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**Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2013**  
**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. Define operations research. List and explain the various phases of an operations research study. (08 Marks)
- b. A farmer has to plant two kinds of trees P and Q in a land of 400m<sup>2</sup> area. Each P tree requires at least 25m<sup>2</sup> and Q tree requires 40m<sup>2</sup> of land. The annual water requirement of P tree is 30 units and of Q tree is 15 units per tree, while at most 3000 units of water is available. It is also estimated that the ratio of the number of Q trees to the number of P trees should not be less than 6/19 and should not be more than 17/8. The return per tree from P is expected to be one and half times as much as from Q tree. Formulate the problem as an LPP model. (06 Marks)
- c. Use the graphical method to solve the following LPP.  
Minimize  $Z = 1.5x_1 + 2.5x_2$   
Subject to the constraints  $x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 3$ ,  
 $x_1 + x_2 \geq 2$   
And  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ . (06 Marks)
- 2**
- a. Define basic solution and obtain all the basic solutions to the following system of linear equations:  
 $2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 = 10$ ,  
 $3x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 = 12$   
Also, classify the solutions into  
i) Basic feasible solution  
ii) Degenerate basic solution  
iii) Non-degenerate basic feasible solution. (07 Marks)
- b. Solve the following LPP using simplex method:  
Maximize  $Z = 10x_1 + 15x_2 + 8x_3$   
Subject to the constraints  
 $x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 200$ ,  
 $2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 220$ ,  
 $3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 180$ ,  
 $x_1 \geq 10$ ,  
 $x_2 \geq 20$ ,  
 $x_3 \geq 30$   
and  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$ . (13 Marks)
- 3**
- a. Solve the following LPP by two-phase simplex method:  
Maximize  $Z = 3x_1 - x_2$   
Subject to the constraints  
 $2x_1 + x_2 \geq 2$ ,  
 $x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 2$ ,  
 $x_2 \leq 4$   
and  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ . (10 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.  
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

- b. Solve the following LPP by Big-M method:

$$\text{Maximize } Z = -2x_1 - x_2$$

Subject to the constraints

$$3x_1 + x_2 = 3,$$

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

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 4$$

$$\text{and } x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$$

(10 Marks)

- 4 a. Solve the following LPP by revised simplex method:

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

Subject to the constraints

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 6,$$

$$6x_1 + x_2 \leq 3$$

$$\text{And } x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

(12 Marks)

- b. Explain the following:

i) Weak duality property

ii) Strong duality property

iii) Complementary solutions property

iv) Complementary optimal solutions property.

(08 Marks)

### PART – B

- 5 a. Write any five key relationships between the primal and the dual problems.

(05 Marks)

- b. Write the duals of the following LPP's.

i) Maximize  $Z = 7x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3$

Subject to the constraints

$$2x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 \leq 10,$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 6$$

$$\text{and } x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$$

ii) Minimize  $Z = 3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3$

Subject to the constraints

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 5,$$

$$4x_1 - 2x_2 \geq 9,$$

$$-8x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 = 8$$

and  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$  and  $x_3$  is unrestricted.

(07 Marks)

- c. Solve the following LPP by dual simplex method:

$$\text{Minimize } Z = 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3$$

Subject to the constraints

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 \geq 2,$$

$$3x_1 + x_2 + 7x_3 \leq 3,$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 + 6x_3 \leq 5$$

$$\text{and } x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$$

(08 Marks)

- 6 a. A company has 3 cement factories located in 3 cities X, Y and Z which supply cement to 4 project sites located in cities A, B, C and D. Each plant can supply 6, 1 and 10 truckloads of cement daily and the daily requirements of the projects are 7, 5, 3 and 2 truckloads respectively. The transportation cost (in thousands of rupees) per truck load of cement from each plant to each project site are shown below.

		Projects			
		A	B	C	D
Plants	X	2	3	11	7
	Y	1	0	6	1
	Z	5	8	15	9

Determine the optimal distribution of the company so as to minimize the total transportation cost. Use VAM method to find the initial BFS. **(12 Marks)**

b. Solve the following assignment problem:

		Machines				
		M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	M <sub>4</sub>	M <sub>5</sub>
Jobs	J <sub>1</sub>	11	17	8	16	20
	J <sub>2</sub>	9	7	12	6	15
	J <sub>3</sub>	13	16	15	12	16
	J <sub>4</sub>	21	24	17	28	26
	J <sub>5</sub>	14	19	12	11	13

**(08 Marks)**

7 a. Define the following with respect to games:

- i) Pay-off
- ii) Zero-sum game
- iii) Saddle point.

**(03 Marks)**

b. Solve the following game by Dominance principle:

		Player B			
		B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>4</sub>
Player A	A <sub>1</sub>	3	2	4	0
	A <sub>2</sub>	3	4	2	4
	A <sub>3</sub>	4	2	4	0
	A <sub>4</sub>	0	4	0	8

**(06 Marks)**

c. Solve the following game by graphical method:

		Player B			
		B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>4</sub>
Player A	A <sub>1</sub>	8	5	-7	9
	A <sub>2</sub>	-6	6	4	-2

**(07 Marks)**

d. Write a short note on decision trees. **(04 Marks)**

8 a. Write the outline of a basic tabu search algorithm. Explain it with the help of a minimum spanning tree problem with constraints. **(10 Marks)**

b. Write short notes on:

- i) Simulated annealing;
- ii) Genetic algorithms.

**(10 Marks)**

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