

**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED CHEMISTRY**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS – JULY 2003**  
**CHEMICAL ENGINEERING PLANT DESIGN – SCH 4108**  
**TIME – (3) THREE HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer **FOUR** questions only. Total marks is 100.

1. Explain what the following terms mean citing examples:
- (a) macrolocation of a plant
  - (b) microlocation of a plant (25 marks)
2. (a) What factors are to be considered in making a feasibility survey for a proposed process design? (13 marks)
- (b) What is fixed – capital investment? (12 marks)
3. Put the following linear programming problems into standard form:
- (a)  $\max f(\mathbf{x}) = 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 5x_3 \dots\dots\dots(1)$   
Subject to:  $13x_1 + 14x_2 - 15x_3 \leq 40 \dots\dots\dots(2)$   
 $9x_1 + 18x_2 + 3x_3 \leq 25 \dots\dots\dots(3)$   
 $x_2 \geq 10 \dots\dots\dots(4)$   
 $x_j \geq 0; \quad j = 1,2,3$  (10 marks)
  - (b)  $\min f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \dots\dots\dots(1)$   
subject to:  $5x_1 + 6x_2 + 7x_3 + 2x_4 \geq 40 \dots\dots\dots(2)$   
 $3x_2 + 5x_4 = 20 \dots\dots\dots(3)$   
 $2x_1 - x_3 \leq 10 \dots\dots\dots(4)$   
 $x_j \geq 0; \quad j = 1,2,3$  and  $x_4$  is free. (15 marks)

4. Find all basic solutions, basic feasible solutions and optimum solution of the following Linear Programming Problems.

(a)  $\min f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 - x_2 + x_3$

subject to:  $x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 6$

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 - 6x_3 = 6$$

$$x_j \geq 0; \quad j = 1, 2, 3, \quad (10 \text{ marks})$$

(b)  $\max f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 - x_2$

subject to:  $2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0$

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4 = 6$$

$$4x_2 + x_3 - x_4 = 4$$

$$x_j \geq 0; \quad j = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad (15 \text{ marks})$$

5. (a) Define what is meant by:

(i) an open loop system

(ii) a closed loop system (8 marks)

(b) With the aid of a sketch diagram, explain how a feed forward control system operates. (17 marks)

**END OF QUESTION PAPER!!!**