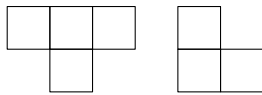

**9. Practice sheet for the lecture:
Combinatorics (DS I)**

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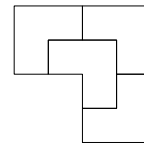
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<http://www.math.tu-berlin.de/~felsner/Lehre/dsI21.html>

- (1) Theorem of Hall
- (a) Find an infinite counterexample to the Theorem of Hall, i.e., find a bipartite graph $G = (X \cup Y; E)$ with the property that $|N(S)| \geq |S|$ for all $S \subset X$ and there is no matching containing all vertices of X .
 - (b) The analogue of the Hall condition for general graphs is the *Tutte condition*. Inform yourself about this condition and show at least one implication of Tutte's theorem.
- (2) A *T-tetromino* is a tile consisting of exactly 4 squares, one of them adjacent to the others, see Figure 1a.
- (*) Which $n \times n$ squares can be tiled by T-tetrominoes?
 - (b) What is the homology group of the T-tetromino?



(a) T-Tetromino and L-Triomino



(b) A scaled L-triomino tiled by L-triominoes

Figure 1: Illustration of exercises (2) and (3)

- (3) A *L-triomino* is a consisting of exactly 3 squares, one of them adjacent to the others, see Figure 1a.
- (a) Which $n \times n$ squares can be tiled by L-triominoes?
 - (b) Which squares with a removed corner square can be tiled by L-triominoes?
 - (c) If we scale an L-triomino by a positive integer, it is a *scaled L-triomino*. Which scaled L-triominoes can be tiled by L-triominoes?
- (4) Let $P = (X, \leq)$ be a poset. We call a chain decomposition $\{C_i\}_i$ of P *greedy chain decomposition (GCD)* if it has the following property: C_1 is a maximum chain in P , and for $i > 1$, C_i is a maximum chain in P_i where P_i is the subposet of P induced by $X - \bigcup_{j < i} C_j$.
Prove or disprove: $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that any GCD of any finite poset P has size at most $c \cdot w$, where w is the width of P .
- (5) Consider two magicians M_1, M_2 in well separated rooms. A volunteer picks five cards from a standard deck (52 cards) and hands them to M_1 . M_1 keeps one of the five cards and puts the other four (in specific order) in an envelope. The envelope is brought to M_2 who opens it, has a look at the cards and announces the fifth card.
- (a) Explain the existence of a strategy for this trick with the aid of Hall's Theorem.
 - (*) Find a playable strategy.