

Untouchable 11 – Master Challenge

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Untouchable 11 – Master Challenge is a hexomino packing puzzle. The goal is to put these 11 hexominos within the board so that no two touch each other, even at a corner. Back in late 2008, I wrote a program to solve the original Untouchable 11 puzzle made for Smartkit by Peter Grabarchuk.

<http://www.smart-kit.com/games/untouchable-11/>

The hardest version of that puzzle has only 7 solutions, not counting rotations or reflections. When I was invited to G4G10 and informed I needed a gift for the Gift Exchange, I immediately wondered if I could use that program to make an even harder puzzle based on the same rules. I felt Untouchable 11 was the hardest 11 piece 2D puzzle I was aware of at the time. I've now searched 100's of 11 piece subsets of the hexominos and to date this is the hardest set I've found which can still be placed on the 12x12 board. It has 2 solutions.

The search continues for a set with just a single solution. I'm working with Peter Grabarchuk and a playable app of my Untouchable 11 – Master Challenge will soon be available here.

<http://www.puzzles.com/PuzzleClub/Untouchable11MasterChallenge/>

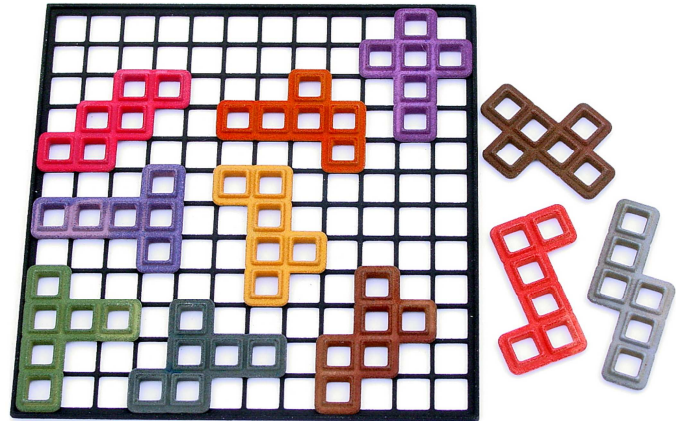
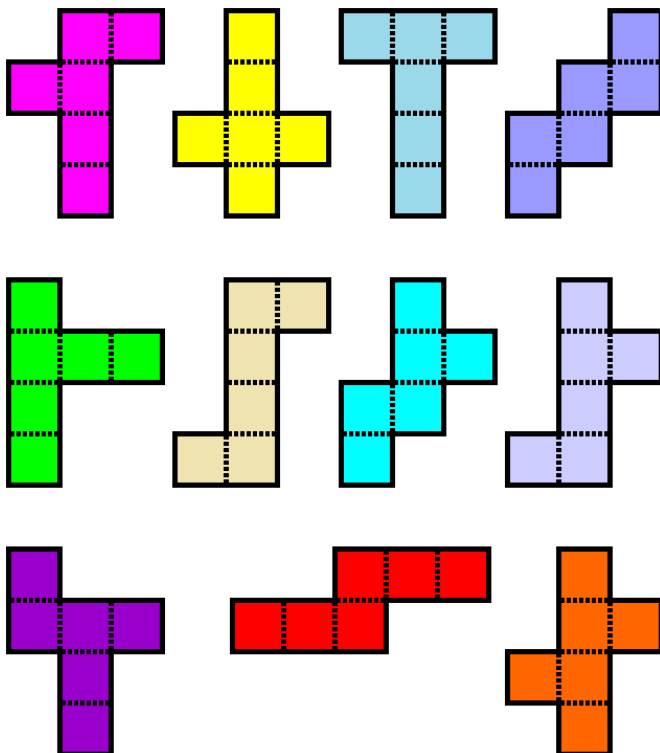
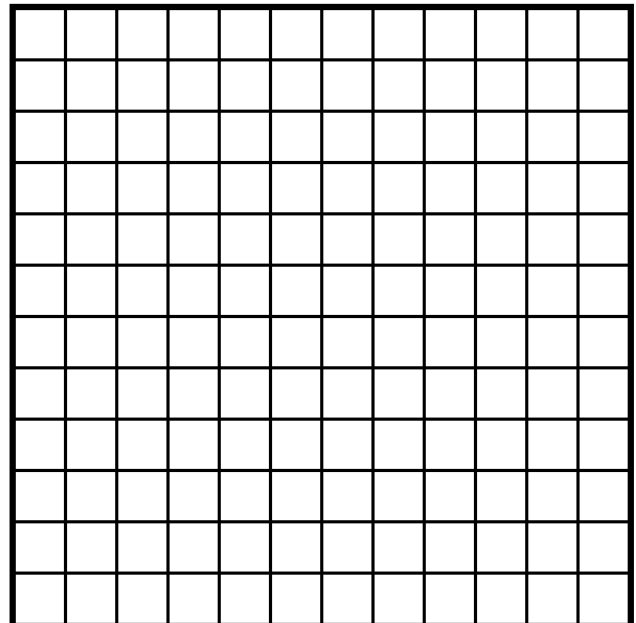


Figure: A physical version of Untouchable 11 - Master Challenge is available in my Shapeways shop. <http://www.shapeways.com/model/487355/>



Pieces can be Flipped and/or Rotated



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