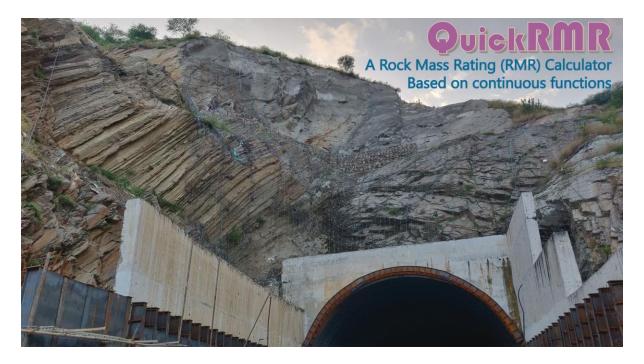
User Guide to QuickRMR

1. Introduction:

'QuickRMR' is a windows computer program and has been developed to calculate both RMR89 and RMR14 using the new continuous functions proposed by Kundu et al. (2020). This computer program aims at making the RMR determination automatic, easy and convenient. The program is freely available and is distributed under an open-source license (GNU General Public License 3.0). The user can calculate, store, update and delete RMR data for several locations and finally can export ratings of all locations to an MS Excel file.



The above figure shows rock mass at a tunnel portal containing diverse lithological and structural condition. The portal has been partially installed with support systems. (Photo credit: Dr. Harsh K. Verma, Sr. Scientist, CSIR-CIMFR).

The software can be installed on a Windows Operating System preferably on Windows 7 or higher.

Other requirements:

.NET Framework 4.0

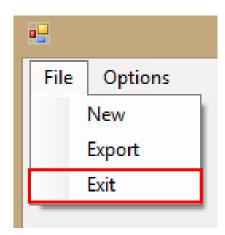
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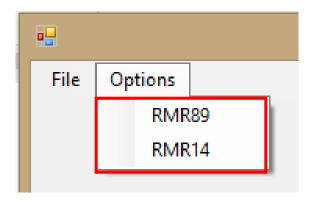
The above requirements have been bundled with the installation setup. After successful installation, upon launching the program, the window should look like below image.



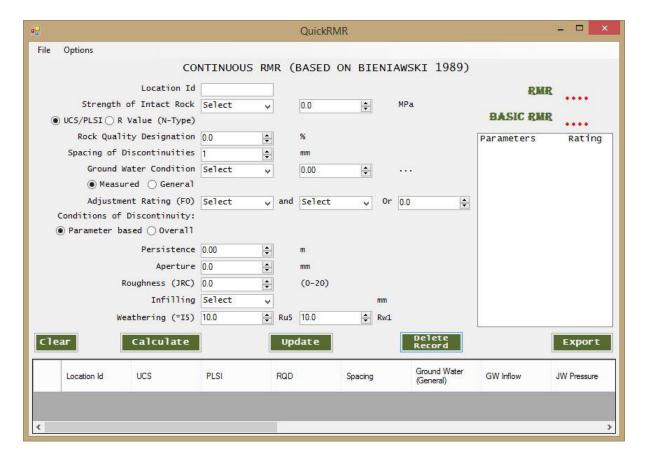
To exit at any time, you can click on the red cross at the upper right corner of the application or you can click **File -> Exit**.



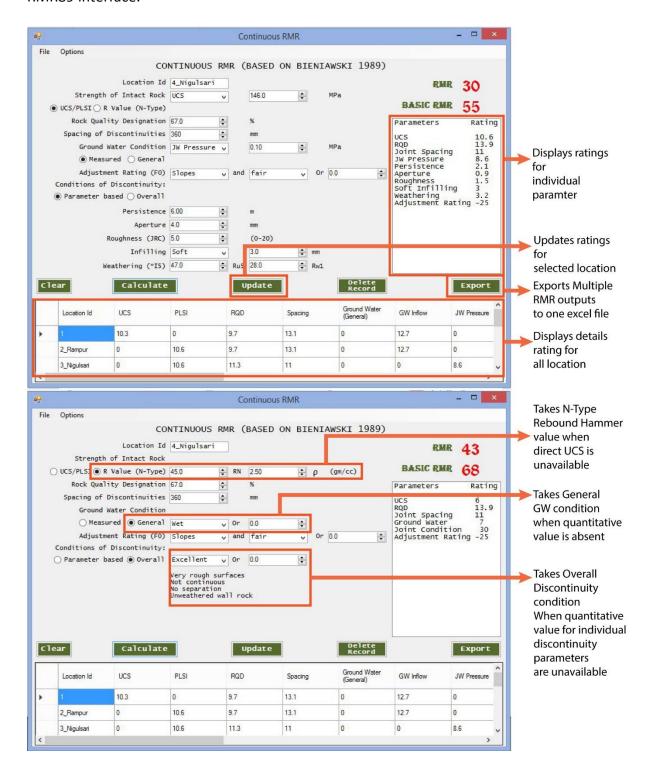
To calculate Rock Mass Rating (RMR) using the continuous functions for version 1989, click on the "RMR89" button or if you wish to calculate RMR using continuous functions for version 2014, click on "RMR14". However, you can change to any version at any time by clicking the dropdown in the Options tab.



If you navigate to the RMR89 page, the interface should look like this.



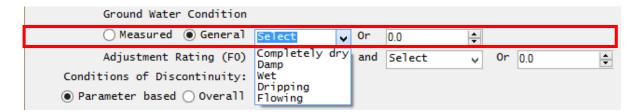
The below figure introduces all the features, functionality and design of the application in the RMR89 interface.



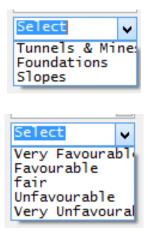
2. Procedure to calculate RMR.

Fill the "location Id" in the given box. To input, the value of a parameter, convert your obtained value to the unit provided at the right side of each parameter. For "Strength of Intact rock", you can use the test value "UCS/PLSI". In case, UCS/PLSI value is not available, you may use the rebound value ("R-Value") of N-type Schmidt hammer. Input the Value for "Rock Quality Designation" (RQD), and "Spacing of discontinuities".

For "Ground Water Condition", if you have measured data for groundwater flow or joint water pressure, select the "Measured" radio button. Otherwise, you can input ratings for general conditions by clicking "General" radio button and choose your ground condition from the dropdown list. You can also input rating based upon your decision in the right text box. The value in the text box will be considered if nothing has been selected from the dropdown list.



For discontinuity "Adjustment Rating", choose your project type for which you wish to obtain the rating. Then select from the dropdown list based on the severity of the condition as a result of discontinuity orientation. You can also input rating based upon your decision in the right side text box. Note that value in the right side text box will only be considered if the dropdown boxes are not selected; otherwise, the rating will be calculated according to the dropdown selections.



For "conditions of discontinuities", if you have measured data for each parameter, click on the "Parameter based" radio button; otherwise, click on the "Overall" radio button. If the Parameter based radio button is selected, fill the value for persistence, aperture, and roughness. For Roughness, You have to input the JRC value. For more on this parameter, refer to Kundu et al. (2020).

For "infilling", select "Hard" of "Soft" for hard infilling and soft infilling from the dropdown list, respectively. If you don't have any infilling material, select "None". In case, you choose "Hard" of "Soft", fill the Infilling thickness in the right side text box.



"Weathering" in this application is calculated from rebound hammer data. Input the "Ru₅" and "Rw₁" Value obtained from the site. For more about these parameters, please refer to Kundu et al. (2020).

If you do not have quantitative values for discontinuity conditions, Select "**Overall**" radio button. Then select an appropriate condition from the dropdown list. The description of the condition is given right below the selected box. You can also input rating based upon your decision in the right text box.



After you input the value of the parameters, click on the **calculate** button.



3. View and export calculated results:

The calculation result will be shown on the upper right side of the interface. You can also see the ratings of each parameter for your current calculation in the list box present at the right side of the interface.



Your current calculation has been stored in the data grid view present at the bottom of the interface. You can calculate RMR for many locations which will be stored in this data grid view.

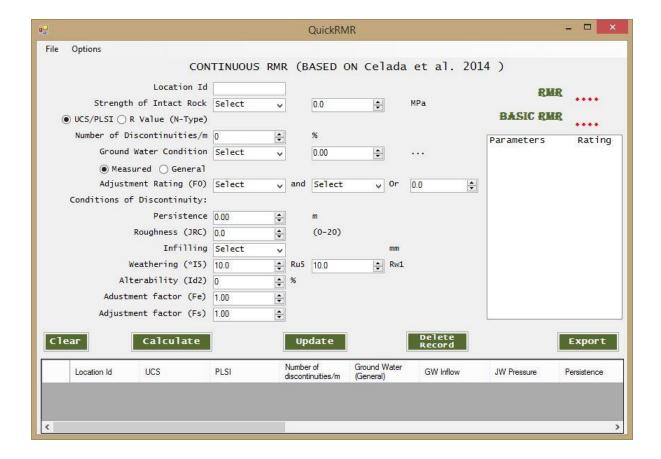
	Location Id	UCS	PLSI	RQD	Spacing	Ground Water (General)	GW Inflow	JW Pressure
•	1	10.3	0	9.7	13.1	0	12.7	0
	2_Rampur	0	10.6	9.7	13.1	0	12.7	0
	3_Nigulsari	0	10.6	11.3	11	0	0	8.6

If you wish to update the ratings for a location/site at a later time, click on the location grid below the location id and re-input the appropriate value of the parameter and then click on the "**Update**" button. The rating for the location will be updated according to the parameters' values.

If you want to export the ratings for each parameter for the locations you have calculated, click on the "Export" button. Your data will be exported to an MS Excel file. Save the Excel file at an appropriate place on your computer. If you do not want your data to be stored in the application, click on the "Delete Record" button. All your data will be deleted from the data grid view.

If you want to clear all the input value in the boxes, and results in the list box, click on the "Clear" button.

The operation for the RMR14 interface is similar to that of the RMR89 interface. After clicking the "RMR14" button, the interface should look like the following image.



During usage, if you find any bugs or errors in this application, email me at email@jkundu.com to make the app more convenient and error-free. Your Questions/Comments/ suggestions are highly valuable for me.

If you use the software for calculation of RMR, cite the software as:

Kundu, J., Sarkar, K., Singh, A.K., & Singh, T.N. (2020). QuickRMR beta. A Rock Mass Rating calculator based on continuous functions. https://jkundu.com/quickrmr (download date).

Cite the article for continuous functions used in the software as:

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