

2016

MATHEMATICS

( Major )

Paper : 6.5

( Graph and Combinatorics )

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Answer the following questions : 1×7=7

(a) A bookshelf holds 6 different English books, 8 different French books and 10 different German books. In how many ways a book (of any one language) can be drawn from the bookshelf?

(b) Let  $X$  be a set and let  $A, B$  be any subsets of  $X$ . If  $A \subset B$ , then which of the following statements is false?

(i)  $A \cap B' = \phi$

(ii)  $A \cap B = A$

(iii)  $A \cup B = B$

(iv)  $A^c \subseteq B^c$

- (c) There are 15 married couples in a party. Find the number of ways of choosing a woman and a man from the party such that the two are not married to each other.
- (d) Can we draw a graph of 7 vertices such that the degree of each vertex is 3? If not, why?
- (e) Draw the graph  $\bar{K}_3 + \bar{K}_4$ .
- (f) Define cut point of a graph  $G$ .
- (g) In a non-trivial tree with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges,  $p = ?$

2. Answer the following questions : 2×4=8

- (a) If  $X$  is any set and  $A$  is any subset of it, then show that

$$|X - A| = |X| - |A|$$

- (b) Define enumerable set with suitable example.
- (c) Can a graph containing a cycle of length 3 be a bipartite graph? Justify.
- (d) Find the number of points and number of lines in—
- (i)  $K_5 + K_1$ ;
- (ii)  $K_{m,n}$ .



3. Answer any three parts : 5×3=15

(a) Give a combinatorial proof of

$$C(n, r) = C(n-1, r) + C(n-1, r-1) \quad 5$$

(b) (i) Ten different paintings are to be allocated to  $n$  office rooms so that no room gets more than 1 painting. Find the number of ways of accomplishing this if  $n = 14$ .

(ii) There are  $n$  married couples at a party. Each person shakes hands with every person other than her or his spouse. Find the total number of handshakes. 2+3

(c) Define intersection graph. Show that every graph is an intersection graph. 1+4

(d) Define degree of a vertex of a graph. Let  $G$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph, all of whose vertices have degree  $K$  or  $K+1$ . If  $G$  has  $p_K > 0$  vertices of degree  $K$  and  $p_{K+1}$  vertices of degree  $K+1$ , then prove that

$$p_K = (K+1)p - 2q \quad 1+4$$

(e) Show that every non-trivial tree has at least two end vertices (i.e., vertices with deg 1). 5

4. (a) For prescribed non-negative integers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m$ , find the number of solutions in integers of the equation  $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m = n$  with  $x_i \geq \lambda_i$  for each  $i$ . 4
- (b) Find the number of ways of choosing  $r$  positive integers from among the first  $n$  positive integers such that no 2 consecutive integers appear in the choice and the choice does not include 1 and  $n$ . 6

5. (a) (i) For any graph  $G$ , show that

$$\kappa(G) \leq \lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$$

where the symbols have their usual meaning. 7

- (ii) Draw a graph for which  $\kappa = 2$ ,  $\lambda = 3$  and  $\delta = 4$ . 3

Or

- (b) (i) For all integers  $a, b, c$  such that  $0 < a \leq b \leq c$ , show that there exists a graph with  $\kappa(G) = a$ ,  $\lambda(G) = b$  and  $\delta(G) = c$ . 6
- (ii) Define connectivity function of a graph  $G$ . Show that this function is strictly decreasing function. 4



6. Prove the equivalence of the following statements : 10

- (a)  $G$  is Eulerian
- (b) Every vertex of  $G$  has even degree
- (c) The set of edges of  $G$  can be partitioned into cycles

Or

- (a) If for all vertices  $v$  of a graph  $G(p, q)$ ,  $\deg v \geq p/2$ , where  $p \geq 3$ , then show that  $G$  is Hamiltonian. 6
- (b) Give an example of a graph which is both Eulerian and Hamiltonian. 2
- (c) How many Hamiltonian cycles are there in  $K_4$ ? 2

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