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**SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)  
EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022**

(CBCSS)

Mathematics

MTH 2C 10—OPERATIONS RESEARCH

(2019 Admission onwards)

e : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**General Instructions**

1. In cases where choices are provided, students can attend all questions in each section.
2. The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.
3. The instruction if any, to attend a minimum number of questions from each sub section / sub part / sub division may be ignored.
4. There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.

**Part A**

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

1. Prove that  $f(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2$  is a convex function.
2. If  $f(X)$  is minimum at more than one of the vertices of  $S_F$ , then show that it is minimum at all those points which are the convex linear combinations of these vertices.
3. Write the following LP in the standard form :

Minimize  $f = x_1 + x_2 - x_3$ subject to  $2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \geq 1$  $x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 \leq 2$  $3x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 5$  $x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3$  is unrestricted.

Turn over

4. Show that the dual of the dual is the primal.
5. State the complementary slackness conditions.

6. Find the optimal strategies and the value of the game  $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 6 & 3 \\ -3 & -3 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .

7. Solve the game  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7 \\ 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

8. Briefly explain the deletion of a variable while determining a new optimal solution from a solution already obtained.

(8 × 1 = 8)

**Part B**

Answer any **two** questions from each of the following 3 units.  
Each question carries 2 weightage.

**Unit I**

9. Using graphical method solve the following linear programming problem.

Maximize  $f(x) = 3x_1 + 5x_2$

subject to  $x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 20$

$x_1 + x_2 \leq 15$

$x_2 \leq 6$

$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0.$

10. Show that a vertex of the set  $S_F$  of feasible solutions is a basic feasible solution.
11. Characterize all convex functions  $f(X)$  which are defined in a convex domain and are differentiable.

**Unit II**

12. Explain by an example the method of finding a basic feasible solution for a transportation problem.
13. Show that the transportation problem has a triangular basis.

14. Explain the dual simplex method using the following example :

$$\text{Minimize } f = 3x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3$$

$$\text{subject to } -x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 \geq 3$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \geq 2$$

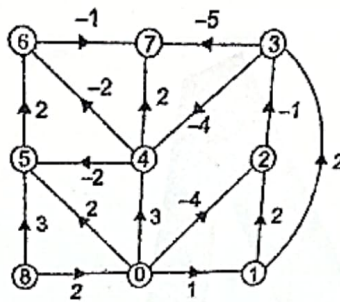
$$-2x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \geq -4$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$$

### Unit III

15. State and prove the fundamental theorem of rectangular games.

16. Find the minimum path from  $V_0$  to  $V_7$  in the following graph :



17. Minimize  $f = 3x_4 + 4x_5 + 5x_6$

$$\text{subject to } 2x_1 - 2x_4 - 4x_5 + 2x_6 = 3$$

$$2x_2 + 4x_4 + 2x_5 - 2x_6 = 5$$

$$x_3 - x_4 + x_5 + x_6 = 4$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6 \geq 0$$

$$x_1, x_2 \text{ integers.}$$

(6 × 2 = 12 weightage)

### Part C

Answer any **two** questions.  
Each question carries 5 weightage.

18. Explain the simplex method by solving the following linear programming problem :

$$\text{Maximize } f(x) = 4x_1 + 5x_2$$

$$\text{subject to } x_1 - 2x_2 \leq 2$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 6$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 5$$

$$-x_1 + x_2 \leq 2$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0.$$

Turn over

Solve the following transportation problem :

	$D_1$	$D_2$	$D_3$	
$O_1$	2	1	3	10
$O_2$	4	5	7	25
$O_3$	6	0	9	25
$O_4$	1	3	5	30
	20	20	15	

20. Write an algorithm to find a minimum spanning tree and prove it.
21. Explain the cutting plane method with an example.

$$(2 \times 5 = 10)$$