

Max Marks: 45

Max Time: 2 hr

Any unfair means will enforce disciplinary action.  
Do all parts of the question at one place in the answer sheet.

1. Consider the nonlinear program

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & -x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{subject to} \quad & x_1^3 + x_2 \leq 0 \\ & x_1 - x_2^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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- Identify (clearly) the feasible region  $S$ . Is  $S$  a convex set? Justify.
- Determine the feasible direction set at  $x^* = (1, -1)^T$  to  $S$ , with reasoning.
- Does the basic constraint qualification hold at  $x^*$ ? Justify.
- The unique minimizer of the problem is  $x^*$ . Argue in favor or against this statement.
- Is the claim that  $\hat{x} = (1/2, -1/8)^T$  not a local minimizer of the problem TRUE? Justify.

2. Consider the linear program (P):

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & z = 5x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 \\ \text{subject to} \quad & 2x_1 + x_2 - 6x_3 = 20 \\ & 6x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 76 \\ & 8x_1 - 3x_2 + 6x_3 \geq 50 \\ & x_1 \in \mathbb{R}, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

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$$A^T x = b$$

$x \geq 0$

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It is known that (P) has an optimal solution and  $x_1$  is the only basic variable among  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  in the optimal table of (P),

- Find the optimal solution and the optimal value of (P).
- Write the dual (D) of (P). Use the complementary slackness conditions to find the optimal solution of (D).
- Suppose the right-hand side of the first and second constraints are changed respectively to 18 and 75, then without performing any additional simplex iterations or referring to the tableau, determine the effect of this change on solutions of (P) and (D)?
- If the cost coefficient of  $x_1$  and  $x_3$  in (P) are changed to respectively 5.5 and 2.75, then without performing any additional simplex iterations or referring to the tableau, provides an upper bound on the optimal primal objective for the modified problem.

3. Solve the following transportation problem to maximize the profit, where the destinations can take more than the minimum demand  $b$ .

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	D1	D2	D3	D4	a
O1	1	2	1	4	=30
O2	3	3	2	1	=50
O3	4	2	5	9	=20
b	$\geq 20$	$\geq 30$	$\geq 20$	$\geq 10$	

Consider the integer linear program:

$$\max z = -x_1 + 2x_2$$

subject to

$$-4x_1 + 6x_2 \leq 9$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 4$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0, \text{ both integers}$$

The optimal table of the associated relaxed linear problem is as follows:

$c_B$	$v_B$	$x_B$	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$y_4$
2	$x_2$	$5/2$	0	1	$1/10$	$2/5$
-1	$x_1$	$3/2$	1	0	$-1/10$	$3/5$
	$z_j - c_j$		0	0	$3/10$	$1/5$

Starting from the above tableau and using the Gomory cutting plane technique, determine the optimal solution for the given integer problem.

5. As a leader of a new industrial venture, you must inspect sites to determine four least-cost sites out of the eight available sites to build your industries. Suppose the available sites are labeled as  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_8$ , and let the cost of these sites be  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_8$ . There are some regional development restrictions described as follows:

- Evaluating sites  $S_1$  and  $S_4$  will prevent you from exploring site  $S_8$ .
- Evaluating site  $S_2$  or  $S_5$  prevents you from assessing site  $S_6$ .
- Of the group  $S_1, S_3, S_5, S_7$ , only two sites may be assessed.
- If  $S_4$  is selected, then  $S_2$  must also be selected.

Formulate (do not solve) an integer linear program to determine the minimum-cost scheme that satisfies all these restrictions. [4]

6. Write the dual of the general balanced assignment problem of minimizing the total cost of jobs assignment to machines. Using the dual variables, explain the step (Step 5 of the algorithm) of updating the assignment matrix in an iteration of the Hungarian method. [5]