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Full Marks : 60

Time : 2:30 Hours

[The figure in the margin indicates full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.]

Group-A

(Multiple Choice Type Question)

1 x 15=15

1. Choose the correct alternative from the following :

- (i) Identify the fundamental characteristic of the transportation problem.
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| a) It is a single-period linear programming problem | b) It involves finding the shortest path in a network |
| c) It deals with allocating resources from several sources to several destinations | d) It requires the use of quadratic programming techniques |
- (ii) Locate the feasible region in linear programming.
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| a) It is the region that contains all the points that satisfy the objective function | b) It is the region where the objective function takes on its maximum value |
| c) It is the region that contains all the points that violate the constraints | d) It is the region where the objective function is not defined |
- (iii) Select the correct statement about the transportation problem.
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| a) The transportation problem always involves only one source and one destination | b) The transportation problem can be solved using only graphical methods |
| c) The transportation problem requires all supplies and demands to be equal | d) The transportation problem deals with finding the optimal way to transport goods at minimum cost |
- (iv) Indicate the purpose of the dual variables in linear programming.
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| a) They represent the decision variables of the original problem | b) They measure the sensitivity of the objective function coefficients |
| c) They help in identifying the slack or surplus in the constraints | d) They assist in converting a maximization problem into a minimization problem |
- (v) Predict the steps involved in solving a linear programming problem.
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| a) Step 1: Formulate the objective function and constraints | b) Step 2: Skip the graphical method and directly use the Simplex algorithm |
| c) Step 3: Choose any initial feasible solution for the problem | d) Step 4: The optimal solution is always at one of the corner points of the feasible |

- region
- (vi) Choose the correct statement regarding the duality theorem in linear programming.
- a) The duality theorem only applies to integer linear programming problems
- b) The duality theorem states that the dual problem has the same objective function as the primal problem
- c) The duality theorem establishes a relationship between the optimal solutions of the primal and dual problems
- d) The duality theorem is not relevant when dealing with linear programming problems with more than three variables
- (vii) Identify the condition under which the transportation problem becomes unbalanced.
- a) When the total supply exceeds the total demand
- b) When the total demand exceeds the total supply
- c) When the transportation problem has only one source
- d) When the transportation problem has only one destination
- (viii) Select the objective of the simplex algorithm in linear programming.
- a) To maximize the number of iterations required to reach the optimal solution
- b) To minimize the decision variables subject to the constraints
- c) To maximize the objective function subject to the constraints
- d) To minimize the number of constraints in the problem
- (ix) Locate the condition under which a feasible solution becomes an optimal solution in linear programming.
- a) When it satisfies all the constraints with equality
- b) When it satisfies all the constraints with inequality
- c) When it violates some of the constraints
- d) When it is located outside the feasible region
- (x) Select the correct statement about the dual simplex method
- a) It is used to find the optimal solution for integer linear programming problems
- b) It is an extension of the simplex algorithm used to solve unbalanced transportation problems
- c) It is employed to find the optimal solution for linear programming problems with multiple objectives
- d) It is used to update the dual variables and maintain feasibility in the dual problem during iterations
- (xi) Select the distribution pattern followed by the PERT analysis.
- a) gamma distribution
- b) normal distribution
- c) beta distribution
- d) log-normal distribution
- (xii) Predict the steps involved in the Project Evaluation and Review Technique (PERT).
- a) Determining the critical path, estimating activity durations, and creating a network diagram
- b) Applying the Critical Path Method (CPM), conducting risk analysis, and identifying project milestones
- c) Analyzing the cost-benefit ratio, assigning resources to activities, and creating a Gantt chart
- d) Conducting risk analysis, estimating activity costs, and determining the project's total duration
- (xiii) Predict the concept of slack in PERT and CPM.
- a) It refers to the total float in the network
- b) It represents the difference between early and late start times for an activity
- c) It indicates the critical path of the project
- d) It measures the total duration of the project
- (xiv) Select the impact of a negative float on a projects schedule in PERT and CPM.
- a) It indicates that the project is ahead of schedule
- b) It suggests that some activities may be delayed without affecting the projects completion time
- c) It represents the total duration of the project
- d) It indicates that the project is behind schedule and may require adjustments to meet the deadline

(xv) Predict the significance of float in network analysis.

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| a) It represents the total duration of the project | b) It indicates the maximum delay each activity can tolerate without delaying the project |
| c) It includes all activities that have negative float and are causing delays in the project | d) It represents the shortest path in the network and indicates the minimum project duration |

Group-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

3 x 5=15

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| 2. Explain the concept of Dummy activity. | (3) |
| 3. State the objective of the linear programming problem. | (3) |
| 4. Describe the decision variables. | (3) |
| 5. State the dual problem corresponding to the given linear programming problem. | (3) |
| 6. Evaluate the use independent float in network analysis. | (3) |

OR

Evaluate the use of total float in network analysis. (3)

Group-C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

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| 7. Distinguish between the objective function and the constraints in a linear programming problem. | (5) |
| 8. Describe the role of decision variables in linear programming problems. | (5) |
| 9. Illustrate the interpretation of the dual variables in the context of linear programming. | (5) |
| 10. Evaluate differences between transportation problem and assignment problem. | (5) |
| 11. Illustrate the concept of feasible solutions in transportation problems. | (5) |
| 12. Estimate objectives of the transportation problem. | (5) |

OR

Estimate the steps in formulation of the transportation problem. (5)

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