

第一部份：工程統計（共五十分）

1. Short answer questions: (6 pts each, totally 18 pts)
- What is the meaning of R^2 in regression analysis?
 - Explain the relationship between 'Central Limit Theory' and PERT.
 - What is the statistical theory behind the 'Control Chart' method of quality control?
2. A highway tunnel is under construction using the D&B method. The total length of the tunnel is 240m. The progressing cycle is set to be 1 m. So far, 20 progressing cycles have been completed. Their respective cycle times are listed in the table below.

Unit: hour

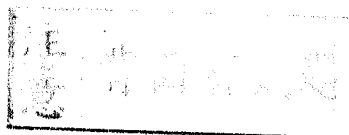
10.8	10.2	9.8	11.4
10.6	8.6	10.6	9.2
11.8	11.4	45.5	10.2
34.0	11.6	10.2	12.8
10.2	12.0	10.4	11.2

- Calculate the Mean, Mode, Median and Standard deviation of the cycle time. (12 pts)
 - With 95% confidence interval, how much more time is needed to complete the work? (8 pts)
3. 甲工地由信賴預拌廠供應 210 kgf/cm^2 混凝土，下表為其抽樣試體之抗壓強度，妳（你）會考慮在妳（你）所負責的工地使用信賴預拌廠？為什麼？（12分）

No.	取樣日期	樣品代號	平均抗壓強度 (兩個試體)	No.	取樣日期	樣品代號	平均抗壓強度 (兩個試體)
1	85.7.1	P5-1	246	7	85.7.2	P4-1	284
2	85.7.1	P5-2	260	8	85.7.2	P4-2	225
3	85.7.1	P7-1	255	9	85.7.3	P6-1	310
4	85.7.1	P7-2	294	10	85.7.3	P6-2	198
5	85.7.1	P3-1	305	11	85.7.3	P1-1	205
6	85.7.2	P3-2	276	12	85.7.3	P1-2	236

第二部份：工程經濟（共五十分）

1. An engineering consultant firm would like to raise funds needed for 4 anticipated engineering projects, thus resulting in only two choices for the firm: requesting bank's loan or selling a bond. The following information presents the details for these two choices:
- According to the creditworthiness of the corporate, the maximum amount of the best loan collected from a commercial bank reaches 1 billion dollars. This loan offers a lump sum amount one time ONLY and no more loans are available from all banks in 4 years if taking the loan. This loan has details of: 4-year loan for 1 billion dollars at the interest rate of 4%.
 - B-Class Bond: 10-year bond for 1 billion dollars at the interest rate of 7% paid on annual basis to the bondholders. Each bond face value is \$10,000 and will be projected to sell for \$12,000 in the future market. Additionally, the assisting bank charges 1% for the face value of sold bond plus 2% of the annual interest expense on the bond. The annual after-tax cost of capital for a bond can be estimated:



$$C_B = \frac{[Zr + (Z - P + S_e) / N + A_e](1 - t)}{(Z + P - S_e) / 2}$$

Where Z = face value of bond; r = bond rate (nominal interest) per year; N = number of years until the bond is redeemed; S_e = initial selling expenses associated with the bond; P = actual selling price of the bond (if P < Z, the bond sold at a discount, and if P > Z, the bond sold at a premium.) A_e = annual administrative expenses associated with the bond; t = effective (marginal) income-tax rate.

- (a) Calculate after-tax cost of capital of the loan (5pts) and bond (5 pts). Assume that the tax rate is 25%.
- (b) Under certain circumstances, short-term financing exhibits relatively higher risk for the firm. Financiers predict that the risk premiums for the short-term financing and bond are 2.82 % and 1.41% respectively within 10 years. The after-tax cost of capital for both choices will be affected according to the equations of:

$$C_{\text{risk-adjusted_Loan}} = c_L + \text{risk premium}$$

$$C_{\text{risk-adjusted_Bond}} = c_B + \text{risk premium}$$

where c is cost of capital, L stands for loan, and B stands for bond.

Determine the adjusted after-tax cost of capital of the loan and bond and select the better choice (10 pts).

2. By referring to the Question 1 mentioning the engineering projects, there are 4 anticipated projects (A, B, C, and D) exhibiting the interrelationship and cash flows as follow: i. A and C are mutually exclusive; ii. B and C are mutually exclusive; iii. At least 2 projects must be selected; iv. C is dependent on the acceptance of D.

Project	Cash flow (million dollars) for end of year k				
	0	1	2	3	4
A	-300	200	100	100	100
B	-300	300	200	100	0
C	-600	100	100	400	600
D	-500	100	200	300	400

- (a) Determine all possible combinations. (5 pts)
- (b) Using the selected cost of capital obtained in Question 1-(b), determine the best capital amount allocation among the combinations by utilizing the PW method. (10 pts)
- (c) Assume that the general price inflation rate and the total price escalation rate are projected to be 2% and 3% respectively for the following 4 years. Using the selected cost of capital obtained in Question 1-(b), conduct the actual dollar analysis and real dollar analysis for the best combination (15 pts) obtained in Question 2-(b).