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Méthodes statistiques de contrôle de la qualité des matériaux et éléments de construction

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Introduction

Quality control of building materials and components is, according to ISO 2394, an indispensable part of an overall concept of structural reliability. As quality control is generally a time-consuming and expensive task, various operational techniques and activities have been developed to fulfil quality requirements in building. It appears that properly employed statistical methods can provide efficient, economic and effective means of quality control, particularly when expensive and destructive tests are to be performed. The purpose of this International Standard is to provide general techniques for quality control of building materials and components used in building or other civil engineering works.

Described techniques consist predominantly of classical statistical methods of common interest for all the participants in the building process. For other more sophisticated techniques and specific problems, existing statistical standards listed in annex A should be applied.