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((تحليل عينة مارشال “Mass-Volume Relationship”))



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## Analysis of Mixture (Mass-Volume Relationship)

$V_a$  = volume of air voids in total mix

$V_{s1}$  = volume of effective asphalt

$V_{s2}$  = volume of absorbed asphalt

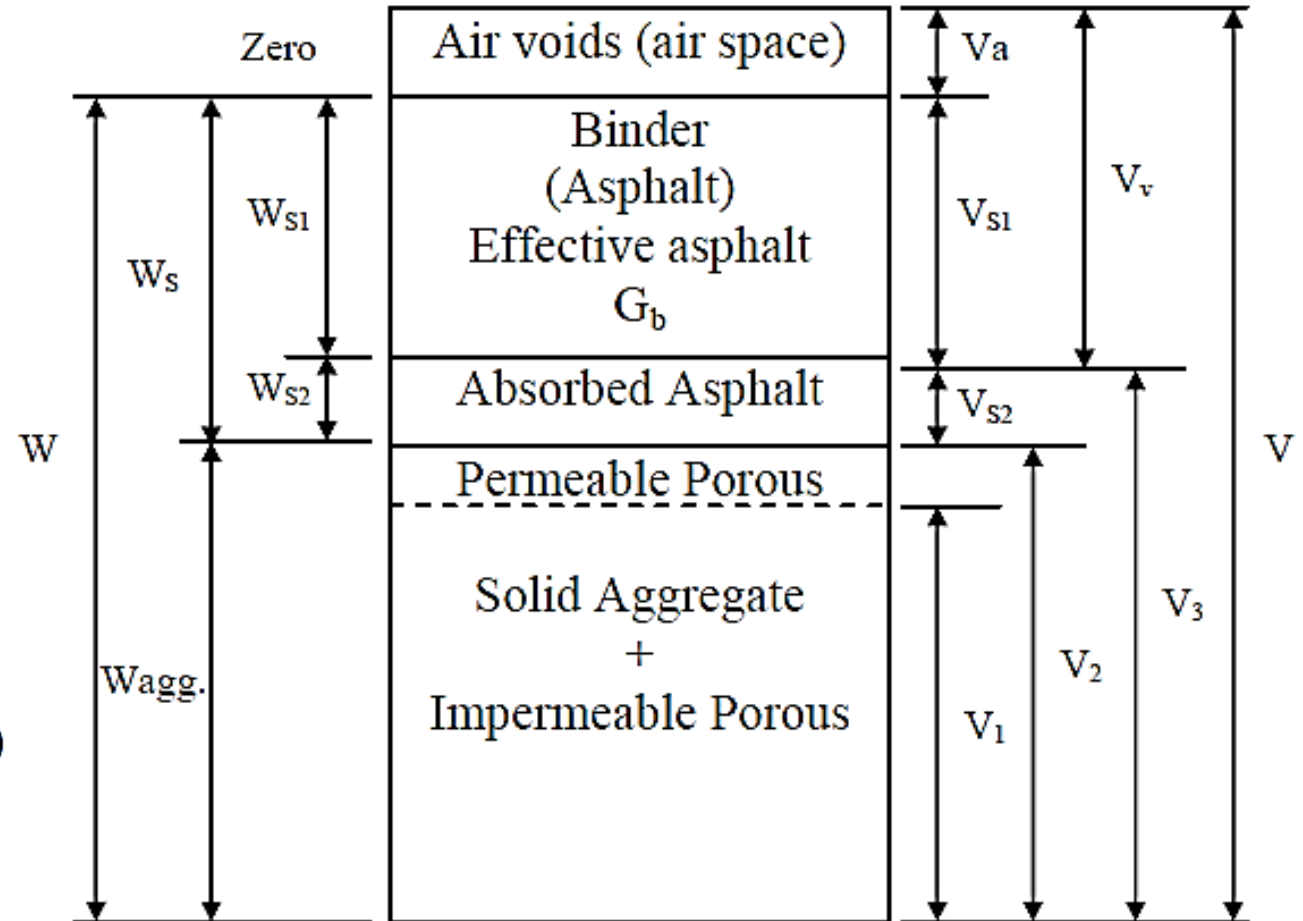
$V_1$  = apparent volume of aggregate

$V_2$  = effective volume of aggregate

$V_3$  = bulk volume of aggregate

$V$  = total volume of mixture

$V_v$  = voids of aggregate (Voids in mineral aggregate)



Bulk  $G_A$  = bulk specific gravity of combined aggregate

$$\text{Bulk } G_A = \frac{100}{\frac{\% \text{course}}{G_s(\text{course})} + \frac{\% \text{fine}}{G_s(\text{file})} + \frac{\% \text{filler}}{G_s(\text{filler})}} \quad (1)$$

$G_s$   
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$$P_S + P_A = 100\% \rightarrow P_A = 100 - P_S \quad (2)$$

$P_S$  = total % of asphalt (by wt. of total mix)

$P_A$  = % of aggregate (by wt. of total mix)

$$\text{Effective } G_A = \frac{100 - P_S}{\frac{100}{G_m} - \frac{P_S}{G_s}} \quad (3)$$

Max Gm: max. theoretical sp. gr. of mix

Effective  $G_A$  : effective sp. gr. of mix

$$\text{Calculated max. Gm} = \frac{W}{V - V_a} = \frac{100}{\frac{P_s}{G_s} + \frac{100 - P_s}{\text{effective } G_A}} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Actual Gm} = \frac{W}{V} = \frac{W_{\text{air}}}{W_{\text{air}} - W_{\text{water}}} \quad (5)$$

$$\% \text{ air voids (in total mix)} = \frac{V_a}{V} * 100\% = \frac{\text{max. Gm} - \text{actual Gm}}{\text{max. Gm}} * 100\% \quad (6)$$

$$\% \text{ voids in mineral aggregate (V.M.A.\%)} = \frac{V_v}{V} * 100\% = 100 - \frac{\text{actual Gm} * P_A}{\text{bulk } G_A} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Absorbed asphalt (\% by wt. of agg.)} = P'_{s2} = \left[ \frac{1}{\text{bulk } G_A} - \frac{1}{\text{effective } G_A} \right] * G_s * 100\%$$

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$$\text{Effective asphalt (\% by wt. of total mix)} = P_{s1} = P_s - \frac{P'_{s2} * P_A}{100} = P_s - P_{s2}$$

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Where:  $P_{s2}$  = absorbed asphalt (% by wt. of total mix)

$$\% \text{ voids filled with asphalt} = \frac{\text{actual } G_m * P_{s1}}{\text{actual } G_m * P_{s1} + G_s * \% \text{ air voids}} * 100\%$$

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For surface course (wearing):

- % of asphalt (usually effective asphalt) = 4.5 – 6.5 % by wt. of total mix
- Stability at 60°C & 75 blows/end  $\geq 800$  kg
- Flow = 2 – 4 mm
- % air voids in total mix = 3 – 5 %
- % voids filled with asphalt = 70 – 85 %
- % voids in mineral aggregate V. M. A.% (min. =15%)
- Filler / Asphalt (max. = 1.4)
- Index of retained strength =  $\frac{\text{comp.st. (Immersion)}}{\text{comp.st. (Dry)}} * 100\% \geq 70\%$
- Relative compaction =  $\frac{\text{Field density}}{\text{Lab. density}} * 100\% \geq 96\%$

**Ex.:** To prepare asphalt mixture as surface course, it is found the following:

a) For aggregate:

Sieve size:	1"	No. 4	No. 200
% passing:	100	45	5

For course agg.  $G_s = 2.64$

For fine agg.  $G_s = 2.67$

For filler  $G_s = 3.10$

b) For asphalt (40-50)  $\rightarrow G_s = 1.04$

c) For asphalt concrete contains 5% asphalt  $\rightarrow \max. G_m = 2.49$

If the same above materials used to construct asphalt concrete layer with 5.7% asphalt. The core from layer has  $W_{air} = 1200\text{gm}$ , &  $W_{water} = 692\text{gm}$ . Check this layer?

**Sol.:** Check: % air voids (3-5), V.M.A. = min. 15,  
asphalt voids (70-85), effective asphalt (4.5-6.5)%

$$\% \text{ air voids (in total mix)} = \frac{V_a}{V} * 100\% = \frac{\text{max. Gm} - \text{actual Gm}}{\text{max. Gm}} * 100\%$$

$$\% \text{ voids in mineral aggregate (V.M.A.\%) = } \frac{V_v}{V} * 100\% = 100 - \frac{\text{actual Gm} * P_A}{\text{bulk } G_A}$$

$$\% \text{ voids filled with asphalt} = \frac{\text{actual Gm} * P_{S1}}{\text{actual Gm} * P_{S1} + G_s * \% \text{ air voids}} * 100\%$$

$$\text{Effective asphalt (\% by wt. of total mix)} = P_{S1} = P_S - \frac{P'_{S2} * P_A}{100} = P_S - P_{S2}$$

Bulk GA = يمكن حسابة

Ps = 5%

Max Gm = 2.49

Ps new = 5.7%

Wair = 1200gm

Wwater = 692gm

% air voids = ?

V.M.A. = ?

V.F.A. = ?

Ps1 = ?



$$\text{Bulk } G_A = \frac{100}{\frac{\% \text{course}}{G_s(\text{course})} + \frac{\% \text{fine}}{G_s(\text{file})} + \frac{\% \text{filler}}{G_s(\text{filler})}} = \frac{100}{\frac{55}{2.64} + \frac{40}{2.67} + \frac{5}{3.1}} = 2.672$$

$$\text{Effective } G_A = \frac{100 - P_s}{\frac{100}{G_m} - \frac{P_s}{G_s}} = \frac{100 - 5}{\frac{100}{2.49} - \frac{5}{1.04}} = 2.687 \text{ (مقدرا ثابت بتغير نسبة الاسفلت)}$$

For the layer with asphalt = 5.7%

$$\text{Actual } G_m = \frac{W}{V} = \frac{W_{\text{air}}}{W_{\text{air}} - W_{\text{water}}} = \frac{1200}{1200 - 692} = 2.362$$

$$\text{Calculated max. Gm} = \frac{W}{V - V_a} = \frac{100}{\frac{P_s}{G_s} + \frac{100 - P_s}{\text{effective } G_A}} = \frac{100}{\frac{5.7}{1.04} + \frac{100 - 5.7}{2.687}} = 2.464$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Absorbed asphalt (\% by wt. of agg.)} = P'_{s2} &= \left[ \frac{1}{\text{bulk } G_A} - \frac{1}{\text{effective } G_A} \right] * G_s * 100\% \\ &= \left[ \frac{1}{2.672} - \frac{1}{2.687} \right] * 1.04 * 100\% = 0.23\% \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{effective asphalt concrete} = P_{s1} = 5.7 - \frac{0.23 * 94.3}{100} = 5.48\% (4.5-6.5)\% \therefore \text{OK}$$

$$\% \text{ V. M. A.} = 100 - \frac{2.362 * 94.3}{2.672} = 16.6\% \geq 15\% \therefore \text{OK}$$

$$\% \text{ air voids} = \frac{2.464 - 2.362}{2.464} * 100\% = 4.1\% (3 - 5)\% \therefore \text{OK}$$

% voids filled with asphalt

$$= \frac{2.362 * 5.48}{2.362 * 5.48 + 1.04 * 4.1} * 100\% = 75.2\% (70 - 85)\% \therefore \text{OK}$$