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**Operations Research (UMA-019)**  
**Tutorial Sheet 6**

1. Iron ore is to be transported from three mines to four steel mills situated in different cities. Find the minimum cost transportation schedule given the following cost matrix:

|              |     | Steel Mills |    |    |    | Ore Available |
|--------------|-----|-------------|----|----|----|---------------|
|              |     | A           | B  | C  | D  |               |
| Mines        | I   | 14          | 56 | 48 | 27 | 13            |
|              | II  | 82          | 35 | 21 | 81 | 19            |
|              | III | 99          | 31 | 71 | 63 | 16            |
| Ore required |     | 7           | 14 | 21 | 6  |               |

2. In a flood relief operation, there are four bases of operations  $B_i$  ( $i=1,2,3,4$ ) from where air crafts can take relief materials to three targets  $T_j$  ( $j=1,2,3$ ). Because of the difference in air crafts, range to target and flying altitudes, the relief material (in tons) per aircraft from any base that can be delivered to any target differs according to following table:

|       | $T_1$ | $T_2$ | $T_3$ |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $B_1$ | 8     | 6     | 5     |
| $B_2$ | 6     | 6     | 6     |
| $B_3$ | 10    | 8     | 4     |
| $B_4$ | 8     | 6     | 4     |

The daily sortie capacity of each of the four bases is 150 sorties per day and the daily requirement of sorties on each target is 200. Find the allocation of sorties that maximizes the total tonnage over all the targets. If the problem has alternative solutions, find one.

3. A steel company has three open hearth furnaces and five rolling mills. Shipping cost of steel from furnaces to rolling mills are shown in the following table. Find the optimal shipping schedule.

| Mills<br>Furnaces           | M <sub>1</sub> | M <sub>2</sub> | M <sub>3</sub> | M <sub>4</sub> | M <sub>5</sub> | Capacities<br>(in quintal) |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| F <sub>1</sub>              | 4              | 2              | 3              | 2              | 6              | 8                          |
| F <sub>2</sub>              | 5              | 4              | 5              | 2              | 1              | 12                         |
| F <sub>3</sub>              | 6              | 5              | 4              | 7              | 3              | 14                         |
| Requirement<br>(in quintal) | 4              | 4              | 6              | 8              | 8              |                            |

4. Solve the following transportation problem for minimum transportation cost.

|                | D <sub>1</sub> | D <sub>2</sub> | D <sub>3</sub> | D <sub>4</sub> | D <sub>5</sub> | Availability |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| O <sub>1</sub> | 20             | 19             | 14             | 21             | 16             | 40           |
| O <sub>2</sub> | 15             | 20             | 13             | 19             | 16             | 60           |
| O <sub>3</sub> | 18             | 15             | 18             | 20             | —              | 70           |
| Requirement    | 30             | 40             | 50             | 40             | 60             |              |

where — indicates that it is not possible to transport goods from origin  $O_3$  to destination  $D_5$ .

5. Solve the following transportation problem for minimum cost starting with the degenerate basis  $x_{12} = 30$ ,  $x_{21} = 40$ ,  $x_{32} = 20$ ,  $x_{43} = 60$

|                | D <sub>1</sub> | D <sub>2</sub> | D <sub>3</sub> | Availability |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| O <sub>1</sub> | 4              | 5              | 2              | 30           |
| O <sub>2</sub> | 4              | 1              | 3              | 40           |
| O <sub>3</sub> | 3              | 6              | 2              | 20           |
| O <sub>4</sub> | 2              | 3              | 7              | 60           |
| Demand         | 40             | 50             | 60             |              |

6. A company has four plants producing the same product. The production cost differs from one plant to another as do the cost of raw materials. There are five regional warehouses. Sales price at each is different. The maximum sales, capacity, unit transportation costs etc. are given in the following table. Determine the transportation schedule which maximizes the over all profit.

|                           | Plants    |     |     |     | Sales |       |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|
|                           | 1         | 2   | 3   | 4   | Price | Sales |
|                           | Maximum   |     |     |     | (Rs.) |       |
| Production cost (Rs.)     | 15        | 18  | 14  | 13  |       |       |
| Raw material cost (Rs.)   | 10        | 9   | 12  | 8   |       |       |
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|                           | Warehouse |     |     |     |       |       |
|                           | 1         | 3   | 9   | 5   | 4     | 34    |
|                           | 2         | 1   | 7   | 4   | 5     | 32    |
|                           | 3         | 5   | 8   | 3   | 6     | 31    |
|                           | 4         | 7   | 3   | 8   | 2     | 31    |
|                           | 5         | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7     | 31    |
| Transportation cost (Rs.) |           |     |     |     |       |       |
|                           |           |     |     |     |       | 80    |
|                           |           |     |     |     |       | 110   |
|                           |           |     |     |     |       | 150   |
|                           |           |     |     |     |       | 100   |
|                           |           |     |     |     |       | 150   |
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| Capacity                  | 150       | 200 | 175 | 100 |       |       |