1^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (-\frac{c}{d})^{1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(a_1c+b_1d)/x}{b_1+a_1i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} \text{ if } 4 \mid y - 2. \end{cases}$$

From Theorem 3.7 we know that

$$(-a_1^2 - b_1^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \pm (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a_1 \text{ and } (\frac{(a_1c + b_1d)/x}{b_1 + a_1i})_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{b_1 - 1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a_1 - 2 \text{ and } (\frac{(a_1c + b_1d)/x}{b_1 + a_1i})_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a_1 \text{ and } (\frac{(a_1c + b_1d)/x}{b_1 + a_1i})_4 = \pm i, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{b_1 - 1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{2} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a_1 - 2 \text{ and } (\frac{(a_1c + b_1d)/x}{b_1 + a_1i})_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

Now putting the above together we deduce the result in the case $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. The case $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ can be proved similarly by using [S4, Theorem 8.3(ii)] and Theorem 3.7.

Corollary 4.1. Let *p* be a prime of the form 8k + 1 and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$, $y = 2^t y_0$ and $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then

$$(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \sqrt{a^2 + 1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y - 2 \end{cases}$$

Proof. By (4.1) and (4.2), $(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1) + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1)$. Now applying Theorem 4.1 we deduce the result.

Corollary 4.2. Let *p* be a prime of the form 8k + 1 and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $2 \nmid a$. Suppose that $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$, $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, $d = 2^r d_0$ and $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Assume (c, x + d) = 1 or $(d_0, x + c) = 1$. Then $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2a, -1)$ if and only if $4 \mid y$ and $\frac{p-1}{8} \equiv \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4} \pmod{2}$.

Proof. By [S4, (1.5)], $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2a, -1) \iff V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}$. Now applying Theorem 4.1 we obtain the result.

Remark 4.1 Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 4.2 were conjectured by the author in [S4, Conjectures 9.17 and 9.19].

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