**Directions:** Solve the following problems. Your solutions should be electronically typeset and all written work should be your own.

- 1. Sums of squares.
  - (a) [NT 1-1.1] Prove that  $1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$ .
  - (b) Determine the set A of positive integers n such that n divides the sum  $1^2 + 2^2 + \cdots + n^2$ . Note: your answer should give a simple description of A and a proof that n divides  $1^2 + \cdots + n^2$  if and only if  $n \in A$ .
- 2. Prove that for each non-negative integer n, we have that 169 divides  $3^{3n+3} 26n 27$ .
- 3. Divisibility and exponents.
  - (a) Prove that if a and n are integers with  $a \ge 3$  and  $n \ge 2$ , then  $a^n 1$  is not prime.
  - (b) Prove that if  $2^n 1$  is prime, then n is prime.
- 4. Give the base 6 representation for 42,201.
- 5. Let  $d = \gcd(63119, 38227)$ . Find d and obtain integers p and q such that d = 63119p + 38227q. Show your work.
- 6. [Challenge] Let  $A_n = \{(x,y) : 1 \le x \le n, 1 \le y \le n, \text{ and } \gcd(x,y) = 1\}$ . Note that  $A_n$  contains all points (x,y) in the  $(n \times n)$ -grid with corners (1,1) and (n,n) such that the line segment joining (0,0) and (x,y) contains no other integer lattice points. The first few such sets are as follows:

$$A_1 = \{(1,1)\}$$

$$A_2 = \{(1,1), (2,1), (1,2)\}$$

$$A_3 = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (2,3), (2,1), (3,1), (3,2)\}$$

Let  $f(n) = |A_n|$ . Note that f(1) = 1, f(2) = 3, f(3) = 7, and f(4) = 11. Prove that there is a positive constant C such that  $f(n) \ge Cn^2$ .