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Third Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, February 2021

Mathematics

MM 234 : ELECTIVE II — GRAPH THEORY

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

Answer either **Part A** or **Part B** of each question. All question carry equal marks.

- I. (A) (a) Define automorphism group  $\text{Aut}(G)$  of a graph  $G$ . Check whether  $\text{Aut}(G) = \text{Aut}(G^c)$  where  $G^c$  is the complement of the graph  $G$ . Justify your answer.
- (b) Determine  $\text{Aut}(C_5)$ .
- (B) (a) For every graph  $G$ , prove that  $K(G) \leq \lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$ .
- (b) Prove that a 3-regular graph has a cut vertex if and only if  $G$  has a bridge.
- II. (A) (a) Define Eulerian graph. Prove that a connected graph  $G$  contains an Eulerian trail if and only if exactly two vertices of  $G$  have odd degree.
- (b) Find all positive integers  $n$  such that the complete graph  $K_n$  is Eulerian. Find a necessary and sufficient condition for the cartesian product  $G \times H$  of two nontrivial connected graphs  $G$  and  $H$  to be Eulerian. Justify your findings.
- (B) (a) State and prove Ore's theorem.
- (b) Define  $h(G)$  and  $h^*(G)$  of a graph  $G$ . Prove that for every connected graph  $G$ ,  $h(G) = h^*(G)$ .

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- III. (A) (a) Define digraph with example. State and prove a necessary and sufficient condition for a digraph to be a strong digraph.
- (b) Define tournament and transitive tournament with example. Prove that a Tournament  $T$  is transitive if and only if  $T$  has no cycles.
- (B) (a) Define Edge covering number ( $\alpha_1$ ) and Edge independence number ( $\beta_1$ ) of a graph  $G$ . Prove that for every graph  $G$  of order  $n$  containing no isolated vertices,  $\alpha_1(G) + \beta_1(G) = n$ .
- (b) Define 2-factor of a graph  $G$ . Prove that a graph  $G$  is 2-factorable if and only if  $G$  is  $r$ -regular for some positive even integer  $r$ .
- IV. (A) (a) Define chromatic number of a graph  $G$ . For every graph  $G$  Prove that  $\chi(G) \leq 1 + \max\{\delta(H)\}$  where maximum is taken over all induced subgraphs  $H$  of  $G$ .
- (b) Define chromatic index of a graph  $G$ . State and prove König's theorem.
- (B) State and prove Turán's theorem.
- V. (A) (a) Define boundary vertex of a graph  $G$ . Prove that no cut vertex of a connected graph  $G$  is a boundary vertex of  $G$ .
- (b) Define complete vertex of a graph  $G$ . Prove that a vertex  $v$  of a connected graph  $G$  is a boundary vertex of every vertex distinct from  $v$  if and only if  $v$  is a complete vertex of  $G$ .
- (B) (a) Define locating set and location number of a graph  $G$ . Prove that a connected graph  $G$  of order  $n$  has locating number 1 if and only if  $G \cong P_n$ .
- (b) Define Detour distance. Prove that detour distance is a metric on the vertex set of every connected graph and that  $rad_D(G) \leq diam_D(G) \leq 2rad_D(G)$ .

