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Highway Lectures Fourth Class

Part #2: - Highway Aggregate

Lectures #4, #5 and #6 Aggregate Proprieties

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≻After completing this chapter (Aggregate) the students are expected to have:-

- i. Learnt about the relevance of different properties of aggregate for pavement performance and their determination.
- ii. Aggregate types and sources.
- iii. Aggregate gradation types.
- iv. Iraqi standard and specifications for aggregate that required for pavement design and construction.
- v. Aggregate tests that required and important in pavement design.
- vi. Aggregate blinding principles

Introduction



Ref. #2



- The behavior of aggregate depend on the properties.
- The aggregate occupies 95% by weight or ~80-85% by volume of the asphalt mixture, so its important to see how aggregate properties affects the performance of bituminous mixes
- It is the basic and major component of material used in highway pavement constriction they not only support the main stress but also resist the wear due to abrasion by traffic as well as the effect of weathering.

According to Source

- 1. <u>Natural Aggregate:-</u> Native deposits with no change in their natural state other than washing, crushing & grading. (sand, gravel, crush stone)
 - Igneous: such Basalt and Granite.
 - Sedimentary: such Limestone
 - Metamorphic: such Quartz and marble
 - 2. <u>Artificial Aggregate:-</u> They are obtained either as a by-product or by a special manufacturing process such as heating. (blast furnace slag, expanded perlite), which produced from processing of steel, tin and copper



Aggregate Types

Natural Aggregate









Aggregate Types

Artificial Aggregate







Aggregate Uses

- Under foundations and pavements
 - Stability
 - Drainage
- As fillers
 - ➢Portland Cement Concrete
 - ➢ 60-75% of volume
 - ➤ 80-85% of weight
 - ≻Hot Mix Asphalt
 - ➤ 80%-90% of volume
 - > 90-96% of weight









- 1) Asphalt wearing course, base course
 - ➢ high fracture resistance
 - ≽good interlocking
 - ≻hardness
 - ➤surface friction
 - ≻light reflective
- 2) Base Material
 - ≽good fracture resistance
 - ≽good interlocking
 - ≻drainage
- 3) Sub-Base Material
 - ≻medium fracture resistance
 - ≽good interlocking
 - ≻drainage





Coarse Aggregate and their Sieve Sizes

Sieve Designation	Opening (in)	Openeing (mm)
3 in	3.00	75.0
2 in	2.00	50.0
11/2 in	1.50	37.5
1 in	1.00	25.0
3/4 in	0.75	19.0
1⁄2 in	0.50	12.5
3/8 in	0.375	9.50

- Retained on 4.75 mm (No.4) ASTM D692
- Retained on 2.36 mm (No.8) Asphalt Institute
- Retained on 2.00 mm (No.10) HMA Book





Fine Aggregate and their Sieve Sizes

Sieve Designation	Opening (in)	Opening (mm)
No. 4	0.187	4.75
No. 8	0.0937	2.36
No. 16	0.0469	1.18
No. 30	0.0234	0.60
No. 50	0.0117	0.30
No. 100	0.0059	0.15
No. 200	0.0030	0.075

Passing 4.75 mm (No.4) ASTM D1073

Retained on 2.36 mm (No.8) Asphalt Institute

Mineral filler

At least 70% pass 0.075 mm ASTM D242

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Aggregate Properties in Highway

- 1) Cleanness
- 2) Shape and texture
- 3) Soundness
- 4) Toughness
- 5) Affinity for asphalt (Stripping)
- 6) Specific gravity and Absorption
- 7) Gradation



Aggregate Properties in Highway

1) Cleanness

- ✓ Dirty aggregate can reduce adhesion of the binder.
- Clay in the aggregate can causes stripping problem.
- ✓ Max. percent of clay in coarse aggregate is 2%.
- Sand Equivalency Test
- $SE = h_{sand} / h_{clay} \ge 100 \ge 45\%$





2) Shape and texture

The aggregate may either be (Rounded & Cubical & Angular & Flaky & elongated) . Cubical similar to a cube, Angular posses edges, Flaky have smaller thickness as compared to the side. Flaky & elongated have less strength and durability. Therefore, avoided used in pavement construction. Rounded particle have better workability. In case of flexibility pavement where stability is mainly due to interlock angular are the best choice



- **3) Soundness and Durability.** Resist weathering
 - water freezing in voids fractures & disintegrates aggregates
 - Test method uses "salt solution" to simulate freezing



•Prepare sample minimum mass specified gradation

Soak 16 hrs – dry 4 hrs Repeat cycle 5 times

Measure gradation

$$Loss = \left(\frac{M_B - M_A}{M_B}\right) 100$$

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Aggregate Properties in Highway

4) Roughness.

Loss Angelus abrasion test





Resist load damage

• During construction

•Sieve

Traffic loads

$$Loss = \left(\frac{M_{\textit{original}} - M_{\textit{final}}}{M_{\textit{original}}}\right) \times 100$$

- •Prepare sample
- •Minimum mass original •Steel spheres
- •Specified gradation
- •500 revolutions

4) Roughness.

Loss Angelus abrasion test

The maximum allowable values of Los Angeles abrasion test according to Iraqi standard specification for roads and bridges are 45% for coarse aggregate which are used in granular materials (base and subbase layer) and 30%, 35% and 40% for coarse aggregates which are used in surface course, binder course and base course respectively in hot mix asphaltic concrete pavement.

5) Affinity for asphalt (Stripping).

- > Affects the bond between asphalt binder and aggregate
- Asphalt Stripping (moisture induced damage)
 - \checkmark water causes asphalt film to separate from agg.
 - *reduces durability of Asphalt Concrete (A.C.)
 - ✓ <u>Hydrophilic</u> (water-loving)
 - silicates acidic, negative surface charge
 - *more susceptible to stripping
 - ✓ <u>Hydrophobic</u> (water-hating)
 - Immestore basic, positive surface charge
 - *less susceptible to stripping.

- **5)** Affinity for asphalt (Stripping).
- > stripping is also affected by porosity, absorption, coatings, etc.
- ➤ Testing
 - i. ASTM D1664 & D3625 submerge AC in tepid or boiling water
 - ii. ASTM D1075 freeze-thaw cycles



6) Specific gravity and Absorption

- Voids on the surface of aggregates create multiple definitions of specific gravity
 - Apparent
 - Bulk, Dry
 - Bulk, SSD





6) Specific gravity and Absorption (Apparent Sp. Gr.)



This ratio of the weight in air of a unit volume of the *impermeable* portion of aggregate (does not include the permeable pores in aggregate) to the weight in air of an equal volume of gas-free distilled water at a stated temperature

6) Specific gravity and Absorption (Bulk (dry)Sp. Gr.)



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>The mass of oven-dry aggregate particles per unit volume of aggregate particles, including the volume of permeable and impermeable pores within particles, but not including the voids between the particles

Bulk Dry Sp. Gr. = $\frac{\text{Dry Weight}}{(\text{Total Particle Volume})\gamma_w} = \frac{W_s}{(V_s + V_i + V_p)\gamma_w}$

6) Specific gravity and Absorption (Bulk (SSD)Sp. Gr.)



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>The mass of saturated-surface-dry aggregate per unit volume of the aggregate particles, including the volume of impermeable pores and permeable, water-filled pores within the particles, but not including the voids between the particles.

6) Specific gravity and Absorption (Effective Sp. Gr.)



Effective volume = volume of solid aggregate particle + volume of surface voids not filled with asphalt 6) Specific gravity and Absorption (Effective Sp. Gr.)



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where

A = dry weight

B = SSD weight

C = submerged weight

Coarse Aggregate Specific Gravity by the Book (ASTM C127)

Bulk Dry Sp. Gr. =
$$\frac{A}{B-C}$$

Bulk SSD Sp. Gr. = $\frac{B}{B-C}$
Apparent Sp. Gr. = $\frac{A}{A-C}$
Absorption (%) = $\frac{B-A}{A}$ (10)

 $(\%) = \frac{B-A}{A}(100)$

Dry then saturate the aggregates Dry to SSD condition and weigh Measure submerged weight



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Fine Aggregate Specific Gravity by the Book (ASTM C128)

Bulk Dry Sp. Gr. =
$$\frac{A}{B + S - C}$$

Bulk SSD Sp. Gr. = $\frac{S}{B + S - C}$
Apparent Sp. Gr. = $\frac{A}{B + A - C}$
Absorption (%) = $\frac{S - A}{A}$ (100)

where

A = dry weight B = weight of the pycnometer filled with water C = weight of the pycnometer filled with aggregate and waterS = saturated surface-dry weight of the sample



6) Specific gravity and Absorption (Bulk (SSD)Sp. Gr.)

Water Absorption

Surface Voids



SSD weight - Oven dry weight

Oven dry weight

- Clean and free of clay and organic matter
- Be angular and not excessively flaky
- Be strong enough to resist to crushing during mixing, laying, compaction, consolidation and in service
- Be resistant to abrasion and polishing when exposed to traffic
- Be non- absorptive
- Have good affinity to bitumen in case of bituminous pavements



7) Aggregate Gradations

- **Coarse** aggregate material retained on a sieve with 4.75 mm openings
- **Fine** aggregate material passing a sieve with 4.75 mm openings



#4 sieve = Four openings/linear inch

- Traditional
 - Maximum aggregate size the largest sieve size that allows all the aggregates to pass.
 - Nominal maximum aggregate size – the first sieve to retain some aggregate, generally *less* than 10%.
- Superpave
 - Maximum aggregate size one sieve size larger than the nominal maximum aggregate size
 - Nominal maximum aggregate size – one sieve larger that the first sieve to retain *more* than 10% of the aggregate



Semi Log Graph



Aggregate Properties in Highway

7) Aggregate Gradations- 0.45 power



http://www.pavementinteractive.org/article/gradation-and-size/#sthash.mYmjKudf.dpuf

Types of Aggregate Gradation

•Dense or Well-Graded

Typical gradations are near the 0.45 power curve but not right on it. Generally, a true maximum density gradation (exactly on the 0.45 power curve) would result in unacceptably low \underline{VMA} .

•Gap Graded

Refers to a gradation that contains only a small percentage of <u>aggregate</u> particles in the mid-size range. The curve is flat in the mid-size range. Some PCC mix designs use gap graded <u>aggregate</u> to provide a more economical mix since less sand can be used for a given workability. HMA gap graded mixes can be prone to segregation during placement.

•Open Graded

Refers to a gradation that contains only a small percentage of <u>aggregate</u> particles in the small range. This results in more air voids because there are not enough small particles to fill in the voids between the larger particles. The curve is near vertical in the mid-size range, and flat and near-zero in the small-size range.

•Uniformly Graded

Refers to a gradation that contains most of the particles in a very narrow size range. In essence, all the particles are the same size. The curve is steep and only occupies the narrow size range specified.

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Aggregate Properties in Highway

7) Aggregate Gradations

- i. Uniformly graded
 - Few points of contact
 - Poor interlock (shape dependent)
 - High permeability
 - nearly vertical curve

ii. Well graded

- Good interlock
- Low permeability

iii. Gap graded

- Only limited sizes
- Good interlock
- Low permeability





7) Aggregate Gradations

iv. Open graded

- missing small aggregates which fill in holes between larger ones
- Iower part of curve is skewed toward large sizes





Dense Graded Mixes

Dense Graded Fine Superpave





Course Graded Mixes

Dense Graded Course Superpave



Gap Graded Mixes



SMA's

19

25









- Nominal Maximum Aggregate
 Size
 - one size larger than the first sieve to retain more than 10%
- Maximum Aggregate Size

 one size larger than nominal maximum size



Maximum and Nominal Aggregate Sizes							
0∕₀₽	%R		%P	%R			
100	0	Nominal maximum size	100	0			
100	0	One size larger than the first sieve to	99	1			
92	8	retain more than 10 %	88	11			
72	20		72	16			
65	7		65	7			
48	17	Maximum size	48	17			
36	12	One size larger than nominal	36	12			
22	14	maximum size	22	14			
15	7		15	7			
9	6		9	6			
4	5		4	5			
0	4		0	4			

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Sieve Size (mm) Raised to 0.45 Power

Sieve	P _i = 100(<i>d_i</i> / <i>l</i>	D) ^{0.45}
25 mm (1 in.)	100	
19 mm (3/4 in.)	88	I his blend of
12.5 mm (1/2 in.)	73	aggregates results
9.5 mm (3/8 in.)	64	in the maximum
4.75 mm (No. 4)	47	weight of
2.36 mm (No. 8)	34	aggregates that can
0.60 mm (No. 30)	19	be placed in a
0.30 mm (No. 50)	14	container.
0.075 mm (No. 200)	7.3	



> A design aggregate structure that lies between the control points and avoids the restricted zone meets the requirements of Superpave with respect to gradation.





The restricted zone resides along the maximum density gradation between the intermediate size (either 4.75 or 2.36 mm) and the 0.3 mm size. Through which gradation should not pass.

>Gradations that pass through the restricted zone have often been called "humped gradations" because of the characteristic hump in the grading curve that passes through the restricted zone.

 \succ Control points function as master ranges through which gradations must pass. They are placed on the nominal maximum size, an intermediate size and the dust size.



Superpave	Nom Max Size	Max Size
Designation	(mm)	(mm)
37.5 mm	37.5	50
25 mm	25	37.5
19 mm	19	25
12.5 mm	12.5	19
9.5 mm	9.5	12.5



Sieve	Size	Control Points		Restricted Zon	
(mm)	(U.S.)	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper
50	2 inch	100	-	-	-
37.5	1.5 inch	90	100	-	-
25	1 inch	-	90	-	-
19	3/4 inch	-	-	-	-
12.5	1/2 inch	-	-	-	-
9.5	3/8 inch	-	-	-	-
4.75	No. 4	-	-	34.7	34.7
2.36	No. 8	15	41	23.3	27.3
1.18	No. 16	-	-	15.5	21.5
0.60	No. 30	-	-	11.7	15.7
0.30	No. 50	-	-	10.0	10.0
0.15	No. 100	-	-	-	-
0.075	No. 200	0	6	-	-

Sieve Size		Control Points		Restricted Zone	
(mm)	(U.S.)	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper
37.5	1.5 inch	100	-	-	-
25	1 inch	90	100	-	-
19	3/4 inch	-	90	-	-
12.5	1/2 inch	-	-	-	-
9.5	3/8 inch	-	-	-	-
4.75	No. 4	-	-	39.5	39.5
2.36	No. 8	19	45	26.8	30.8
1.18	No. 16	-	-	18.1	24.1
0.60	No. 30	-	-	13.6	17.6
0.30	No. 50	-	-	11.4	11.4
0.15	No. 100	-	-	-	-
0.075	No. 200	1	7	-	-



Sieve	Size	Control Points		Restricted Zone	
(mm)	(U.S.)	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper
25	1 inch	100	-	-	-
19	3/4 inch	90	100	-	-
12.5	1/2 inch	-	90	-	-
9.5	3/8 inch	-	-	-	-
4.75	No. 4	-	-	-	-
2.36	No. 8	23	49	34.6	34.6
1.18	No. 16	-	-	22.3	28.3
0.60	No. 30	-	-	16.7	20.7
0.30	No. 50	-	-	13.7	13.7
0.15	No. 100	-	-	-	-
0.075	No. 200	2	8	-	-

Table 2, 40 mms (2/4 in ab) Mansimal Oine

Sieve Size		Control Points		Restricted Zone	
(mm)	(U.S.)	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper
19	3/4 inch	100	-	-	-
12.5	1/2 inch	90	100	-	-
9.5	3/8 inch	-	90	-	-
4.75	No. 4	-	-	-	-
2.36	No. 8	28	58	39.1	39.1
1.18	No. 16	-	-	25.6	31.6
0.60	No. 30	-	-	19.1	23.1
0.30	No. 50	-	-	15.5	15.5
0.15	No. 100	-	-	-	-
0.075	No. 200	2	10	-	-



Sieve Size		Control Points		Restricted Zone	
(mm)	(U.S.)	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper
12.5	1/2 inch	100		-	-
9.5	3/8 inch	90	100	-	-
4.75	No. 4	-	90	-	-
2.36	No. 8	32	67	47.2	47.2
1.18	No. 16	-	-	31.6	37.6
0.60	No. 30	-	-	23.5	27.5
0.30	No. 50	-	-	18.7	18.7
0.15	No. 100	-	-	-	-
0.075	No. 200	2	10	-	-

Table 5. 9.5 mm (3/8 inch) Nominal Size

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- > Workability.
- > Layer Thickness.
- Stability.
- Stiffness.
- > Resistance to deformation (Rutting resistance).
- ➢ Fatigue strength.
- Durability.
- > Permeability.
- Surface Texture and frictional resistance (Safety).

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- > Workability.
- ➤ Strength
- ► Layer Thickness.
- ➤ Stability.
- ➢ Fatigue strength.
- Durability.
- > Shrinkage.







- Numerical Method
 - Trial and Error
 - Basic Formula





Trial and Error Steps

- Select critical sieves in blend
- Determine initial proportions which will meet critical sieves
- Check calc. blend against specification
- Adjust if necessary and repeat above steps





Trial and Error Steps

- $\cdot P = Aa + Bb + Cc + \dots$
 - Where:
 - P = % of material passing a given sieve for the blended aggregates A, B, C, ...
 - A, B, C, ... = % material passing a given sieve for each aggregate A, B, C,
 - a, b, c, = Proportions (decimal fractions) of aggregates A, B, C, ... to be used in Blend



Materi	alAgg	;. #1	Agg	g. #2		àti.
% Used					Blend	
U.S. Sieve	% Passing	% Batch	% Passing	% Batch		Spec
3/8 "	100		100			100
No. 4	90		100			80 - 100
No. 8	30		100			65 - 100
No. 16	7		88			40 - 80
No. 30	3		47			20 - 65
No. 50	1		32			7 - 40
No. 100	0		24			3 - 20
No. 200	0		10			2 - 10



Material Agg. #1		aterial Agg. #1 Agg. #2		First	Try	
% Used	50 %			50 %	DICIIC	
U.S. Sieve	% Passing	% Batch	% Passin	0% 0		Spec
3/8 "	100	50	10	100 * 0.5 = 3	50	100
No. 4	90	45	100	90 * 0.5 = 4	45	80 - 100
No. 8	30	15	100	30 * 0.5 =	15	65 - 100
No. 16	7	3.5	88	7 * 0.5 = 2	3.5	40 - 80
No. 30	3	1.5	47	3 * 0.5 =	1.5	20 - 65
No. 50	1	0.5	32	1 * 0.5 = 0	0.5	7 - 40
No. 100	0	0	2	0 * 0.5 = :	50	3 - 20
No. 200	0	0		0 * 0.5 = 0	0	2 - 10

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Materi	alAgg	. #1	Agg. #2			dti.
% Used	50 %		50 %		Blend	
U.S. Sieve	% Passing	% Batch	% Passing	% Batch		Spec
3/8 "	100	50	100	50	100	100
No. 4	90	45	100	50	95	80 - 100
No. 8	30	15	100	50	65	65 - 100
No. 16	7	3.5	88	44	47.5	40 - 80
No. 30	3	1.5	47	23.5	25	20 - 65
No. 50	1	0.5	32	16	16.5	7 - 40
No. 100	0	0	24	12	12	3 - 20
No. 200	0	0	10	5	5	2 - 10

Materi	alAgg	. #1	Agg. #2			àti.
% Used	50 %		50 %		Blend	
U.S. Sieve	% Passing	% Batch	% Passing	% Patch		Spoc
3/8 "	100	50	Let's Try		100	100
No. 4	90	45	an	d get ∇	95	80 - 100
No. 8	30	15	a little closer to the middle of the target values.		65	65 - 100
No. 16	7	3.5			47.5	40 - 80
No. 30	3	1.5			25	20 - 65
No. 50	1	0.5	32	16	16.5	7 - 40
No. 100	0	0	24	12	12	3 - 20
No. 200	0	0	10	5	5	2 - 10

Materi	alAgg. #1		Agg. #2			àti.
% Used	30 %		70 %		Blend	
U.S. Sieve	% Passing	% Batch	% Passing	% Batch	*	Spoc
3/8 "	100	30	100	70	100	100
No. 4	90	27	100	70	97	80 - 100
No. 8	30	9	100	70	79	65 - 100
No. 16	7	2.1	88	61.6	63.7	40 - 80
No. 30	3	0.9	47	32.9	33.8	20 - 65
No. 50	1	0.3	32	22.4	22.7	7 - 40
No. 100	0	0	24	16.8	16.8	3 - 20
No. 200	0	0	10	7	7	2 - 10



Combined Specific Gravity

$$\mathbf{G}_{sb} = \frac{(\mathbf{P}_{A} + \mathbf{P}_{B} + \mathbf{P}_{C})}{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{A} & \mathbf{P}_{B} \\ \mathbf{G}_{A} & \mathbf{G}_{B} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{C} \\ \mathbf{G}_{C} \end{bmatrix}}$$

Where: P_A, P_B & P_C = percent by mass of each aggregate in blend

> G_A, G_B & G_C = Bulk Specific Gravity of each aggregate

Aggregate Blending, Absorption & Specific Gravity

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- Example Problem -

$$\mathbf{G}_{sb} = \frac{(\mathbf{P}_{A} + \mathbf{P}_{B} + \mathbf{P}_{C})}{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_{A} + \mathbf{P}_{B} & \mathbf{P}_{C} \\ \mathbf{G}_{A} & \mathbf{G}_{B} & \mathbf{G}_{C} \end{bmatrix}}$$

Where: P_A, P_B & P_C = percent by mass of each aggregate in blend G_A, G_B & G_C = Bulk Specific Gravity of each aggregate

Based on the information given:

P _A = 50%	G _A = 2.695		
$P_{\rm B} = 25\%$	$G_{B} = 2.711$		
$P_{c} = 25\%$	$G_{C} = 2.721$		
		(50+25+25)	
	$G_{sb} =$	50 + 25 + 25	= 2.705
		2.695 2.711 2.721	

Aggregate Blending, Absorption & Specific Gravity



Questions - ?







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Note

- i. (إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنا اللَّهُ ثُمَ اسْتَقَامُوا تَتَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَّا تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنْتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ (٣٠%. فصلت.
- ii. (إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ اسْتَقَامُوا فَلا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلا هُمْ يَحْزَنُون<u>َ أُوْلَئِكَ أَصْحَابُ</u> الْجَنَّةِ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا جَزَاءً بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ)الأحقاف.