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Exhaustion is painful as p gets large, and soon becomes impossible.
In this case we can complete the square:

$$7x^2 + 29x + 18 \equiv 0 \pmod{37}$$

Since $7 \times 16 \equiv 1 \pmod{37}$, multiplying by 16 gives:

$$x^2 + 20x + 29 \equiv 0 \pmod{37}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (x+10)^2 &\equiv 100 - 29 \pmod{37} \\ &\equiv 34 \pmod{37} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x+10 &\equiv 16 \text{ or } 21 \pmod{37} \\ \therefore x &\equiv 6 \text{ or } 11 \pmod{37} \end{aligned}$$

Finding the square roots of 34 mod 37 is a bit tricky but there are clever (and fast) ways to do it using GCDs.