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OPERATIONAL RESEARCH—Course XIII

(Mathematical Programming)

(Admissions of 2001 and onwards)

Time 3 Hours

Maximum Marks 75

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Attempt any Five questions

All questions carry equal marks.

- 1 (a) Check the following function for convexity

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4}x_1^4 - x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

- (b) Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open convex set and $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable Show that f is convex if and only if

$$f(x) - f(u) \geq (x - u)^t \nabla f(u)$$

for all $x, u \in S$. Give a geometrical interpretation of the above inequality

- (c) For the problem

$$\min f(x)$$

subject to $x \in S$

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where $S \subseteq R^n$ is a convex set and f is a convex function, show that the set of all optimal solutions is a convex set

- 2 (a) Using the variable transformation, associate a linear programming problem with the following linear fractional programming problem (LFPP)

$$\text{Min } \frac{c'x + \alpha}{d'x + \beta}$$

Subject to $Ax \leq b$

$$x \geq 0$$

Let $(y^* \ z^*)$ be an optimal solution of the linear programming problem. If $z^* \neq 0$ then show that

$x^* = \frac{y^*}{z^*}$ is an optimal solution of the LFPP and the objective functions values of the LFPP and the corresponding linear programming problem are equal

- (b) Solve the following linear fractional programming problem by Simplex method

$$\text{Max } f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{5x_1 + 3x_2}{5x_1 + 2x_2 + 1}$$

subject to

$$3x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 15$$

$$5x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 10$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

- 3 (a) Consider the problem

$$\text{Min } f(x)$$

subject to

$$Ax = b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

where A is an $m \times n$ matrix with rank m , b is an $m \times 1$ vector and $f(x)$ is convex continuously differentiable function. Show that a feasible point x^0 is a KKT point if and only if $\alpha = \beta = 0$, where

$$\alpha = \max \{-r_j, r_j \leq 0\}$$

$$\beta = \max \{x_j r_j, r_j \geq 0\}$$

$$\text{and } r^t = \nabla_N f(x^0) - \nabla_B f(x^0)^t B^{-1} N$$

(N denotes the indices of non-basic variables)

- (b) Give a brief outline of the theory of Simplex method for solving the following indefinite quadratic programming problem

$$\max f(x) = (c^t x + \alpha)(d^t x + \beta)$$

subject to

$$Ax \leq b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

where c, d are $n \times 1$ vectors, A is an $m \times n$ matrix, b is $m \times 1$ vector and α, β are scalars

- 4 (a) Define a pseudoconvex function. Give examples of such functions. Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open convex set

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and $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a pseudoconvex function on S .
Show that f is also a quasiconvex function on S .

- (b) Define a quasiconcave function and give examples of such functions. Is the sum of two quasiconcave functions always a quasiconcave function? Justify.
- (c) Use KKT conditions to find the value of β for which $(1, 2)$ is optimal to the problem

$$\max f(x) = 2x_1 + \beta x_2$$

subject to

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 5$$

$$x_1 - x_2 \leq 2$$

- 5 (a) Develop Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) necessary optimality conditions for a point x^0 to be a local optimal solution of the non-linear programming problem

$$\min f(x)$$

subject to

$$g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m)$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and f, g_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) are defined and continuously differentiable functions. Define all the sets used in the development process and state the appropriate constraint qualification used.

- (b) Consider the following non-linear programming problem (NLP)

$$\min f(x) = (x_1 - 4)^2 + (x_2 - 6)^2$$

subject to

$$x_2 \geq x_1^2$$

$$x_1 \leq 4$$

- (i) Write the KKT conditions
 (ii) Do the KKT conditions hold at the point (2, 4) ?
 (iii) Can we use KKT conditions to conclude that (2, 4) is optimal ? Justify

- 6 (a) For the non-linear programming problem

$$\max f(x)$$

subject to

$$g_i(x) \geq 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m),$$

Write the Wolfe dual State and prove the weak Duality Theorem and Strong Duality Theorem under suitable assumptions on the functions involved

- (b) Show that the Lagrangian function for the problem

$$\max e^x$$

subject to

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1$$

does not possess a saddle point

7 (a) For the linear fractional programming problem

$$\max f(x) = \frac{c^T x}{d^T x}, \quad (dx > 0 \text{ for all feasible } x)$$

subject to

$$Ax = b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

where all basic solutions to $Ax = b, x \geq 0$ exist and are non-degenerate, write the fractional dual State and prove the Strong Duality Theorem

(b) For the non-linear programming problem

$$\max f(x)$$

subject to

$$g_i(x) \geq 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m)$$

State and prove the sufficiency of KKT optimality conditions under the assumption that f is pseudoconcave and g_i 's ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) are quasiconcave functions