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## Quartic, octic residues and Lucas sequences

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $a^2 + b^2 \neq p$ . Suppose  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . In the paper we develop the calculation technique of quartic Jacobi symbols and use it to determine  $(\frac{b+\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}$ . As applications we obtain the congruences for  $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}$  modulo  $p$  and the criteria for  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}$  (if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ), where  $\{U_n\}$  is the Lucas sequence given by  $U_0 = 0$ ,  $U_1 = 1$  and  $U_{n+1} = bU_n + k^2U_{n-1}$  ( $n \geq 1$ ). We also pose many conjectures concerning  $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}$ ,  $m^{\frac{p-1}{8}}$  or  $m^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p}$ .

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### 1. Introduction.

Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  be the sets of integers and positive integers respectively,  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . For  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a + bi$  is called primary if  $b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $a \equiv 1 - b \pmod{4}$ . When  $\pi$  or  $-\pi$  is primary in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ , one can define the quartic Jacobi symbol  $(\frac{\alpha}{\pi})_4$  as in [S4]. For the properties of the quartic Jacobi symbol one may consult [S6, (2.1)-(2.8)].

For any positive odd number  $m$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  let  $(\frac{a}{m})$  be the (quadratic) Jacobi symbol. (We also assume  $(\frac{a}{1}) = 1$ .) For our convenience we also define  $(\frac{-a}{m}) = (\frac{a}{m})$ . 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  $b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  the Lucas sequences  $\{U_n(b, c)\}$  and  $\{V_n(b, c)\}$  are defined by

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} U_0(b, c) &= 0, \quad U_1(b, c) = 1, \\ U_{n+1}(b, c) &= bU_n(b, c) - cU_{n-1}(b, c) \quad (n \geq 1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} V_0(b, c) &= 2, \quad V_1(b, c) = b, \\ V_{n+1}(b, c) &= bV_n(b, c) - cV_{n-1}(b, c) \quad (n \geq 1). \end{aligned}$$

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Let  $d = b^2 - 4c$ . It is well known that for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$(1.3) \quad U_n(b, c) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \left\{ \left( \frac{b+\sqrt{d}}{2} \right)^n - \left( \frac{b-\sqrt{d}}{2} \right)^n \right\} & \text{if } d \neq 0, \\ n \left( \frac{b}{2} \right)^{n-1} & \text{if } d = 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad V_n(b, c) = \left( \frac{b+\sqrt{d}}{2} \right)^n + \left( \frac{b-\sqrt{d}}{2} \right)^n.$$

From [S3, Lemma 6.1(b)] we know that if  $p > 3$  is a prime such that  $p \nmid bcd$ , then

$$(1.5) \quad p \mid U_n(b, c) \iff V_{2n}(b, c) \equiv 2c^n \pmod{p}.$$

Let  $F_n = U_n(1, -1)$  and  $L_n = V_n(1, -1)$ .  $\{F_n\}$  and  $\{L_n\}$  are called the Fibonacci sequence and Lucas sequence respectively.

Let  $b, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $(b, k) = 1$ , where  $(b, k)$  is the greatest common divisor of  $b$  and  $k$ . Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime such that  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4k^2)y^2$  or  $x^2 + (b^2/4 + k^2)y^2$  ( $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) according as  $2 \nmid b$  or  $2 \mid b$ . In the paper we develop the calculation technique of quartic Jacobi symbols and use it to determine  $\left( \frac{b+\sqrt{b^2+4k^2}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}$ . As applications we obtain the congruences for  $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2)$  and  $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2)$  modulo  $p$  and the criteria for  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -k^2)$  (if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ). These results are concerned with congruences for  $(b^2 + 4k^2)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} \pmod{p}$ , where  $\lceil \cdot \rceil$  is the greatest integer function. As examples, we have the following three results.

If  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  is a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  with  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , in Section 6 we prove that

$$(1.6) \quad F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid x, \\ \pm 2 \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid x \text{ and } x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5} \end{cases}$$

and

$$(1.7) \quad p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}} \iff 2 \nmid x \text{ and } x \equiv \begin{cases} C, 3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{80}, \\ -C, -3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 41, 49 \pmod{80}. \end{cases}$$

If  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  is a prime and  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , in Section 3 we show that

$$(1.8) \quad U_{\frac{p+1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv (p - (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}})/2 \pmod{p}.$$

This confirms a conjecture in [S5].

Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  with  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . In Section 8 we show that if  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then

$$(1.9) \quad (3 + \sqrt{10})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \frac{y}{x} \sqrt{10} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y - 2. \end{cases}$$

For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m = 2^\alpha m_0 (2 \nmid m_0)$  we say that  $2^\alpha \parallel m$  and  $m_0$  is the odd part of  $m$ . Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2 (c, d \in \mathbb{Z})$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $p \nmid a$ . In the paper we pose a lot of conjectures on  $a^{[p/8]} \pmod{p}$  (in particular for  $a = 3, 5, 7, 13, 17, 37$ ). For example, if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $b$  is odd and  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2 \neq b^2 + 4$  ( $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ), then we have good evidence to conjecture that

$$(1.10) \quad \begin{aligned} b^2 + 4 &\text{ is an octic residue } \pmod{p} \\ \iff \left( \frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i} \right)_4 &= (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4}} \delta(y)i, \end{aligned}$$

where  $d, x, y$  are chosen so that the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are of the form  $4k + 1$  and  $\delta(y) = 1$  or  $-1$  according as  $8 \mid y$  or not.

If  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  is a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are of the form  $4k + 1$ , we conjecture that

$$(1.11) \quad 5^{[\frac{p}{8}]} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \\ \pm \delta(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \mp \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

From [SS] we know that  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}}$  if and only if  $4 \mid xy$ . If  $4 \nmid xy$  and (1.11) is true, we can show that

$$(1.12) \quad F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \frac{2y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ \frac{2dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y. \end{cases}$$

Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \neq b^2 + 4, \frac{b^2}{4} + 1$  and  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2$  or  $x^2 + (b^2/4 + 1)y^2$  ( $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) according as  $2 \nmid b$  or  $2 \mid b$ . In Section 9 we state some conjectures concerning  $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1)$  and  $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \pmod{p}$  and illustrate that those conjectures are concerned with certain congruences for  $(b^2 + 4)^{[\frac{p}{8}]} \pmod{p}$ . For instance, we conjecture that if  $4 \mid y$ , then

$$(1.13) \quad V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

## 2. The quartic Jacobi symbol and quartic residuacity.

Suppose  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid a$  and  $2 \mid b$ . Then clearly  $(-1)^{\frac{a+b-1}{2}}(a+bi)$  is primary. Thus we may deduce the following properties from [S6, (2.1), (2.3), (2.7)].

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid a$  and  $2 \mid b$ . Then*

$$\left(\frac{i}{a+bi}\right)_4 = i^{\frac{a^2+b^2-1}{4}} = i^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+b-1}{2}}a)/2} = (-1)^{\frac{a^2-1}{8}}i^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{b}{2}})/2}$$

and

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

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid a$  and  $2 \mid b$ . Then*

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

**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  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ , then 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  $4 \mid b$ , we have

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

if  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , we have

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

Proof. As  $a \equiv c \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  and  $b \equiv d \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , we see that  $(-1)^{\frac{a+b-1}{2}}(a+bi)$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{c+d-1}{2}}(c+di)$  are primary. Hence applying Proposition 2.2 and the general quartic reciprocity law for primary elements (see [IR, Theorem 2, p.123]) we obtain

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

This yields the result.

**Proposition 2.4** ([E], [S1, Proposition 1], [S4, Lemma 2.1]). *Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid m$  and  $(m, a^2 + b^2) = 1$ . Then*

$$\left(\frac{a+bi}{m}\right)_4^2 = \left(\frac{a^2+b^2}{m}\right).$$

**Proposition 2.5** ([S7, 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*

$$\left(\frac{x^2}{a+bi}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{x}{a^2+b^2}\right).$$

**Proposition 2.6** ([S7, Remark 4.4]). *Let  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid c$ ,  $2 \mid d$ ,  $(c, d) = 1$  and  $(a^2 + b^2, c^2 + d^2) = 1$ . Then*

$$\left(\frac{a+bi}{c+di}\right)_4^2 = \left(\frac{ac+bd}{c^2+d^2}\right).$$

For an odd prime  $q$  let  $F_q = \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}$  be the ring of residue classes modulo  $q$  and

$$Q(q) = \{\infty\} \cup \{x \mid x \in F_q, x^2 \neq -1\}.$$

For  $x, y \in Q(q)$ , in [S4] the author introduced the operation

$$x * y = \frac{xy - 1}{x + y} \quad (x * \infty = \infty * x = x)$$

and proved that  $Q(q)$  is a cyclic group of order  $q - (\frac{-1}{q})$ .

For a given odd prime  $p$  let  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  denote the set of those rational numbers whose denominator is not divisible by  $p$ . Following [S4] we define

$$Q_r(p) = \left\{ k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}_p, \left(\frac{k+i}{p}\right)_4 = i^r \right\} \quad \text{for } r = 0, 1, 2, 3.$$

Combining [S4, Theorem 2.2] with [S4, Theorem 3.2] (or [S4, Corollary 3.2]) we have the following rational quartic reciprocity law. See also Paul Pollack's talk [P].

**Theorem 2.1 (Rational quartic reciprocity law).** *Let  $p$  and  $q$  be distinct odd primes. Suppose  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $p = a^2 + b^2$  ( $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) with  $2 \mid b$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} q \text{ is a quartic residue modulo } p \\ \iff & \frac{a}{b} \text{ is a fourth power in } Q(q) \\ \iff & q \mid b \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{a}{b} \equiv \frac{s^4 - 6s^2 + 1}{4s^3 - 4s} \pmod{q} \quad \text{for some } s \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be distinct odd primes. Suppose  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $p = a^2 + b^2$  ( $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) with  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \nmid b$ . Let  $q^* = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} q$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $\left(\frac{k+i}{q}\right)_4 = i$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (q^*)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv \frac{a}{b} \pmod{p} \\ \iff \frac{a}{b} &\equiv \frac{k(x^4 - 6x^2 + 1) + 4x^3 - 4x}{k(4x^3 - 4x) - (x^4 + 6x^2 + 1)} \pmod{q} \quad \text{for some } x \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if  $q \not\equiv \pm 1, \pm 9 \pmod{40}$ , we may take

$$k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } q \equiv \pm 5 \pmod{16}, \\ -1 & \text{if } q \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{16}, \\ 2 & \text{if } q \equiv \pm 7 \pmod{40}, \\ -2 & \text{if } q \equiv \pm 17 \pmod{40}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. From [S4, Theorem 2.2] we see that

$$(q^*)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^3 \pmod{p} \iff \frac{a}{b} \in Q_3(q).$$

As  $(b/a)^3 \equiv a/b \pmod{p}$  and  $-k \in Q_3(q)$ , from the above and [S4, Corollaries 3.2 and 3.3] we see that

$$\begin{aligned} (q^*)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv \frac{a}{b} \pmod{p} \\ \iff \frac{a}{b} &\equiv -k \pmod{q} \text{ or } \frac{a}{b} \equiv \frac{-kk_0 - 1}{k_0 - k} \pmod{q} \text{ for some } k_0 \in Q_0(q) \\ \iff \frac{a}{b} &\equiv -k \pmod{q} \text{ or } \frac{a}{b} \equiv \frac{k(x^4 - 6x^2 + 1)/(4x^3 - 4x) + 1}{k - (x^4 - 6x^2 + 1)/(4x^3 - 4x)} \pmod{q} \\ &\quad \text{for some } x \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \iff \frac{a}{b} &\equiv \frac{k(x^4 - 6x^2 + 1) + 4x^3 - 4x}{k(4x^3 - 4x) - (x^4 + 6x^2 + 1)} \pmod{q} \quad \text{for some } x \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $q \equiv \pm 5 \pmod{16}$ , by Proposition 2.1 we have  $\left(\frac{1+i}{q}\right)_4 = i^{((-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} q - 1)/4} = i$ .

If  $q \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{16}$ , by Proposition 2.1 we have  $\left(\frac{-1+i}{q}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{i}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{1+i}{q}\right)_4 = (-1)^{(q^2-1)/8} i^{((-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} q - 1)/4} = i$ . If  $q \equiv \pm 7 \pmod{40}$ , by Propositions 2.1-2.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{2+i}{q}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{-i}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{-1+2i}{q}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{-1+2i}{q}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \left(\frac{q}{-1+2i}\right)_4 = -\left(\frac{2}{-1+2i}\right)_4 = i. \end{aligned}$$

If  $q \equiv \pm 17 \pmod{40}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-2+i}{q}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{-i}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{-1-2i}{q}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{-1-2i}{q}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \left(\frac{q}{-1-2i}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{2}{-1-2i}\right)_4 = i. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.3 ([S7, Corollary 4.6(i)])**. *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $4 \nmid m$  and  $p \nmid m$ . Suppose  $p = x^2 + my^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Then*

$$m^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{m}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \\ \left(\frac{x}{m}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } m \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{x-1} \left(\frac{x}{m}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8} + \frac{m-2}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{m/2}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

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

It is clear that

$$(3.1) \quad 1 - \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{-2} = \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{-1} - 1)(\sqrt{-2} - 1 + \sqrt{-1})^2.$$

As  $(\sqrt{-1} - 1)^2 = -2\sqrt{-1}$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} &(1 - \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{-2})^n \\ &= \begin{cases} 2^{-2n}(-2\sqrt{-1})^{\frac{n}{2}}(\sqrt{-2} - 1 + \sqrt{-1})^{2n} & \text{if } 2 \mid n, \\ 2^{-2n}(\sqrt{-1} - 1)(-2\sqrt{-1})^{\frac{n-1}{2}}(\sqrt{-2} - 1 + \sqrt{-1})^{2n} & \text{if } 2 \nmid n. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.1.** *Suppose that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  is a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 2y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

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

Proof. Taking  $n = \frac{p-1}{4}$  in (3.2) we find

$$(1 - \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{-2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = 2^{\frac{p-1}{8} - \frac{p-1}{2}} (-\sqrt{-1})^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (\sqrt{-2} - 1 + \sqrt{-1})^{\frac{p-1}{2}}.$$

Set  $t = \frac{d}{c}$ . As  $t^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $(x/y)^2 \equiv -2 \pmod{p}$ , by the above we have

$$(3.3) \quad \left(1 - t \frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv 2^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (-t)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \left(\frac{x}{y} - 1 + t\right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p}.$$

Suppose  $\left(\frac{\frac{x}{y}-1+i}{p}\right)_4 = i^r$ . From [S4, Theorem 2.3] we have

$$\left(\frac{\frac{x}{y}-1+t}{\frac{x}{y}-1-t}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv t^r \pmod{p}.$$

As

$$\frac{\frac{x}{y}-1+t}{\frac{x}{y}-1-t} = \frac{(\frac{x}{y}-1+t)^2}{(\frac{x}{y}-1)^2-t^2} \equiv \frac{(\frac{x}{y}-1+t)^2}{-2\frac{x}{y}} \pmod{p},$$

we see that

$$\left(\frac{x}{y}-1+t\right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \left(-2\frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} t^r \equiv (-2)^{\frac{p-1}{4}+\frac{p-1}{8}} t^r \pmod{p}.$$

In view of (3.3) we have

$$\left(1-\frac{tx}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} t^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \cdot (-2)^{\frac{p-1}{4}+\frac{p-1}{8}} t^r \equiv t^{\frac{p-1}{8}+r} \pmod{p}.$$

As  $p = x^2 + 2y^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  we have  $2 \mid y$  and  $(x-y)^2 + y^2 = p - 2xy$ . Suppose  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  with  $2 \nmid y_0$ . Applying Propositions 2.1-2.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\frac{x}{y}-1+i}{p}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{x-y+yi}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{p}{x-y+yi}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{2xy}{x-y+yi}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{x-y+yi}\right)_4^{\beta+1} \left(\frac{x}{x-y+yi}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y_0}{x-y+yi}\right)_4 \\ &= i^{(-1)\frac{y}{2}\frac{y}{2}(\beta+1)} \left(\frac{x-y+yi}{x}\right)_4 \cdot (-1)^{\frac{y_0-1}{2}\cdot\frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x-y+yi}{y_0}\right)_4 \\ &= i^{-\frac{y}{2}(\beta+1)} \left(\frac{-y+yi}{x}\right)_4 \cdot (-1)^{\frac{y_0-1}{2}\cdot\frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{y_0}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{y_0-1}{2}\cdot\frac{y}{2}} i^{-\frac{y}{2}(\beta+1)} \left(\frac{1-i}{x}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{y_0-1}{2}\cdot\frac{y}{2}} i^{-\frac{y}{2}(\beta+1)} \left(\frac{1+i}{x}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{y_0-1}{2}\cdot\frac{y}{2}} i^{-\frac{y}{2}(\beta+1)} i^{-\frac{x-1}{4}} = \begin{cases} i^{-\frac{x-1}{4}} & \text{if } y \equiv 0, 6 \pmod{8}, \\ -i^{-\frac{x-1}{4}} & \text{if } y \equiv 2, 4 \pmod{8}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above we obtain

$$\left(1-\frac{tx}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} t^{\frac{p-1}{8}-\frac{x-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 0, 6 \pmod{8}, \\ t^{\frac{p-1}{8}+2-\frac{x-1}{4}} \equiv -t^{\frac{p-1}{8}-\frac{x-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 2, 4 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

As  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  we have  $\frac{p-1}{8} = \frac{x^2-1}{8} + \frac{y^2}{4}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} t^{\frac{p-1}{8}-\frac{x-1}{4}} &= t^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}+\frac{y^2}{4}-\frac{x-1}{4}} = t^{\frac{x-1}{4}\cdot\frac{x-1}{2}+\frac{y^2}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{(\frac{x-1}{4})^2} t^{\frac{y^2}{4}} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} t^{\frac{y^2}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}-\frac{y^2}{4}} t^{\frac{y^2}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (-t)^{4^{\beta-1}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \left(1 - \frac{tx}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 \cdot (-t)^{4^{\beta}-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 0 \pmod{8}, \\ -(-t) = t \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 2 \pmod{8}, \\ -(-t)^4 \equiv -1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 4 \pmod{8}, \\ 1 \cdot (-t) = -t \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 6 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $t = \frac{d}{c} \equiv -\frac{c}{d} \pmod{p}$ . We then obtain the result.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime and  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Then  $1 + \sqrt{2}$  is a quartic residue of  $p$  if and only if  $p \equiv 2y + 1 \pmod{16}$ .*

Proof. From Theorem 3.1 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \sqrt{2} &\text{ is a quartic residue } \pmod{p} \\ \iff (1 + \sqrt{2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv 1 \pmod{p} \iff 4 \mid y \text{ and } (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} = 1 \\ \iff p &\equiv 2y + 1 \pmod{16}. \end{aligned}$$

So the result follows.

**Remark 3.1** Using the cyclotomic numbers of order 4, in 1974 E. Lehmer [L2] proved a result equivalent to Corollary 3.1. If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{16}$  is a prime and  $p = a^2 + 64b^2 = c^2 + 128d^2$  for some  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ , in [L2] Lehmer also showed that  $1 + \sqrt{2}$  is an octic residue  $\pmod{p}$  if and only if  $b \equiv d \pmod{2}$  by using the cyclotomic numbers of order 8.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  be a prime and hence  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $x \equiv y \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$\left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1-i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

Proof. Clearly  $2 \nmid xy$  and we may assume  $x \equiv y \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Note that  $(x/y)^2 \equiv -2 \pmod{p}$  and  $2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ . Taking  $n = (p+1)/4$  in (3.2) we find

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} &\equiv 2^{-\frac{p+1}{2}} (i-1)(-2i)^{\frac{p-3}{8}} \left(\frac{x}{y} - 1 + i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{2}} \\ &\equiv 2^{\frac{p-3}{8}-1} (1-i)(-i)^{\frac{p-3}{8}} \left(\frac{x}{y} - 1 + i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{2}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $\left(\frac{x-1+i}{p}\right)_4 = i^r$ . By [S4, Theorem 2.3] we have

$$\left(\frac{-2\frac{x}{y}}{(\frac{x}{y} - 1 + i)^2}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{\frac{x}{y} - 1 - i}{\frac{x}{y} - 1 + i}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv i^r \pmod{p}.$$

Hence

$$\left(\frac{x}{y} - 1 + i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{2}} \equiv i^{-r} \left(-2 \cdot \frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-3}{8}+1} 2^{\frac{p+1}{4}+\frac{p-3}{8}} i^{-r} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} &\equiv 2^{\frac{p-3}{8}-1} (1-i)(-i)^{\frac{p-3}{8}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{p-3}{8}+1} 2^{\frac{p+1}{4}+\frac{p-3}{8}} i^{-r} \frac{x}{y} \\ &\equiv \frac{1-i}{2} \cdot i^{\frac{p-3}{8}-r} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

As  $y + (y-x)i$  is primary and  $y^2 + (y-x)^2 = p - 2xy$ , applying Propositions 2.1-2.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\frac{x}{y} - 1 + i}{p}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{x-y+yi}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{i}{p}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y+(y-x)i}{p}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{p^2-1}{8}} \left(\frac{p}{y+(y-x)i}\right)_4 = -\left(\frac{2xy}{y+(y-x)i}\right)_4 \\ &= -\left(\frac{2}{y+(y-x)i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y+(y-x)i}{x}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y+(y-x)i}{y}\right)_4 \\ &= -i^{\frac{y-x}{2}} \left(\frac{y+yi}{x}\right)_4 \left(\frac{-xi}{y}\right)_4 = -(-1)^{\frac{x-y}{4}} \left(\frac{1+i}{x}\right)_4 \left(\frac{i}{y}\right)_4 \\ &= -(-1)^{\frac{x-y}{4}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} \cdot i^{\frac{1-y}{2}} = -(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{4}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} = i^{2-\frac{x-1}{4}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \frac{1-i}{2} \cdot i^{\frac{p-3}{8}-2+\frac{x-1}{4}} \cdot \frac{x}{y} = -\frac{1-i}{2} \cdot i^{\frac{p-3}{8}+\frac{x-1}{4}} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

As  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  we see that  $\frac{p-3}{8} = \frac{x^2-1}{8} + \frac{y^2-1}{4}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} i^{\frac{p-3}{8}+\frac{x-1}{4}} &= i^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}+\frac{y^2-1}{4}+\frac{x-1}{4}} = i^{\frac{x-1}{4} \cdot \frac{x+3}{2} + \frac{y^2-1}{4}} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{4} \cdot \frac{x+3}{4} + \frac{y^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv -\frac{1-i}{2} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

This is the result.

**Theorem 3.3.** Suppose that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  is a prime and  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}+\frac{y+2}{4}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2, \\ 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2$ , where  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Observe that  $2 \mid y$ . From Theorem 3.1 we have

$$\left(1 \pm \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y-2}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

From (1.3) and (1.4) we have

$$(3.4) \quad U_n(2, -1) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left\{ (1 + \sqrt{2})^n - (1 - \sqrt{2})^n \right\}$$

and

$$(3.5) \quad V_n(2, -1) = (1 + \sqrt{2})^n + (1 - \sqrt{2})^n.$$

Observe that  $(cx/(dy))^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{p}$ . We then have

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2, -1) &\equiv \frac{1}{2cx/(dy)} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} - \left(1 - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right\} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2cx/(dy)} \cdot 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y-2}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y+2}{4}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2, \\ \frac{1}{2cx/(dy)} \left( (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} - (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} \right) = 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid y \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2, -1) &\equiv \left(1 + \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} + \left(1 - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y-2, \\ 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This proves the theorem.

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime. Then  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2, -1)$  if and only if  $p$  is represented by  $x^2 + 128y^2$ .*

Proof. Since  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  we know that  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . We also have  $2 \mid y$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8} + \frac{y^2}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{y}{2}}$ . Thus applying (1.5) and Theorem 3.3 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2, -1) &\iff V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff 4 \mid y \quad \text{and} \quad 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff 8 \mid y. \end{aligned}$$

This yields the result.

**Remark 3.2** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime. From Theorem 3.3 we know that  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2, -1)$  if and only if  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  ( $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) with  $4 \mid y$ . This is a known result. See [L2] and [S2]. When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{16}$ , Theorem 3.4 was known to E. Lehmer [L2]. In [L2] Lehmer also showed that if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{32}$  is a prime, then  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{16}}(2, -1)$  if and only if  $p = a^2 + 64b^2 = c^2 + 128d^2$  with  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \mid b - d$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  be a prime and hence  $p = x^2 + 2y^2$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $x \equiv y \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p+1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv \frac{p - (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}}}{2} \pmod{p}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p+1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

Proof. From Theorem 3.2 we have

$$\left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1-i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

Taking conjugates on both sides we obtain

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1+i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

Thus, applying (3.4),(3.5) and the fact  $(\frac{x}{y}i)^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{p}$  we see that

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p+1}{4}}(2, -1) &\equiv \frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{x}{y}i} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} - \left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \right\} \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{x}{y}i} \left\{ -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1+i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} + (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1-i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \right\} \\ &= -\frac{(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}}}{2} \equiv \frac{p - (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}}}{2} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p+1}{4}}(2, -1) &\equiv \left(1 + \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} + \left(1 - \frac{x}{y}i\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \\ &\equiv -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1+i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} - (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{1-i}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{y} \\ &= -(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the theorem.

**Remark 3.3** For a prime  $p = x^2 + 2y^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ , the congruence  $U_{\frac{p+1}{4}}(2, -1) \equiv (p - (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}})/2 \pmod{p}$  was conjectured by the author in [S5]. When  $p$  is an odd prime, the congruences for  $U_{\frac{p+1}{2}}(2, -1)$  and  $V_{\frac{p+1}{2}}(2, -1) \pmod{p}$  were given by the author in [S2], [S5] and [S7].

#### 4. Congruences for $(-b - a\sqrt{-1})^{\frac{p-(\frac{-1}{p})}{4}} \pmod{p}$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \mid a$ ,  $(a, b) = 1$  and  $p \nmid a^2 + b^2$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{b+ai}\right)_4 = i^k$ . Then

$$\left(-b - a\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} (c/d)^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} (\frac{d}{2}+1)} (c/d)^{k-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a. \end{cases}$$

Proof. As  $c/d \equiv -i \pmod{c+di}$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & (-b - ac/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv (-b + ai)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{-b + ai}{c + di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{c + di}{-b + ai}\right)_4 \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{bc + bdi}{-b + ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{b}{-b + ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{(ac + bd)i}{-b + ai}\right)_4 \cdot (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{-b + ai}{b}\right)_4^{-1} \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{ac + bd}{-b + ai}\right)_4 (-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} i^{\frac{1-(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}}}{2}} (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{i}{b}\right)_4^{-1} \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} i^{\frac{1-(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}}}{2}} \left(\frac{ac + bd}{b + ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} i^{\frac{1-(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}}}{2}} i^{-k} \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} (c/d)^{k - (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a}{2}})/2} \pmod{c+di}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $p = (c+di)(c-di)$  we obtain

$$\left(-b - a\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{a-b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} (c/d)^{k - (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a}{2}})/2} \pmod{p}.$$

This yields the result.

**Corollary 4.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \mid b$ ,  $(a, b) = 1$  and  $p \nmid a^2 + b^2$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{ad-bc}{a+bi}\right)_4 = i^k$ . Then

$$\left(-b - a\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}-k} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid b, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} (\frac{d}{2}+1)} (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}-k-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel b. \end{cases}$$

Proof. As  $\left(\frac{ad-bc}{a+bi}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{ad-bc}{a+bi}\right)^{-1} = i^{-k}$ , substituting  $a, b, k$  by  $-b, a, -k$  in Theorem 4.1 we have

$$\left(-a + b\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} (c/d)^{-k} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid b, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} (\frac{d}{2}+1)} (c/d)^{-k-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel b. \end{cases}$$

Observe that

$$\left( -b - a \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( -a + b \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

By the above we obtain the result.

**Corollary 4.2.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p \neq 5$ . Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Then*

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

Proof. Putting  $b = 1$  and  $a = 2$  in Theorem 4.1 we see that

$$\left( \frac{2c+d}{1+2i} \right)_4 = i^k \quad \text{implies} \quad \left( -1 - 2 \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (c/d)^{k-1} \pmod{p}.$$

As

$$\left( \frac{2c+d}{1+2i} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} \pm i & \text{if } 2c + d \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}, \\ \mp 1 & \text{if } 2c + d \equiv \pm 4 \pmod{5}, \end{cases}$$

we deduce the result.

Putting  $b = -3$  and  $a = -2$  in Theorem 4.1 we deduce the following result.

**Corollary 4.3.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p \neq 13$ . Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Then*

$$\left( 3 + 2 \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2c + 3d \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2c + 3d \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}. \end{cases}$$

Putting  $b = 4$  and  $a = 1$  in Corollary 4.1 and noting that  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}$  we deduce the following result.

**Corollary 4.4.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p \neq 17$ . Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Then*

$$\left( 4 + \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d - 4c \equiv \pm 1, \pm 4 \pmod{17}, \\ -(c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d - 4c \equiv \pm 2, \pm 8 \pmod{17}, \\ (c/d)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d - 4c \equiv \pm 6, \pm 7 \pmod{17}, \\ -(c/d)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d - 4c \equiv \pm 3, \pm 5 \pmod{17}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Suppose  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid ab$ ,  $4 \mid a+b$ ,  $(a, b) = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2}d - \frac{a+b}{2}c}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 = i^k$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (-b - ac/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b}{4}} (d/c)^{((-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}(c-d)-1-d^2)/4 + (1-(-1)^{\frac{a+b}{4}})/2+k} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. As  $c/d \equiv -i \pmod{c+di}$  and  $b-ai = -(1+i)(\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i)$  we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & (b + ac/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv (b - ai)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b - ai}{c + di}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{-1}{c + di}\right)_4 \left(\frac{1+i}{c + di}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}{c + di}\right)_4 \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}} i^{((-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}(c-d)-1-d^2)/4} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{c + di}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \pmod{c+di}. \end{aligned}$$

As

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{c + di}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \\ & = \left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2}}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2}c + \frac{a-b}{2}di}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{(a-b)/2-1}{2} \cdot \frac{(a+b)/2}{2}} \left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}{\frac{a-b}{2}}\right)_4^{-1} \left(\frac{(\frac{a-b}{2}d - \frac{a+b}{2}c)i}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b}{4}} \left(\frac{i}{\frac{a-b}{2}}\right)_4^{-1} \left(\frac{i}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2}d - \frac{a+b}{2}c}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b}{4}} i^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+b}{4}})/2} \left(\frac{\frac{a-b}{2}d - \frac{a+b}{2}c}{\frac{a-b}{2} + \frac{a+b}{2}i}\right)_4 \\ & = (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b}{4}} i^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+b}{4}})/2+k}, \end{aligned}$$

putting the above together with the fact  $i \equiv d/c \pmod{c+di}$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(b + a\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{((-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}(c-d)-1-d^2)/4} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \\ & \quad \times (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+b}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+b}{4}})/2+k} \pmod{c+di}. \end{aligned}$$

This congruence is also true when  $c+di$  is replaced by  $p = c^2 + d^2$ . As  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}$ , the result follows.

## 5. Evaluation of $\left(\frac{x-ay+byi}{x^2+(a^2+b^2)y^2}\right)_4$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a positive integer and  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2$  with  $a, b, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $(p, axy) = 1$ ,  $a = 2^r a_0 (2 \nmid a_0)$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $2 \nmid a$  or  $2 \nmid b$ .

(i) If  $2 \mid a$ ,  $2 \nmid b$  and  $2 \mid y$ , then

$$\left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{a_0+1}{2}} i^{br} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + r+1} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 8 \mid y-4, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 8 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $2 \nmid a$  and  $2 \mid b$ , then

$$\left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{-a+bi} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \mid y, \\ i^{-\frac{b}{2}} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{-a+bi} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

(iii) If  $2 \nmid ab$ , then

$$\left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{\frac{b-a}{2} + \frac{b+a}{2}i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \nmid a-b \text{ and } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2}} i^{-\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{\frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{2}i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \mid a-b \text{ and } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{\frac{b-a}{2} + \frac{b+a}{2}i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \nmid a-b \text{ and } 4 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} i^{-\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x+byi}{a} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{\frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{2}i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \mid a-b \text{ and } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

(iv) If  $2 \mid a$  and  $2 \nmid by$ , then

$$\left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + \frac{a+2}{4}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} \frac{a}{2}} \left( \frac{by-xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-1, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-2a-b^2}{8}} \left( \frac{by-xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-5, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + (r+1)\frac{a-x}{4}} \left( \frac{by-xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-1, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-4a_0-b^2}{8}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} r} \left( \frac{by-xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-5. \end{cases}$$

Proof. We first assume  $2 \mid by$ . As  $(x - ay)^2 + (by)^2 = p - 2axy$  and

$(p, 2axy) = 1$ , we see that  $2 \nmid x - ay$  and so

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 \\
&= \left( \frac{p}{x - ay + byi} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{(x - ay)^2 + (by)^2 + 2axy}{x - ay + byi} \right)_4 \\
&= \left( \frac{2axy}{x - ay + byi} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{2^{1+r+\alpha+\beta} a_0 x_0 y_0}{x - ay + byi} \right)_4 \\
&= \left( i^{(-1)^{\frac{x-ay-1}{2}} \frac{by}{2}} \right)^{1+r+\alpha+\beta} (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{by}{2}} \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \\
&\quad \times \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{y_0} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{by}{2}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{x-ay-1}{2}} \frac{by}{2} (1+r+\alpha+\beta)} \left( \frac{x + byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y(-a+bi)}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{y_0} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{by}{2}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{x-ay-1}{2}} \frac{by}{2} (1+r+\alpha+\beta)} \left( \frac{x + byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-a+bi}{x_0} \right)_4.
\end{aligned}$$

It is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned}
& (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{by}{2}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{x-ay-1}{2}} \frac{by}{2} (1+r+\alpha+\beta)} \\
&= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{2}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{x-a-1}{2}} (1+\alpha) \frac{b}{2}} & \text{if } 2 \mid b \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a_0+1}{2} b} i^{(-1)^a br} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{b(r+1)} & \text{if } 4 \parallel y, \\ 1 & \text{if } 8 \mid y \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left( \frac{-a+bi}{x_0} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{x}{-a+bi} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \nmid a, 2 \mid b \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \left( \frac{x_0}{-a+bi} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{2}{-a+bi} \right)_4^{-\alpha} \left( \frac{x}{-a+bi} \right)_4 = i^{(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} \frac{b}{2} \alpha} \left( \frac{x}{-a+bi} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \nmid a, 2 \mid b \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ \left( \frac{i}{x} \right)_4 \left( \frac{b+ai}{x} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \mid a, 2 \nmid b \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \left( \frac{1+i}{x} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\frac{b-a}{2} + \frac{b+a}{2} i}{x} \right)_4 = i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x}{\frac{b-a}{2} + \frac{b+a}{2} i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \nmid ab, 4 \nmid a-b \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \left( \frac{i(1+i)}{x} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{2} i}{x} \right)_4 = i^{-\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x}{\frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{2} i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \nmid ab, 4 \mid a-b \text{ and } 2 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

When  $a \not\equiv b \pmod{2}$  and  $2 \mid y$ , we have  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2 \equiv x^2 + y^2 \pmod{16}$  and so  $(-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1-y^2}{8}} = (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]}$ . We also note that  $2 \nmid ab$  implies  $2 \mid y$ . Now combining the above we deduce (i),(ii) and (iii).

Let us consider (iv). Assume  $2 \nmid by$ . Then  $y \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . As  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  we have  $2 \mid a$  and  $2 \mid x$ . Since  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2 \equiv x^2 + a^2 + 1 \pmod{8}$  we see that  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{a-x}{2}}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 \\
&= \left( \frac{i}{p} \right)_4 \left( \frac{by - (x - ay)i}{p} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( \frac{p}{by - (x - ay)i} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( \frac{2axy}{by - (x - ay)i} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( \frac{2^{r+\alpha+1}a_0x_0y}{by - (x - ay)i} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( \frac{2}{by - (x - ay)i} \right)_4^{r+\alpha+1} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x-ay}{2}} \left( \frac{by - (x - ay)i}{a_0} \right)_4 \\
&\quad \times \left( \frac{by - (x - ay)i}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{by - (x - ay)i}{y} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{by-1}{2}} (\frac{a}{2}y - \frac{x}{2})(r+\alpha+1)} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x-a}{2}} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \\
&\quad \times \left( \frac{by + ayi}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-xi}{y} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4} + \frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x-a}{2}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \frac{a-x}{2}(r+\alpha+1)} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{b+ai}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{i}{y} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4} + \frac{y^2-1}{8} + \frac{a_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x-a}{2}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \frac{a-x}{2}(r+\alpha+1)} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x_0}{b+ai} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8} + \frac{a_0+1}{2} \cdot \frac{p-1}{4}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \frac{a-x}{2}(r+\alpha+1)} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{2^{-\alpha}x}{b+ai} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8} + \frac{a_0+1}{2} \cdot \frac{p-1}{4}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (\frac{a-x}{2}(r+\alpha+1) - \frac{a}{2}\alpha)} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4.
\end{aligned}$$

Observe that

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

By the above we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 \\
&= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + \frac{a}{2} + \frac{a-x}{4}(r+\alpha+1)} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} \frac{a}{2}\alpha} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p+4a_0-b^2}{8}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (\frac{a-x}{2}(r+\alpha+1) - \frac{a}{2}\alpha)} \left( \frac{by - xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

This yields (iv) and hence the theorem is proved.

## 6. Congruences for $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2)$ and $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \pmod{p}$ when $2 \nmid b$ .

For two numbers  $a$  and  $b$  it is easily seen that

$$(6.1) \quad (-b - ai) \cdot \frac{b - i\sqrt{-a^2 - b^2}}{2} = \left( \frac{\sqrt{-a^2 - b^2} - a + bi}{2} \right)^2.$$

This is the starting point for our purpose in the section.

**Lemma 6.1.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $t^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  ( $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ). Suppose  $a, b, s \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $s^2 \equiv -a^2 - b^2 \pmod{p}$  and  $p \nmid a^2 + b^2$ . If  $\left(\frac{s-a+bi}{p}\right)_4 = i^r$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} (s - a + bt)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} &\equiv (-2as)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} t^r \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} t^r \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1, \\ -(2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} st^r \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. If  $p \mid b$ , then  $s \equiv \pm at \pmod{p}$ . Observing that  $2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}}$  ( $\pmod{p}$ ) and  $t^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  we deduce the result. Now assume  $p \nmid b$ . From [S4, Theorem 2.3] we know that for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  with  $k^2 + 1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ ,

$$(6.2) \quad \begin{aligned} k \in Q_r(p) &\iff \left( \frac{k+t}{k-t} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv t^r \pmod{p} \\ &\iff (k+t)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv (k^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} t^r \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Now suppose  $\left(\frac{s-a+bi}{p}\right)_4 = i^r$ . That is,  $\frac{s-a}{b} \in Q_r(p)$ . Note that

$$\frac{(s-a)^2}{b^2} + 1 = \frac{s^2 + a^2 + b^2 - 2as}{b^2} \equiv -\frac{2as}{b^2} \pmod{p}.$$

Taking  $k = \frac{s-a}{b}$  in (6.2) we then have

$$\left( \frac{s-a}{b} + t \right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \left( -\frac{2as}{b^2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} t^r \pmod{p}.$$

That is,

$$(s - a + bt)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv (-2as)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} t^r \pmod{p}.$$

As  $s^2 \equiv -a^2 - b^2 \pmod{p}$  we deduce the remaining result.

**Theorem 6.1.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \mid a$ ,  $(a, b) = 1$  and  $a = 2^r a_0 (2 \nmid a_0)$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{x-byi}{a_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai}\right)_4 = i^n$ .*

(i) If  $2 \mid y$ , then

$$\left( \frac{b - cx/(dy)}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} (d/c)^n \frac{x}{y} \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1} \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 4 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a_0+b}{2}} (d/c)^{n-br} \frac{x}{y} \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{(r+1)\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^n \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $2 \nmid y$ , then

$$\left( \frac{b - cx/(dy)}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} -(-1)^{\frac{a^2/4-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^n \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 2 \parallel x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a+2}{4} + \frac{a^2/4-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n-1} \frac{x}{y} \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 4 \mid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a_0^2-b^2}{8} + (r+1)\frac{a-x}{4}} (d/c)^n \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 4 \mid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{(a_0+2)^2-(b+2)^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n+(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} r} \frac{x}{y} \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 2 \parallel x. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose  $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{b+ai}\right)_4 = i^k$  and  $\left(\frac{x+byi}{a_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{x}{b+ai}\right)_4 = i^m$ . Then  $\left(\frac{x-byi}{a_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{1/x}{b+ai}\right)_4 = i^{-m}$  and so  $i^{k-m} = i^n$ . As  $(c/d)^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $(x/y)^2 \equiv -a^2 - b^2 \pmod{p}$ , by (6.1) we have

$$\left( -b - a \frac{c}{d} \right) \frac{b - \frac{c}{d} \cdot \frac{x}{y}}{2} \equiv \left( \frac{\frac{x}{y} - a + b \frac{c}{d}}{2} \right)^2 \pmod{p}.$$

Thus

$$(6.3) \quad \left( \frac{b - cx/(dy)}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{\frac{x}{y} - a + b \frac{c}{d}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \left( -b - a \frac{c}{d} \right)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

By Theorem 4.1 we have

$$(6.4) \quad \left( -b - a \frac{c}{d} \right)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} (c/d)^{-k} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}(\frac{d}{2}+1)} (c/d)^{1-k} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a. \end{cases}$$

If  $2 \mid y$ , by Theorem 5.1(i) we have

$$\left( \frac{\frac{x}{y} - a + bi}{p} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{a_0+1}{2}} i^{br+m} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + (r+1)\frac{y}{4}} i^m & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

Hence appealing to Lemma 6.1 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{x}{y} - a + b \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \\ & \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a_0-1}{2}} (c/d)^{br+m} (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{(r+1)\frac{y}{4}} (c/d)^m (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with (6.3), (6.4) and the fact  $(c/d)^{m-k} = (d/c)^{k-m} \equiv (d/c)^n \pmod{p}$  yields (i).

Now assume  $2 \nmid y$ . As  $\left( \frac{by-xi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{-i}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x+byi}{a_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{b+ai} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} i^m$ , by Theorem 5.1(iv) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{\frac{x}{y} - a + bi}{p} \right)_4 \\ & = \left( \frac{x - ay + byi}{p} \right)_4 \\ & = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + \frac{a+2}{4} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} \frac{a}{2} + m} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-1, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-2a-b^2}{8} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} i^m & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-5, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + (r+1)\frac{a-x}{4} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} i^m & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-1, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-4a_0-b^2}{8} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} i^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} r + m} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-5. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 6.1 we see that

$$\left(\frac{x}{y} - a + b\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + \frac{a+2}{4} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} \frac{a}{2} + m} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-1, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{p-2a-b^2}{8} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (c/d)^m & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-5, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-b^2}{8} + (r+1)\frac{a-x}{4} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^m & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-1, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{p-4a_0-b^2}{8} + \frac{a_0^2-1}{8}} (2a)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (c/d)^{(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} r + m} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 8 \mid p-5. \end{cases}$$

As  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{a}{2} + \frac{x}{2}}$  and  $(c/d)^{m-k} = (d/c)^{k-m} \equiv (d/c)^n \pmod{p}$ , combining the above with (6.3) and (6.4) yields (ii). So the theorem is proved.

**Corollary 6.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$  and  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$\left(\frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \mp(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{dx}{cy} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{dx}{cy} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} (b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

**Corollary 6.2.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$

and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$\left(\frac{1 - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ & \text{or if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } x \equiv \mp d \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } x \equiv \mp d \pmod{5}, \\ & \text{or if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } x \equiv \mp c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 5^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } x \equiv \mp d \pmod{5}, \\ & \text{or if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } x \equiv \mp c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 5^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{dx}{cy} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } x \equiv \mp c \pmod{5}, \\ & \text{or if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since  $\left(\frac{5}{p}\right) = 1$ , it is well known that  $5 \mid cd$  (see [S4, Theorem 2.2 and Example 2.1]). Clearly  $5 \mid c$  if and only if  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}$ , and  $5 \mid d$  if and only if  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ . Thus

$$(6.5) \quad \left(\frac{(2c+d)/x}{1+2i}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\pm 1}{1+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1 & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \\ \left(\frac{\pm 2}{1+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Now taking  $b = 1$  in Corollary 6.1 and then applying (6.5) we obtain the result.

Observe that

$$(6.6) \quad \left(\frac{m}{3+2i}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & \text{if } m \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm i & \text{if } m \equiv \mp 2, \mp 5, \mp 6 \pmod{13}. \end{cases}$$

Putting  $b = 3$  in Theorem 6.1 we obtain:

**Corollary 6.3.** *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9, 17, 25, 29, 49 \pmod{52}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 13y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$\left(\frac{3 - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 13^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13}, \\ & \text{or if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm 13^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ & \text{or if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \mp 2, \mp 5, \mp 6 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm 13^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ & \text{or if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \mp 2, \mp 5, \mp 6 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm 13^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{dx}{cy} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \mp 2, \mp 5, \mp 6 \pmod{13}, \\ & \text{or if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \mp 1, \mp 3, \mp 9 \pmod{13}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $b, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$ ,  $(b, k) = 1$  and  $2k = 2^r k_0 (2 \nmid k_0)$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4k^2)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{x-byi}{k_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(2kc+bd)/x}{b+2ki}\right)_4 = i^n$ .

(i) If  $2 \nmid k$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} ((\frac{k}{p}) + 1)(-1)^{\frac{k-b}{2}} (d/c)^{n+1} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1)(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^n \frac{y}{x} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) + 1)(-1)^{\frac{k^2-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n+1} \frac{y}{x} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1)(-1)^{\frac{(k+2)^2-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^n k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 4 \mid x \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1)(-1)^{\frac{k-b}{2}} (d/c)^n \frac{x}{y} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) + 1)(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1)(-1)^{\frac{k^2-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^n k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) + 1)(-1)^{\frac{(k+2)^2-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n-1} \frac{x}{y} \\ \quad \times k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 4 \mid x. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $2 \mid k$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} (1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{k_0-b}{2}} (d/c)^{n+1-br} \\ \quad \times k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1)(-1)^{(r+1)\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^{n+1} \frac{y}{x} \\ \quad \times k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ -(1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{(k_0+2)^2-(b+2)^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n+1+(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} r} \\ \quad \times k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1)(-1)^{(r+1)\frac{2k-x}{4} + \frac{k_0^2-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n+1} \frac{y}{x} \\ \quad \times k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 4 \mid x \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} (1 - (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{k_0+b}{2}} (d/c)^{n-br} \frac{x}{y} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{(r+1)\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^n k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ (1 - (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{(k_0+2)^2 - (b+2)^2}{8}} (d/c)^{n+(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} r} \frac{x}{y} \\ \quad \times k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ (1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{(r+1)\frac{2k-x}{4} + \frac{k_0^2-b^2}{8}} (d/c)^n k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 4 \mid x. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Set  $a = 2k$ . Using Propositions 2.4 and 2.5 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{x - byi}{k_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac + bd)/x}{b + ai}\right)_4 \cdot \left(\frac{x - byi}{k_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac - bd)/x}{b + ai}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{x^2 + b^2y^2}{k_0}\right) \left(\frac{x^2}{b + ai}\right)_4^{-1} \left(\frac{a^2c^2 - b^2d^2}{b + ai}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{p - 4k^2y^2}{k_0}\right) \left(\frac{x^2}{b + ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{-b^2(c^2 + d^2)}{b + ai}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{p}{k_0}\right) \left(\frac{x^2}{b + ai}\right)_4 \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{b}{a^2 + b^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2}{b + ai}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^k \left(\frac{k_0}{p}\right) \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{b}\right) \left(\frac{x^2}{b + ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{x^2}{b + ai}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^k \left(\frac{k_0}{p}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x - byi}{k_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac - bd)/x}{b + ai}\right)_4 &= (-1)^k \left(\frac{k_0}{p}\right) \left(\frac{x - byi}{k_0}\right)_4^{-1} \left(\frac{(ac + bd)/x}{b + ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= (-1)^k \left(\frac{k_0}{p}\right) i^{-n} = i^{1 - (-1)^k(\frac{k_0}{p}) - n}. \end{aligned}$$

We note that

$$\left(\frac{k_0}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{2k/2^r}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{k}{p}\right) \left(\frac{2}{p}\right)^{r-1} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}(r-1)} \left(\frac{k}{p}\right).$$

As  $(\frac{cx}{dy})^2 \equiv a^2 + b^2 \pmod{p}$ , by (1.3) and (1.4) we have

$$(6.7) \quad U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \frac{1}{cx/(dy)} \left\{ \left(\frac{b + \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} - \left(\frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right\} \pmod{p}$$

and

$$(6.8) \quad V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \left( \frac{b + \frac{cx}{dy}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} + \left( \frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

If  $2 \nmid k$  and  $2 \parallel y$ , then  $2 \parallel a$  and  $k_0 = k$ . By Theorem 6.1(i) we have

$$\left( \frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} (d/c)^n \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

Substituting  $d$  by  $-d$  and  $n$  by  $1 + (\frac{k}{p}) - n$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{b + \frac{cx}{dy}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} \left( -\frac{d}{c} \right)^{1+(\frac{k}{p})-n} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \\ &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1-(\frac{k}{p})} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \\ &\equiv -\left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} (d/c)^n \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence applying (6.7) and (6.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) &\equiv \left( -\left( \frac{k}{p} \right) - 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} (d/c)^{n+1} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \\ &= \left( \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) + 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{k-b}{2}} (d/c)^{n+1} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) &\equiv \left( 1 - \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) \right) (-1)^{\frac{a/2+b}{2}} (d/c)^n \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \\ &= \left( \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) - 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{k-b}{2}} (d/c)^n \frac{x}{y} \cdot k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $2 \nmid k$  and  $4 \mid y$ , then  $2 \parallel a$  and  $k_0 = k$ . By Theorem 6.1(i) we have

$$\left( \frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}.$$

Substituting  $d$  by  $-d$  and  $n$  by  $1 + (\frac{k}{p}) - n$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{b + \frac{cx}{dy}}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \left( -\frac{d}{c} \right)^{(\frac{k}{p})-n} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (d/c)^{n-1} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by (6.7), (6.8) and the above we have

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) &\equiv \frac{1}{cx/(dy)} \left( \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) - 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ &= \left( \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) - 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^n \frac{y}{x} \cdot k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) &\equiv \left( \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) + 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1} \left( \frac{a}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ &= \left( \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) + 1 \right) (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} (d/c)^{n-1} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2 + 4k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way one can prove the remaining results. So the theorem is proved.

**Theorem 6.3.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \nmid b$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} \delta(b, p) (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } (\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} \delta(b, p) (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } (\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = \pm i \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{8} \rceil} \delta'(b, p) (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } (\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{8} \rceil} \delta'(b, p) (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } (\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = \pm i, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\delta(b, p) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\delta'(b, p) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b^2-1}{8}} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose  $(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = i^n$ . If  $(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = \pm 1$ , then clearly  $(d/c)^n \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ . If  $(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i})_4 = \pm i$ , then  $(d/c)^n \equiv \pm d/c \pmod{p}$ . As  $(x/y)^2 \equiv -b^2 - 4 \pmod{p}$ , we have  $(b^2 + 4)^{\lceil p/8 \rceil} \equiv (-1)^{\lceil p/8 \rceil} (x/y)^{2\lceil p/8 \rceil} \pmod{p}$ . Thus taking  $k = 1$  in Theorem 6.2 we deduce the result.

**Corollary 6.4.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5} \end{cases}$$

and

$$L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Putting  $b = 1$  in Theorem 6.3 and applying (6.5) we obtain the result.

**Corollary 6.5.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9, 17, 25, 29, 49 \pmod{52}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 13y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(3, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13} \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(3, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{8} \rceil} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Putting  $b = 3$  in Theorem 6.3 and applying (6.6) we obtain the result.

**Theorem 6.4.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$ ,  $p \neq b^2 + 4$  and  $p = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1)$  if and only if  $2 \nmid x$  and

$$(-b^2 - 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \pm (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $x$  is chosen so that  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

Proof. If  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1)$ , then  $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) = U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1)V_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  and so  $4 \mid xy$  by Theorem 6.3. As  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , we must have  $4 \nmid x$  and so  $4 \mid y$ . Now assume  $4 \mid y$  and  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . From (1.5) and Theorem 6.3 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1) \\ \iff V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \iff \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}}(x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}}(x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

As  $(x/y)^2 \equiv -b^2 - 4 \pmod{p}$  we have  $(x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-b^2 - 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}$ . Thus the result follows.

Putting  $b = 1$  in Theorem 6.4 and then applying (6.5) we deduce the following result.

**Corollary 6.6.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}} \iff 2 \nmid x \text{ and } (-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \end{cases}$$

where  $x$  is chosen so that  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

**Remark 6.1** Under the condition in Corollary 6.6, in 1974 E. Lehmer[L2] conjectured that if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{16}$ , then

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}} \iff 4 \mid y \quad \text{and} \quad (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}}.$$

We also note that if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  and  $p \not\equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$ , then  $p \nmid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}}$ .

Putting  $b = 3$  in Theorem 6.4 and applying (6.6) we have:

**Corollary 6.7.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9, 17, 25, 49, 81 \pmod{104}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 13y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(3, -1)$  if and only if  $2 \nmid x$  and

$$(-13)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \end{cases}$$

where  $x$  is chosen so that  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

**Theorem 6.5.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $2 \mid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then

$$p \mid L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2 \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p}.$$

(ii) If  $2 \nmid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2 \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) \pmod{p}.$$

Proof. Clearly  $5 \nmid xC$ . Thus  $x \equiv \pm C$  or  $\pm 3C \pmod{5}$ . Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . As  $(\frac{5}{p}) = 1$ , it is known that (see for example [S4, Theorem 2.2 and Example 2.1])  $5 \mid cd$  and

$$(6.9) \quad 5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 5 \mid d, \\ -1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 5 \mid c. \end{cases}$$

On the other hand, by Theorem 2.3 or [BEW, Corollary 8.3.4] we have

$$(6.10) \quad 5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv -(-1)^x \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) \pmod{p}.$$

If  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ , by [HW2, Theorem 3] we have

$$(6.11) \quad 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d \equiv C, 3C \pmod{5}, \\ -\frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d \equiv -C, -3C \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

If  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ , by [E, Theorem 5.1 or Corollary 5.3] we have

$$(6.12) \quad 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv C, 3C \pmod{5}, \\ -1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv -C, -3C \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $x \equiv \varepsilon C$  or  $3\varepsilon C \pmod{5}$ , where  $\varepsilon \in \{1, -1\}$ . We first consider (i). As  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  and  $2 \mid x$  we must have  $2 \nmid y$  and  $2 \parallel x$ . Thus  $p \mid L_{\frac{p-1}{4}}$  by Corollary 6.4. If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$ , then  $x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$ . By (6.9) and (6.10) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $5 \mid c$ . We may choose the sign of  $d$  so that  $d \equiv x \equiv \varepsilon C, 3\varepsilon C \pmod{5}$ . Then  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \varepsilon c/d \pmod{p}$  by (6.11). By Corollary 6.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \frac{d}{c} = 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{dy}{cx} \\ &\equiv 2 \cdot 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{dy}{cx} \equiv 2\varepsilon \frac{c}{d} \cdot \frac{dy}{cx} = 2\varepsilon \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

So (i) is true in the case  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$ . Now assume  $p \equiv 9 \pmod{40}$ . Then  $x \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$ . By (6.9) and (6.10) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $5 \mid d$  and so  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ . If  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ , then  $c \equiv \pm \varepsilon C, \pm 3\varepsilon C \pmod{5}$ . Thus, by (6.12) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm \varepsilon \pmod{p}$ . Hence applying Corollary 6.4 we have

$$F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \mp 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \equiv \mp 2 \cdot 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{y}{x} \equiv -2\varepsilon \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p}.$$

This proves (i).

Now we consider (ii). Suppose  $2 \nmid x$ . Then  $4 \mid y$  as  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . Thus  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}}$  by Corollary 6.4. If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$ , we have  $x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$ . By (6.9) and (6.10) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $5 \mid d$  and so  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ . When  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ , by (6.12) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm \varepsilon \pmod{p}$ . Thus, by Corollary 6.4 we have

$$L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2 \cdot 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv 2\varepsilon \pmod{p}.$$

If  $p \equiv 9 \pmod{40}$ , then  $x \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$ . By (6.9) and (6.10) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $5 \mid c$  and so  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}$ . If  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}$ , by (6.11) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm \varepsilon c/d \pmod{p}$ . Thus, by Corollary 6.4 we have

$$L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}-1}(x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \equiv \mp 2 \cdot 5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \equiv -2\varepsilon \pmod{p}.$$

Hence (ii) holds and the theorem is proved.

**Corollary 6.8.** *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .*

(i) *If  $2 \mid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then*

$$\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv -\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \frac{y}{x} \sqrt{5} \pmod{p}.$$

(ii) *If  $2 \nmid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then*

$$\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p}.$$

Proof. From (1.3) and (1.4) we know that

$$F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n \right\}$$

and

$$L_n = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n.$$

Thus

$$\left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n = \frac{L_n \pm \sqrt{5}F_n}{2}.$$

Now applying Theorem 6.5 we obtain the result.

**Corollary 6.9.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2$  with  $C, D \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}}$  if and only if  $p = x^2 + 5y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and

$$x \equiv \begin{cases} C, 3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{80}, \\ -C, -3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 41, 49 \pmod{80}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. It is well known that (see for example [SS, p. 372])  $F_{p-1} \equiv \frac{1}{2}(1 - (\frac{p}{5})) \pmod{p}$  and  $F_n \mid F_{mn}$  for any positive integers  $m$  and  $n$ . Thus, if  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}}$ , then  $p \mid F_{p-1}$  and so  $(\frac{p}{5}) = 1$ . Hence  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  and so  $p = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We note that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$  implies  $x \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$ , and  $p \equiv 9 \pmod{40}$  implies  $x \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$ . As

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}} &\iff \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}, \end{aligned}$$

applying Corollary 6.8 we deduce the result.

**Corollary 6.10.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $2 \mid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1) = \frac{1}{2}F_{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}} \equiv \mp \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad p \mid V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1).$$

(ii) If  $2 \nmid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then

$$p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1) \quad \text{and} \quad V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1) = L_{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}} \equiv \pm 2 \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p}.$$

(iii)  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(4, -1)$  if and only if  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and

$$x \equiv \begin{cases} C, 3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{80}, \\ -C, -3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 41, 49 \pmod{80}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Observe that  $2 \pm \sqrt{5} = \left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^3$ . From (1.3) and (1.4) we see that

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}} \right\} = \frac{1}{2}F_{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1) = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}} + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}} = L_{\frac{3(p-1)}{4}}.$$

Now applying the above and Corollary 6.8 we obtain (i) and (ii). Suppose  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ . By (i),(ii) and (1.5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(4, -1) &\iff V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4, -1) \equiv \pm 2\left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff 2 \nmid x \text{ and } (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right) = \pm 1. \end{aligned}$$

As  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right) = 1$  if and only if  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{80}$ , we see that (iii) holds and so the corollary is proved.

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

**Theorem 7.1.** Let  $B, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \mid B$  and  $(B, k) = 1$ . Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (B^2 + k^2)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $B^2 + k^2 \neq p$ . Suppose  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$ ,  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $\left(\frac{x-Byi}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(kd-Bc)/x}{k-Bi}\right)_4 = i^m$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(B - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{B}{4}}k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}}k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{k-B/2}{2}}k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(B - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}}k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}}\frac{x}{y}(d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}+\frac{B}{4}}k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}}\frac{x}{y}(d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ -k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}}\frac{x}{y}(d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{B-2}{4}}k^{\frac{p-1}{4}}(B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}}\frac{x}{y}(d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose  $\left(\frac{kd-Bc}{k-Bi}\right)_4 = i^s$ . Then  $\left(\frac{kd-Bc}{k+Bi}\right)_4 = i^{-s}$ . By Corollary 4.1 we have

$$\left(-B - k\frac{c}{d}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}}(c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}+s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B, \\ (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}(\frac{d}{2}+1)}(c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{4}-1+s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $(c/d)^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}$ . We then have

$$(7.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & (-B - kc/d)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}(c/d)^{-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1 \text{ and } 4 \mid B, \\ (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2} + \frac{p-5}{8}}(c/d)^{1-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5 \text{ and } 4 \mid B, \\ (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2} + \frac{p-1}{8}}(c/d)^{1-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1 \text{ and } 2 \parallel B, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}}(c/d)^{-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5 \text{ and } 2 \parallel B. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

From (6.1) we see that

$$\left( -B - k \frac{c}{d} \right) \left( B - \frac{cx}{dy} \right) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x}{y} - k + B \frac{c}{d} \right)^2 \pmod{p}.$$

Thus

$$(7.2) \quad \left( B - \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{x}{y} - k + B \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \cdot 2^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( -B - k \frac{c}{d} \right)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

As  $p \neq B^2 + k^2$  we see that  $p \nmid kxy$ . By Theorem 5.1(ii) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{x/y - k + Bi}{p} \right)_4 &= \left( \frac{x - ky + Byi}{p} \right)_4 \\ &= \begin{cases} \left( \frac{x+Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-x}{-k+Bi} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \mid y, \\ i^{-\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{x+Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-x}{-k+Bi} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

As

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{x+Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-x}{-k+Bi} \right)_4 \cdot \left( \frac{x-Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{(kd-Bc)/x}{k-Bi} \right)_4 \\ &= \left( \frac{x^2 + B^2 y^2}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{kd-Bc}{k-Bi} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{p - k^2 y^2}{k} \right)_4 i^s = i^s, \end{aligned}$$

by the above we have

$$\left( \frac{x/y - k + Bi}{p} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} i^{s-m} & \text{if } 2 \mid y, \\ i^{s-m-\frac{B}{2}} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

This together with Lemma 6.1 yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{x}{y} - k + B \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \\ & \equiv \begin{cases} (2k)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-B^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{s-m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1 \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (2k)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-B^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{s-m-\frac{B}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1 \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ -(2k)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-B^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (c/d)^{s-m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5 \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ -(2k)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-B^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (c/d)^{s-m-\frac{B}{2}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5 \text{ and } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with (7.1) and (7.2) we obtain the result.

**Theorem 7.2.** Let  $b, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $4 \mid b$  and  $(b, k) = 1$ . Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (b^2/4 + k^2)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $b^2/4 + k^2 \neq p$ . Suppose  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$ ,  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $\left(\frac{x-\frac{b}{2}y}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(kd-\frac{b}{2}c)/x}{k-\frac{b}{2}i}\right)_4 = i^m$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{(\frac{k}{p})-1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{b}{8}y} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^{m+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b, \\ \frac{(\frac{k}{p})-1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^m \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \frac{(\frac{k}{p})+1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{k+b/4}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^{m+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \nmid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} (1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{b}{8}y} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b, \\ (1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (1 - (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{k-b/4}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{1+(\frac{k}{p})}{2} (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2} + \frac{b}{8}y} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b, \\ \frac{1+(\frac{k}{p})}{2} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} (d/c)^{m+1} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \frac{(\frac{k}{p})-1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{b-4}{8}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \nmid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} (1 - (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2} + \frac{b}{8}y} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b, \\ ((\frac{k}{p}) - 1) k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ (1 + (\frac{k}{p}))(-1)^{\frac{b-4}{8}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (b^2/4 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } 8 \mid b-4 \text{ and } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Set  $B = b/2$ . Then  $B$  is even. By (1.3) and (1.4) we have

$$(7.3) \quad \begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{B^2 + k^2}} \left\{ (B + \sqrt{B^2 + k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} - (B - \sqrt{B^2 + k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right\} \\ &\equiv \frac{dy}{2cx} \left\{ \left( B + \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} - \left( B - \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right\} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(7.4) \quad \begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -k^2) &= (B + \sqrt{B^2 + k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} + (B - \sqrt{B^2 + k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \left( B + \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} + \left( B - \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Proposition 2.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \frac{x - Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{(-kd - Bc)/x}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \cdot i^m \\ &= \left( \frac{x - Byi}{k} \right)_4^2 \left( \frac{(-Bc + kd)(-Bc - kd)/x^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \\ &= \left( \frac{x^2 + B^2y^2}{k} \right) \left( \frac{B^2c^2 - k^2d^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left( \frac{p - k^2y^2}{k} \right) \left( \frac{-k^2(c^2 + d^2)}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left( \frac{p}{k} \right) (-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x^2 + (B^2 + k^2)y^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k - Bi}{k} \right)_4^2 \left( \frac{x^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x^2}{k - Bi} \right)_4^{-1} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right), \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\left( \frac{x - Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{(k(-d) - Bc)/x}{k - Bi} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) i^{-m} = i^{B + (\frac{k}{p}) - 1 - m}.$$

Set  $d' = -d$  and  $m' = B + (\frac{k}{p}) - 1 - m$ . Then  $\left( \frac{x - Byi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{(kd' - Bc)/x}{k - Bi} \right)_4 = i^{m'}$ . We also have

$$(d'/c)^{m'} = (-d/c)^{B + (\frac{k}{p}) - 1 - m} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (d/c)^m \pmod{p}$$

and

$$(d'/c)^{m'-1} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (d/c)^m (-d/c)^{-1} = -(-1)^{\frac{B}{2}} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p}.$$

Now substituting  $d, m$  by  $d', m'$  in Theorem 7.1 we see that if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$\left( B + \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{B}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ -\left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{k-B/2}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y; \end{cases}$$

if  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$\left( B + \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} -\left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ -\left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2} + \frac{B}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y, \\ \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \mid y, \\ \left( \frac{k}{p} \right) (-1)^{\frac{B-2}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (B^2 + k^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} (d/c)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel B \text{ and } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

This together with (7.3), (7.4) and Theorem 7.1 yields the result.

Putting  $b = 4a$  and  $k = 1$  in Theorem 7.2 we have the following result.

**Theorem 7.3.** Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (4a^2 + 1)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $4a^2 + 1 \neq p$ . Suppose  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4a, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2}} (4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid ay \text{ and } \left( \frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai} \right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} (4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid ay \text{ and } \left( \frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai} \right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid ay \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4a, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}} y (4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid a \text{ and } \left( \frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai} \right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}} y (4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid a \text{ and } \left( \frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai} \right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \mp 2(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid a, 2 \mid y \text{ and } \left( \frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai} \right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm 2(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid a, 2 \mid y \text{ and } \left( \frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai} \right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid ay. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4a, -1)$$

$$\equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}y}(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid a \text{ and } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}y}(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid a \text{ and } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ \pm(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid a, 2 \mid y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid a, 2 \mid y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid ay \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4a, -1)$$

$$\equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid ay, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2}}(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{dx}{cy} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid ay \text{ and } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}}(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid ay \text{ and } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

**Corollary 7.1.** Let  $p$  be a prime such that  $p \equiv 1, 9, 21, 25, 33, 41, 49, 53, 65, 73, 77, 81, 85, 101, 121, 137, 141, 145 \pmod{148}$  and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 37y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(12, -1)$$

$$\equiv \begin{cases} \pm 37^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \mp 37^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(12, -1)$$

$$\equiv \begin{cases} \mp 2 \cdot 37^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \pm 2 \cdot 37^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(12, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 37^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \mp 37^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(12, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 2 \cdot 37^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{dx}{cy} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \mp 2 \cdot 37^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid y \text{ and } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Observe that for  $A \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$(7.5) \quad \left(\frac{A}{1-6i}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & \text{if } A \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \pm i & \text{if } A \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}. \end{cases}$$

Taking  $a = 3$  in Theorem 7.3 we obtain the result.

**Theorem 7.4.** Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (4a^2 + 1)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $4a^2 + 1 \neq p$ . Suppose  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $2 \mid a$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(4a, -1) &\iff (2a + \sqrt{4a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff (-1 - 4a^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}(x-1)} \pmod{p} & \text{if } (\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai})_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{a}{2}(x-1)} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } (\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai})_4 = \pm i. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If  $2 \nmid a$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(4a, -1) &\iff (2a + \sqrt{4a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff 2 \nmid x \text{ and } (-1 - 4a^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } (\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai})_4 = \pm i, \\ \pm \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } (\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai})_4 = \pm 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. As  $(2a + \sqrt{4a^2 + 1})(2a - \sqrt{4a^2 + 1}) = -1$ , from (1.3) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(4a, -1) &\iff (2a + \sqrt{4a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (2a - \sqrt{4a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff (2a + \sqrt{4a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

By (1.5) we have

$$p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(4a, -1) \iff V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(4a, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}.$$

Now putting the above together with Theorem 7.3(i) and the fact  $(-1)^y = (-1)^{x-1}$  we deduce the result.

Putting  $a = 3$  in Theorem 7.4 and then applying (7.5) we deduce the following result.

**Corollary 7.2.** *Let  $p$  be a prime such that  $p \equiv 1, 9, 25, 33, 41, 49, 65, 73, 81, 121, 137, 145, 169, 201, 225, 233, 249, 289 \pmod{296}$  and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 37y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(12, -1) \\ \iff (6 + \sqrt{37})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \iff 2 \nmid x \text{ and } (-37)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \pm 12, \\ & \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \pm 20, \\ & \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 7.3.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 17y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $p \neq 17$ . Suppose  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(8, -1) \\ \iff (4 + \sqrt{17})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \iff (-17)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^x \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-4c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 8 \pmod{17}, \\ -(-1)^x \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-4c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 4 \pmod{17}, \\ (-1)^x \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-4c}{x} \equiv \pm 6, \pm 7 \pmod{17}, \\ -(-1)^x \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-4c}{x} \equiv \pm 3, \pm 5 \pmod{17}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Observe that for  $A \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$(7.6) \quad \left( \frac{A}{1-4i} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A \equiv \pm 1, \pm 4 \pmod{17}, \\ -1 & \text{if } A \equiv \pm 2, \pm 8 \pmod{17}, \\ i & \text{if } A \equiv \pm 3, \pm 5 \pmod{17}, \\ -i & \text{if } A \equiv \pm 6, \pm 7 \pmod{17}. \end{cases}$$

Taking  $a = 2$  in Theorem 7.4 we obtain the result.

**8. Congruences for  $U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -k^2)$  and  $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -k^2) \pmod{p}$  when  $2 \nmid ak$ .**

**Theorem 8.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime, and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $a, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid ak$ ,  $(a, k) = 1$ ,  $4 \mid a+k$  and  $p \nmid k$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + k^2)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{x+ayi}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\frac{k-a}{2}d - \frac{k+a}{2}c}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 = i^m$ . Then

$$\left(a - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2} + \frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \quad \times (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2-1+m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \quad \times (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Suppose  $\left(\frac{\frac{k-a}{2}d - \frac{k+a}{2}c}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 = i^s$ . According to Theorem 4.2 and the fact  $4 \mid d$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (-a - kc/d)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} (c/d)^{((-1)^{\frac{d}{2}}(c-d)-1-d^2)/4 + (1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+s} \\ & \equiv (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} (c/d)^{(c-d-1)/4 + (1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+s} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

As  $p = c^2 + 16(d/4)^2$  we see that

$$(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1+d^2}{8}-\frac{c-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4} \cdot \frac{c+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{8}-\frac{c-1}{4}} &= (c/d)^{\frac{c^2-1+d^2}{8}-\frac{c-1}{4}} = (c/d)^{\frac{c-1}{4} \cdot \frac{c-1}{2} + 2(d/4)^2} \\ &\equiv (-1)^{(\frac{d}{4})^2 + (\frac{c-1}{4})^2} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{c-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(c/d)^{\frac{c-d-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \cdot (c/d)^{-\frac{d}{4}} \equiv (c/d)^{\frac{d}{4} - \frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}.$$

Hence

$$(8.1) \quad \left(-a - k \frac{c}{d}\right)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} (c/d)^{\frac{d}{4} - \frac{p-1}{8} + (1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+s} \pmod{p}.$$

As  $(c/d)^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $(x/y)^2 \equiv -a^2 - k^2 \pmod{p}$ , it is easily seen that

$$\left(-a - k \frac{c}{d}\right) \frac{a - cx/(dy)}{2} \equiv \left(\frac{x/y - k + ac/d}{2}\right)^2 \pmod{p}.$$

Thus

$$(8.2) \quad \left( a - \frac{cx}{dy} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left( -a - k \frac{c}{d} \right)^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \cdot 2^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x}{y} - k + a \frac{c}{d} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \pmod{p}.$$

By Theorem 5.1(iii) and the fact  $\left( \frac{x}{\frac{a-k}{2} + \frac{a+k}{2} i} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{x}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2} i} \right)_4^{-1}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{x/y - k + ai}{p} \right)_4 &= \left( \frac{x - ky + ayi}{p} \right)_4 \\ &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x+ayi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{\frac{a-k}{2} + \frac{a+k}{2} i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x+ayi}{k} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x}{\frac{a-k}{2} + \frac{a+k}{2} i} \right)_4 & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4} + m-s} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} i^{\frac{x-1}{4} + m-s} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 6.1 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} &(x/y - k + ac/d)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}} (2k)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{\frac{x-1}{4} + m-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (2k)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} (-a^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{\frac{x-1}{4} + m-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

As

$$\begin{aligned} (c/d)^{\frac{p-1}{8} - \frac{x-1}{4}} &= (c/d)^{\frac{x^2-1+(a^2+k^2)y^2}{8} - \frac{x-1}{4}} \equiv (c/d)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8} - \frac{x-1}{4} + \frac{y^2}{4}} \\ &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{4}} (c/d)^{\frac{y^2}{4}} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1-(a^2+k^2)y^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} - \frac{y^2}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} - \frac{y}{2}},$$

we see that

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

Since Gauss it is known that (see [L1] and [HW3, (1.4) and (1.5)])

$$2^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{-\frac{d}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

Thus

$$(-a^2 - k^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} = (-2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \left( \frac{a^2 + k^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (c/d)^{-\frac{d}{4}} \left( \frac{a^2 + k^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}.$$

Hence, by the above we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &2^{-\frac{p-1}{4}} (x/y - k + ac/d)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( -\frac{a^2+k^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{-\frac{d}{4} + \frac{p-1}{8} - 1 + m-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left( -\frac{a^2+k^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{-\frac{d}{4} + \frac{p-1}{8} + m-s} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This together with (8.1) and (8.2) yields the result.

**Theorem 8.2.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime, and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $a, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid ak$ ,  $(a, k) = 1$ ,  $4 \mid a+k$  and  $p \nmid k$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + k^2)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{x+ayi}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(\frac{k-a}{2}d - \frac{k+a}{2}c)/x}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 = i^m$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{1+(\frac{k}{p})}{2} (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2} + \frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \quad \times (c/d)^{m+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ \frac{(\frac{k}{p})-1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \quad \times (c/d)^{m-1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -k^2) \equiv \begin{cases} (1 - (\frac{k}{p})) (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2} + \frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \quad \times (c/d)^{m-1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ (1 + (\frac{k}{p})) (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \quad \times (c/d)^{m+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

Proof. As

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{x+ayi}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(\frac{k-a}{2}(-d) - \frac{k+a}{2}c)/x}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 \cdot \left(\frac{x+ayi}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(\frac{k-a}{2}d - \frac{k+a}{2}c)/x}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{x+ayi}{k}\right)_4^2 \left(\frac{(\frac{k+a}{2})^2 c^2 - (\frac{k-a}{2})^2 d^2}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{x^2}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{x^2 + a^2 y^2}{k}\right) \left(\frac{-(\frac{k-a}{2})^2 p}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{x^2}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{p - k^2 y^2}{k}\right) (-1)^{\frac{k+a}{4}} \left(\frac{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}{\frac{k-a}{2}}\right)_4^2 \left(\frac{x^2 + (k^2 + a^2)y^2}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{x^2}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{k+a}{4}} \left(\frac{p}{k}\right), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\left(\frac{x+ayi}{k}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(\frac{k-a}{2}(-d) - \frac{k+a}{2}c)/x}{\frac{k-a}{2} + \frac{k+a}{2}i}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{k+a}{4}} \left(\frac{k}{p}\right) i^{-m} = i^{m'},$$

where  $m' = \frac{k+a}{2} + 1 - \left(\frac{k}{p}\right) - m$ . Setting  $d' = -d$  we then have

$$\begin{aligned} & (c/d')^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+m'} \\ &= (-c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+\frac{a+k}{2}+1-\left(\frac{k}{p}\right)-m} \\ &= (-1)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2}(c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}} \left(\frac{k}{p}\right) (-c/d)^{-m} \\ &\equiv \left(\frac{k}{p}\right) (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+m} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by Theorem 8.1 we obtain

$$(8.3) \quad \left(a + \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} -\left(\frac{k}{p}\right)(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2}+\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \times (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2-1+m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ \left(\frac{k}{p}\right)(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{a+k}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} k^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \left(-\frac{a^2+k^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \\ \times (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+k}{4}})/2+m} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

From (1.3) and (1.4) we know that

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -k^2) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a^2+k^2}} \left\{ (a + \sqrt{a^2+k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} - (a - \sqrt{a^2+k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right\} \\ &\equiv \frac{dy}{2cx} \left\{ \left(a + \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} - \left(a - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \right\} \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -k^2) &= (a + \sqrt{a^2+k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} + (a - \sqrt{a^2+k^2})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \left(a + \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} + \left(a - \frac{cx}{dy}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

This together with Theorem 8.1 and (8.3) gives the result.

Putting  $k = (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{2}}$  in Theorem 8.2 and noting that  $\left(\frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}d - \frac{1+a}{2}c)/x}{\frac{1-a}{2} + \frac{1+a}{2}i}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{a+1}{4}} \left(\frac{(\frac{a+1}{2}c + \frac{a-1}{2}d)/x}{\frac{a-1}{2} - \frac{a+1}{2}i}\right)_4$  for  $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  we deduce the following result.

**Theorem 8.3.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime, and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid a$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \mp \left(-\frac{a^2+1}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}c - \frac{1+a}{2}d)/x}{\frac{1+a}{2} + \frac{1-a}{2}i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \mp \left(-\frac{a^2+1}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}c - \frac{1+a}{2}d)/x}{\frac{1+a}{2} + \frac{1-a}{2}i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} \quad \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

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

(ii) If  $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm \left(-\frac{a^2+1}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{4}})/2} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(\frac{a+1}{2}c + \frac{a-1}{2}d)/x}{\frac{a-1}{2} - \frac{a+1}{2}i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm \left(-\frac{a^2+1}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} (c/d)^{1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{4}})/2} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \\ & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } \left(\frac{(\frac{a+1}{2}c + \frac{a-1}{2}d)/x}{\frac{a-1}{2} - \frac{a+1}{2}i}\right)_4 = \pm i, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

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

**Corollary 8.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm (-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{cy}{dx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \\ \pm (-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. As  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$ , we see that  $5 \mid cd$ . Clearly  $5 \mid c$  if and only if  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}$ , and  $5 \mid d$  if and only if  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ . Thus

$$(8.4) \quad \left( \frac{(2c+d)/x}{1-2i} \right)_4 = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{\pm 1}{1-2i} \right)_4 = \pm 1 & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \\ \left( \frac{\pm 2}{1-2i} \right)_4 = \mp i & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Now putting  $a = 3$  in Theorem 8.3(ii) and applying the above we deduce the result.

**Theorem 8.4.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime, and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid a$ . Assume  $p = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(i) If  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2a, -1) \\ \iff (a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \iff 4 \mid y \text{ and } \left( \frac{a^2 + 1}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ \text{if } \left( \frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}c - \frac{1+a}{2}d)/x}{\frac{1+a}{2} + \frac{1-a}{2}i} \right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^{1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ \text{if } \left( \frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}c - \frac{1+a}{2}d)/x}{\frac{1+a}{2} + \frac{1-a}{2}i} \right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If  $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2a, -1) \\ \iff (a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ \iff 4 \mid y \text{ and } \left( \frac{a^2 + 1}{2} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^{(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ \text{if } \left( \frac{(\frac{a+1}{2}c + \frac{a-1}{2}d)/x}{\frac{a-1}{2} - \frac{a+1}{2}i} \right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} (d/c)^{1+(1-(-1)^{\frac{a+1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ \text{if } \left( \frac{(\frac{a+1}{2}c + \frac{a-1}{2}d)/x}{\frac{a-1}{2} - \frac{a+1}{2}i} \right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From (1.3) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2a, -1) &\iff (a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (a - \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff (a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

By (1.5) we have

$$p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(2a, -1) \iff V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(2a, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}.$$

Now applying Theorem 8.3 and the above we deduce the result.

Putting  $a = 3$  in Theorem 8.4 and then applying (8.4) we have:

**Corollary 8.2.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  for  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(6, -1)$  if and only if  $4 \mid y$  and

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

**Theorem 8.5.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  with  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \\ \equiv \begin{cases} \mp(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \\ \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Clearly  $2 \mid y$ ,  $5 \mid cd$  and  $5 \nmid Cx$ . Thus  $x \equiv \pm C$  or  $\pm 3C \pmod{5}$ . Assume  $x \equiv \varepsilon C, 3\varepsilon C \pmod{5}$ , where  $\varepsilon \in \{1, -1\}$ . As  $(-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1-10y^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{2}}$ , putting  $m = 2, 10$  in Theorem 2.3 we have

$$2^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{C^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4}} \pmod{p} \text{ and } 10^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p}.$$

Thus

$$(8.5) \quad 5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p}.$$

Now we prove the theorem by considering the following two cases.

Case 1.  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}$ . In this case,  $5 \mid d$ . As  $c \equiv \pm x \equiv \pm \varepsilon C, \pm 3\varepsilon C \pmod{5}$ , by (6.9) and (6.12) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  and  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm \varepsilon \pmod{p}$ . Hence from (8.5) we deduce  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right)$  and so  $\pm(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \varepsilon = (-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \varepsilon \pmod{p}$ . Now applying Corollary 8.1 we see that

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{y}{x} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + 1} \left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \varepsilon \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}}(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{y}{4} + \frac{C-1}{4}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)\varepsilon \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

Case 2.  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}$ . In this case,  $5 \mid c$ . As  $d \equiv \pm x \equiv \pm\varepsilon C, \pm 3\varepsilon C \pmod{5}$ , by (6.9) and (6.11) we have  $5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  and  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm\varepsilon \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p}$ . Hence from (8.5) we deduce  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} = -(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{2}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)$  and so  $\pm(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{2}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)\varepsilon \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p}$ . Now applying Corollary 8.1 we see that

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{cy}{dx} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4}+1}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)\varepsilon \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}}(-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \frac{c}{d} \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{y}{4} + \frac{C-1}{4}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)\varepsilon \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y. \end{cases}$$

So the theorem is proved.

**Corollary 8.3.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  with  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (3 + \sqrt{10})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv (-1)^{\frac{y}{2}}(3 - \sqrt{10})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ & \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4} + \frac{y}{4}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right) \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{C-1}{4}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)\frac{y}{x}\sqrt{10} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y \text{ and } x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From (1.3) and (1.4) we know that

$$\begin{aligned} U_n(6, -1) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} \left\{ (3 + \sqrt{10})^n - (3 - \sqrt{10})^n \right\}, \\ V_n(6, -1) &= (3 + \sqrt{10})^n + (3 - \sqrt{10})^n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $(3 \pm \sqrt{10})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} = \pm\sqrt{10}U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1) + \frac{1}{2}V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(6, -1)$ . Now applying Theorem 8.5 we obtain the result.

**Corollary 8.4.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  with  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(6, -1) &\iff (3 + \sqrt{10})^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p} \\ &\iff 4 \mid y \quad \text{and} \quad (-1)^{\frac{D}{2} + \frac{y}{4}}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)x \equiv C, 3C \pmod{5}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Note that  $(-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{C-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} - \frac{C^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{D}{2}}$ . Applying Theorem 8.4 and Corollary 8.3 we obtain the result.

## 9. Open conjectures.

In the section we pose a lot of conjectures relating to the results in Sections 4-8.

In 1980 and 1984 Hudson and Williams proved the following result.

**Theorem 9.1.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 3y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .*

- (i) ([HW1]) *If  $c \equiv \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{3}$ , then  $3^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ .*
- (ii) ([H]) *If  $d \equiv \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{3}$ , then  $3^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \pm \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p}$ .*

Hudson and Williams proved Theorem 9.1(i) by using the cyclotomic numbers of order 12, and Hudson proved Theorem 9.1(ii) using the Jacobi sums of order 24.

Now we pose some conjectures similar to Theorem 9.1.

**Conjecture 9.1.** *Let  $p \equiv 13 \pmod{24}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 3y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$3^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{3}, \\ \mp \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.1 has been checked for all primes  $p < 3000$ .

**Conjecture 9.2.** *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9, 25 \pmod{28}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 7y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .*

- (i) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$7^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} -(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 7 \mid c, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 7 \mid d, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{7}. \end{cases}$$

- (ii) *If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$7^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} -\frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 7 \mid c, \\ \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 7 \mid d, \\ \mp \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{7}. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.2 has been checked for all primes  $p < 5000$ .

**Conjecture 9.3.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 11y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $11 \mid cd$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .*

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$11^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{11}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{11}. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$11^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm\frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{11}, \\ \pm\frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{11}. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.3 has been checked for all primes  $p < 15000$ .

For a given nonzero integer  $m = 2^r m_0$  ( $2 \nmid m_0$ ) we recall that  $m_0$  is called the odd part of  $m$ .

**Conjecture 9.4.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2 \neq b^2 + 4$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k + 1$ .

(i) If  $4 \nmid xy$ , then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \frac{2y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } b \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{8}, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \frac{2y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } b \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{8}, \\ \frac{2dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $4 \mid xy$ , then

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

Conjecture 9.4 has been checked for  $b < 60$  and  $p < 20000$ . When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $b = 1, 3$  and  $4 \mid y$ , the conjecture  $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{d+y}{4}} \pmod{p}$  is equivalent to a conjecture of E. Lehmer. See [L2, Conjecture 4].

By (1.3) and (1.4), Conjecture 9.4 is equivalent to the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 9.5.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$ ,  $p \neq b^2 + 4$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k + 1$ .

(i) If  $4 \nmid xy$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{b + \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv -\left(\frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} -(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } b \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x \text{ and } b \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{8}, \\ 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If  $4 \mid xy$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{b + \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} &\equiv \left(\frac{b - \frac{cx}{dy}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d+y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{x}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } b \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid x \text{ and } b \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  let  $\delta(t) = 1$  or  $-1$  according as  $8 \mid t$  or not. From Conjecture 9.4 and Theorem 6.3 (or Theorem 6.2 with  $k = 1$ ) we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.6.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$ ,  $p \neq b^2 + 4$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k + 1$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(b^2 + 4)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} \delta(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

We note that  $\left(\frac{(2c+bd)/x}{b+2i}\right)_4$  depends only on  $(2c + bd)/x \pmod{b^2 + 4}$ . Taking  $b = 1$  in Conjecture 9.6 we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.7.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are congruent to 1 modulo 4.

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

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

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$5^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm \delta(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \mp \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.7 has been checked for all primes  $p < 2500$ .

Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and let  $g$  be a primitive root  $\pmod{p}$ . For  $h, k \in \{0, 1, \dots, 19\}$  let  $(h, k)_{20}$  be the number of integers  $n$  ( $1 \leq n < p - 1$ ) such that  $n \equiv g^h \pmod{20}$  and  $n + 1 \equiv g^k \pmod{20}$ . Suppose  $5 \equiv g^m \pmod{p}$

for some integer  $m$ . Then  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv g^{\frac{p-1}{8}m} \pmod{p}$  and so  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  if and only if  $8 \mid m$ . By [HW1, Theorem 1] we have

$$m \equiv 2 \sum_{i=1}^3 i \sum_{j=1}^2 \sum_{r=0}^4 \sum_{s=0}^3 (i+4r, j+5s)_{20} + \frac{16(p-1)}{40} \pmod{8}.$$

Thus, it is possible to prove Conjecture 9.7(i) in the case of  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{40}$  by using the cyclotomic numbers  $(h, k)_{20}$  given by Muskat and Whiteman [MW].

Now we pose another conjecture for  $5^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \pmod{p}$ .

**Conjecture 9.8.** *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 10y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

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

Taking  $b = 3$  in Conjecture 9.6 we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.9.** *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9, 17, 25, 29, 49 \pmod{52}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 13y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are congruent to 1 modulo 4.*

(i) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$13^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \mp(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13}. \end{cases}$$

(ii) *If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$13^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 3, \pm 9 \pmod{13}, \\ \pm \delta(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{2c+3d}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{13}. \end{cases}$$

From Conjecture 9.4 and (1.5) we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.10.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid b$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (b^2 + 4)y^2 \neq b^2 + 4$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $2 \mid d$ . Then  $p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1)$  if and only if  $4 \mid y$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{d+y}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}$ .*

**Conjecture 9.11.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $b \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$ ,  $p \neq b^2/4 + 1$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (1 + b^2/4)y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k + 1$ . Then*

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b+4}{8} + \frac{d}{4} \frac{y}{x}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 2(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ 2(-1)^{\frac{b-4}{8} + \frac{x}{4} \frac{d}{c}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid x, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.11 has been checked for  $b \leq 100$  and  $p < 20000$ . When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $b = 12$  and  $4 \mid y$ , the conjecture  $V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(12, -1) \equiv 2(-1)^{\frac{d+y}{4}} \pmod{p}$  is equivalent to a conjecture of E. Lehmer. See [L2, Conjecture 4].

From Conjecture 9.11 and Theorem 7.3 we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.12.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid a$ ,  $p \neq 4a^2 + 1$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (4a^2 + 1)y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k + 1$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \mp \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm \delta(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

From Corollary 7.1 and Conjecture 9.11 (with  $b = 12$ ) we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.13.** Let  $p$  be a prime such that  $p \equiv 1, 9, 21, 25, 33, 41, 49, 53, 65, 73, 77, 81, 85, 101, 121, 137, 141, 145 \pmod{148}$  and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 37y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k + 1$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$37^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \delta(y) \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$37^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \mp \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 1, \pm 7, \pm 9, \pm 10, \\ & \pm 12, \pm 16, \pm 26, \pm 33, \pm 34 \pmod{37}, \\ \pm \delta(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{d-6c}{x} \equiv \pm 2, \pm 14, \pm 15, \pm 18, \\ & \pm 20, \pm 24, \pm 29, \pm 31, \pm 32 \pmod{37}. \end{cases}$$

**Conjecture 9.14.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $8 \mid b$ ,  $p \neq b^2/4+1$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (1 + b^2/4)y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k+1$ . Then

$$U_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy, \\ -(-1)^{\left(\frac{b}{8}-1\right)y \frac{dy}{cx}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \end{cases}$$

and

$$V_{\frac{p-1}{4}}(b, -1) \equiv \begin{cases} 2(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4} + \frac{b}{8}y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy, \\ 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.14 has been checked for  $b < 100$  and  $p < 20000$ .

From Conjecture 9.14 and Theorem 7.3 we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.15.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \mid a$ . Suppose  $4a^2 + 1 \neq p$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (4a^2 + 1)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose that all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k+1$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(4a^2 + 1)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^x \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^x \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \left(\frac{(d-2ac)/x}{1-2ai}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

Taking  $a = -2$  in Conjecture 9.15 we have:

**Conjecture 9.16.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 17y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are numbers of the form  $4k+1$ .

(i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$17^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} -(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm 6x, \pm 7x \pmod{17}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm 3x, \pm 5x \pmod{17}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm x, \pm 4x \pmod{17}, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm 2x, \pm 8x \pmod{17}. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$17^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^x \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm 6x, \pm 7x \pmod{17}, \\ -(-1)^x \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm 3x, \pm 5x \pmod{17}, \\ (-1)^x \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm x, \pm 4x \pmod{17}, \\ -(-1)^x \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4c + d \equiv \pm 2x, \pm 8x \pmod{17}. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 9.16 has been checked for all primes  $p < 5000$ .

**Conjecture 9.17.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $b \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $p \neq b^2/4 + 1$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (1 + b^2/4)y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

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

and

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

Conjecture 9.17 has been checked for  $b < 100$  and  $p < 20000$ .

From Conjecture 9.17 and Theorem 8.3(i) we deduce:

**Conjecture 9.18.** Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  be odd, and let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + 1)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a \equiv c \equiv x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then

$$\left(\frac{a^2 + 1}{2}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{4}} (d/c)^{(1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } \left(\frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}c - \frac{1+a}{2}d)/x}{\frac{1+a}{2} + \frac{1-a}{2}i}\right)_4 = \pm 1, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{4}} (d/c)^{1 + (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{4}})/2} \pmod{p} \\ \quad \text{if } \left(\frac{(\frac{1-a}{2}c - \frac{1+a}{2}d)/x}{\frac{1+a}{2} + \frac{1-a}{2}i}\right)_4 = \pm i. \end{cases}$$

We note that  $(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{2}}$ .

Taking  $a = -3$  in Conjecture 9.18 we deduce Conjecture 9.8.

From Conjectures 9.11, 9.14, 9.17 and (1.5) we have:

**Conjecture 9.19.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime. Let  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \mid b$  and  $1 + b^2/4 \neq p$ . Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (1 + b^2/4)y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \mid d$ . Then

$$p \mid U_{\frac{p-1}{8}}(b, -1) \iff \begin{cases} 4 \mid y \text{ and } (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} & \text{if } 8 \nmid b, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4} + \frac{b}{8}y} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} & \text{if } 8 \mid b. \end{cases}$$

**Conjecture 9.20 ([S5, Conjecture 5.2]).** Let  $p \equiv 3, 7 \pmod{20}$  be a prime, and hence  $2p = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Then

$$F_{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{10} \rceil} \cdot 10^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}, \\ -2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{10} \rceil} \cdot 10^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \not\equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

It is well known that  $L_n = F_{n+1} + F_{n-1}$  and  $F_n L_n = F_{2n}$ . From [SS, Corollary 2(iii)] we have

$$F_{\frac{p+1}{4}} L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} = F_{\frac{p+1}{2}} \equiv 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{10} \rceil} \cdot 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p}.$$

Thus the above conjecture is equivalent to

$$(9.1) \quad L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-2)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}, \\ -(-2)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \not\equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

We have checked (9.1) for all primes  $p < 3000$ .

As

$$2\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} = L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} + F_{\frac{p+1}{4}}\sqrt{5},$$

by the conjecture we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1+\sqrt{5})^{\frac{p+1}{4}} &= 2^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \left( L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} + F_{\frac{p+1}{4}}\sqrt{5} \right) \\ &\equiv \left( \frac{2}{\frac{p-1}{2}y} \right) 2^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \left( (-2)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} + 2(-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{10} \rceil} \cdot 10^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{\frac{p-1}{2}y} \right) \left( (-1)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} 2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} + (-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{10} \rceil} 2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \right) \\ &\equiv \left( \frac{2}{\frac{p-1}{2}y} \right) \left( 1 + (-1)^{\lceil \frac{p-5}{10} \rceil} \left( \frac{2}{p} \right) 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \right) \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

From this we deduce the following conjecture equivalent to Conjecture 9.20.

**Conjecture 9.21.** *Let  $p \equiv 3, 7 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and so  $2p = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Then*

$$(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} (1+\sqrt{5})^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 + 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 3, 47 \pmod{80}, \\ -1 - 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 7, 43 \pmod{80}, \\ 1 - 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 63, 67 \pmod{80}, \\ -1 + 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}}\sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 23, 27 \pmod{80}. \end{cases}$$

**Added Remark.** In 2007 Constantin-Nicolae Beli informed the author he could prove (1.8) independently by using class field theory and showed me how to prove Conjecture 9.20 using class field theory. Thus Conjecture 9.21 is also true. In the November of 2007 the author formulated the following general conjecture including many of the above conjectures.

**Conjecture 9.22.** *Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k+1$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \mid a$ ,  $(a, b) = 1$ ,  $p \neq a^2 + b^2$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2$ , where  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are of the form  $4k+1$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai}\right)_4 = i^r$ .*

(i) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$(a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4}} \delta(y)(c/d)^{r-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} (c/d)^r \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then

$$(a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} \delta(x) \frac{y}{x} (c/d)^r \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a, \\ (-1)^x \frac{y}{x} (c/d)^{r-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a. \end{cases}$$

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