

MULTI-OBJECTIVE RELIABILITY BASED DESIGN OF COMPLEX ENGINEERING STRUCTURES USING RESPONSE SURFACE METHODS

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Extensive research contributions have been carried out in the field of Reliability-Based Design Optimisation (RBDO). Traditional RBDO methods deal with a single objective optimisation problem subject to probabilistic constraints. However, realistic problems in engineering practice require a multi-criteria perspective where two or more conflicting objectives need to be optimised. These type of problems are solved with multi-objective optimization methods, known as Multi-Objective Reliability Based Design Optimization (MORBDO) methods. Usually, significant computational efforts are required to solve these types of problems due to the huge number of complex finite element model evaluations. This paper proposes a practical and efficient approach based for talking this challenge. A multiobjective evolutionary algorithms (MOEAs) is combined with response surface method to obtain efficiently, accurate and uniformly distributed Pareto front. The proposed approach has been implemented into the OpenCossan software. Two examples are presented to show the applicability of the approach: an analytical problem where one of the objectives is the system reliability and the classic 25 bars transmission tower.

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