

ST5013 OPTIMIZATION OF STRUCTURES

DETAILED SYLLABUS

OBJECTIVE

To study the optimization methodologies applied to structural engineering

UNIT I BASIC PRINCIPLES AND CLASSICAL OPTIMIZATION TECHNIQUES

Definition - Objective Function; Constraints - Equality and inequality - Linear and non-linear, Side, Non-negativity, Behaviour and other constraints - Design space - Feasible and infeasible- Convex and Concave - Active constraint - Local and global optima. Differential calculus - Optimality criteria - Single variable optimization - Multivariable optimization with no constraints- (Lagrange Multiplier method) - with inequality constraints (Kuhn - Tucker Criteria).

UNIT II LINEAR AND NON-LINEAR PROGRAMMING

LINEAR PROGRAMMING: Formulation of problems - Graphical solution – Analytical methods - Standard form - Slack, surplus and artificial variables - Canonical form – Basic feasible solution - simplex method - Two phase method - Penalty method - Duality theory - Primal - Dual algorithm. NON LINEAR PROGRAMMING: One Dimensional minimization methods: Unidimensional - Unimodal function - Exhaustive and unrestricted search - Dichotomous search – Fibonacci Method - Golden section method - Interpolation methods. Unconstrained optimization Techniques.

UNIT III GEOMETRIC PROGRAMMING

Posynomial - degree of difficulty - reducing G.P.P to a set of simultaneous equations - Unconstrained and constrained problems with zero difficulty - Concept of solving problems with one degree of difficulty.

UNIT IV DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

Bellman's principle of optimality - Representation of a multistage decision problem – concept of sub-optimization problems using classical and tabular methods.

UNIT V STRUCTURAL APPLICATIONS

Methods for optimal design of structural elements, continuous beams and single storied frames using plastic theory - Minimum weight design for truss members - Fully stressed design - Optimization principles to design of R.C. structures such as multistorey buildings, water tanks and bridges.

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