## NUMBER-THEORY EXERCISES, III

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Here p and  $p_i$  are always prime numbers.

**Exercise 1.**  $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{6}$ .

**Exercise 2.** If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  then  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ .

**Exercise 3.** If  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , then n has a factor p such that  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .

**Exercise 4.** Find all primes of the form  $n^3 - 1$ .

**Exercise 5.** Find all p such that 3p + 1 is square.

**Exercise 6.** Find all p such that  $p^2 + 2$  is prime.

**Exercise 7.**  $n^4 + 4$  is composite.

**Exercise 8.** If n is positive, then  $8^n + 1$  is composite.

**Exercise 9.** Find all integers n such that the equation

$$x^2 = ny^2$$

has only the zero solution. Prove your findings.

**Exercise 10.** If  $p_0 < \cdots < p_n$ , prove that the sum

$$\frac{1}{p_0} + \dots + \frac{1}{p_n}$$

is not an integer.

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