

Examples: Quadratic Reciprocity

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Analytic number theory is not my expertise. Here we work out some softball examples related to quadratic reciprocity.

Here's a question: **Can permutations be used to prove Artin reciprocity** or even parts of Class Field Theory?

The proof of quadratic reciprocity seems like a random hodge-podge of techniques.¹ Can we unify some of these arguments using:

- Geometry of Numbers
- Pigeonhole Principle

Gauss in his *Disquisitiones Arithmeticae* uses Pigeonhole to prove that $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$.

¹This is great for a first class when I was 15 years old it is not so great when you in graduate school are trying to learn Class Field Theory.

Any other applications?

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