

**III B.Tech I Semester Supplementary Examinations, November 2005**  
**OPERATIONS RESEARCH**  
**( Common to Computer Science & Engineering and Electronics & Computer Engineering)**

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

**Answer any FIVE Questions**  
**All Questions carry equal marks**

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1. (a) Discuss the following terms :
  - i. Slack variables
  - ii. Artificial variables
- (b) Maximize  $Z = 4X + Y$   
 Subject to  
 $2X + 3Y \leq 12$   
 $X + 2Y \leq 4$   
 $X, Y \geq 0$   
 Use simplex method [4+12]
2. (a) Distinguish between a transportation problem and an assignment problem.
- (b) Solve the following transportation problem with transportation cost, demand and supplies as given below. [4+12]

Ware House

		W1	W2	W3	W4	Demand
Factory	F1	19	30	50	10	7
	F2	70	30	40	60	9
	F3	40	8	70	20	18
Supply		5	8	7	14	

3. Find the sequence that minimizes the total elapsed time required to complete the following tasks Times are in hours.

Job	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
M <sub>1</sub>	2	3	4	15	3	6	10	15	2	8
M <sub>2</sub>	6	2	4	10	6	9	15	3	1	0

Also find the total elapsed time and idle times of each machine [16]

4. (a) Explain briefly the importance of Replacement Analysis.
- (b) What do you mean by “Money value is not counted and counted” in Replacement Analysis.
- (c) The cost of the machine is Rs.6100 and its scrap value is only Rs.100. The maintenance costs are found to be:

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Maintenance	100	250	400	600	900	1250	1600	2000

when should the machine be replaced?

[3+3+10]

5. (a) Consider the following pay-off matrix and determine the optimal strategy.

		B		
		I	II	III
A	I	6	9	4
	II	5	10	7
	III	9	8	9

- (b) Write a note on zero-sum games

[12+4]

6. Customers arrive at a Car-washing plant according to Poisson distribution with mean 2 per hour. Service time per customer is exponential with mean 25 minutes. The car space in front of the window, including that for the serviced can accommodate a maximum of 5 cars. Other cars can wait outside this space.

- What is the probability that an arriving customer can drive directly to the space in front of the window ?
- what is the probability that an arriving customer will have to wait outside the indicated space ?
- How long is an arriving customer expected to wait before starting service ?
- How many spaces should be provided in front of the window so that all the arriving customers can wait in front of the window at least 20% of the time.

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[16]

7. (a) What are the factors affecting inventory control policy?
- (b) Following information is provided about the lead time and the demand pattern of a system.

Annual requirement 24,000 units

Lead time 10days

There are 240 working days per year

In the past two years the rate has gone as high as 140 units per day.

Calculate the required safety stock and reorder level.

- considering the normal behavior
- considering variations in last two years.

[4+12]

8. (a) Write a note on the application of dynamic programming.

- (b) Define the following terms in dynamic programming :

- State
- State variable
- Immediate return
- Optimal return.

[8+8]

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