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## II SEMESTER M.TECH. (CHEMICAL ENGINEERING) END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, APRIL 2019

SUBJECT: Optimization of Chemical Processes [CHE5201]

## **REVISED CREDIT SYSTEM**

Time: 3 Hours MAX. MARKS: 50

## Instructions to Candidates:

- ❖ Answer **ALL** questions.
- Missing data may be suitably assumed.
- Use of graph sheets permitted
- A trucking company has borrowed \$600,000 for new equipment and is contemplating three kinds of trucks. Truck A costs \$10,000, truck B \$20,000, and truck C \$23,000. How many trucks of each kind should be ordered to obtain the greatest capacity in ton miles per day based on the following data?

Truck A requires one driver per day and produces 2100 ton-miles per day.

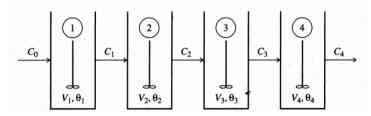
Truck B requires two drivers per day and produces 3600 ton-miles per day.

Truck C requires two drivers per day and produces 3780 ton-miles per day.

There is a limit of 30 trucks and 145 drivers.

Formulate a complete mathematical statement of the problem, and label each individual part, identifying the objective function and constraints with the correct units (\$, days, etc.). Make a list of the variables by names and symbol plus units. *Do not solve*.

As series of four well-mixed reactors operate isothermally in the steady state. Examine the figure. All the tanks do not have the same volume, but the sum of  $V_i = 20 \text{ m}^3$ . The component whose concentration is designated by C reacts according to the following mechanism:  $r = -kC^n$  in each tank.



Determine the values of the tank volumes (real residence times of the component) in each of the four tanks for steady-state operation with a fixed fluid flow rate of so as to maximize the yield of product  $C_4$ . Note  $(V_i/q_i) = 9_i$ , the residence time. Use the following data for the coefficients in the problem

n = 2.5; k = 0.00625 [m<sup>3</sup>/(kg mol)]<sup>-1.5</sup> (s)<sup>-1</sup>; The units for k are fixed by the constant 0.00625.

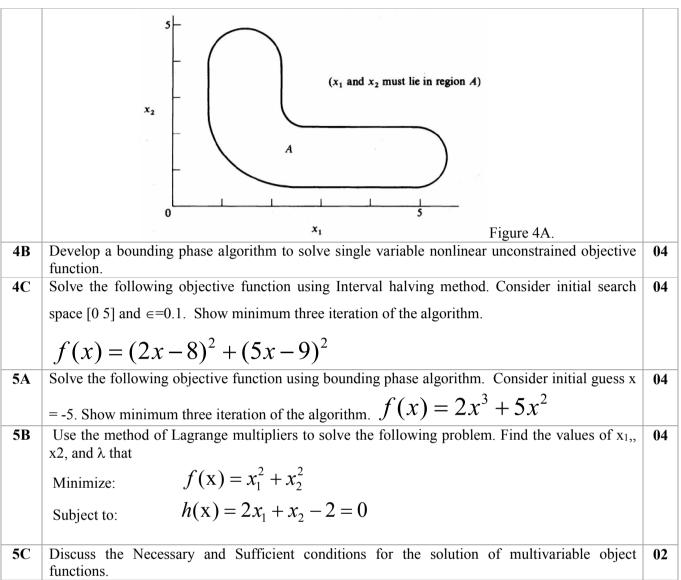
Evaluate the objective function, the variables, the equality constraints, the inequality constraints.

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2A	Explain the gradient decent algorithm to solve multivariate linear regression problem.						
2B	$f(c) = 2c_1^2 + 2c_1c_2 + 1.5c_2^2 + 7c_1 + 8c_2 + 24$						
2C	Evaluate the nature of the convexity.  Fit the following function for the density ' $\rho$ ' as a function of concentration 'C', that is,	04					
	determine the value of ' $\alpha$ ' in $\rho=\alpha+1.33C$ , given the following measurements for density and concentration:						
	$\rho (g/cm^3)$ $C (gmol/L)$						
	3.31 1.01 4.69 1.97 5.92 3.11 7.35 4.00						
	8.67 4.95						
3A	Rewrite the following linear programming problems in matrix notation.  (i.e., $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}$ and $g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{x} \ge C$ )  Minimize: $f(\mathbf{x}) = 3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3$ $g_1(\mathbf{x}) = 2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \ge 10$ Subject to: $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \ge 15$	02					
3B	What is the feasible region for x given the following constraints and Sketch the feasible region for the following two-dimensional problem. $h_1(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 + x_2 - 3 = 0$ $h_2(\mathbf{x}) = 2x_1 - x_2 + 1 = 0$	04					
3C	An objective function is $f(x) = (x_1 - 8)^2 + (x_2 - 5)^2 + 16$ By inspection, you can find $x^* = [8 \ 51^T \text{ yields the minimum of } f(x)$ . Show that $x^*$ meets the necessary and sufficient conditions for a minimum.	04					
4A	Given a linear objective function, $f = x_1 + x_2$ Explain why a nonconvex region such as region A in Figure 4A causes difficulties in the search for the maximum off in the region. Why is region A not convex?	02					

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