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**Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2019/Jan.2020**  
**Mining Geostatistics**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note:** 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting atleast TWO questions from each part.  
 2. Standard normal distribution table may be used, if required.

**PART – A**

- 1 a. Describe various schools of geostatistics. (06 Marks)  
 b. Explain polygonal method of ore server estimation with suitable example. (07 Marks)  
 c. Explain triangular method of ore reserve estimation with suitable example. (07 Marks)
- 2 a. Define semivariogram and also describe various characteristics of semivariogram with neat sketch. (10 Marks)  
 b. Explain briefly various theoretical models of semivariogram. (10 Marks)
- 3 Describe the following practical problems associated with geostatistical modeling of ore body. (20 Marks)
  - a. Isotropy and anisotropy
  - b. Stationary
  - c. Nugget effect
  - d. Regularization.
- 4 a. Prove :  $\gamma(h) = \sigma^2 - cv(h)$  notation s used have usual meaning. (10 Marks)  
 b. Assume that samples have been taken at equal intervals along a drive. Some samples are missing and the values obtained are given on Fig.Q4(b). Calculate semivariogram for lag interval of 1, 2 and 3.

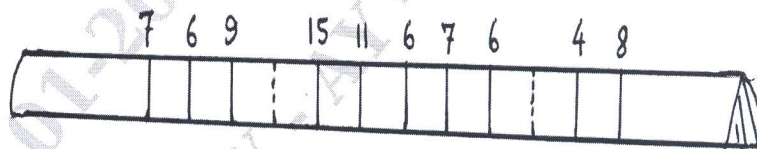


Fig.Q4(b) Sample values obtained along drive

(10 Marks)

**PART – B**

- 5 a. Define extension and estimation variance. (02 Marks)  
 b. Determine estimation variance while estimating a block of volume V by a set of samples  $S_i$ . (08 Marks)  
 c. Consider a point semivariogram  $\gamma(h)$  linear for  $h < 2$  and reaching a sill  $c = 1$  at  $h = 2$ . There is no nugget effect. Determine estimation variance while estimating a square block V of size  $3 \times 3$  by a point sample S located at a corner of the square. (10 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.  
 2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg. 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

- 6 a. Determine kriged estimate for a block of ore by two samples. (16 Marks)  
b. Calculate Kriged estimate of block V and the associated Kriging variance based on the following information :
- $\bar{\gamma}(v, v) = 0.60 (\%)^2$   
 $\bar{\gamma}(s_1, v) = 0.60 (\%)^2$   
 $\bar{\gamma}(s_2, v) = 0.80 (\%)^2$   
 $\bar{\gamma}(s_1, s_2) = \bar{\gamma}(s_2, s_1) = 0.90 (\%)^2$   
 $g_1 = 3\%$  ,  $g_2 = 2\%$ .
- Notations used have usual meaning. (04 Marks)
- 7 a. Given an estimate of mean as 65% Fe and a standard deviation of 10% in an iron ore deposit, determine the proportion of iron ore i) above 60% Fe, ii) between 60% and 62% Fe grade. (06 Marks)  
b. Describe geostatistical structural analysis. (08 Marks)  
c. Describe the principle underlying point kriging cross validation. (06 Marks)
- 8 Describe the application of geostatistical methods in :
- a. Optimization of drilling programme (06 Marks)  
b. Grade control (06 Marks)  
c. Misclassified tonnages—actual vs estimated. (08 Marks)

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