

HOMEWORK 8

DUE 22 NOVEMBER 2013

1. Compute

- (a) $7^{231} \pmod{31}$;
- (b) $17^{941} \pmod{37}$;
- (c) $4^{245} \pmod{69}$;
- (d) $3^{471} \pmod{15}$.

2. Find the reciprocal of $a \pmod{n}$ (or show that it does not exist) for

- (a) $a = 6, n = 29$;
- (b) $a = 11, n = 37$;
- (c) $a = 3, n = 25$;
- (d) $a = 5, n = 91$.

3. Find all the solutions $x \pmod{n}$ of the equation (or show that none exist)

$$x^2 \equiv a \pmod{n}.$$

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4. Find all the pairs of integers x, y such that $x^2 + 5y^2 = 7$.