

**M. Sc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCT/NOV 2020: JAN 2021****SEMESTER 3 : MATHEMATICS****COURSE : 16P3MATT13 : GRAPH THEORY***(For Regular - 2019 Admission and Supplementary - 2016/2017/2018 Admissions)*

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**PART A****Answer all (1.5 marks each)**

1. Define line graph of a loopless graph  $G$ . What is the line graph of  $K_{1,n}$ ?
2. Give an example of a graph  $G$  and its subgraph  $H$  with the property  $\lambda(G) = \lambda(H)$ .
3. Prove or disprove: If closure of  $G$  is Hamiltonian, then  $G$  is Hamiltonian.
4. Give an example of a tree with two central vertices, one of which is also a centroidal vertex.
5. Determine  $\tau(C_4)$
6. Draw the Petersen graph
7. Define proper vertex coloring and chromatic number of a graph  $G$ .
8. Define maximum matching and maximal matching in a graph. Give an example of a maximal matching which is not a maximum matching.
9. Explain the Jordan Curve Theorem.
10. Determine  $\chi'(K_4)$

**(1.5 x 10 = 15)****PART B****Answer any 4 (5 marks each)**

11. Give an example of a graph on 10 vertices containing exactly 4 blocks.
12. Show that every connected graph contains a spanning tree.
13. (a) Show that a tree with at least two vertices contains at least two pendant vertices.  
(b) Show that if  $\delta(G) \geq 2$ , then  $G$  contains a cycle.
14. Briefly describe the Konigsberg Bridge problem and its significance.
15. Prove that for any graph  $G$ ,  $\alpha(G) + \beta(G) = n$
16. Show that  $K_{3,3}$  is nonplanar.

**(5 x 4 = 20)****PART C****Answer any 4 (10 marks each)**

- 17.1. Define automorphism of a simple graph  $G$ . Show that the set  $\Gamma(G)$  of all automorphisms of a simple graph  $G$  is a group with respect to the compositions of mappings as the group operation. Further show that for any simple graph  $G$ ,  $\Gamma(G) = \Gamma(G^c)$

**OR**

2. (a) Show that the automorphism group of  $K_3$  is isomorphic to the symmetric  $S_3$ .  
(b) Define identity graph. Show that the graph  $G$  with vertex set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7\}$  and edge set  $\{v_1v_4, v_2v_3, v_3v_4, v_4v_5, v_5v_6, v_6v_7\}$  is an identity graph.

18.1. Find the number of spanning trees of the graph  $C_3 \vee K_1$

**OR**

2. Show that every tree has a center consisting of either a single vertex or two adjacent vertices.

19.1. Show that a graph  $G$  is Eulerian if and only if it has an odd number of cycle decompositions.

**OR**

2. Show that for every positive integer  $k$ , there exists a triangle-free graph with chromatic number  $k$ .

20.1. Show that if  $G$  is a loopless bipartite graph,  $\chi'(G) = \Delta(G)$ . Show by means of an example that the converse need not be true.

**OR**

2. Show that every planar graph is 5-vertex colorable.

**(10 x 4 = 40)**