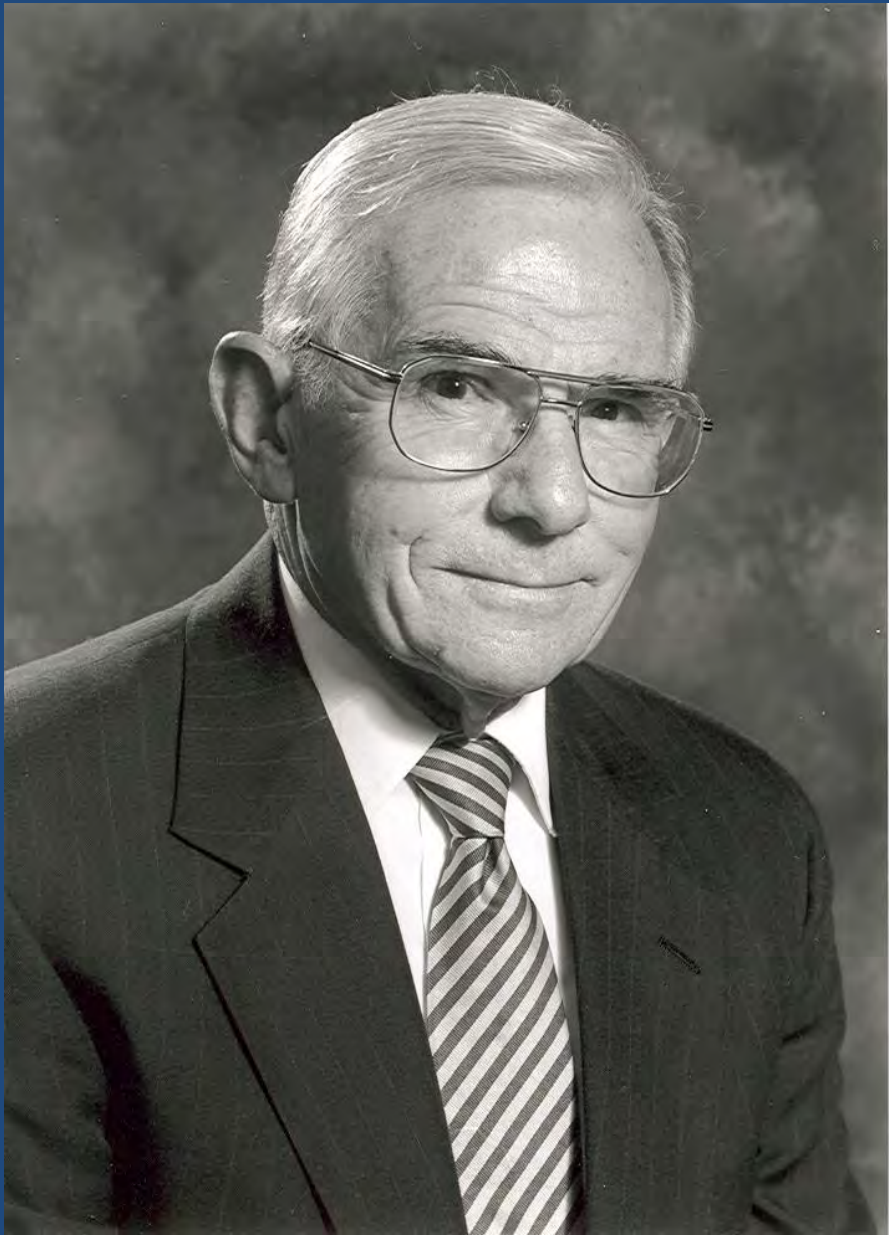


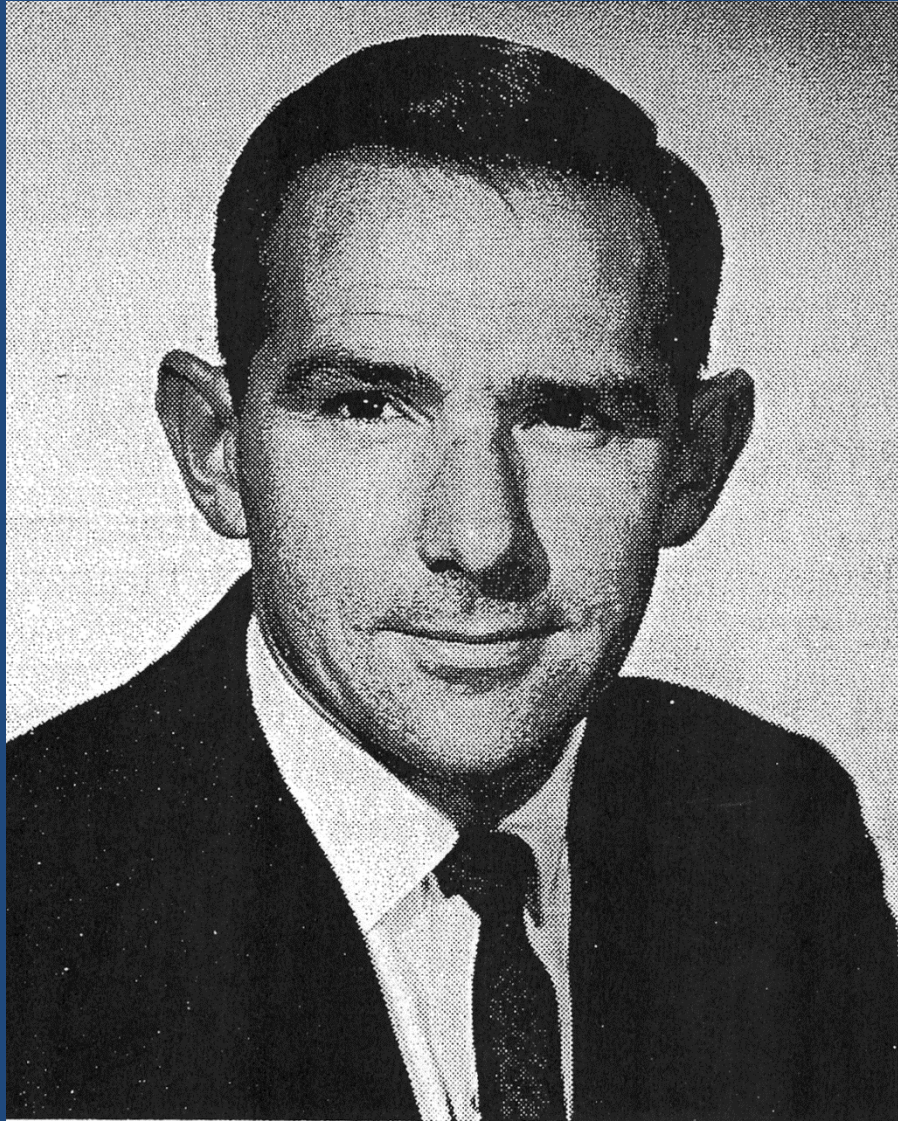
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M-E FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT DESIGN: CHALLENGES AND ISSUES

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**AASHO ROAD TEST
DECISION TIME**

DEFLECTION OR SN ???

THE AASHO ROAD TEST - REPORT 5 PAVEMENT RESEARCH SPECIAL REPORT 61E

- **“The performance of the flexible pavements was predicted with essentially the same precision from load-deflection data as from load-design information.” (SN)**
- **“Deflections taken during the spring when the subsurface conditions were adverse gave a better prediction of pavement life than those taken in the fall.”**
- **“There was high degree of correlation between deflection and rutting.’**

1959 SPRING NORMAL DEFLECTIONS

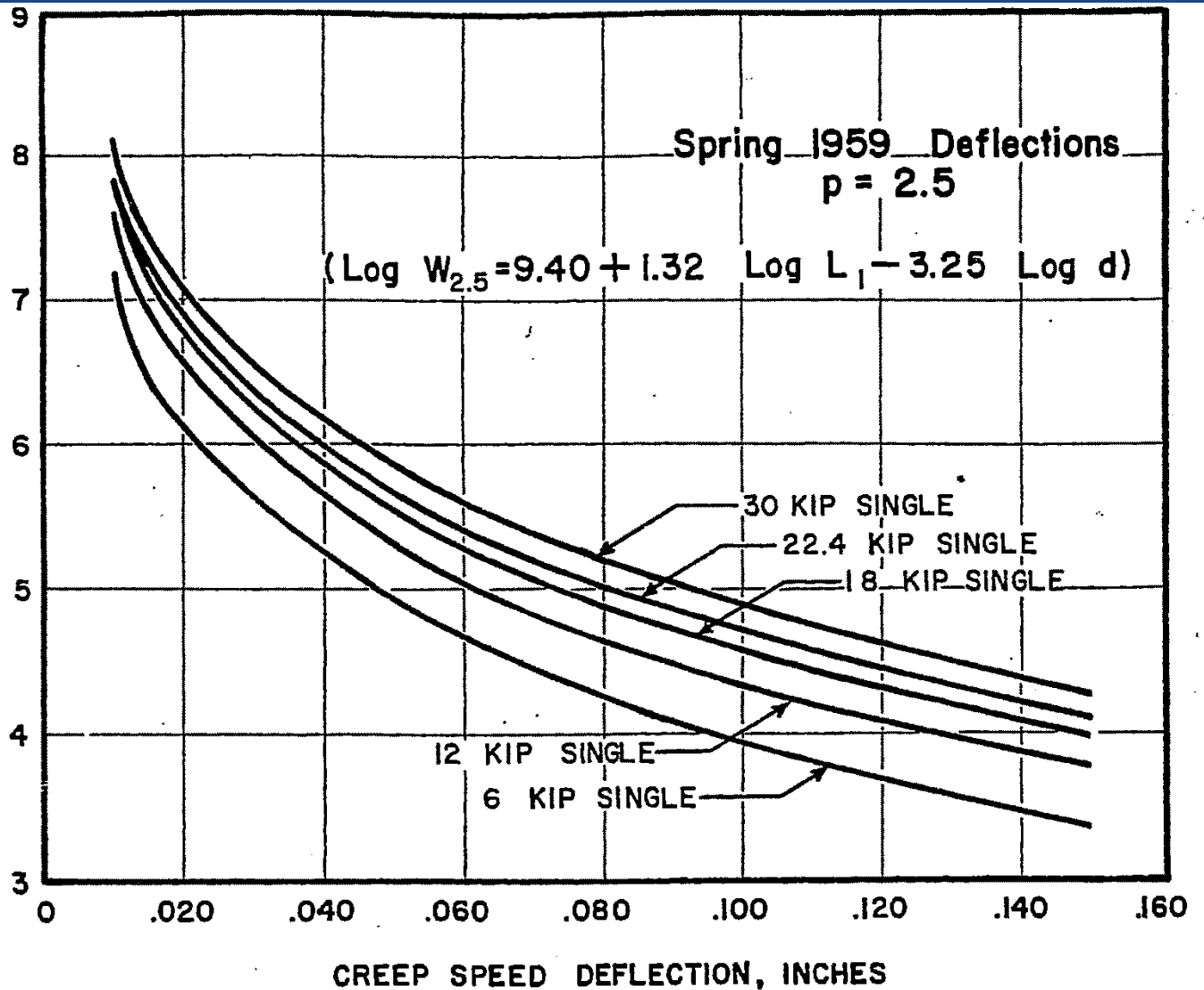
$$\text{LOG } W_{2.5} = 9.4 + 1.32 \text{ LOG } L - 3.25 \text{ LOG } d$$

$$\text{LOG } W_{1.5} = 10.18 + 1.36 \text{ LOG } L - 3.64 \text{ LOG } d$$

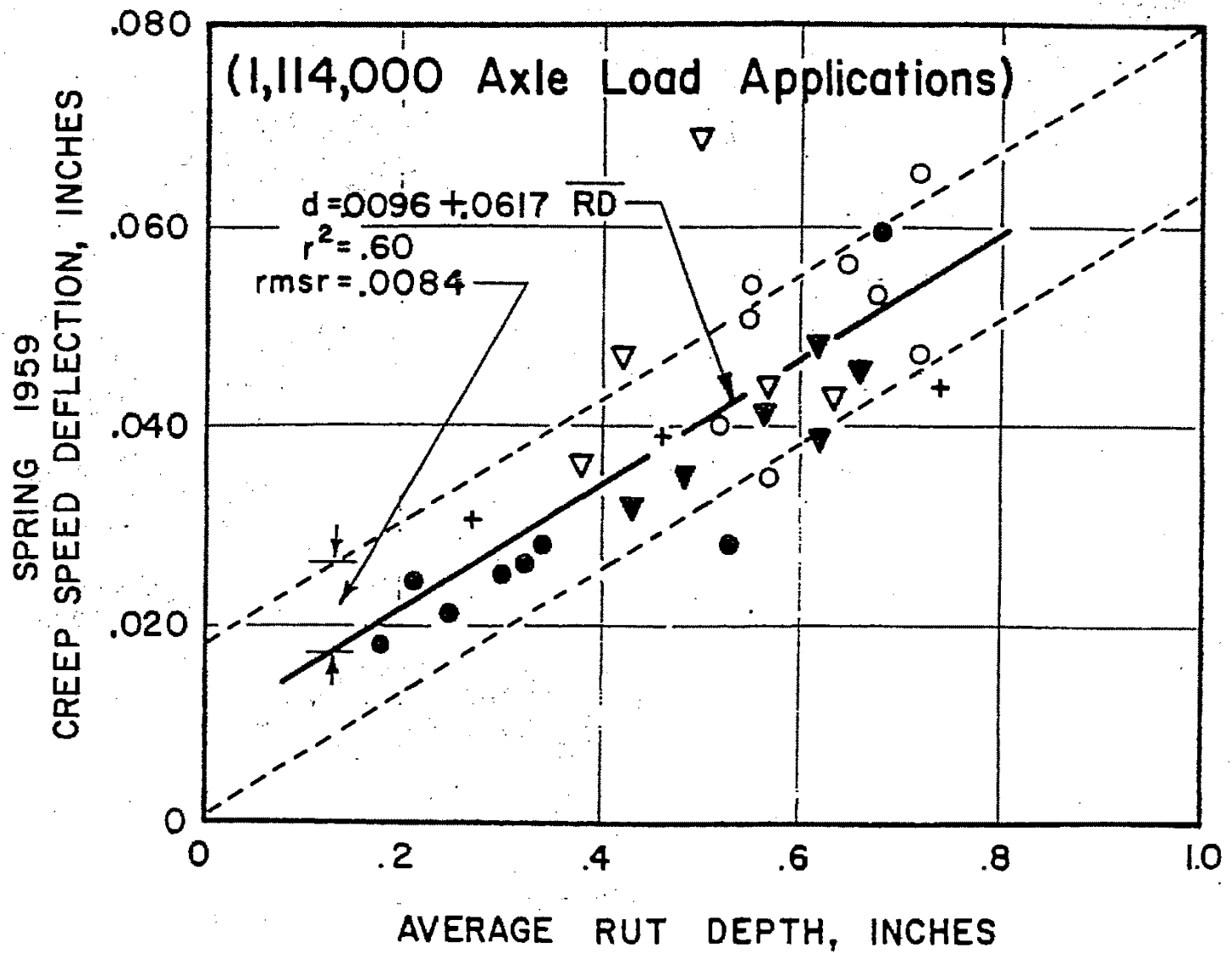
L – Axle Load (kips)

d – deflection (mils)

Log W_{2.5}



AASHO ROAD TEST



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SOME EARLY M-E DESIGN EFFORTS

ANN ARBOR CONFERENCE – 1962

**ASPHALT INSTITUTE – AIRPORT PAVEMENTS
ANN ARBOR CONFERENCE - 1972**

**SHELL PAVEMENT DESIGN MANUAL
(ANN ARBOR CONFERENCE – 1977)
(PUBLISHED – 1979)**

**SOUTH AFRICAN PROCEDURE
(ANN ARBOR CONFERENCE – 1977)**

ASPHALT INSTITUTE : MS-11 1981

1986 AASHTO GUIDE - PURSUE M-E

**NCHRP 1-26 (1987) - NCHRP 1-37-A (1998)
AASHTO M-E (2007)**

AASHTO Ware Pavement M-E (2013)

**OTHER USA / INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS
(IL DOT – 1989 – FULL-DEPTH HMA)**

M.W. Witczak
Staff Engineer @ Asphalt Institute

**“Design of Full-Depth Asphalt
Airport Pavements”**

**3rd International Conference on the Structural
Design of Asphalt Pavements
London – 1972**

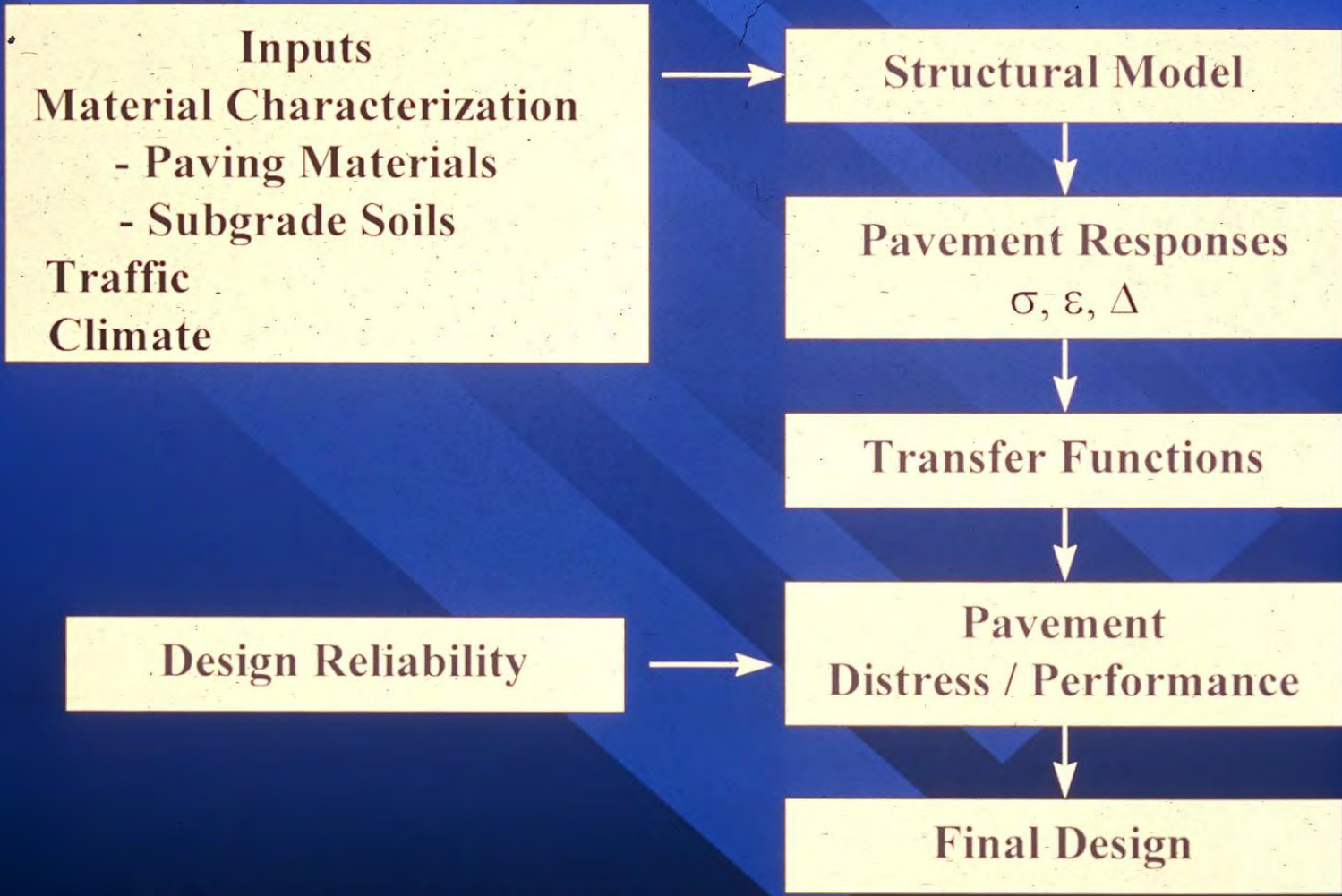
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ASPHALT INSTITUTE M-E

*** 1977: INITIATED M-E EFFORTS**

*** 1981: MS-1**

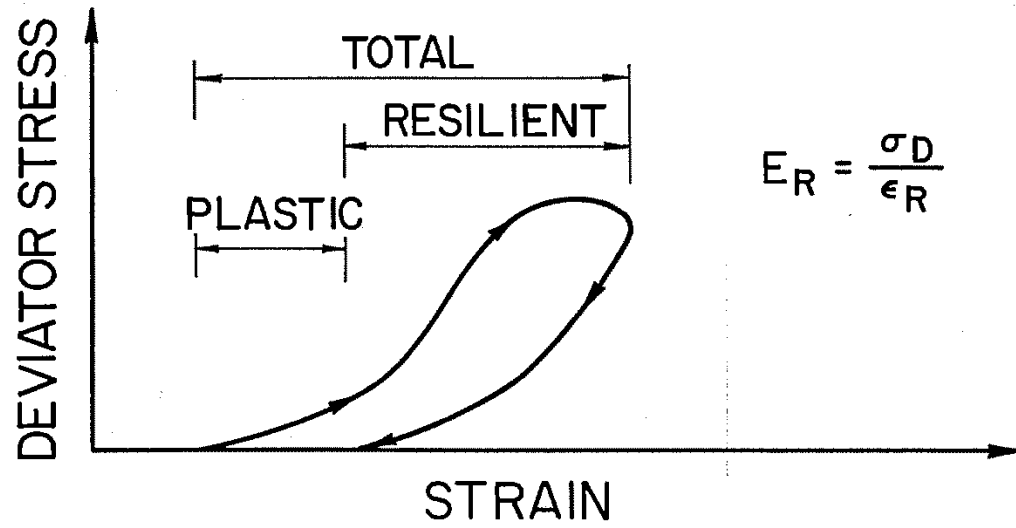
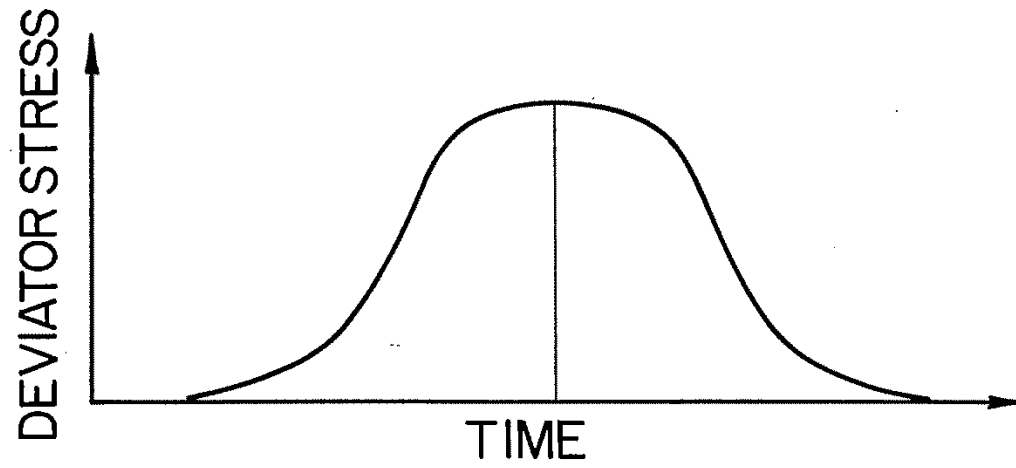
**THICKNESS DESIGN- ASPHALT PAVEMENTS
FOR HIGHWAYS AND STREETS
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Components of a Mechanistic Design Procedure

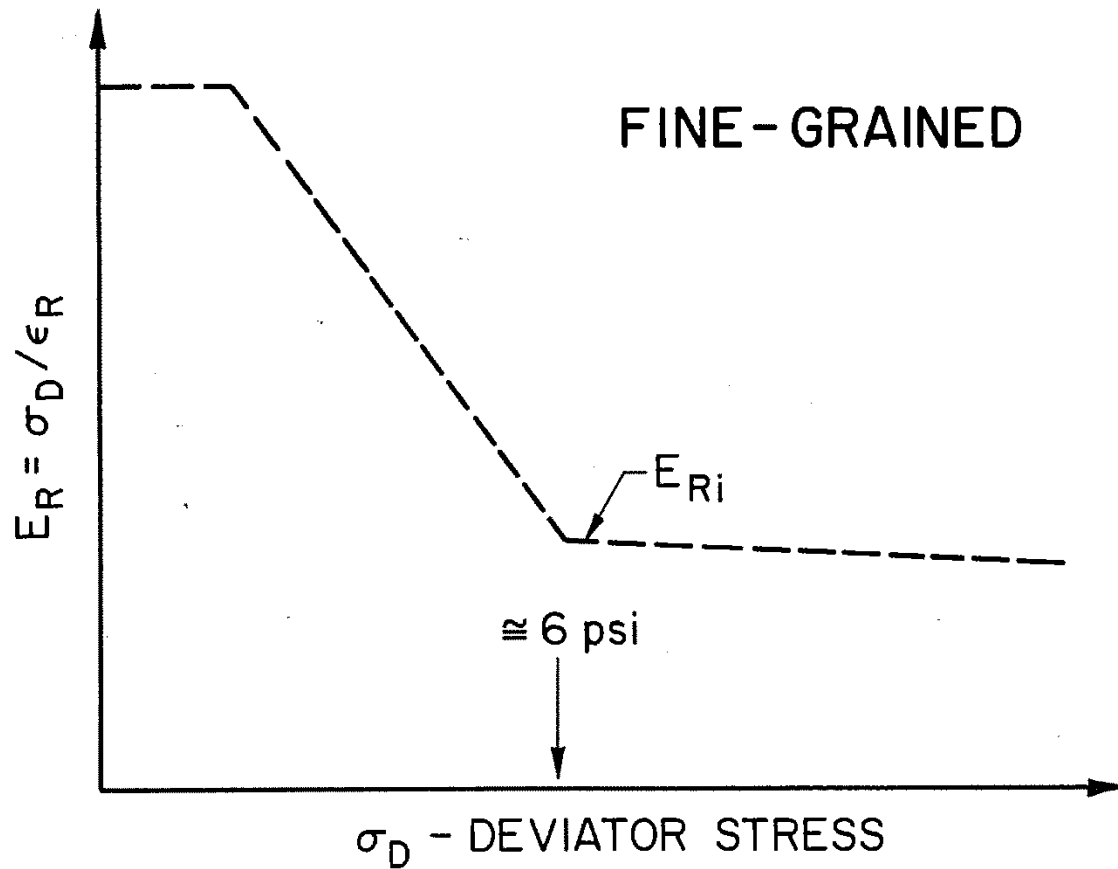
**RESILIENT MODULI INPUTS
FOR PRACTICAL
MECHANISTIC PAVEMENT DESIGN**

**1999 TRB
Resilient Modulus and
Mechanistic Pavement Design:
Are We There yet??**



FINE-GRAINED SOILS

“STRESS SOFTENING”

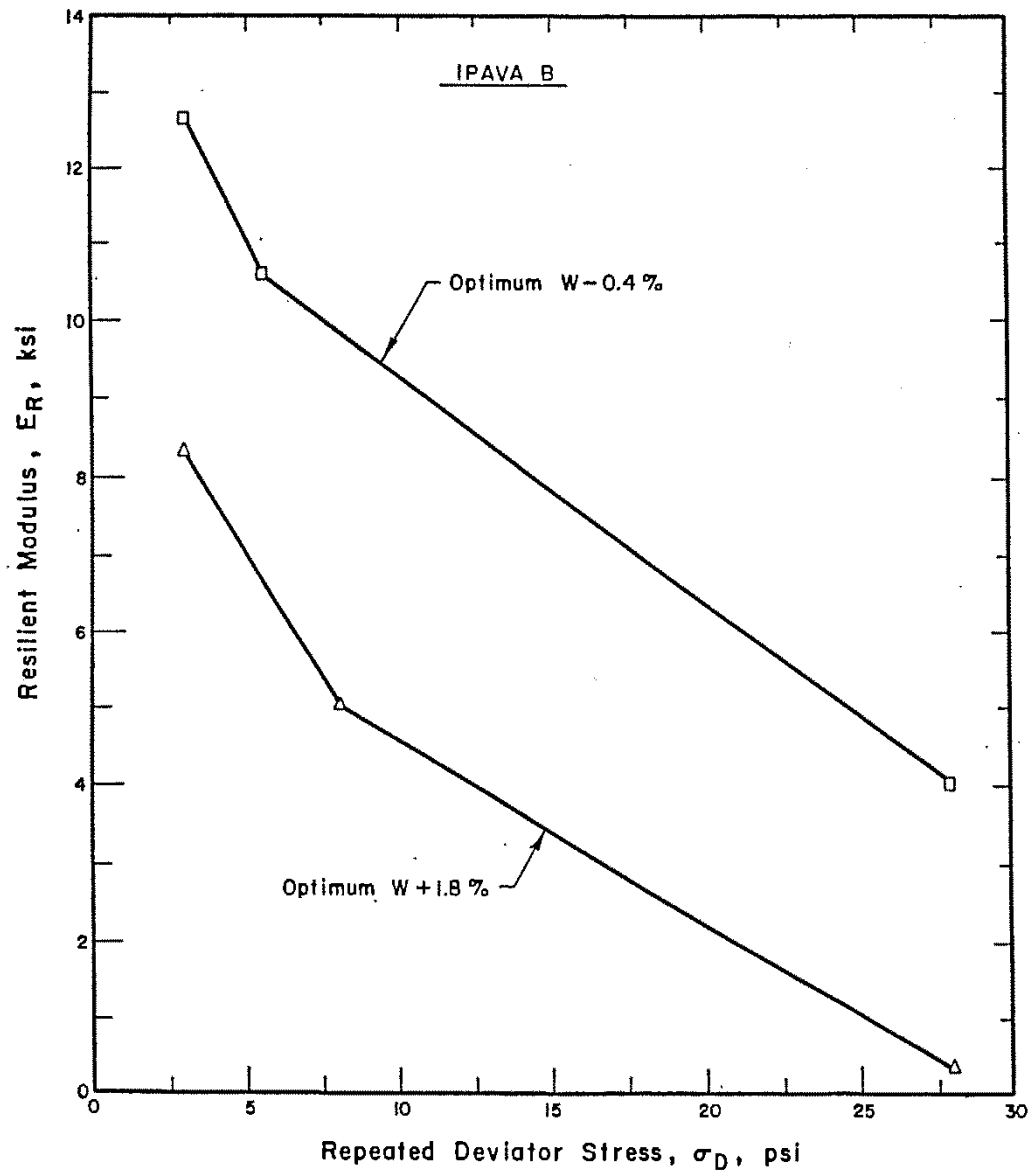


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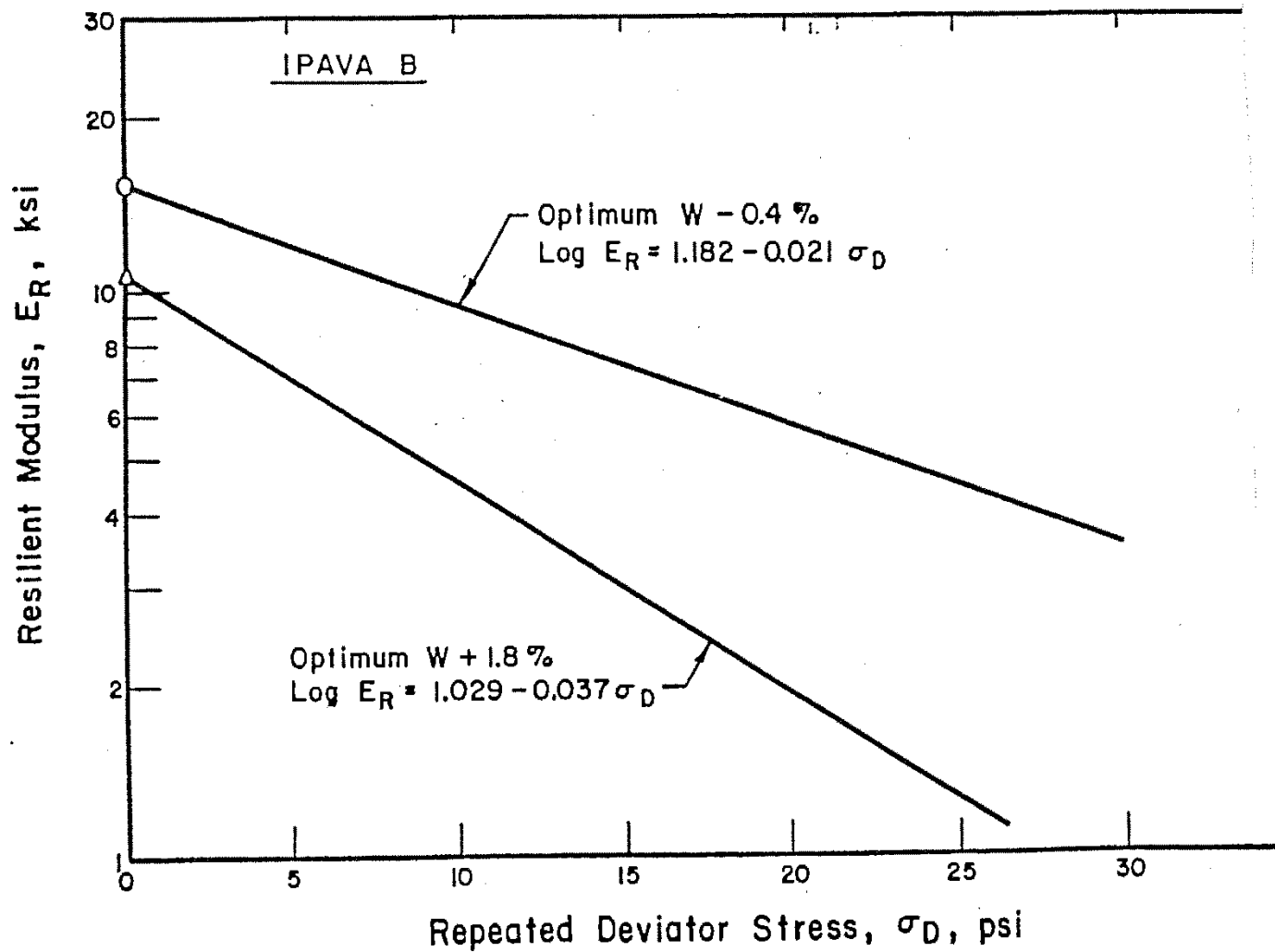
Modulus @ Deviator Stress of 6 psi



ARITHMETIC MODEL

SEMI-LOG MODEL

$$\text{LOG } E_{Ri} = a - (b * \delta_D)$$



SEMI-LOG MODEL

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where

M_r = resilient modulus, psi

θ = bulk stress

$$= \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3$$

σ_1 = major principal stress.

σ_2 = intermediate principal stress

σ_3 = minor principal stress

confining pressure

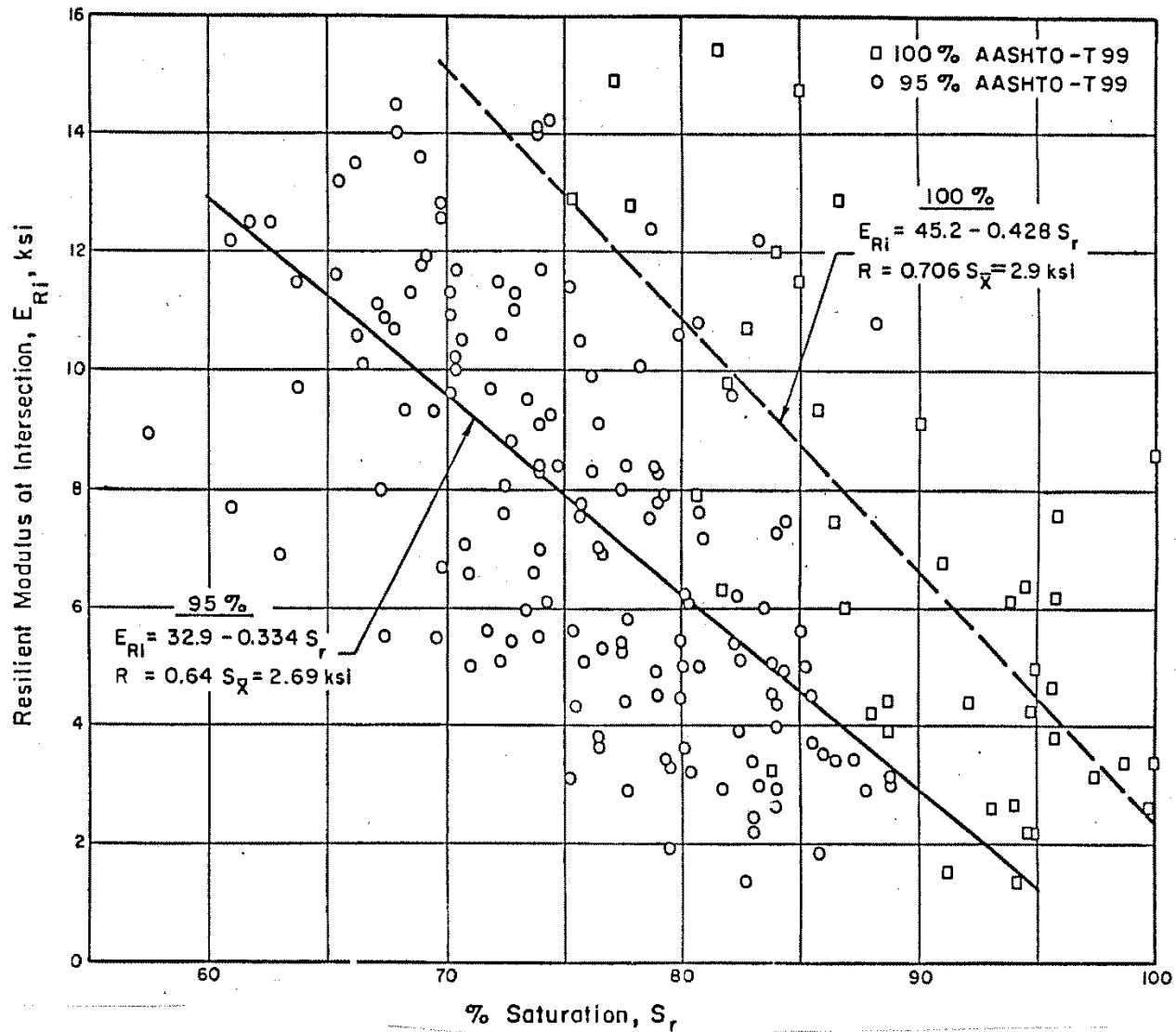
τ_{oct} = octahedral shear stress

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2}$$

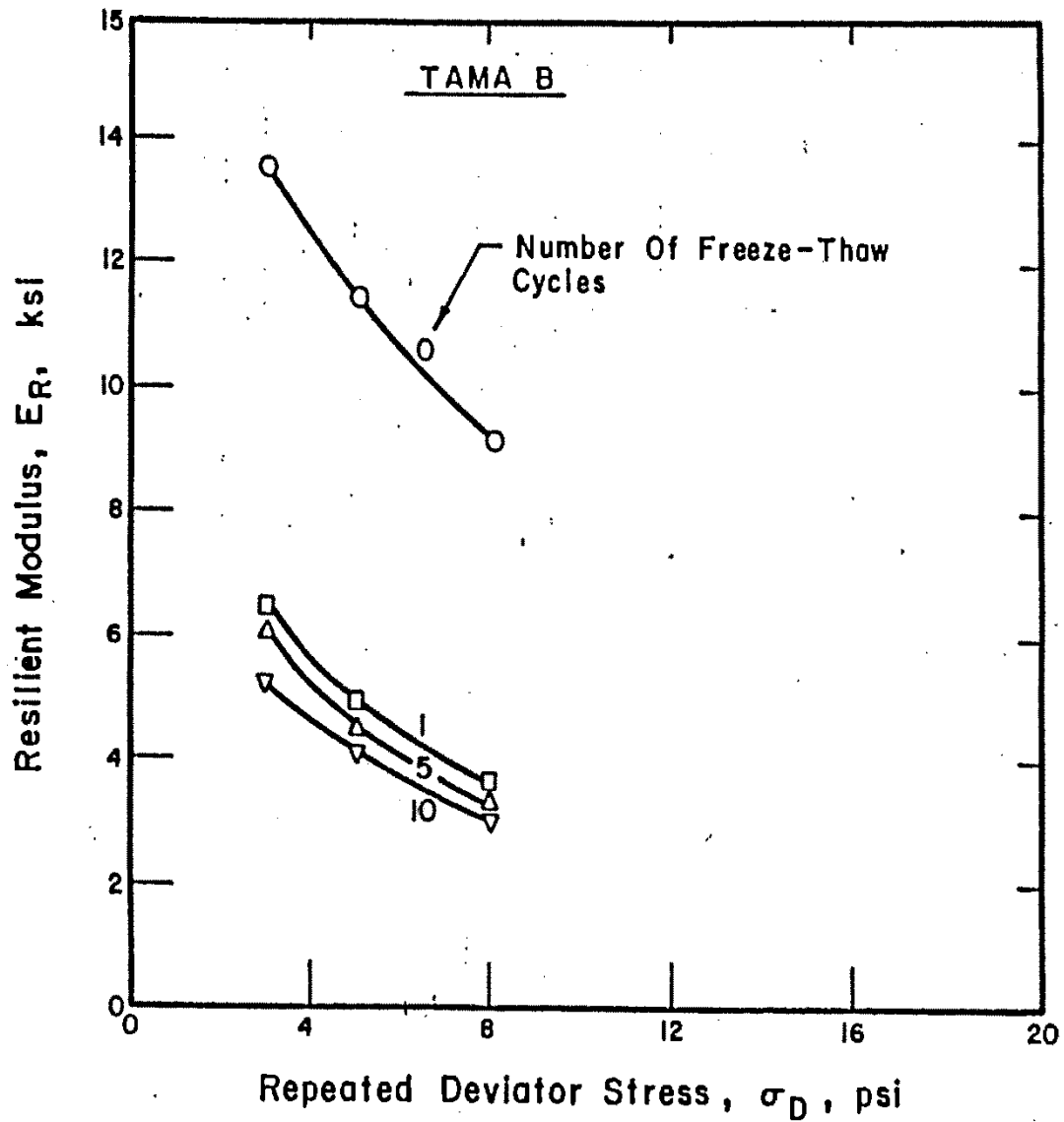
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DEGREE OF SATURATION EFFECTS



FREEZE-THAW EFFECTS

E_{Ri} INPUTS

*** E_R TESTING**

*** FWD & B/C
(PEDOLOGY - SOIL SERIES)**

*** ESTIMATES
- STRENGTH
(Q_u , CBR, DCP)
- σ/ϵ (PURDUE)
- % CLAY/PI
(PEDOLOGY - SOIL SERIES)**

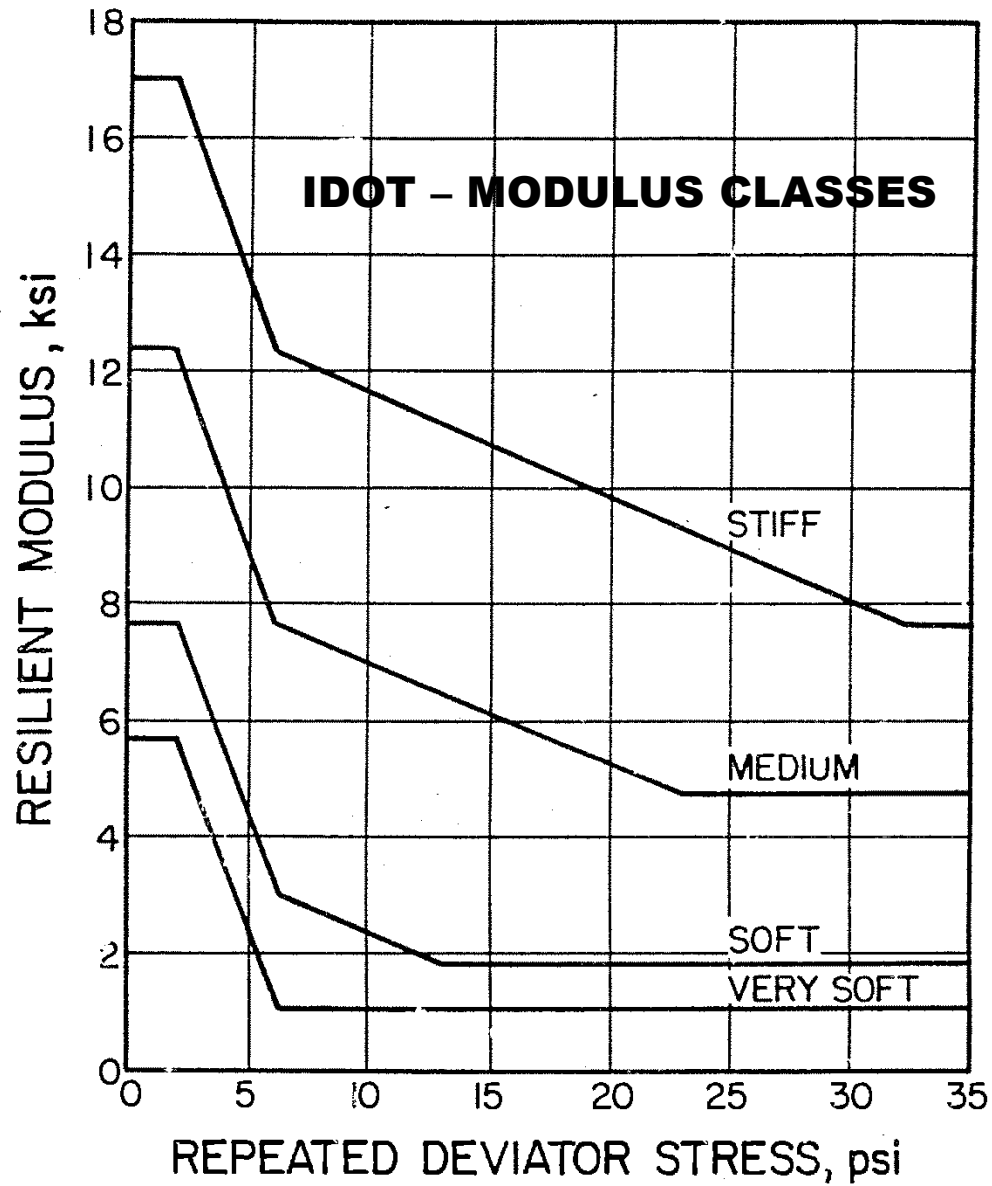
*** TYPICAL VALUES**

SUBGRADE VARIABILITY

*** COVs >> 50% COMMON FOR FWD**

BACKCALCULATED MODULI !!!

*** LAB TESTING VARIABILITY ???**



ILLI-PAVE DEFAULT SUBGRADE S

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Estimating Stiffness of Subgrade and Unbound Materials for Pavement Design



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SUBGRADE MODULUS = ???

GRANULAR MATERIALS

“STRESS-HARDENING”

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**GRANULAR MATERIAL MODULI
ARE STRESS DEPENDENT**

$$M_R = K_1 \theta^{K_2}$$

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TYPICAL THETA MODEL PARAMETERS

Table 2.3 Typical values for k_1 and k_2 for unbound base and subbase materials ($M_R = k_1 \theta k_2$).

(a) Base		
Moisture Condition	k_1^*	k_2^*
Dry	6,000 - 10,000	0.5 - 0.7
Damp	4,000 - 6,000	0.5 - 0.7
Wet	2,000 - 4,000	0.5 - 0.7
(b) Subbase		
Dry	6,000 - 8,000	0.4 - 0.6
Damp	4,000 - 6,000	0.4 - 0.6
Wet	1,500 - 4,000	0.4 - 0.6

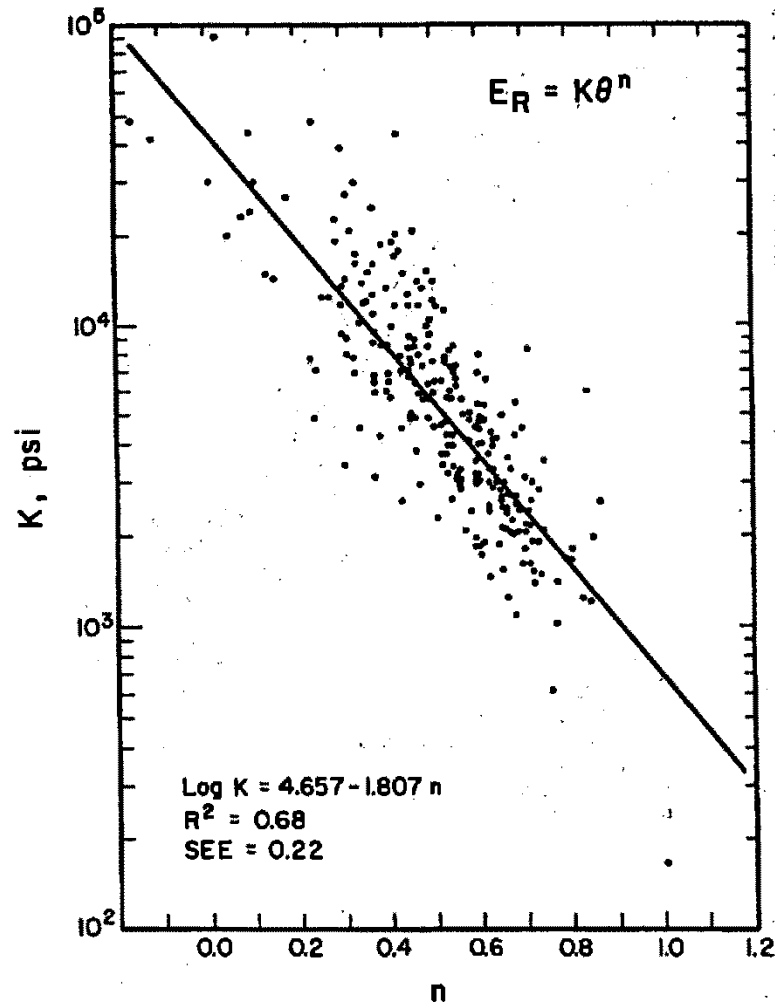
* Range in k_1 and k_2 is a function of the material quality.

Moisture State	Equation
Dry	$8000\theta^{0.6}$
Damp	$4000\theta^{0.6}$
Wet	$3200\theta^{0.6}$

AASHTO BASE

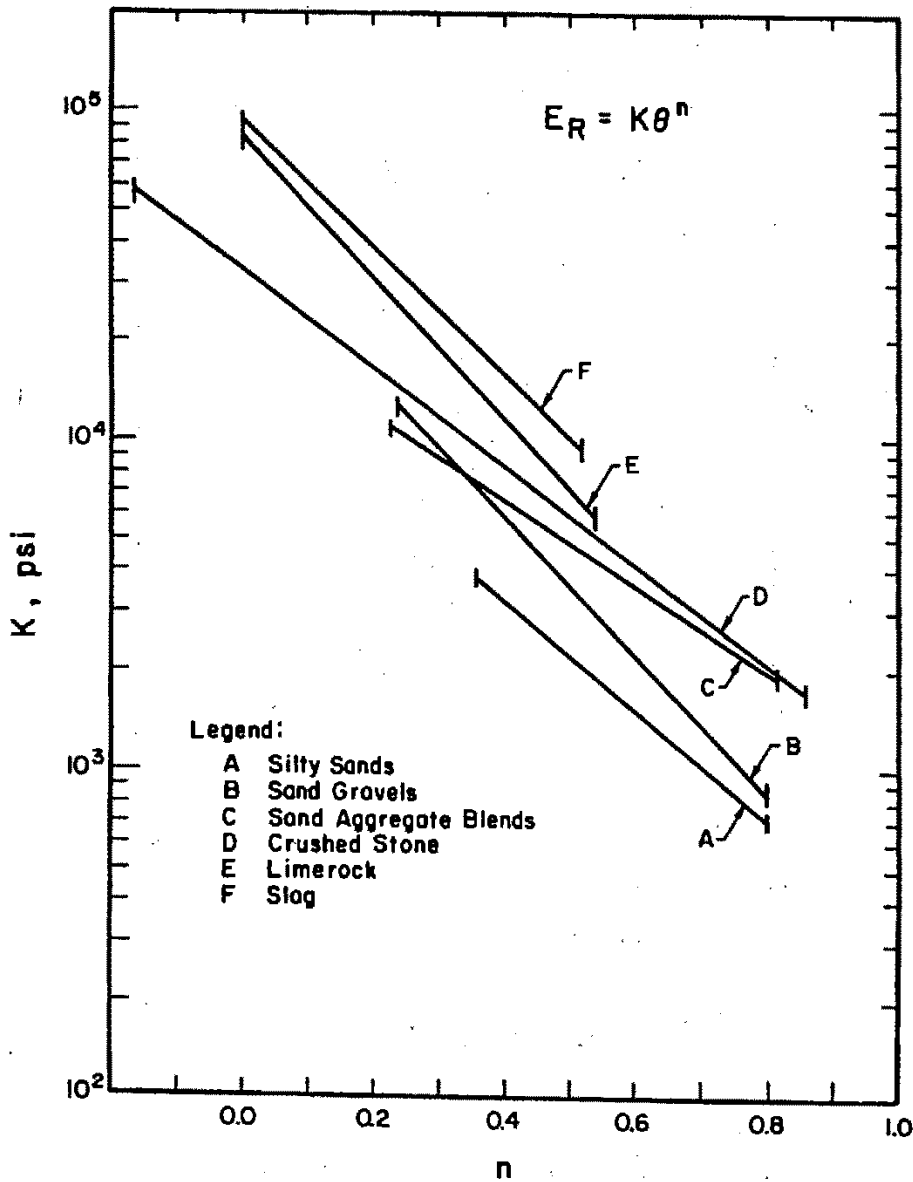
Moisture State	Developed Relationship
Damp	$M_R = 5400 \theta^{0.6}$
Wet	$M_R = 4600 \theta^{0.6}$

AASHTO SUBBASE



ALL DATA
(271 Data Points)
LOG K = 4.657 - 1.807 * n

Rada, G. and M.W. Witczak. "Comprehensive Evaluation of Laboratory Resilient Moduli Results for Granular Materials." Transportation Research Record 810, 1981.



LOG K = A + b*n
(271 Data Points)
A's and b's for
the various materials

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86 AASHTO GUIDE RECOMMENDED THETA VALUES (psi) BASE COURSE

Asphalt Concrete Thickness (inches)	Roadbed Soil Resilient Modulus (psi)		
	3,000	7,500	15,000
Less than 2	20	25	30
2 - 4	10	15	20
4 - 6	5	10	15
Greater than 6	5	5	5

86 AASHTO GUIDE RECOMMENDED THETA VALUES (psi) SUBBASE

Stress states (θ) which can be used as a guide to select the modulus value for subbase thicknesses between 6 and 12 inches are as follows:

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2 - 4	7.5
greater than 4	5.0

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Study of LTPP Laboratory Resilient Modulus Test Data and Response Characteristics: Final Report

FHWA-RD-02-051

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Design Pamphlet
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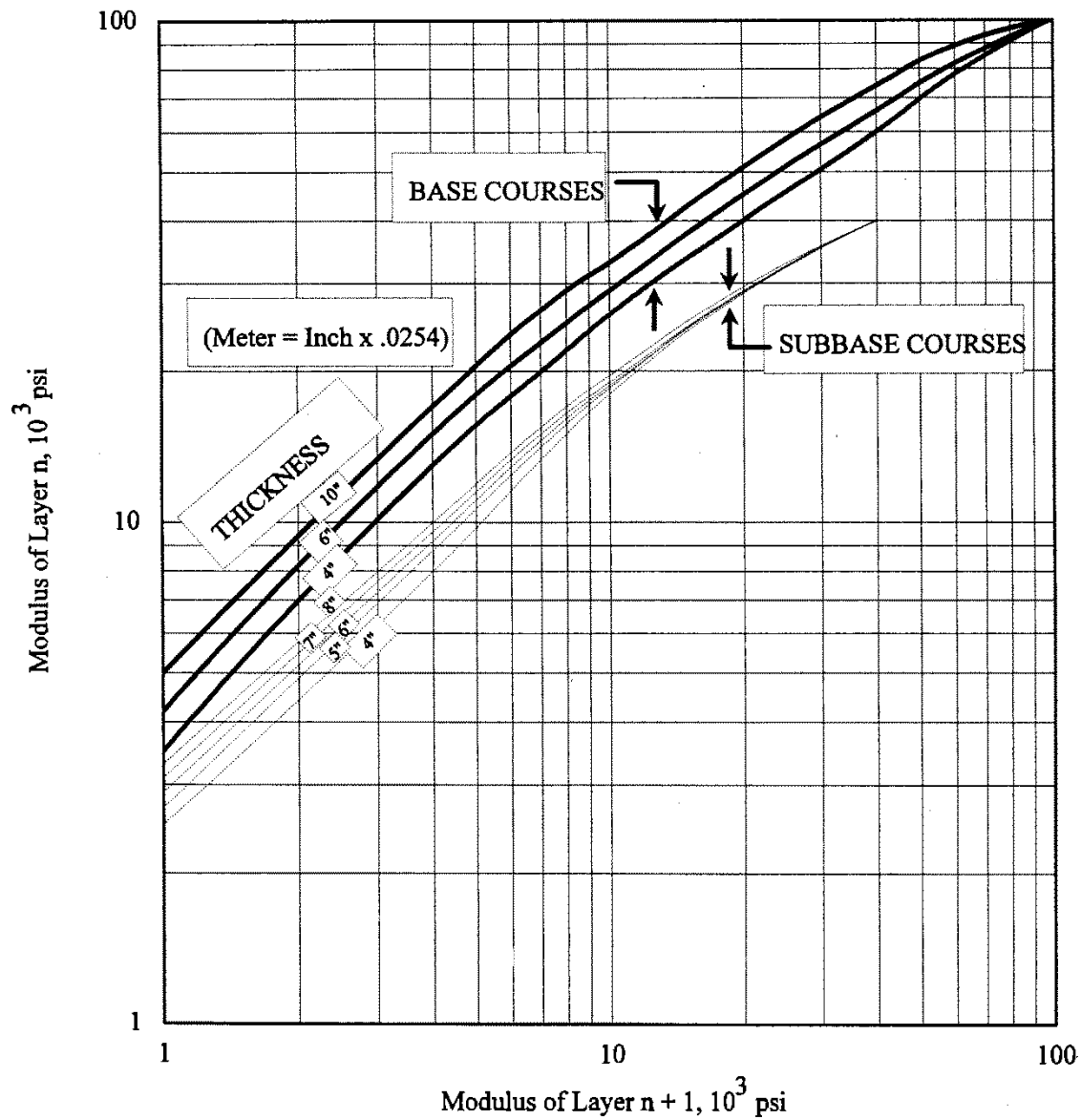


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n+1: Lower Layer

**BARKER & BRABSTON
FAA-RD-74-199 (1975)**

Addendum to the Shell Pavement Design Manual (1985)

“Field measurements and theoretical considerations have indicated that the dynamic modulus of an unbound base layer (E_2) must be related to the modulus of the subgrade (E_3).”

The following relationship is utilized:

$$E_2 = k * E_3 \quad k = 0.2 * h_2^{0.45}$$

$$2 < k < 4$$

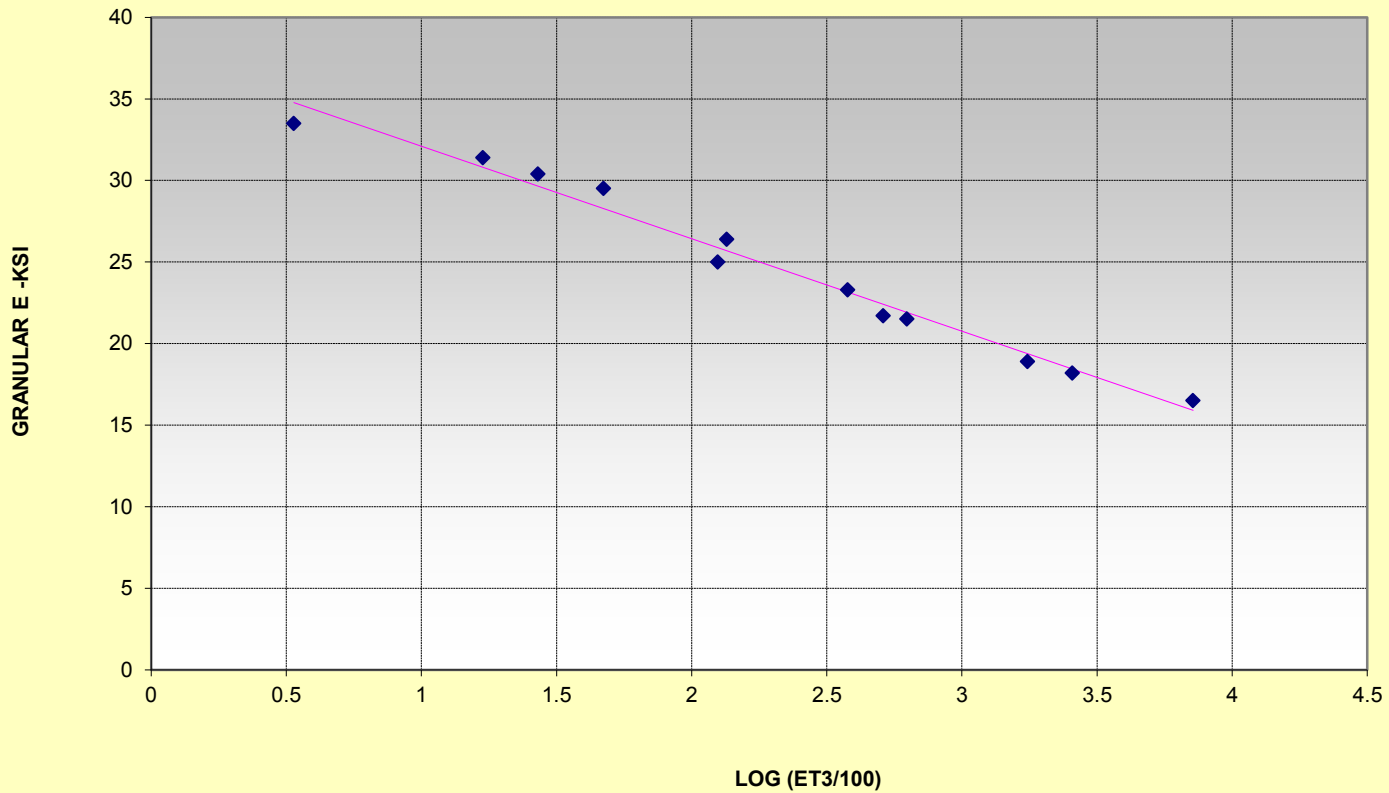
h_2 – thickness of the granular layer (mm)

<u>T_{AC}, in.</u>	E _{AC} (ksi):	AVG. E _R , ksi		
		<u>100</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>1,400</u>
1.5		33.5	31.4	29.5
3.0		30.4	26.4	23.3
5.0		25.0	21.5	18.9
8.0		21.7	18.2	16.5

$$E_R = 9000 \theta^{0.33}$$

(9000 lbs. - 80 psi)

**THOMPSON - 5th INT. CONF.
DELFT - 1982**



$E \text{ (ksi)} = 37.8 - (5.7 * [\text{LOG } ET^3 / 100])$
 $R^2 = 0.98$ $SEE = 0.9 \text{ ksi}$

ILLI-PAVE ANALYSES

- * **HMA SURFACE :**
 - + **4-6-8 INCHES**
 - + **MODULUS = 500 ksi**

- * **10-INCH GRANULAR BASE :**
 - + **Mr (psi) = 5000 * $\theta^{0.5}$**
 - + **$\Phi = 45^\circ$**

- * **SUBGRADE SOIL**
 - + **SOFT: ERi = 3 ksi / Qu = 13 psi**
 - + **MEDIUM: ERi = 7.7 ksi / Qu = 23 psi**
 - + **STIFF: ERi = 12.3 ksi / Qu = 33 psi**

- * **LOADING: 9 kips @ 80 psi (Typical FWD)**

SUBGRADE & HMA THICKNESS EFFECTS

HMA (ins)	SUBGRADE ERi (ksi)	SURFACE DEFLECTION (mils)	BASE MOD MID-PT/AVERAGE (ksi)	THETA* (psi)
4	SOFT/3	30.3	18.4/19.3	14.9
4	MEDIUM/7.7	23.7	22/22.5	20.2
4	STIFF/12.3	20.1	23.2/23.6	22.2
6	MEDIUM/7.7	17.2	17.6/17.4	12.4
8	MEDIUM/7.7	13.4	14.6/14.8	8.5

*** THETA IS FOR THE AVERAGE BASE MODULUS**

OFFSET EFFECTS / SOFT SUBGRADE (4-inch HMA)

OFFSET (inches)	MID-PT MODULUS (ksi)	THETA - θ (psi)
0-6	18.4	13.5
9	16.8	11.3
12	14.3	8.2
15	12.2	6
18	12	5.8
22	11.1	4.9
26	9.5	3.6
31	8.2	2.7
36	7.1	2
42	6.3	1.6

MATERIAL NC DOT DATA	R² THETA MODEL	R² UZAN MODEL
1	0.992	0.998
2	0.998	0.999
3	0.993	0.999
4	0.992	0.998
5	0.994	0.994
6	0.996	0.999
7	0.996	0.998
8	0.994	0.994
9	0.992	0.994
10	0.989	0.989

THETA: $M_R = K1 * \Theta^{K2}$

UZAN: $M_R = K1 * \Theta^{K2} * (\sigma_D)^{K3}$

BOTH MODELS CAPTURE THE STRESS HARDENING EFFECT

HMA MODULUS

- * E_{HMA} IS INFLUENCED BY TIME OF LOADING AND TEMPERATURE
 - * MUST BE CONSIDERED IN M-E PAVEMENT DESIGN!!
 - * EXTENSIVE PAST R&D ON THE ISSUE
- * RECENT FHWA PUBLICATION IS AN EXCELLENT REFERENCE

LTPP Computed Parameter: Dynamic Modulus

PUBLICATION NO. FHWA-HRT-10-035

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STRUCTURAL MODELS

*** ELASTIC LAYER PROGRAMS
(MANY OPTIONS / MEPDG – JULEA)**

*** AXYSYMETRIC FINITE ELEMENT
(STRESS DEPENDENT E_s)
(FAILURE CRITERIA)
(USE SUPERPOSITION)
(AVAILABLE IN EARLY VERSION MEPDG)**

*** 3-D FINITE ELEMENT
(COMPUTATIONALLY INTENSIVE)**

*** NEURAL NETWORKS**

ADDITIONAL DESIRABLE STRUCTURAL MODEL FEATURES

- **ANISOTROPY**
- **RESIDUAL STRESSES**

TRANSFER FUNCTIONS

CRITICAL FACTORS!!!

SUBGRADE RUTTING

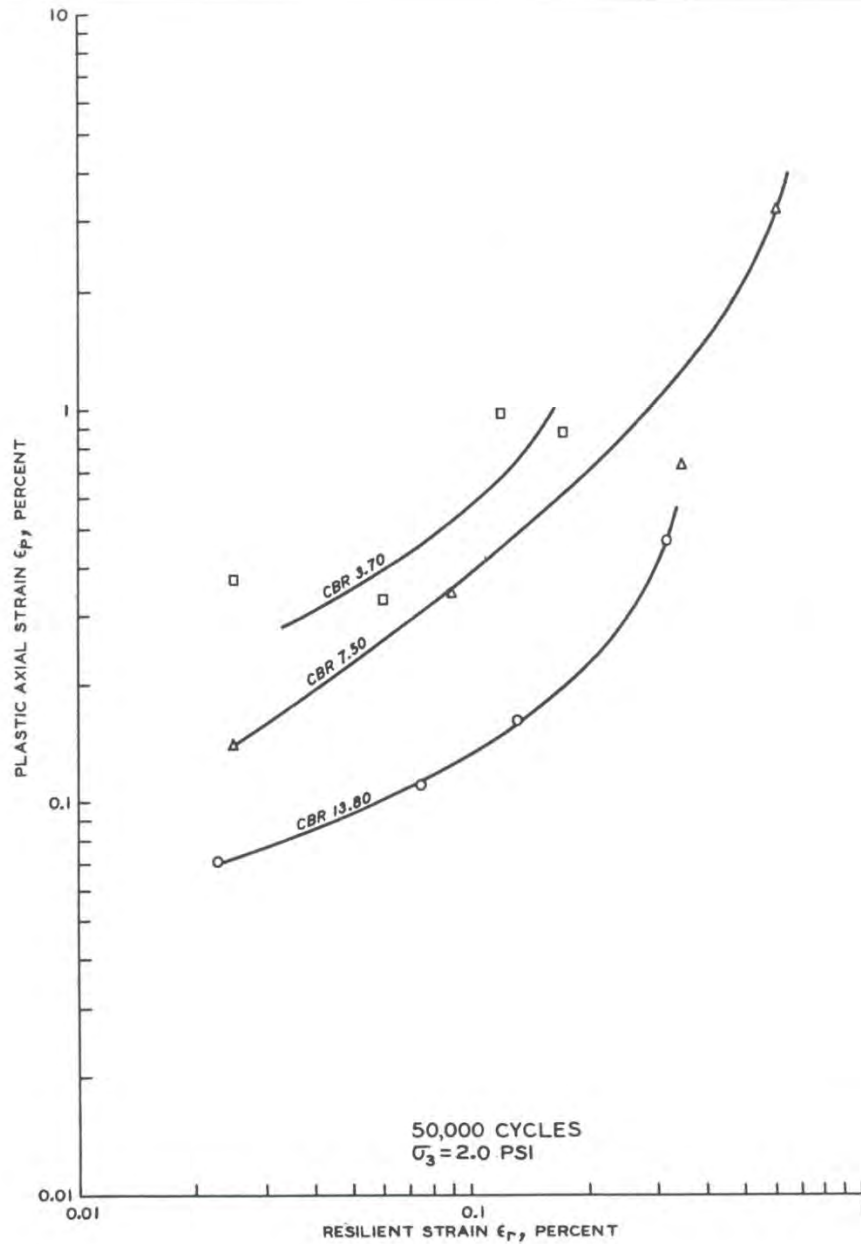
SUBGRADE TRANSFER FUNCTIONS

- SUBGRADE VERTICAL STRAIN

- SUBGRADE STRESS RATIO (SSR)

$$\text{SSR} = \text{DEV STRESS} / Q_U$$

**TOWNSEND-CHISOLM
WES - NOV. 1976
Vicksburg Buckshot Clay**



VERTICAL STRAIN CRITERIA

$$\varepsilon = L (1/N)^m$$

AGENCY	L	m	RD (INS)
AI	$1.05 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.223	0.5
SHELL			PSI / 2.5
50%	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.25	
85%	$2.1 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.25	CROW
95%	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.25	
TRL/1132 (85%)	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.253	0.4

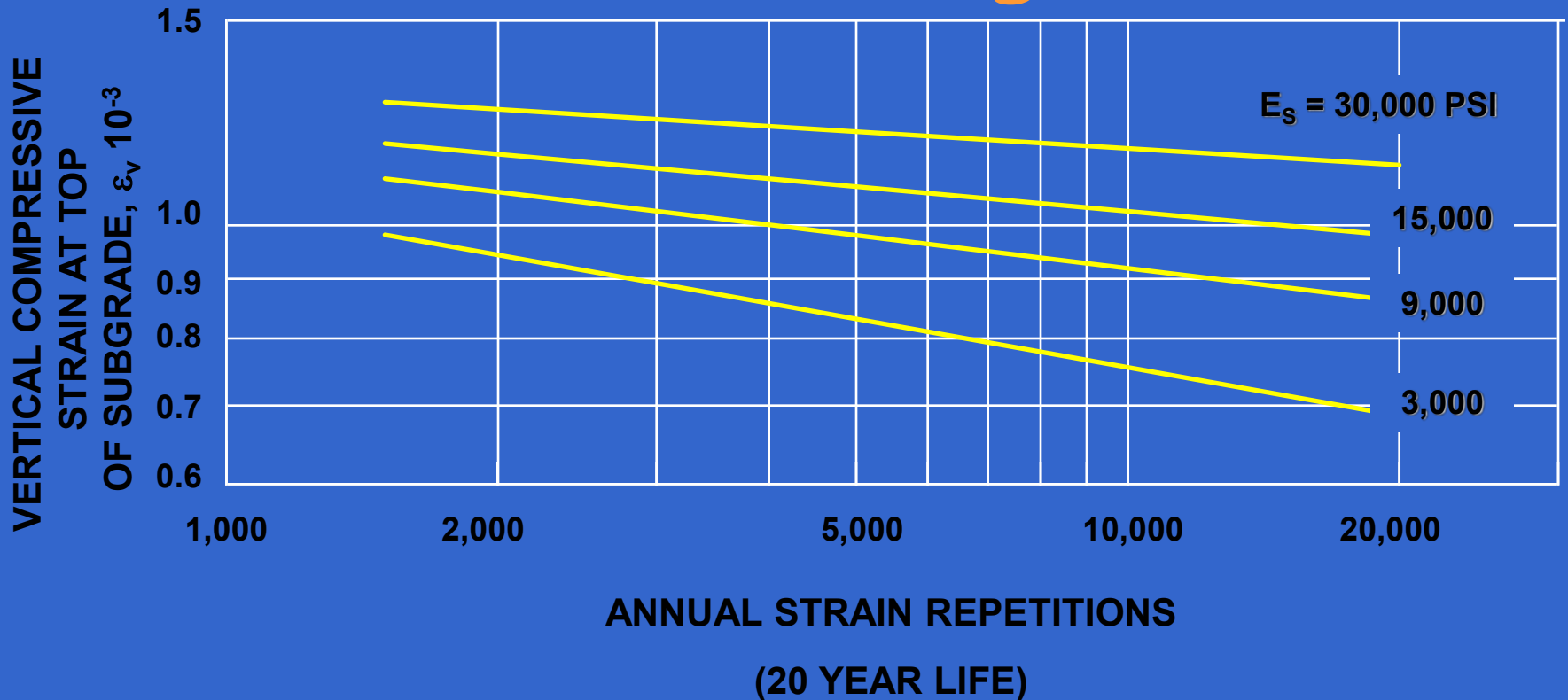
MIKE NUNN / TRL 615 (2004)

“Therefore it is proposed to drop the subgrade strain criterion and rely on a single criterion that limits the flexural stress or strain at the underside of the base layer to a permissible level to achieve the required pavement life.”

NOTE: The procedure utilizes “foundation classes” and “equivalent elastic half spaces” to characterize the composite foundation support.

**CL 1 \geq 50 MPa (7.3 ksi) CL 2 \geq 100 MPa (14.6 ksi)
CL 3 \geq 200 MPa (29 ksi) CL 4 \geq 400 MPa (58 ksi)**

Transfer Functions: Subgrade Rutting- *Vertical Strain Design Criteria*



$$N = 10000 \times \left(\frac{0.000247 + 0.000245 \times \log_{10}(E_R)}{\epsilon_v} \right)^{0.0658} \times E_R^{0.559}$$

(Adapted from Barker and Brabston, 1975)

CURRENT FAA SUBGRADE STRAIN CRITERIA

$$C < 12,100: \quad C = (0.004/\varepsilon_v)^{8.1}$$

$$C > 12,100: \quad C = (0.002428/\varepsilon_v)^{14.21}$$

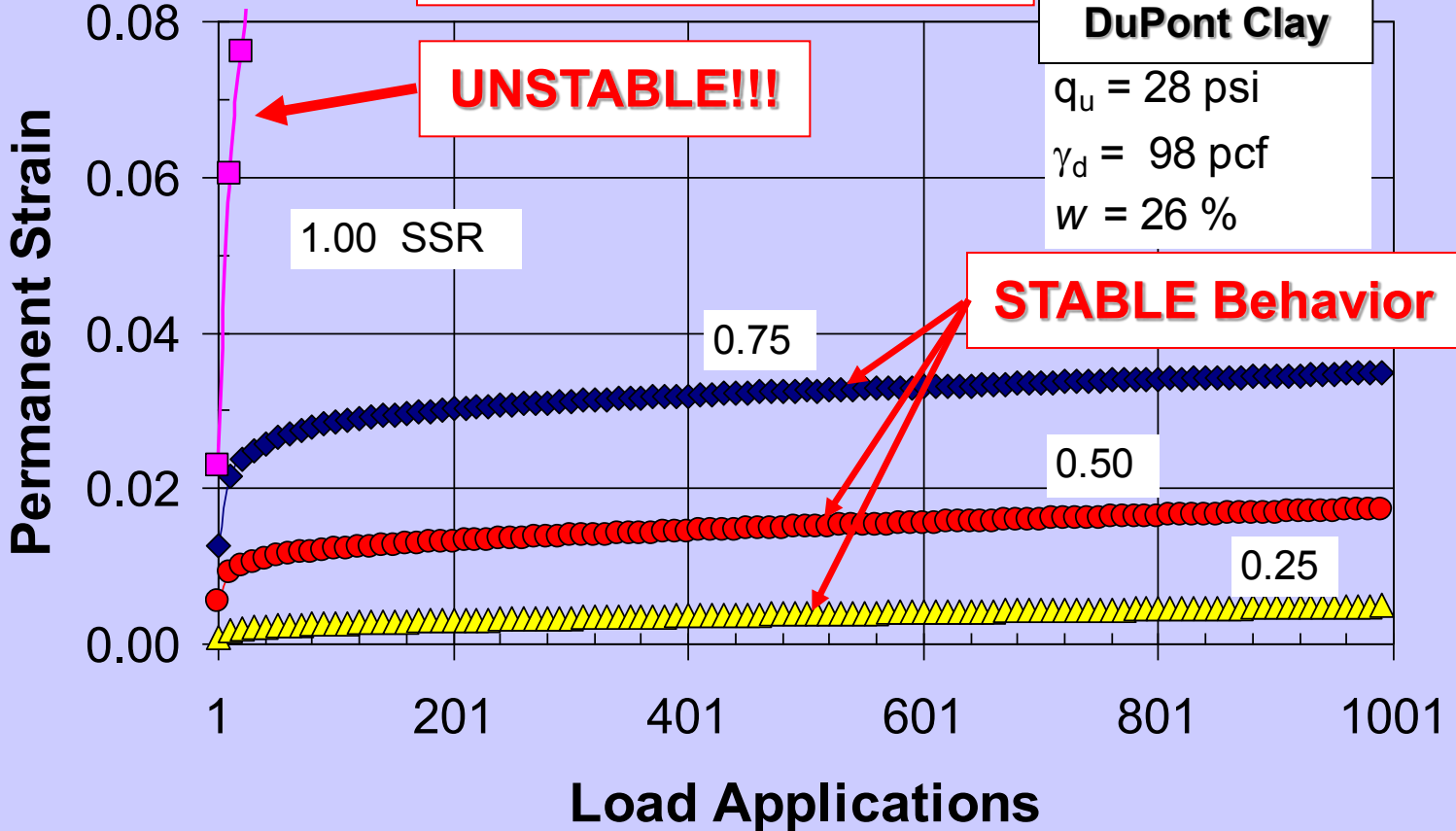
SUBGRADE STRESS RATIO (SSR)

$$\text{SSR} = \text{SUBGRADE DEVIATOR STRESS} / Q_u$$

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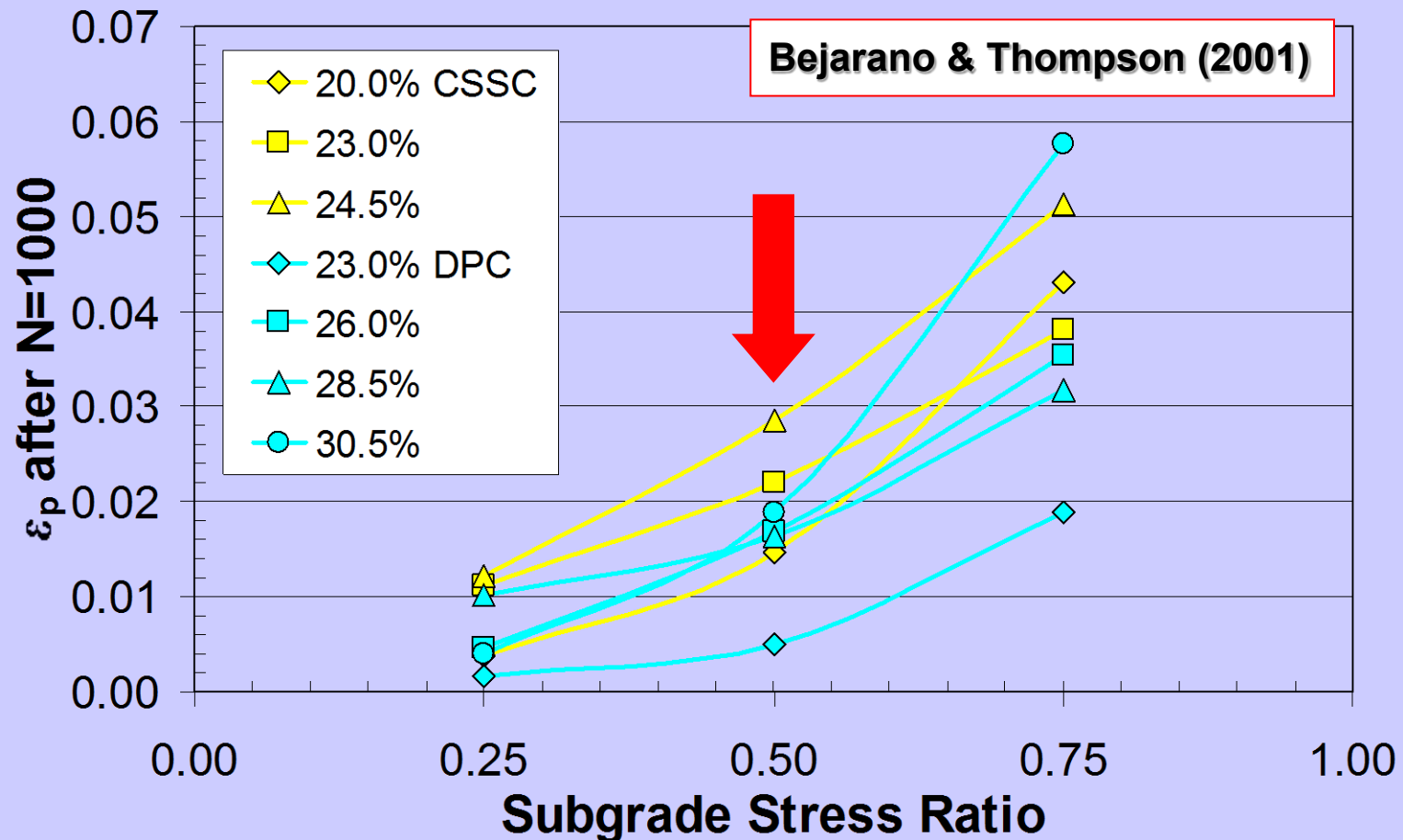
Influence of SSR on Permanent Deformation

Bejarano & Thompson (2001)



Transfer Functions: Subgrade Rutting-SSR

Permanent Deformation vs. SSR



Transfer Functions: Subgrade Rutting-SSR

SSR General Guidelines

UNIVERSITY OF IL R&D

<i>Damage Potential...</i>	Low/Acceptable	Limited	High
<i>SSR...</i>	0.5 / 0.6	0.6 to 0.75	> 0.75

WES: BETA – COVERAGE – SSR RELATIONS

C: COVERAGES

SSR: SUBGRADE STRESS RATIO

$$\text{LOG (BETA)} = \frac{(1.7782 + (0.2397 * \text{LOG C}))}{(1 + (0.5031 * \text{LOG C}))}$$

$$\text{BETA} = (3.14 * \text{SUBGRADE VERTICAL STRESS}) / \text{CBR}$$

$$\text{CBR} \sim Q_u \text{ (psi)} / 4.5$$

$$\text{SSR} = \text{SUBGRADE VERTICAL STRESS} / Q_u$$

$$\text{THUS: SSR} = \text{BETA} / 14.1$$

COVERAGES	BETA	SSR
100	13.34	0.946
1,000	9.89	0.701
10,000	8.10	0.574
20,000	7.72	0.548
50,000	7.30	0.518
100,000	7.02	0.498

HIGH ESAL PAVEMENTS

- SUBGRADE RUTTING –
NORMALLY NOT A PROBLEM
- “WORKING PLATFORM” –
ESSENTIAL FOR PAVING!!!!

GRANULAR MATERIAL RUTTING
MINIMUM HMA “COVER THICKNESS”
MEPDG RUTTING MODEL

GRANULAR MATERIALS

Permanent Deformation Models

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Synthesis 445

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Practices for Unbound Aggregate Pavement Layers



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APPENDIX E

Review of Current Permanent Deformation Models

Typical Model Forms

$$\varepsilon_p = a + b(\text{LOG } N)$$

$$\varepsilon_p = A N^b$$

Ullidtz Model

$$\varepsilon_p = a(\sigma_d/p_0)N^c$$

Tseng and Lytton (1989) presented a three-parameter permanent deformation model to predict the accumulation of permanent deformation through material testing. The parameters were developed from the laboratory established relationship between permanent strains and the number of load applications. The curve relationship is expressed as follows:

$$\epsilon_a = \epsilon_0 e^{-\left(\frac{\rho}{N}\right)^\beta}$$

Where ϵ_a is the axial permanent strain; N is the number of load applications, ϵ_0 , β , and ρ are material parameters that are different for each sample, and are determined based on the water content, resilient modulus, and stress states for base aggregate and subgrade soils through multiple regression analyses.

**Basic Form for MEPDG
TSENG & LYTTON
ASTM STP 1016 (1989)**

Pavement ME Rutting Damage Model

$$\delta_a(N) = \beta_1 \left(\frac{\varepsilon_0}{\varepsilon_r} \right) e^{-\left(\frac{\rho}{N}\right)^\beta} \varepsilon_v h$$

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$f(N, \text{thickness}, M_R, W_C, \varepsilon_r)$ 

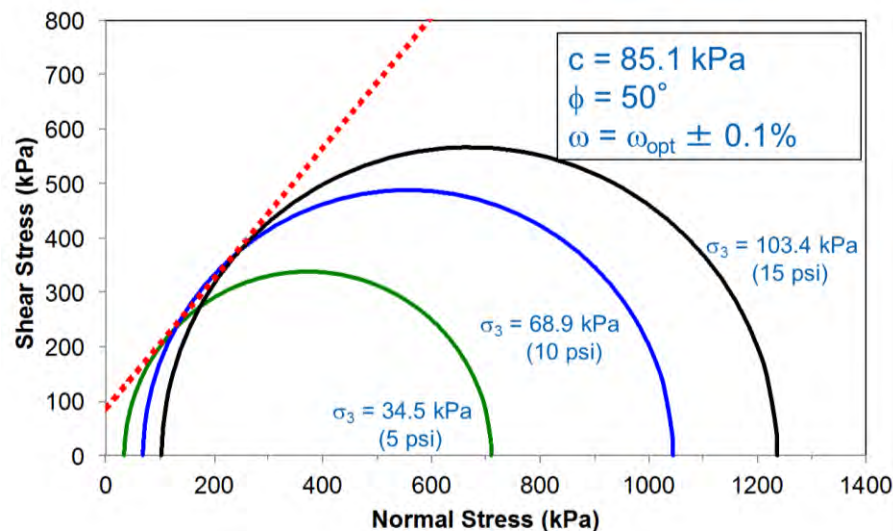
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state!**

Aggregate Shear Strength Properties

Label	Cohesion		Friction Angle	Compaction
	c		f	Water Content
	psi	kPa	degree	%
Material G1	12.4	85.1	50	$\omega_{opt} \pm 0.1$
Material G2	8.6	59.4	45	$\omega_{opt} \pm 0.8$
Material B	0.2	1.1	51	$\omega_{opt} \pm 0.2$
Material L	0.3	2.4	45	$\omega_{opt} \pm 0.1$

ω_{opt} = Optimum moisture content

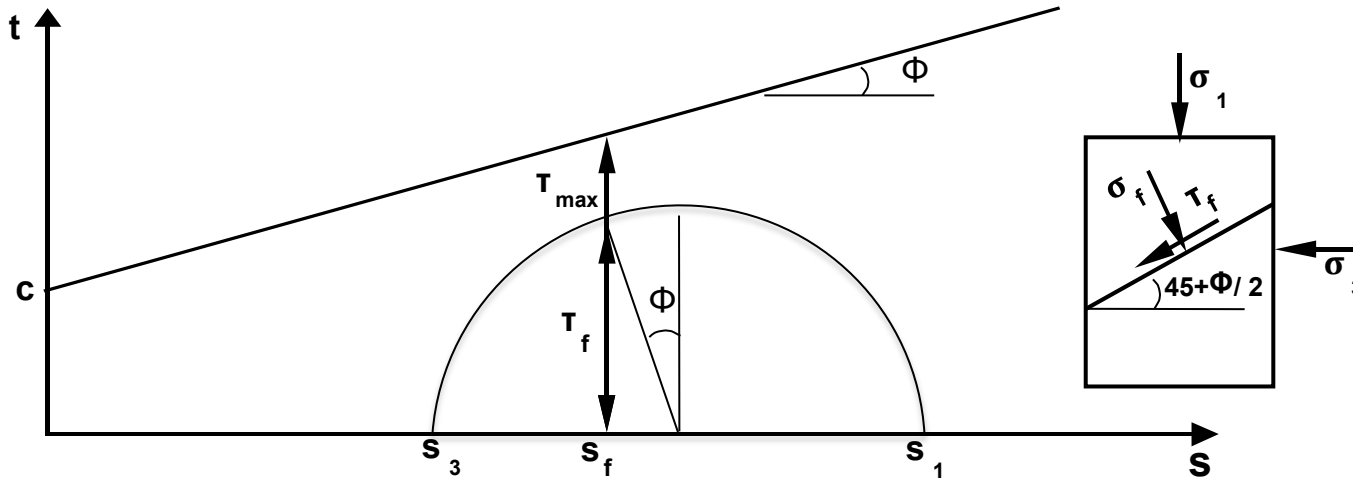
N.C. DOT data



Shear Stress Ratio (SSR) Concept

$$\text{Shear Stress Ratio} = \frac{\text{Applied Shear Stress}}{\text{Shear Strength}} = \frac{\tau_f}{\tau_{max}}$$

$$\tau_{max} = c + \sigma_f \tan \phi$$



$$\sigma_f = \frac{2\sigma_3 + 2 \tan^2 \phi \sigma_3 + \sigma_d + \tan^2 \phi \sigma_d - \sqrt{\tan^2 \phi \sigma_d^2 + \tan^4 \phi \sigma_d^2}}{2(1 + \tan^2 \phi)}$$

$$\tau_f = \sqrt{(\sigma_d / 2)^2 - (\sigma_f - (\sigma_3 + \sigma_d / 2))^2}$$



Repeated Load Triaxial Testing for Permanent Deformation Characterization



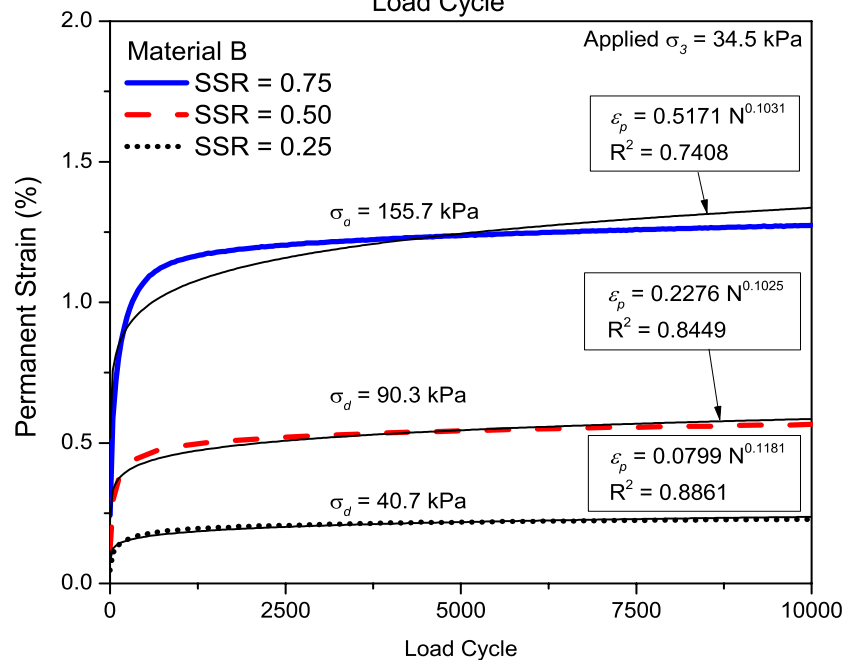
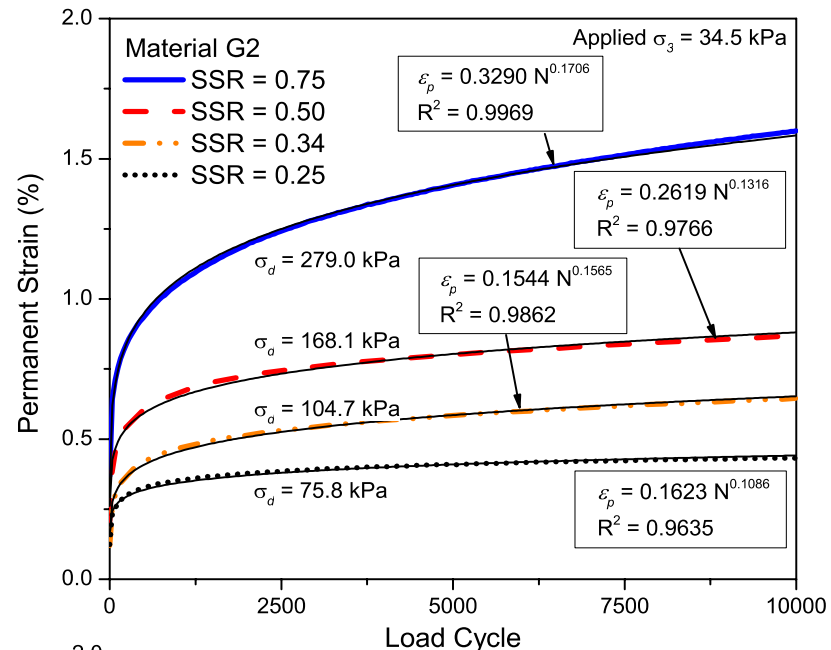
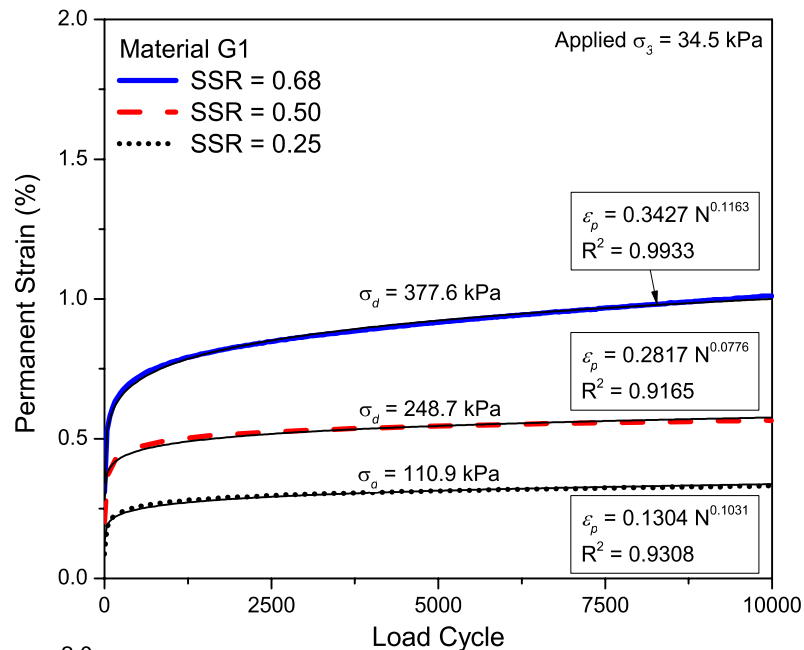
Specimen Preparation and Setup



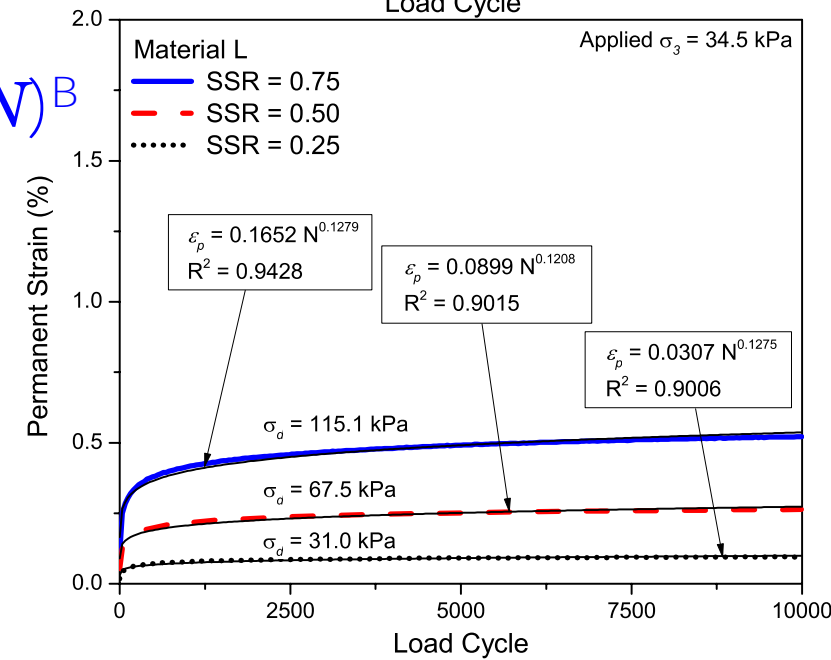
Test Protocol

- Single-stage loading permanent deformation tests
 - 10,000 cycles at SSR = 25%
 - 10,000 cycles at SSR = 50%
 - 10,000 cycles at SSR = 75%
- Confining pressure = 34.5 kPa (5 psi)
- 150 mm × 150 mm specimen at OMC and MDD conditions

Permanent Deformation Test Results



$$\epsilon_p = A (N)^B$$



Development of Improved Rutting Model

$$\epsilon_p = A (N)^B (\sigma_d)^C (\tau_f / \tau_{\max})^D$$

A, B, C, D = Regression parameters

ϵ_p = Permanent strain

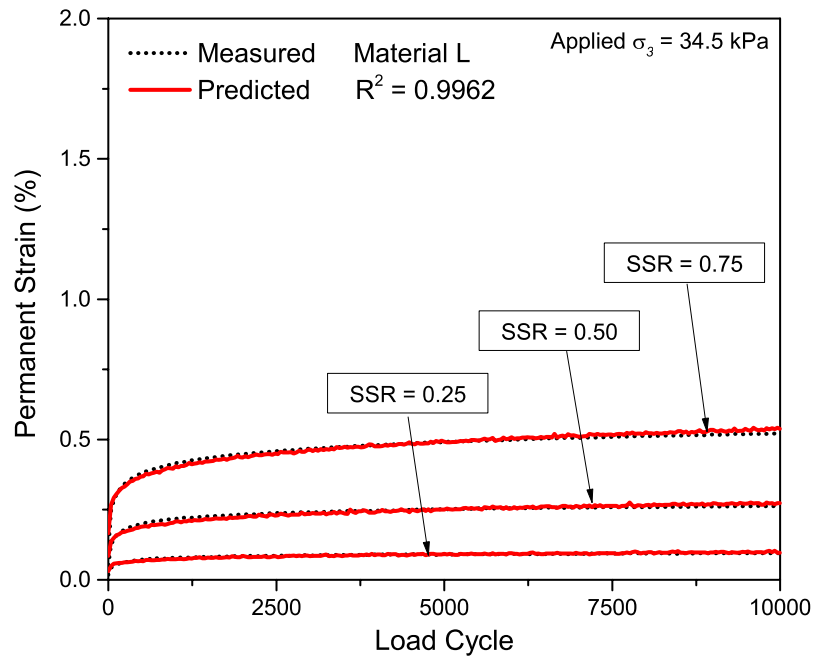
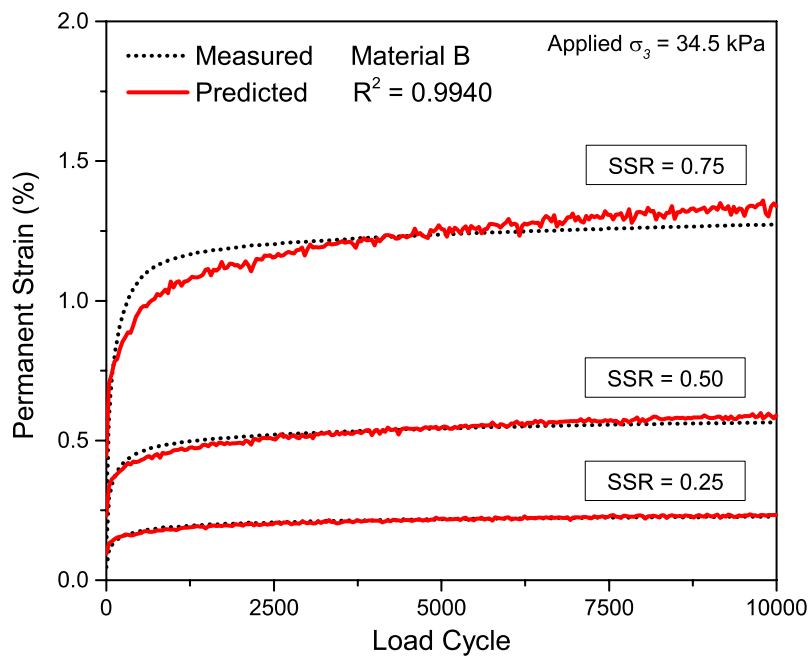
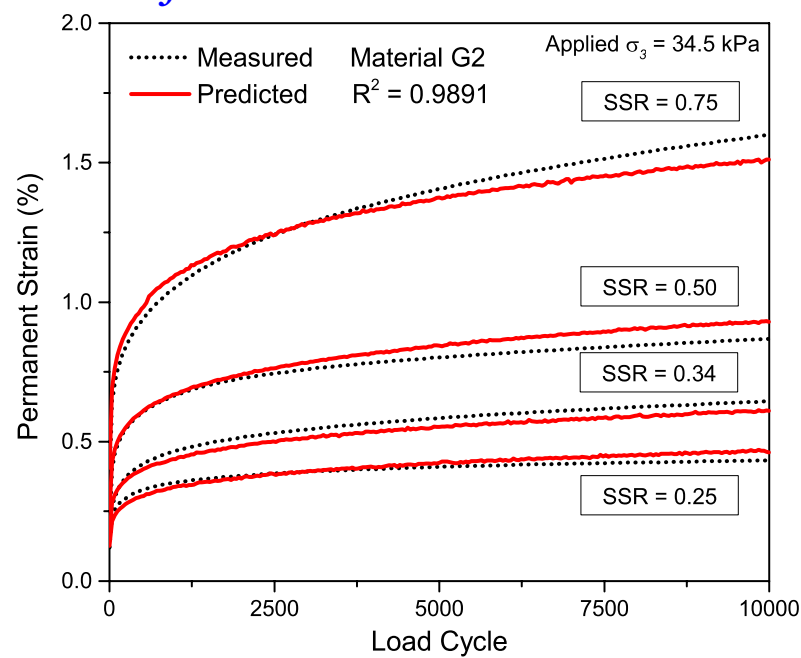
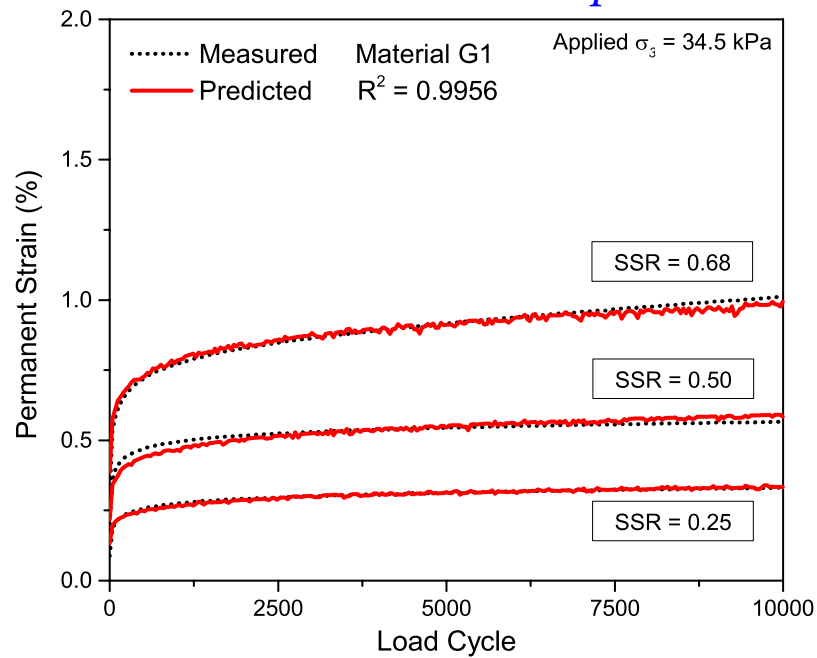
N = Load cycle

σ_d = Applied stress

τ_f = Applied shear stress

τ_{\max} = Shear strength at failure

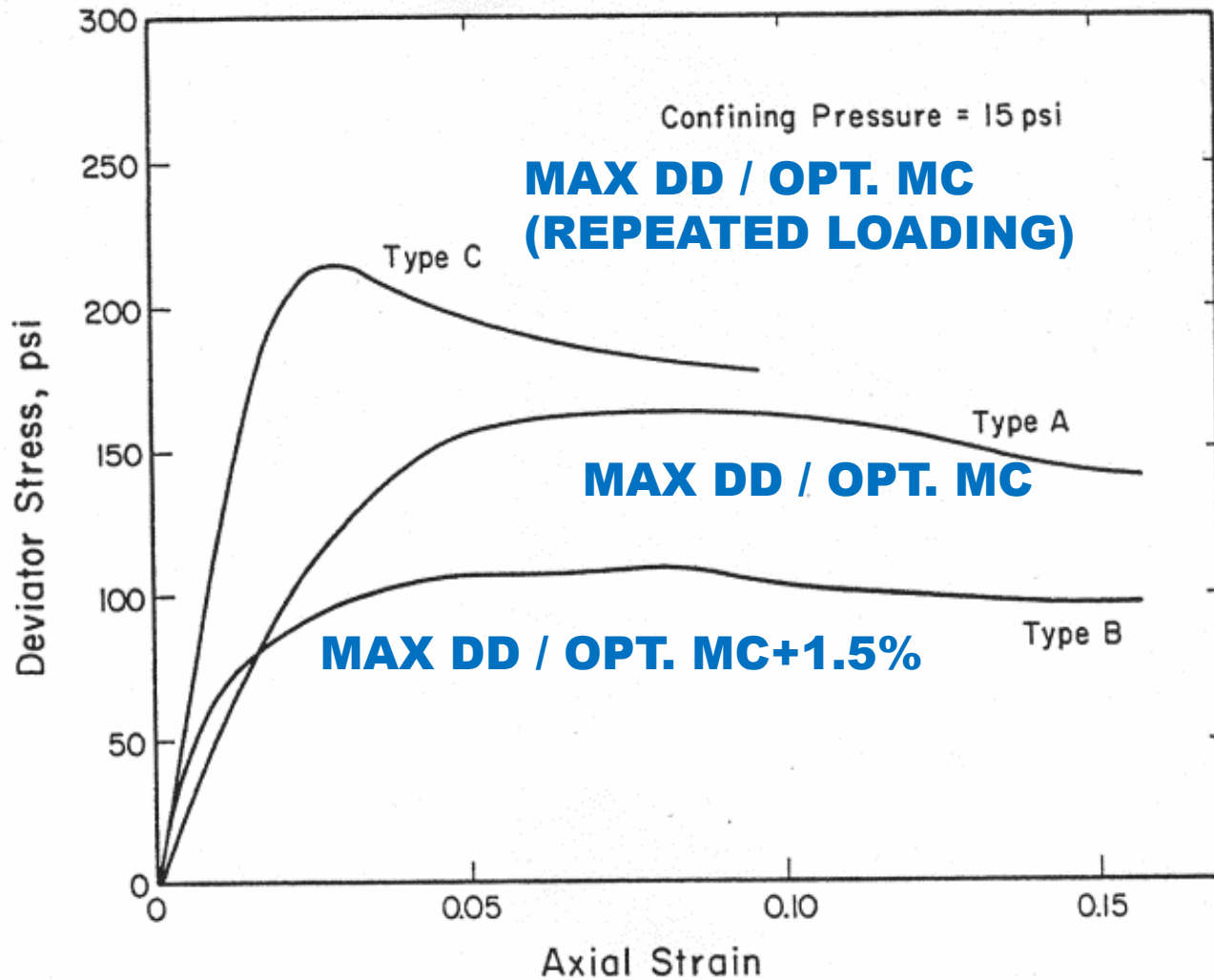
$$\varepsilon_p = A (N)^B (\sigma_d)^C (\tau_f / \tau_{\max})^D$$



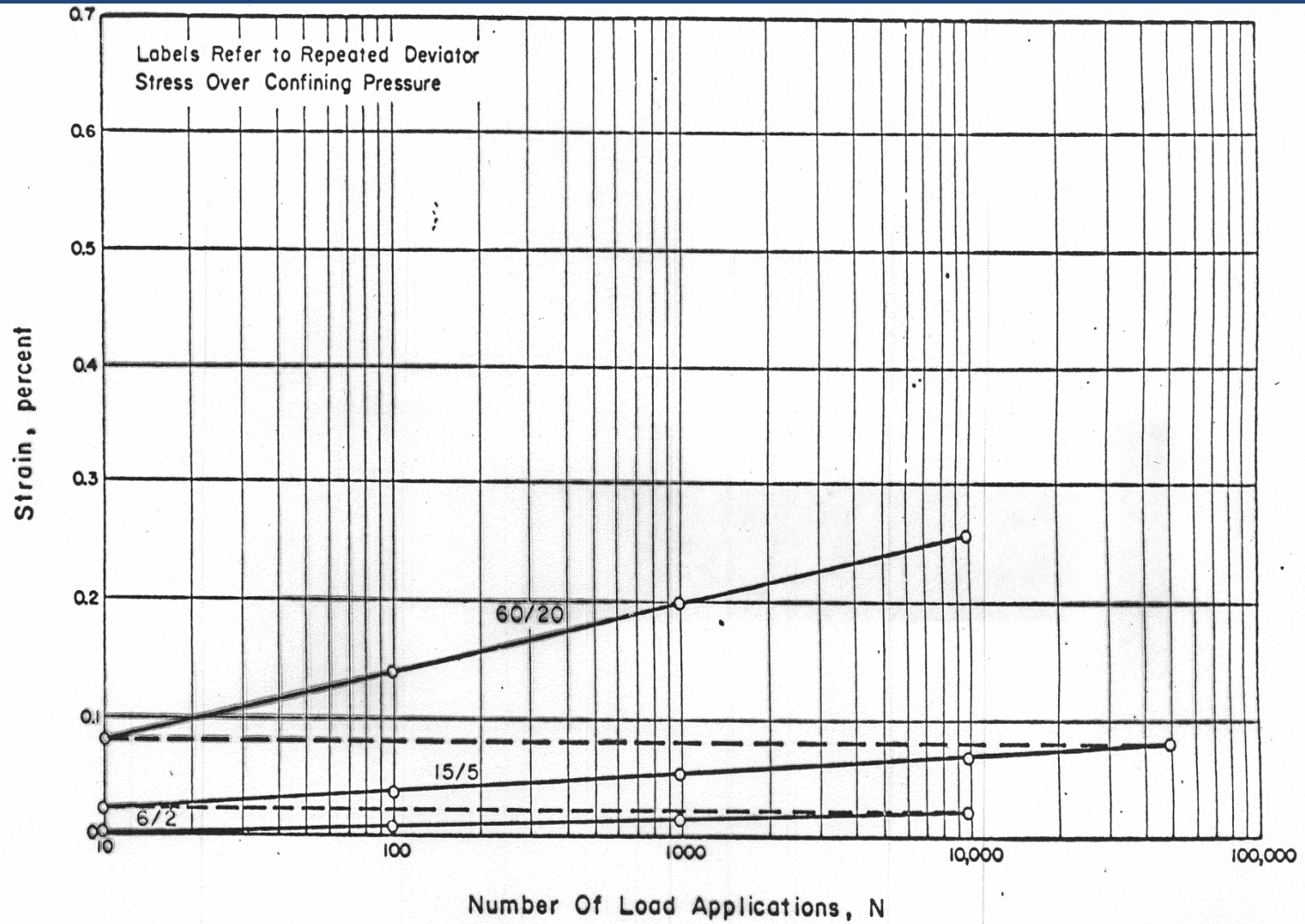
**STRENGTH PARAMETERS ARE
IMPORTANT FACTORS IN
PREDICTING PERMANENT
DEFORMATION OF GRANULAR
MATERIALS!!!!**

COMPLICATING FACTORS

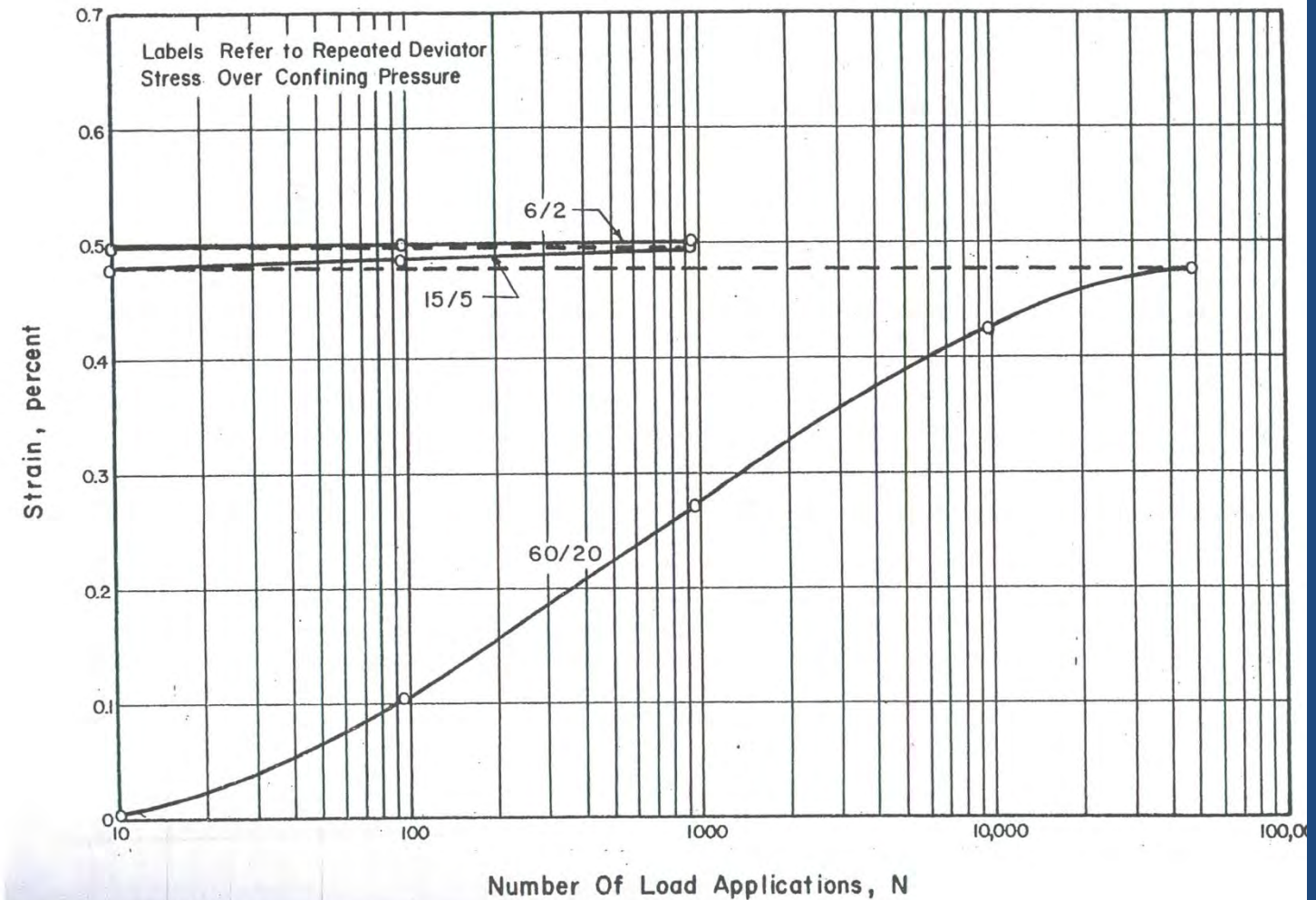
- **STRENGTH INCREASE WITH LOADING**
 - **STRESS HISTORY EFFECTS**



**SHEAR STRENGTH INCREASE WITH REPEATED LOADING
DENSE GRADED CRUSHED GRAVEL BASE
Thompson & Smith (TRR 1278)**



STRESS HISTORY: LOW TO HIGH



STRESS HISTORY: HIGH TO LOW

CUMULATIVE DAMAGE

???

AASHTO Ware – ADVISORY

AASHTO Ware Pavement ME Design

“AASHTO has recently determined that the current model for unbound pavement materials underestimates the structural impact of high quality aggregate base.”

“AASHTO encourages each licensing agency to calibrate and validate using local materials”

*** NCHRP 01-53: Proposed Enhancements to Pavement ME Design: Improved Consideration of the Influence of Subgrade and Unbound Layers on Pavement Performance.**

*** NC DOT Project @ University of Illinois**

HMA RUTTING

$$\Delta_{p(HMA)} = \epsilon_{p(HMA)} h_{HMA} = \beta_{1r} k_z \epsilon_{r(HMA)} 10^{k_{1r}} n^{k_{2r} \beta_{2r}} T^{k_{3r} \beta_{3r}}$$

where:

- $\Delta_{p(HMA)}$ = Accumulated permanent or plastic vertical deformation in the HMA layer/sublayer, in.,
- $\epsilon_{p(HMA)}$ = Accumulated permanent or plastic axial strain in the HMA layer/sublayer, in/in.,
- $\epsilon_{r(HMA)}$ = Resilient or elastic strain calculated by the structural response model at the mid-depth of each HMA sublayer, in/in.,
- $h_{(HMA)}$ = Thickness of the HMA layer/sublayer, in.,
- n = Number of axle-load repetitions,
- T = Mix or pavement temperature, °F,
- k_z = Depth confinement factor,
- $k_{1r,2r,3r}$ = Global field calibration parameters (from the NCHRP 1-40D recalibration; $k_{1r} = -3.35412$, $k_{2r} = 0.4791$, $k_{3r} = 1.5606$), and
- $\beta_{1r}, \beta_{2r}, \beta_{3r}$ = Local or mixture field calibration constants; for the global calibration, these constants were all set to 1.0.

$$k_z = (C_1 + C_2 D) 0.328196^D$$

$$C_1 = -0.1039(H_{HMA})^2 + 2.4868H_{HMA} - 17.342$$

$$C_2 = 0.0172(H_{HMA})^2 - 1.7331H_{HMA} + 27.428$$

where:

- D = Depth below the surface, in., and
- H_{HMA} = Total HMA thickness, in.

MEPDG HMA RUTTING MODEL

NATIONAL RUTTING MODEL

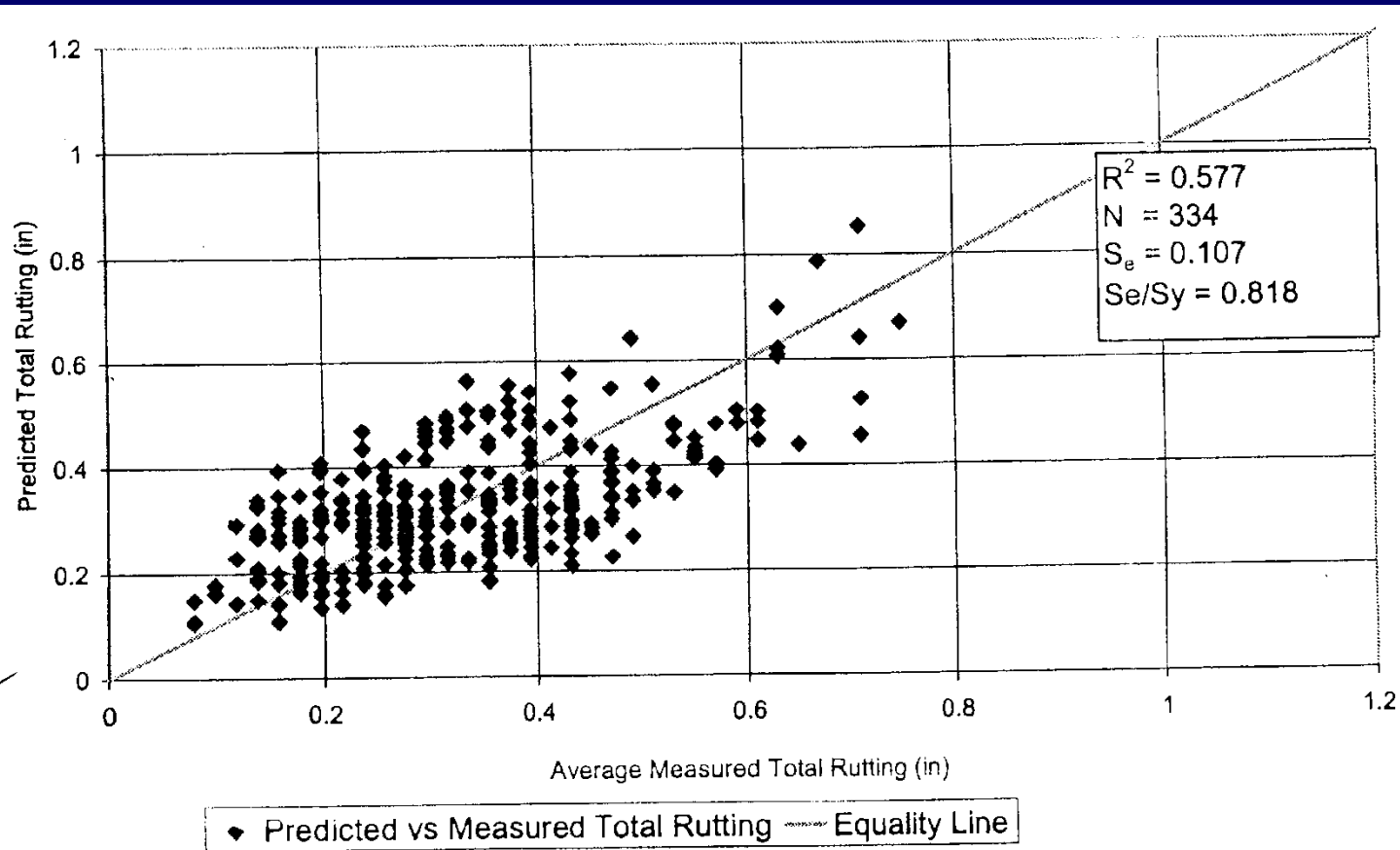


Figure 10. Comparison of Measured and Predicted Total Rutting Resulting from Global Calibration Process

NCHRP

REPORT 719

NATIONAL
COOPERATIVE
HIGHWAY
RESEARCH
PROGRAM

**Calibration of Rutting Models
for Structural and Mix Design**

TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD
OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES

(2012)

“The objective of this research was to propose revisions to the HMA rut-depth transfer function in the MEPDG for consideration by NCHRP and the AASHTO Joint Task Force on Pavements.”

Carl Monismith was the Panel Chairman.

TRANSFER FUNCTIONS CONSIDERED

*** Original MEPDG**

*** Verstraten (σ_{DEV})**

*** Asphalt Institute - Modified Leahy
(σ_{DEV} and ϵ_V)**

**• WesTrack
(shear strain and stress)**

TRANSFER FUNCTION	R²	S_e – in.	S_e / S_y
MEPDG	0.583	0.1085	0.665
Modified Leahy	0.699	0.1045	0.611
WesTrack	0.712	0.091	0.585

“With proper calibration, all four transfer functions accurately simulated the evolution of AC pavement rutting, and there were no statistically or practically significant differences among results obtained with the four functions. All of the transfer functions were calibrated to provide reasonable predictions of rut depth.”

REASONABLE PREDICTIONS ???

MEPDG DESIGN CRITERIA

Interstate: 0.40 in.

Primary: 0.50 in.

Others(< 45 mph): 0.65 in.

HMA RUTTING

*MATERIALS SELECTION
(AGGREGATES – ASPHALT)

*MIXTURE DESIGN
(SUPERPAVE)

*CONSTRUCTION QC/QA

RUT RESISTANT !!!

HMA FATIGUE

NATIONAL HMA FATIGUE MODEL

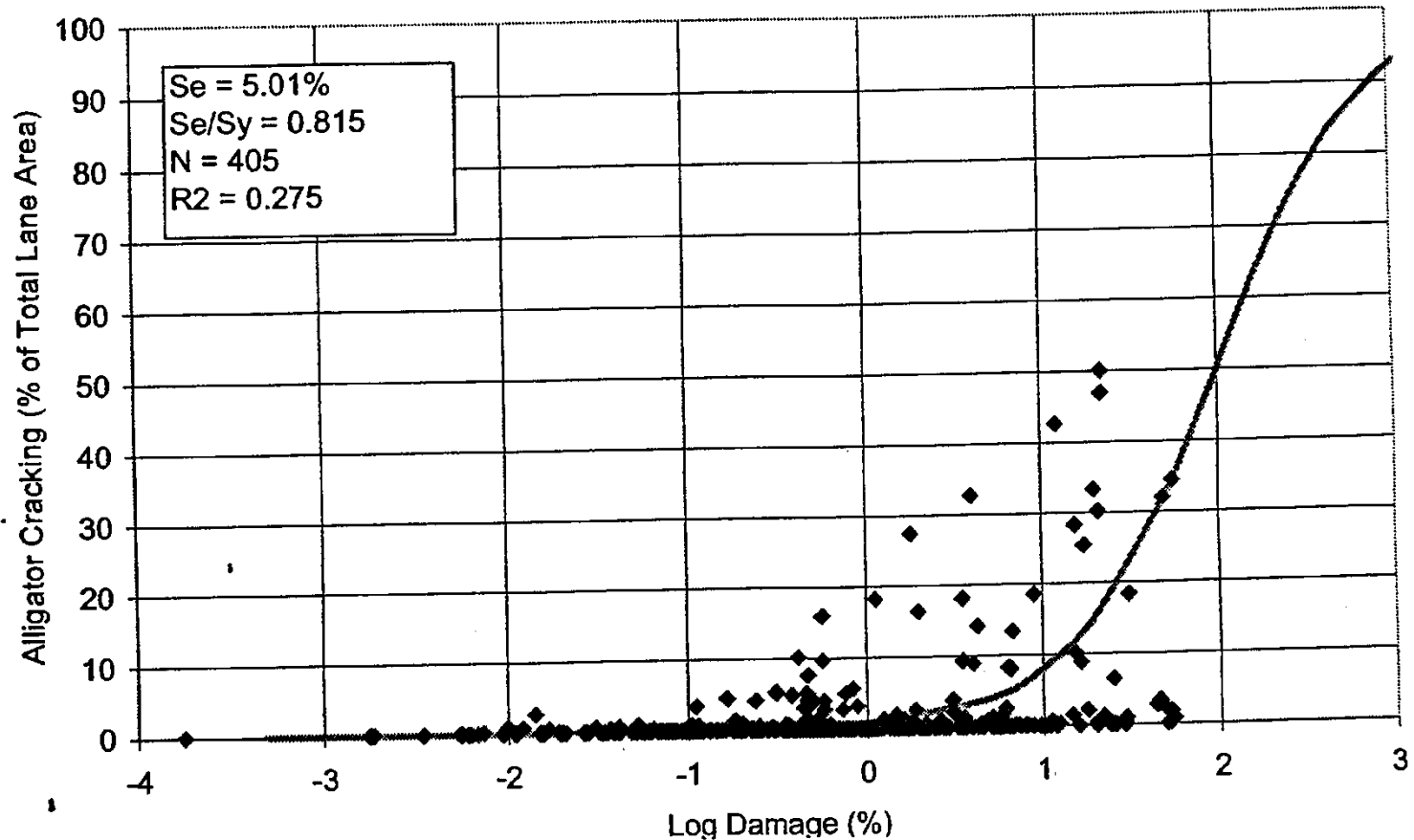


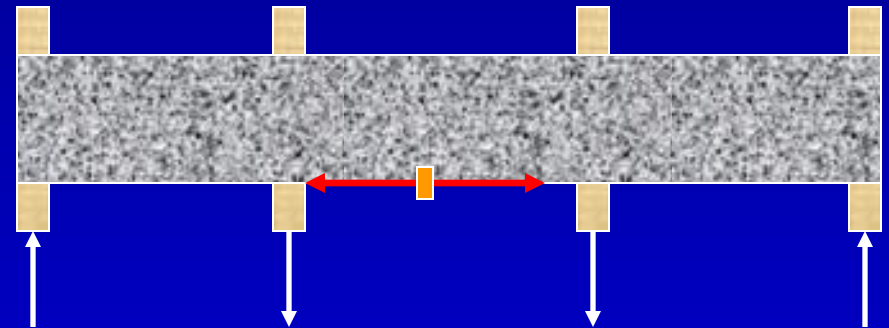
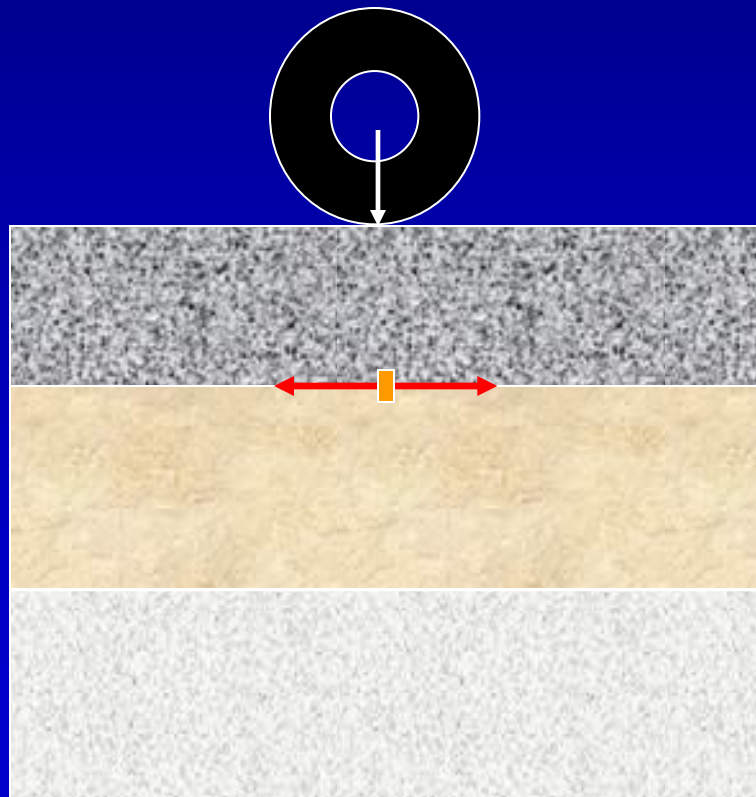
Figure 11 Comparison of Cumulative Fatigue Damage and Measured Alligator Cracking Resulting from Global Calibration Process

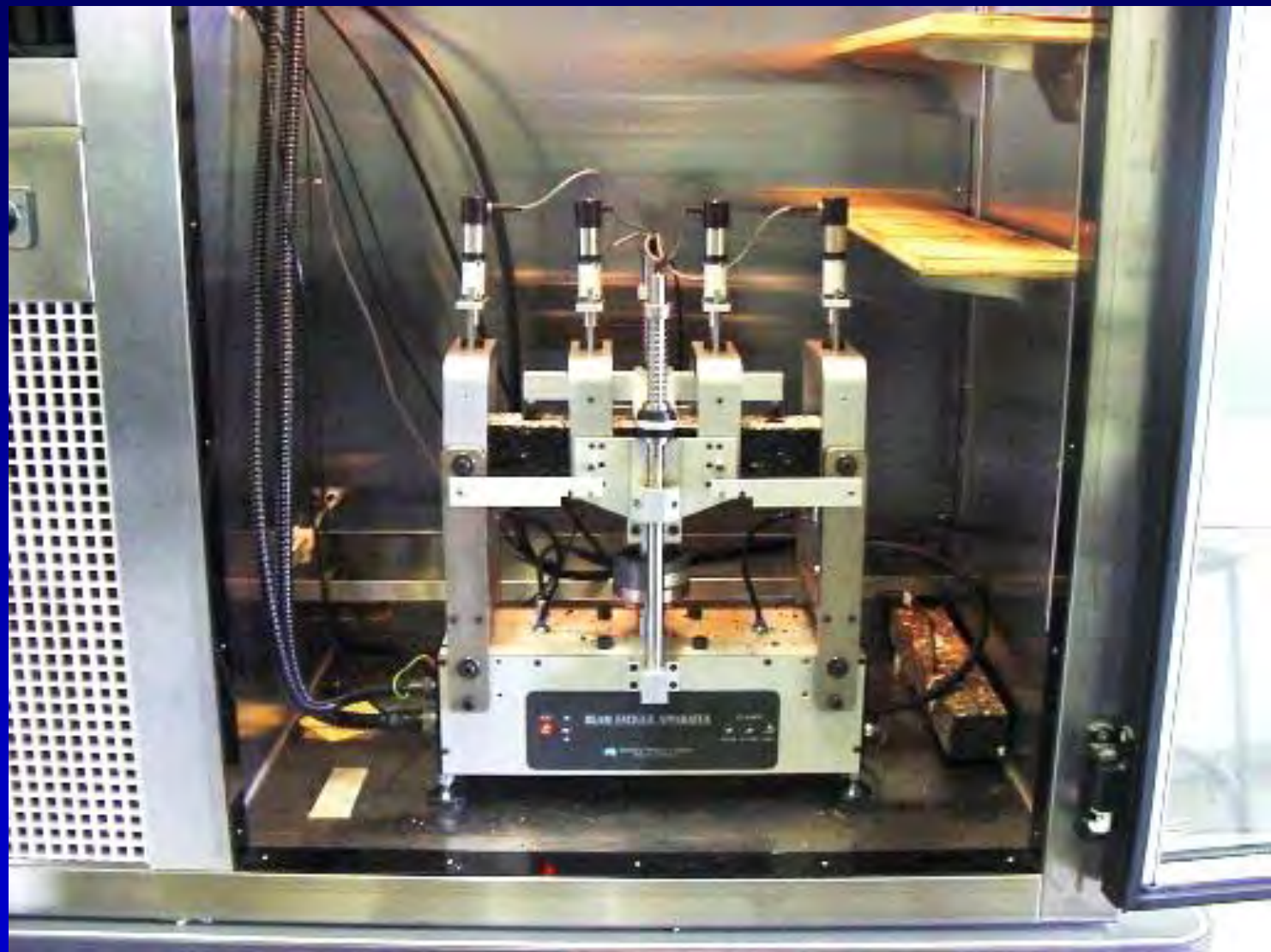
AASHTO TP 8-94

**Standard Test Method for Determination
of the Fatigue Life of Compacted HMA
Subjected to Repeated Flexural Bending**

FATIGUE DESIGN

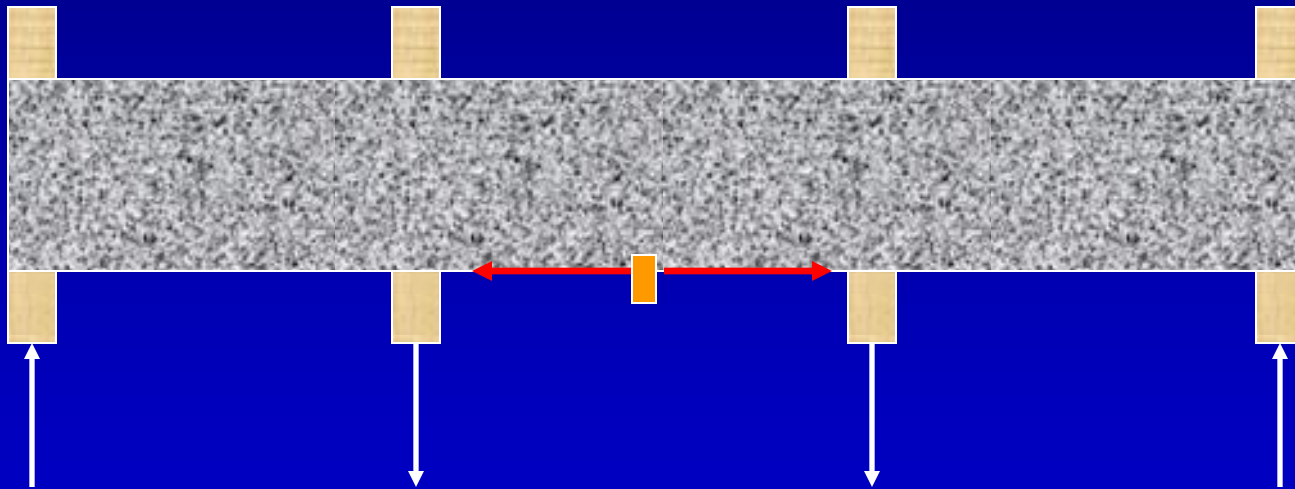
- Tensile Strain at Bottom of Asphalt
 - Tensile Strain in Flexural Beam Test
- Other Configurations





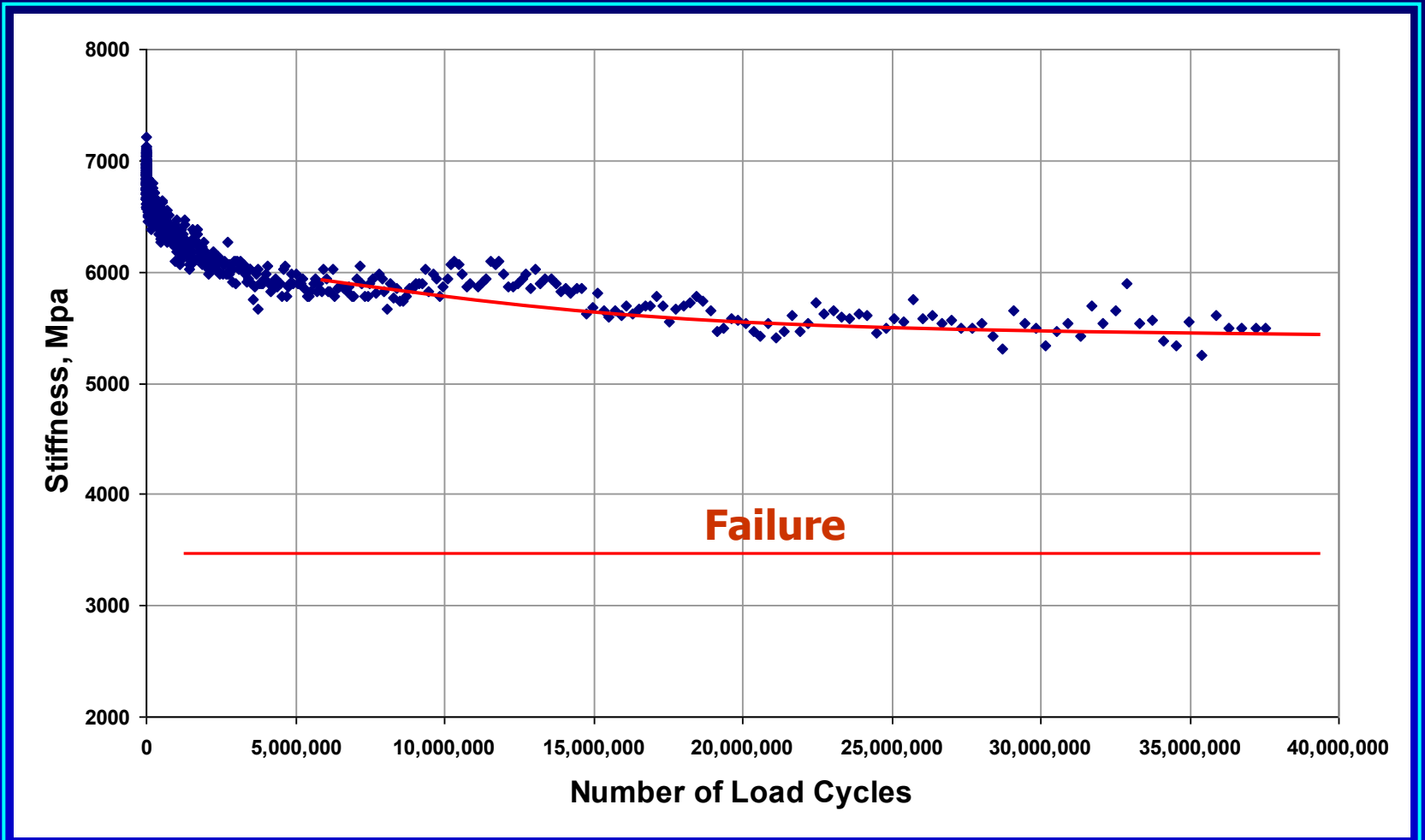
FATIGUE TESTING

- **Tensile Strain in Flexural Beam Test**
 - **Other Configurations**

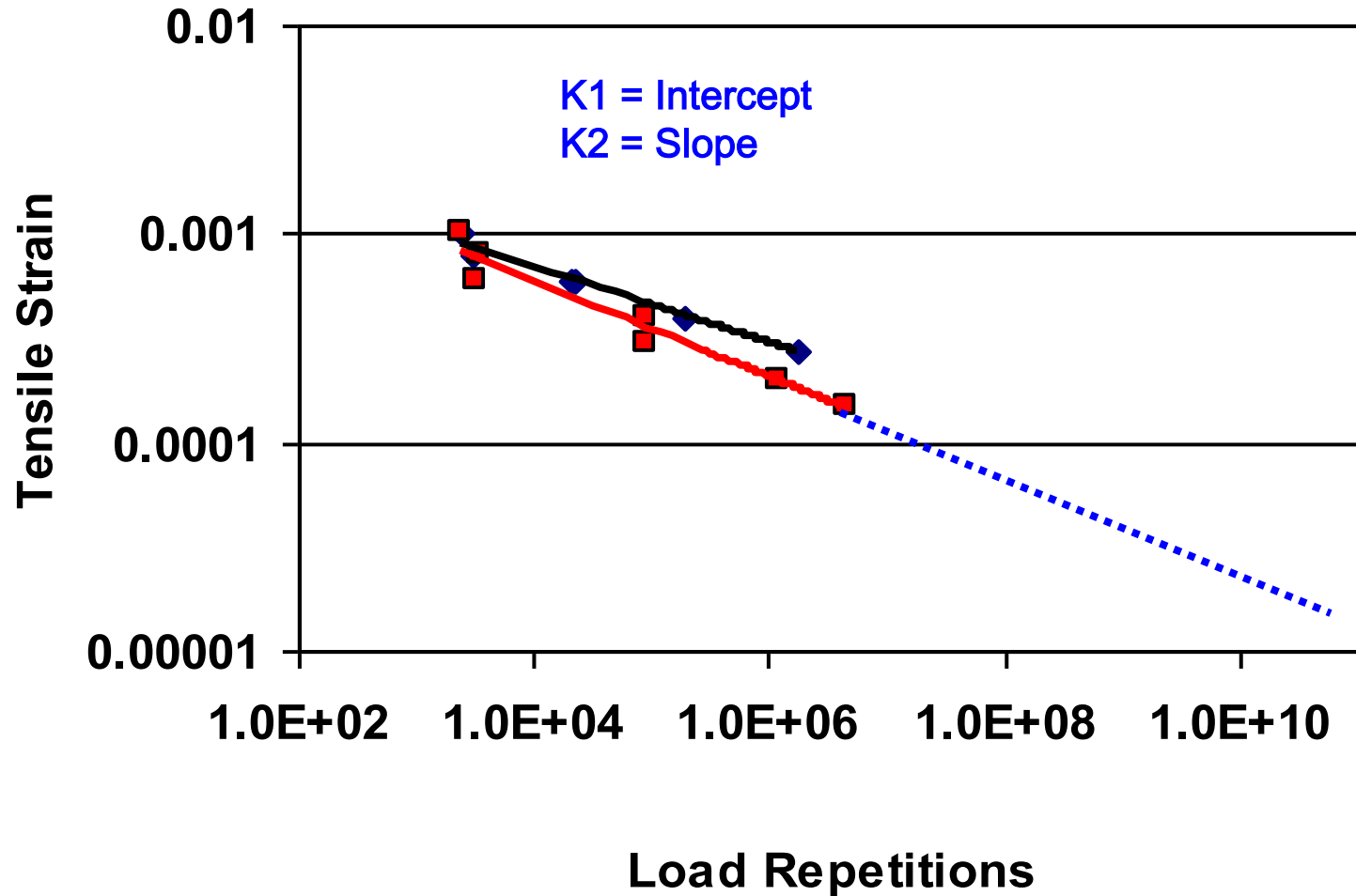


- **10 Hz Haversine Load, 20° C, Controlled Strain**

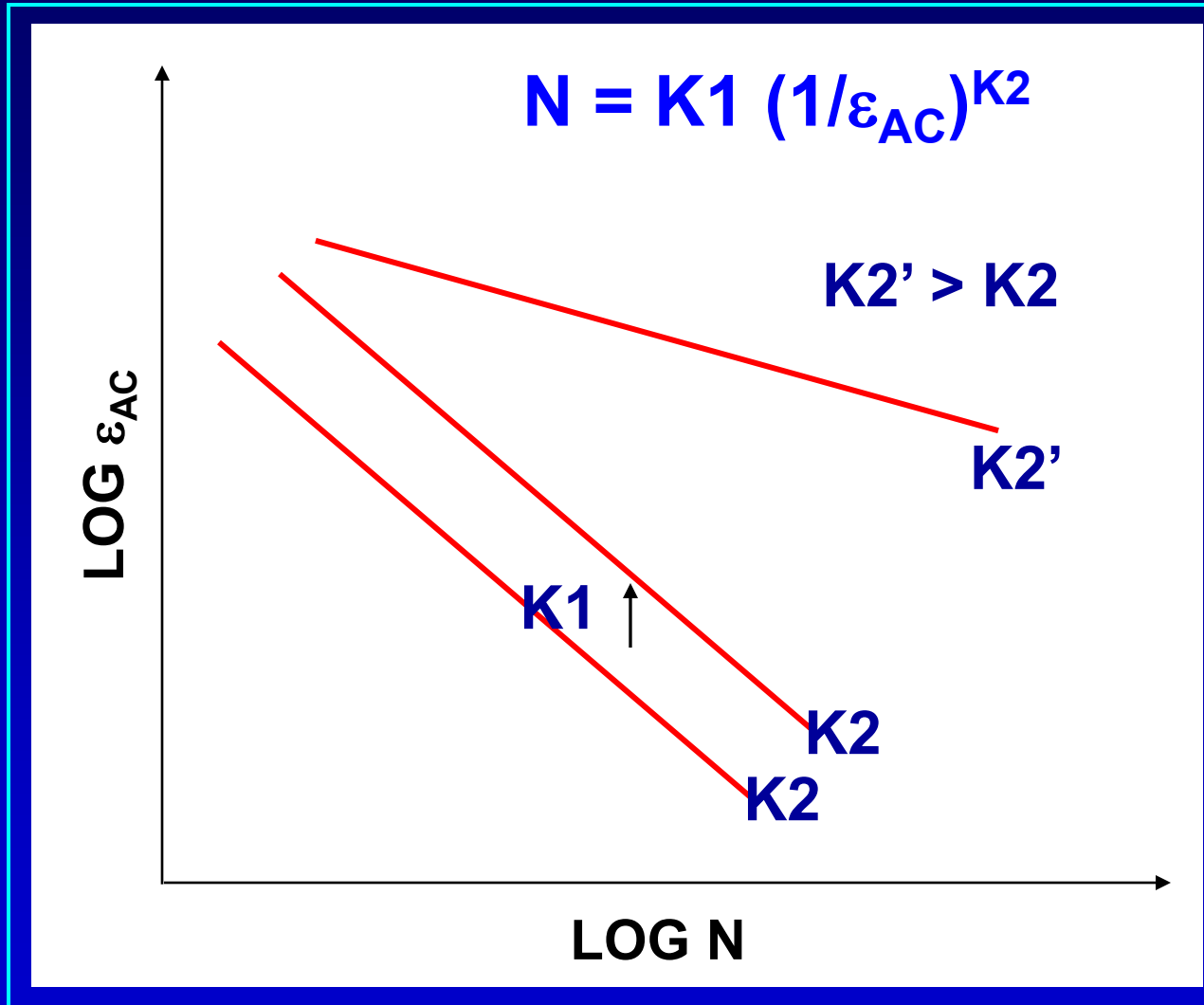
STIFFNESS CURVE



LABORATORY ALGORITHM



AC FATIGUE



FATIGUE ALGORITHMS

$$N_f = K_1(1/\varepsilon)^{K_2}$$

AASHTO MEPDG FORMAT

$$N_f = 0.00432 * K_1 * C(1/\varepsilon)^{k_2} (1/E_{HMA})^{k_3}$$

K_1 - HMA Thickness Factor

C - Mix Factor (V_b & V_a)

Beta Factors - Calibration

($k_2 = 3.9492$ / $k_3 = 1.281$)

IDOT HMA FATIGUE DATA SUMMARY 84 MIXES

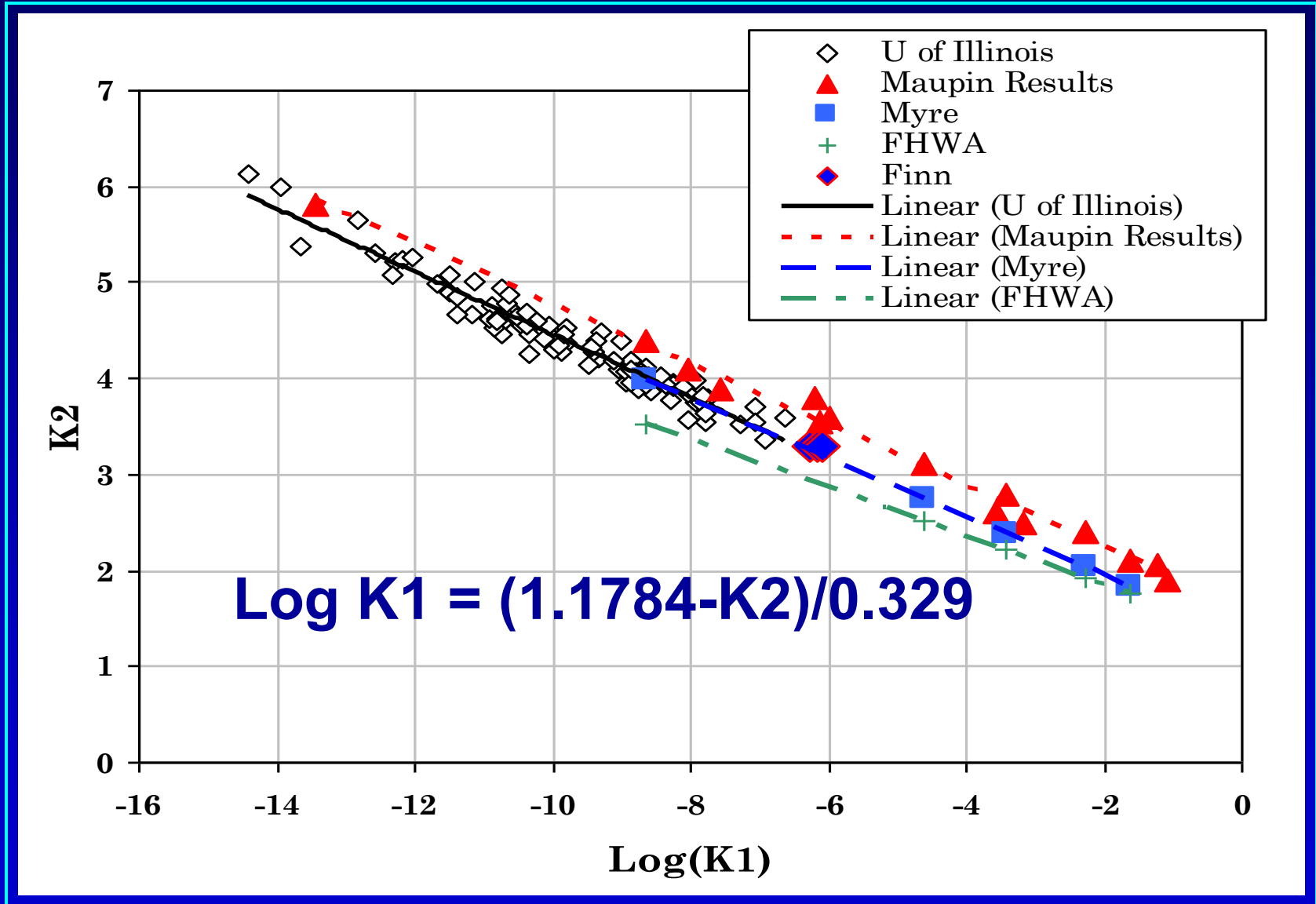
$$N = K1 (1/\epsilon)^{K2}$$

Minimum K2: 3.5

90% K2: 4.0

Average K2: 4.5

OTHER STUDIES



THERE IS

NO “UNIQUE”

HMA FATIGUE ALGORITHM !!!!

**IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR
HMA OVERLAY DESIGN !!!!**

REMAINING LIFE !!!!

FATIGUE ENDURANCE LIMIT

FEL

PERPETUAL PAVEMENT DESIGN

CRITERIA :

- HMA CUMULATIVE FATIGUE DAMAGE WILL NOT OCCUR
- PERIODIC MILL-FILL

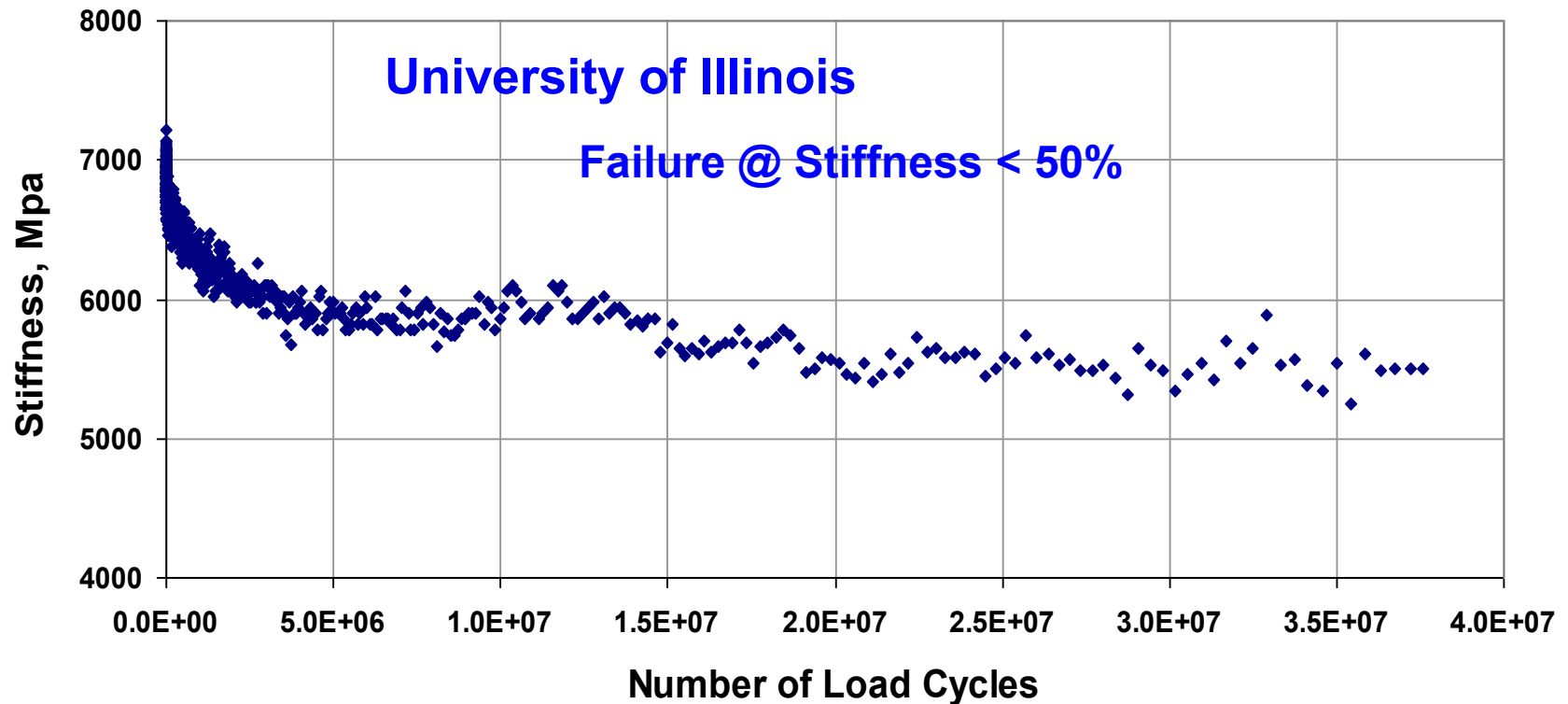
Monismith & McLean

“Technology of Thick Lift Construction:
Structural Design Considerations”

1972 AAPT Proceedings

70 Micro-Strain Endurance Limit!!

70 Micro Strain Test



FATIGUE ENDURANCE LIMIT

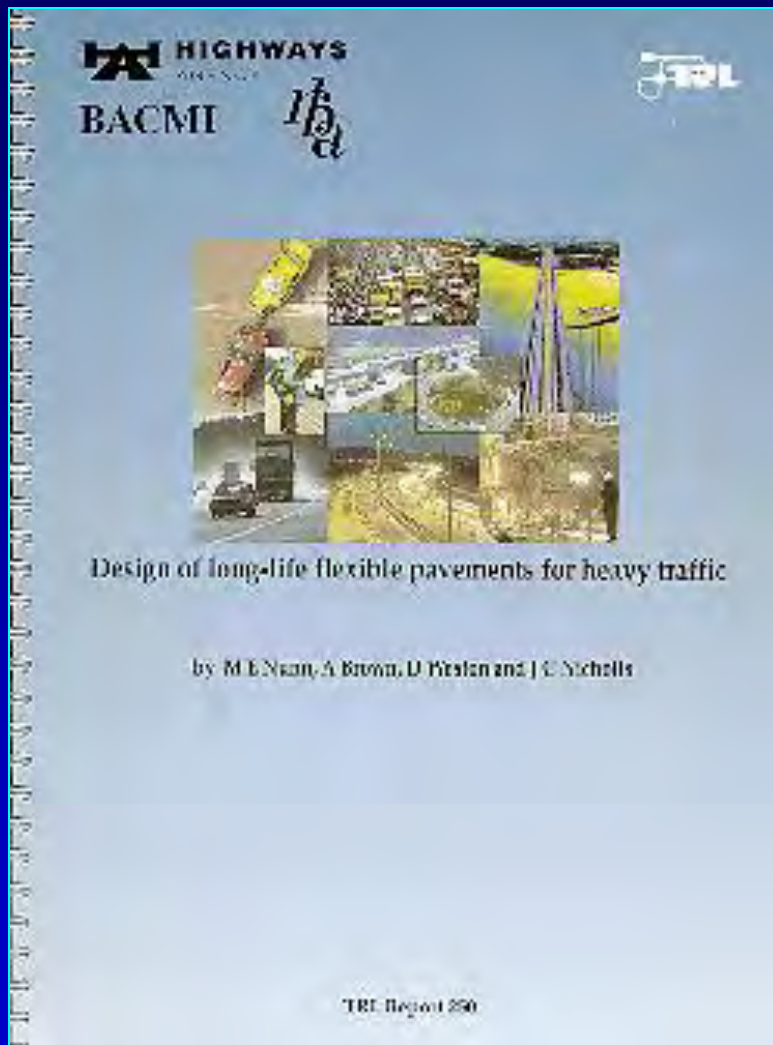
- * Damage and Healing Concepts and Test Data Support a Strain Limit **(the FEL)** Below Which Fatigue Damage Does Not Accumulate
- FEL **Is Not The Same** for All HMAs.
- Carpenter – Uofl
21 HMAs / Range: 90 – 300 $\mu\epsilon$ / AVG: 125

Michael Nunn
“Long-Life Flexible Pavements”
8th ISAP Conference
Seattle, WA - 1997

**ASPHALT PAVEMENT ALLIANCE
(2000)**

“PERPETUAL PAVEMENTS”

Huddleston – Buncher – Newcomb



TRL Report 250 Nunn, Brown, Weston & Nicholls

Design of Long-Life Flexible
Pavements for Heavy Traffic

<http://www.trl.co.uk>

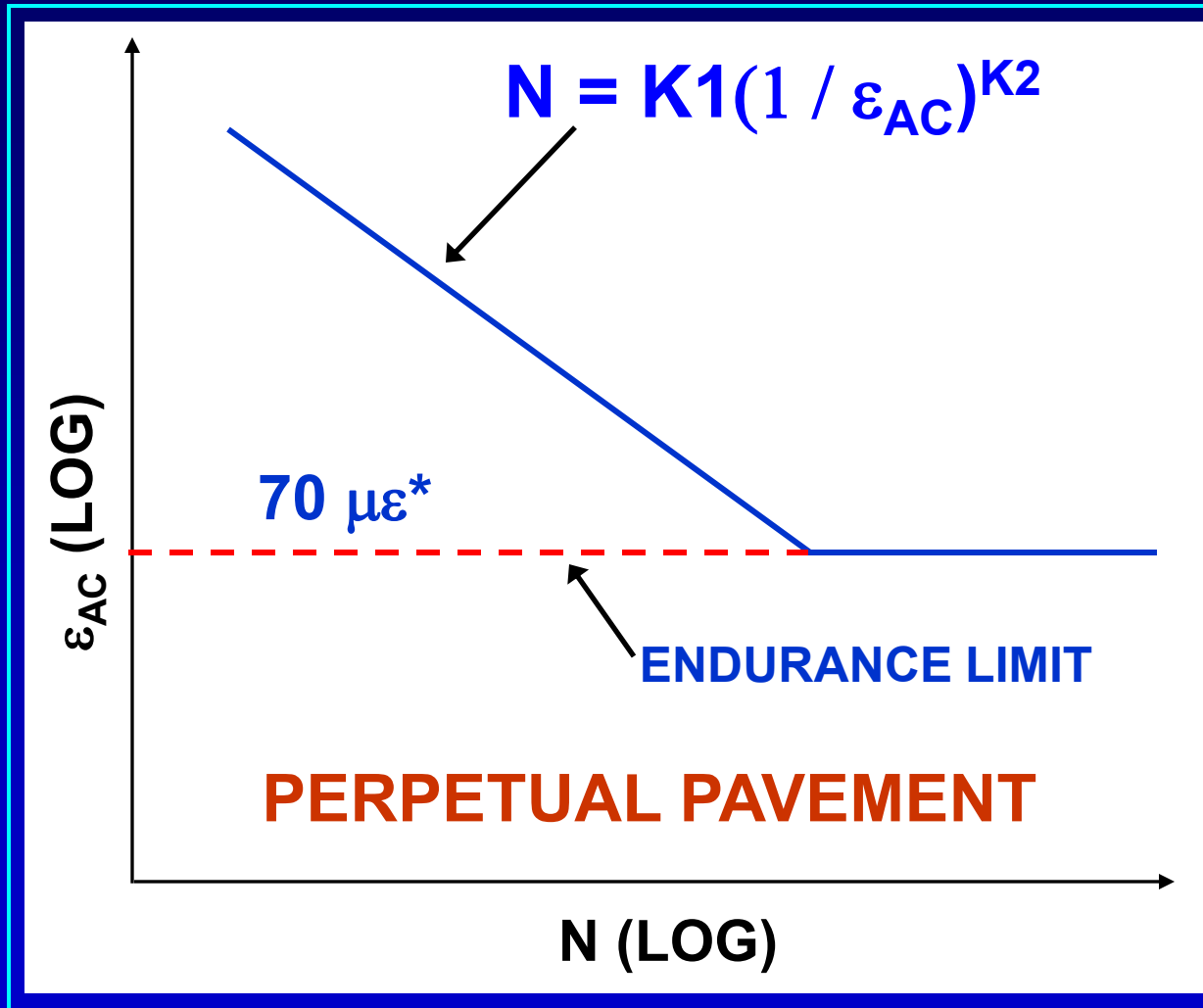
“Design Principles for Long Lasting HMA Pavements”

Thompson & Carpenter

**ISAP Symposium
Design & Construction of
Long Lasting Asphalt Pavements**

**Auburn, AL
June -2004**

HMA FATIGUE



*Monismith and McLean ('72 AAPT)

FEL = ????????

K1 & K2 = ????????

CURRENT NCHRP RESEARCH

NCHRP 9-38

**Endurance Limit of HMA for Preventing Fatigue Cracking in Flexible Pavements
(2010 – NCAT/AUBURN - RAY BROWN)**

NCHRP 9-44

**Developing a Plan for Validating an Endurance Limit for HMA Pavements
(AAT- BONAQUIST - Completed)**

NCHRP 9-44A

Validating an Endurance Limit for HMA Pavements: Laboratory Experiment and Algorithm Development (ASU –WITCZAK/MAMLOUK – et al) NCHRP REPORT - 762

- * FEL IS NOT CONSTANT FOR A GIVEN HMA!!!
- * FEL VARIES WITH HMA MODULUS!
(FEL SMALLER FOR HIGHER MODULUS)
- * REST PERIODS ARE HELPFUL
(RP > 2.5 SECONDS)

HMA MODULUS (ksi)	FEL: μ-STRAIN (RP – 1 SEC.)	FEL: μ-STRAIN (RP – 5 SEC.)
300	46	122
600	37	102
1000	31	89
1500	27	80
2000	25	75
3000	21	66

**HMA MODULUS RANGE – CHAMPAIGN, IL
(10-INCH FULL-DEPTH)
PER: NCHRP 9-44A (BEAM TESTING)**

NEW NCHRP PROJECT: 09-59

**Binder Fatigue, Fracture, and
Healing and Their Contribution to
Hot-Mix Asphalt Fatigue
Performance**

IL PERSPECTIVE

*** “HOTTEST MONTH” HMA
MODULUS IS PROBABLY
ADEQUATE FOR “PRACTICAL”
PP DESIGN**

*** CRITICAL INPUT IS FEL
FEL = ???**

DESIGN RELIABILITY

RELIABILITY

STRUCTURAL RESPONSES

$$(\sigma - \varepsilon - \Delta)$$



PAVEMENT DISTRESS(ES)

**UTILIZE VARIABILITY IN MEASURED
RESPONSES TO CONSIDER RELIABILITY**

**THE ONLY STRUCTURAL
RESPONSE THAT CAN BE
CONVENIENTLY MEASURED ON A
“LARGE SCALE” IS SURFACE
DEFLECTION!!!**

FWD – RWD – TSD

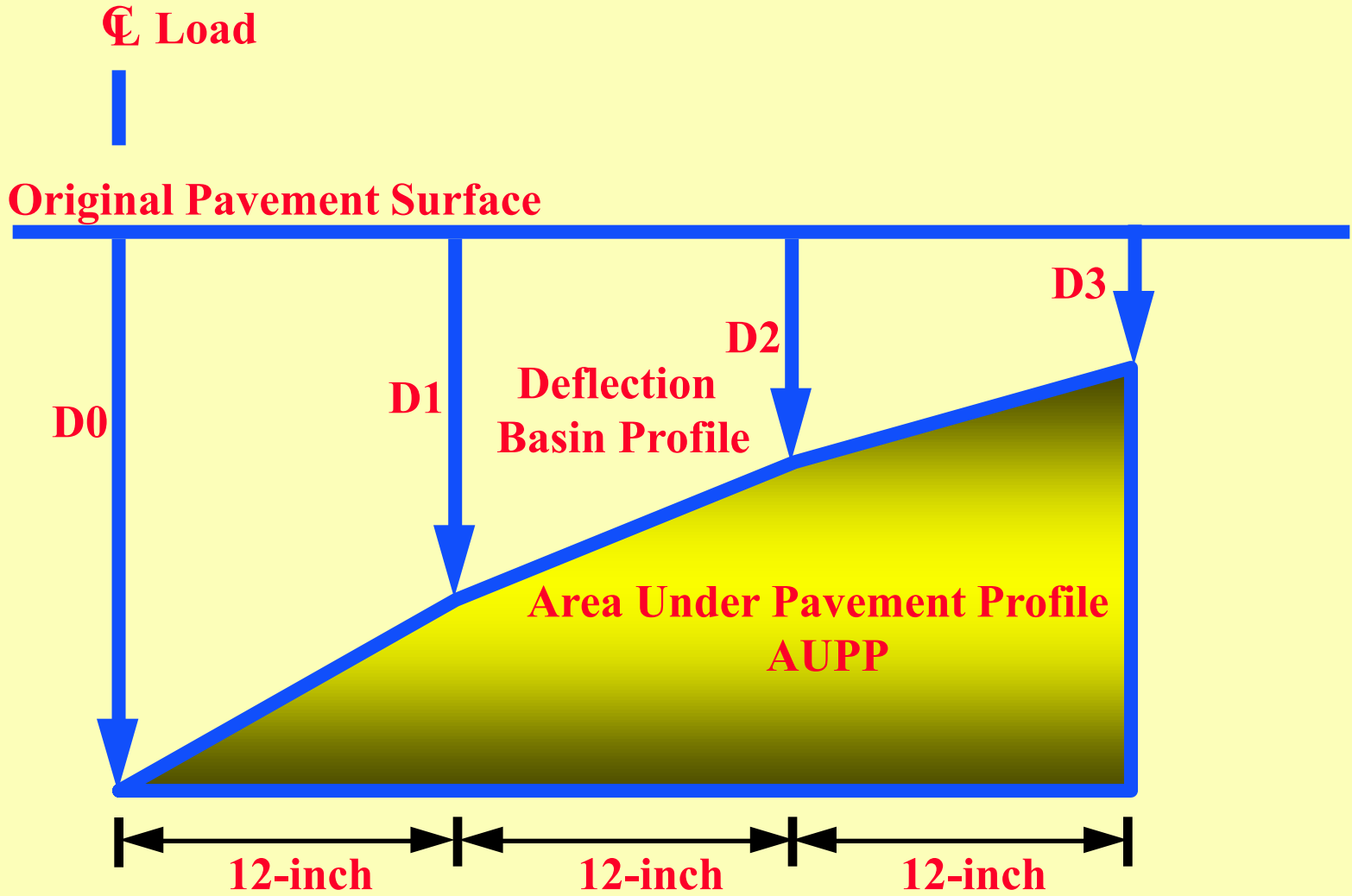
**VARIABILITY IN Δ AND “BASIN
SHAPE PARAMETERS”**

SOME SIGNIFICANT PARAMETERS

$$\Delta_0$$

$$\text{SCI} = \Delta_0 - \Delta_{12}$$

AUPP (AREA UNDER PAVEMENT PROFILE)



$$AUPP = (5 \cdot D0 - 2 \cdot D1 - 2 \cdot D2 - D3) / 2$$

All Ds in mils

IDOT-FULL-DEPTH HMA

$$\mathbf{LOG \epsilon_{HMA} = 1.53 \ LOG \Delta_0 + 0.319}$$

$$\mathbf{LOG SSR = 1.28 \ LOG \Delta_0 - 2.21}$$

(SSR = SUB DEV 6 / Q_U)

$$\mathbf{LOG \epsilon_{HMA} = 1.001 + 1.024 \ LOG (AUPP)}$$

Δ_0 : mils

ϵ_{HMA} : micro-strain

IDOT-CONVENTIONAL FLEXIBLE PAVTS

$$\text{LOG } \epsilon_{\text{HMA}} = 1.113 \text{ LOG } \Delta_0 + 0.91$$

$$\text{LOG SSR} = 1.67 \text{ LOG } \Delta_0 - 2.88$$

(SSR = SUB DEV 6 / Q_U)

$$\text{LOG } \epsilon_{\text{HMA}} = 0.999 + 1.014 \text{ LOG (AUPP)}$$

Δ_0 : mils

ϵ_{HMA} : micro-strain

SUMMARY & OBSERVATIONS

*** M-E DESIGN HAS SIGNIFICANTLY PROGRESSED SINCE THE 60`S AND CONTINUES TO EVOLVE/IMPROVE**

*** PERFORMANCE PREDICTIONS ARE NOT “CONSISTENTLY SATISFACTORY”**

*** CALIBRATION IMPROVES PERFORMANCE PREDICTIONS**

*** NEED TO CAPITALIZE ON THE ATTRIBUTES OF FINITE ELEMENT MOELS**

- + ACCOMMODATE STRESS DEPENDENT MODULI**
- + UTILIZE FAILURE CRITERIA**
- + ACCOMMODATE ANISOTROPY**
- + CONSIDER RESIDUAL STRESSES**
- + RECONCILE LAB-FIELD DISCREPANCIES**

- * CONTINUE TO DEVELOP/REFINE MATERIAL CHARACTERIZATION PROCEDURES & MODELS (MODULUS – STRENGTH- FAILURE CRITERIA- FATIGUE)**
- * DEVELOP IMPROVED TRANSFER FUNCTIONS (RUTTING – FATIGUE – FATIGUE ENDURANCE LIMIT)**
- * DEVELOP IMPROVED CUMULATIVE DAMAGE MODELS**
- EVALUATE IMPACT OF STRESS HISTORY EFFECTS**
- REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS**

**WE ARE PROGRESSING!!!
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!!!**

THOMPSON'S PRINCIPLES

DO NOT:

- **Measure with a micrometer;**
- **Mark with a grease pencil; and**
- **Cut with an axe!!!!!!**

THANK YOU !!!!

JIM BROWN
PAVEMENTS ENGINEER
TX DOT
CHAIRMAN – AASHTO JOINT TASK FORCE ON PAVEMENTS
Proceedings - Workshop on Resilient Modulus Testing
Oregon State University - March, 1989

“What is pavement design-pavement performance prediction reality? It would seem that only the naive, geniuses or the grossly egotistical would attempt to predict pavement performance. (The author -J. Brown- readily admits to the latter.) The pavement designer must forecast weather, traffic, and the results of a low bid contractor that uses such precise tools as bulldozers and draglines. The traffic forecast must include not only how many trucks but must include size of load and vehicle configurations, including tire pressures and types. Construction materials include those processed by Mother Nature (subgrades) and those semi-processed by the low bid contractor (base and subbase materials). The properties of these materials and the future loadings need to be known twenty-four hours a day, three hundred and sixty-five days per year for so far into the future that most pavement designers will retire before the design life has been reached!”