

ME 519: Decision based Design
Prof Hoyle, Spring 2020
Project Proposal

Assigned: 4/21/2020

Discuss: Week of 4/27/2020

Provide a proposal for a project based upon concepts from the course. Parameters are as follows:

1. Can be done individually or in a team of two (I will expect a broader scope and clear separation of duties if it is a team of 2).
2. Uses at least one concept from the course, for example:
 - a. Uncertainty quantification (e.g. Monte Carlo simulation, FORM algorithm)
 - b. Utility theory (a method for handling uncertainty in an objective function)
 - c. Decision making in design (e.g., exploring alternative decision making principles or ideas to those presented in class)
 - d. Using random utility theory to estimate user or consumer utility (not covered yet in class but it is a way of estimation demand for a product by potential users from a data set).
 - e. Use of optimization methods from ME 517 with uncertainty included to explore *optimization under uncertainty*.

We will discuss the project in a 1 on 1 meeting the week of 4/27 and I will help you formulate the problem. Things you should be prepared to discuss:

- Team members (if applicable)
- Problem description:
 - Purpose of doing the project
 - Methods you think you might use
 - Sources for an underlying simulation model, uncertainty quantification, or data
 - Potential issues
 - Expected outcomes