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Mechanical Engineering

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Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

- Any feasible solution which optimizes (minimizes or maximizes) the objective function of the LPP is called its _____ CO1- U
(a) Optimal solution (b) Non basic variable
(c) Solution (d) Basic feasible solution
- If a constraint with \leq type, then _____ variable should be added CO1- U
(a) Slack (b) Surplus (c) Artificial (d) Decision
- For solving an assignment problem, which method is used CO1- U
(a) MODI (b) Hungarian (c) German (d) American
- MODI method also called as _____ CO1- U
(a) North West Corner rule (b) Least Coast method
(c) U-V method (d) Stepping Stone method
- In which model, all the nodes must be connected with minimum distance? CO1- U
(a) Shortest path (b) Maximal flow
(c) Minimal spanning tree (d) Critical path
- Which method is a probabilistic approach? CO1- U
(a) CPM (b) PERT (c) PRIM'S (d) DIJKSTRA'S
- The inventory may be categorized as CO1- U
(a) Raw materials inventory (b) In-process inventory
(c) Finished goods inventory (d) All the above

8. The inventory needs to be maintained to decrease the _____ CO1- U
 (a) Shortage costs (b) Setup costs (c) Loss of goodwill (d) All the above
9. If a rectangular game has no saddle point, then the strategies of players are CO1- U
 (a) Pure strategies (b) Mixed strategies
 (c) Unique strategies (d) Specific strategies
10. One of the methods for simplifying $m \times n$ game with mixed strategy is CO1- U
 (a) Dominance (b) Graphical (c) Saddle (d) Minimax

PART – B (5 x 2= 10 Marks)

11. Explain the term operation research. CO1- U
12. Explain unbalanced transportation problem. How do you balance it? CO1- U
13. Explain network with an example. CO1- U
14. Explain individual replacement and group replacement with an example. CO1- U
15. Explain why we use graphical method. CO1- U

PART – C (5 x 16= 80 Marks)

16. (a) Solve the following LPP using graphical method CO2- App (16)
 Maximize $Z = 2X_1 + 5X_2$
 subject to $1X_1 + 4X_2 \leq 24$
 $3X_1 + 1X_2 \leq 21$
 $1X_1 + 1X_2 \leq 9$
 $X_1, X_2 \geq 0$

Or

- (b) Use Simplex method to solve the following LP problem to CO2- App (16)
 Maximize $Z = 3X_1 + 2X_2 + 5X_3$
 Subject to $1X_1 + 4X_2 \leq 420$
 $3X_1 + 2X_3 \leq 460$
 $1X_1 + 2X_2 + X_3 \leq 430$
 $X_1, X_2, X_3 \geq 0$

17. (a) Solve the following TP problem using Least Cost method for initial feasible solution and MODI method for optimal solution. CO2- App (16)

| | To | | | | Supply |
|--------|----|----|----|---|--------|
| From | 5 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 22 |
| | 4 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 15 |
| | 4 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 8 |
| Demand | 7 | 12 | 17 | 9 | |

Or

- (b) Solve the following assignment problem. CO2- App (16)

| | | Machines | | | | |
|------|---|----------|----|-----|----|----|
| | | I | II | III | IV | V |
| Jobs | 1 | 11 | 17 | 8 | 16 | 20 |
| | 2 | 9 | 7 | 12 | 6 | 15 |
| | 3 | 13 | 16 | 15 | 12 | 16 |
| | 4 | 21 | 24 | 17 | 28 | 26 |
| | 5 | 14 | 10 | 12 | 11 | 15 |

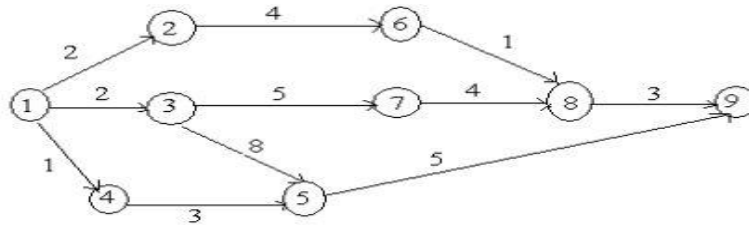
18. (a) Consider the details of a distance network as shown below. CO2- App (16)

- (i) Construct a project network
(ii) Determine the maximal flow from node 1 to 5

| Arc (i - j) | Flow | |
|-------------|----------|----------|
| | f_{ij} | f_{ji} |
| 0-1 | 11 | -- |
| 0-2 | 12 | -- |
| 1-3 | 12 | -- |
| 2-1 | 1 | -- |
| 2-4 | 11 | -- |
| 3-4 | 7 | -- |
| 3-5 | 19 | -- |
| 4-5 | 4 | -- |

Or

- (b) Find the critical path and calculate the earliest start, earliest finish, latest start, latest finish, total float, free float and independent float. CO2- App (16)



19. (a) A factory needs 36000 units annually of a component that cost Rs.2 per unit. Cost of each order placing is Rs. 25 and inventory carrying cost is Rs. 10 per year. Find
- (i) Economic order quantity
 - (ii) Number of orders per year
 - (iii) Time between the orders
 - (iv) Optimal total inventory cost

Or

- (b) The cost of a bike is Rs. 3000. The salvage value (resale value) and the running cost are given as under. Find the most economical replacement age of the bike.

| Year | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|--------------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|------|
| Running Cost | 600 | 700 | 800 | 900 | 1000 | 1200 | 1500 |
| Resale Value | 2000 | 1333 | 1000 | 750 | 500 | 300 | 300 |

20. (a) Consider a box office ticket window being manned by a single server. Customer arrives to purchase ticket according to Poisson input process with a mean rate of 30/hr. the time required to serve a customer has an ED with a mean of 90 seconds determine:
- (a) Mean queue length.
 - (b) Mean waiting time in the system.
 - (c) The probability of the customer waiting in the queue for more than 10min.
 - (d) The fraction of the time for which the server is busy.

Or

- (b) Solve the following game.

| | | Player B | | |
|----------|-----|----------|----|-----|
| | | I | II | III |
| Player A | I | 1 | 7 | 2 |
| | II | 6 | 2 | 7 |
| | III | 6 | 1 | 6 |

