

# **ELEMENTS OF CIVIL ENGINEERING LAB MANUAL**

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This is to certify that this manual is a bonafide record of practical work in the **Elements of Civil Engineering Lab in Second Semester of First year B. Tech (Civil) programme** during the academic year **2024-25**. The book is prepared by **Ms. Nanditha Mandava, Assistant Professor, Department of Civil Engineering.**

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## **PREFACE**

This book entitled “Elements of Civil Engineering Lab Manual” is intended for the use of first semester (i.e., I - I) B. Tech (civil) students of Marri Laxman Reddy Institute of Technology and Management, Dundigal, Hyderabad. The main objective of the Elements of Civil Engineering Lab Manual is to teach the student basic concrete and Geology fundamentals in various civil engineering applications. This book lays foundation of certain basic concepts and skills that can be repeatedly employed by the students in their future endeavours. The main aim of this book is to develop the habit of scientific reasoning and providing answers to all the doubts that arise during the course of conducting experiments. These experiments will help the students to expertise in the analysis and reporting the concrete quality for construction purpose and about minerals, rocks, stones etc. Hence, we hope this book serves for better understanding by the student community with all details of experiments

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## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Students are instructed to come to Elements of Civil Engineering laboratory on time. Late comers are not entertained in the lab.
2. Students should be punctual to the lab .If not, conducted experiments will not be repeated.
3. Students are expected to come prepared at home with the experiments which are going to be performed.
4. Students are instructed to display their identity cards and apron before entering into the lab.
5. Students are instructed not to bring mobile phones to the lab.
6. The equipment's and other accessories used in Elements of Civil Engineering lab should be handled with care and responsibility.
7. Any damage to the equipment's during the lab session is student's responsibility and penalty or fine will be collected from the student.
8. Students should update the records and lab observation books session wise. Before leaving the lab,the student should get his lab observation book signed by the faculty.
9. Students should submit the labrecords2/3daysinadvancetotheconcerned faculty members in the staffroom for their correction and return.
10. Students should not move around the lab during the lab session.
11. If any emergency arises, the student should take the permission from faculty member concerned in written format.
12. The faculty members may suspend any student from the lab session on disciplinary grounds.

### **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

1. While working in the laboratory suitable precaution should be observed to prevent accidents.
2. Always follow the experimental instructions strictly.
3. Use the first aid box incase of any accident/mishap.
4. Neverworkinthelaboratoryunlessademonstratororteachingassistantinpresent.
5. When the experiment is completed , students should disconnect the setup made by them, and should return all the components/instruments taken for the purpose.



## **INSTITUTION VISION AND MISSION**

### **VISION**

To be a globally recognized institution that fosters innovation, excellence, and leadership in education, research, and technology development, empowering students to create sustainable solutions for the advancement of society.

### **OUR MISSION**

- To foster a transformative learning environment that empowers students to excel in engineering, innovation, and leadership.
- To produce skilled, ethical, and socially responsible engineers who contribute to sustainable technological advancements and address global challenges.
- To shape future leaders through cutting-edge research, industry collaboration, and community engagement.

## DEPARTMENT VISION , MISSION ,PROGRAMME EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES AND SPECIFIC OUTCOMES

### VISION OF THE DEPARTMENT

To empower students to be skilled, competitive, and dedicated Civil Engineers by imparting advanced technical knowledge and ethical values, equipping them to play a key role in the planning and execution of the nation's infrastructure and development activities.

### MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT

**M1:** Provide exceptional education in civil engineering through a combination of excellent teaching, advanced facilities, and continuous mentorship.

**M2:** Produce civil engineering graduates who demonstrate exceptional skills and expertise.

**M3:** Encourage professional development to address complex technical challenges and engage in innovation with creativity, leadership,

### PROGRAMME EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

#### **PEO – I:**

##### **Professional Excellence**

Analyze, design, build, maintain, or improve civil engineering-based systems, considering environmental, economic, and societal requirements.

#### **PEO – II:**

##### **Multidisciplinary Approach**

Develop a strong educational foundation to design and conduct experiments, meeting needs within multidisciplinary constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability, while analyzing and interpreting data.

#### **PEO – III:**

##### **Continued Self-Learning**

Identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems, and engage in lifelong learning in advanced areas of civil engineering and related fields.

#### **PEO – IV:**

##### **Effective Contribution to Society**

Utilize modern engineering techniques, skills, and tools necessary for civil engineering practice, serving the community as ethical and responsible professionals.

## **PROGRAMME OUTCOMES(POs)**

### **PO1: Engineering knowledge**

Apply the knowledge of mathematics, science, engineering fundamentals, and an engineering specialization to the solution of complex engineering problems.

### **PO2: Problem analysis**

Identify, formulate, review research literature, and analyze complex engineering problems reaching substantiated conclusions using first principles of mathematics, natural sciences, and engineering sciences.

### **PO3: Design/development of solutions**

Design solutions for complex engineering problems and design system components or processes that meet the specified needs with appropriate consideration for the public health and safety, and the cultural, societal, and environmental considerations.

### **PO4: Conduct investigations of complex problems**

Use research-based knowledge and research methods including design of experiments, analysis and interpretation of data, and synthesis of the information to provide valid conclusions.

### **PO5:Modern tool usage**

Create, select, and apply appropriate techniques, resources, and modern engineering and IT tools including prediction and modeling to complex engineering activities with an understanding of the limitations.

### **PO6: The engineer and society**

Apply reasoning informed by the contextual knowledge to assess societal, health, safety, legal and cultural issues and the consequent responsibilities relevant to the professional engineering practice.

### **PO7: Environment and sustainability**

Understand the impact of the professional engineering solutions in societal and environmental contexts, and demonstrate the knowledge of, and need for sustainable development.

### **PO8: Ethics**

Apply ethical principles and commit to professional ethics and responsibilities and norms of the engineering practice.

### **PO9: Individual and team work**

Function effectively as an individual, and as a member or leader in diverse teams, and in multidisciplinary settings.

### **PO10: Communication**

Communicate effectively on complex engineering activities with the engineering community and with society at large, such as, being able to comprehend and write effective reports and design documentation, make effective presentations, and give and receive clear instructions.

### **PO11: Project management and finance**

Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the engineering and management principles and apply these to one's own work, as a member and leader in a team, to manage projects and in multidisciplinary environments.

### **PO12: Life-long learning**

Recognize the need for, and have the preparation and ability to engage in independent and life-long learning in the broadest context of technological change.

## **PROGRAM SPECIFIC OUTCOMES**

**PSO 1** – Demonstrate the ability to plan, design, implement, and supervise civil engineering systems in various sectors

**PSO 2** - Focus on safety, serviceability, and eco-friendly technologies while operating, maintaining, and rehabilitating civil engineering systems.

**PSO 3** - Utilize advanced civil engineering technologies to continue education, achieve entrepreneurial success, and explore various career options.

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## **COURSE STRUCTURE, OBJECTIVES & OUTCOMES**

### **COURSE STRUCTURE**

Elements of Civil Engineering lab will have a continuous evaluation during 1<sup>st</sup> semester for 30 sessional marks and 70 end semester examination marks.

Out of the 30 marks for internal evaluation, day-to-day work in the laboratory shall be evaluated for 20 marks and internal practical examinations shall be evaluated for 10 marks conducted by the laboratory teacher concerned.

The end semester examination shall be conducted with an external examiner and internal examiner. The external examiner shall be appointed by the Principal / Chief Controller of examinations

### **COURSE OBJECTIVE**

- To provide practical knowledge about physical properties of minerals and rocks.
- To determine the characteristics of cement, Coarse & Fine aggregate

### **COURSE OUTCOME**

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

- Understand the method and ways of investigations required for Civil Engineering.
- Identify the various rocks, minerals depending on geological classifications
- Evaluate the properties of cement, fine and coarse aggregates and determine its suitability for construction.

<b>CE317.1</b>	Determine and Identifying the properties of minerals by conducting different tests
<b>CE317.2</b>	Determine and Identifying the properties of Rocks by conducting different tests
<b>CE317.3</b>	Identifying the Geological features and symbols from the maps and structural problems.
<b>CE317.4</b>	Determine the properties of cementing ingredients by conducting different tests
<b>CE317.5</b>	Determine the properties of fine aggregate by conducting different tests
<b>CE317.6</b>	Determine the properties of coarse aggregate by conducting different tests

## **LIST OF EXPERIMENTS**

### **I. Identification of Minerals**

Silica Group, Feldspar Group, Crystalline Group, Carbonate Group, Pyroxene Group, Mica Group, Amphibole Group.

### **II. Identification of Rocks**

Igneous Petrology, Sedimentary Petrology, Metamorphic Petrology.

### **III. Study of Geographical Features**

1. Study of Geographical Features from Geological Maps. Identification of symbols in maps.
2. Simple structural geology problems (Folds, Faults & Unconformities)

### **IV. Test on Cement**

1. Fineness test & Normal Consistency test.
2. Specific gravity test, Initial setting time and final setting time of cement.

### **V. Test on Fine Aggregate**

1. Specific Gravity test
2. Bulking of sand & Fineness modulus of Fine aggregate

### **VI. Test on Coarse Aggregate & Fresh Concrete**

1. Specific Gravity test
2. Fineness modulus of Coarse aggregate

# **IDENTIFICATION OF MINERALS**



## EXPERIMENT1

### IDENTIFICATIONOFMINERALS

#### AIM:

Identifyingtheminerals

#### 1. SILICAGROUP

##### Examples:

1. Quartz
2. Agate
3. Jasper
4. Flint
5. Opal

#### QUARTZ

1.	Form	Massive(sometimescrystals)
2.	Colour	ColourlessorWhite
3.	Streak	Colourless
4.	Luster	Vitreous
5.	Fracture	Uneventoconchoidal
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7.	Diaphaneity	Transparenttotranslucent
8.	Hardness	7
9.	SpecificGravity	3
10.	NameoftheSpecimen	Quartz
11.	Occurrence	SouthIndia
12.	Origin	Igneous
13.	PracticalUsage	Usedasgemstoneandinwatchindustriesetc
14.	Chemical Composition	Sio2

## FLINT

1.	Form	Tabular form
2.	Colour	Brown
3.	Streak	Colourless
4.	Luster	Earthy
5.	Fracture	Absent
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7.	Diaphaneity	Opaque
8.	Hardness	7
9.	Specific Gravity	3 to 4
10.	Occurrence	Vijayanagaram, Visakhapatnam
11.	Origin	Igneous
12.	Practical Usage	Fillers of fertilizers
13.	Name of the specimen	Flint
14.	Chemical Composition	Silica

## 2. FELDSPAR GROUP

### Examples:

1. Orthoclase
2. Microcline
3. Albite
4. Anorthite
5. Feldspar

## FELDSPAR

1.	Form	Tabular
2.	Colour	Pale Pink

3.	Streak	White
4.	Luster	Vitreous
5.	Fracture	Uneven
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7.	Diaphaneity	Opaque
8.	Hardness	7
9.	SpecificGravity	2.5
10.	Occurrence	Adilabad
11.	Origin	Igneous
12.	PracticalUsage	Tiles
13.	NameoftheSpecimen	Feldspar
14.	ChemicalComposition	KAISi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>

### 3. CRYSTALLINEGROUP

#### Examples:

1. Garnet
2. Zeolite
3. Quartz
4. Amethyst
5. Pyrite
6. Galena

#### GARNET

1.	Form	Rhombic
2.	Color	Ruby
3.	Streak	LightBrown
4.	Luster	Earthy
5.	Fracture	Absent
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7.	Diaphaneity	Opaque
8.	Hardness	7
9.	Specific	4.5
10	NameoftheSpecimen	Garnet

11.	Occurrence	Gudur, Andhra Pradesh
12.	Practical Usage	Ornaments
13	Chemical Composition	$\text{Fe}_3\text{Al}_2(\text{SiO}_4)_3$

## GALENA

1	Form	Cubic/granular/ blocks
2	Colour	Gray and black
3	Streak	Black
4	Luster	Splendent
5	Fracture	Rarely found
6	Cleavage	3 sets cubic
7	Diaphaneity	Opaque
8	Hardness	6
9	Specific	5.5
10	Name of the Specimen	Galena
11	Occurrence	Maharashtra
12	Practical Usage	Ornamental and atomic purposes
13	Chemical Composition	Pbs

## 4. CARBONATE GROUP

### Examples:

1. Calcite
2. Aragonite
3. Dolomite
4. Pyrite

## CALCITE

1	Form	Rhombic
2	Colour	Colorless white/pale colour
3	Streak	White
4	Luster	Vitreous

5	Fracture	Rarelyfound
6	Cleavage	3sets
7	Diaphaneity	Transparenttotranslucent
8	Hardness	3
9	Specific	2.5to3
10	NameoftheSpecimen	Calcite
11	Occurrence	TamilNadu
12	PracticalUsage	Bombs,gunpowders,anti-aircraft
13	ChemicalComposition	Caco3

## PYRITE

1	Form	Cubic/granular
2	Colour	Fool'sgold,brass yellow
3	Streak	Black
4	Luster	Metallic to sub-metallic
5	Fracture	Uneven
6	Cleavage	3sets
7	Diaphaneity	Opaque
8	Hardness	6-7
9	Specific	5
10	NameoftheSpecimen	Pyrite
11	Occurrence	Cuddapah,AndhraPradesh
12	PracticalUsage	Paints,Paperindustries
13	ChemicalComposition	FeS <sub>2</sub>

## 5. PYROXENE GROUP

### Examples:

1. Hypersthene
2. Augite
3. Aegirine

## AUGITE

1	Form	Massive
2	Colour	Black
3	Streak	Black
4	Luster	Vitreous to sub-vitreous
5	Fracture	Uneven
6	Cleavage	2 sets of prismatic, not perfect
7	Diaphaneity	Nearly Opaque
8	Hardness	5–6
9	Specific	Medium (3.2–3.5)
10	Name of the Specimen	Augite
11	Occurrence	
12	Practical Usage	
13	Chemical Composition	Complex silicate

## 6. MICAGROUP

### Examples:

1. Muscovite
2. Biotite

## MUSCOVITE

1.	Form	Lamellar
2.	Colour	White
3.	Streak	White
4.	Luster	Vitreous
5.	Fracture	Uneven
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7	Diaphaneity	Transparent in individual layer & opaque as whole
8.	Hardness	2 to 3
9.	Specific Gravity	2.5

10.	Occurrence	Gudur
11.	Origin	Metamorphic
12.	PracticalUsage	Poorconductorofheat
13.	NameoftheSpecimen	Muscovite
14.	Chemical Composition	$KAl_2(AlSi_3)O_{10}(OH,F)_2$

## BIOTITE

1.	Form	Lamellar/flanky
2.	Color	Darkgreenishblack/ Black
3.	Streak	Darkbrown
4.	Luster	Pearly
5.	Fracture	Uneven
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7	Diaphaneity	Transparentinindividuallayers&opaqueaswhole
8.	Hardness	2to3
9.	SpecificGravity	2.7to3
10.	Occurrence	Nellore
11.	Origin	Metamorphic
12.	PracticalUsage	Ironboxes
13	Nameofthe Specimen	Biotite
14	ChemicalComposition	$K(Mg,Fe_3)(AlSi_3)O_{10}(OH, F)_2$

## 7. AMPHIBOLEGROUP

### Examples:

1. Hornblende
2. Asbestos

## HORNBLENDE

1.	FORM	Granular
2.	Colour	PalePink/greenishblack
3.	Streak	White
4.	Luster	Vitreous
5.	Fracture	Uneven
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7.	Diaphaneit	Opaque
8.	Hardness	5-6
9.	SpecificGravity	3.0-3.5
10.	Occurrence	Adilabad
11.	Origin	Igneous
12.	PracticalUsage	Tiles
13.	NameoftheSpecimen	Feldspar
14.	Chemical Composition	KAISi308

## ASBESTOS

1.	Form	Fibrous
2.	Colour	Green
3.	Streak	Colourless
4.	Luster	Silky
5.	Fracture	Uneven
6.	Cleavage	Absent
7.	Diaphaneity	Opaque
8.	Hardness	4to6
9.	SpecificGravity	3to4.5
10.	Occurrence	Cuddapah,AndhraPradesh
11.	Origin	Metamorphic
12.	PracticalUsage	Itisusedtomake sheets
13.	NameoftheSpecimen	Asbestos
14.	ChemicalComposition	2Mg3Si2O5(OH)4



### VIVA QUESTIONS

S.NO	FORM	DESCRIPTION
1	Lamellarform	
2	Tabularform	
3	GreasyLustre	
4	Crystalform	
5	PearlyLustre	
6	Rhombicform	
7	MetallicLustre	
8	Bladedform	
9	Translucent	
10	Even fracture	

# **IDENTIFICATION OF ROCKS**

## EXPERIMENT1

### INDETIFICATIONOFROCKS

#### AIM:

Theaimofthisunitistopresentyouthedifferenttypeofrocks,mainfactorsforclassificationand petrogenesis of Igneous rocks.

#### IGNEOUSPETROLOGY

##### PEGMATITE

IPetrography		
1.	Colour index	Leucocratic(lightcolour)
2.	Mineralogy	a) Essentialminerals:Quartz, Feldspars, b) Accessoryminerals:Beryl,tourmaline,apatite
3.	Texture	Verycoarsegrainedgranular
4.	Structure	Pegmatitic
IIPetrogenesis		
1.	Modeofformation	Veinsanddykes.
2.	Depthof formation	Greatdepth
3.	Conditionsofformation	Plutonicconditions(highpressureandhigh temperature)
4.	Nameoftherock	<b>Pegmatite.</b>

##### GRANITE

IPetrography		
1.	Colour index	Leucocratic(lightcolour)
2.	Mineralogy	a)Essentialminerals:Quartz,alkalifeldsparandmicas

		b)apatite,magnetite,zircon,sphene,Hornblendeandpyroxene.
3.	Texture	Coarsegrained,Equigranular
4.	Structure	Pegmatitic
<b>II Petrogenesis</b>		
1.	Mode of formation	Big batholith to small plutonic
2.	Depth of formation	Great depth (deep seated)
3.	Conditions of formation	Plutonic conditions (high pressure and high temperature)
4.	Name of the rock	<b>Granite</b>

## PORPHYRITIC GRANITE

<b>I Petrography</b>		
1.	Colour index	Leucocratic
2.	Mineralogy	a) Essential minerals:apatite,zircon,magnetite,sphene, Hornblende and pyroxene. b) Accessory minerals:Coarse grained inequigranular
3.	Texture	Coarse grained,Equi granular
4.	Structure	Porphyritic
<b>II Petrogenesis</b>		
1.	Mode of formation	Big batholith to small plutonic
2.	Depth of formation	Great to intermediate depth
3.	Conditions of formation	Plutonic conditions (high pressure and high temperature)
4.	Name of the rock	<b>Porphyritic Granite</b>

## DOLERITE

IPetrography		
1.	Colour index	Melanocratic
2.	Mineralogy	a) Essential minerals: Labradorite plagioclase and augite pyroxene. b) Accessory minerals: Magnetite, olivine, apatite and sphene.
3.	Texture	Medium grained.
IIPetrogenesis		
1.	Mode of formation	Dykes
2.	Depth of formation	Intermediate (shallow depth)
3.	Conditions of formation	Hypabyssal conditions (high pressure and high temperature)
4.	Name of the rock	<b>Dolerite.</b>

## BASALT

IPetrography		
1.	Colour index	Melanocratic
2.	Mineralogy	a) Essential minerals: labradorite plagioclase and augite pyroxene b) Accessory minerals: olivine, Hornblende, magnetite and apatite
3.	Texture	Fine grained

4.	Structure	Vesicular and amygdaloidal
<b>II Petrogenesis</b>		
1.	Mode of formation	Sills, flows, and dykes
2.	Depth of formation	Surface intrusive and extrusives
3.	Conditions of formation	Volcanic conditions (high pressure and high temperature)
4.	Name of the rock	<b>Basalt</b>

## SEDIMENTARY PETROLOGY

### AIM:

The aim of this unit is to present to you the different types of rocks, main factors for classification and petrogenesis of Sedimentary rocks.

## CONGLOMERATE

1.	Clastic Non-clastic	Clastic
2.	Colour	shades of grey, brown
3.	Mineralogy	Quartz, feldspars, clay, hematite and limonite (goethite)
4.	Structure	Rounded rudite
5.	Texture	
	(a) Grain size	Coarse grained
	(b) Grain shape	Rounded to subrounded
	(c) Sorting	Poorly sorted
6.	Nature of matrix	Ferruginous and siliceous
7.	Name	Conglomerate

## SANDSTONE

1.	ClasticNon-clastic	Clastic
2.	Colour	Brownoryelloworgreyorbuff
3.	Mineralogy	QuartzwithlittleamountoffeldsparandSiliceousorferrugeneousclays
4.	Structure	Ripplemarks,arenite
5.	Texture	
	(a)Grainsize	Mediumgrained
	(b)Grainshape	Roundedtosubrounded
	(c)Sorting	Wellsorted
6.	Natureofmatric	Siliceousorferrugeneousorboth
7.	Name	Ripplesandstone

## SHALE

1.	ClasticNon-clastic	Clastic
2.	Colour	Greybrownorblack
3.	Mineralogy	Chloritemuscovite,kaolin,andquartz.
4.	Structure	Thinlayering
5.	Texture	
	(a)Grainsize	Finegrained
	(b)Grainshape	Variable
	(c)Sorting	Poorlysorted
6.	Natureofmatric	Ferrugeneousorsiliceous
7.	Name	Shale

## **LIME STONE**

1.	ClasticNon-clastic	Nonclastic
2.	Colour	Grey
3.	Mineralogy	Calcite(CaCO <sub>3</sub> )
4.	Structure	layering
5.	Texture	
	(a)Grainsize	finegrained
	(b)Grainshape	Variable
6.	Natureofmatrix	Calcareous
7.	Name	Limestone

## **METAMORPHICPETROLOGY**

### **AIM**

Theaimofthisunit,istoprovideyoudescriptionofmetamorphicrocks.

### **GNEISSES**

1.	Colour	Shadesofgrayish whits
2.	Mineralogy	Quartz,feldspar,biotite,hornblende
3.	Structure	Gneissoseorbanding(felsicand mafic bands)
4.	Typeofmetamorphism	Highgraderegionalmetamorphism
5.	Conditionsofmetamorphism	Modertepressureandhightemperature
6.	Natureofparentrock	Granite
7.	Nameoftherock	Quartzo-feldspathicgneiss(peninsulargneiss)



## **MARBLE**

1.	Colour	White(rarelypink,shadesofgreenetc)
2.	Mineralogy	Calcite
3.	Structure	Bedswithsacchardial form
4.	Typeofmetamorphism	Contact(thermal)metamorphism
5	Conditionsofmetamorphism	Hightemperatureandlowpressure
6.	Natureofparentrock	Limestone
7.	Nameoftherock	Marble

## **SLATE**

1.	Colour	Variable (greyyellow greenbrownor black)
2.	Mineralogy	Muscovite,chlorite,feldspar,quartz
3.	Structure	Sheetorlayerswithslatycleavage
4.	Typeofmetamorphism	Regionalmetamorphism
5	Conditionsofmetamorphism	Lowpressureandlowtemperature
6.	Natureofparentrock	Pelitic(shale)
7.	Nameoftherock	Slate

## **QUARTZITE**

1.	Colour	Variable(shades ofwhitetobrown
2.	Mineralogy	Quartz
3.	Structure	Bedswithgranularform

4.	Type of metamorphism	Contact metamorphism
5	Conditions of metamorphism	High temperature and low pressure
6.	Nature of parent rock	Sandstone
7.	Name of the rock	Quartz

### VIVA QUESTIONS

S.NO	FORM	DESCRIPTION
1	Massive form	
2	Vitreous Lustre	
3	Sub Vitreous Lustre	
4	Pisolitic form	
5	Oolitic form	
6	Resinous Lustre	
7	Granular form	
8	Adamantine Lustre	
9	Submetallic Lustre	
10	Fibrous form	

# **STUDY OF TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES FROM GEOLOGICAL MAPS**

## **EXPERIMENT1**

### **STUDY OF TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES FROM GEOLOGICAL MAP** **S. IDENTIFICATION OF SYMBOLS IN MAPS**

#### **AIM:**

The aim of this unit is to draw a geological section along X-Y axis and interpret the geological map.

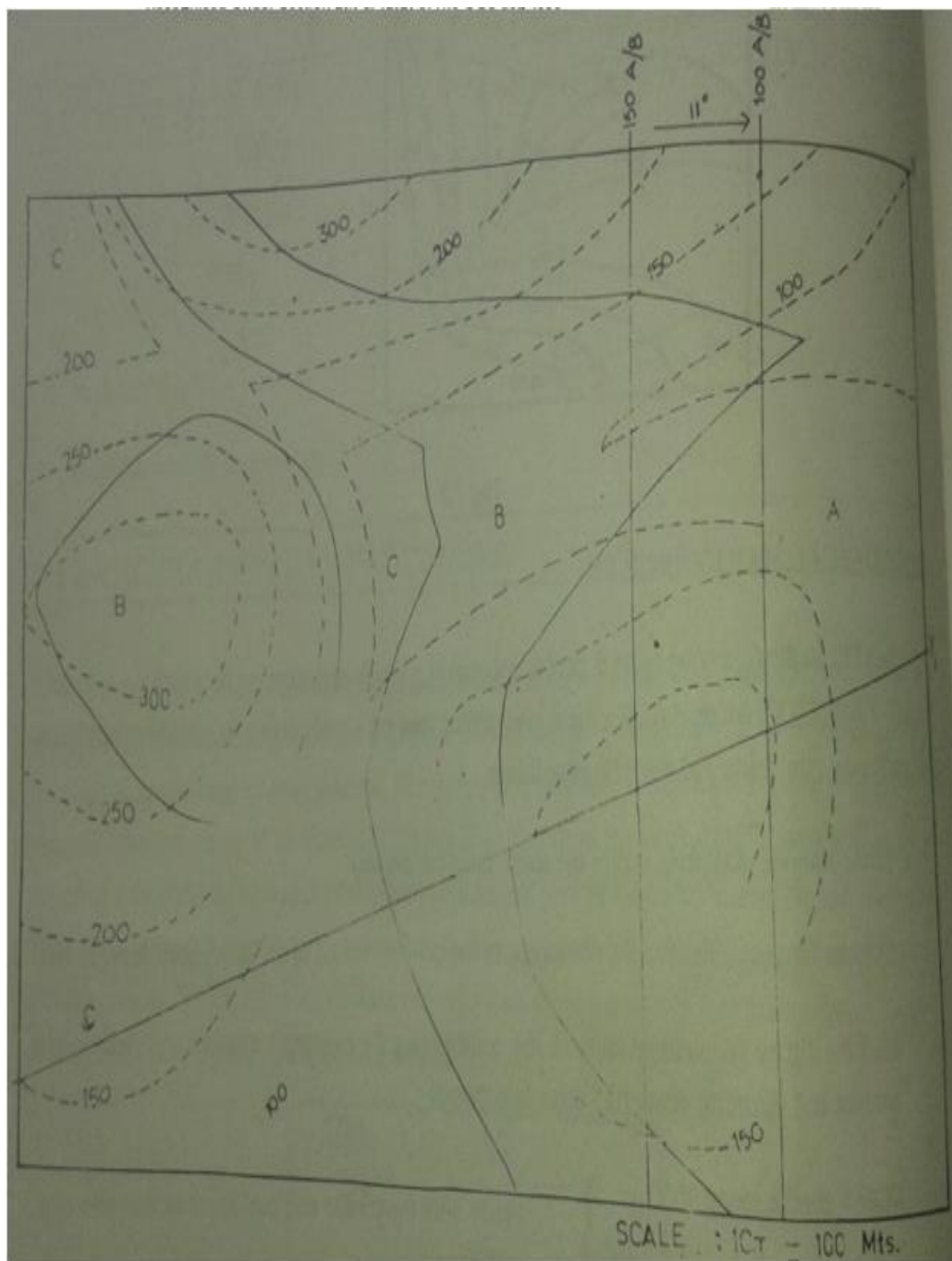
#### **OBJECTIVES**

- After drawing the profile, you will be able to
- Describe the geology of the area
- Explain the structure of the area
- Describe the topography
- Explain the succession of the beds
- List out the beds

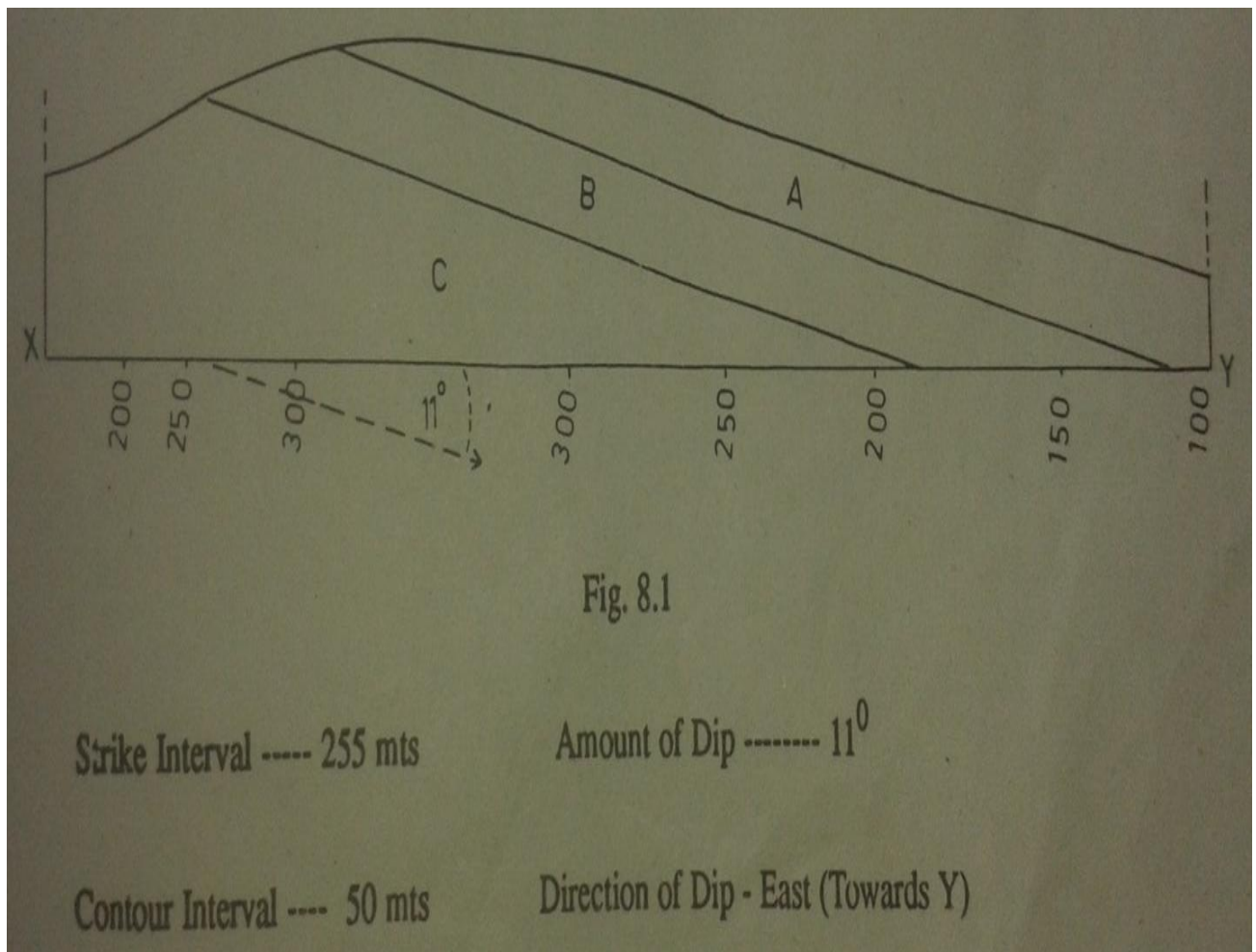
#### **PRECAUTION**

Draw two straight lines for the same bedding plane to calculate the dip of the bed      **Note:** Never draw one straight line for one bedding plane and a second straight line for another bedding plane for calculation of dip

**SECTIONALONGX-Y(TRUEDIPDIRECTION)**



## SECTIONALONGX-Y(TRUEDIPDIRECTION)



## GEOLOGICAL INTERPRETATION

### Topography

In the map highest contour is of 300 mts. And the lowest is of 100 mts. The area is having two Hills, one in the west and the other in South-East region. These two hills are having different heights. Both the hills are showing gradual slopes. These are valleys present in the area.

### General Geology

In the area there is only one series of 3 beds which are confirmable.

### Geological Structure

In the area the beds are striking North-South and dipping with  $11^{\circ}$  towards East (towards Y). A small outlier is present in Western region.

(When any younger bed is surrounded by an older bed the resulting structure is outlier).

## **Geological Succession**

In the area the beds are deposited in the order: C-B-A in normal marine conditions. All the formations are confirmable. Later they are up-lifted and tilted to attain the present attitude. When they are exposed to erosion, an outlier is formed.

**NOTE:** This outlier is purely an erosional feature.

## **VIVA QUESTIONS**

1. When two geological forces from opposite directions act on each other, the rock layers within the Earth's crust
2. The Himalayas were formed approximately
3. slant sides of the folding rocks are known as
4. In normal fault, the displacement that takes place is
5. Most of the rift valleys and block mountains are found in
6. The tremendous compressional forces exerted on the rock layers by geological movements Practical Usage rock layers to
7. The reverse fault is caused due to
8. When the stronger compressional forces push the overthrust fold to move along the fracture line, it forms a
9. Rocks under tensional force are
10. A tear fault occurs due to

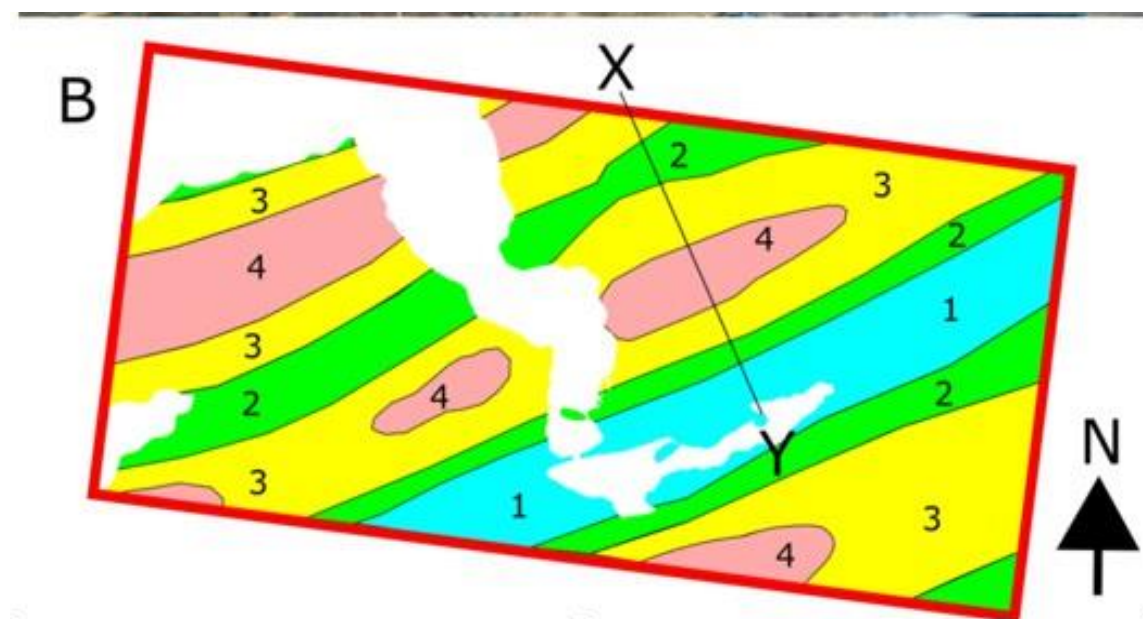
## EXPERIMENT 2

### SIMPLE STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY PROBLEMS (FOLDS, FAULTS & UNCONFIRMITIES)

#### AIM:

The primary goal of structural geology is to use measurements of present-day rock geometries to uncover information about the history of deformation (strain) in the rocks, and ultimately, to understand the stress field that resulted in the observed strain and geometries.

#### STUDY OF FOLDS, FAULTS & CONFIRMITIES



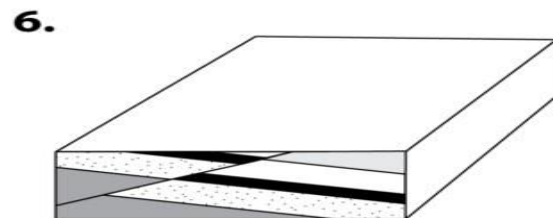
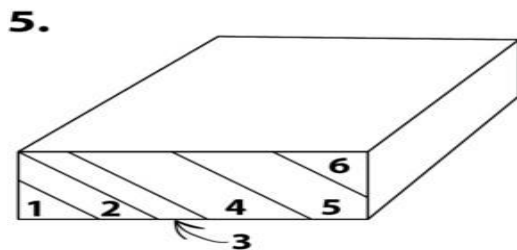
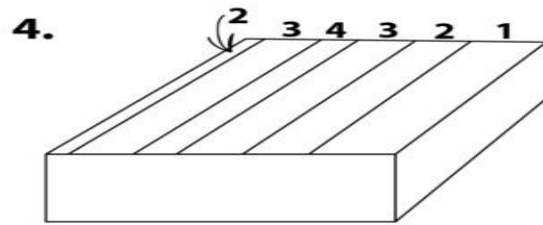
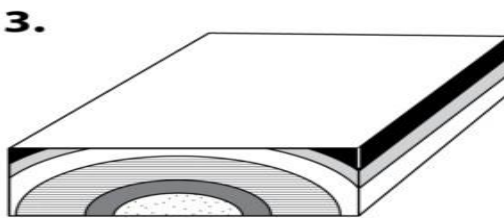
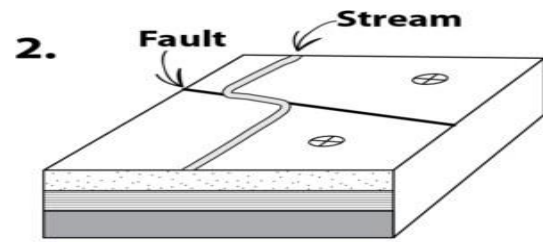
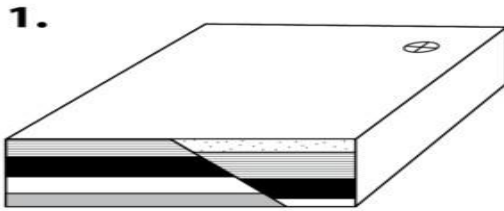
- Describe the patterns formed by the layers of rock exposed in this image. What do these patterns tell you about the geologic structure(s) formed by the rocks in this area?
- Note the relative ages of the rocks presented in Figure 9.1. Given this information, what kind of structure do you think is found in the red boxed area of the satellite image?
- Sketch a rough cross-section of your interpretation of the geology in Figure 9.1, between points X and Y (X-Y).
- Are data missing from the map that would help you improve the accuracy of your interpretation? If so, what data would help you to understand the geology better?

#### Block Diagrams

In the diagrams shown in Figure 9.2, numerical labels on beds indicate the relative ages of the beds, with 1 being the oldest and 6 the youngest. Complete the block diagrams by doing the tasks listed below. Assume that the geologic units have not been overturned (flipped upside down).

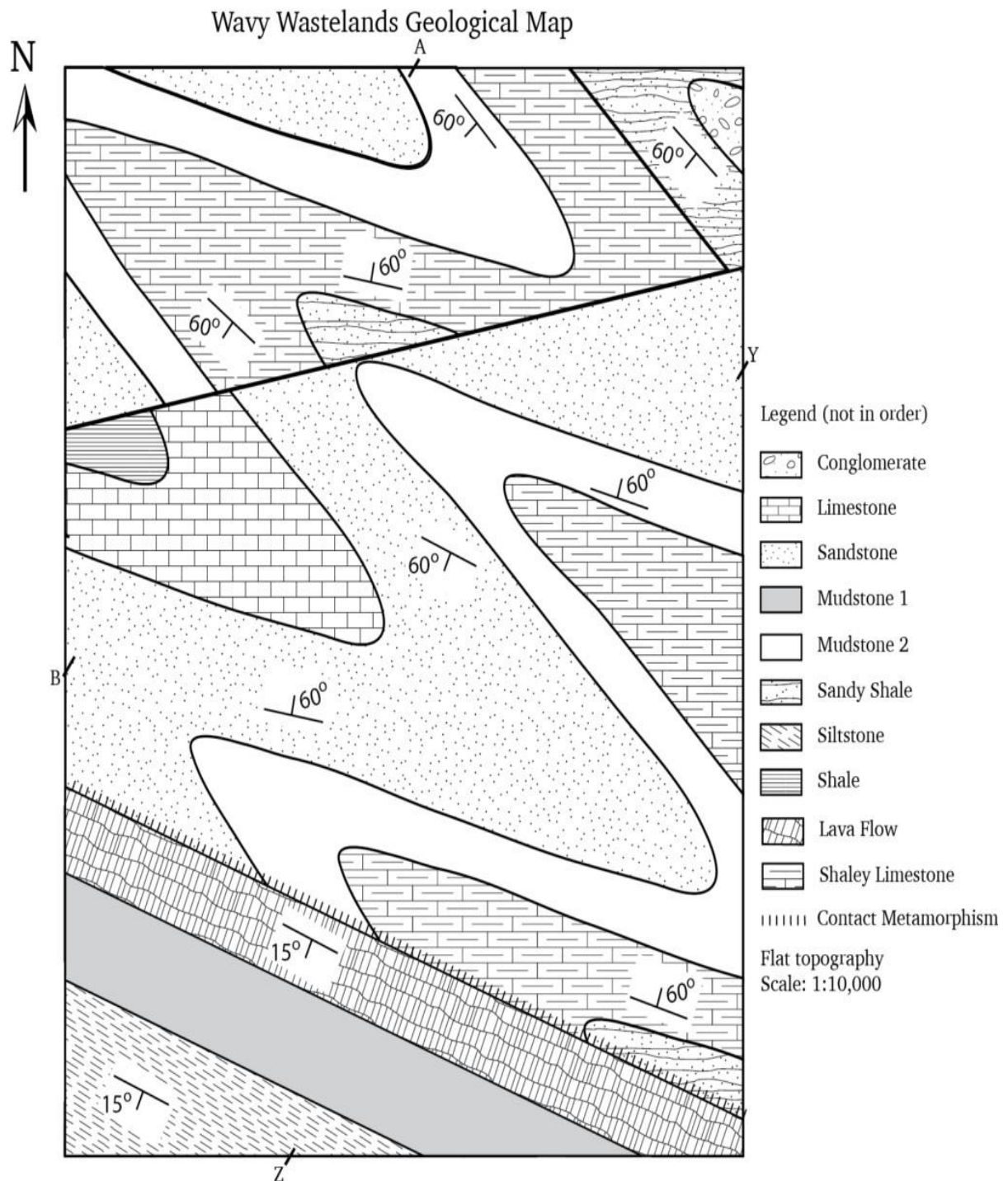


- Draw the geological contacts as they would appear on the blank surfaces.
- Add strike and dip symbols as well as symbols documenting any other geological features. Include the direction of motion for any faults.
- Write the name of the structure in the blank beneath each diagram



### Drawing Cross-Sections of the Folds, Faults, and Unconformities of the Wavy Wastelands

For this exercise you will use the map of the Wavy Wastelands. Remember that the rocks in the legend are not in the correct order. You will have to re-arrange them as part of the exercise.



- a. What kinds of rocks are found in this map area (sedimentary, igneous, and/or metamorphic)?  
How many units can you see?
- b. Note the strike and dip symbols on the map. Which direction are the units striking and dipping? Do the strike and dip of the beds change at all as you move across the map area?
- c. There is a major unconformity in the map area. What kind of unconformity is it? Outline the trace of the unconformity in red on your map.

- d. Draw fold axial traces on the map for the folds in the map area. (There are six.) Indicate whether the folds are anticlines or synclines by putting the appropriate symbols on the map for each fold. Note that all the folds are plunging in the same direction.
- e. Make a list of formations from oldest to youngest. Which geologic laws/principles did you use to prepare your list?
- f. There is a fault in the map area. Which side of the fault went up relative to the other side? Mark this on your map. Hint: Which side has older beds? Use the folds to help you figure out the relative ages of the beds.
- g. The fault is a **reverse** fault. In what direction does the fault plane dip? \_\_\_\_\_ Hint: The fault plane always dips toward the hanging wall. In a reverse fault, how does the hanging wall move relative to the footwall?
- h. Note the scale of the map. What is the distance in metres between point Y and point Z? What is the distance in metres between point A and point B?  
X to Y distance: \_\_\_\_\_ A to B distance: \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Prepare a cross-section through the map from position Y to Z (Y-Z).
- j. Prepare a cross-section through the map from position A to B (A-B). Draw the fault with a dip angle of 45°.
- k. In point form, describe the geological history of the map area. VV

### VIVA QUESTIONS

1. An example of fold mountain range in the Southern America is
2. Rocks under compressional force are
3. Rift valleys and block mountains are landforms that are formed by
4. Faulting takes place when rocks within Earth's crust form
5. When the rock layers bend downwards, they form a
6. Faulting occurs due to
7. Faulting occurs when Crustal rock layer experience
8. A rift valley forms when the central block is moved
9. Further uneven compression of plates would cause one limb to be pushed over the other to create a/an
10. Folding also takes place on a large scale when two

# **TESTONCEMENT**

## EXPERIMENT1

### FINENESS OF CEMENT

#### AIM:

To determine the fineness of the given sample of cement by sieving.

#### APPARATUS:

1. IS-90-micron sieve conforming to IS:460-1965
2. Standard balance
3. Weights
4. Brush.

#### INTRODUCTION:

The fineness of cement has an important bearing on the rate of hydration and hence on the rate of gain of strength and on the rate of evolution of heat. Finer cement offers a greater surface area for hydration and hence the faster and greater the development of strength. Increase in fineness of cement is also found to increase the drying shrinkage of concrete. Fineness of cement is tested either by sieving or by determination of specific surface by air-permeability apparatus. Specific surface is the total surface area of all the particles in one gram of cement.

#### FINENESS BY SIEVING:

#### PROCEDURE:

1. Weigh accurately 100g of cement and place it on a standard 90 micron IS sieve.
2. Break down any air-set lumps in the cement sample with fingers.
3. Continuously sieve the sample giving circular and vertical motion for a period of 15 minutes.
4. Weigh the residue left on the sieve. As per IS code the percentage residue should not exceed 10%.

#### OBSERVATIONS:

S.No	Weight of sample taken (g)	Weight of residue (g)	Fineness (%)

Average fineness of cement is \_\_\_\_\_.

**RESULT:** Fineness of given sample of cement is \_\_\_\_\_.

## **PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:**

The fineness of cement has an important bearing on the rate of hydration and hence on the rate of gain of strength and on the rate of evolution of heat.



## **NORMAL CONSISTENCY OF CEMENT**

### **AIM:**

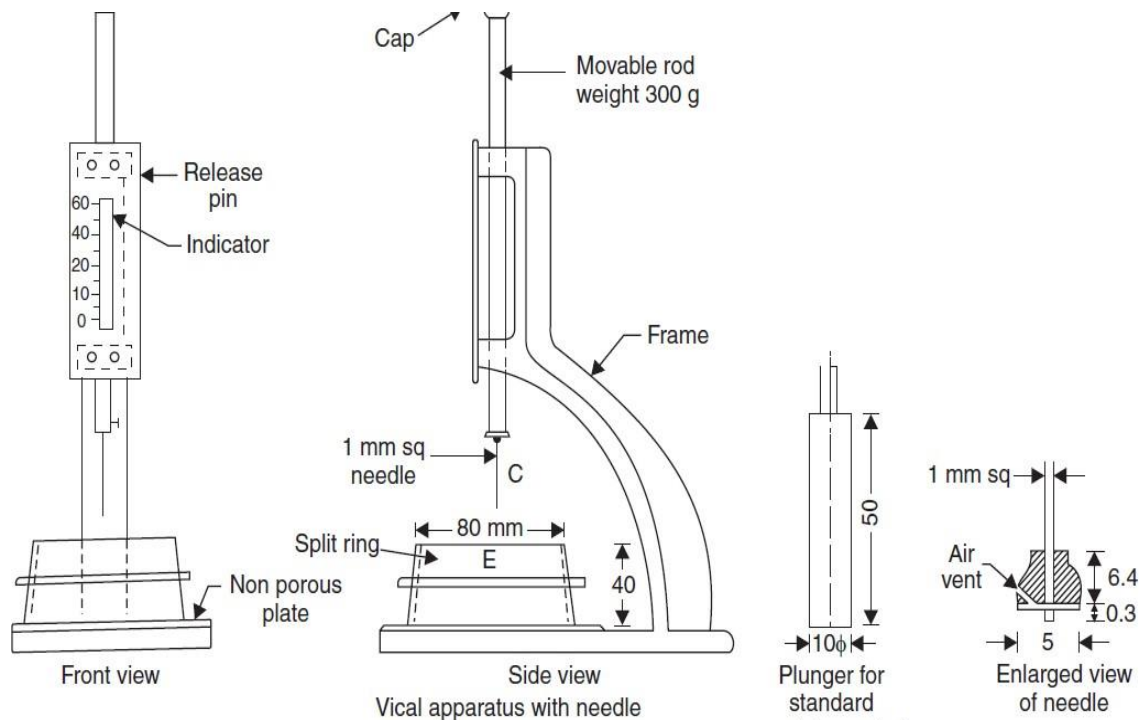
Normal consistency test is used to optimum percentage of water content required for a cement paste.

### **APPARATUS:**

1. Vicat apparatus (conforming to IS: 5513-1976) with plunger (10 mm diameter)
2. Vicat mould
3. Gauging trowel
4. Measuring jar
5. Balance
6. Tray.

### **INTRODUCTION:**

The standard consistency of a cement paste is defined as that consistency which will permit the Vicat plunger to penetrate to a point 5 to 7 mm from the bottom of the Vicat mould. For finding out initial setting time, final setting time, soundness of cement and compressive strength of cement, it is necessary to fix the quantity of water to be mixed in cement in each case. This experiment is intended to find out the quantity of water to be mixed for a given cement to give a cement paste of normal consistency and can be done with the help of Vi-cat apparatus.



### PROCEDURE:

1. Prepare a paste of weighed quantity of cement (300 grams) with a weighed quantity of potable or distilled water, starting with 28% water of 300g of cement.
2. The percentage of water to be taken according to the room temperature  $27 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ .
3. Take care that the time of gauging is not less than 3 minutes, not more than 5 minutes and the gauging shall be completed before setting occurs.
4. The gauging time shall be counted from the time of adding the water to the dry cement until commencing to fill the mould.
5. Fill the Vi-cat mould with this paste, the mould resting upon a non-porous plate.
6. After completely filling the mould, trim off the surface of the paste, making it in level with the top of the mould. The mould may slightly be shaken to expel the air.
7. Place the test block with the mould, together with the non-porous resting plate, under the rod bearing the plunger (10mm diameter), lower the plunger gently to touch the surface of the test block and quickly release, allowing it to penetrate into the paste.
8. This operation shall be carried out immediately after filling the mould.
9. Prepare trial pastes with varying percentages of water and test as described above until the amount of water necessary for making the standard consistency as defined above is obtained.
10. Express the amount of water as a percentage by weight of the dry cement.

### CALCULATIONS:

1 gm per cc = 1 ml of water

$$P = \frac{W}{C} \times 100$$

Where P = percentage of water (b)

W = water required in ml (c)

C = weight of cement required (a).

**OBSERVATIONS:**

S.No	Weight of cement taken in gms (a)	Water taken in % (b)	Water taken in ml (c)	Plunger penetration (mm)	Consistency of cement in % by weight $b/a \times 100$
1	400	28	112		
2	400	30			
3	400	32			
4	400	34			
5	400	36			

**RESULT:** Normal consistency for the given sample of cement is \_\_\_\_\_.

**PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:**

The standard consistency of cement paste is defined as that consistency. For finding out initial setting time, final setting time, soundness of cement and compressive strength of cement, it is necessary to fix the quantity of water to be mixed in cement in each case.

**VIVA QUESTIONS:**

1. What is the percentage of water required for preparing 1:3 cement sand mortar for compressive strength test?
2. What is the significance of the test?
3. What are IS specifications for compressive strength of 1:3 cement sand mortar after 3 days and 7 days?
4. What is the minimum number of specimen to be made for each age of testing?
5. How do you determine the compressive strength of cement?
6. How is the curing of a test specimen done?
7. Why should not the specimen be allowed to dry until they are tested?
8. What is the rate of loading?
9. What do you understand by standard consistency?
10. What is the weight of the moving part of the Vicat apparatus?



## EXPERIMENT2

### SPECIFIC GRAVITY OF CEMENT

#### AIM:

To determine the specific gravity of a given sample of hydraulic cement.

#### APPARATUS:

1. Physical balance
2. Specific gravity bottle of 50ml capacity
3. Clean kerosene.

#### INTRODUCTION:

Specific gravity is defined as the ratio between the weight of a given volume of material and the weight of an equal volume of water. To determine the specific gravity of cement, kerosene is used which does not react with cement.



#### PROCEDURE:

1. Clean and dry the specific gravity bottle and weigh it with the stopper ( $W_1$ ).
2. Fill the specific gravity bottle with cement sample at least half of the bottle and weigh with stopper ( $W_2$ ).
3. Fill the specific gravity bottle containing the cement, with kerosene (free of water) placing the stopper and weigh it ( $W_3$ ).
4. While doing the above, do not allow any air bubbles to remain in the specific gravity bottle.
5. After weighing the bottle, the bottle shall be cleaned and dried again.
6. Then fill it with fresh kerosene and weigh it with stopper ( $W_4$ ).
7. Remove the kerosene from the bottle and fill it with full of water and weigh it with stopper ( $W_5$ ).
8. All the above weighings should be done at the room temperature of  $27^\circ\text{C} \pm 10^\circ\text{C}$ .

**OBSERVATIONS:**

Description of item	Trial1	Trial2	Trial3
Weight of empty bottle $W_1$ g			
Weight of bottle + Cement $W_2$ g			
Weight of bottle + Cement + Kerosene $W_3$ g			
Weight of bottle + Full Kerosene $W_4$ g			
Weight of bottle + Full Water $W_5$ g			

Specific gravity of Kerosene  $S_k = (W_4 - W_1) / (W_5 - W_1)$ .

Specific gravity of Cement  $S_c = (W_2 - W_1) / ((W_4 - W_1) - (W_3 - W_2)) * S_k$

$$= (W_2 - W_1) * (W_4 - W_1) / ((W_4 - W_1) - (W_3 - W_2)) * (W_5 - W_1)$$

**PRECAUTION:**

1. Only kerosene which is free of water shall be used.
2. At time of weighing the temperature of the apparatus will not be allowed to exceed the specified temperature.
3. All air bubbles shall be eliminated in filling the apparatus and inserting the stopper.
4. Weighings shall be done quickly after filling the apparatus and shall be accurate to 0.1 mg.
5. Precautions shall be taken to prevent expansion and overflow of the contents resulting from the heat of the hand when wiping the surface of the apparatus.

**RESULT:**

Average specific gravity of given sample of cement =

**PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:**

Specific gravity is defined as the ratio between weight of a given volume of material and weight of an equal volume of water.



# INITIAL AND FINAL SETTING TIMES OF CEMENT

## AIM:

To determine the initial and final setting times for the given sample of cement.

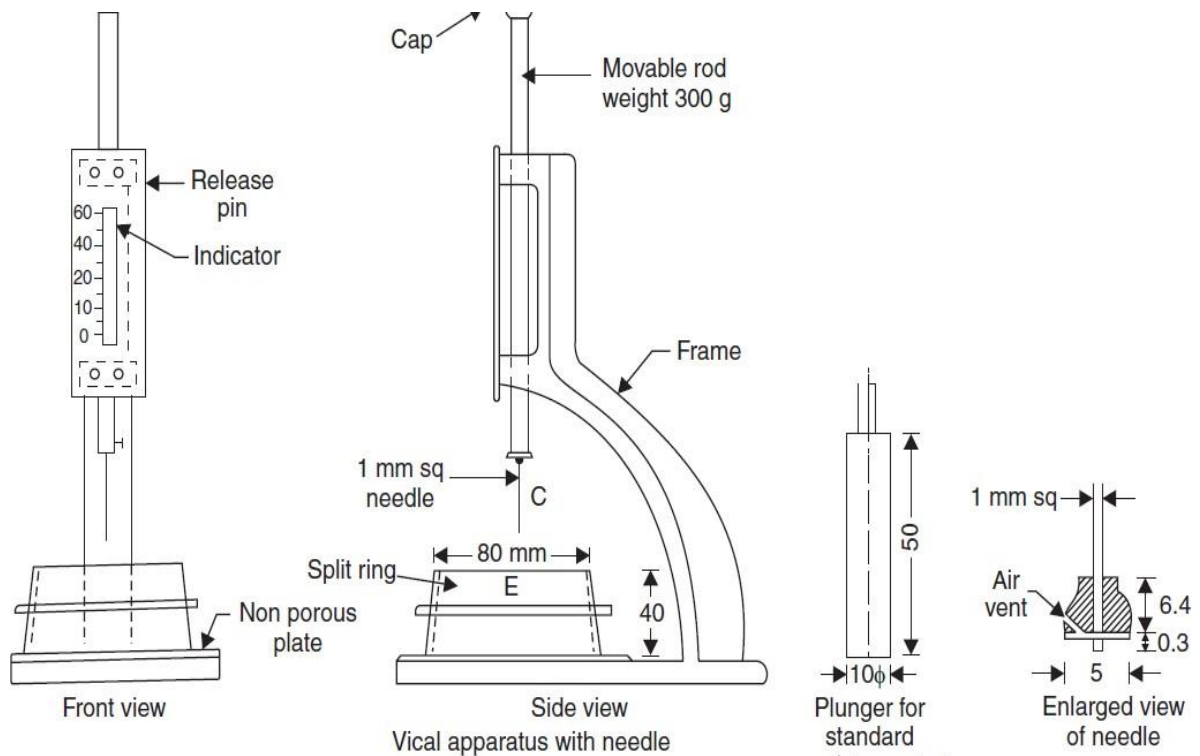
## APPARATUS:

1. Vicat apparatus (conforming to IS:5513-1976) with attachments
2. Balance
3. Weights
4. Gauging trowel.

## INTRODUCTION:

In actual construction dealing with cement, mortar or concrete, certain time is required for mixing, transporting and placing. During this time cement paste, mortar, or concrete should be in plastic condition. The time interval for which the cement products remain in plastic condition is known as the setting time. Initial setting time is regarded as the time elapsed between the moment that the water is added to the cement to the time that the paste starts losing its plasticity.

The final setting time is the time elapsed between the moment the water is added to the cement, and the time when the paste has completely lost its plasticity and has attained sufficient firmness to resist certain pressure. The constituents and fineness of cement is maintained in such a way that the concrete remains in plastic condition for certain minimum time. Once the concrete is placed in the final position, compacted and finished it should lose its plasticity in the earliest possible time so that it is least vulnerable to damages from external destructive agencies. This time should not be more than 10 hours which is referred to as final setting time. Initial setting time should not be less than 30 minutes.



## PROCEDURE:

### Preparation of Test Block:

1. Prepare neat cement paste by gauging 300 grams of cement with 0.85 times the water required to give a paste of standard consistency (0.85P).
2. Potable or distilled water shall be used in preparing the paste.
3. The paste shall be gauged in the manner and under the conditions prescribed in determination of consistency of standard cement paste.
4. Start a stop-watch at the instant when water is added to the cement.
5. Fill the mould with the cement paste gauged as above the mould resting on a nonporous plate.

Fill the mould completely and smooth off the surface of the paste making it level with the top of the mould. The cement block thus prepared in the mould is the test block.

### DETERMINATION OF INITIAL SETTING TIME:

1. Place the test blocks confined in the mould and rest it on the non-porous plate, under the rod bearing initial setting needle, lower the needle gently in contact with the surface of the test block and quickly release, allowing it to penetrate into the test block.
2. In the beginning, the needle will completely pierce the test block.
3. Repeat this procedure until the needle, when brought in contact with the test block and released as described above, fails to pierce the block to a point 5 to 7 mm measured from the bottom of the mould shall be the initial setting time.

### DETERMINATION OF FINAL SETTING TIME:

1. Replace the needle of the Vicat apparatus by the needle with an annular attachment.
2. The cement shall be considered as finally set when, upon applying the needle gently to the surface of the test block, the needle makes an impression thereon, while the attachment fails to do so.
3. The period elapsed between the time when water is added to the cement and the time at which the needle makes an impression on the surface of test block while the attachment fails to do so shall be the final setting time.

## PRECAUTIONS:

Clean appliances shall be used for gauging. All the apparatus shall be free from vibration during the test. The temperature of water and that of the test room, at the time of gauging shall be  $27^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Care shall be taken to keep the needle straight.

## OBSERVATIONS:

Time in minutes	
Height in mm fails to penetrate	

## RESULT:

Initial setting time for the given sample of cement = Final  
setting time for the given sample of cement =

### **PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:**

In actual construction dealing with cement, mortar or concrete, certain time is required for mixing, transporting and placing. During this time cement paste, mortar, or concrete should be in plastic condition. The time interval for which the cement products remain in plastic condition is known as the setting time.



### **VIVA QUESTIONS:**

1. Differentiate between density and specific gravity of a material.
2. State the importance of this test.
3. Name other methods that can be used for finding the specific gravity of cement.
4. What is the effect on the specific gravity value if the air bubbles are not removed completely?
5. What do you understand by initial and final setting times of a cement sample?
6. What precautions do you observe in performing the above tests?
7. What are the specifications for setting times of various types of cements recommended for use on a construction site?
8. What is the amount of water to be added for initial setting time?
9. What is the difference between setting and hardening?
10. Differentiate between density and specific gravity of a material.

# **TESTSONFINE AGGREGATE**

## EXPERIMENT1

### SPECIFIC GRAVITY TEST

#### AIM:

To determine the specific gravity for the given sample of fine aggregate.

#### APPARATUS

1. A balance of capacity not less than 3kg, readable and accurate to 0.5 g and of such a type as to permit the weighing of the vessel containing the aggregate and water.
2. A well-ventilated oven to maintain a temperature of 100°C to 110°C
3. Pycnometer of about 1 litre capacity having a metal conical screw top with a 6mm hole at its apex. The screw top shall be watertight.
4. A means of supplying a current of warm air.
5. A tray of area not less than 32cm<sup>2</sup>.
6. An airtight container large enough to take the sample.
7. Filter paper and funnel.



#### PROCEDURE

1. Take about 500g of sample and place it in the pycnometer.
2. Pour distilled water into it until it is full.
3. Eliminate the entrapped air by rotating the pycnometer on its side, the hole in the apex of the cone being covered with a finger.
4. Wipe out the outer surface of pycnometer and weigh it (**W**)
5. Transfer the contents of the pycnometer into a tray, care being taken to ensure that all the aggregate is transferred.
6. Refill the pycnometer with distilled water to the same level.
7. Find out the weight (**W<sub>1</sub>**)
8. Drain water from the sample through a filter paper.

9. Place the sample in oven in a tray at a temperature of 100°C to 110°C for 24 ± 0.5 hours, during which period, it is stirred occasionally to facilitate drying.
10. Cool the sample and weigh it (**W<sub>2</sub>**)

### **CALCULATIONS**

Apparent specific gravity = (Weight of dry sample / Weight of equal volume of water)

$$= W_2 / (W_2 - (W - W_2))$$

### **VIVA QUESTIONS:**

1. What is the application of specific gravity test in mix design?
2. Define Specific gravity
3. What is the use of findings specific gravity
4. What are the factors affecting specific gravity test
5. The specific gravity of aggregates normally used in road construction ranges from about \_\_\_\_\_ with an average value of about 2.68.
6. Specific gravity of aggregates is considered as an indication of \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The instrument used for Specific Gravity test for < 6.3 mm aggregate
8. Water absorption of aggregate is a measure of \_\_\_\_\_
9. This set of Basic Chemical Engineering Multiple Choice Questions & Answers (MCQs) focuses on "Specific Gravity".
10. What is the specific gravity of a substance with density 100 kg/m<sup>3</sup> with respect to reference substance of density 100 lb/m<sup>3</sup> ?



## EXPERIMENT 2

### BULKING OF SAND

#### AIM:

To ascertain the bulking phenomena of given sample of sand.

#### APPARATUS:

1000 ml measuring jar, brush.

#### INTRODUCTION:

Increase in volume of sand due to presence of moisture is known as bulking of sand. Bulking is due to the formation of thin film of water around the sand grains and the interlocking of air in between the sand grains and the film of water. When more water is added to sand, particles get submerged and volume again becomes equal to dry volume of sand. To compensate the bulking effect extra sand is added in the concrete so that the ratio of coarse to fine aggregate will not change from the specified value. Maximum increase in volume may be 20 % to 40 % when moisture content is 5% to 10% by weight. Fine sand shows greater percentage of bulking than coarse sands with equal percentage of moisture.

#### PROCEDURE:

1. Take 1000 ml measuring jar.
2. Fill it with loose dry sand up to 500 ml without tamping at any stage of filling.
3. Then pour that sand on a pan and mix it thoroughly with water whose volume is equal to 2% of that of dry loose sand.
4. Fill the wet loose sand in the container and find the volume of the sand which is in excess of the dry volume of the sand.
5. Repeat the procedure for moisture content of 4%, 6%, 8%, etc. and note down the readings.
6. Continue the procedure till the sand gets completely saturated i.e. till it reaches the original volume of 500 ml.

#### OBSERVATIONS:

S.No	Volume of dry loose sand V <sub>1</sub>	% moisture content added	Volume of wet loose sand V <sub>2</sub>	% Bulking $\frac{V_2 - V_1}{V_1}$
1		2%		
2		4%		
3		6%		
4		8%		
5				
6				

### GRAPH:

Draw a graph between percentage moisture content on X-axis and percentage bulking on Y-axis. The points on the graph should be added as a smooth curve. Then from the graph, determine maximum percentage of bulking and the corresponding moisture content.

### PRECAUTIONS:

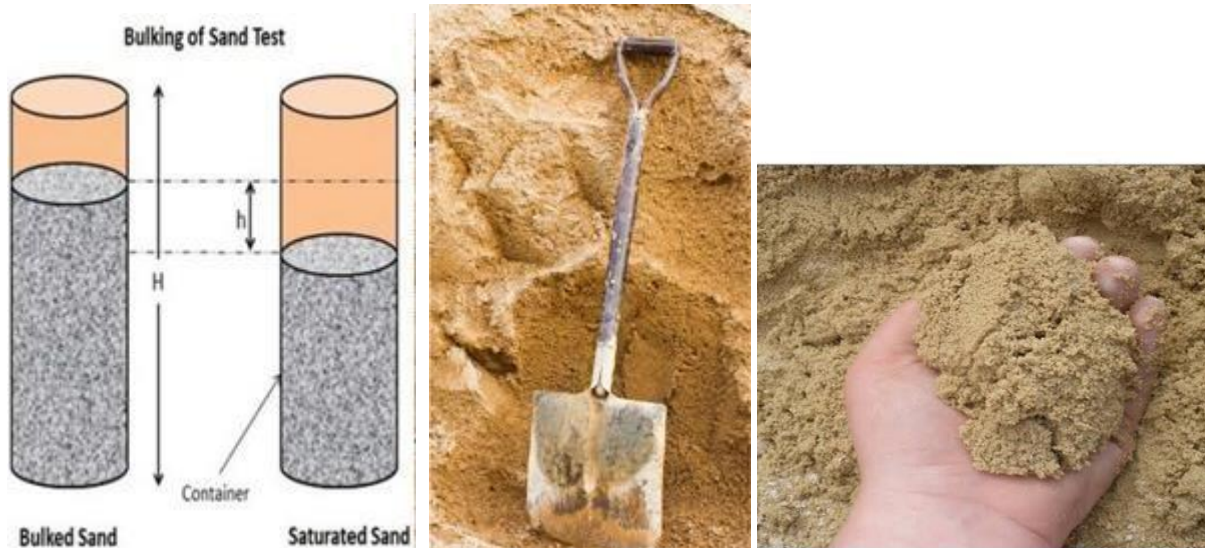
1. While mixing water with sand grains, mixing should be thorough and uniform.
2. The sample should not be compressed while being filled in jar.
3. The sample must be slowly and gradually poured into measuring jar from its top.
4. Increase in volume of sand due to bulking should be measured accurately.

### RESULT:

The maximum bulking of the given sand is \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ % of moisture content.

### PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:

Increase in volume of sand due to presence of moisture is known as bulking of sand.



## FINENESS MODULUS OF FINE AGGREGATE

### AIM:

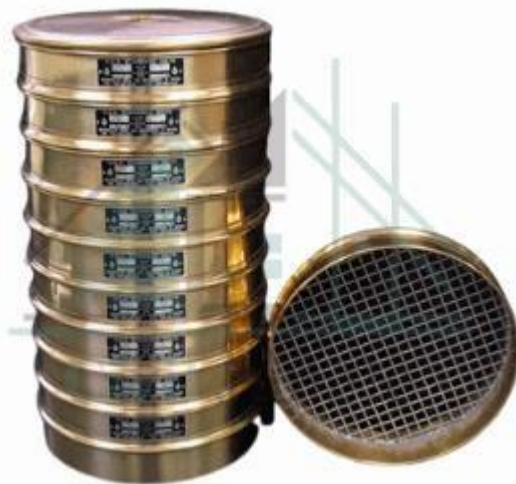
The object of this experiment is to determine the fineness modulus for the given sample of fine aggregate supplied.

### APPARATUS

- IS test sieve 10 mm, 4.75 mm, 2.63 mm, 1.18 mm, 600 Micron, 300 Micron, 150 Micron.
- Sieve shaker.
- Weighing Machine.

## PROCEDURE

1. Take a representative oven-dried sample that weighs approximately 500g.
2. If particles are lumped or conglomerated, crush the lumps but not the particles using the pestle and mortar.
3. Determine the mass of the sample accurately – Weight (g).
4. Pour the sample into the top sieve in the nest.
5. Weigh all the sieves and the pan separately.
6. Pour the samples from step 3 into the top of the stack of sieves and put the lid on, place the stack in the sieve shaker and fix the clamps, adjust the timer to between 10 and 15 minutes, and switch on the shaker.
7. Stop the sieve shaker and measure the mass of each sieve and retained soil/material
8. Determine the mass of the material retained on each sieve size. Record the cumulative mass retained for each sieve size (the mass retained on a specific sieve size and the mass retained on all sieves with larger openings).
9. Select applicable sieves to obtain the information required by the specifications covering the material to be tested. Sieve sizes typically used for Super pave mix design are 1½ in, 1.0 inch, ¾ inch, ½ inch, 3/8-inch, No. 4, No. 8, No. 16, No. 30, No. 50, No. 100 and No. 200 (37.5, 25.0, 19.0, 12.5, 9.5, 4.75, 2.36, 1.18, 0.600, 0.300, 0.150 and 0.075 mm) sieves. Assemble the sieves in order of decreasing size of opening from top to bottom and place the nest of sieves over a pan.



## NOTE:

The fineness modulus of fine aggregate varies from 2.0 to 3.5 mm.

### Type of Sand Fineness Modulus Range

<b>Fine sand</b>	2.2 mm – 2.6 mm
<b>Medium sand</b>	2.6 mm – 2.9 mm
<b>Coarse sand</b>	2.9 mm – 3.2 mm

## RESULT:

- Fineness Modulus = \_\_\_\_\_
- The given sand falls in the grading zone \_\_\_\_\_

## CONCLUSION

Comment on test results obtained by you in the laboratory. Give your comments on the suitability of using the sand sample for the construction site.

## CALCULATIONS:

### GRADATION EXAMPLE 1:

Sample: 5/8" gravel, Initial weight: 9920g.

Sieve designation	Sieve weight empty (g)	Sieve weight full (g)	Aggregate weight retained (g)	Cumulative weight retained (g)	Cumulative percent retained (g)	Cumulative percent passing (%)
4.75mm			0	0		
2.36mm			100	10		
1.18mm			250	35		
0.6mm			350	70		
0.3mm			200	90		
0.15mm			100	100		
TOTAL			275			

Therefore, fineness modulus of aggregate =  $(\text{cumulative \% retained}) / 100 = (275 / 100) = 2.75$

## PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:

In gradation and size analysis, a sample of dry aggregate of known weight is separated through a series of sieves with progressively smaller openings.



## VIVA:

1. In how many ways can sieve analysis be carried out?
2. How is the percentage retained on each sieve calculated?
3. What is a receiver in a sieve analyser?

4. The aggregate sample for the sieve analysis is placed on?
5. The sieve tests of coarse aggregate ranges from?
6. Which is the limitation of performing the sieve analysis?
7. What are the types of gradation?
8. What is the other name for narrow gradation?
9. What is the time of mechanical vibrator to be shaken?
10. For fine aggregate that is, sample passing through 4.75 mm IS sieve, how much sample should be taken?

# **TESTSONCOARSEAGGREGATE**

## EXPERIMENT1

### SPECIFIC GRAVITY TEST

#### AIM

To measure the strength or quality of the material and to determine the water absorption of aggregates.

#### APPARATUS

1. A balance of capacity about 3kg, to weigh accurate 0.5g, and of such a type and shape as to permit weighing of the sample container when suspended in water.
2. A thermostatically controlled oven to maintain temperature at 100-110°C.
3. A wire **basket of not** more than 6.3mm mesh or a perforated container of convenient size with thin wire hangers for suspending it from the balance.
4. A container for filling water and suspending the basket
5. An airtight container of capacity similar to that of the basket.
6. A shallow tray and two absorbent clothes, each not less than 75x45cm.



#### Procedure of Water Absorption and Specific Gravity Test on Aggregates

There are three methods of testing for the determination of the specific gravity of aggregates, according to the size of the aggregates larger than 10 mm, 40 mm and smaller than 10 mm. For samples larger than 10mm, 40mm, the below given test method is used and for samples smaller than 10 mm Pycnometer test is done.

## PROCEDURE

1. About 2 kg of aggregate sample is washed thoroughly to remove fines, drained and placed in wire basket and immersed in distilled water at a temperature between  $22^{\circ}$  -  $32^{\circ}$  C and a cover of at least 5cm of water above the top of basket.
2. Immediately after immersion the entrapped air is removed from the sample by lifting the basket containing it 25mm above the base of the tank and allowing it to drop at the rate of about one drop per second. The basket and aggregate should remain completely immersed in water for a period of 24 hours afterwards.
3. The basket and the sample are weighed while suspended in water at a temperature of  $22^{\circ}$  -  $32^{\circ}$  C. The weight while suspended in water is noted =  $W_1$  g.
4. The basket and aggregates are removed from water and allowed to drain for a few minutes, after which the aggregates are transferred to the dry absorbent clothes. The empty basket is then returned to the tank of water jolted 25 times and weighed in water =  $W_2$  g.
5. The aggregates placed on the absorbent clothes are surface dried till no further moisture could be removed by this cloth. Then the aggregates are transferred to the second dry cloth spread in single layer and allowed to dry for at least 10 minutes until the aggregates are completely surface dry. The surface dried aggregate is then weighed =  $W_3$  g.
6. The aggregate is placed in a shallow tray and kept in an oven maintained at a temperature of  $110^{\circ}$  C for 24 hrs. It is then removed from the oven, cooled in an air tight container and weighed =  $W_4$  g.

## OBSERVATIONS

S.No	Details	Trail1	Trail2
1	Weight of saturated aggregate suspended in water with basket = $W_1$ g		
2	Weight of basket suspended in water = $W_2$ g		
3	Weight of saturated surface dry aggregate in air = $W_3$ g		
4	Weight of oven dry aggregate = $W_4$ g		



5	Weight of saturated aggregate in water = $W_1 - W_2$		
6	Weight of water equal to the volume of the aggregate = $W_3 - (W_1 - W_2)$		

## FORMULAS

1. Specific gravity =  $W_3 / (W_3 - (W_1 - W_2))$
2. Apparent specific gravity =  $W_4 / (W_4 - (W_1 - W_2))$
3. Water Absorption =  $((W_3 - W_4) / W_4) \times 100$  \*\*

The size of the aggregate and whether it has been artificially heated should be indicated. \*\*Though high specific gravity is considered as an indication of high strength, it is not possible to judge the suitability of a sample aggregate without finding the mechanical properties such as aggregate crushing, impact and abrasion values.

## RESULT:

1. Specific gravity =
2. Apparent specific gravity =
3. Water Absorption =

## Recommended Values of Specific Gravity and Water Absorption for Aggregates

The specific gravity of aggregates normally used in road construction ranges from about **2.5 to 3.0 with an average of about 2.68**. Water absorption shall not be more than **0.6 per unit by weight**.

## VIVA QUESTIONS

1. What is porosity?
2. What is permeability?
3. What is bulk density?
4. What is the difference between the density and bulk density?
5. What is specific gravity?
6. What is void ratio?
7. In which void ratio depends?
8. What is the specific gravity of coarse aggregate?
9. What is the bulk density of coarse aggregate (10mm and 20mm)?

## EXPERIMENT 2

### FINENESS MODULUS OF COARSE AGGREGATE

#### AIM:

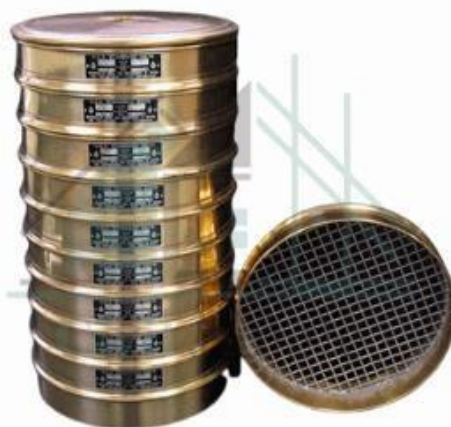
The object of this experiment is to determine the fineness modulus for the given sample of coarse aggregate supplied.

#### APPARATUS

- Tests sieve 10 mm, 4.75 mm, 2.63 mm, 1.18 mm, 600 Micron, 300 Micron, 150 Micron.
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#### PROCEDURE

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**NOTE:**

Maximumsizeofcoarseaggregate	Finenessmodulusrange
20mm	6.0–6.9
40mm	6.9–7.5
75mm	7.5–8.0
150mm	8.0–8.5

**RESULT:**

- Fineness Modulus = \_\_\_\_\_
- The givensand falls inthe grading zone\_\_\_\_\_

**CONCLUSION**

Comment ontestresultsobtained byyou inthe laboratory.Give yourcommentsonthe suitability of using the sand sample for the construction site.

**CALCULATIONS:****GRADATIONEXAMPLE1:**

Sample:5/8”gravel\_\_\_\_\_, Initialweight:\_\_\_\_\_9920g\_\_\_\_\_.

Sieve designation (mm)	Sieve weight empty(g)	Sieve weight full(g)	Aggregate weight retained(g)	Cumulative weight retained(g)	Cumulative percent retained(g)	Cumulative percent passing(%)
80			0	0	0	
40			250	250	5	
20			1750	2000	42	
10			1600	3600	70	
4.75			1400	5000	100	
2.36			0	5000	100	
1.18			0	5000	100	
0.6			0	5000	100	
0.3			0	5000	100	
0.15			0	5000	100	
<b>TOTAL</b>			717			

Therefore, **finenessmodulusofcoarseaggregates**=sum(cumulative% retained) /100  
 =(717/100)=**7.17**

## PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS:

In gradation and size analysis, a sample of dry aggregate of known weight is separated through a series of sieves with progressively smaller openings.



## VIVA QUESTIONS:

1. Gradation affects the properties of an aggregate. (True or false).
2. Coarse aggregate can be classified into how many groups?
3. How much percent of material which passes through a specific sieve is contained in that single-size aggregate?
4. Graded aggregate contains particles of size \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Flaky particles have \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Which size coarse aggregate is ideal for use in concrete mix?
7. Elongation index of coarse aggregate is calculated using \_\_\_\_\_.
8. In crushing test on coarse aggregates, what size particle is taken as a sample?
9. What is the density of undisturbed gravel?
10. What is the symbol used for well-graded gravel as per IS system of classification?