

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

1. (a) Attempt any **ONE** question: (8)
- For a simple graph  $G$  of order  $p$  and size  $q$ , prove that  $\pi_k(G)$ , the chromatic polynomial of the graph  $G$ , is monic polynomial of degree  $p$  in  $k$  with integer coefficients and constant term zero. Further prove that its coefficients are alternate in sign and the coefficient of  $k^{p-1}$  is  $-q$ .
  - If  $G = K_n$  is complete graph with  $n$  vertices,  $n \geq 2$  then prove that an edge chromatic number  $\chi'(G) = \begin{cases} n-1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ n & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$
- (b) Attempt any **TWO** questions: (12)
- Define a chromatic polynomial of graph  $G$ . Determine the chromatic polynomial and chromatic number of a graph  $G$  obtained by deleting an edge from  $K_4$ .
  - If  $G$  is a cycle on  $n$  vertices then show that  $\pi_k(G) = (k-1)^n + (-1)^n(k-1)$ .
  - Show that vertex connectivity of a graph  $G$  is always less or equal to the edge connectivity of  $G$ .
2. (a) Attempt any **ONE** question: (8)
- Show that every planar graph is 5 vertex colorable.
  - Show that there are exactly five regular Polyhedra.
- (b) Attempt any **TWO** questions: (12)
- State and prove Euler theorem for planar graph.
  - Let  $G^*$  denote dual graph of  $G$ . Show that the edge  $e$  is a loop in  $G$  if and only if  $e^*$  is a bridge in  $G^*$ .
  - 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  $val(f') = val(f) + \epsilon(p)$
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 the number of regions into which the plane is divided by  $n$  straight lines, no two of which are parallel and no three of which are concurrent. Furthermore using generating function, show that the solution of the above recurrence is  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 1$ .
- (b) Attempt any **TWO** questions: (12)
- Let  $R_{n,m}(x)$  be the rook polynomial for the  $n \times m$  chess board, all squares may have rooks. Show that  $R_{n,m}(x) = R_{n-1,m}(x) + mxR_{n-1,m-1}(x)$ .

- ii. Find the number  $h_n$  of bags of fruit that can be made out of apples, bananas, oranges, and pears, where, in each bag, the number of apples is even, the number of bananas is a multiple of 5, the number of oranges is at most 4, and the number of pears is 0 or 1.
- iii. Find the number of integral solutions of the equation

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 20$$

$$\text{with } 1 \leq x_1 \leq 6, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 7, 4 \leq x_3 \leq 8, 2 \leq x_4 \leq 6.$$

4. Attempt any **THREE** questions:

(15)

- (a) Define  $k$ -critical graph. If  $G$  is  $k$ -critical graph then show that  $\delta(G) \geq k - 1$  where  $\delta(G)$  is minimum degree of  $G$ .
- (b) 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  $\chi'(G) = \Delta(G)$ .
- (c) Show that there is at least one face of every polyhedron is bounded by an  $n$ -cycle for some  $n = 3, 4$  or  $5$ .
- (d) If  $f$  is any flow and  $K$  be any cut in a network  $N$  then show that  $val(f) \leq cap(K)$ .
- (e) Solve recurrence relation  $a_n = 3a_{n-1}, n \geq 1$  given  $a_0 = 1$  by using generating function method.
- (f) Find a recurrence relation for the ways to distribute  $n$  identical balls into  $k$  distinct boxes with between two and four balls in each box. Repeat the problem with balls of three colors.

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