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Third Semester, M. Tech. - Civil Engineering (MCAD)

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Reliability Analysis and Design of Structural Elements

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Note: i) Answer **FIVE** full questions, selecting **ONE** full question from each unit.
 ii) Assume missing data if any.

UNIT - I

1 a. Find the mean, standard deviation and coefficient of variance for the grouped data given,

Class	1 – 10	11 – 20	21 – 30	31 – 40	41 – 50	51 – 60
Frequency	03	16	26	31	16	08

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b. In a data set of $n = 200$ on yield strength of steel, $\bar{x} = 500$ MPa and $\sigma = 60$ MPa. However, later on it's found that a value of 415 MPa was wrongly entered as 451 MPa. Find the corrected mean and corrected standard deviation.

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2 a. The following table gives the strength of the concrete. Find the central moments, coefficient of skewness and coefficient of Kurtosis.

Compressive strength N/mm ²	60 – 62	63 – 65	66 – 68	69 – 71	72 – 74
Frequency (f _i)	05	18	42	27	08

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b. The cube strength of concrete follows a normal distribution with $\mu_x = 30$ N/mm² and $\sigma_x = 45$ N/mm²,

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Calculate: i) $P(x < 25)$ ii) $P(35 \leq x \leq 45)$.

UNIT - II

3 a. Derive the normal equation of best fit parabola by lest square method.

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b. The data on cube strength and Cylinder strength is given below,

Cube Strength N/mm ² (x _i)	Cylinder Strength N/mm ² (y _i)
15.17	9.86
17.92	11.29
20.13	12.48
22.54	14.65
24.80	15.38
18.67	11.95
22.91	14.43
27.70	18.00
29.24	18.42
18.27	11.69

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Determine the sample covariance, co-relation and coefficient between x_i and y_i.

4 a. The data on the compressive strength of concrete is given below:

- i) Fit a straight line ii) Fit a parabola iii) Find which is better fit

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Days (x_i)	1	3	7	10	14	21	28
Compressive strength N/mm^2 (y_i)	7.2	10.5	13.2	15.6	18.1	20.3	25.2

b. Fit a curve of the form $y = ab^x$ for the following data. Find the shrinkage strain

when $x = 7.5$

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Days (x_i)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Shrinkage strain (y_i)	1.0	1.2	1.8	2.5	3.6	4.7	6.6	9.1

UNIT - III

5. For the following data, a log normal distribution and proposed. Find the expected frequencies that are proposed. Conduct a Chi-square test to accept (d) reject the proposal.

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Class MPa	12 - 14	14 - 16	16 - 18	20 - 22	22 - 24	24 - 26
Frequency	16	53	88	30	15	03

6. Derive the statistics of $R = f_y A_{st} d \left[1 - \frac{0.77 f_y A_{st}}{f_{ck} b d} \right]$

$$f_y = N[425, 45] MPa$$

$$f_{ck} = N[23.2, 6.8] MPa$$

Where $A_{st} = N[1500, 60] mm^2$

$$b = N[230, 12] mm$$

$$d = N[450, 15] mm$$

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List the variables in the order of their contribution to randomness of 'R'.

UNIT - IV

7. Determine 'β' by FOSM method by using the failure function,

i) $M = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{l^2} - Q$ ii) $M = I - \frac{Ql^2}{\pi^2 E}$

$$E = N[2.03 * 10^5, 0.203 * 10^5] MPa$$

Where $Q = N[700 * 10^3, 210 * 10^3] N$

$$I = N[12.5 * 10^6, 0.0625 * 10^6] mm^4$$

$$l = N[5000, 150] mm$$

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Check whether β is Invariant (or) not Invariant.

8. The failure function $g(x) = d - \frac{Q}{2f_s t_w}$

$$Q = N[4200, 1000] N$$

$$f_s = N[95, 10] N / mm^2$$

Where $d = N[50, 2.5] mm$

$$\sigma_{tw} = 0, \quad \frac{d}{t_w} = 40$$

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Find the reliability Index 'β' by AFOSM method. Use Harofer-Lind approach.

UNIT - V

9. A short column has a diameter X_1 and is loaded with an axial load X_2 . The ultimate compressive stress of column is X_3 . The variables are normally distributed and have the following statistics.

$$X_1 = N(3.5, 0.4) \quad X_2 = N(10, 10) \quad X_3 = N(2.5, 0.5)$$

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$$g(x) = \frac{\pi X_1^2}{4} - \frac{X_2}{X_3} = 0$$

Find 'β' by AFOSM method using Fisseler's algorithm.

10. The strength of an axially loaded column is given by,

$$R = 82912.5 f_{ck} + 1250 f_y$$

Where $f_{ck} = N[19.54, 4.1] N / mm^2, f_y = N[469, 46.9] N / mm^2$ Generate the statistics of 'R' ($n = 20$). The column is subjected to an axial load of $S = N[2100, 500] kN$. Generate statistics of $(R - S)$ by Monte Carlo simulation technique. Find the probability of failure of column, by counting negative values of $(R - S)$.

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