

Quadratic irrationalities

1. Find the 100th digit after the point in the decimal expansion of $(3 + \sqrt{5})^{2023}$.
2. Find the largest power of 2 which divides $\lfloor (1 + \sqrt{3})^{99} \rfloor$.
(Here $\lfloor x \rfloor$ is the integer part of number x).
3. Find the last digit of the number $\lfloor (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})^{100} \rfloor$.
4. Show that the equation

$$(x + y\sqrt{2})^4 + (z + t\sqrt{2})^4 = 7 + 5\sqrt{2}$$

has no solutions in rational numbers x, y, z , and t .

5. Show that $(1 + \sqrt{2})^{2023}$ can be written as $\sqrt{N} + \sqrt{N+1}$ for some integer N .
6. Find the value of the *continued fractions*: $1 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \dots}}$
7. Show that the equation $|x^2 - 2y^2| = 1$ has infinitely many positive integer solutions.
Can you find all solutions? Can you find a connection with the previous problem?
8. (a) The number 36 is both a *square* and a *triangular* number:

$$36 = 6^2 = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8.$$

Find two more such numbers.

- (b) Show that there are infinitely many such numbers.
- (c) Find all of them.