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**APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**  
**SECOND SEMESTER M.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2017**

**Mechanical Engineering**  
**(Machine Design)**

**01ME6122: Optimization Technique for Engineering**

Max. Marks: 60

Answer two questions from each part.

Duration: 3 Hours

**Part A**

1. Find the dimensions of a box of largest volume that can be inscribed in a sphere of unit radius. **(9 Marks)**
  
2. a) Find the second order Taylor series approximation of the function  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_2^2 x_3 + x_1 e^{x_3}$ . **(5 Marks)**  
b) Determine whether the following functions are concave or convex.  
i)  $f(X) = 4x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + 3x_2^2 + 6x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 - 3x_1 - 2x_2 + 15$       ii)  $f(X) = 3x_1^3 - 6x_2^2$ . **(4 Marks)**
  
3. a) Mention any five applications of optimization in the field of mechanical engineering. **(3 Marks)**  
b) What are objective function contours? **(3 Marks)**  
c) Under what conditions can a polynomial in 'n' variables are called a Posynomial? **(3 Marks)**

**Part B**

4. Minimize  $f(x) = 0.65 - \frac{0.75}{1+x^2} - 0.65x \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$  in the interval [0, 3] by the Fibonacci method conducting six experiments. **(9 Marks)**
  
5. Minimize  $f(X) = (x_1^2 - x_2)^2 + (1 - x_1^2)$  from the starting point  $X_1 = \{-2, -2\}$  using Fletcher - Reeves method. **(9 Marks)**
  
6. Find the optimal control 'u' that makes the functional  $J = \int_0^1 (x^2 + u^2) dt$  Stationary with  $x=u$  and  $x(0)=1$ . The value of 'x' is not specified at t=1. **(9 Marks)**

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### Part C

7. Minimize  $f(X) = x_1^3 - 6x_1^2 + 11x_1 + x_3$  subject to  $g_1(Y) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 - x_3^2 \leq 0$ ,  
 $g_2(Y) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \leq 4$ ,  $g_3(Y) : x_3 - 5 \leq 0$ ,  $g_i(Y) : x_i \geq 0, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$  using penalty function  
method. (12 Marks)
8. Minimize  $f(X) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 40x_1 + 20x_2$  subject to  $g_1(Y) : x_1 - 50 \geq 0$ ,  
 $g_2(Y) : x_1 + x_2 - 100 \geq 0$ ,  $g_3(Y) : x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - 150 \geq 0$ . Determine whether the constraint  
qualification and the Kuhn Tucker conditions are satisfied at the optimum point.  
(12 Marks)
9. Minimize  $f(X) = -3x_1 - 4x_2$  subject to  $g_1(Y) : 3x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 12$ ,  
 $g_2(Y) : 3x_1 + 11x_2 + x_4 = 66$ ,  $g_i(Y) : x_i \geq 0, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  using Integer programming.  
(12 Marks)