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INSTRUCTION : 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
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- Q1** (a) Fakhry plans to invest RM16,000, RM14,000 and RM17,000 in each month of the next quarter. He has identified four investment opportunities. Investment A requires an investment of RM5,000, RM8,000 and RM2,000 in month 1, 2 and 3, respectively, and has a present value (a time-discounted value) of RM8,000. Investment B requires RM7,000 in month 1 and RM10,000 in month 3, and has a value of RM11,000. Investment C requires RM4,000 in month 2 and RM6,000 in month 3, and has a value of RM6,000. Finally, investment D requires RM3,000, RM4,000 and RM5,000 and has a value of RM4,000. Fakhry aims to maximize the sum of the returns on the project selected. Formulate the problem as an integer linear programming model. Do not solve. (7 marks)
- (b) Describe on how the following situations are recognized in an iteration of the simplex method. Give an example for each situation.
- (i) Degeneracy (3 marks)
- (ii) Infeasible solution (3 marks)

Q2 Consider the following linear programming model

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize } z &= 2x + 3y \\ \text{Subject to} \\ 4x + 3y &\geq 12 \\ x - y &\geq -3 \\ y &\leq 6 \\ 2x - 3y &\leq 0 \\ x, y &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Solve the above linear programming problem graphically. (7 marks)
- (b) If in general the objective function is written as $z = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2$, determine the range of optimality for c_1 , given c_2 remains unchanged. (3 marks)
- (c) Describe on the optimal solution if the objective function is changed to $z = \frac{19}{3}x + 3y$. (2 marks)

Q3 Solve the following linear programming problem using the Two – Phase method.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize } z = -3x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 \\ &\text{Subject to} \\ &\quad x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 5 \\ &\quad 2x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \geq 2 \\ &\quad 4x_1 + 3x_2 - 2x_3 = 5 \\ &\quad x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(18 marks)

Q4 TechCo manufactures two types of televisions. The only scarce resource that is needed to produce televisions is labour. At present, the company has two labourers. Letting x_i be the number of type i televisions produced each week, the following Linear Programming model is obtained for the TechCo problem. The optimal tableau is given in **Table 1** where the aims is to maximize the profit and the constraints are the total working times of the labourers.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Maximize } z = 3x_1 + 2x_2 \quad (\text{Profit}) \\ &\text{Subject to} \\ &\quad x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 40 \quad (\text{Labourer 1}) \\ &\quad 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 50 \quad (\text{Labourer 2}) \\ &\quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Table 1: Optimal tableau

Basic	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	Solution
z	0	0	1/3	4/3	80
x_1	1	0	-1/3	2/3	20
x_2	0	1	2/3	-1/3	10

- For what range of values of the profit of a type 1 television would the current solution remain optimal?
(8 marks)
- If Labourer 2 were willing to work up to 85 hours per week, solve the new problem using information from the optimal table.
(11 marks)
- A type 3 television is under consideration for production. The specifications of a type 3 television are as follows: profit, RM3 per unit, 2 hours of Labourer 1 per unit, 2 hours of Labourer 2 per unit. Should TechCo manufacture any type 3 televisions? Justify your answer.
(6 marks)

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Q5 Consider the following linear programming model

$$\text{Minimize } z = 5x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3$$

Subject to

$$x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 \geq 8$$

$$3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \geq 7$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 5$$

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

Find the optimal solution of the above linear programming model by using the dual simplex method.

(16 marks)

Q6 Consider the following integer linear programming model.

$$\text{Maximize } z = 5x_1 + 8x_2$$

Subject to

$$4x_1 + 7x_2 \leq 28$$

$$9x_1 + 6x_2 \leq 30$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \text{ and integers.}$$

Find the optimal integer solution using the branch-and-bound (B&B) method.

(16 marks)

- END OF QUESTIONS -

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