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*GUIDELINE ON IN SITU
RECYCLING WITH CEMENT*

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GUIDELINE ON IN SITU RECYCLING WITH CEMENT

- *Introduction*
- *Preliminary studies*
- *Properties of cement bound recycled materials*
- *Mix design*
- *Thickness design*
- *Machinery for recycling*
- *Execution of the work*
- *Quality control*
- *Cost analysis*



INTRODUCTION

- *Common part on pavement recycling*
 - *Definition*
 - *Historical development*
 - *Objectives*
 - *Types*
 - *Advantages and limitations of in situ recycling*
- *Particular features of in situ recycling with cement*



CEMENT RECYCLING

- *Purpose:*

Transforming a degraded and heterogeneous pavement into

a consistent and more homogeneous structure, adequate to actual traffic,

by milling, mixing with a hydraulic binder and compaction



PARTICULAR FEATURES OF IN SITU RECYCLING WITH CEMENT

- *Deep treatment (20 - 35 cm):*
 - *substantial increase of bearing capacity*
 - *great decrease of*
 - *pavement deflections*
 - *subgrade strains and stresses*
 - *correction of deformed pavements (ruts)*
- *Shrinkage cracking → joints
(precracking)*

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

- *Antecedent → retread process (U. K.)*
- *Development since middle of 80s:*
 - *better knowledge of cement treated materials*
 - *more powerful and reliable equipment*
 - *increasing ecological concern*



IN SITU RECYCLING WITH CEMENT

The Spanish experience

- *First work: 1991
(non - Spanish contractor)*
- *First recycling equipment: 1996*
- *Currently: 22 recyclers*

PRELIMINARY STUDIES

- *Examination of the existing road*
- *Core sampling*
- *Characterization of the materials
(grading, plasticity, moisture content,
setting inhibitors)*
- *Drainage and climate*
- *Traffic*
- *Widening works*



MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF CEMENT RECYCLED MATERIALS

- *Compressive strength*
- *Modulus of elasticity*



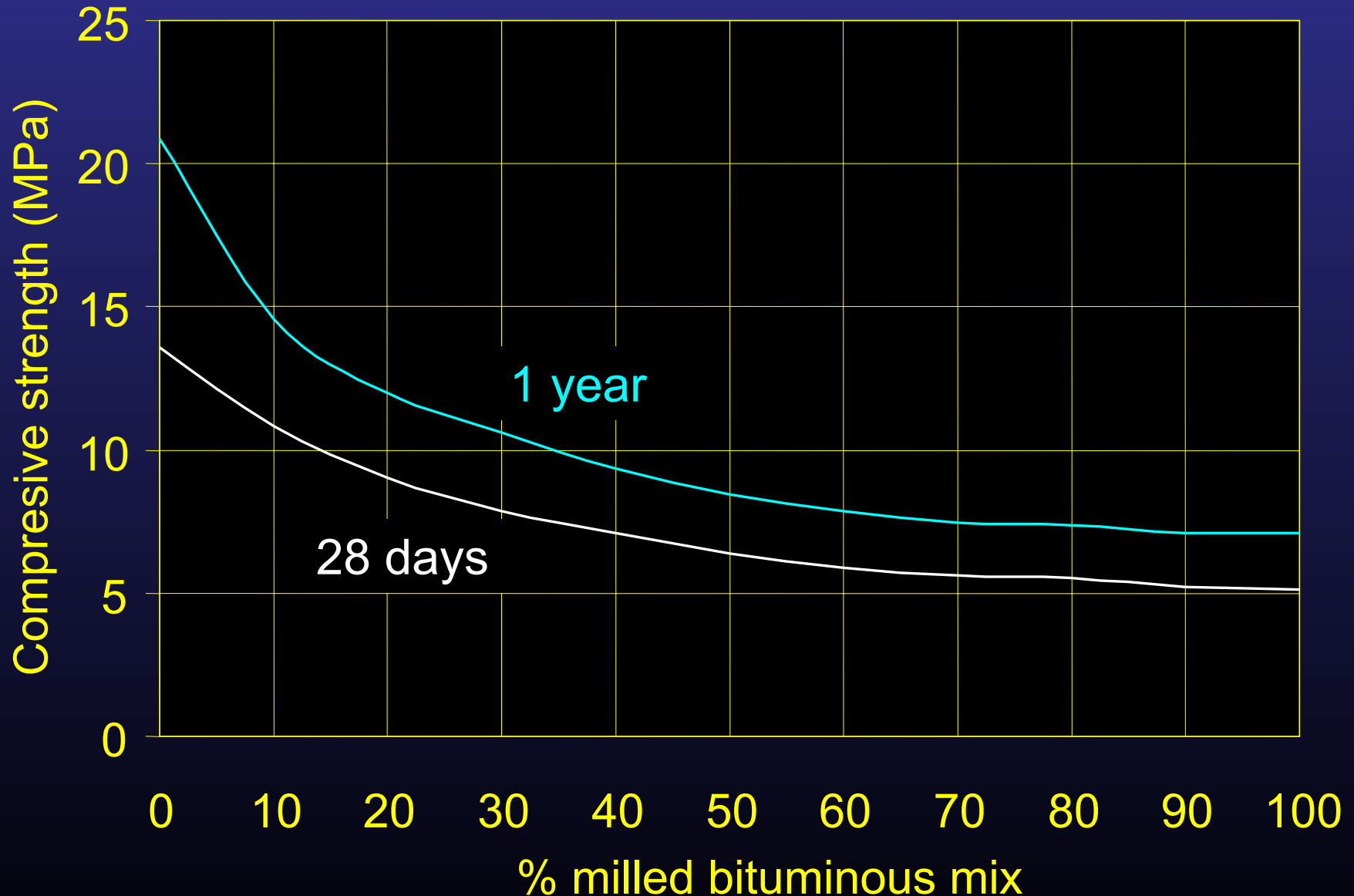
CEMENT RECYCLED MATERIALS

Strength

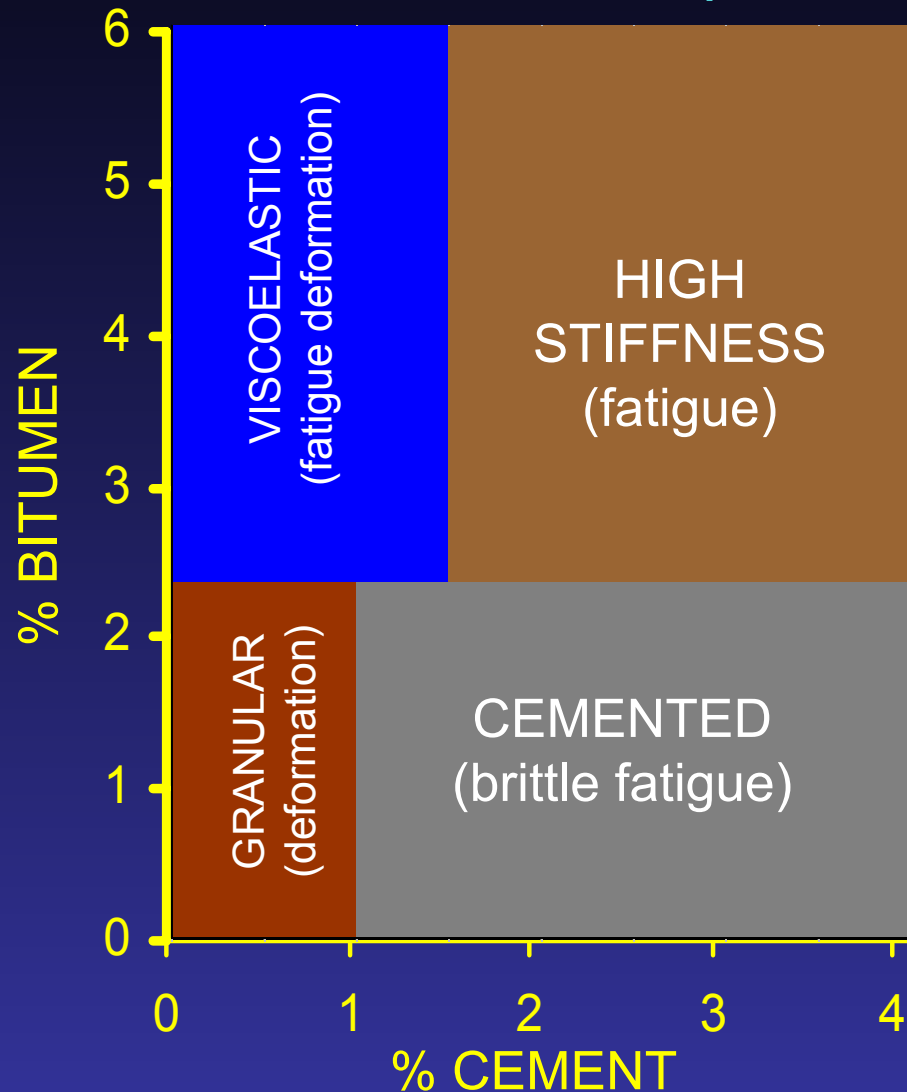
- *Factors:*
 - *cement content*
 - *existing materials (quality of aggregates, clay, % bituminous mix)*
 - *effectiveness of milling and mixing processes*
 - *moisture*
 - *dry density after compaction*
 - *age*



Influence of content of milled bituminous mix on compressive strength



COMBINED RECYCLING (CEMENT - EMULSION)



MIX DESIGN

- *Similar to other cement treated materials*
 - *water content by misture – density tests*
 - *cement content by compressive strength*
- *Difficulties*
 - *grading after milling*
 - *properties dependent on recycled thickness*
- *Types of cement*
- *Workability time*

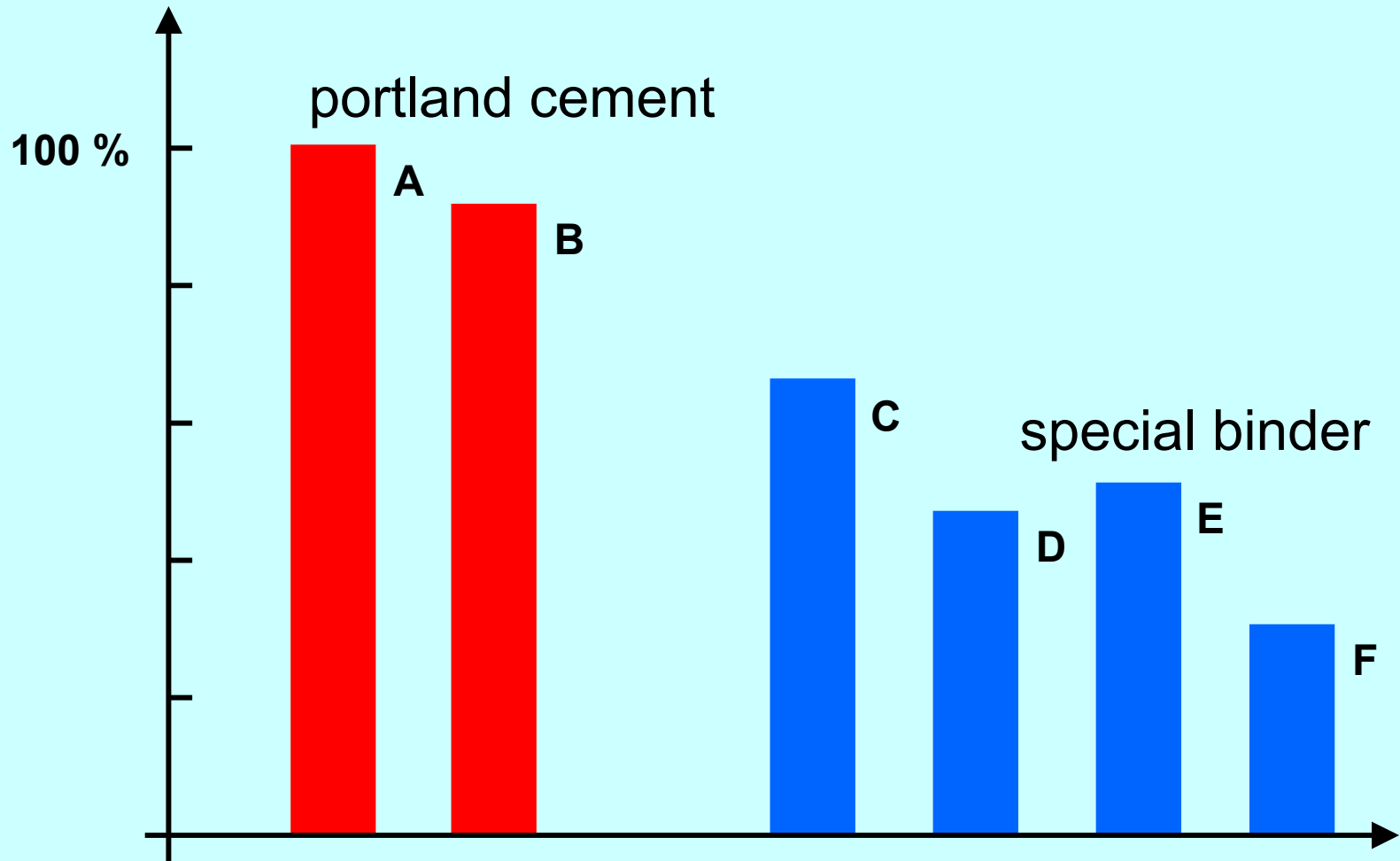


CEMENTS

- *Desirable characteristics:*
 - *high active addition content*
 - *low - medium strength*
 - *slow strength development at early ages*
- *Preferred cements:*
 - *CEM IV, CEM II (EN 197-1 Standard)*
 - *hydraulic road binders (EN 13282 Standard)*



PAH polycyclic hydro-carbons in leachate
tar-bearing material stabilized with 5 %



CEMENT - RECYCLED MATERIALS

Cement content

- *The minimum to obtain the required strength
(2.5 MPa at 7 days; 4 - 6%)*
- *Use “aggregates” with expected grading after milling
(+ grading corrector, if needed)*
- *Specimens compacted at required density
(modified Proctor compacting device)*



THICKNESS DESIGN

- *Information to use existing methods*
 - *multilayer models (E , ν)*
 - *Structural coefficients (AASHTO)*
- *Catalogues of pavement sections (Spain)*
Design curves (UK)



MACHINERY FOR RECYCLING

- *First phase: specific machines*
 - *cement distributors (powder, slurry)*
 - *recyclers (milling and/or mixing machines)*
- *Second phase: similar to other cement-treated layers*
 - *[equipment for precracking]*
 - *rollers*
 - *graders*
 - *emulsion tankers*



CEMENT SPREADERS

- *Spreaders for powdered cement
(self-propelled, towed, coupled)*
- *Slurry feeders
(cement hopper + water tank +
slurry mixers + pump)*
- *New developments
(direct injection of powdered
cement ...)*

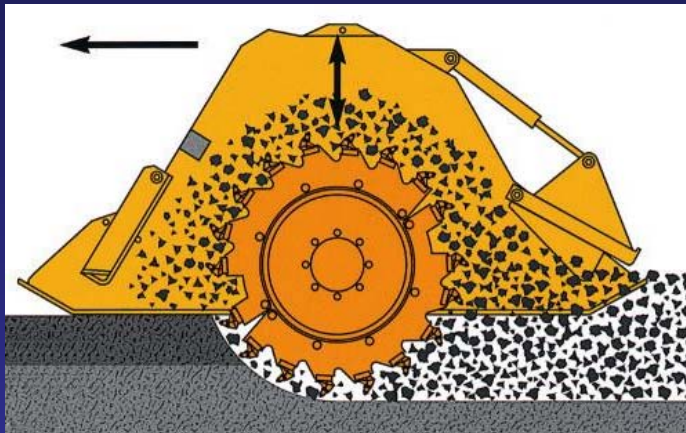
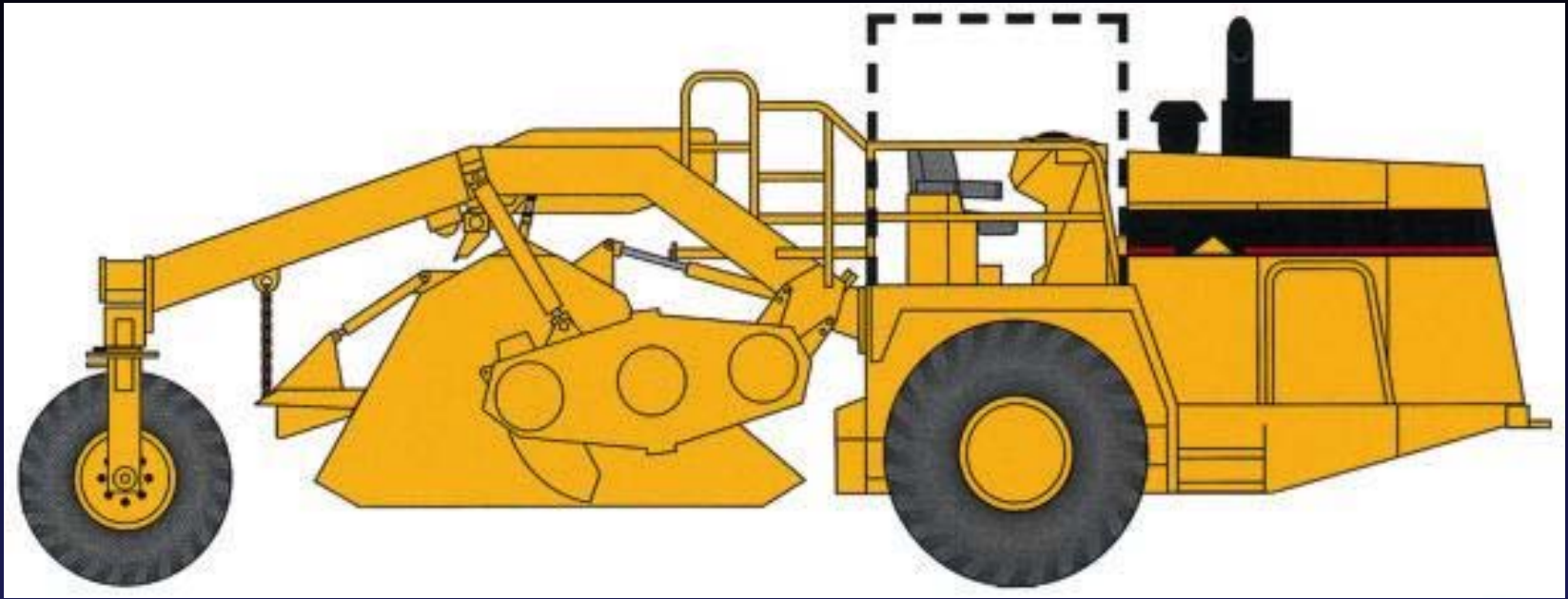




RECYCLERS

- *Stabilizers / recyclers*
- *Modified machines for pavement milling*
- *Double drum machines
(milling drum + mixing drum)*
- *Mixing machines of previously
milled material*
- *Recycling machines with
milling drum, crusher and mixing drum*





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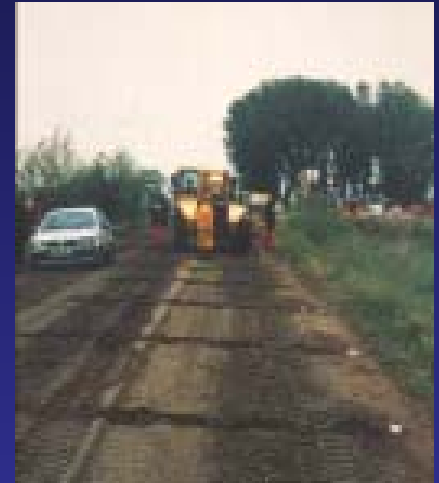


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FRESH - MADE JOINTS

Equipment

- *Notches < 1/3 recycled depth (hand – guided or self - propelled)*
 - *vibrating plate with welded blade*
 - *vibrating roller with cutting flange or cutting disk*
- *Notches taking in most of recycled depth (self- propelled)*
 - *emulsion (CRAFT)*
 - *flexible plastic ribbon (Olivia)*
 - *rigid plastic profile (Active Joint)*





EXECUTION OF THE WORKS

- *Application of [imported aggregate and] binder*
- *Addition of water*
- *Milling and mixing*
- *[Precracking]*
- *Compaction*
- *Trimming*
- *Curing and protection seal*
- *Asphalt surfacing*





COMPACTION

- *Compact as soon as possible*
 - *avoid moisture losses (and increases)*
 - *not after end of workability period*
(bonding between recycling strips)
- *Future pavement performance heavily dependent on adequate compaction*
(100 - 97 % Modified Proctor)
- *Use suitable equipment (test section)*





TRIMMING

- *To eliminate surplus material
To correct surface evenness*
- *Only remove
Do not fill depressions with loose material*
- *Take into account trimming
–to estimate recycling depth(
1 - 2 cm more)
–for workability period*



CURING AND OPENING TO TRAFFIC

- *Usually bituminous emulsion*
- *Spread chippings if traffic is allowed on top of recycled layer*
- *Opening to traffic after emulsion breakdown (some hours)*
- *Take measures (speed limitations) to avoid distresses*
- *Bituminous layers*





QUALITY CONTROL

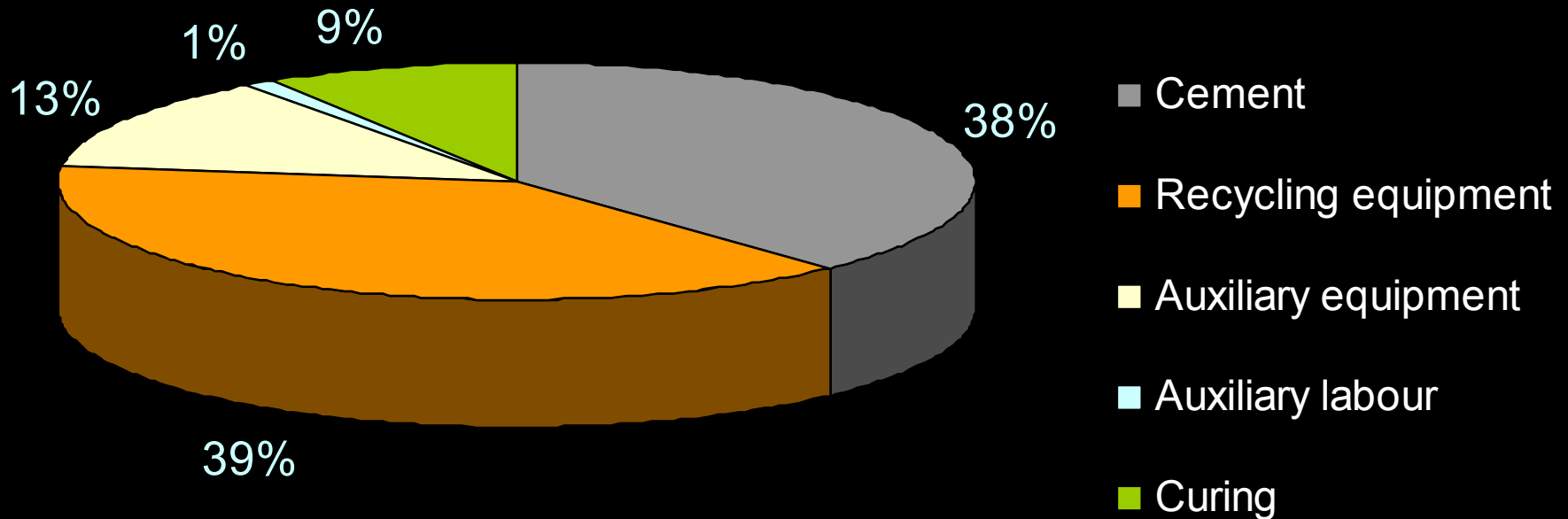
- *Controls during construction*
- *Controls after construction*



FACTORS INFLUENCING COSTS

- *Size of the work:*
 - *thickness*
 - *total area*
(mobilisation of equipment)
 - *shape (regular, irregular)*
- *Characteristics of existing pavement*
- *Recycling equipment*
- *Cement content*
(cost, output)

COST SPLITTING



5 to 15% less expensive than overlay or reconstruction

CEMENT RECYCLING vs OVERLAY

Factors to be considered

- *Total costs of construction*
- *Expected results from recycled material (strength ...)*
- *Final quality of new pavement (adequacy to present and future traffic)*
- *Availability of local materials*
- *Bridge clearance, side accesses ...*

SUMMARY

- *Cement recycled pavements:*
 - *less homogeneous than new ones*
 - *much more homogeneous than existing ones needing to be rehabilitated*
- *Economical and reliable option*
- *Extensive experience in many countries*

SUMMARY

- *Satisfactory results if*
 - *recycled thickness 20 - 35 cm*
 - *distresses: from pavement
not from subgrade*
 - *target compressive strength > 2.5 MPa*
- *Cement recycled materials similar to soilcement or cement treated bases
(used for all traffic classes)*

SUMMARY

- *All types of cement can be used*
- *Existing bituminous materials can be recycled with cement
($< 1/3$ of total treated thickness)*
- *Precracking (joints) always advisable
When really necessary?*
- *Specifications and/or design methods
available in several countries*

CONCLUSION

In situ recycling with cement should always be considered for the rehabilitation of fatigued pavements