

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING: IIT DELHI
CEL 774: CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING PRACTICES. MAJOR TEST
DURATION: 2.0 Hours. FIRST SEMESTER-2006-2007. Max. marks:=50
DATE:- 30/11/2006 TIME:- 10.30 A.M. – 12.30 P M Venue: V 315

All relevant charts are supplied and only chart supplied need be used.

DRAW DIAGRAMS TO EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWER WHERE-EVER REQUIRED
BE BRIEF AND ANSWER TO THE POINT

ASSUME MISSING DATA SUITABLY IF REQUIRED

1. Draw a diagram showing relationship between shear strength of fresh concrete and the confining pressure before, during and after vibration also explain the implication. Draw diagram relating height of concrete and time of vibration and express their relationship in form of the relevant equation. Hence obtain an expression for time required to obtain 90 % compaction in terms of relevant factors affecting. 9
2. A, 1:1.8:4.5 mix has a water cement ratio of 0.6 and a cement content of 300 kg/m³, the temperature of the ingredients are as follows cement: 30°C, aggregates: 40°C and water: 25°C, What is the likely temperature of fresh concrete? Temperature of aggregate can be brought down by 5°C by sprinkling water on it, in addition how much ice shall be used if the permissible maximum temperature of concrete at the time of casting as specified in the contract is 27°C? 6
3. Concrete cubes of a given mix are subjected to four different curing conditions, namely; a) continuously submerged moist curing, b) curing with wet hessian cloth, c) steam cured for 8 hours from 2 hours after casting and, d) cured using curing compound applied after setting by brush application. Draw a figure to show their comparative rate of strength development with age till 28 days. Justify your answer. 4
4. In a site you have encountered a steel have excess Carbon, Manganese, Sulphur and Phosphorus than maximum specified in code, state and explain the implications in the properties of steel. 4
5. Draw a diagram and explain the barrel and wedge system of anchorage for post tensioned strand/wires. 5
6. Draw diagrams to explain types of general lay out patterns of casting yard plants. Production capacities of 4 main units in the plant are 30 elements/ day, 32 elements/ day, 35 elements/day and 29 elements /day. An element occupies 8m² space and 5 such elements can be stacked. It is expected that not more than 3 days breakdown is possible in case of erection crane or erection in general. A maximum break down in casting plant can be for a period of 2 days, however the curing period at the stacking yard is 7 days , further a buffer stock of 6 days are to be maintained for flexibility. What is the area required for the stacking yard assuming 20% area for circulation? 10
7. Explain the importance of tolerances in batching. 4
8. The strength of concrete follows Abraham's law. You have designed mixes for M30 and M 20 concrete with w/c of 0.47 and 0.55 respectively and with water content of 180 kg/m³ for slump in the range of 60-100mm. Assume any other data suitably and obtain the mix proportion for M 25 grade of concrete for the same slump and a higher slump of 120mm. 8
