

B. Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY - 2015

(Examination at the end of Final Year)

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Paper - VI : Optimization Techniques

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Answer question No. 1 compulsory

(15)

Answer ONE question from each unit

(4 x 15 = 60)

1) Write a brief note on :

- a) Interpolation methods.
- b) Define Hessian matrix of a function.
- c) State limitations of classical methods insolving one-dimensional minimization problem.
- d) Define a saddle point and indicate its significance.
- e) Geometric programming.

Unit - I

- 2) a) State the linear programming problem in stand form and explain.
- b) List the engineering application of optimization.

OR

3) Write detailed notes on classification of optimization problems.

Unit – II

4) Explain Random search method with an example.

OR

- 5) a) Explain any gradient search method using a flow chart.
- b) Find the extreme points of the function.

$$f(x) = x_1^3 + x_2^3 + 2x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 6$$

Unit – III

- 6) Find the solution for the following problem using geometric programming method

$$\text{Minimize } Z = x_1 x_2 x_3^{-2} + 2 x_1^{-1} x_2^{-1} x_3 + 5x_2 + 3x_1 x^{-2}$$

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

OR

- 7) Explain with an example stochastic programming. Give some application areas of stochastic programming.

Unit – IV

- 8) a) Explain method of optimization used in design of simple linkage mechanism.
b) Derive the necessary conditions of optimality and find the solution for following problem.

$$\text{Min } f(x) = 5x_1 x_2$$

$$\text{Subjected to } 25 - x_1^2 - x_2^2 > 0.$$

OR

- 9) A closed cylindrical storage tank is required to hold a minimum of 3000 m³ of oil. Cost of material is Rs. 50/- per square meter. Frame a constrained geometric programming problem for minimum cost and solve.

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