

# Advanced Concrete Technology VTU Question Paper Set



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**Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2015**  
**Advanced Concrete Technology**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting  
atleast TWO questions from each part.**

**PART – A**

1. a. Clearly mention the four Bogue equations used for estimating potential compound composition of Portland cement. Also mention the two basic assumptions made while developing Bogue equations. Mention its importance. (08 Marks)  
 b. Write note on interfacial transition zone in concrete. (04 Marks)  
 c. Draw typical stress – strain curves for concrete under :  
 i) Biaxial compression  
 ii) Combined compression and tension  
 iii) Biaxial tension, and mark salient points. (08 Marks)
2. a. What are plasticizers? Mention the types of plasticizers. Write brief note on electro chemical activity of super plasticizers. (10 Marks)  
 b. With sketch explain the activity of air – entraining agents. (05 Marks)  
 c. What are mineral admixtures? Explain briefly the role of i) metakaoline ii) silica fume and iii) fly ash as mineral admixtures. (05 Marks)
3. a. Explain briefly the steps involved in concrete mix design as per Bureau of Indian standards. (10 Marks)  
 b. Calculate :  
 i) Water-cement ratio to achieve  $f_{ck} = 20 \text{ N/mm}^2$  at 28 days assuming 30 samples with standard deviation 4.6 for 43 grade cement  
 ii) Target strength if standard deviation is 5, for  $f_{ck} = 20 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . (05 Marks)  
 c. Mention the relation used for calculating volume of sand and coarse aggregate as per Indian standards, by absolute volume method. (05 Marks)
4. a. Explain briefly thermal diffusivity and thermal conductivity. (05 Marks)  
 b. Mention the Alkali Silica reaction. What circumstances are required for the Alkali Silica reaction(ASR) to take place? (05 Marks)  
 c. Mention the three parameters included in the concrete work specification to ensure required impermeability of concrete. (03 Marks)  
 d. Define : i) Durability ii) specific heat iii) Efflorescence. (07 Marks)

**PART – B**

5. a. Sketch a typical layout of the site for RMC plant with auxiliary. Explain any two of the auxiliary in brief. (12 Marks)  
 b. Mention the various tests performed to check the properties of fresh self compacting concrete (SCC). Explain any one of them briefly, with sketches. (08 Marks)
6. a. Explain briefly the behavior of fibre reinforced concrete under :  
 i) Tension ii) Compression iii) Flexure. (12 Marks)  
 b. What is Ferro concrete? Mention its properties with application in civil engineering field. (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 for equations written eg.  $42 \times 8 = 50$ , will be treated as malpractice.

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- 7 a. Write a brief note on proportioning of light weight concrete. (04 Marks)  
b. Explain briefly the salient high performance requirements to produce high performance concrete. (04 Marks)  
c. What is high density concrete? Mention its properties and any four important applications. (12 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on :  
a. Pulse velocity method  
b. Rheology of concrete  
c. Post and pre-cracking FRC beams  
d. Marsh cone test. (20 Marks)

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## Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2016

**Advanced Concrete Technology**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

- Note:** 1. Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.  
 2. Missing data may be suitably assumed.  
 3. Use of IS: 10262 – 2009 is permitted

**PART – A**

- 1 a. Enumerate the importance of Bogue's compounds in ordinary port land cement. (06 Marks)  
 b. Explain briefly rheology of concrete. What are the factors affecting the rheology of concrete? (07 Marks)  
 c. What are the factors affecting strength and elasticity of concrete? (07 Marks)
- 2 a. Explain the mechanism of 'deflocculation' of cement particles by super plasticizers with neat sketches. (07 Marks)  
 b. What is optimum dosage of super plasticizer? How do you determine the optimum dosage of super plasticizer? (07 Marks)  
 c. What are mineral admixtures? Explain briefly, i) Silica fume ii) G.G.B.S. iii) Fly ash. (06 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain the factors affecting the mix design of concretes. (05 Marks)  
 b. Design a concrete mix of M<sub>25</sub> grade for the following data:  
 Max size of aggregate – 20 mm; Crushed angular  
 Min/max cement content – 300/450 kg/m<sup>3</sup>; Max W/C – 0.5; Exposure condition – Moderate;  
 Work ability – 100 mm slump; Method of placing – pumping; Quality control – good;  
 Type of chemical admixture – Super plasticizer [Specific gravity – 1.14].  
 Assume 25% replacement of cement by fly ash.  
 Test data for materials:  
 i) Cement – OPC 43 grade IS 8112.  
 ii) Specific gravity of cement – 3.15  
 iii) Fly ash – 20% Cementations material  
 iv) Specific gravity of fly ash – 2.20  
 v) Specific gravity of coarse aggregate – 2.60  
 vi) Specific gravity of fine aggregate – 2.65  
 [belongs to zone II]  
 Assume any other data suitably. (15 Marks)
- 4 a. Explain the influence of w/c ratio and age on permeability of concrete. (07 Marks)  
 b. Discuss in brief alkali aggregate reaction. What precautions are necessary to minimize? (06 Marks)  
 c. What is sulphate attack? Explain briefly the methods of controlling sulphate attack. (07 Marks)

**PART – B**

- 5 a. What is R.M.C? Explain briefly advantages of R.M.C. (06 Marks)  
b. Explain short crete and under water concreting. (08 Marks)  
c. What is self compacting concrete? What are the advantages of self compacting concrete? (06 Marks)
- 6 a. What are the different types of fibres used in concrete? What factors effecting properties of fibre reinforced concrete? (08 Marks)  
b. What is aspect ratio? How does it influence strength and toughness of FRC? (04 Marks)  
c. What is Ferro cement? List the various applications of Ferro cement. (08 Marks)
- 7 a. Write short notes on:  
i) Light weight concrete.  
ii) High density concrete. (06 Marks)  
b. What is 'High Performance Concrete' [HPC]? What are the applications of High Performance Concrete? (06 Marks)  
c. Discuss in brief the properties of High Performance Concrete in fresh and hardened state. (08 Marks)
- 8 Explain the following:  
a. Tests on hardened concrete. (08 Marks)  
b. Rebound Hammer Test [NDT]. (06 Marks)  
c. Pulse Velocity Test [NDT]. (06 Marks)

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## Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2014

### Advanced Concrete Technology

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

**Note:** 1. Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.  
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#### PART – A

1.
  - a. Enumerate the importance of Bogue's compounds in ordinary port land cement. (07 Marks)
  - b. Explain the rheology of concrete in terms of Bingham's parameter. (07 Marks)
  - c. Determine capillary porosity, total porosity and gel space ratio for a cement paste with W/C ratio 0.5 and degree of hydration 90%. (06 Marks)
2.
  - a. Explain the mechanism of 'deflocculation' of cement particles by super plasticizers with neat sketches. (10 Marks)
  - b. What is optimum dosage of super plasticizer? How do you determine the optimum dosage of super plasticizer? (06 Marks)
  - c. Explain the effect of fly ash on hardened state of concrete. (04 Marks)
3.
  - a. Explain the factors affecting the mix design of concrete. (06 Marks)
  - b. Using Indian standard code M20 grade method of mix design, arrive to a mix proportion for the following data [M20 grade] :  
 maximum size of aggregate = 20 mm  
 Degree of workability = 0.90 compactor factor  
 Degree of quality control = good  
 Type of exposure = mild  
 Specific gravity of cement = 3.15  
 Specific gravity of coarse aggregate = 2.65  
 Specific gravity of fine aggregate = 2.60  
 Water absorption coarse aggregate = 0.5%  
 Water absorption fine aggregate = 1.0%  
 Free surface moisture-coarse aggregate = Nil  
 Free surface moisture fine aggregate = 2.0%  
 Coarse aggregate percentage of different fractions 60% : 40%.  
 Fine aggregate belongs to zone II. (14 Marks)
4.
  - a. Discuss permeability of concrete. (06 Marks)
  - b. Discuss in brief alkali aggregate reaction. What precautions are necessary to minimize, the same? (06 Marks)
  - c. Explain corrosion in reinforced concrete. (08 Marks)

#### PART – B

5.
  - a. What is RMC? Explain briefly advantages of RMC. (06 Marks)
  - b. Explain shot crete and under water concreting. (08 Marks)
  - c. Mention the need for self compacting concrete. Mention its properties. What are different test methods for determining the rheology of SCC? (06 Marks)



- 6 a. What are the factors affecting properties of fibre reinforced concrete. List the various applications of fibre reinforced concrete. (08 Marks)
- b. What are the different types of fibres used in concrete? (06 Marks)
- c. What is Ferro-cement? List the various applications of Ferro cement. (06 Marks)
- 7 a. Write short notes on:
- i) Light weight concrete (10 Marks)
- ii) High density concrete (10 Marks)
- b. Discuss in brief the properties of high performance concrete in fresh and hardened state. (10 Marks)
- 8 Explain the following:
- a. Tests on hardened concrete (08 Marks)
- b. Rebound Hammer Test (NDT) (06 Marks)
- c. Pulse velocity test [NDT] (06 Marks)

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