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DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE, SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES  
Integrated M.Sc. (Computer Science), Sixth Semester  
CSC-353: Optimization Techniques

Time Allowed: 2 hours

Maximum Marks: 30

**SECTION A**

(Total Marks: 3 × 2 = 6)

- 1 What are the various types of optimization problems? Give examples of each type.
- 2 Fill up the blanks:
  - a) A point that satisfies all the constraints is said to be \_\_\_\_.
  - b) The eigenvalues of a negative definite matrix are \_\_\_\_.
- 3 Write the Taylor series for a real-valued function of single variable. Also write the formula in remainder form.

**SECTION B**

(Total Marks: 3 × 4 = 12)

- 1 a) What is a pure quadratic function? How do you represent it using a symmetric matrix?
- b) Verify positive definiteness of the following matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 2 a) Define global and local optimizers for the maximization problem  $\max_{\bar{x} \in S} f(\bar{x})$ .
- b) Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max f(\bar{x}) &= x_1 \\ \text{subject to } x_1^2 + x_2^2 &\leq 25 \\ x_1^2 &\geq 9 \\ x_1 x_2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Graph the feasible set. Find all local maximizers for the problem and determine which of those are also global maximizers.

- 3 Let A be a positive semidefinite matrix of order n. Show that for any  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $(\alpha I + A)$  is always positive definite.

**SECTION C**

(Total Marks: 2 × 6 = 12)

- 1 a) Find the first three terms of the Taylor series for  $f(x_1, x_2) = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$  about the point  $\bar{x}_0 = (3, 4)^T$ .
- b) Evaluate the series at  $(4, 4)^T$  and compare with the true value of  $f(4, 4)$ .
- 2 Discuss the optimizers of the following functions:
  - a)  $f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3 + 1$
  - b)  $f(x_1, x_2) = e^{x_1 - x_2} + e^{x_2 - x_1}$