

**E 3752**



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Complementary Course - OPERATIONAL RESEARCH

(2013—2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

**Part A**

*Answer all questions.*

*Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. Write any one definition of O.R.
2. Write any one use of O.R. to a production specialist.
3. Define the term objective function of a general L.P.P.
4. Define the term feasible solution associated with a L.P.P.
5. What are slack variables ?
6. What is a bounded solution of a L.P.P. ?
7. Define artificial variables.
8. Define the terms origin and destination associated to a transportation problem.
9. Define the terms pure and mixed strategies.
10. Define saddle point.

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part B**

*Answer any eight questions.*

*Each question carries 2 marks.*

11. What are the applications of O.R. ?
12. What are the different models in O.R. ?
13. What are the limitations of O.R. ?

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14. Explain the general linear programming problem.
15. Write the matrix form of a standard linear programming problem.
16. Write the difference between basic feasible solution and degenerate basic feasible solution.
17. How will you convert a minimisation problem to a maximisation problem.
18. Show that transportation problem is a special case of a L.P.P.
19. Define an unbalanced transportation problem.
20. How the problem of degeneracy arises in transportation problem ?
21. Distinguish between a zero - sum game and a non-zero sum game.
22. Explain Max-Min criterion.

(8 × 2 = 16)

### Part C

*Answer any six questions.*

*Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Explain the nature of O.R.
24. Discuss scientific method in O.R.
25. Old hens can be bought for ₹ 2.00 each but young ones cost ₹ 5.00 each. The old hens lay 3 eggs per week and young ones 5 eggs per week each being worth 30 paise. A hen costs ₹ 10.0 per week to feed. If one has only ₹ 80.00 to spend for hens, how many of each kind should one buy to give a profit of more than ₹ 6.00 per week, assuming that one cannot house more than 20 hens. Write the mathematical model of the above problem.
26. Solve graphically

$$\text{Minimize } Z = 7y_1 + 8y_2$$

subject to the constraints

$$3y_1 + y_2 \geq 8$$

$$y_1 + 3y_2 \geq 11$$

$$y_1, y_2 \geq 0.$$





27. Use simplex method to solve the L.P.P.

$$\text{Maximise } Z = 2x_1 + x_2$$

subject to the constraints

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 10$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 6$$

$$x_1 - x_2 \leq 2$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$$

28. Use Vogel's method to get an initial basic feasible solution to the following transportation problem :

Warehouses	Stores				Availability
	I	II	III	IV	
A	5	1	3	3	34
B	3	3	5	4	15
C	6	4	4	3	12
D	4	-1	4	2	19
Requirement :	21	25	17	17	80

29. Show that assignment problems are particular cases of transportation problems.

30. Solve the game whose pay-off matrix is given by

B

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 7 \\ 1 & 9 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

31. Consider the game G with the following pay-off matrix

Player B

$$\text{Player A} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 \\ -2 & \mu \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a) Show that G is strictly determinable whatever  $\mu$  may be  
 b) Determine the value of G.

(6 × 4 = 24)

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**Part D**

Answer any **two** questions.  
Each question carries 15 marks.

32. Use big  $\mu$  method to solve the problem, Minimize  $Z = 2x_1 + x_2$

subject to the constraints

$$3x_1 + x_2 = 5$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 6$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 3$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$$

33. A company is spending ₹ 1,000 on transportation of its units from three plants to four distribution centres. The supply and demand of units, with unit cost of transportation are given below :

Plants	Distribution centres				Availability
	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	
P <sub>1</sub>	19	30	50	12	7
P <sub>2</sub>	70	30	40	60	10
P <sub>3</sub>	40	10	60	20	18
Requirements :	5	8	7	15	

What can be the maximum saving by optimal scheduling ?

34. Solve the following assignment problem and find the minimum assignment cost.

Persons	Jobs			
	1	2	3	4
A	10	12	19	11
B	5	10	7	8
C	12	14	13	11
D	8	15	11	9

35. a) Solve the following game :

Player A	Player B				
	1	2	3	4	5
I	3	5	4	9	6
II	8	7	9	8	7
III	5	6	3	7	8
IV	4	2	8	5	3

- b) How the concept of dominance is used in simplifying the solution of a rectangular game.

(2 × 15 = 30)

