

Duration: [2½Hours]

[Total Marks: 75]

- N.B. 1) All questions are compulsory.  
2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

1. (a) Attempt any **ONE** question: (8)
  - i. Prove that a graph  $G(p, q)$  with  $p \geq 2$  is 2-connected if and only if any two vertices are connected by at least two internally disjoint paths.
  - ii. If  $\pi_k(G)$  denotes the chromatic polynomial of a  $(p, q)$  graph  $G$  then prove that
    - (a) The coefficient of  $k^p$  in  $\pi_k(G)$  is 1.
    - (b) The constant term of  $\pi_k(G)$  is zero.
    - (c) The terms of  $\pi_k(G)$  are alternate in sign.
    - (d) The coefficient of  $k^{p-1}$  is  $-q$  where  $q$  is number of edges of  $G$ .
- (e) Attempt any **TWO** questions: (12)
  - i. Define vertex chromatic number of a graph  $G$ . If  $G$  is a  $(p, q)$  graph, then prove that  $\chi(G) \geq \frac{p^2}{p^2-2q}$  where  $\chi(G)$  denotes the vertex chromatic number of  $G$ .
  - ii. If  $G$  is cubic graph, then show that  $\kappa(G) = \kappa'(G)$  where  $\kappa(G)$  denote the vertex connectivity and  $\kappa'(G)$  denotes the edge connectivity of a graph  $G$ .
  - iii. State vizing theorem for edge coloring of graph. Show that  $\chi'(G) \geq \Delta(G)$  where  $\chi'(G)$  denotes edge chromatic number and  $\Delta(G)$  denotes the maximum degree of  $G$ . Give an example of the graph for which  $\chi'(G) = \Delta(G)$ .
  - iv. If  $G$  is a cycle on  $n$  vertices then show that  $\pi_k(G) = (k-1)^n + (-1)^n(k-1)$ .
2. (a) Attempt any **ONE** question: (8)
  - i. State and prove Max Flow - Min Cut Theorem.
  - ii. Show that every planar graph is 5 vertex colorable.
- (b) Attempt any **TWO** questions: (12)
  - i. Let  $f$  be a flow in a network  $N$  and  $P$  be any  $f$ -incrementing path then show that there exist a revised flow  $f'$  such that  $val(f') = val(f) + \epsilon(p)$
  - ii. State and prove Euler theorem for planar graph.
  - iii. Show that edges in a plane graph  $G$  form a cycle in  $G$  if and only if the corresponding dual edges form a bond in  $G^*$ .
  - iv. Show that the complete graph  $K_5$  and complete bipartite graph  $K_{3,3}$  are nonplanar.

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3. (a) Attempt any **ONE** question: (8)
- State and prove Hall's (Marriage) Theorem for a System of Distinct Representatives.
  - Derive the recurrence relation for number of ways of dividing a  $n + 1$ -sided convex polygon into triangular regions by inserting diagonals that do not intersect in the interior and prove using generating function that the solution to this recurrence relation is a Catalan Number.
- (b) Attempt any **TWO** questions: (12)
- Show that a matching  $M$  in  $G$  is a maximum matching if and only if  $G$  contains no  $M$ -augmenting path.
  - Let  $B$  denotes a forbidden chess board in which a special square  $*$  has been identified and let  $D$  denote the board obtained from the original board by deleting the row and column containing the special square and  $E$  denote the board obtained from the original board where only the special square  $*$  is removed from the board, then prove that  $R(x, B) = xR(x, D) + R(x, E)$ .
  - Find the coefficient of  $x^{16}$  in  $(x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots)^5$ . What is the coefficient of  $x^r$ ?
  - Solve recurrence relation  $a_n = 3a_{n-1}$ , ( $n \geq 1$ ) subject to initial condition with  $a_0 = 1$  using generating function.
4. Attempt any **THREE** questions: (15)
- Let  $\pi_k(G)$  denote the chromatic polynomial of the graph  $G$ . If  $G$  is simple graph then prove that  $\pi_k(G) = \pi_k(G - e) - \pi_k(G, e)$  where  $e$  is an edge of  $G$ .
  - Define  $k$ -critical graph. If  $G$  is  $k$ -critical graph then show that  $\delta(G) \geq k - 1$ , where  $\delta(G)$  denotes the minimum degree of  $G$ .
  - Show that there is at least one face of every polyhedron is bounded by an  $n$ -cycle for some  $n = 3, 4$  or  $5$ .
  - Prove that for any flow  $f$  and any cut  $(S, \bar{S})$ ,  $val(f) = f^+(S) - f^-(S)$ .
  - Define System of distinct representatives for a family of sets and hence determine the number of distinct system of representatives for the family  $A_1 = \{1, 2\}, A_2 = \{2, 3\}, A_3 = \{3, 4\}, A_4 = \{4, 5\}, A_5 = \{5, 1\}$ . Generalize your result for  $n$ .
  - Find the rook polynomial for the following  
 $\{(1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 3), (5, 2), (5, 5)\}$

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