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PROBLEM OF THE MONTH

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A positive integer number s is said to be *n-smooth* if $s = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \cdots + a_n^2$, where each a_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ is divisible by n . An integer number s is said to be *n-rough* if $s = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \cdots + a_n^2$, where each a_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ is *not* divisible by n . Find all positive integers n for which any n -smooth number is n -rough number.