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**INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**  
**OPEN BOOK EXAMINATION**

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- Q1** (a) Define a penalty objective function and the related penalty function for the problem

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize} && f(x) \\ &\text{subject to} && g_i(x) \leq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, p. \end{aligned}$$

(6 marks)

- (b) Express a formula to the decision variables for the penalty objective function

$$\text{Minimize} \quad q(c, x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \frac{c}{2} (|x_1 - x_2|)^2$$

where  $c$  is a positive constant, and deduce an optimal solution as  $c$  approaches to a large number.

(14 marks)

- (c) Identify the Hessian for the penalty objective function in **Q1(b)**.

(5 marks)

- Q2** (a) Describe the primal function and the dual function, then, provide the results given by the Weak Duality Proposition and the Strong Duality Theorem for the problem

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize} && f(x) \\ &\text{subject to} && g(x) \leq 0, h(x) = 0 \quad x \in \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

(6 marks)

- (b) Determine the gradient and Hessian of the dual function.

$$\phi(\lambda) = f(x) + \lambda^T h(x).$$

(11 marks)

- (c) Justify **TWO (2)** types of the problem from the augmented Lagrangian for the equality constrained problem. Next, summarize a typical calculation procedure step and outline the updating rule in the augmented Lagrangian method.

(8 marks)

**Q3** (a) Define a merit function from a standard nonlinear programming problem

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize} && f(x) \\ &\text{subject to} && g(x) \leq 0, \quad h(x) = 0, \\ & && x \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \quad m \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

(4 marks)

(b) Discuss a global minimum point of the merit function.

(8 marks)

(c) Revise the Newton equations for the merit function.

(13 marks)

**Q4** (a) Explain the calculation procedure for using the gradient projection method to the problem

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize} && f(x) \\ &\text{subject to} && Ax \leq b \quad \text{and} \quad Qx = q. \end{aligned}$$

(11 marks)

(b) Validate the point before running the next iteration for the following optimization problem using the gradient projection method, where the current point is  $(2.3626, 0.9091, 1.3636, 0.0000)^T$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize} && x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2 - 2x_1 - 3x_4 \\ &\text{subject to} && 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4 = 7 \\ & && x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 6 \\ & && x_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4. \end{aligned}$$

(14 marks)

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