

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^2 area. Each P tree requires at least 25m^2 and Q tree requires 40m^2 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)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximize } Z &= -2x_1 - x_2 \\ \text{Subject to the constraints} \\ 3x_1 + x_2 &= 3, \\ 4x_1 + 3x_2 &\geq 6, \\ x_1 + 2x_2 &\leq 4 \\ \text{and } x_1, x_2 &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(10 Marks)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximize } Z &= 2x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{Subject to the constraints} \\ 3x_1 + 4x_2 &\leq 6, \\ 6x_1 + x_2 &\leq 3 \\ \text{And } x_1, x_2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(12 Marks)

- b. Explain the following:

- Weak duality property
- Strong duality property
- Complementary solutions property
- 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.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) Maximize } Z &= 7x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 \\ \text{Subject to the constraints} \\ 2x_1 - 4x_2 + 3x_3 &\leq 10, \\ x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &\leq 6 \\ \text{and } x_1, x_2, x_3 &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) Minimize } Z &= 3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \\ \text{Subject to the constraints} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 &\leq 5, \\ 4x_1 - 2x_2 &\geq 9, \\ -8x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

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

(07 Marks)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize } Z &= 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 \\ \text{Subject to the constraints} \\ 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 &\geq 2, \\ 3x_1 + x_2 + 7x_3 &\leq 3, \\ x_1 + 4x_2 + 6x_3 &\leq 5 \\ \text{and } x_1, x_2, x_3 &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

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

(08 Marks)

- 7 a. Define the following with respect to games:

- Pay-off
- Zero-sum game
- Saddle point.

(03 Marks)

- b. Solve the following game by Dominance principle:

		Player B			
		B ₁	B ₂	B ₃	B ₄
Player A	A ₁	3	2	4	0
	A ₂	3	4	2	4
	A ₃	4	2	4	0
	A ₄	0	4	0	8

(06 Marks)

- c. Solve the following game by graphical method:

		Player B			
		B ₁	B ₂	B ₃	B ₄
Player A	A ₁	8	5	-7	9
	A ₂	-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:

- Simulated annealing;
- Genetic algorithms.

(10 Marks)
