

**THIRD SEMESTER MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION**

**MODEL QUESTION PAPER**

**MT3C14 - LINEAR PROGRAMMING AND ITS APPLICATIONS**

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Weightage: 36

**Part A**

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer All Questions. Each question has weightage one

1. Find the convex hull of the set of points  $(1,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,0,1)$  in  $E_3$ .
2. Express the point  $(1, \frac{1}{2})$  as convex linear combinations of the points  $X_1 = (0,0), X_2 = (2,0), X_3 = (1,1)$
3. Find  $\nabla f(X)$  and  $H(X)$  for  $f(X) = x_1^3 + 2x_2^3 + 3x_1x_2x_3 + x_3^2$ .
4. Prove that  $f(x) = x^2, x \in R$  is a convex function.
5. Find the maximum number of basic solutions and all the basic feasible solutions of the LPP  
Maximize  $-6x + 2x_2 - 4x_3 + 5x_4$  subject to  $4x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + 3x_4 \leq 1, x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 \leq 2, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$
6. Write both the primal and dual LPP corresponding to the following payoff matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
7. Give examples of convex sets (i) with no vertex (ii) one vertex only.
8. Find the unit vector in the direction of the steepest ascent of  $f(X) = x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 + x_2x_4 + x_4^2$  at the point  $(1, 0, -1, 1)$ .
9. Determine the range of value of p and q that will make the pay off element  $a_{22}$  a saddle point for the game  
whose pay off matrix  $(a_{ij})$  is given as  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 5 \\ 10 & 7 & q \\ 4 & p & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .
10. Find the optimal objective value of the LPP by only inspecting its dual  
Minimize  $z = 10x_1 + 4x_2 + 5x_3 + x_4$  subject to  $5x_1 - 7x_2 + 3x_3 + \frac{1}{2}x_4 \geq 150, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$ .
11. How do you recognize optimality in the simplex method?
12. Define the terms 1) basic feasible solution 2) degenerate basic solution.
13. Give an example of a balanced transportation problem.
14. Define separating and supporting hyper planes of a convex set.

(14 x 1=14)

**Part B**

(Paragraph Type Questions)

Answer any seven Questions. Each question has a weightage two

15. Find the relative maxima minima and saddle points if any of  $f(X) = x_1^3 + x_2^3 - 3x_1 - 12x_2 + 25$
16. Prove that every point of  $[S]$  can be expressed as s convex linear combination of at most  $(n+1)$  points of  $S \subseteq E_n$ .
17. Prove that a vertex of  $S_F$  is a basic feasible solution.
18. Solve the following LPP by solving the dual by graphical method and using complementary slackness conditions Maximize  
 $f = 3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4$  subject to  $2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 3x_4 \leq 20, 3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 20, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$
19. Prove that the transportation problem has a triangular basis.

20. Prove the following. An optimal solution of  $\text{Min } f(X) = CX$  subject to  $X \in T_F$  is an optimal solution of  $\text{Minimize } f(X) = CX$  subject to  $X \in [T_F]$ .

21. Use the notion of dominance to simplify the following payoff matrix and then solve  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 4 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

22. Solve the LPP by graphical method Maximize  $5x_1 - x_2$  subject to  $x_1 + x_2 \geq 2, x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 2, 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 2, x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ .

23. Find the minimum assignment cost of the following problem

	M1	M2	M3	M4
A	5	2	-	5
B	7	3	2	4
C	9	-	5	3
D	7	7	6	2

24. Prove that intersection of two convex sets is a convex set. (7 x 2 =14)

**Part C**

(Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two Questions. Each question has a weightage four.

25. a) Prove that the dual of the dual of an LPP is primal.

b) Solve the LPP using simplex method

Maximize  $5x_1 + 3x_2$  subject to  $4x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 10, 5x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 10, 3x_1 + 8x_2 \leq 12, x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

26. a) Describe the cutting plane method

b) Solve the following transportation problem to find the minimum cost

	D	E	F	G	H	
A	5	8	6	6	3	800
B	4	7	7	6	5	500
C	8	4	6	6	4	900
	400	400	500	400	800	

27. a). State and prove fundamental theorem on matrix games.

b). solve graphically the game whose payoff matrix is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 \\ 11 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

28. a) Describe the caterer problem

b) Solve the following LPP by the dual simplex method. Minimize  $2x_1 + 3x_2$  subject to

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + 3x_2 &\leq 30 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 &\geq 10 \\ x_1, x_2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(2 x 4 =8)