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M.Sc. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2016

First Semester

Faculty of Science

Branch I (A)-Mathematics

MT 01 C 04-GRAPH THEORY

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

Answer any five questions. Each question carries a weight of 1.

- 1. Define intersection and join of two graphs with illustrations.
- 2. Obtain a sufficient condition for a wheel to be connected.
- Give an example of (i) a tree with two centroidal vertices, one of which is also a central vertex;
 (ii) A tree with disjoint center and centroid.
- 4. List the properties of trees.
- 5. Define Eulerian and Hamiltonian graphs. Draw a graph which is neither Eulerian nor Hamiltonian.
- 6. Draw Peterson graph and show that it is not 1-factorable.
- 7. Draw a disconnected graph and its connected dual.
- Show that every planar graph is 6-vertex colorable.

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Part B

Answer any five questions. Each question carries a weight of 2.

- 9. Explain edge connectivity and block with examples.
- 10. Show that every tournament contains a diverted Hamiltonian path.
- 11. Prove that for a simple connected graph G, L(G) is isomorphic to G if and only if G is a cycle.
- 12. Examine whether a signed tree is balanced.
- 13. For any graph G for which $\delta > 0$ show that $\alpha^1 + \beta^1 = n$.
- Explain : Knight's tour in a chess board.

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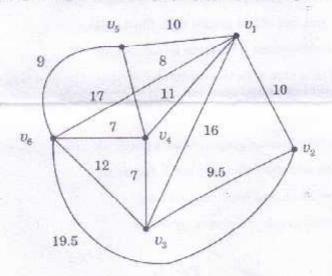
- 15. Show that the Petersen graph is 4-edge-chromatic.
- 16. Show that $k_{3,3}$ is non-planar.

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Part C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries a weight of 5.

- 17. (a) Obtain necessary and sufficient condition for the edge connectivity of a graph to be K.
 - (b) Show that the set of automorphisms of a simple graph is a group under a suitable binary operation.
- Establishing the required lemmas, obtain Cayley's formula for the number of spanning trees of a labelled complete graph.
- 19. Obtain the shortest spanning tree for the graph given below using Prim's algorithm.



20. Define:

- (a) Maximum and maximal matching.
- (b) Vertex-independent and edge-independent sets.
- (c) Maximum and maximal independent sets.
- (d) Independence number and covering number.
- (e) Vertex coloring and Vertex covering.
- 21. (a) Determine the chromatic index of the complete graph.
 - (b) Establish Euler's formula and derive two of its consequences.
- 22. State and prove Vizing-Gupta theorem on edge-coloring of graphs.