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**Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2013/Jan.2014**  
**Operations Research**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting  
at least TWO questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

- 1 a. What is operation research? Mention six phases of an operation research study. (05 Marks)  
 b. A manufacturer produces three models I, II, III of certain product using raw materials A and B. The following table gives the data for the problem formulate the LP model:

Raw material	Requirement per unit			Availability
	I	II	III	
A	2	3	5	4000
B	4	2	7	6000
Min demand	200	200	150	-
Profit per unit (Rs.)	30	20	50	-

- c. Define: (05 Marks)
- Feasible solution
  - Feasible region
  - Optimal solution
  - Degeneracy
  - Infeasible solution. (10 Marks)

- 2 a. Define slack and surplus variables. (04 Marks)  
 b. Find all the basic solutions of the following system of equation identifying in each case the basic and non basic variables:

$$2x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 = 11$$

$$3x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 = 14$$

- (06 Marks)

- c. Solve the following LPP using simplex method in tabular form:

$$\text{Maximize } Z = 5x_1 + 3x_2$$

$$\text{Subject to, } x_1 + x_2 \leq 2$$

$$5x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 10$$

$$3x_1 + 8x_2 \leq 12$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

(10 Marks)

- 3 a. Express the following LPP in canonical form

$$\text{Maximize } Z = 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3$$

$$\text{Subject to, } 4x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 6$$

$$x_1 + 5x_2 - 7x_3 \geq -4$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

(06 Marks)

- b. Explain the computational steps of Big-M method. (04 Marks)

- c. Solve by Big-M method

$$\text{Minimize } Z = 4x_1 + x_2$$

$$\text{Subject to, } 3x_1 + x_2 = 3$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 6$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 3$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$$

(10 Marks)

- 4 a. Use two phase method to minimize  
 $5x_1 - 6x_2 - 7x_3$   
 Subject to,  $x_1 + 5x_2 - 3x_3 \geq 15$   
 $5x_1 - 6x_2 + 10x_3 \leq 20$   
 $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5$   
 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$  (10 Marks)
- b. Brief out the important characteristics of duality. (04 Marks)
- c. Construct the dual of an LPP  
 Minimize  $Z = 3x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3$   
 Subject to,  $2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 15$   
 $4x_1 - 2x_2 \geq 9$   
 $-8x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 = 8$   
 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$  (06 Marks)

**PART - B**

- 5 a. Solve by dual simplex method  
 Minimize  $Z = 2x_1 + x_2$   
 Subject to,  $3x_1 + x_2 \leq 3$   
 $4x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 6$   
 $x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 3$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$  (12 Marks)
- b. Explain parametric integer linear programming and its significance. (08 Marks)
- 6 a. A dairy farm has 3 plants located at 3 different places and daily milk production of each plant is given as follows:

Plant	Production (in million ltrs)
1	6
2	1
3	10

Each day the firm must fulfill the needs of its 4 destination centres. Minimum requirement of each centre is as follows:

Centres	Requirement (million ltrs)
1	7
2	5
3	3
4	4

Cost of shipping 1 million ltr of milk from each plant of each centre is given in the below table

	1	2	3	4
1	2	3	11	7
2	1	0	6	1
3	5	8	15	9

Formulate the LP model. (10 Marks)

- b. Solve the following transportation problem by North West corner rule and find the optimal solution: (10 Marks)

15	26	3	350
3	7	8	100
9	4	3	110
80	150	330	

- 7 a. Find the optimality assignment for the following matrix: (10 Marks)

	A	B	C	D
1	2	3	4	5
2	4	5	6	7
3	7	8	9	8
4	3	5	8	4

- b. Cable operator is planning to give cable network connections to six housing blocks shown below. The distances are given in hundreds of meters. Give optimum connection details. (05 Marks)

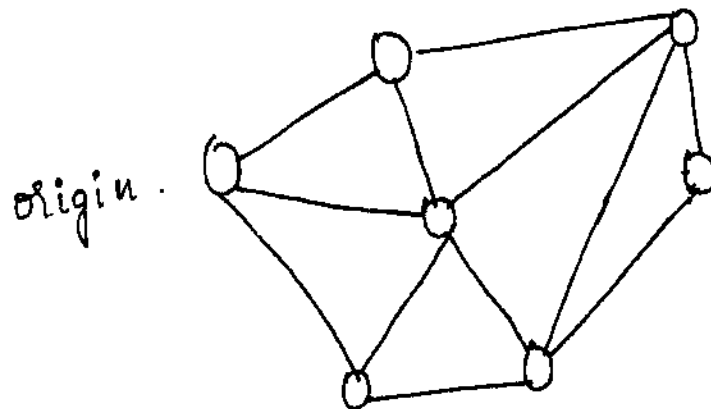


Fig.Q.7(b)

- c. Solve the following game:

	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>
A <sub>1</sub>	-7	6
A <sub>2</sub>	7	-4
A <sub>3</sub>	-4	-2
A <sub>4</sub>	8	-6

(05 Marks)

- 8 a. Explain the nature of meta heuristics. (05 Marks)  
 b. Write a note on solving a non-linear programming problem. Explain tabu search. (10 Marks)  
 c. Explain the outline of a basic genetic algorithm. (05 Marks)

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