



MATHEMATICS HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 3 – DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

Monday 19 May 2008 (afternoon)

1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer all the questions.
- Unless otherwise stated in the question, all numerical answers must be given exactly or correct to three significant figures.

Please start each question on a new page. Full marks are not necessarily awarded for a correct answer with no working. Answers must be supported by working and/or explanations. In particular, solutions found from a graphic display calculator should be supported by suitable working, e.g. if graphs are used to find a solution, you should sketch these as part of your answer. Where an answer is incorrect, some marks may be given for a correct method, provided this is shown by written working. You are therefore advised to show all working.

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1. [Maximum mark: 11]

- (a) Use the Euclidean algorithm to find the gcd of 324 and 129. [3 marks]
- (b) Hence show that 324x+129y=12 has a solution and find both a particular solution and the general solution. [6 marks]
- (c) Show that there are no integers x and y such that 82x + 140y = 3. [2 marks]

2. [Maximum mark: 11]

(a) The matrix below shows the distances between towns A, B, C, D and E.

	А	В	С	D	Е
A	(–	5	7	10	6)
В	(_	2	9	-
C	7	2	_	3	8
D	10 6	9	3	_	-
Е	6	_	8	_	_)

- (i) Draw the graph, in its planar form, that is represented by the matrix.
- (ii) Write down with reasons whether or not it is possible to find an Eulerian trail in this graph.
- (iii) Solve the Chinese postman problem with reference to this graph if A is to be the starting and finishing point. Write down the walk and determine the length of the walk. [9 marks]
- (b) Show that a graph cannot have exactly one vertex of odd degree. [2 marks]

[3 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 14]

(a) (i) Given that $a \equiv d \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$ prove that

$$(a+b) \equiv (c+d) \pmod{n}.$$

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(ii) Hence solve the system

$$2x + 5y \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$$

$$x + y \equiv 5 \pmod{6}.$$
 [11 marks]

(b) Show that $x^{97} - x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{97}$ has no solution.

4. [Maximum mark: 12]

- (a) (i) Let M be the adjacency matrix of a bipartite graph. Show that the leading diagonal entries in M^{37} are all zero.
 - (ii) What does the $(i, j)^{\text{th}}$ element of $M + M^2 + M^3$ represent? [4 marks]

(b) Prove that a graph containing a triangle cannot be bipartite. [3 marks]

(c) Prove that the number of edges in a bipartite graph with *n* vertices is less than or equal to $\frac{n^2}{4}$. [5 marks]

5. [Maximum mark: 12]

Let G be a simple, connected, planar graph.

- (a) (i) Show that Euler's relation f e + v = 2 is valid for a spanning tree of G.
 - (ii) By considering the effect of adding an edge on the values of f, e and v show that Euler's relation remains true. [7 marks]
- (b) Show that K_5 is not planar. [5 marks]