

**FOURTH SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2014**  
(CUCSS)

**Mathematics**

**MT 4E 05—OPERATIONS RESEARCH**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

**Part A**

*Answer all questions.  
Each question has weightage 1.*

1. Give an example to show that spanning tree of a graph need not be unique.
2. Write the problem of maximum flow in the generalized form.
3. Tasks A, B, C, . . . H, I constitute a project. The notation  $X \prec Y$  means that the task X must be finished before Y can begin. With this notation,

$$A \prec D, A \prec E, B \prec F, D \prec F, C \prec G, C \prec H, F \prec I, G \prec I,$$

draw a graph to represent the sequence of tasks.

4. Describe the effect of introducing the constraint  $3x_1 - 2x_2 \leq 2$  in the L.P. problem

$$\text{Minimize } Z = 4x_1 + 5x_2$$

subject to  $2x_1 + x_2 \leq 6$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 5$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \geq 1$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 2$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$$

Whose optimal solution is  $x_1 = 2/3, x_2 = 1/3$ .

5. What do you mean by parametric programming ?
6. Let  $f(X)$  be a real-valued function in  $E_n$ ,  $G(X)$  a vector function consisting of real-valued functions  $g_i(X), i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  as components and

$$F(X, Y) = f(X) + Y' G(X)$$

where  $Y$  is a vector in  $E_m$ . If  $F(X, Y)$  has a saddle point  $(X_0, Y_0)$  for every  $Y \geq 0$ , prove that  $X_0$  is a minimum of  $f(X)$  subject to the constraints  $G(X) \leq 0$ .

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7. Write the Kuhn-Tucker conditions for the problem :

$$\text{Minimize } f = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

$$\text{subject to } x_1 + x_2 \leq 4$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 5$$

8. What is the advantage of solving the dual problem in a geometric programming problem.

9. What is the difference between a **posynomial** and a polynomial.

10. Describe a method of dynamic programming to solve the problem

$$\text{Maximize } \sum_{j=1}^n f_j(u_j)$$

$$\text{subject to } \sum_{j=1}^n a_j u_j = k \quad u_j > 0, a_j > 0$$

11. Define the term forward recursion as used in dynamic programming.

12. Solve by the method of dynamic programming

$$\text{Maximize } \phi_2 = f_2 f_1 \text{ where } f_1 = u_1, f_2 = u_2$$

$$\text{subject to } 1 < u_1 \leq 3, 1 < u_2 \leq 1.$$

13. Show that the function  $f(x) = x^2$ ,  $0 < x < 1$  is **unimodal** in  $(0, 2)$ .

14. Find the minimal point of  $x^3 - 3x + 2$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 3$  by **Newton-Raphson** method.

(14 x 1 = 14 **weightage**)

### Part B

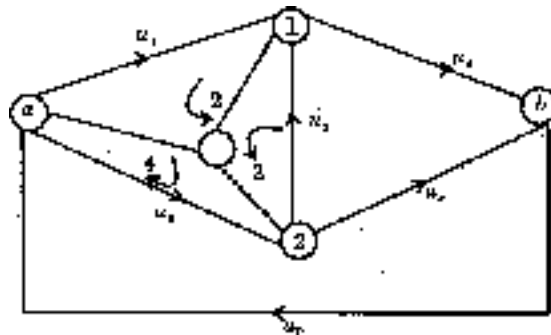
Answer any **seven** questions.  
Each question has **weightage** 2.

15. Define the following terms :

(a) Tree ; (b) Spanning Tree.

16. Find the maximum flow in the following graph with the constraints

$$2 \leq x_1 \leq 10, 4 \leq x_2 \leq 12, -2 \leq x_3 \leq 4, 0 \leq x_4 \leq 5, 0 \leq x_5 \leq 10$$



17. Describe the effect of introducing new variables on the optimal solution of an L.P. problem.

18. Solve graphically :

Maximize  $(x_1 - 4)^2 + (x_2 - 4)^2$

subject to  $x_1 + x_2 \leq 6$

$x_1 - x_2 \leq 1$

$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 6$

$\frac{1}{2}x_1 - x_2 \leq -4$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

19. State Kuhn-Tucker theorem.

20. Write the orthogonality conditions in a general geometric programming problem.

21. What are the essential features of dynamic programming problem.

22. Minimize :  $u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^3$

subject to  $u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = 10$

$u_1, u_2, u_3 \geq 0$

23. Briefly describe the Fibonacci search plan.

24. Find the minimal point of  $x^3 - 3x + 2$ ,  $0 < x < 3$  by quadratic interpolation.

(7 x 2 = 14 weightage)

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## Part C

Answer any two questions.  
Each question has **weightage** 4.

25. A project consists of activities A, B, C, . . . , M. In the following data, X – Y = C means Y can start after C days of work on X. A, B, C can start simultaneously. K and M are the last activities and take 14 and 13 days **repectively**.

$$A - D = 4, B - F = 6, B - E = 3, C - E = 4, D - H = 5, D - F = 3, E - F = 10, F - G = 4, G - I = 12, \\ H - I = 3, H - J = 3, J - K = 8, I - K = 7, L - M = 9.$$

Find the least time of completion of the project.

26. A factory can manufacture two products A and B. The profit on a unit of A is Rs. 80 and of B is Rs. 40. The maximum demand of A is 6 units per week, and of B it is 8 units. The manufacturer has set up a goal of achieving a profit of Rs. 640 per week. Formulate the **problem** as goal programming, and **sovl**e it.

27. Solve by the method of quadratic programming :

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize } -6x_1 + 2x_1^2 - 2x_1 x_2 + 2x_2^2 \\ &\text{subject to } x_1 + x_2 \leq 2, \\ &0, x_2 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

28. Find the maximum of  $f(x) = -0.55 + 3x - x^2$  by **Rosenbrock** algorithm starting from  $x = 0, h = 1$ .

(2 x 4 = 8 **weightage**)