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# CS204

### Fall 2017, Assignment #2

#### Problem 1.

2 + 3 + 3 pts

There are 5 types of tetrominos (if we see flipped tetrominos are the same): I, O, L, S, and T. Show that the checkerboard with size  $6 \times 6$  cannot be covered using



FIGURE 1. I, O, L, S, T tetrominoes.



FIGURE 2. A familiar  $8 \times 8$  checkerboard.

- a) T-type tetrominos;
- b) L-type tetrominos;
- c) I-type tetrominos.

#### Problem 2.

 $2 + 3 + 3 \, pts$ 

Define a **modulo** operator  $\equiv_p (p > 0)$  as: for every integer  $a, b, a \equiv_p b$  if there exists an integer c such that a = cp + b. Using this operator, prove followings by finding appropriate cases:

- a) Prove there is no integral solution for  $x^2 + y^2 = 1048575$ .
- b) Change a) into  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1048575$ . Prove still there is no integral solution.
- c) Given a positive integer  $n \ge 5$ , prove that at lease one of n, n+2, n+4 is not a prime number.

#### Problem 3.

 $4 + 5 \, pts$ 

- a) Show that the number of primes is infinite by contradiction.
- b) Show that given  $N \ge 2$ , there exist a unique k-tuple  $(p_1, \ldots, p_k)$  where  $p_1 \le p_2 \le \cdots \le p_k$  such that  $p_i$  is prime and  $N = p_1 p_2 \ldots p_k$  using strong induction.