

**ADVANCED COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND GRAPH THEORY  
(MATH 4282)**

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

*Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and  
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group – A  
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) The smallest prime divisor of the number  $2.3.5.7 + 1$  is  
(a) 3 (b) 17  
(c) 11 (d) none of the others.
- (ii) The value of  $H_4$ , the fourth harmonic number, is  
(a)  $11/6$  (b)  $25/12$   
(c)  $137/60$  (d) none of the others.
- (iii) The number of subsets of a set having  $n$  elements is  
(a)  $2^n - 1$  (b)  $2^n$   
(c)  $2n$  (d)  $2^n - 2$ .
- (iv) The remainder in the division of  $1! + 2! + 3! + 4! + \dots + 20!$  by 4 is  
(a) 2 (b) 3  
(c) 1 (d) 0.
- (v) The greatest common divisor of  $F_8$  and  $F_9$  (i.e the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci numbers) is  
(a) 1 (b) 2  
(c) 3 (d) 4.
- (vi) Consider the following recurrence:  $T_n = T_{n-1} + 4$ ,  $T_0 = 3$ ,  $n \geq 1$ .  $T_{100}$  is  
(a) even (b) prime  
(c) odd (d) negative.

- (vii) Let  $[x]$  denote the greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$ . Then  

$$\lfloor \sqrt[100]{20} \rfloor =$$

(a) 2	(b) 3
(c) 4	(d) 1
- (viii) The chromatic number of a bipartite graph is  

(a) 3	(b) 2
(c) 1	(d) 0
- (ix) The constant term of the chromatic polynomial of a graph having 6 vertices is  

(a) 6	(b) 5
(c) -1	(d) 0.
- (x) The number of perfect matchings in  $C_5$ , the cycle having five vertices, is  

(a) 1	(b) 3
(c) 2	(d) 0.

### Group - B

2. (a) Solve the following recurrence:

$$V_0 = 1 ;$$

$$V_n = 2V_{n-1}, \quad \text{for } n > 0.$$

- (b) Find  $V_2, V_3$  and  $V_4$ . Show your work.

Consider the following recurrence.

$$K_0 = 1 ;$$

$$K_n = K_{n-1} + 2n, \text{ for } n > 0.$$

Find an  $m$  such that (i)  $K_m > 100$ , (ii)  $K_m > 1000$ . Show your work.

**6 + 6 = 12**

3. (a) Calculate  $\sum_{k=0}^{10} (2 + 3k)$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{100} (2 + 3k)$ . Find an  $m$  such that  $\sum_{k=0}^m (2 + 3k) > 300$ . Show your work.

- (b) Calculate  $\sum_{k=0}^{100} 2 \cdot 3^k$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{10} 2 \cdot (3^k + 3k)$ . Show your work.

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### Group - C

4. (a) Let  $F_n$  denote the  $n$ th Fibonacci number.

The first few Fibonacci numbers are  $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1, F_2 = 1, F_3 = 2, F_4 = 3$ . Calculate  $F_5, F_6, F_7, \dots, F_{20}$ . Observe which ones are odd and which ones are even. Is  $F_{40}$  even or odd? Justify your answer and show your work.

(b) State the Binomial Theorem. Calculate  $\binom{10}{0} + \binom{10}{1} + \binom{10}{2} + \binom{10}{3} + \dots + \binom{10}{10}$  by using this theorem or otherwise. Show your work.

**7 + 5 = 12**

5. (a) The Stirling number of the second kind,  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right\}$ , is the number of ways to partition a set of  $n$  things into  $k$  nonempty subsets. These numbers obey the recurrence relation

$$\left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right\} = k \left\{ \begin{matrix} n-1 \\ k \end{matrix} \right\} + \left\{ \begin{matrix} n-1 \\ k-1 \end{matrix} \right\}, \text{ integer } n > 0.$$

Observe that  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ 1 \end{matrix} \right\} = 1, \left\{ \begin{matrix} n \\ n \end{matrix} \right\} = 1$  for all  $n > 0$ . Calculate  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{matrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \right\}$  and  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \right\}$  by using the recurrence relation or otherwise. Show your work.

(b) The Stirling number of the first kind,  $\left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right]$  is the number of ways to arrange  $n$  objects into  $k$  cycles. By using this definition, Find the values of  $\left[ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \right], \left[ \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \right], \left[ \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \right]$  and  $\left[ \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \right]$ . Show your work.

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### Group - D

6. (a) State Fermat's Little Theorem. Show that

(i)  $3^{16} \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ ,

(ii)  $3^{35} \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$  by using this theorem or otherwise.

(b) Find the greatest common divisor of 89 and 55 by using the Euclidean algorithm. Show your calculations in detail.

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7. (a) By using Wilson's Theorem, or otherwise, find the remainder in the division of  $18! + 7! + 6!$  by 19. Show your work.

(b) Let  $\varphi(n)$  denote the Euler  $\varphi$ -function. Calculate (i)  $\varphi(10)$  (ii)  $\varphi(31)$  and (iii)  $\varphi(105)$ . Show your work.

**5 + 7 = 12**

### Group - E

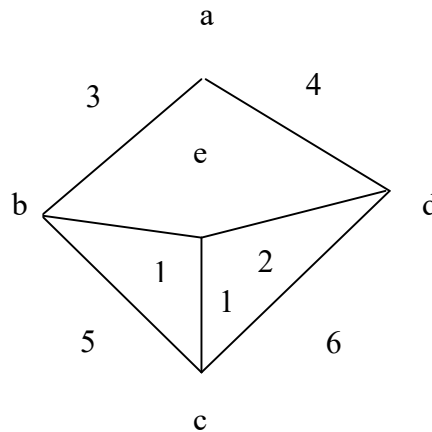
8. (a) State the definition of the chromatic polynomial of a graph. Find the chromatic polynomial of  $K_6$ , the complete graph having 6 vertices. Show your work.

(b) Find the chromatic number of (i)  $K_6$ , (ii) a tree and (iii) a graph having 4 vertices and no edges. Justify your answers.

**5 + 7 = 12**

9. (a) State the definition of a matching in a graph. Find  
 (i) all maximal matchings in  $K_4$ , the complete graph having 4 vertices and  
 (ii) a perfect matching in  $C_6$ , the cycle having 6 vertices.

(b) Find a spanning tree of the following graph by Kruskal's algorithm.



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