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**EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS**

For The Following Qualifications:-

*B.Sc. B.Sc.(Econ)M.Sci.*

**Mathematics C395: Graph Theory and Combinatorics**

**COURSE CODE : MATHC395**

**UNIT VALUE : 0.50**

**DATE : 05-MAY-05**

**TIME : 14.30**

**TIME ALLOWED : 2 Hours**

All questions may be attempted but only marks obtained on the best **four** solutions will count.

The use of an electronic calculator is **not** permitted in this examination.

1. (a) Give the definition of a tree. Show that every connected graph contains a spanning tree.  
(b) Find the tree whose Prüfer code is  $(2, 1, 5, 5, 1, 2, 3)$ .  
(c) Give the definition of an Euler circuit, and state the theorem on the existence of an Euler circuit in a graph.
  
2. (a) For which  $m$  and  $n$  does the complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  contain a Hamilton cycle? Justify your answer.  
(b) Assume  $n \geq 4$  is even. Construct a graph  $G$  on  $n$  vertices with  $\delta(G) = (n-2)/2$  that contains no Hamilton cycle.  
(c) Give the definition of the chromatic number of a graph  $G$ . Show that every graph on  $n$  vertices and chromatic number  $k$  contains an independent set of size  $n/k$ .
  
3. (a) State the König-Hall theorem and use it to show that an  $r$ -regular ( $r \geq 1$ ) bipartite graph  $G$  with bipartition classes  $X$  and  $Y$  has a complete matching from  $X$  to  $Y$ .  
(b) Decide whether  $(1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5)$  is the degree sequence of a graph. In case it is, make a drawing of such a graph.  
(c) State Euler's formula for planar graphs. Prove that  $K_5$  is not planar.
  
4. (a) Define the Turán graph  $T_r(n)$ . State Turán's theorem.  
(b) Prove that among all  $r$ -partite graphs on  $n$  vertices, the Turán graph has the largest number of edges.  
(c) State and prove the local LYM inequality. When does equality hold?
  
5. (a) Define the Ramsey numbers  $R(s, t)$ . Show that  $R(3, 3) = 6$   
(b) When  $\mathcal{P}([8])$  is decomposed into symmetric chains, how many chains are there? How many chains are there of size 9, of size 8, and of size 1?  
(c) State and prove Fisher's inequality.