

# Binary quadratic form + $n$ -th power residues.

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1. *JOM 2013, N5.* Let  $p$  be an odd prime such that  $2^p + 1 \nmid p^p + 1$ . Prove that any prime divisor of  $2^p + 1$  other than 3 is greater than  $6p$ .  
*Generalization.* For any prime number  $p$  we have: each prime divisor of  $\gcd(2^p + 1, p^p + 1)$  is equal to 3 or is greater than  $6p$ .
2. *APMO 2014, # 3.* Find all positive integers  $n$  such that for any integer  $k$  there exists an integer  $a$  for which  $a^3 + a - k$  is divisible by  $n$ .
3. *APMO 2012, # 3.* Determine all the pairs  $(p, n)$  of a prime number  $p$  and a positive integer  $n$  for which  $\frac{n^p + 1}{p^n + 1}$  is an integer.
4. *IMO 2012, N6.* Let  $x$  and  $y$  be positive integers. If  $x^{2^n} - 1$  is divisible by  $2^n y + 1$  for every positive integer  $n$ , prove that  $x = 1$ .
5. *IMO 2012, N8.* Prove that for every prime  $p > 100$  and every integer  $r$ , there exist two integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $p$  divides  $a^2 + b^5 - r$ .
6. *IMO 2011, N8.* Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and set  $n = 2^k + 1$ . Prove that  $n$  is a prime number if and only if the following holds: there is a permutation  $a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}$  of the numbers  $1, 2, \dots, n-1$  and a sequence of integers  $g_1, \dots, g_{n-1}$ , such that  $n$  divides  $g_i^{a_i} - a_{i+1}$  for every  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ , where we set  $a_n = a_1$ .
7. *IMO 2010, N4.* Let  $a, b$  be integers, and let  $P(x) = ax^3 + bx$ . For any positive integer  $n$  we say that the pair  $(a, b)$  is  $n$ -good if  $n \mid P(m) - P(k)$  implies  $n \mid m - k$  for all integers  $m, k$ . We say that  $(a, b)$  is *very good* if  $(a, b)$  is  $n$ -good for infinitely many positive integers  $n$ .
  - (a) Find a pair  $(a, b)$  which is 51-good, but not very good.
  - (b) Show that all 2010-good pairs are very good.
8. *IMO 2008, # 3.* Prove that there are infinitely many positive integers  $n$  such that  $n^2 + 1$  has a prime divisor greater than  $2n + \sqrt{2n}$ .