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M.Tech. Structural Engineering

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STRUCTURAL OPTIMIZATION

Course Code: 13CE 2202

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Course Outcomes:

At the end of the course the student will be able to

- CO1 : Describe problem formulation for a given structure and learn to analysis by classical methods.
- CO2 : Prepare solutions for non-linear problems.
- CO3 : Discuss the basics and application of Genetic Algorithm for structures.
- CO4 : Explain the concept of Simulated Annealing technique in structures.
- CO5 : Use Artificial Neural Networks in structural application.

UNIT – I

Formulation of Structural Optimization problems: Design variables - Objective function – constraints.

Classical methods of optimization for multivariable with equality or inequality constraints: solution by method of Lagrange Multiplier - Applications in structural engineering, Kuhn-Tucker conditions.

UNIT – II

Nonlinear Programming: Unconstrained and Constrained Optimization - Direct search and gradient methods- Basic approach of the Penalty function method - Interior penalty function method and Exterior penalty function method – design of three bar truss, space truss, welded beam design, etc.

UNIT – III

Genetic Algorithms: – Introduction – basic concept – working principle - Binary coding- Fitness function - Genetic Operators - Application to Two bar pendulum, 3-bar truss, optimum fibre orientation, Genetic Algorithms applications to discrete size variables.

UNIT – IV

Simulated Annealing: problem formulation- steps involved in SA- application to RCC retaining wall, and pre-stressed concrete structure design, etc.

UNIT – V

Artificial Neural Networks based approaches for structural optimization problems- Introduction- basic concept of ANN- Architectures and learning methods of NN- Back propagation networks- structural applications.

TEXT BOOKS

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