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**M.TECH**  
**CEPE204**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sem Mtech Regular/ Back Examination – 2015-16**

**STRUCTURAL OPTIMISATION**

**BRANCH(S): STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max marks: 70**

**Q.CODE:W777**

**Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any five from the rest.  
The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.**

- Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)
- a) Define a local and global maximum.
  - b) State a linear and non-linear optimization problem.
  - c) Write the condition for linear independence of a set of vector  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$ .
  - d) When a function is called concave and convex function.
  - e) Determine whether the following junction is convex or concave  $f(x) = -2x^2 + 8x + 4$ .
  - f) Determine whether the following function is positive definite or, negative definite or neither,  $f(x) = -x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$ .
  - g) Define Lagrange function and language multiplier.
  - h) What are the necessary and sufficient conditions for a stationary point X to be minimum?
  - i) When a point is called saddle point. Give an example.
  - j) Write down the characteristic of linear programming.
- Q2 a) State Lagrangian method to find an optimum of function of n variables subject to m (5)  
( $m \leq n$ ) constraints.
- b) Obtain optimum solution of the following non-linear programming problem, (5)
- $\text{Max } f(x) = 2x_1 + x_2 + 10$
- Subject of constraints;
- $x_1 + 2x_2 = 3$
- $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$
- Q3 a) Find the dimension of a cylindrical tin (with top and bottom) made up of sheet metal (10)  
to maximize its volume such that the total surface area is equal to  $A_0 = 24\pi$ .
- Q4 Use the Wolfe's method to solve the given quadratic programming problem (10)
- Maximize  $z = 4x_1 + 6x_2 - 2x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_2^2$
- Subjected to constraints
- $x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 2$  and
- $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ .
- Q5 a) State when the function f(x) is positive definite and negative definite or saddle point. (5)
- b) Find the maximum or minimum of function  $f(x) = x_1 + 2x_3 + x_2x_3 - x_1^2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_3^2$ . (5)

Q6 a) Write quadratic form of a function (5)

$Q(x) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T$  and matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 7 & 6 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Why the matrix A can be assumed to be symmetric?

b) Write down when a quadratic form is said to be (5)

- 1) Positive definite,
- 2) Positive semi-definite,
- 3) Negative definite,
- 4) Negative semi-definite,
- 5) In-definite

Q7 a) What are necessary as well as sufficient Kuhn-Tucker conditions for obtaining an (10)

absolute (or global) maximum of  $f(\bar{X})$  at  $\bar{X}$  ? Also

Maximize  $Z = 12x_1 + 21x_2 + 2x_1x_2 - 2x_1^2 - 2x_2^2$

Subjected to constraints

- 1)  $x_2 \leq 8$
- 2)  $x_1 + x_2 \leq 10$ .

Q8

(10)

For the rigid frame shown in fig. 1, plastic moments may develop at the point of peak moments (numbered 1 through 7 ). Assuming that the weight is a linear function of plastic moment capacity of beam ( $M_b$ ) and column ( $M_c$ ), form the optimization statement under minimum weight condition. Take  $w$ =Weight/unit length/moment. For the structure to be safe, the energy absorbing capacity of the frame ( $U$ )>the the energy imparted by externally applied load ( $E$ ) for various collapse mechanisms.  $P_1=3, P_2=1, h=8, l=10$

