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Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2019

Pavement Design

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 80

- Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.
2. Missing data, if any may be assumed.
3. Use of relevant charts is permitted.*

Module-1

- 1 a. Draw neat sketch of cross section of a flexible pavement and describe the functions of each layer. (08 Marks)
- b. Determine the deflection values under a wheel load of 60kN and contact pressure 0.7 N/mm² in a homogeneous mass of soil at a depth of $Z = 2.5a$ upto a radial distance of $r = 5a$. Take modulus of elasticity of subgrade as 8 N/mm². Sketch the deflection curve. Use Fig.Q.1(b). (08 Marks)

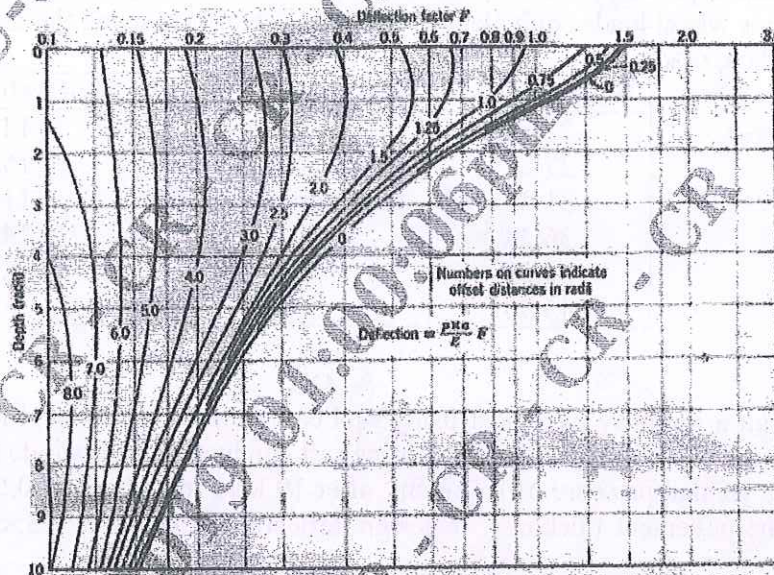


Figure 165: Vertical Deflection w due to Circular Loading (Foster and Ahlvin, 1954)

Fig.Q.1(b)

OR

- 2 a. Compare the salient features of flexible and rigid pavements. (08 Marks)
- b. A plate load test was carried out on subgrade using 300mm diameter plate and corresponding to a deflection of 5mm, the load sustained on the plate per unit area was 0.08 N/mm². The test was repeated on base course of thickness 300mm and unit load sustained was 0.45 N/mm² at the same deflection. Find:
 - i) Elastic modulus of subgrade and the ratio EP/ES.
 - ii) What should be the thickness of base course as to sustain wheel load of 50kN and contact pressure 0.6 N/mm² so that maximum deflection does not exceed 5mm. Use Fig.Q.2(b). (08 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.

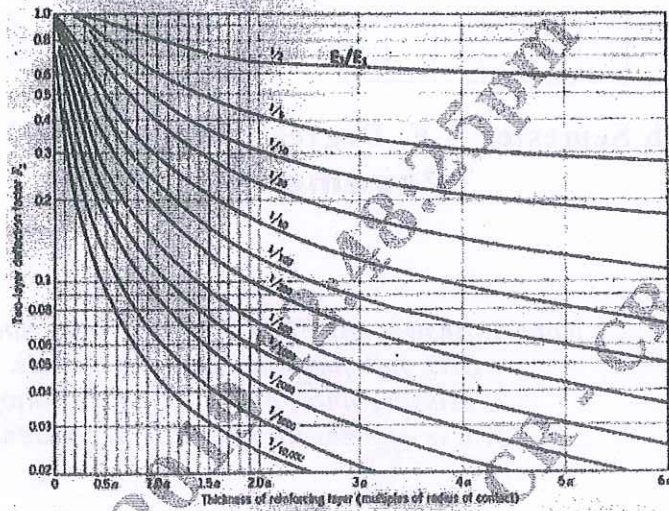


Fig.Q.2(b)

Module-2

- 3 a. Explain what is trust action. What are the factors affecting frost action and what are the remedial measures? (08 Marks)
- b. Explain Equivalent Wheel factor (EWL). Calculate design repetitions for 20 years period for various wheel loads equivalent to 22.68kN wheel load using the following survey data on a four lane road (08 Marks)

Wheel load, kN	AOT, both directions	% of traffic volume
22.68	Total volume of	13.17
27.22	traffic consisting of	15.30
31.75	traffic growth = 215	11.36
36.29		14.11
40.82		6.21
45.36		5.84

OR

- 4 a. Design a highway pavement using McLeod method for a wheel load of 5100 kg with tyre pressure 6.5 kg/cm². The plate bearing test conducted on subgrade soil using 30cm diameter. Plate yielded pressure of 2.5kg/cm² after 10 load repetitions at 0.5cm deflection. What will be the pavement thickness, if design deflection is taken as 0.35cm? Use Fig.Q.4a(i) and Fig.Q.4a(ii).

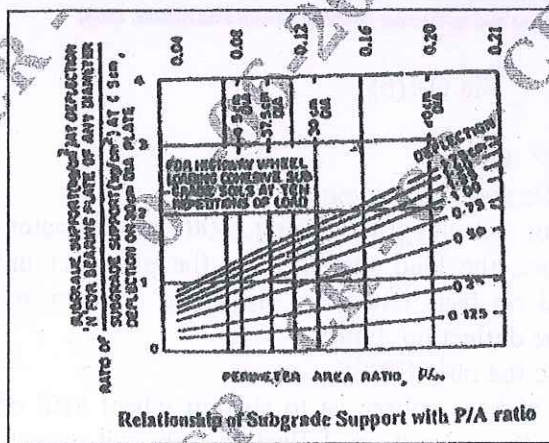


Fig.Q.4a(ii)
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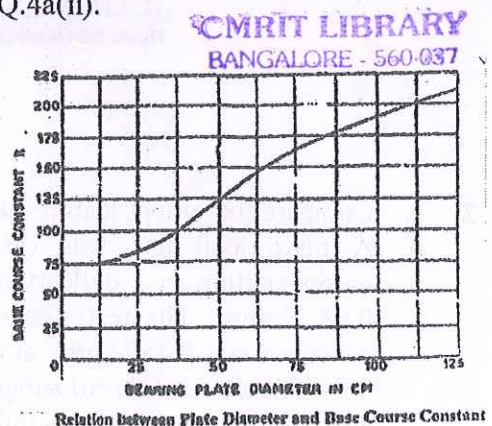


Fig.Q.4a(i)

- b. Design the pavement by triaxial method using the following data:

Wheel load = 51 kN, radius of contact area = 150 mm

Traffic coefficient = 1.5,

Rainfall coefficient = 0.9

Design deflection = 2.5mm

E of subgrade = 10 N/mm²

E of base course = 40 N/mm²

E of 75mm thick bituminous concrete surface = 100 N/mm².

(08 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. List the general causes of flexible pavement failures and describe the failures in sub base and base courses. (08 Marks)
- b. Explain the step by step procedure of conducting Benkleman Beam deflection studies for evaluation of flexible pavement surface condition. (08 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Briefly explain the typical types of flexible pavement failures. (08 Marks)
- b. Existing black top pavement was tested using Benkleman beam. The observations recorded at a pavement temperature of 43°C are given below. Compute the thickness of bituminous concrete overlay taking allowable deflection as 1.25mm, factor of subgrade moisture as content as 2 and accuracy 84%.
1.46, 1.52, 1.56, 1.76, 1.96, 1.74, 1.68, 1.74, 1.96, 1.42, 1.56, 1.62mm. (08 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. As per IRC 58-2002, explain the procedure of design of rigid pavements. (08 Marks)
- b. Calculate the wheel load stresses at edge and corner regions of a CC pavement using modified equations and the following data: wheel load = 51 kN E = 3×10^4 N/mm²
 $\mu = 0.15$ pavement thickness = 180mm, radius of contact area = 150mm and modulus of subgrade reaction = 0.06 N/mm³. (08 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Explain, how warping stresses are formed in cc pavements. Describe the Bradbury's equations to calculate warping stresses at critical locations. (08 Marks)
- b. The design thickness of a CC pavement is 26cm, considering a design axel load (98th percentile load) of 12000 kg on single axel and M40 concrete with characteristic compressive strength of 400 kg/cm², radius of relative stiffness 62.2 cm, elastic modulus of dowel / steel 2×10^6 kg/cm², modulus of dowel concrete interaction 41500 kg/cm³ and joint width 1.8cm, design the dowel bars for 40% load transfer considering edge loading. Take diameter of dowel bar = 3cm, spacing = 25cm. (08 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. What are the factors considered in design of rigid pavements? Explain any three factors. (08 Marks)
- b. List the typical failures in rigid pavements and explain any three of them. (08 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. With sketches, describe the various types of joints and their requirements, in rigid pavements. (08 Marks)
- b. Determine spacing between contraction joints for a 3.5m slab width having thickness of 200mm, friction 1.5, for the following two conditions:
i) Planche cement concrete, allowable $S_c = 0.08$ N/mm²
ii) Reinforced cement concrete, 10mm diameter bars at 0.3m spacing. (08 Marks)
