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## GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Engineering - SEMESTER - VIII EXAMINATION - WINTER 2025

Subject Code: 2180503

Date: 13-11-2025

Subject Name: Process Modeling, Simulation & Optimization

Time: 02:30 PM TO 05:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

### Instructions

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

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<b>Q.1 (a)</b> Explain physical vs mathematical modeling.	03										
(b) Write in brief on uses and scope of mathematical models.	04										
(c) Find extreme points of $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 + x_2^3 + 2x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 6$ .	07										
<b>Q.2 (a)</b> Define deterministic and stochastic processes.	03										
(b) Explain fundamental laws used in modeling.	04										
(c) Derive model of batch reactor for first order series reaction $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$	07										
<b>OR</b>											
(c) Derive mathematical model of an isothermal CSTR with constant holdup	07										
<b>Q.3 (a)</b> Define feasible solution, feasible region, and optimum solution.	03										
(b) Explain the geometry of linear programs.	04										
(c) Fit the exponential curve the following data using Least Square method:	07										
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<b>OR</b>											
(a) Explain partitioning with example.	03										
(b) Explain the algorithm of steepest descent method for unconstrained multivariable optimization problem.	04										
(c) Explain fitting of VLE data by non linear regression	07										
<b>Q.4 (a)</b> Distinguish between sequential & simultaneous modular approaches.	03										
(b) Differentiate between Black box model, grey box model and white box model with proper example	04										
(c) It is required to design a close-topped rectangular tank whose total area is to be 110 $m^2$ . If a maximum volume is required then formulate the problem.	07										

**OR**

- (a) Explain advantages of working with modern process simulators. **03**
- (b) Explain Simplex algorithm for linear programming. **04**
- (c) Minimize the quadratic function:  $f(x) = x^2 - x$  using quasi-newton method with initial guess  $x=3$  **07**
- Q.5** (a) Give essential features of optimization problems. **03**
- (b) Explain algorithm of Golden section method. **04**
- (c) Explain the steps for finding the optimum L/D ratio for a pressurized cylindrical storage vessel. List all the variables and the important assumptions. **07**

**OR**

- (a) Discuss general procedure for solving optimization problems. **03**
- (b) Differentiate steady state and dynamic simulators and give examples of each. **04**
- (c) What is Optimization? List the six general steps for the analysis and solution of optimization problems **07**

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