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STAT-361 Operations Research I <sup>1</sup>

Final Exam

Four Problems, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 <sup>2</sup>

**Problem 1 (25 pts)**

Consider the following linear program (P):

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{x_1, x_2} & 3x_1 + 3x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & 4x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 4, \\ & 3x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 4, \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

(a) **Solve** the linear program (P) graphically. (5 points)

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<sup>2</sup>This is an open book exam. The exam lasts 120 minutes.

(b) **Formulate** the dual linear program (D) associated to the program (P) and **solve** it using the Revised Simplex Method. (15 points)

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(c) Write few words to explain that the solutions in (a) and (b) match.  
(5 points)

**Problem 2 (25 pts)**

Consider the following linear program:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_{x_1, x_2, x_3} & 5x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 3, \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \geq 4, \\ & 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 5, \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

Solve the linear program using the Dual Simplex algorithm.

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**Problem 3 (25 Points)**

Consider the following transportation problem. The problem involves 3 plants supplying 4 customer zones. The following table 1 displays the unit transportation costs, the supplies and the demands. Find the optimal solution to this problem.

Demand Nodes →	1	2	3	4	
Supply Nodes ↓	Costs				Offer
1	3	3	3	6	700
2	1	4	2	5	800
3	5	2	5	4	600
Demand	500	500	500	600	

Table 1: Data for problem 3

You can use the following tables. You have to use the **Least Cost** initialization method, otherwise you are subject to  $-5$  points.

**Iteration 1**

Demand Nodes	1	2	3	4	
1					700
2					800
3					600
Demand	500	500	500	600	

**Iteration 2**

Demand Nodes	1	2	3	4	
1					700
2					800
3					600
Demand	500	500	500	600	

### Iteration 3

Demand Nodes	1	2	3	4	
1					700
2					800
3					600
Demand	500	500	500	600	

### Iteration 4

Demand Nodes	1	2	3	4	
1					700
2					800
3					600
Demand	500	500	500	600	

### Iteration 5

Demand Nodes	1	2	3	4	
1					700
2					800
3					600
Demand	500	500	500	600	

**Problem 4 (25 pts)**

Consider the following project scheduling problem detailed in table 2.

Tasks	Condition	Duration (days)
a	–	4
b	–	6
c	after a	3
d	after b	4
e	after c and d	5
f	after e	3
g	after d	4
h	after f and g	6
i	after g and h	5
k	after h and i	4

Table 2: Data for problem 4

- (i). Draw the graph representing the interdependence between the tasks of the project. (10 pts)
- (ii). Find the shortest possible duration of the project. (10 pts)
- (iii). Find the critical tasks and the critical tasks. (5 pts)