

Congruences for  $q^{[p/8]} \pmod{p}$ 

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the set of integers,  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . 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 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  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid c$  and  $2 \mid d$ , one can define the quartic Jacobi symbol  $(\frac{a+bi}{c+di})_4$  as in [S4]. From [IR] we know that  $\overline{(\frac{a+bi}{c+di})_4} = (\frac{a-bi}{c-di})_4 = (\frac{a+bi}{c+di})_4^{-1}$ , where  $\bar{x}$  means the complex conjugate of  $x$ . In Section 2 we list the main properties of the quartic Jacobi symbol. See also [IR], [BEW] and [S2].

For a prime  $p = 24k + 1 = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 3y^2$  with  $k, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , in [HW] and [H], by using cyclotomic numbers and Jacobi sums Hudson and Williams proved that

$$3^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{3}, \\ \pm \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } d \equiv \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k + 1$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid q$  and  $p \nmid q$ . Suppose that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . In [S4] and [S5] the author posed many conjectures on  $q^{[p/8]} \pmod{p}$  in terms of  $c, d, x$  and  $y$ , where  $[.]$  is the greatest integer function. For  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  let  $(m, n)$  be the greatest common divisor of  $m$  and  $n$ . For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m = 2^\alpha m_0$  ( $2 \nmid m_0$ ) we say that  $2^\alpha \parallel m$ . In this paper, by developing the calculation technique of quartic Jacobi symbols, we partially solve many conjectures from [S4] and [S5], and establish new reciprocity laws for quartic and octic residues on the condition that  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d, x+c) = 2^\alpha$ . For the history of classical reciprocity laws, see [Lem]. Suppose  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$

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and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . We then have the following typical results.

(1.1) If  $p \equiv q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $q$  is a prime and  $q = a^2 + b^2$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^m \pmod{p} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \equiv \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^m \pmod{q}.$$

(1.2) If  $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  is a prime, then

$$q^{[p/8]} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^m \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{c-di}{c+di} \right)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}.$$

(1.3) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $q = a^2 + b^2$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \mid a$  and  $(a, b) = 1$ , then

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{x}{4}} \left( \frac{c}{d} \right)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 2 \mid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left( \frac{c}{d} \right)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid a \text{ and } 2 \nmid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x+2}{4}} \left( \frac{c}{d} \right)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 2 \mid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \left( \frac{c}{d} \right)^{m-1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a \text{ and } 2 \nmid x \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai} \right)_4 = i^m.$$

## 2. Basic lemmas

LEMMA 2.1 ([S4, Proposition 2.1]). *Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid a$  and  $2 \mid b$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{i}{a+bi} \right)_4 &= i^{\frac{a^2+b^2-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{a^2-1}{8}} i^{(1-(-1)^{b/2})/2}, \\ \left( \frac{1+i}{a+bi} \right)_4 &= \begin{cases} i^{((a-1)/2(a-b)-1)/4} & \text{if } 4 \mid b, \\ i^{\frac{(-1)(a-1)/2(b-a)-1}{4}-1} & \text{if } 2 \parallel b. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2.2 ([S4, Proposition 2.2]). *Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid a$  and  $2 \mid b$ . Then*

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

LEMMA 2.3 ([S4, 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  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ , 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  $4 \mid b$ , then

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

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

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

LEMMA 2.5 ([S3, 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

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

LEMMA 2.6. Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \mid b$  and  $(a, b) = 1$ . Then

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

*Proof.* By Lemmas 2.1 and 2.3,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{b}{a+bi} \right)_4 &= \left( \frac{i}{a+bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-bi}{a+bi} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{i}{a+bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{a}{a+bi} \right)_4 \\ &= \left( \frac{i}{a+bi} \right)_4 \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{2}} \left( \frac{a+bi}{a} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{2}} \left( \frac{i}{a+bi} \right)_4 \left( \frac{i}{a} \right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{2}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a^2-1}{8}} i^{\frac{1-(-1)^{b/2}}{2}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{a^2-1}{8}} \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 4 \mid b, \\ (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} i & \text{if } 2 \parallel b. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus the lemma is proved.

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 [S1, S2] we define

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

LEMMA 2.7 ([S1, Theorem 2.3]). Let  $p$  be an odd prime,  $r \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $k^2 + 1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ .

- (i) If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $t^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  with  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , then  $k \in Q_r(p)$  if and only if  $\left( \frac{k+t}{k-t} \right)^{(p-1)/4} \equiv t^r \pmod{p}$ .
- (ii) If  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then  $k \in Q_r(p)$  if and only if  $\left( \frac{k-i}{k+i} \right)^{(p+1)/4} \equiv i^r \pmod{p}$ .

LEMMA 2.8. Let  $p$  be an odd prime,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $n^2 \equiv k^2 + 1 \pmod{p}$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $n(n+1) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Then  $\left( \frac{k+i}{p} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{p} \right)$ .

*Proof.* For  $k \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  we have  $\left(\frac{k+i}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{i}{p}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{p^2-1}{8}} = \left(\frac{1 \cdot 2}{p}\right)$ . So the result is true. Now assume  $k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Then  $\left(\frac{n-1}{p}\right)\left(\frac{n+1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{\frac{n^2-1}{p}}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{k^2}{p}\right) = 1$  and so  $\left(\frac{n-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{n+1}{p}\right)$ . By Lemma 2.4,  $\left(\frac{k+i}{p}\right)_4^2 = \left(\frac{k^2+1}{p}\right) = 1$  and so  $\left(\frac{k+i}{p}\right)_4 = \pm 1$ . By [S1, Theorem 2.4],  $\left(\frac{k+i}{p}\right)_4 = 1 \Leftrightarrow k \in Q_0(p) \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{p}\right) = 1$ . Hence  $\left(\frac{k+i}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{p}\right)$ .

LEMMA 2.9. Suppose  $c, d, m, x \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid m$ ,  $x^2 \equiv c^2 + d^2 \pmod{m}$  and  $(m, x(x+d)) = 1$ . Then

$$\left(\frac{c+di}{m}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{x(x+d)}{m}\right).$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $p$  is a prime divisor of  $m$ . Then  $p \nmid x(x+d)$ . If  $p \nmid d$ , then  $\left(\frac{x}{d}\right)^2 \equiv \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^2 + 1 \pmod{p}$ . Thus, applying Lemma 2.8 we obtain

$$\left(\frac{c+di}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{\frac{c}{d}+i}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{\frac{x}{d}(1+\frac{x}{d})}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{x(x+d)}{p}\right).$$

When  $p \mid d$ , we have  $p \nmid c$  and so

$$\left(\frac{c+di}{p}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{c}{p}\right)_4 = 1 = \left(\frac{x^2}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{x(x+d)}{p}\right).$$

Hence,

$$\left(\frac{c+di}{m}\right)_4 = \prod_{p \mid m} \left(\frac{c+di}{p}\right)_4 = \prod_{p \mid m} \left(\frac{x(x+d)}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{x(x+d)}{m}\right),$$

where in the products  $p$  runs over all prime divisors of  $m$ . The proof is now complete.

LEMMA 2.10. Suppose  $c, d, x, y, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $2 \mid d$ ,  $c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$ ,  $y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $(y_0, x(x+d)) = 1$ .

(i) If  $2 \mid x$ , then  $\left(\frac{y}{c^2+(x+d)^2}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{y-1}{4}} \left(\frac{y^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4$ .

(ii) If  $2 \nmid x$ , then  $\left(\frac{y}{(c^2+(x+d)^2)/2}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-(x+d)^2}{8}} i^{\frac{d}{2}} t \left(\frac{y^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4$ .

*Proof.* Since  $c^2 + (x+d)^2 = 2x(x+d) + qy^2$  we see that  $(c^2 + (x+d)^2, y_0) = 1$ . For even  $x$  we have  $2 \nmid qy$ ,  $c^2 + (x+d)^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{y}{c^2+(x+d)^2}\right) &= \left(\frac{c^2+(x+d)^2}{y}\right) = \left(\frac{2x(x+d)}{y}\right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{y-1}{4}} \left(\frac{x(x+d)}{y}\right). \end{aligned}$$

For odd  $x$  we have  $c^2 + (x+d)^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{y}{(c^2 + (x+d)^2)/2} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2^t y_0}{(c^2 + (x+d)^2)/2} \right) = (-1)^{\frac{(c^2+(x+d)^2)/2-1}{4}t} \left( \frac{(c^2 + (x+d)^2)/2}{y_0} \right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{c^2-(x+d)^2}{8}t} \left( \frac{2}{y_0} \right) \left( \frac{2x(x+d) + qy^2}{y_0} \right) = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-(x+d)^2}{8}t} \left( \frac{x(x+d)}{y_0} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x^2 \equiv c^2 + d^2 \pmod{|y_0|}$ , using Lemmas 2.9, 2.3 and 2.2 we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{x(x+d)}{y_0} \right) &= \left( \frac{c+di}{y_0} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{y_0}{c+di} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{y_0^{-1}}{c+di} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{2^t y^{-1}}{c+di} \right)_4 \\ &= i^{\frac{d}{2}t} \left( \frac{y^{-1}}{c+di} \right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

Now combining all the above we obtain the result.

**LEMMA 2.11.** *Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k+1$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \nmid q$  and  $p = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $(x+d, c^2) = (x+d, qy^2)$  and*

$$(qy^2, c^2 + (x+d)^2) = (x+d, c^2) \left( 2, x+d + \frac{c^2}{(x+d, c^2)} \right).$$

*Proof.* Since  $(x, y)^2 \mid p$  we see that  $(x, y) = 1$ . If  $p \mid x$ , then  $p \mid qy^2$  and so  $p \mid y$ . This contradicts the fact  $(x, y) = 1$ . Hence  $p \nmid x$ . Since  $(x, c^2+(x+d)^2) = (x, c^2+d^2) = (x, p) = 1$  and  $qy^2 = d^2 - x^2 + c^2 = c^2 + (x+d)^2 - 2x(x+d)$ , we observe that  $(x+d, c^2) = (x+d, x^2 - d^2 + qy^2) = (x+d, qy^2)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} (qy^2, c^2 + (x+d)^2) &= (2x(x+d), c^2 + (x+d)^2) = (2(x+d), c^2 + (x+d)^2) \\ &= (x+d, c^2) \left( 2 \frac{x+d}{(x+d, c^2)}, \frac{c^2}{(x+d, c^2)} + (x+d) \frac{x+d}{(x+d, c^2)} \right) \\ &= (x+d, c^2) \left( 2, \frac{c^2}{(x+d, c^2)} + (x+d) \frac{x+d}{(x+d, c^2)} \right) \\ &= (x+d, c^2) \left( 2, \frac{c^2}{(x+d, c^2)} + (x+d) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the lemma is proved.

**LEMMA 2.12.** *Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k+1$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2$  with  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \nmid c$ . Suppose  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \nmid q$ ,  $p = x^2 + qy^2$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p}{8} \rfloor + n} i^k$ . Then*

$$q^{[p/8]} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^n \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^n \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^k \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* It is clear that  $(c, d) = 1$ ,  $p \nmid y$  and so

$$\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]+n} i^k \equiv (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]+n} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{c+di}.$$

Thus  $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]+n} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{p}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} q^{[\frac{p}{8}]} &= (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]} (-q)^{[\frac{p}{8}]} \equiv (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{2[\frac{p}{8}]} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^n \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-1, \\ (-1)^n \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 8 \mid p-5. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This proves the lemma.

### 3. Determination of $q^{[p/8]} \pmod{p}$ using $(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{q})_4$ or $(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q})_4$

**THEOREM 3.1.** Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k+1$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid q$  and  $p \nmid q$ . Suppose that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $(c, x+d) = 1$ ,  $2 \mid x$ ,  $y \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q})_4 = i^k$ .

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

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-5}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-2}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{k+1} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{x-2}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{k+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-5}{8} + \frac{x}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $2^m \parallel (x+d)$  and  $x = 2^s x_0 (2 \nmid x_0)$ . Since  $2 \mid x$  we have  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . As  $(c, x+d) = 1$ , by Lemma 2.11 we have  $(qy, x+d) = 1$  and  $(qy^2, c^2 + (x+d)^2) = 1$ . Note that  $(x, y)^2 \mid p$ . We also have  $(x, y) = 1$ . Using Lemmas 2.1–2.5, 2.10 and the fact that  $(\frac{a}{n})_4 = 1$  for  $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \nmid n$  and  $(a, n) = 1$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} i^k &= \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{q}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{qy^2}{c+(x+d)i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y^2}{c+(x+d)i}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{-2x(x+d) + c^2 + (x+d)^2}{c+(x+d)i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y}{c^2 + (x+d)^2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-2x(x+d)}{c+(x+d)i}\right)_4 (-1)^{\frac{y-1}{4}} \left(\frac{y^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left( \frac{-2x(x+d)}{c+(x+d)i} \right)_4 &= \left( \frac{2}{c+(x+d)i} \right)_4^{m+s+1} \left( \frac{-x_0(x+d)/2^m}{c+(x+d)i} \right)_4 \\
 &= i^{\frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1)} (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2}} \left( \frac{c+(x+d)i}{x_0(x+d)/2^m} \right)_4 \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2}} i^{\frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1)} \left( \frac{c+di}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{c}{(x+d)/2^m} \right)_4 \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2}} i^{\frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1)} (-1)^{\frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left( \frac{x_0}{c+di} \right)_4 \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2}} i^{\frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1)} (-1)^{\frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left( \frac{2}{c+di} \right)_4^{-s} \left( \frac{x}{c+di} \right)_4 \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2}} i^{\frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1)} (-1)^{\frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} i^{-\frac{d}{2}s} \left( \frac{x}{c+di} \right)_4.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$i^k = (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2} + \frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{y-1}{4}} i^{\frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1) - \frac{d}{2}s} \left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4.$$

Observe that

$$(-1)^{\frac{y-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{q(y^2-1)}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-q-x^2}{8}} = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-q-4}{8}} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-q}{8}} & \text{if } 4 \mid x \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 i^{\frac{d}{2}s - \frac{x+d}{2}(m+s+1)} &= i^{-\frac{x+d}{2}(m+1) - \frac{x}{2}s} = (-1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+d)}{4}} i^{-\frac{x}{2}s} \\
 &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+d)}{4}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{x+2}{4}} i & \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+d)}{4}} & \text{if } 4 \mid x. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.1) \quad & \left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4 \\
 &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2} + \frac{x-2}{4} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{p-q-4}{8}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+d)}{4} + \frac{x+2}{4}} i^{k+1} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2^m+1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+d}{2} + \frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2} + \frac{p-q}{8}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+d)}{4}} i^k & \text{if } 4 \mid x. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

When  $4 \mid (x+d)$ , we have  $(-1)^{\frac{(m+1)(x+d)}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{x+d}{4}}$ . For  $p \equiv q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  we have  $4 \mid d$ ,  $4 \mid x$  and  $4 \mid (x+d)$ . For  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  and  $q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , we have  $2 \parallel x$ ,  $4 \mid d$ ,  $2 \parallel (x+d)$ ,  $m = 1$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}x_0 + \frac{x_0^2+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}+1}$ . For  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , we have  $2 \parallel d$ ,  $2 \parallel x$ ,  $4 \mid (x+d)$  and  $m \geq 2$ . For  $p \equiv q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , we have  $2 \parallel d$ ,  $4 \mid x$ ,

$2 \parallel (x+d)$ ,  $m = 1$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{x_0(x+d)/2+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{x}{4}x_0 + \frac{d_0x_0+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{x}{4} + \frac{x_0+1}{2}}$ . Now, from the above and (3.1) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4 \\ &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x}{4}} i^k & \text{if } p \equiv q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q-5}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-2}{4}} i^{k+1} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \text{ and } q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{x-2}{4}} i^{k+1} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \text{ and } q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{q-5}{8} + \frac{x}{4}} i^k & \text{if } p \equiv q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This together with Lemma 2.12 yields the result.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k+1$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid q$  and  $p \nmid q$ . Suppose that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$ ,  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $(c, x+d) = 1$  and  $2 \nmid x$ . Assume that  $\left(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q}\right)_4 = i^k$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4 \\ &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\left[\frac{p}{8}\right] + \frac{q - (\frac{-1}{q})}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} i^{\frac{1 - (\frac{-1}{q})q}{4}} + \frac{(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} x - c}{4} + k} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-1), \\ (-1)^{\left[\frac{p}{8}\right] + \frac{q+1}{2} + \frac{x+1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{q - (\frac{-1}{q})}{4}\right) i^{\frac{1 - (\frac{-1}{q})q}{4}} + \frac{(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} x - c}{4} + k-1} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-5). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* As  $(c, x+d) = 1$ , by Lemma 2.11 we have  $(qy_0, x+d) = 1$  and  $(qy_0^2, c^2 + (x+d)^2) = 1$ . Note that  $(x, y)^2 \mid p$ . We also have  $(x, y) = 1$ . It is easily seen that

$$c + (x+d)i = i^{\frac{1 \mp 1}{2}} (1+i) \left( \frac{x+d \pm c}{2} + \frac{\pm(x+d) - c}{2} i \right)$$

and so

$$\left( \frac{x+d \pm c}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\pm(x+d) - c}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{c^2 + (x+d)^2}{2}.$$

Set  $\varepsilon = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2}}$ . Since  $4 \mid d \Leftrightarrow 8 \mid (p-1)$  we see that  $x+d \equiv \varepsilon \pmod{4}$  and  $4 \mid (\varepsilon(x+d) - c)$ . Using Lemmas 2.1–2.5, 2.10 and the above we see that

$$\begin{aligned} i^k &= \left( \frac{c + (x+d)i}{q} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{i}{q} \right)_4^{\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}} \left( \frac{1+i}{q} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i}{q} \right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q - (\frac{-1}{q})}{4} \cdot \frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}} i^{\frac{(\frac{-1}{q})q-1}{4}} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \left( \frac{q}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left( \frac{q}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{qy^2}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y^2}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 \\
 &= \left( \frac{c^2 + (x+d)^2 - 2x(x+d)}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y}{(\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2})^2 + (\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2})^2} \right) \\
 &= \left( \frac{2}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-x(x+d)}{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y}{(c^2 + (x+d)^2)/2} \right) \\
 &= i^{(-1)((x+d+\varepsilon c)/2-1)/2} \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} (-1)^{\frac{x(x+d)+1}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \left( \frac{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i}{x(x+d)} \right)_4 \\
 &\quad \times (-1)^{\frac{c^2-(x+d)^2}{8} t} i^{\frac{d}{2} t} \left( \frac{y^{-1}}{c+di} \right)_4.
 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously we have  $i^{(-1)a b} = (-1)^{ab} i^b$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c-2}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)+c-2\varepsilon}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} + \frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 i^{(-1)^{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c-2}{4} \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}}} &= (-1)^{(\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} + \frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}) \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have  $(-1)^{\frac{x(x+d)+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{x^2-1}{2} + \frac{d}{2}x+1} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}+1}$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{c^2-(x+d)^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}}$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & i^{(-1)^{\frac{(x+d+\varepsilon c)/2-1}{2} \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}}} (-1)^{\frac{x(x+d)+1}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{c^2-(x+d)^2}{8} t} i^{\frac{d}{2} t} \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{1+\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} (-1)^{(\frac{d}{2}+1) \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} t} i^{\frac{d}{2} t} \\
 &= (-1)^{(\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{d}{2} + t) \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} + \frac{d}{2} t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

It is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left( \frac{\frac{x+d+\varepsilon c}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{2} i}{x(x+d)} \right)_4 \\
 &= \left( \frac{x+d+\varepsilon c + (\varepsilon(x+d)-c)i}{x} \right)_4 \left( \frac{x+d+\varepsilon c + (\varepsilon(x+d)-c)i}{x+d} \right)_4 \\
 &= \left( \frac{d+\varepsilon c + (\varepsilon d-c)i}{x} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\varepsilon c - ci}{x+d} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{(\varepsilon-i)(c+di)}{x} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\varepsilon-i}{x+d} \right)_4 \\
 &= \left( \frac{\varepsilon-i}{x(x+d)} \right)_4 \left( \frac{c+di}{x} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{i^{\frac{5+\varepsilon}{2}}(1+i)}{x(x+d)} \right)_4 \left( \frac{c+di}{x} \right)_4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left( \frac{i}{x(x+d)} \right)_4^{\frac{5+\varepsilon}{2}} \left( \frac{1+i}{x(x+d)} \right)_4 (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left( \frac{x}{c+di} \right)_4 \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{(x(d+x))^2-1}{8} \cdot \frac{5+\varepsilon}{2}} i^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4}} (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left( \frac{x}{c+di} \right)_4.
\end{aligned}$$

Now combining all the above we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2) \quad i^k &= (-1)^{\frac{q-(-1)}{4} \cdot \frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} i^{\frac{(-1)q-1}{4}} \\
&\times (-1)^{\left(\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{d}{2} + t\right) \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} + \frac{d}{2}t} \\
&\times (-1)^{\frac{(x(d+x))^2-1}{8} \cdot \frac{5+\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{x-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} i^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4}} \left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4.
\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that

$$\begin{aligned}
(-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4}} &= (-1)^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(x+d)+c}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{(x+d)^2-c^2}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{2d^2+2dx-qy^2}{8}} \\
&= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-1) \text{ and so } d \equiv y \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{2+x-q}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} + \frac{1-\varepsilon}{2}} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-5) \text{ and so } d \equiv y \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(-1)^{\frac{x^2(x+d)^2-1}{8}} &= (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2}(dx+1)-1}{4}} \\
&= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-1) \text{ and so } 4 \mid d, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d_0x+1}{2}} = \varepsilon & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-5) \text{ and so } d \equiv y \equiv 2 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $x+d \equiv \varepsilon \pmod{4}$  and  $(-1)^{\frac{d}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{4}}$  we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
&i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} + \frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4} + \frac{d}{2}t} \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4}} i^{\frac{\varepsilon(x+d)-c}{4} - \frac{(-1)^{(p-1)/4} x(x+d)-1}{4} + \frac{d}{2}t} \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4}} i^{\varepsilon(x+d) \frac{1-(-1)^{(x-1)/2} x}{4} - \frac{c-1}{4} + \frac{d}{2}t} \\
&= (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{d/2} x(x+d)-1}{4} + \frac{c-1}{4}} i^{\frac{1-(-1)^{(x-1)/2} x}{4} + \frac{c-1}{4} + \frac{d}{2}t} \\
&= \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{c-1}{4} + \frac{d}{4}t} i^{\frac{c-(-1)^{(x-1)/2} x}{4}} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-1), \\ \varepsilon(-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4}} i^{\frac{c-(-1)^{(x-1)/2} x}{4} + d_0} \\ \quad = (-1)^{\frac{1-\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{c-1}{4}} i^{\frac{c-(-1)^{(x-1)/2} x}{4} + 1} & \text{if } 8 \mid (p-5). \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $(-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1-d^2}{8}} = (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}]}$ . From the above and (3.2) we deduce the result.

**THEOREM 3.2.** Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k + 1$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid q$  and  $p \nmid q$ . Suppose that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$ ,  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $(c, x + d) = 1$ ,  $2 \nmid x$  and  $\left(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q}\right)_4 = i^k$ .

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

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

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{k-1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+5}{8}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{k-1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+3}{8}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $c \neq (-1)^{(x-1)/2}x$  and  $2^m \parallel (c - (-1)^{(x-1)/2}x)$ . Then  $m \geq 2$  and  $2^{m+1} \parallel (c - x)(c + x)$ . As  $d^2 - qy^2 = -(c - x)(c + x)$  we see that  $2^{m+1} \parallel (d^2 - qy^2)$ . We first assume  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . Since  $4 \mid d$  and  $4 \mid y$  we have  $m \geq 3$  and  $2^{m-3} \parallel ((\frac{d}{4})^2 - q(\frac{y}{4})^2)$ . Thus,

$$i^{\frac{(-1)^{(x-1)/2}x-c}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{(x-1)/2}x-c}{8}} = (-1)^{2^{m-3}} = (-1)^{(\frac{d}{4})^2 - q(\frac{y}{4})^2} = (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}}.$$

This is also true when  $c = (-1)^{(x-1)/2}x$ . From the above and Lemma 3.1 we deduce that

$$\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q-(\frac{-1}{q})}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} i^k & \text{if } q \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q-5(\frac{-1}{q})}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{y}{4}} i^{k-1} & \text{if } q \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Now applying Lemma 2.12 we deduce (i).

Suppose  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ . As  $qy^2 - d^2 = 4(qy_0^2 - d_0^2)$  we get  $2^{m-1} \parallel (qy_0^2 - d_0^2)$ . Clearly  $qy_0^2 - d_0^2 \equiv q - 1 \pmod{8}$ . Thus

$$q \equiv \begin{cases} 3 \pmod{4} & \text{if } m = 2, \\ 5 \pmod{8} & \text{if } m = 3, \\ 1 \pmod{8} & \text{if } m > 3. \end{cases}$$

For  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  we have  $8 \mid (c - (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}x)$  and

$$i^{\frac{(-1)^{(x-1)/2}x-c}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{(-1)^{(x-1)/2}x-c}{8}} = (-1)^{2^{m-3}} = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{4}}.$$

This is also true when  $c = (-1)^{(x-1)/2}x$ . Thus, using Lemma 3.1 we deduce that

$$\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} i^{k-1} & \text{if } q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{q+3}{8}} i^k & \text{if } q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Now applying Lemma 2.12 we deduce the result in the case  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . For  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  we have  $2^2 \parallel (c - (-1)^{(x-1)/2}x)$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} q \equiv qy_0^2 &= 2c \cdot \frac{c - (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}x}{4} - 4\left(\frac{c - (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}x}{4}\right)^2 + d_0^2 \\ &\equiv 2 \cdot \frac{c - (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}}x}{4} - 4 + 1 \pmod{8}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\frac{(-1)^{(x-1)/2}x-c}{4} \equiv -\frac{q+3}{2} \pmod{4}$  and so  $i^{\frac{(-1)^{(x-1)/2}x-c}{4}} = i^{-\frac{q+3}{2}}$ . Using Lemma 3.1 we see that

$$\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{q+5}{8}} i^{k-1} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{p-5}{8} + \frac{q+1}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} i^k & \text{if } q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Now applying Lemma 2.12 we obtain the result in the case  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

Summarizing all the above we prove the theorem.

**REMARK 3.1.** We note that the  $k$  in Theorems 3.1–3.2 depends only on  $\frac{c}{x+d} \pmod{q}$ .

**COROLLARY 3.1.** Let  $p \equiv 1, 49 \pmod{60}$  be a prime and so  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 15y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$ ,  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $(c, x+d) = 1$ .

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

$$15^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{c}{x+d} \equiv 0, \pm 1 \pmod{15}, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{c}{x+d} \equiv \pm 4 \pmod{15}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{c}{x+d} \equiv \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{15}. \end{cases}$$

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

$$15^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{c}{x+d} \equiv 0, \pm 1 \pmod{15}, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{c}{x+d} \equiv \pm 4 \pmod{15}, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } \frac{c}{x+d} \equiv \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{15}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Clearly  $x$  is odd. Thus, putting  $q = 15$  in Theorem 3.2 and noting that (see [S1, Example 2.1])

$$\left(\frac{n+i}{15}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{n+i}{3}\right)_4 \left(\frac{n+i}{5}\right)_4 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 0, \pm 1 \pmod{15}, \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 4 \pmod{15}, \\ \mp i & \text{if } n \equiv \pm 5, \pm 6 \pmod{15}, \end{cases}$$

we deduce the result.

For example, since  $61 = 5^2 + (-6)^2 = (-1)^2 + 15 \cdot 2^2$ ,  $(5, -1 - 6) = 1$  and  $\frac{5}{-1-6} \equiv -5 \pmod{15}$  we have

$$15^{\frac{61-5}{8}} = 15^7 \equiv (-1)^{\frac{-1-1}{2}} \frac{-6 \cdot 2}{5 \cdot (-1)} \equiv -\frac{12}{5} \equiv 22 \pmod{61}.$$

**THEOREM 3.3.** Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k + 1$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid q$  and  $p \nmid q$ . Suppose that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$ ,  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$  and  $\left(\frac{d/(x+c)-i}{q}\right)_4 = i^k$ .

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

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + [\frac{x}{4}]} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} \cdot \frac{x+1}{2} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid x. \end{cases}$$

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{[\frac{x+2}{4}]} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{k-1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid x \text{ and so } q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{q+3}{4} \cdot \frac{x+1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{k-1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid x \text{ and } q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{q-3}{4} \cdot \frac{x+1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $x = 2^s x_0 (2 \nmid x_0)$  and  $2^m \parallel (x+c)$ . As  $(x+c, d_0) = 1$ , by Lemma 2.11 we have  $(qy_0, x+c) = 1$  and  $(qy_0^2, (x+c)^2 + d^2) = 1$ . Note that  $(x, y)^2 \mid p$ . We also have  $(x, y) = 1$ . If  $m < r$ , using Lemmas 2.1–2.5 and the fact  $\left(\frac{a}{q}\right)_4 = 1$  for  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $(a, q) = 1$  we see that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.3) \quad \left(\frac{d - (x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{-2^m}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{i}{q}\right)_4 \left(\frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}{q}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{q}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{qy^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left(\frac{c^2 + d^2 - x^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 \left(\frac{y}{\frac{(x+c)^2 + d^2}{2^{2m}}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

If  $m = r$ , then clearly

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d - (x+c)i}{q} \right)_4 &= \left( \frac{-2^r}{q} \right)_4 \left( \frac{i}{q} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\frac{x+c}{2^r} + \frac{d}{2^r}i}{q} \right)_4 \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{q} \right) \left( \frac{1+i}{q} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\frac{x+c+d}{2^{r+1}} - \frac{x+c-d}{2^{r+1}}i}{q} \right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

If  $m > r$ , using Lemmas 2.1–2.5 we see that

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d - (x+c)i}{q} \right)_4 &= \left( \frac{\frac{d}{2^r} - \frac{x+c}{2^r}i}{q} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+c}{2^{r+1}}} \left( \frac{q}{\frac{d}{2^r} - \frac{x+c}{2^r}i} \right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+c}{2^{r+1}}} \left( \frac{qy^2}{\frac{d}{2^r} - \frac{x+c}{2^r}i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y^2}{\frac{d}{2^r} - \frac{x+c}{2^r}i} \right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{x+c}{2^{r+1}}} \left( \frac{(x+c)^2 + d^2 - 2x(x+c)}{\frac{d}{2^r} - \frac{x+c}{2^r}i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y}{(\frac{d}{2^r})^2 + (\frac{x+c}{2^r})^2} \right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2} \cdot 2^{m-r-1}} \left( \frac{-2x(x+c)}{\frac{d}{2^r} - \frac{x+c}{2^r}i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{y}{((x+c)^2 + d^2)/2^{2r}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By considering the three cases  $m < r$ ,  $m = r$  and  $m > r$  and applying lemmas from Section 2, one may deduce the result after doing horrible long calculations. We only prove the result in the case  $m < r$  (including  $2|x$  and  $4|(x-1)$ ). The remaining two cases can be proved similarly. For the details in the cases  $m = r$  and  $m > r$ , see the fourth version of the author's "Quartic, octic residues and binary quadratic forms" at arXiv:1108.3027.

Now suppose  $m < r$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \frac{c^2 + d^2 - x^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \right)_4 \\ &= \left( \frac{-2x(x+c) + d^2 + (x+c)^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \right)_4 = \left( \frac{-2x(x+c)}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \right)_4 \\ &= \left( \frac{2^{m+s+1}}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{-x_0}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \right)_4 \left( \frac{(x+c)/2^m}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i} \right)_4 \\ &= i^{(-1)(\frac{x+c}{2^m}-1)/2} \frac{d}{2^{m+1}(m+s+1)} (-1)^{(\frac{x_0+1}{2} + \frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m}-1}{2}) \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}{\frac{x+c}{2^m}} \right)_4 \\ &= i^{(-1)(\frac{x+c}{2^m}-1)/2} \frac{d}{2^{m+1}(m+s+1)} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{\frac{x+c}{2^m}+x_0}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \left( \frac{x+c+di}{x_0} \right)_4 \left( \frac{i}{\frac{x+c}{2^m}} \right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly  $\left(\frac{i}{\frac{x+c}{2^m}}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m}}\right)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x+c+di}{x_0}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{c+di}{x_0}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2} \cdot \frac{x_0-1}{2}} \left(\frac{x_0}{c+di}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{d}{2} \cdot \frac{x_0-1}{2}} \left(\frac{2}{c+di}\right)_4^{-s} \left(\frac{x}{c+di}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{d}{2} \cdot \frac{x_0-1}{2}} i^{-\frac{d}{2}s} \left(\frac{x}{c+di}\right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{c^2 + d^2 - x^2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m} + \frac{d}{2^m}i}\right)_4 &= (-1)^{\frac{(x+c)/2^m + x_0}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} + \frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \\ &\quad \times i^{(-1)((x+c)/2^m - 1)/2 \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}(m+s+1) - \frac{d}{2}s} \left(\frac{2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m}}\right) \left(\frac{x}{c+di}\right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

As  $((x+c)^2 + d^2)/2^{2m} \equiv 1 + 4d/2^{m+1} \pmod{8}$  and  $x^2 \equiv c^2 + d^2 \pmod{|y_0|}$ , using Lemma 2.9 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{y}{((x+c)^2 + d^2)/2^{2m}}\right) &= \left(\frac{2^t y_0}{((x+c)^2 + d^2)/2^{2m}}\right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{(x+c)^2 + d^2}{y_0}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{2x(x+c)}{y_0}\right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{2}{y_0}\right) \left(\frac{-d+ci}{y_0}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{-i}{y_0}\right)_4 \left(\frac{-d+ci}{y_0}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{c+di}{y_0}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{y_0}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{y_0^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} \left(\frac{2^t y^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} i^{\frac{d}{2}t} \left(\frac{y^{-1}}{c+di}\right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

From the above and (3.3) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.6) \quad \left(\frac{d - (x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{(x+c)/2^m + x_0}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} + \frac{x_0-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{2}{\frac{x+c}{2^m}}\right) \\ &\quad \times i^{(-1)((x+c)/2^m - 1)/2 \frac{d}{2^{m+1}}(m+s+1) - \frac{d}{2}s} (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}}t} i^{\frac{d}{2}t} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

If  $m = 0$ , then  $2 \nmid (x+c)$ ,  $2 \mid x$ ,  $2 \nmid y$  and so  $q \equiv p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Thus, from (3.6) we infer that

$$\left(\frac{d - (x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{4} + (\frac{x}{2} + 1)\frac{d}{2}} i^{\frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{2}{x+c}\right) \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4.$$

Since  $\left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 = i^k$ ,  $(-1)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{qy^2-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1+d^2-x^2}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{d^2-x^2}{4}}$   
 $= (-1)^{\frac{x}{2}-\frac{d}{2}}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{2}{x+c}\right) &= (-1)^{\frac{(x+c)^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8} + \frac{(x/2)(x/2+c)}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1-d^2}{8} + \frac{(x/2)(x/2+1)}{2}} \\ &= (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}] + [\frac{x+2}{4}]}, \end{aligned}$$

from the above and the fact  $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  we derive that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 &= (-1)^{\frac{x}{2}-\frac{d}{2}+(\frac{x}{2}+1)\frac{d}{2}} \cdot (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}] + [\frac{x+2}{4}]} i^{k-\frac{d}{2}} \\ &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}] + \frac{x}{2} - [\frac{x+2}{4}] + \frac{d}{4}} i^k = (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}] + \frac{d}{4} + [\frac{x}{4}]} i^k & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{[\frac{p}{8}] + [\frac{x+2}{4}]} i^{k-1} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Now applying Lemma 2.12 we obtain the result in the case  $m = 0$ .

If  $m = 1 < r$ , then  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $s = 0, 4 \mid d$  and  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . Since  $p \equiv x^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  we have  $8 \mid qy^2$  and so  $4 \mid y$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2} &\equiv \left(\frac{x+c}{2}\right)^2 - c \cdot \frac{x+c}{2} = 4\left(\left(\frac{d}{4}\right)^2 - q\left(\frac{y}{4}\right)^2\right) \\ &\equiv 4\left(\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}\right) = d + y \pmod{8} \end{aligned}$$

and so  $\frac{x+c}{2} \equiv c - d - y \pmod{8}$ . Therefore  $\frac{x+c}{2} \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and

$$\left(\frac{2}{\frac{x+c}{2}}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{c-d-y}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}}.$$

Hence, from (3.6) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q-1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{x+c}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \cdot (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \cdot \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 = i^k$ , we get  $\left(\frac{x/y}{c+di}\right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} i^k$ . Now applying Lemma 2.12 we obtain  $q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^k \pmod{p}$  as asserted.

Now we assume  $2 \leq m < r$ . Then  $x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $s = 0, 8 \mid d$  and so  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ . Since  $qy^2 = d^2 - (x+c)^2 + 2c(x+c)$  we see that

$$q \frac{y^2}{2^{m+1}} = 2^{2r-m-1} d_0^2 - 2^{m-1} \left(\frac{x+c}{2^m}\right)^2 + c \frac{x+c}{2^m}.$$

As  $m \geq 2$  and  $2r \geq 2(m+1) \geq m+4$ , we must have  $2^{m+1} \parallel y^2$ ,  $2 \mid (m+1)$ ,  $t = \frac{m+1}{2}$  and  $q \equiv -2^{m-1} + c\frac{x+c}{2^m} \pmod{8}$ . Thus  $m \geq 3$ ,  $\frac{x+c}{2^m} \equiv c(2^{m-1} + q) \equiv c - 1 + 2^{m-1} + q \pmod{8}$  and so  $\frac{x+c}{2^m} \equiv q \pmod{4}$ . Therefore, by (3.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{d - (x+c)i}{q} \right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{q^2-1}{8} + \frac{d}{2^{m+1}} \cdot \frac{m+1}{2}} \left( \frac{2}{c - 1 + 2^{m-1} + q} \right) (-1)^{\frac{d}{2^{m+1}} t} \left( \frac{x/y}{c + di} \right)_4 \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4} + 2^{m-3}} \left( \frac{x/y}{c + di} \right)_4. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $(-1)^{\frac{c-1}{4}} = (-1)^{\frac{c^2-1}{8}} = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}$ ,  $\left( \frac{d - (x+c)i}{q} \right)_4 = i^k$  and

$$(-1)^{2^{m-3}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m > 3 \\ -1 & \text{if } m = 3 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t > 2 \\ -1 & \text{if } t = 2 \end{cases} = (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}}.$$

We then get  $\left( \frac{x/y}{c+di} \right)_4 = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} i^k$ . Recall that  $8 \mid d$ . Applying Lemma 2.12 we obtain  $q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^k = (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)^k \pmod{p}$ . This proves the result in the case  $2 \leq m < r$ .

Summarizing all the above we obtain the theorem.

#### 4. New reciprocity laws for quartic and octic residues

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $p$  and  $q$  be primes such that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . Suppose  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$ ,  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$ ,  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $\left( \frac{c-di}{x} \right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . Then*

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

*Proof.* Since  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  we see that  $q \nmid x$  and  $x$  is odd. We first assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$ . By Lemma 2.11 we have  $(q, (x+d)(c^2 + (x+d)^2)) = 1$ . It is easily seen that  $\frac{c/(x+d)-i}{c/(x+d)+i} = \frac{c-(x+d)i}{c+(x+d)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{ix} \pmod{q}$ . Thus, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , using Lemma 2.7 we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{c + (x+d)i}{q} \right)_4 = i^k \\ & \Leftrightarrow \frac{c}{x+d} \in Q_k(q) \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{\frac{c}{x+d} - i}{\frac{c}{x+d} + i} \right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^k \pmod{q} \\ & \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{c-di}{ix} \right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^k \pmod{q} \Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{c-di}{x} \right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^{\frac{q+1}{4}+k} \pmod{q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}$ , from the above we deduce that

$$\left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{q}\right)_4 = i^{m-\frac{q+1}{4}} = \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q+5}{8}} i^{m+1} & \text{if } q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} i^m & \text{if } q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Now, applying Theorem 3.2 we derive the result.

Now we assume  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . By Lemma 2.11,  $(q, x+c) = (q, d^2 + (x+c)^2) = 1$ . It is easily seen that  $\frac{d+(x+c)i}{d-(x+c)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{-x} \pmod{q}$ . Thus, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , using Lemma 2.7 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 &= i^k \\ \Leftrightarrow -\frac{d}{x+c} &\in Q_k(q) \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{-\frac{d}{x+c}-i}{-\frac{d}{x+c}+i}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^k \pmod{q} \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{d+(x+c)i}{d-(x+c)i}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} &\equiv i^k \pmod{q} \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{c-di}{-x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^k \pmod{q} \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} &\equiv i^{\frac{q+1}{2}+k} \pmod{q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}$ , from the above we deduce that  $\left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 = i^{m-\frac{q+1}{2}} = (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} i^m$ . Now applying Theorem 3.3 we obtain the result. The proof is now complete.

**COROLLARY 4.1.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  be primes such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q | cd$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, d+x) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ .*

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

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

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{q-3}{8}} \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* If  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}$ , then  $q | d$  and so  $\left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv (\pm 1)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} = \pm 1 \pmod{q}$ . If  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}$ , then  $q | c$  and so  $\left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \equiv (\mp i)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} = \mp(-1)^{\frac{q-3}{8}} i \pmod{q}$ . Now applying Theorem 4.1 we deduce the result.

We note that Corollary 4.1 partially settles [S5, Conjecture 4.3].

For example, let  $p$  be a prime such that  $p \equiv 13 \pmod{24}$  and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 3y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . If  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ , then

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

This partially solves [S4, Conjecture 9.1].

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $p$  and  $q$  be primes such that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$ ,  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$ ,  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{c-di}{c+di}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} \equiv i^m \pmod{q}$ . Then*

$$q^{[p/8]} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^m \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Observe that

$$\left(\frac{c-di}{c+di}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{8}} = \frac{(c-di)^{\frac{q+1}{4}}}{(c^2+d^2)^{\frac{q+1}{8}}} = \frac{(c-di)^{\frac{q+1}{4}}}{(x^2+qy^2)^{\frac{q+1}{8}}} \equiv \left(\frac{c-di}{x}\right)^{\frac{q+1}{4}} \pmod{q}.$$

The result follows from Theorem 4.1.

We note that if  $q \nmid d$ , then the  $m$  in Theorem 4.2 depends only on  $\frac{c}{d} \pmod{q}$ .

**COROLLARY 4.2.** *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  be primes such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q \mid cd(c^2 - d^2)$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ .*

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

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \mid c, \\ (-1)^{\frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \mid d, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{q+9}{16} + \frac{y}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-7) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{16} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-15) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{8} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \mid c, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q \mid d, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{q+9}{16} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-7) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{16} + \frac{x-1}{2}} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-15) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Clearly

$$\frac{c-di}{c+di} \equiv \begin{cases} -1 \pmod{q} & \text{if } q \mid c, \\ 1 \pmod{q} & \text{if } q \mid d, \\ -i \pmod{q} & \text{if } c \equiv d \pmod{q}, \\ i \pmod{q} & \text{if } c \equiv -d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

Thus the result follows from Theorem 4.2.

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $p$  and  $q$  be distinct primes of the form  $4k + 1$ ,  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$ ,  $q = a^2 + b^2$ ,  $a, b, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^m \pmod{q}$ .*

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

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \lceil \frac{x+2}{4} \rceil} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^m \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid x. \end{cases}$$

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\lceil \frac{x}{4} \rceil} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{m+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \mid x, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{q+3}{4} \cdot \frac{x-1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{m+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid x. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Clearly  $q \nmid x$ . We first assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$ . By Lemma 2.11,  $(q, (x+d)(c^2 + (x+d)^2)) = 1$ . It is easily seen that  $\frac{ac+b(x+d)}{ac-b(x+d)} \equiv \frac{ac+bd}{ax} \pmod{q}$ . Thus, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , using Lemma 2.7 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{q}\right)_4 = i^k &\Leftrightarrow \frac{c}{x+d} \in Q_k(q) \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\frac{c}{x+d} + \frac{b}{a}}{\frac{c}{x+d} - \frac{b}{a}}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^k \pmod{q} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{ac+b(x+d)}{ac-b(x+d)}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^k \pmod{q} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax} \cdot \frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^k \pmod{q} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{k-\frac{q-1}{4}} \pmod{q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^m \pmod{q}$ , from the above we get  $\left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{q}\right)_4 = i^{m+\frac{q-1}{4}}$ . Now the result follows from Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 immediately.

Suppose  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . By Lemma 2.11,  $(q, (x+c)(d^2 + (x+c)^2)) = 1$ . It is easily seen that  $\frac{ad-b(x+c)}{ad+b(x+c)} \equiv \frac{ac+bd}{-ax} \pmod{q}$ . Thus, for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , using Lemma 2.7 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \frac{d - (x+c)i}{q} \right)_4 &= i^k \Leftrightarrow -\frac{d}{x+c} \in Q_k(q) \\
&\Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{-\frac{d}{x+c} + \frac{b}{a}}{-\frac{d}{x+c} - \frac{b}{a}} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^k \pmod{q} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{ad - b(x+c)}{ad + b(x+c)} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^k \pmod{q} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{ac + bd}{-ax} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^k \pmod{q} \\
&\Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{ac + bd}{ax} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{2}+k} \pmod{q}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\left( \frac{ac+bd}{ax} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^m \pmod{q}$ , by the above we get  $\left( \frac{d - (x+c)i}{q} \right)_4 = i^{m - \frac{q-1}{2}}$ . Thus, applying Theorem 3.3 and the fact  $\frac{x}{2} \equiv \frac{x^2}{4} = \frac{c^2 - qy^2 + d^2}{4} \equiv \frac{1-q}{4} + \frac{d}{2} \pmod{2}$  for even  $x$  we derive the result. The proof is now complete.

**COROLLARY 4.3.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  be primes such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q \mid cd$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ .

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

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

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

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

where  $\delta(x) = 1$  or  $-1$  according as  $8 \mid x$  or not.

*Proof.* If  $x \equiv \pm c \pmod{q}$ , then  $q \mid d$  and so  $\left( \frac{ac+bd}{ax} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{c}{x} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv (\pm 1)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} = \pm 1 \pmod{q}$ . If  $x \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}$ , then  $q \mid c$  and so  $\left( \frac{ac+bd}{ax} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \left( \frac{bd}{ax} \right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv (\pm \frac{b}{a})^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \equiv \pm(-1)^{\frac{q-5}{8}} \frac{b}{a} \pmod{q}$ . Now combining the above with Theorem 4.3 we deduce the result.

**THEOREM 4.4.** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be distinct primes such that  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$ ,  $q = a^2 + b^2$ ,  $a, b, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . Suppose  $\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \equiv \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^m \pmod{q}$ .

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

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^m \pmod{p}.$$

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

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{x-2}{4}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{m+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2|x, \\ (-1)^{\frac{x+1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^{m+1} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \nmid x. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Observe that  $b^2 \equiv -a^2 \pmod{q}$ ,  $p \equiv x^2 \pmod{q}$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} &= \frac{(ac+bd)^{\frac{q-1}{4}}}{(a^2c^2 - b^2d^2)^{\frac{q-1}{8}}} \equiv \frac{(ac+bd)^{\frac{q-1}{4}}}{(a^2p)^{\frac{q-1}{8}}} \\ &\equiv \left(\frac{ac+bd}{ax}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{4}} \pmod{q}. \end{aligned}$$

The result follows from Theorem 4.3.

We note that if  $q \nmid d$ , then the  $m$  in Theorem 4.4 depends only on  $\frac{c}{d} \pmod{q}$ .

**COROLLARY 4.4.** Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be distinct primes such that  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $q | cd(c^2 - d^2)$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ .

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

$$q^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q|c, \\ (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q|d, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{16} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16|(q-1) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{q-9}{16} + \frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16|(q-9) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $\varepsilon(x) = (-1)^{\frac{x-2}{4}}$  or  $(-1)^{\frac{x+1}{2}}$  according as  $2|x$  or  $2 \nmid x$ , then

$$q^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \varepsilon(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q|c, \\ \varepsilon(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } q|d, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{16}} \varepsilon(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16|(q-1) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ \mp(-1)^{\frac{q-9}{16}} \varepsilon(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 16|(q-9) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $q = a^2 + b^2$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then clearly

$$\left(\frac{ac+bd}{ac-bd}\right)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{8}} \pmod{q} & \text{if } q \mid c, \\ 1 \pmod{q} & \text{if } q \mid d, \\ (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{16}} \pmod{q} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-1) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{q-9}{16}} \frac{b}{a} \pmod{q} & \text{if } 16 \mid (q-9) \text{ and } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{q}. \end{cases}$$

Thus the result follows from Theorem 4.4.

COROLLARY 4.5. Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime such that  $p \neq 17$  and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 17y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ .

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

$$17^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 17 \mid cd, \\ -(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{17}, \\ \pm(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{xy}{4}} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm 5d, \pm 10d \pmod{17}. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $\varepsilon(x) = (-1)^{\frac{x-2}{4}}$  or  $(-1)^{\frac{x+1}{2}}$  according as  $2 \mid x$  or  $2 \nmid x$ , then

$$17^{\frac{p-5}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \varepsilon(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 17 \mid cd, \\ -\varepsilon(x) \frac{dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm d \pmod{17}, \\ \pm \varepsilon(x) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } c \equiv \pm 5d, \pm 10d \pmod{17}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Since  $17 = 1^2 + 4^2$  and  $(\frac{\pm 5+4}{\pm 5-4})^{\frac{17-1}{8}} \equiv (\frac{\pm 10+4}{\pm 10-4})^{\frac{17-1}{8}} \equiv \mp 4 \pmod{17}$ , from Theorem 4.4 and Corollary 4.4 we deduce the result.

THEOREM 4.5. Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime,  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + (a^2 + b^2)y^2 \neq a^2 + b^2$ ,  $a, b, c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a \neq 0$ ,  $2 \mid a$ ,  $(a, b) = 1$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$ ,  $y = 2^t y_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . Suppose  $(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai})_4 = i^m$ .

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

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

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

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

*Proof.* Set  $q = a^2 + b^2$ . Then clearly  $2 \nmid q$  and  $p \nmid q$ . We first assume  $(c, x+d) = 1$ . By Lemma 2.11,  $(q, x+d) = (q, c^2 + (x+d)^2) = 1$ . Since  $\frac{c-(x+d)i}{c+(x+d)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{ix} \pmod{q}$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{c/(x+d)+i}{q}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{q}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{b-ai}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{b+ai}\right)_4 \overline{\left(\frac{c-(x+d)i}{b+ai}\right)_4} = \left(\frac{c+(x+d)i}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{c-(x+d)i}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{\frac{c-(x+d)i}{c+(x+d)i}}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} = \left(\frac{\frac{c-di}{ix}}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} = \left(\frac{ai}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac-adi)/x}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{-b}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} = (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{b+ai}{b}\right)_4 i^{-m} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{i}{b}\right)_4 i^{-m} = (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2} + \frac{b^2-1}{8}} i^{-m} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2} + \frac{q-1-a^2}{8}} i^{-m} = (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2} \cdot \frac{a}{2} + [\frac{q}{8}]} i^{-m}. \end{aligned}$$

This together with Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 yields the result in this case.

Now we assume  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . By Lemma 2.11,  $(q, x+c) = (q, (x+c)^2 + d^2) = 1$ . Since  $\frac{d+(x+c)i}{d-(x+c)i} \equiv \frac{c-di}{-x} \pmod{q}$ , using Lemma 2.6 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d/(x+c)-i}{q}\right)_4 &= \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{q}\right)_4 = \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{b-ai}\right)_4 \\ &= \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{b+ai}\right)_4 \overline{\left(\frac{d+(x+c)i}{b+ai}\right)_4} = \left(\frac{d-(x+c)i}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{d+(x+c)i}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{\frac{d+(x+c)i}{d-(x+c)i}}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} = \left(\frac{\frac{c-di}{-x}}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} = \left(\frac{-a}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac-adi)/x}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{a}{b+ai}\right)_4 \left(\frac{(ac+bd)/x}{b+ai}\right)_4^{-1} = (-1)^{\frac{a}{2}} \left(\frac{a}{b+ai}\right)_4 i^{-m} \\ &= \begin{cases} -(-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} i \cdot i^{-m} = (-1)^{\frac{b+1}{2}} i^{1-m} & \text{if } 2 \parallel a, \\ 1 \cdot 1 \cdot i^{-m} = i^{-m} & \text{if } 4 \mid a. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with Theorem 3.3 we deduce the result. The proof is now complete.

**REMARK 4.1.** Let  $p$  be a prime of the form  $4k + 1$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $2 \nmid q$ ,  $p \nmid q$ , and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + qy^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $d = 2^r d_0$  and  $d_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . We conjecture that one can always choose the sign of  $x$  such that  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$ . Thus the condition  $(c, x+d) = 1$  or  $(d_0, x+c) = 1$  in Theorems 4.1–4.5 and Corollaries 4.1–4.5 can be canceled. See also related conjectures in [S4] and [S5].

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