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M.E. / M.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, APRIL / MAY 2024

First Semester

M.E. - CAD/CAM

20PCDMA101 - OPTIMIZATION TECHNIQUES IN DESIGN

Regulations - 2020

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

**PART - A (10 × 2 = 20 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

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Level *CO*

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| 1. Explain the necessary and sufficient conditions for the unconstrained minimum of a function.                                | 2 | K2 | CO1 |
| 2. When is the grid search method preferred in minimizing an unconstrained function?   | 2 | K1 | CO1 |
| 3. How is a parametric constraint handled in the interior penalty function method?   | 2 | K1 | CO2 |
| 4. How can you compute Lagrange multipliers during numerical optimization?   | 2 | K1 | CO2 |
| 5. Explain the objective function to be used in GAs for a minimization problem with mixed equality and inequality constraints. | 2 | K2 | CO3 |
| 6. What is a neural network?   | 2 | K1 | CO3 |
| 7. List out the types of transverse loading.   | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 8. What are the factors considered in torsionally loaded shaft design?   | 2 | K1 | CO4 |
| 9. List out the function of vibration absorber.  | 2 | K2 | CO5 |
| 10. What is meant by degree of freedom? Give examples.   | 2 | K1 | CO5 |

**PART - B (5 × 13 = 65 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

11. a) Derive an expression for Kuhn – Tucker conditions of nonlinear optimization problems. 13 K3 CO1

**OR**

- b) Given the function:  $f(x) = 2 + (x_1^2 - x_2)^2 + x_2^2$ . Using three iterations of the golden section search method, estimate the minimum point along the line joining the points  $(-3, -4)^T$  and  $(3, 2)^T$ . Restrict the search between the above two points. 13 K3 CO1
12. a) Consider the constrained function: 13 K3 CO2  
Minimize  $(x_1^2 + x_2 - 11)^2 + (x_1 + x_2^2 - 7)^2$  subject to  
 $(x_1 - 5)^2 + x_2^2 - 26 \geq 0, x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ .

OR

- b) Explain in detail the relation between the Lagrangian function and sequential quadratic programming method. 13 K2 CO2
13. a) Explain the working principles of Genetic Algorithms (GA) using an unconstrained optimization problem as an example. Compare GA with traditional methods. 13 K3 CO3

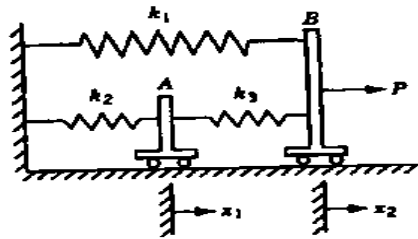
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- b) Find the minimum of the following function using simulated annealing: 13 K3 CO3

$$f(X) = 6x_1^2 - 6x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 - x_1 - 2x_2$$

Assume suitable parameters and show detailed calculations for two iterations.

14. a) Figure below shows two frictionless rigid bodies (carts) A and B connected by three linear elastic springs having spring constants  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ . The springs are at their natural positions when the applied force  $P$  is zero. Find the optimal solution of displacements  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  under the force  $P$  by using the principle of minimum potential energy. 13 K2 CO4



OR

- b) Explain in detail about the design optimization of shaft for minimum cost and weight. 13 K2 CO4
15. a) With suitable example explain general procedure for optimization of path synthesis of a four bar mechanism. 13 K2 CO5

OR

- b) Consider the slider crank mechanism and explain its design methodology. Identify the parameters to be optimized and propose the techniques to solve the problem. 13 K2 CO5

**PART - C (1 × 15 = 15 Marks)**

- a) Derive the expression for torsional rigidity of shaft. 15 K3 CO4

OR

- b) A shaft is transmitting 95 kW at 164 rpm. Find a suitable diameter for the shaft, if the maximum torque transmitted exceeds the mean by 25%. Take maximum allowable shear stress as 72 MPa. 15 K3 CO4