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## (1) Ans (a) Comparison of flexible vs Rigid Pavement

## flexible Pavement

(i) Bitumen is used as a binder in flexible pavement

(ii) Deformation in the sub grade is transferred to the upper layer

(iii) load is transferred by grain to grain contact

(iv) flexible pavement have low initial construction costs but have high maintenance cost

(v) Have low life span usually 10-15

(vi) Surfacing cannot be laid directly on the sub grade but a sub base is needed.

(vii) in flexible pavement strength of road highly dependent on strength

## Rigid Pavement

(i) cement is used as a binder in rigid pavement

(ii) Deformation in the sub grade is not transferred to subsequent layers

(iii) no such phenomenon of grain to grain load transfer exists

(iv) Rigid pavement have low maintenance cost but have high initial construction costs.

(v) life span is more as compare to flexible usually 30+ year

(vi) Surfacing can be directly laid on the sub grade.

(vii) strength of road less dependent on strength of sub grade in rigid pavement.

flexible pavement (vi) of Sub grade.	Rigid Pavement
(viii) Road can be used for traffic within 24 hours	(viii) Road cannot be used until 14 days of curing

(b)

Advantages of water bound over mix macadam

(i) water bound macadam:-  
 material are held together by the addition of water and filler. if the stone

(ii) wet mix macadam:-  
 are used mixed with water and graded stones and compacted.

Advantages of water bound over mix macadam

(\*) The main advantages of wet-mix macadam over water bound macadam is that it is composed of a well graded mixture. This ensures good interlock and high stability.

(\*) Addition of water while mixing facilitates the handling of the mixture. The operation of laying is much simpler than that of water-bound macadam where the screenings and binding material is used there is have to be added in stages and forced into voids if a crusher-run material is used, there is no possibility of plastic fines entering into the mixture.

(\*) The compaction is greatly facilitated by the moisture added which lubricated the individual particles.

(1) Ans (c) Differences between Asphalt and Bitumen.

Asphalt

(i) Asphalt pavement are durable with a layer depth of 25-40mm and life span of 20+ year

Bitumen.

(i) Bitumen pavement are less durable with a layer depth of 10-20mm and life span of 5-10 years.

## Asphalt

(i) Surface made of asphalt is smoother and more skid resistant ensuring the driver safety and minimal noise.

(ii) Surface made of asphalt is smoother and more

(iii) Reduced friction between tire and car meaning better fuel economy and minimization of carbon dioxide emission

(iv) Installation is comparatively costlier

(v) Less sensitive to temperature compare to bitumen pavement negative impact are seen only in extremely high or low temperature.

## Bitumen.

(i) The loose fragments on bitumen pavements make the driving experience noisier and can wear down tires consequently causing safety issues.

(ii) Higher frictional resistance of a bitumen pavement mean less efficiency in energy utilization

(iii) Cheap to install compared to asphalt

(iv) Pavement are susceptible to high temperature which can make it slick and soft.

(2)  
Ans

Solution:-

for a design speed of 75 min/h  $K=312$

$$\text{minimum length} = 312 \times (3 - (-4)) = 2184 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Station of BVC} = (345 + 60) - \left(\frac{21 + 84}{2}\right) = 334 + 68$$

$$\text{Station of EVC} = (334 + 68) + (21 + 84) = 356 + 52$$

$$\text{Elevation of BVC} = 250 - \left(0.03 \times \frac{2184}{2}\right) = 217.24 \text{ ft}$$

Station	Distance from BVC (x) ft	Tangent Elevation	offset $y = \frac{Ax^2}{200L}$ ft	curve Elevation Tangent Elevation offset
BVC 334+68	0	217.24	0.01	217.24
BVC 335+00	32	$217.24 \times \frac{32 \times 32}{100}$ <sup>48.75</sup>	0.02	218.18
BVC 336+00	132	221.20	0.28	220.92
BVC 337+00	232	224.20	0.86	223.34
BVC 338+00	332	227.20	1.77	225.43
BVC 339+00	432	230.20	2.99	227.13
BVC 340+00	532	233.20	4.54	228.66
BVC 341+00	632	236.20	6.40	229.80
BVC 342+00	732	239.20	8.59	230.61
BVC 343+00	832	242.20	11.09	231.11
BVC 344+00	932	245.20	13.92	231.28
BVC 345+00	1032	248.20	17.07	231.13
BVC 346+00	1132	251.20	20.54	230.66

Buc 347+00	1232	254.20	24.32	229.88
Buc 348+00	1332	257.20	28.32	228.77
Buc 349+00	1432	260.20	32.86	227.34
Buc 350+00	1532	263.20	37.61	225.59
Buc 351+00	1632	266.20	42.68	223.52
Buc 352+00	1732	269.20	48.07	221.13
Buc 353+00	1832	272.20	53.79	218.41
Buc 354+00	1932	275.20	59.82	215.38
Buc 355+00	2032	278.20	66.17	212.03
Buc 356+00	2132	281.20	72.84	208.36
Buc 356+52	2184	282.76	76.44	206.32

(3) Step #1

Ans Draw a line joining the reliability level of 99% and the overall standard deviation  $SO$  of 0.49 and extend line to intersect the first  $TL$  line at point A

Step #02

Draw a line joining point A to the  $BAL$  of  $2 \times 10^6$  and extend this line to intersect the first  $TL$  line at point B.

Step # 03

Draw a line joining point B and resilient modulus (MR) of base course and extend this line to intersect the design Serviceability loss chart at point C

Step # 4

Draw a horizontal line from point C to intersect the design Serviceability loss (PSI) curve at point D so here

$$APSI = 45 - 20.5 = 2$$

Step # 5

The structure number require to produce the base course and to find the thickness  $D_1$  of the surface course is 2.6.

Step # 6

Determine the appropriate structure layer co-efficient for each construction material Resilient value of Asphalt =

$$= 450,000 \text{ lb/in}^2$$

$$D_1 = SN_1 / a_1$$

$$2.6 / 0.44 = 5.9^4$$



Thickness should be taken to the nearest 0.5 inches so the thickness of the surface course is 6"

$$SN_1 = D_1 \times a_1$$

$$= 6 \times 0.44 = 2.64$$

Now find  $SN_2$  and  $D_2$  (Base course)  
find the value of  $a_2$  from layer coefficient table and  $m_2$  from drainage coefficient table.

→ thickness of base course  $D_2$ .

$$D_2 = (SN_2 - SN_1) / (a_2 m_2)$$

$$D_2 = (38 - 2.64) / (1.4 \times 0.80)$$

$$D_2 = 10.36''$$

use 12"

So the thickness of base course is 12"

$$SN_2 = 0.14 \times 0.80 \times 12 + SN_1$$

$$SN_2 = 1.34 + 2.64$$

$$SN_2 = 3.98$$

finding  $SN_3$  and  $D_3$  (Subbase course) and also layer coefficient  $a_3$  and drainage coefficient  $m_3$  from their respective table.

$$D_3 = (SN_3 - SN_2) / a_3 m_3$$

$$D_3 = (4.4 - 3.98) / 0.10 \times 0.80$$

$$D_3 = 5.24''$$

we will use 6'' as a sub base

$$SN_3 = 2.64 + 1.34 + 6'' \times 0.10 \times 0.80$$

$$SN_3 = 4.46 > 4.4 \text{ okey}$$

final design:

surface course = 6''

→ Base course = 12''

→ sub base = 6''

→ Total pavement thickness = 24''

(4)  
Ans

Pavement distresses:-

Distresses is a condition of the pavement structure that reduces serviceability or leads to a reduction in service life

- ⊙ Distresses could occur in a pavement due to
  - ⊙ unstable mixes
  - ⊙ Higher wheel load than those considered in design.

## Alligator (fatigue) cracking

- (\*) Possible cases
- (\*) Overloading
- (\*) inadequate structure design
- (\*) Poor construction
- (\*) Repair
- (\*) crack sealing is ineffective
- (\*) Dig out and replace area of poor subgrade

## (\*) Block cracking:-

- (\*) Problem - Allows moisture infiltration
- (\*) possible causes
- (\*) HMA shrinkage
- (\*) poor choice of asphalt binder in the mix design

## (\*) Repair

- (\*) low severity cracks ( $> 1/2$  inch wide) and cracks with sealed edges Remove and replace the cracked pavement layer with an ~~over~~ overlay.

## Potholes:-

- (\*) Small bowl shaped depression in the pavement surface that penetrate all the way through the HMA layer down to the

base course.

⊙ potholes are most likely to occur on road with thin HMA surfaces (1 to 2 inch) and seldom occur on roads with 4 inch ~~per~~ deeper HMA surface.

⊙ Problem Roughness (serious vehicular damage can result of fatigue for driving across potholes at higher speeds moisture infiltration.

Rutting:-

Surface depression in the wheel path, are particularly evident after a rain when they are filled with water

Possible causes.

- ⊙ insufficient compaction of HMA layer during construction
- ⊙ subgrade rutting (e.g) as a result of inadequate pavement structure.

Repair.

- ⊙ slight ruts (> 1/3 inch deep) can generally be left untreated pavement with deeper ruts should be leveled and overlaid.

## Bleeding.

- (\*) Problem of skid resistance when wet
- (\*) Possible cause.
- (\*) Excessive asphalt binder in the HMA
- (\*) Excessive application of asphalt binder during BST application.

## Polished Aggregate:

Possible causes. Repeated traffic application this can occur quicker if the aggregate is susceptible to abrasion.

- (\*) Repair Apply a skid-resistant slurry seal BST or non-structural overlay.

## Ravelings:-

- (\*) loose debris on the pavement roughness and loss of skid resistance
- (\*) Possible causes.
- (\*) Asphalt binder aging
- (\*) Aggregate segregation if fine particles are missing from the aggregate-matrix.