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**Fourth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, December 2012**  
**Graph Theory and Combinatorics**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer any FIVE full questions selecting at least two questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

- 1 a. Define connected graph. Prove that a connected graph with  $n$  vertices has at least  $(n - 1)$  edges. (06 Marks)  
 b. Define isomorphism of two graphs. Determine whether the two graphs (Fig.Q.1(b)(i)) and (Fig.Q.1(b)(ii)) are isomorphic. (07 Marks)

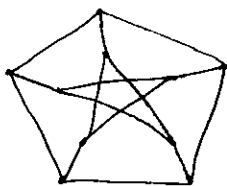


Fig.Q.1(b)(i)

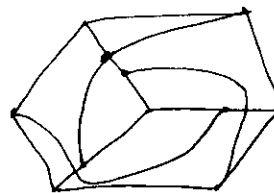
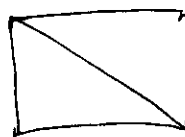


Fig.Q.1(b)(ii)

- c. Define a complete graph. In the complete graph with  $n$  vertices, where  $n$  is an odd number  $\geq 3$ , show that there are  $\frac{(n-1)}{2}$  edge disjoint Hamilton cycles. (07 Marks)
- 2 a. Design a regular graph with an example. Show that the Peterson graph is a non planar graph. (07 Marks)  
 b. Prove that a graph is 2-chromatic if and only if it is a null bipartite graph. (06 Marks)  
 c. Define Hamiltonian and Eulerian graphs. Prove the complete graph  $K_{3,3}$  is Hamiltonian but not Eulerian. (07 Marks)
- 3 a. Define a tree. Prove that a connected graph is a tree if it is minimally connected. (06 Marks)  
 b. Define a spanning tree. Find all the spanning trees of the graph given below. (Fig.Q.3(b)). (07 Marks)

Fig.Q.3(b)



- c. Construct an optimal prefix code for the symbols a, o, q, u, y, z that occur with frequencies 20, 28, 4, 17, 12, 7 respectively. (07 Marks)
- 4 a. Define matching edge connectivity and vertex connectivity. Give one example for each. (06 Marks)  
 b. Using Prim's algorithm, find a minimal spanning tree for the weighted graph shown in the following Fig.Q.4(b). (07 Marks)

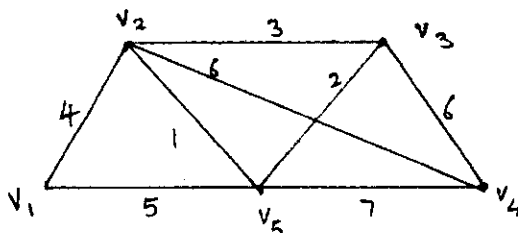


Fig.Q.4(b)

- c. Three boys  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  and four girls  $g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4$  are such that  
 $b_1$  is a cousin of  $g_1, g_2$  and  $g_4$   
 $b_2$  is a cousin of  $g_2$  and  $g_4$   
 $b_3$  is a cousin of  $g_2$  and  $g_3$ .  
 If a boy must marry a cousin girl, find possible sets of such couples. (07 Marks)

**PART – B**

- 5 a. Find the number of ways of giving 10 identical gift boxes to six persons A, B, C, D, E, F in such a way that the total number of boxes given to A and B together does not exceed 4. (06 Marks)
- b. Define Catalan numbers. In how many ways can one travel in the  $xy$  plane from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(3, 3)$  using the moves R:  $(x + 1, y)$  and U:  $(x, y + 1)$  if the path taken may touch but never rise above the line  $y = x$ ? Draw two such paths in the  $xy$  plane. (07 Marks)
- c. Determine the coefficient of  
 i)  $xyz^2$  in the expansion of  $(2x - y - z)^4$   
 ii)  $a^2b^3c^2d^5$  in the expansion of  $(a + 2b - 3c + 2d + 5)^{16}$ . (07 Marks)
- 6 a. How many integers between 1 and 300 (inclusive) are  
 i) divisible by 5, 6, 8?  
 ii) divisible by none of 5, 6, 8? (07 Marks)
- b. In how many ways can the integers 1, 2, 3, ..., 10 be arranged in a line so that no even integer is in its natural place? (06 Marks)
- c. Find the rook polynomial for the following board (Fig.Q.6(c)). (07 Marks)

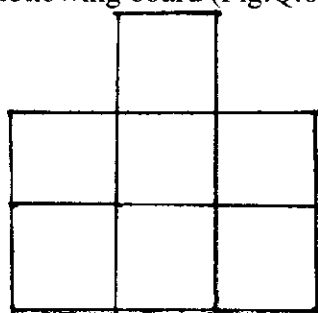


Fig.Q.6(c)

- 7 a. Find the coefficient of  $x^{18}$  in the following products:  
 i)  $(x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5) (x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + \dots)^5$   
 ii)  $(x + x^3 + x^5 + x^7 + x^9) (x^3 + 2x^4 + 3x^5 + \dots)^3$ . (07 Marks)
- b. Using the generating function find the number of i) non negative and ii) positive integer solutions of the equation  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 25$ . (06 Marks)
- c. Find all the partitions of  $x^7$ . (07 Marks)
- 8 a. Solve the Fibonacci relation  
 $F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n$  for  $n \geq 0$  given  $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1$ . (07 Marks)
- b. Solve the recurrence relation  
 $a_{n-2} + a_{n-1} + a_n = 5n$ . (07 Marks)
- c. Find a generating function for the recurrence relation  
 $a_r + 5a_{r-1} + 6a_{r-2} = 3r^2, r \geq 2$ . (06 Marks)

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