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First Semester 2022-23
CHE G558: Chemical Process Optimization
Comprehensive Examination (Open Classnotes)

Maximum Marks: 40

Date: 20.12.2022

Time: 180 minutes

Note: All part of a question should be answered together and in sequence. Programmable calculators are not allowed.

1. (8 Marks). A manufacturer produces two types of models M1 and M2. Each M1 model requires 4 hours of grinding and 2 hours of polishing, where as M2 model requires 2 hours of grinding and 5 hours of polishing. The manufacturer has 2 grinders and 3 polishers. Each grinder works for 40 hours a week and each polisher works for 60 hours a week. Profit on M1 is Rs. 3 per unit and profit on M2 is Rs. 4 per unit. whatever is produced in a week is sold in the market. How should the manufacturer allocate his production capacity to two types of models so that the profit is maximum in a week?
- Formulate the optimization problem.
 - Solve the above problem graphically.
 - Show how can you solve this problem using **Excel Solver**. Indicate the formulae to be used in specific cells.

2. (8 Marks) Solve the following LPP using simplex method:

$$\text{Maximize } Z = 3x_1 + 5x_2$$

Subject to

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 18$$

$$x_1 \leq 4$$

$$x_2 \leq 6$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0.$$

3. (8 Marks) Solve the following Quadratic Programming Problem (QPP) using modified simplex method.

$$\text{Maximize: } f(x) = 8x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - x_1^2$$

Subject to the constraints

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 12$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

4. (8 Marks) Use the KKT conditions to solve the NLP problem:

$$\text{Maximize } f(x) = x_1 + 2x_2 - x_2^3$$

Subject to

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

5. (a) (4 Marks) For the unconstrained optimization problem:

$$\text{Minimize } f(x) = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2 + 3x_1.$$

Find the minimum (or minima) analytically. Are they global or relative minima?

- (b) (4 Marks) Determine the nature of the stationary points of

$$f(x, y) = x^3 + y^2 - 3x - 6y - 1.$$

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