

PART-A

Ch.1 Concrete mix design :-

a. Introduction :-

Concrete is the most widely used man-made construction material in the world and is second only to water as the most utilized substance on the planet.

↳ It is obtained by mixing cementitious materials, water and aggregates in required proportion and sometimes admixtures.

↳ The mixture when placed in forms and allowed to cure, hardens into a rock like mass known as concrete.

↳ The hardening is caused by chemical reaction between water & cement & it continues for a long time & consequently the concrete grows stronger with age.

↳ The hardened concrete may also be considered as an artificial stone in which the voids of larger particles (coarse aggregate) are filled with cement by the smaller particles (fine aggregate) & the voids of fine aggregate are filled with cement.

↳ In a concrete mix the cementitious material & water form a paste called cement water paste which in addition to filling the void of fine aggregate coats the surface of fine coarse aggregate & binds them together as it cures the cementing the particles of the aggregate together in a compact mass.

↳ The strength, durability & other characteristics of concrete depend upon the properties of the ingredients on the proportions

of mix, the method of compaction & other controls during placing.

Compaction & curing

↳ The popularity of the concrete is due to the fact that from the common ingredients it is possible to tailor the properties of concrete to meet the demands of any particular situation.

↳ The key to producing a strong, durable & uniform concrete, i.e. high performance concrete lies in the careful control of its basic & process components.

↳ These are Cement :- Portland cement the most widely used cementitious ingredients in present day concrete. Comprises phases that consist of compounds of calcium, silicon, aluminium, iron & oxygen.

Aggregate:-

These are primarily natural occur find inert granular materials such as sand, gravel or crushed stone, However technology is broadening to include the use of recycled materials & synthetic products.

Water:-

The water cement & the minerals & chemicals dissolve in it are crucial to achieving quality concrete.

Chemical Admixtures:-

These are the ingredients in concrete other than port land cement water & aggregate that are added to the mixture, immediately before or during mixing to reduce the water requirement accelerate / retard setting or, improve specific durability characteristic.

Mineral admixtures
S.C.M are also called mineral additives contribute to the properties of hardened concrete through hydrolytic activity.

→ Typical examples are natural pozzolane fly ash, ground granulated blast furnace slag & silica fumes.

↳ After concrete is placed the components must be cured at a satisfactory moisture content and temperature must be carefully maintained for a sufficiently long time to allow adequate development of the strength of the concrete.

- Concrete has high in compression & its tensile strength is very low.
- In situations where tensile stresses are developed the concrete is strengthened by steel bars or short randomly distributed fibers forming a composite construction called reinforced cement concrete (R.C.C) or fiber reinforced concrete.

* Properties of concrete :-

concrete making is not just a matter of mixing ingredients to produce a plastic mass, but good concrete has to satisfy performance requirement in the plastic or green state as well as the hardened state.

↳ In the plastic state the concrete should be workable & free from segregation & bleeding.

↳ Segregation is the separation of coarse aggregate & bleeding is the separation of cement paste from the main mass.

↳ The segregation & bleeding result in a poor quality concrete.

↳ In its hardened state concrete should be strong, durable, impermeable, & it should have minimum dimensional changes.

↳ Among the various properties of concrete, its compressive strength is considered to be the

most important & is taken as an index of its overall quality.

↳ Many other properties of concrete appear to be generally related to its compressive strength.

* Nominal concrete & designed mix concrete :-

The main ingredients of concrete are cement, fine aggregate (sand) & coarse aggregate (gravel or crush box)

↳ It is usual to specify a particular concrete by the proportion (by wt.) of these constituents & their characteristics i.e. a 1:2:4 concrete refers to a particular concrete manufactured by mixing cement sand & broken stone in 1:2:4 ratio (with a specified type of cement - water-cement ratio max? size of aggregate - etc.)

↳ This classification specifying the proportions of constituents & their characteristics termed as prescriptive specification & is based

on the hope that adherence to such prescriptive specification will result in satisfactory performance.

↳ Alternatively, the specification specifying the requirements of the desirable properties of concrete such as strength, workability, etc. are stipulated, & these are termed as performance oriented specification.

→ Based on these considerations concrete can be classified either as nominal mix concrete or design mix concrete.

* Designed mix concrete :-

Concrete prepared determining the properties of cement, sand, aggregate & finding the proportion from these properties.

→ Trial mixes prepared & tested in laboratory for getting desired strength.

→ Preparation is fixed by weight.

↳ The difference material, required from mix are determined mathematically trial mix are prepared as tested in laboratory.

* Nominal mix concrete :-

If we mix the cement, sand, aggregate by approximately, volume then it is known as nominal mix concrete.

Ex: $\rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 1:5:3$ for ~~M20~~ M20 Concrete etc

This mix is used in field.

* The ACT method of mix proportioning

↳ The ACT method is based on the fact that for a given maximum size of well shaped aggregate, the water content (kg/m^3) determines the workability of mix, i.e. It is largely independent of mix proportion.

↳ The method further assumed that the optimum ratio of the bulk volume of coarse aggregate to the total volume of concrete depends only on the max^m size of aggregate and the gradient of fine aggregate.

→ The water-cement ratio is determined as in other methods that satisfy both strength durability, requirement.

→ The air content in concrete is taken into account for calculating the volume of fine aggregate.

→ The step-by-step procedure adopted for the selection of mix proportion as following.

(1) The water-cement ratio is selected from the following table for the average strength.

* Relationship betⁿ water-cement ratio & average compressive strength

Compressive Strength of 28 day, Mpa	Water-cement ratio by mass	
	Non-air entrained density	Air-entrained Concrete
45	0.38	—
40	0.42	—
35	0.47	0.39
30	0.54	0.45
25	0.61	0.52
20	0.69	0.60
15	0.79	0.71

(ii) The max^o size of coarse aggregate to be used is determined by sieve analysis the degree of workability is decided depending upon the placing condition etc.

(iii) The water cement is select from the following table for the desired workability & max^o size of aggregate.

Approximate water requirement for different slumps & max^o size coarse aggregate.

Slump (cm)	Compacting Factor	Relative water content %	Mixing water (max ^o size of aggregate)
Non air entrained concrete			10 12.5 20 25 37.5
Stiff plastic 25-50	0.85	92	207 199 190 179 156
Plastic 75-100	0.91	100	228 216 205 193 181
Flowing 150-175	0.95	106	243 228 216 202 190 186
Approximate Mean trapped air %			3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5

Air entrained concrete

Stiff plastic								
25-50	0.85	92	182	177	162	152	143	120
Plastic								
75-100	0.91	100	203	192	177	162	158	145
Flowing								
150-175	0.95	106	312	205	188	177	168	155
Recommended average total air content percent								
	mild exposure		4.5	4.0	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.0
	moderate exposure		6.0	5.5	5.0	4.5	4.5	4.0
	extreme exposure		7.5	7.0	6.0	6.0	5.5	5.0

(iv) The cement concrete is calculated from the water content & water cement ratio required for strength & durability.

(v) The coarse aggregate content is estimated from the following table for max^m size of aggregate fineness modulus of sand.

(vi) The coarse aggregate content is determined by subtracting the sum of absolute volume of the coarse aggregate, cement water & entrained air from unit.

volume of concrete. Trial batches are tested & final proportions are obtained by adjustments.

* Concept of quality control :-

↳ Quality in general terms is totality feature & characteristic of a product service that bear on its ability to the stated or implied needs.

↳ The stated or implied needs are those derived by balanced excellence a equity within the sustainable regime & in the socio-techno-economic scenario.

↳ The quality management has evolved also the period through.

- Policing quality :- a acceptance & rejection through inspection & assessment by use

- Judging quality :- Confidence building through third-party judgement

- Forecasting quality :- ensuring quality of the final product by attending to quality at all intermediary stages such as 1) Certification marketing schemes.

4 The quality management of the vibration depend on several factors such as the variation in the quality of constituent materials variation in the quality of constituent variation in mix proportion due to batching process, variation in the quality of batching & mixing equipment available the quality of overall workmanship & supervision at the site, variation due to sampling & testing of concrete specimens.

4 The quality control of concrete is that to reduce this variation & to produce concrete of uniform quality consistent with specified performance requirement which can be achieved by good workmanship & maintenance of plant at peak efficiency.

4 The concrete industry strives at making 'quality' a way of life & way management through Quality Approach covering all aspect of ISO 9000 series.

* Quality Control :-

The strength of concrete varies from batch to batch over a period of time.

→ The source of variability in the strength of concrete may be considered due to variations in the quality of the constituent materials variations in mix proportions due to materials batching process, variations in the quality of batching & mixed equipment available, the quality of supervision & workmanship.

→ These variations are inevitable during production to various degrees.

→ Controlling these variations is imp. in lowering the difference between the minimum strength & characteristic mean strength of the mix & hence reducing the cement content.

→ The factor controlling difference is quality control.

→ The degree of control ultimately evaluated the variation is test results usually expressed in terms of the coefficient of variation.

→ Most of the design procedures are primarily based on the water cement ratio low & also the value of f_{ck} calculated

ACT

- ① Advantage & dis - Advantage of concrete.
- ② Quality control of concrete.
- ③ Retrofitting
- ④ Hot water & cold water distribution
- ⑤ ventilation

Mark Construction equipment

- ① drag
- ① Nominal Mix design
- ① water cement ratio
- ② concrete workability

Retrofitting PART-B

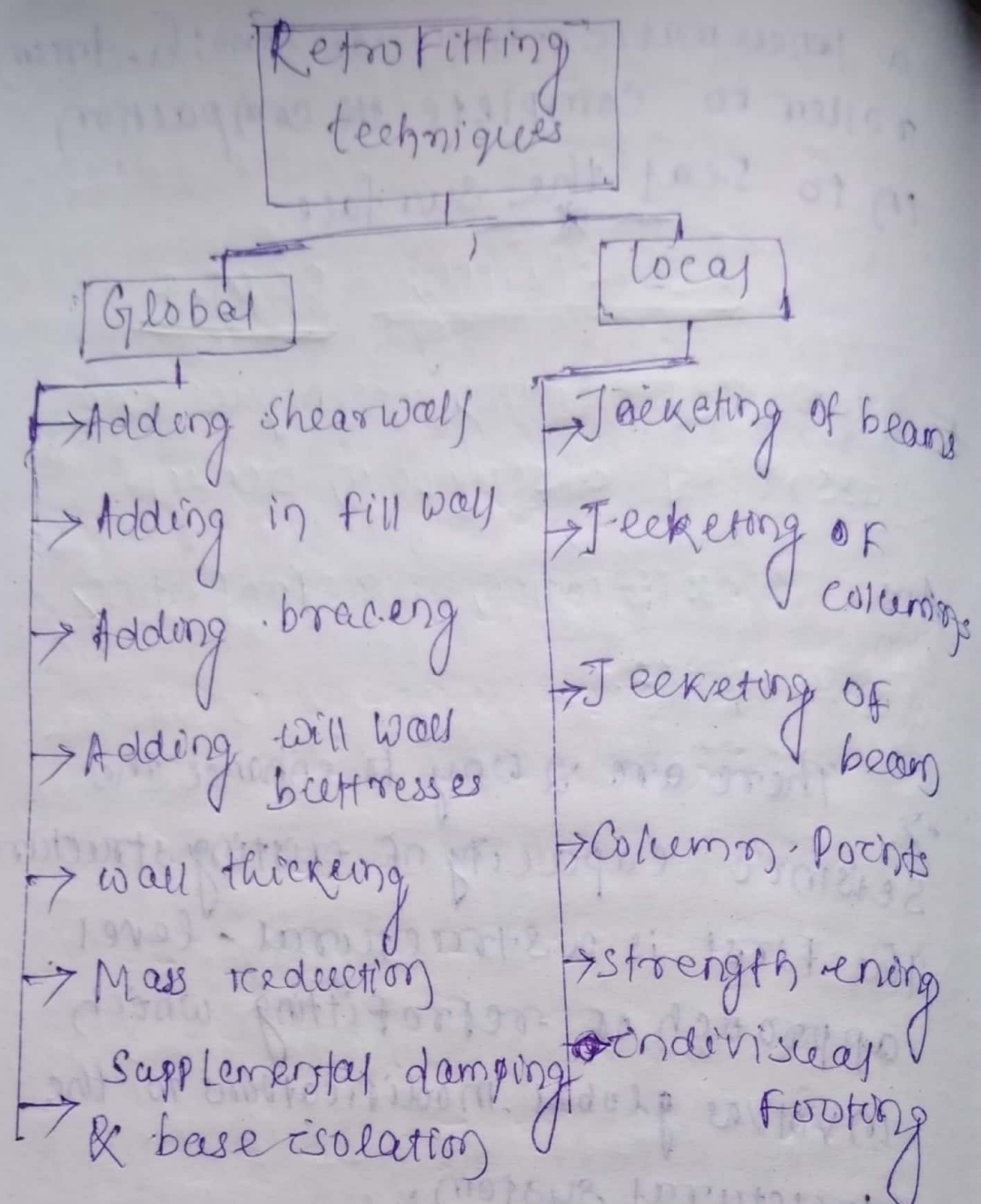
* How retrofitting techniques are classified describe in detail.

Ans. Classification of retrofitting techniques.

→ There are 2 way to enhance the seismic capacity of existing structures. The first is a structural-level approach of retrofitting which involves global modifications to the structural system.

→ The second is a member-level approach of retrofitting or local retrofitting which deals with an increase of the ductility of components with adequate capacities to satisfy their specific limit states.

→ Based on the above concept the retrofitting of reinforced concrete buildings may be classified as in fig →



→ Generally structural level retro fittings are applied when the entire structural lateral load resisting system is deemed to be deficient.

→ Common approaches in this regard are employed to increase stiffness & strength with limited ductility.

→ Achieving desired ratio between the additional stiffening & strengthening is the art of seismic retrofitting.

→ The most common modifications include the addition of structural walls, steel braces, infill walls, base isolators or supplemental energy dissipation devices.

→ The addition of new reinforced concrete shear wall is the most oftenly practised device which has proved to be effective for controlling global lateral drifts & for reducing damage in frame members. Steel braces are used to make the existing buildings stiffer.

→ Concentric or eccentric bracing schemes may be used in the selected bays of an R frame contributing to increase the

→ Infill wall may be employed for strengthening of reinforced concrete buildings, which has been effective in the case of one to three storey buildings that may be extended up to five stories.

→ The lateral strength of existing column can be increased by adding wing walls (side walls) or buttresses similar to infilling. These techniques are not so popular because of may require a vacant site around the building & enough resistance from piles or foundation of the buttress cell.

→ At some occasions it might be possible to achieve the retrofitting objectives by means of global mass reduction.

→ Mass reduction can be accomplished by removal of upper stories heavy ladding partitions & stored goods.

→ Increasing the strength or stiffness of structural member such as slabs & shear wall can be achieved by thickening of member.

→ The concept of seismic base isolation is based on decoupling of structure by introducing low horizontal stiffness bearing between the structure and the foundation.

→ This is to be efficient for seismic protection of horizontal buildings where super structure has a limited seismic resistance and intervention is required only at foundation level.

→ The supplemental damping devices such as addition of viscoelastic damper, visco-elastic damper, frictional damper in diagonal of bays of frame substantially reduces the

earthquake response by dissipating
of energy.

→ Locally retrofitting are typically used either when the retrofit objectives are limited or direct treatment of the ~~most~~ vulnerable components is needed.

→ The most popular & frequently used method in local retrofitting is Jacketing or confinement by the jackets of reinforced concrete steel, fibre reinforced polymer (FRP), carbon fibre - etc.

→ Jacketing around the existing members increase lateral load capacity of the structure in a uniformly distribute way with a minimal increase in loading of any single foundation & with no alternative on the basic geometry of the building.