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3.4 Question. Using paper and pencil, but no calculator, can you find the natural number k, $0 \le k \le 11$, such that $39^{453} \equiv k \pmod{12}$.

Solution. 3.

3.5 Exercise. Show that 39 divides $17^{48} - 5^{24}$.

Solution.

$$17^2 \equiv 5 \pmod{39}$$

 $17^{2^{24}} \equiv 5^{24} \pmod{39}$
 $17^{48} \equiv 5^{24} \pmod{39}$
 $39 \mid 17^{48} - 5^{24}$

3.7 Question. Let $f(x) = 13x^{49} - 27x^{27} + x^{14} - 6$. Is it true that

$$f(98) \equiv f(-100) \pmod{99}$$
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