

GRAPH THEORY

Class Test 1

13 December 2023

The class test consists of two parts: “Exercises” and “Questions”.

*Please attempt **BOTH** Exercises and **TWO** Questions.*

*Refer to any results you are using by name
(or state them if you don't remember their name).*

Duration of the class test: 90 minutes.

QUESTIONS

Please attempt **TWO** Questions (out of 3).

Each Question is worth 7 points.

Question 1

Let G be a bipartite graph with vertex classes W and M , such that $|W| = |M|$. Show that the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) for all $A \subseteq V(G)$, the graph $G - A$ has at most $|A|$ isolated vertices (i.e. vertices of degree 0);
- (ii) for all $A \subseteq V(G)$, the graph $G - A$ has at most $|A|$ connected components of odd order;
- (iii) G has a matching from W to M .

Question 2

Let $k \geq 1$, and let G be an incomplete graph. Show that if $\Delta(G) \leq 3$, then G is k -connected if and only if G is k -edge-connected. Give an example (with justification) of a graph G with $\Delta(G) = 4$ such that G is 3-edge-connected but not 3-connected.

Question 3

Show that $t_r(n) \leq \frac{n^2}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{r})$ for any $n \geq r \geq 1$. Deduce that any graph G of order n has a complete subgraph of order $\geq \frac{n}{n-d(G)}$. Use this to show that any graph H of order n has an independent subset $A \subseteq V(H)$ such that $|A| \geq \frac{n}{d(H)+1}$, where we define a subset $A \subseteq V(H)$ to be *independent* if $e(H[A]) = 0$.

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EXERCISES

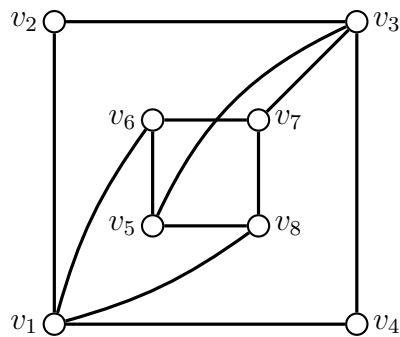
Please attempt **BOTH** Exercises (A and B) displayed below.

Wherever explanations are needed, please give precise reasons
(by explicitly writing down specific subgraphs, collections of vertices/edges, etc).

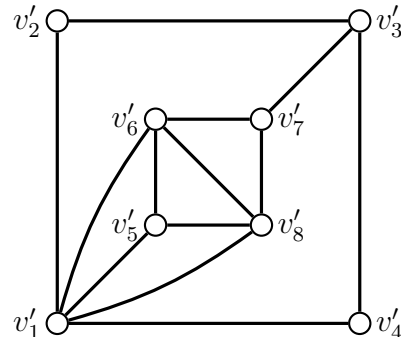
The Exercises are worth 6 points in total.

Exercise A

Consider the following graphs G and G' :



G



G'

Find the chromatic numbers of both of these graphs. Explain your answers.

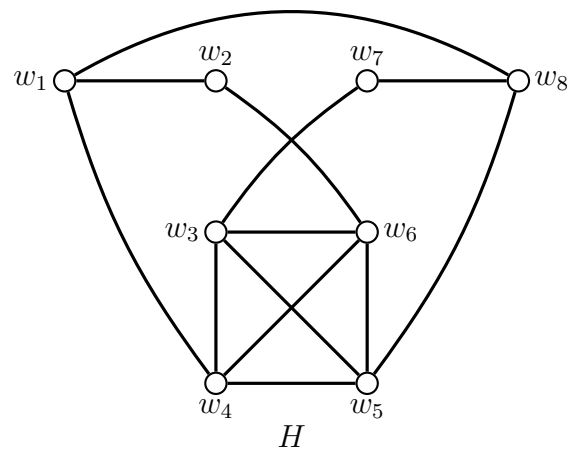
Solution for G :

Solution for G' :

[Please turn over]

Exercise B

Consider the following graph H :



Determine whether or not H is Hamiltonian and/or Eulerian. Explain your answers.

[Recall that a graph G is said to be Eulerian if there exists a closed walk in G passing through each edge exactly once.]

Is H Hamiltonian?

Is H Eulerian?