

SQC & OR Unit

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Back Paper :Reliability, Maintainability and Safety -I

Time: 3 Hours

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Max. Marks: 100

Answer as many questions as you can

Question (1): Prove that for useful life the MTTF of a two unit standby system(both the units have same failure rate) as a whole is (a) Double that for a single unit

(b) Greater than the MTTF of a system with two units in parallel

(8+7=15)

Question (2): If the sales income in excess of Rs. 4 lacs of a large number of firms can be treated as a random variable having an exponential distribution with mean equal to 2 lacs. What's the probability that 3 out of 4 firms selected have sales income in excess of Rs 5 lacs? (12)

Question (3): Suppose that a system contains a certain type of component whose time in years to failure is given by "T". The random variable "T" is modeled nicely by the exponential distribution with MTTF = 5. If five of these components are installed in different systems, what is the probability that at least two are still functioning at the end of 8 years (10)

Question (4): Fifteen units of a certain automotive component are placed on a life test. The life is measured in Kilocycles. The failures occur at:

90,150,240,340,410,450,510,550,600,670,710,770,790,830,880

(a) Plot the Empirical density function, Hazard Function and Reliability function for the data given

(b) Can you suggest a Reliability Model from the Hazard Plot?

(4+4+4+3=15)

Question (5):

a) Prove that the Normal density function, the hazard rate is monotonically increasing.

b) A DC battery has a time to failure that is normally distributed with a mean of 30 hrs and s.d of 4 hrs

(i) What's the 25 hrs reliability?

(ii) When should a battery be replaced to ensure 10% chance of failure prior to replacement ?

(iii) Two batteries are connected in parallel to power a light. Assuming that the light does not fail, what's the 35 hrs reliability for the power source?

(iv) A particular battery has been in continuous use for 30 hrs. What's the probability that this battery will last another 4 hrs

(7+2+3+3+3=18)

Question (6): The life in thousands of kilometer, of a certain type of electronic control for locomotives has an approximately lognormal distribution with $\mu = 5.149$ and $\sigma = 0.737$. Find the " b_{10} " life of such an electronic control.

(10)

Question (7): Suppose the hazard function increases or decreases sharply, exhibiting exponential behavior, and the model used is

$$h(t) = c \cdot \exp(\alpha \cdot t) \text{ where } c \text{ and } \alpha \text{ are positive constants}$$

Then find the expression for the (a) Failure Density Function (b) Reliability Function

(7+6=13)

Question (8): A device has a failure rate characteristic which can be described by a Weibull failure model with Scale Parameter of 14142 hrs and a shape parameter of "2"
(i) What % of items are expected to fail in 0 to 1000hrs (ii) Over what design life would the device have an average failure rate (AFR) $4 \cdot 10^{-6}$ failures per hr.

(7 +5=12)