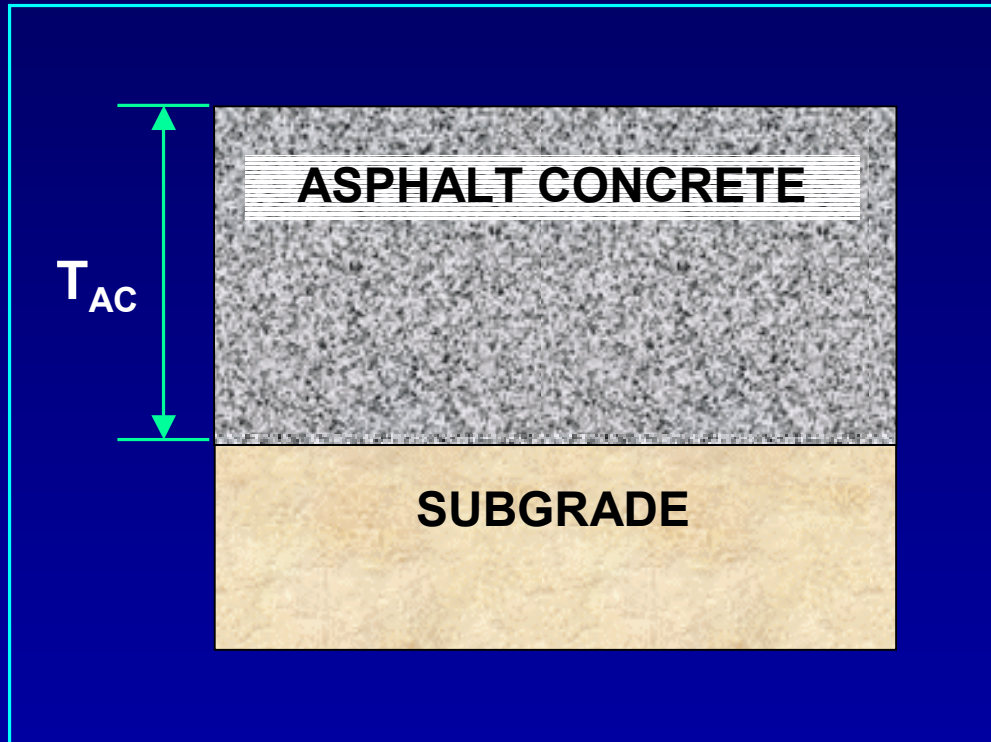


# ***STRUCTURAL DESIGN OF LONG-LIFE ASPHALT PAVEMENTS***

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## DESIGN

- AC FATIGUE
- AC RUTTING
- SUBGRADE RUTTING

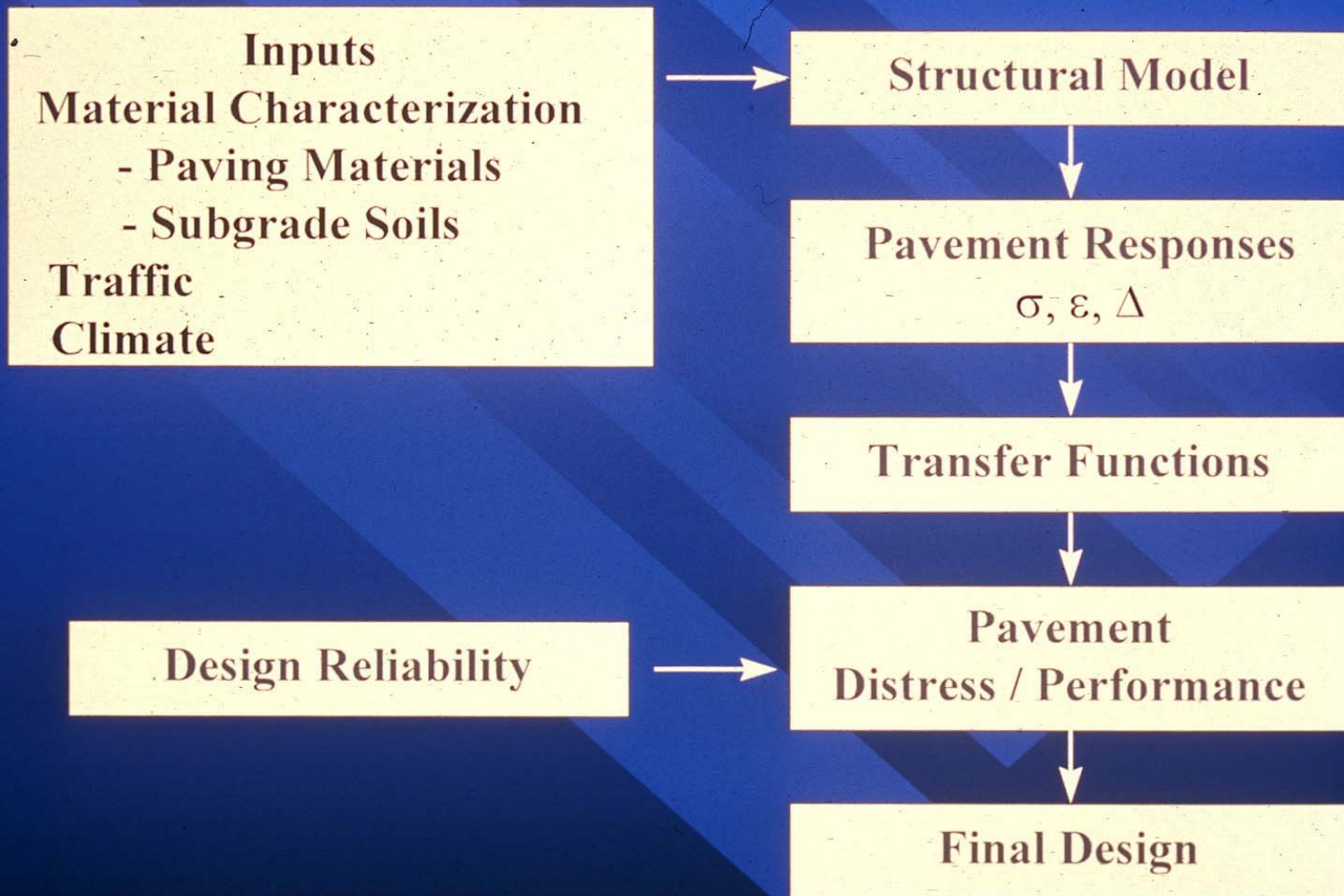
# PHILOSOPHY

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- \* MILL & FILL REHAB

-RUTTING

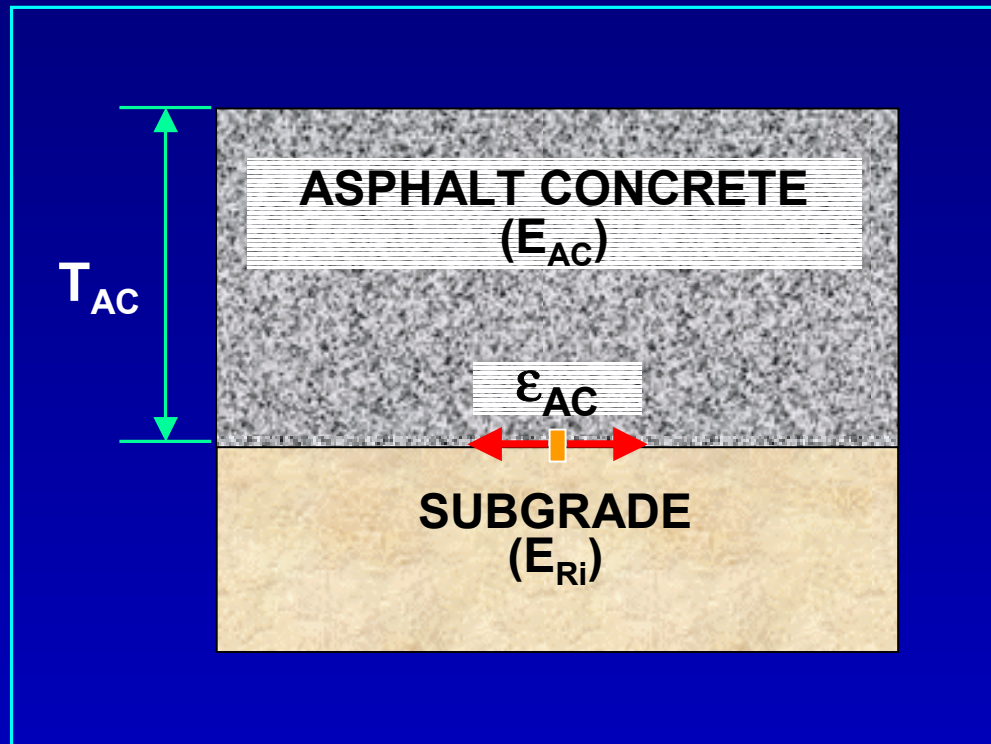
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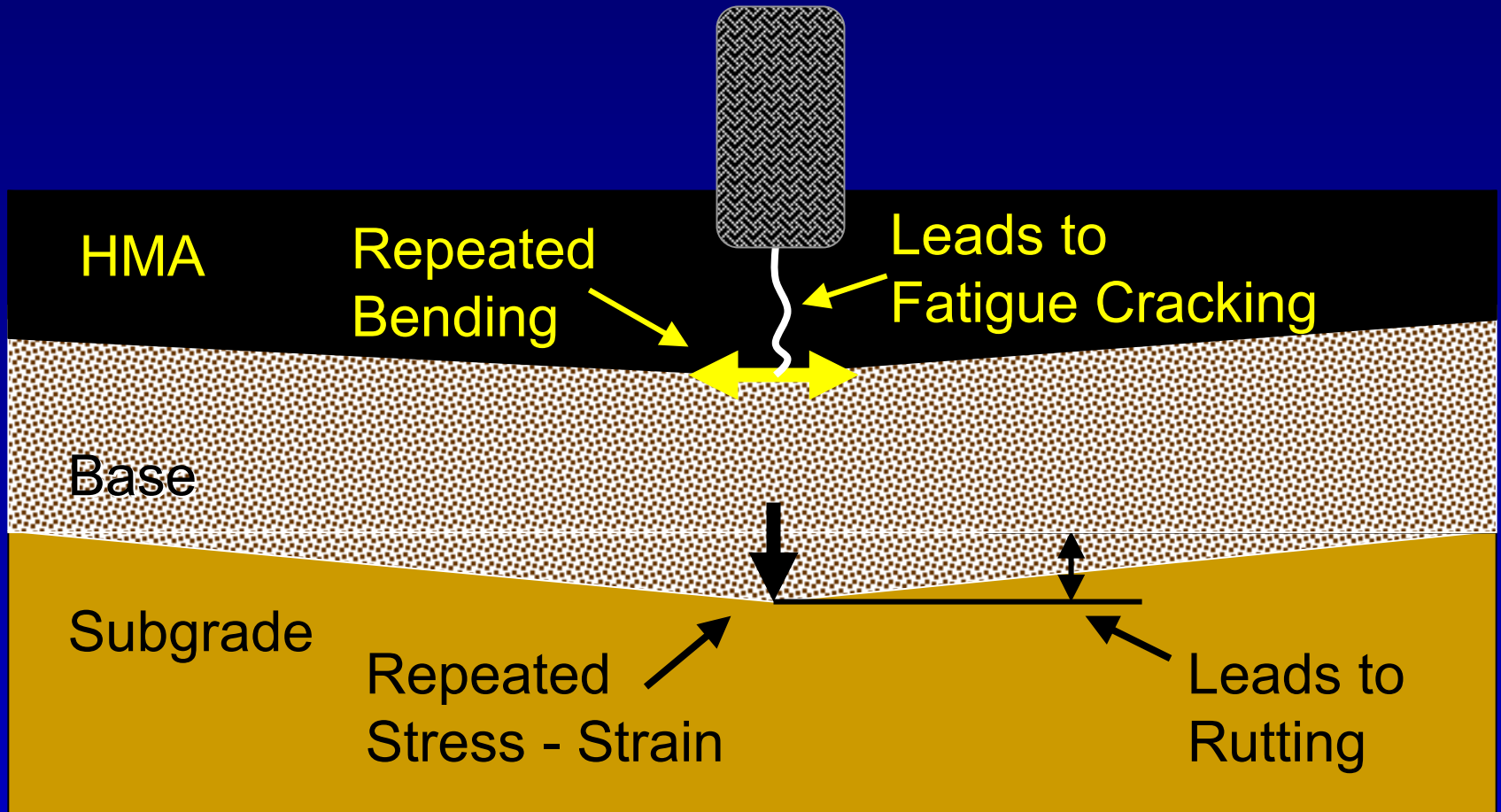


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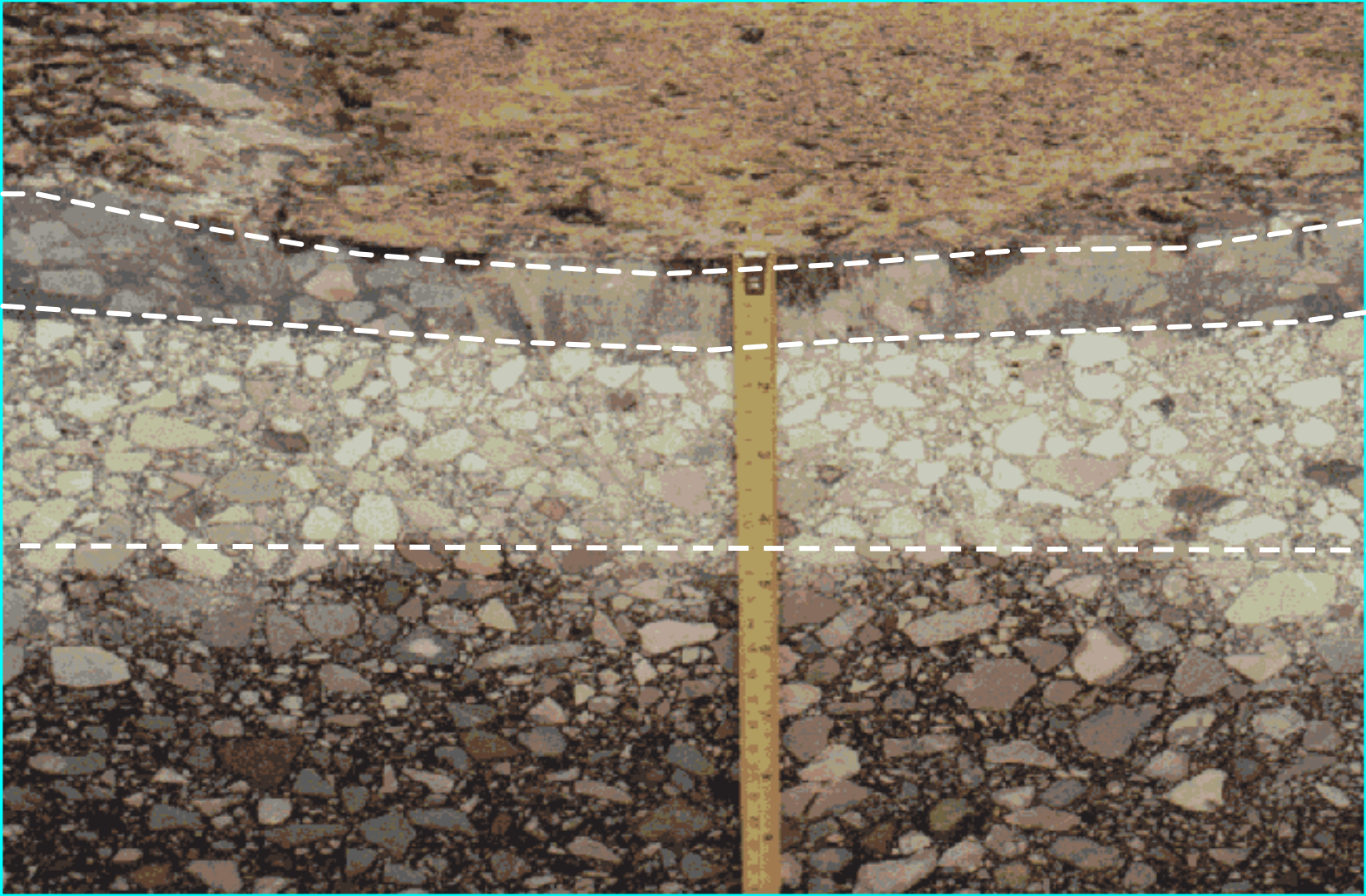
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# EXTENDED LIFE HMA DESIGN CONCEPTS

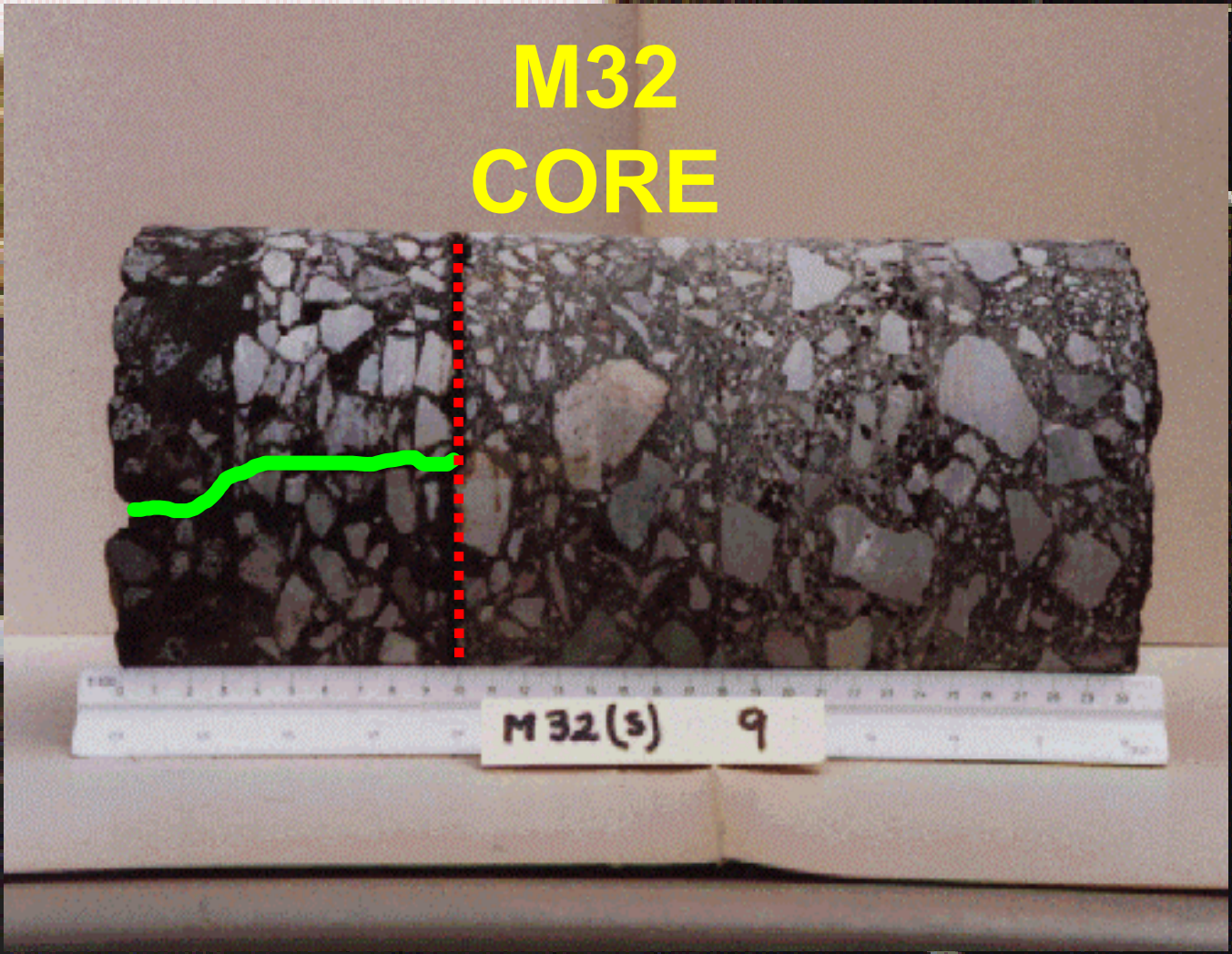


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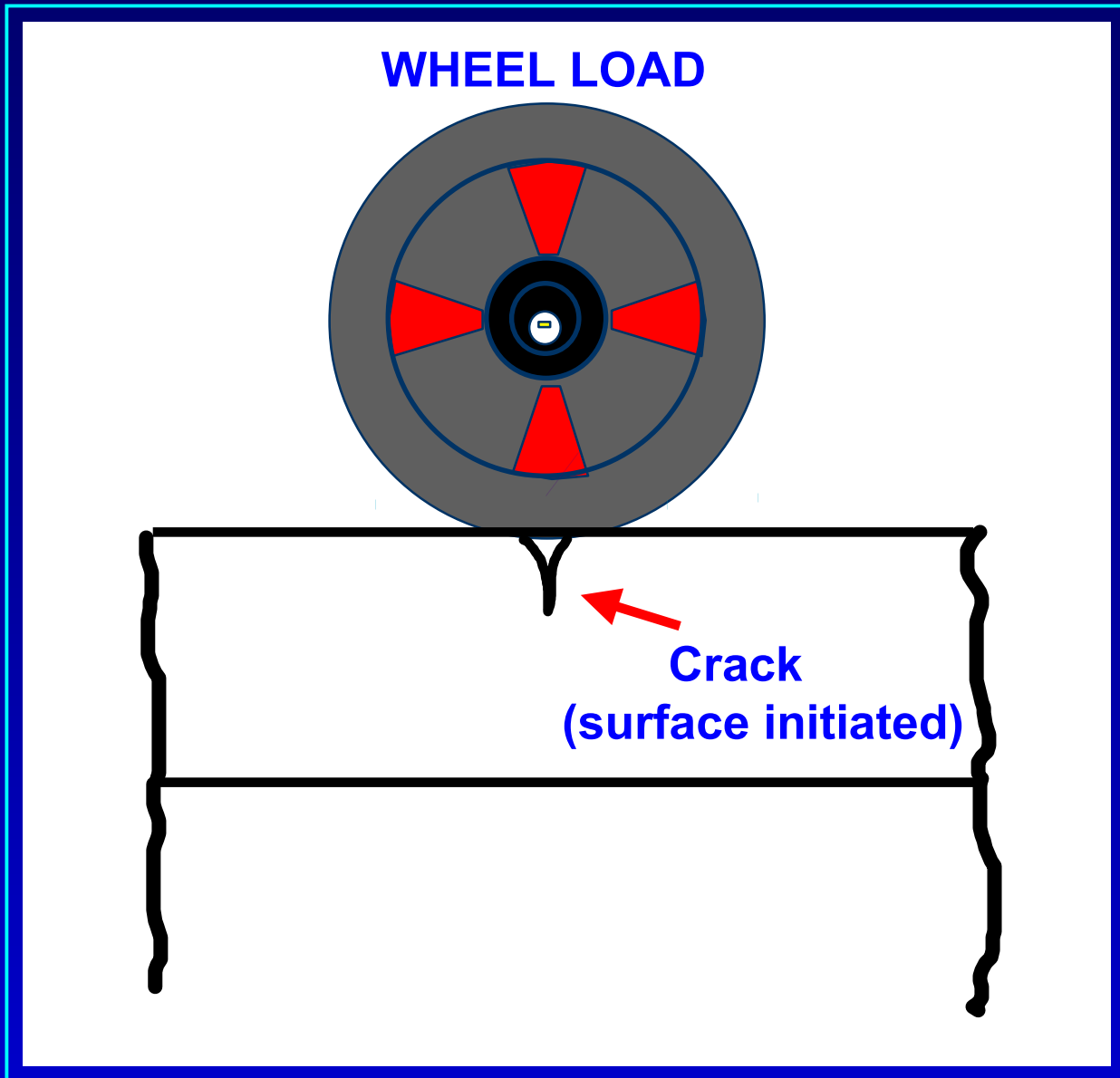


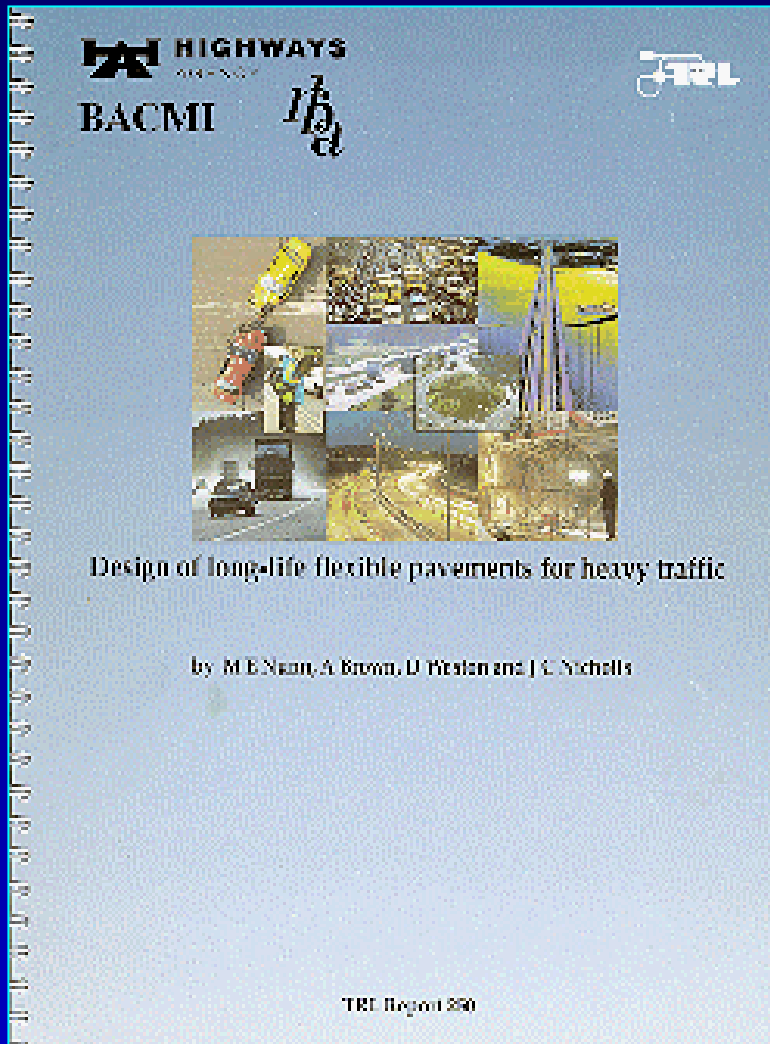




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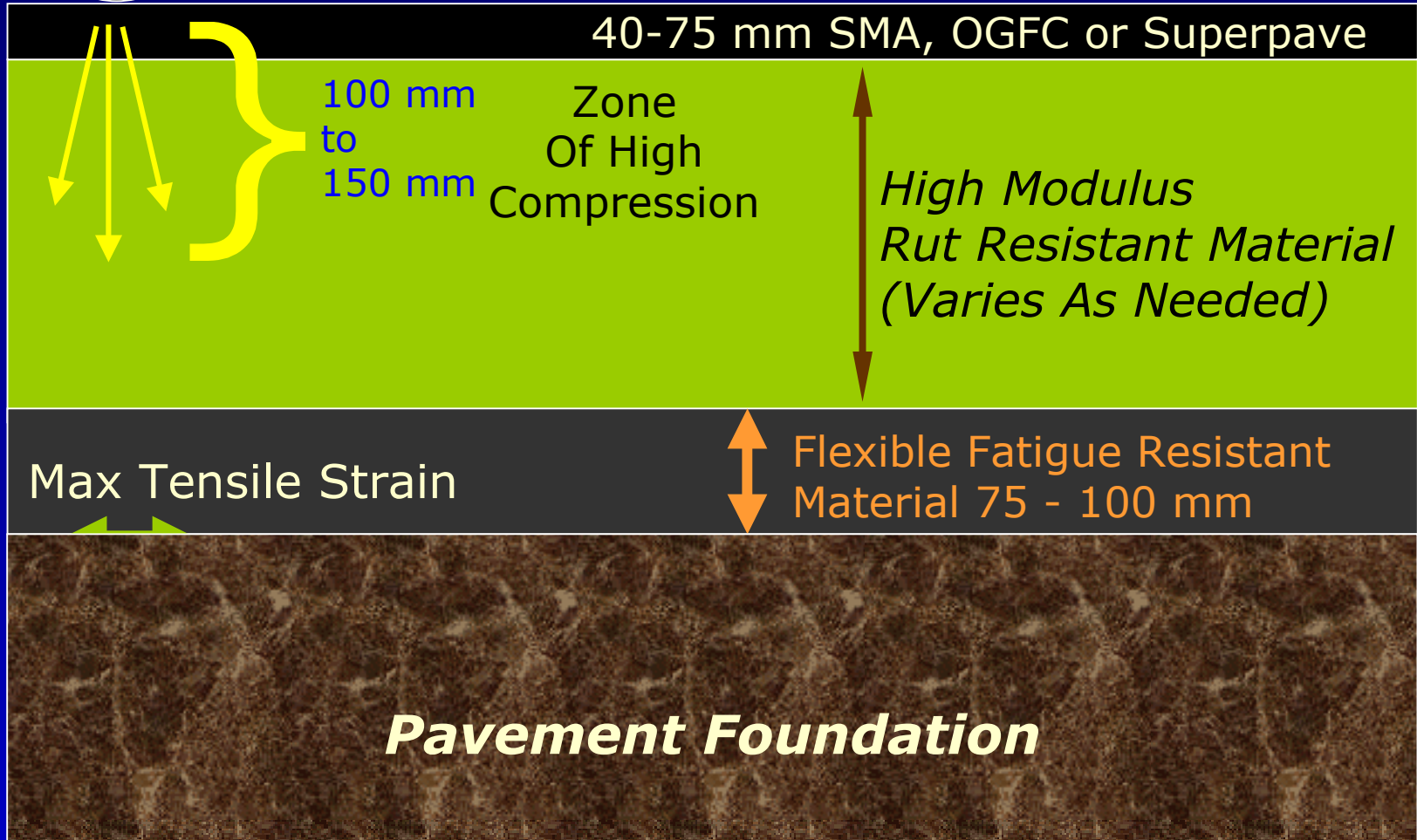
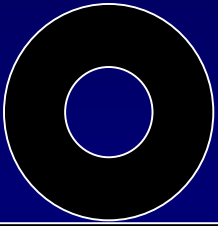




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Design of Long-Life Flexible  
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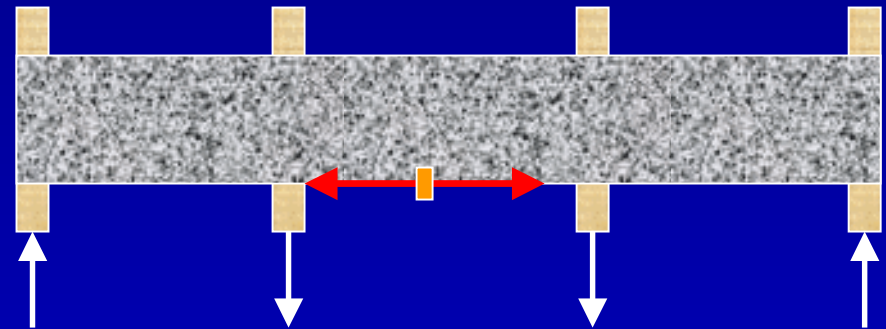
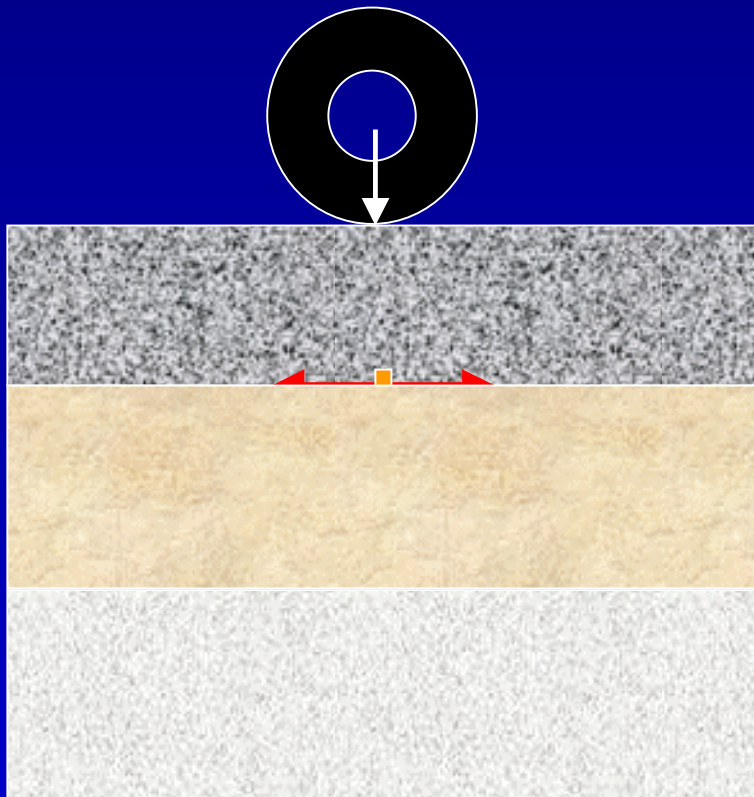


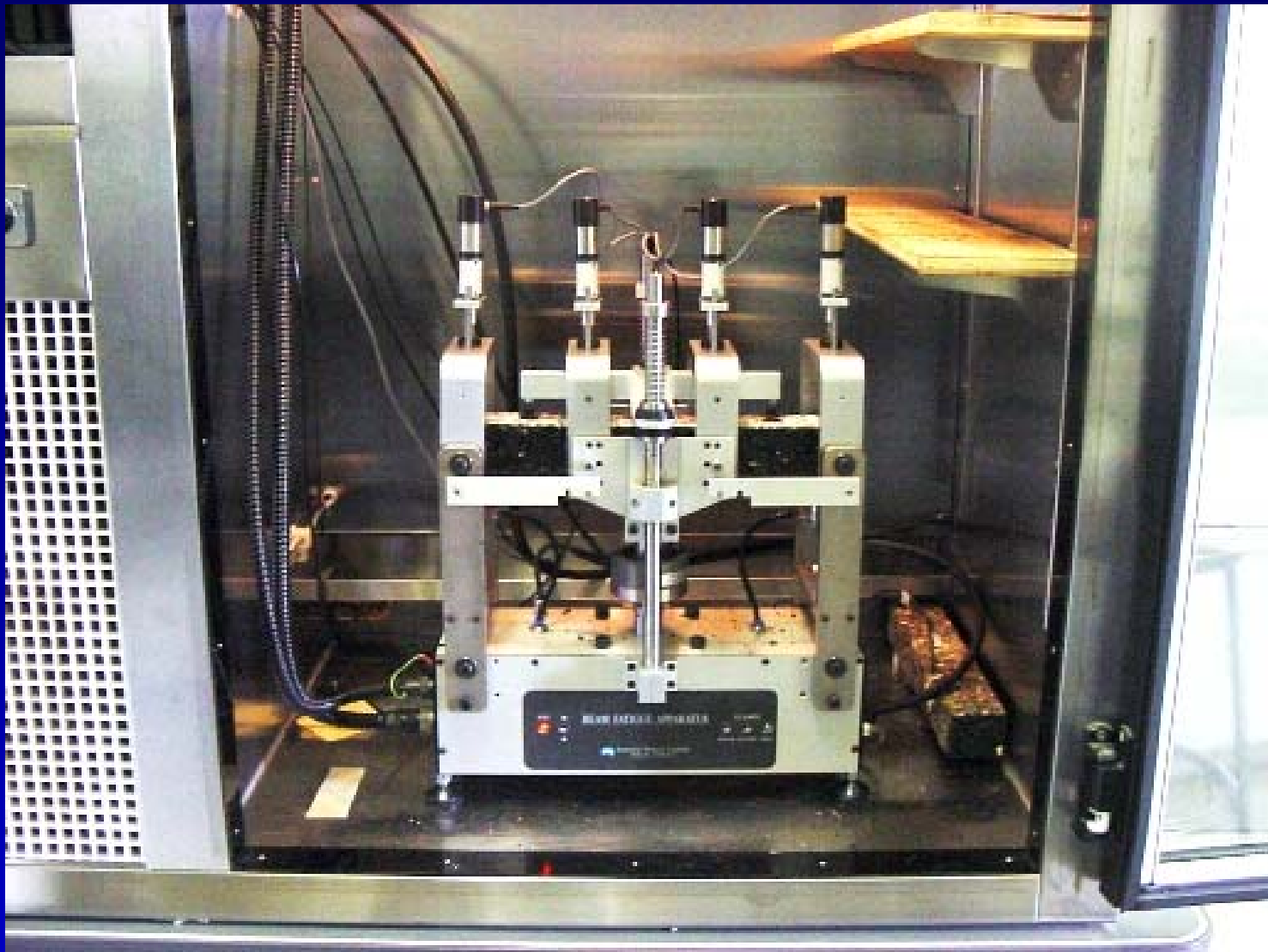
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**Standard Test Method for Determination  
of the Fatigue Life of Compacted HMA  
Subjected to Repeated Flexural Bending**

# FATIGUE DESIGN

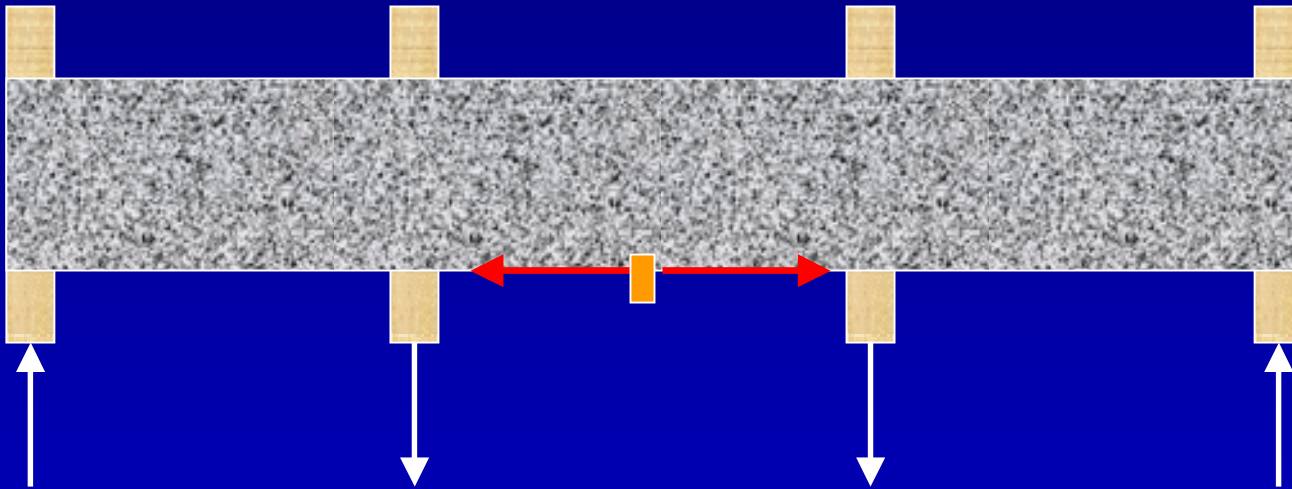
- Tensile Strain at Bottom of Asphalt
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# FATIGUE TESTING

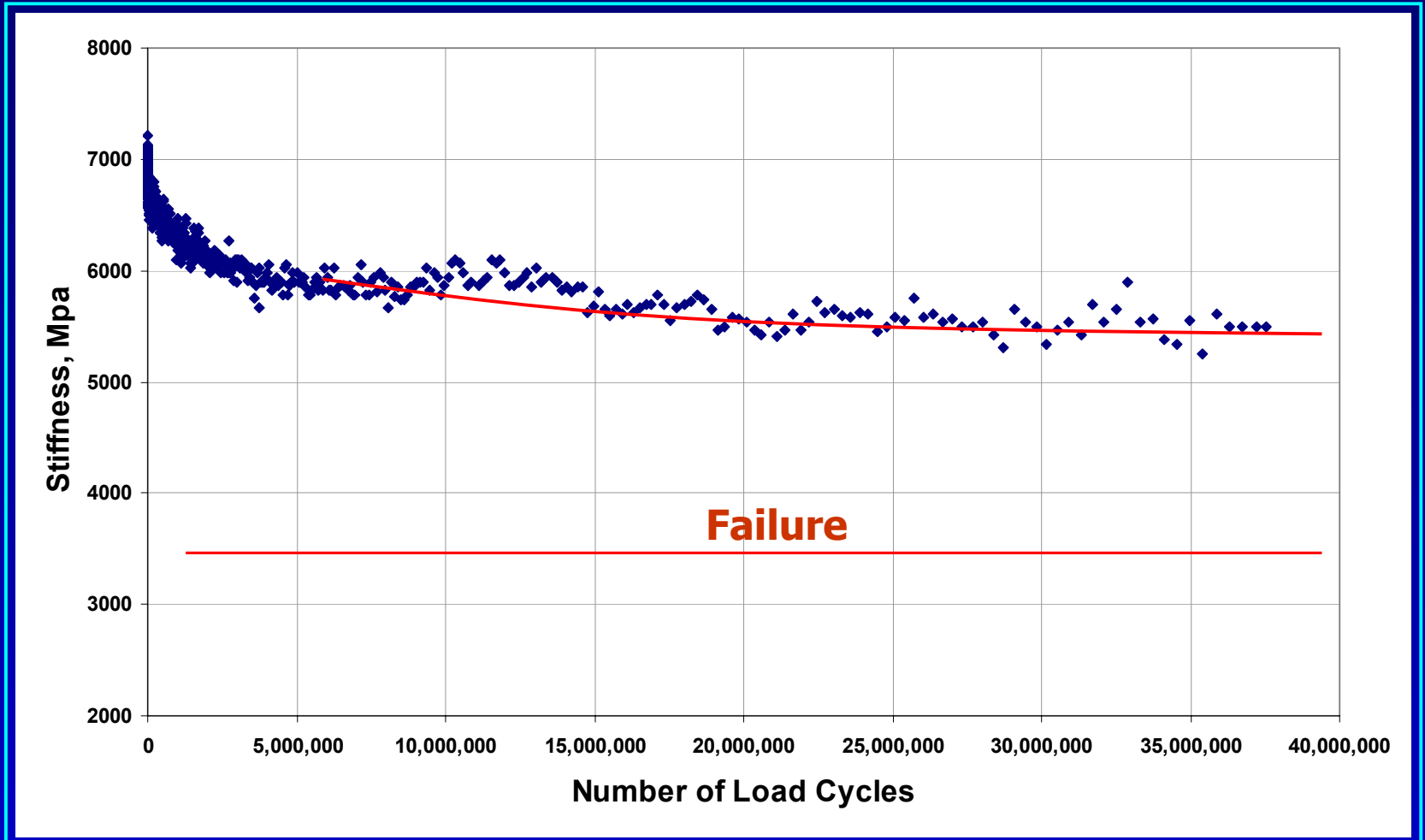
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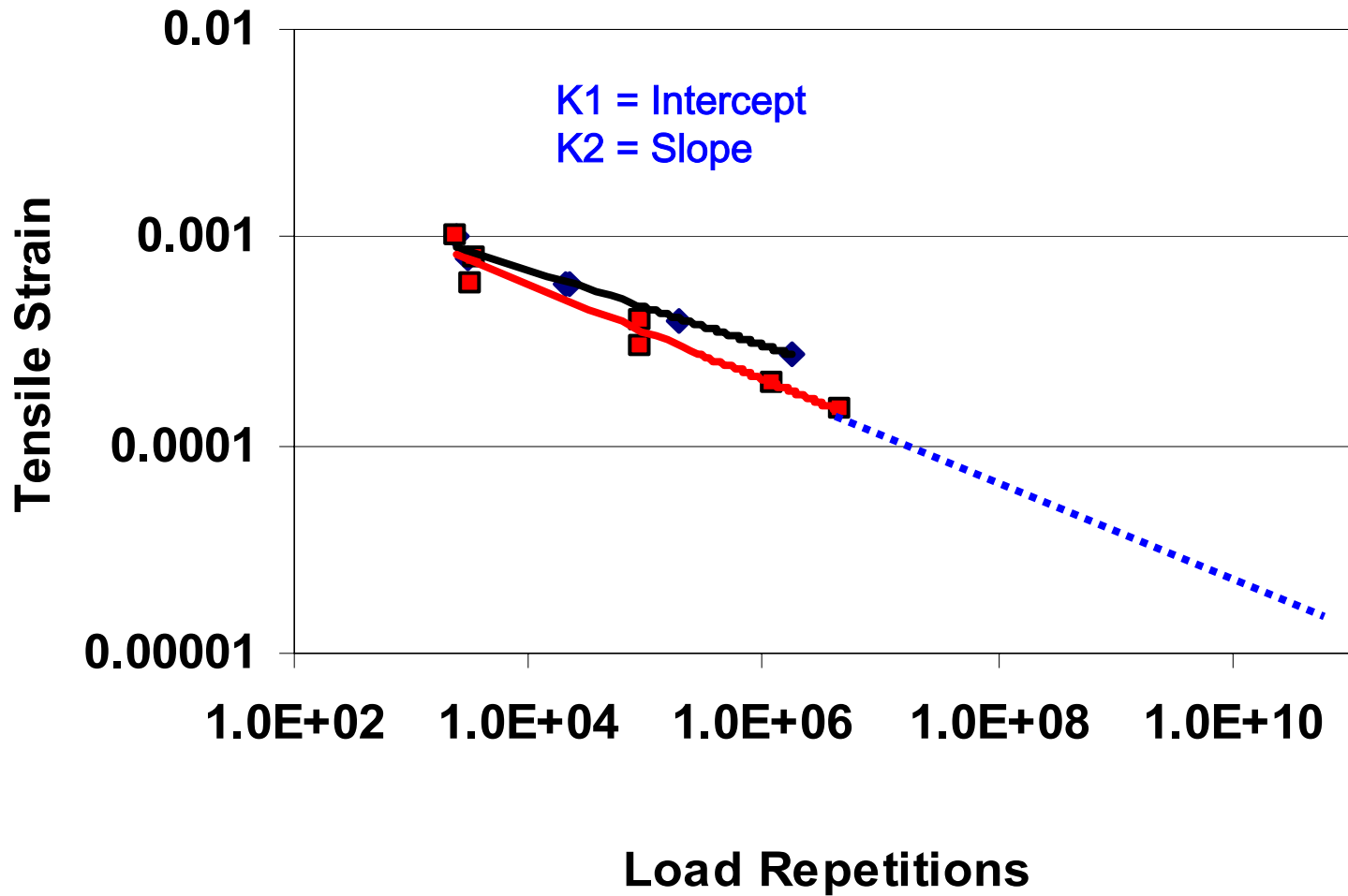
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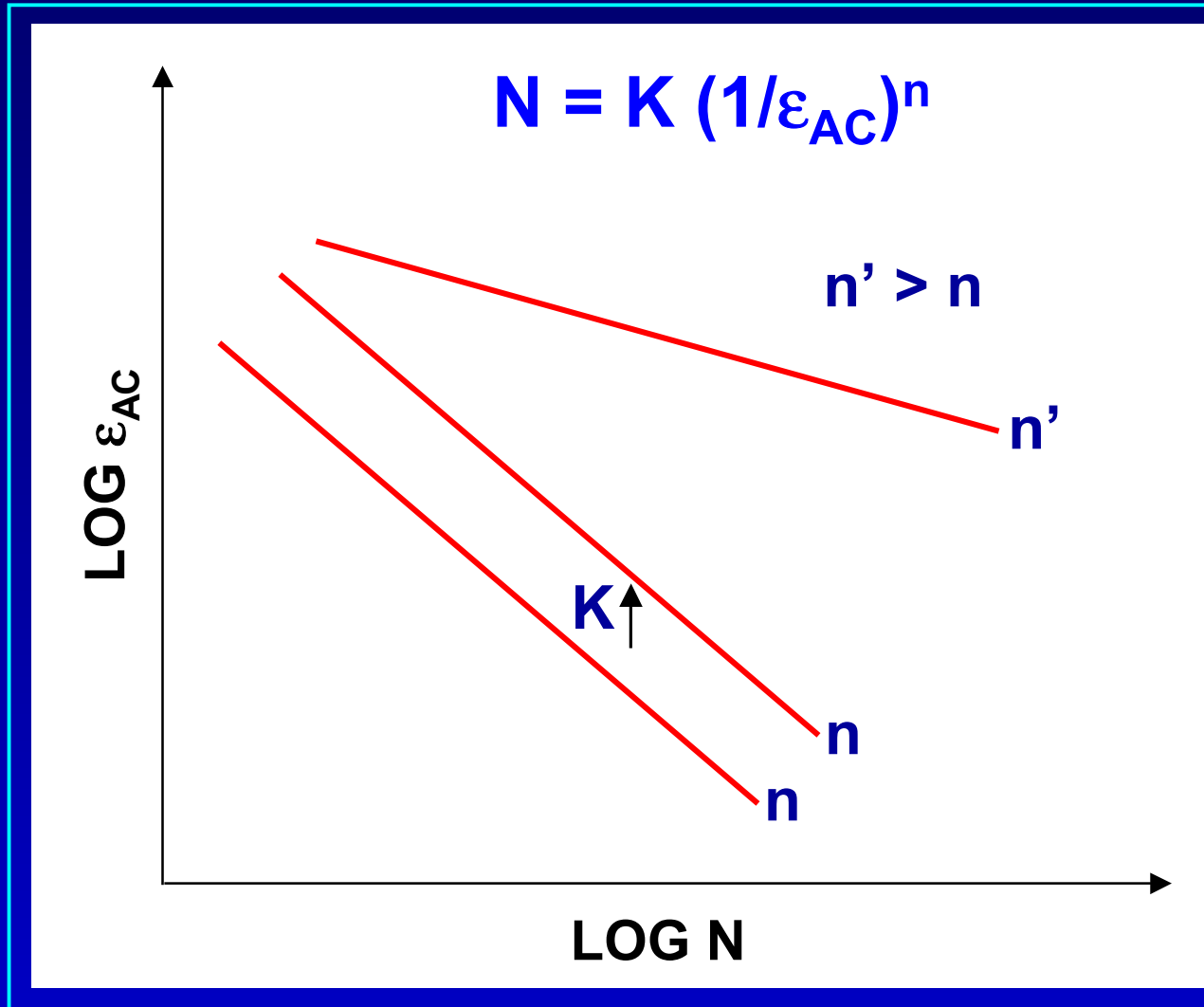
# STIFFNESS CURVE



# LABORATORY ALGORITHM



# AC FATIGUE



# FATIGUE ALGORITHM

- $N_f = K1(1/\epsilon)^{K2}$
- $N_f = K(\epsilon)^a (E^*)^b$
- **2002 Guide Will Have an Algorithm**

# HMA FATIGUE

$$N = K (1 / \varepsilon_{AC})^n$$

**n : 3.5 - 6**

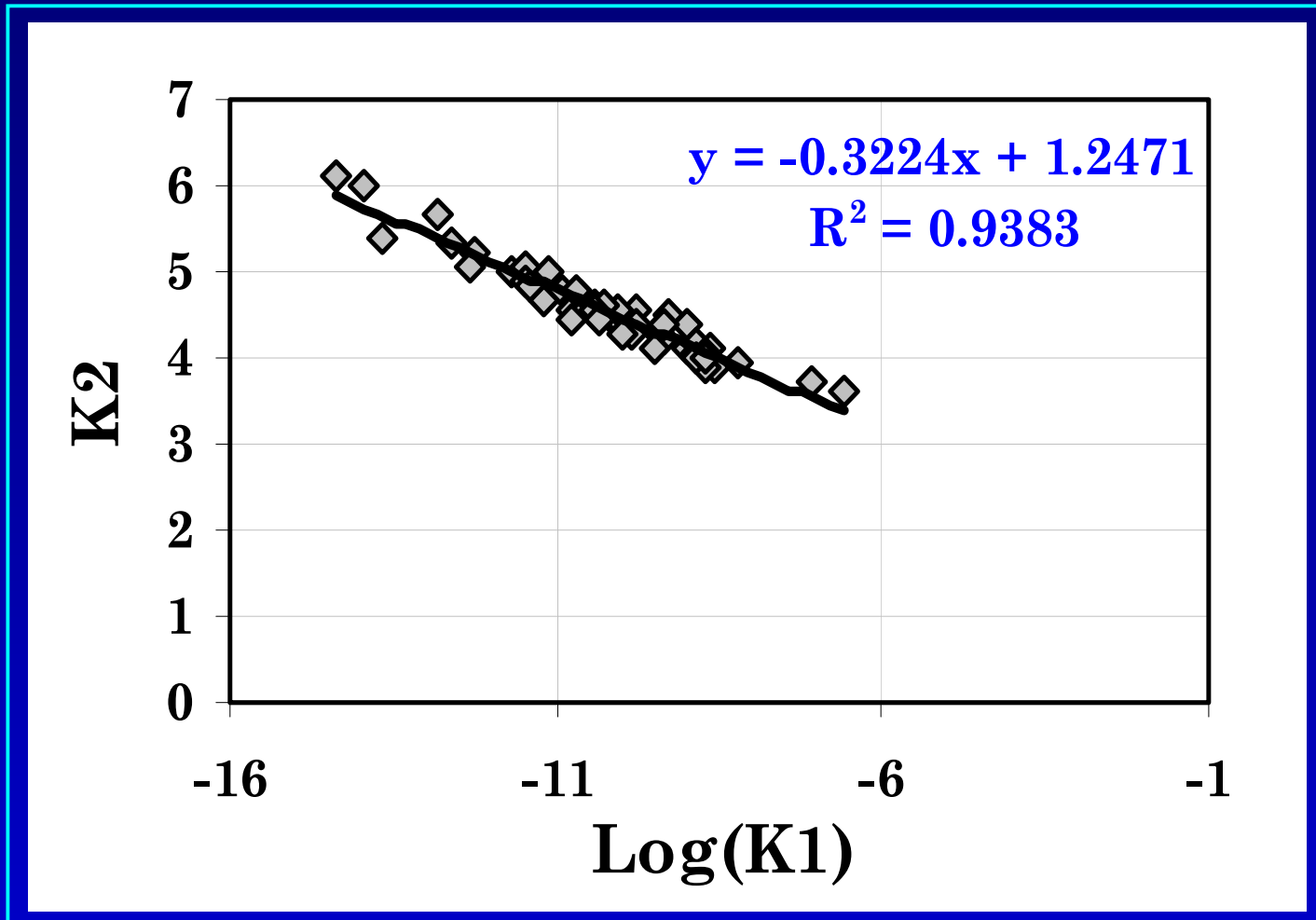
**2003 TRB PAPERS**  
**Ghuzlan - Carpenter – Shen**  
**University of IL @ U-C**

- **Traditional Fatigue Analysis of Asphalt Concrete Mixtures**
- **A Fatigue Endurance Limit for Highway and Airport Pavements**

# MATERIALS – 84 MIXES

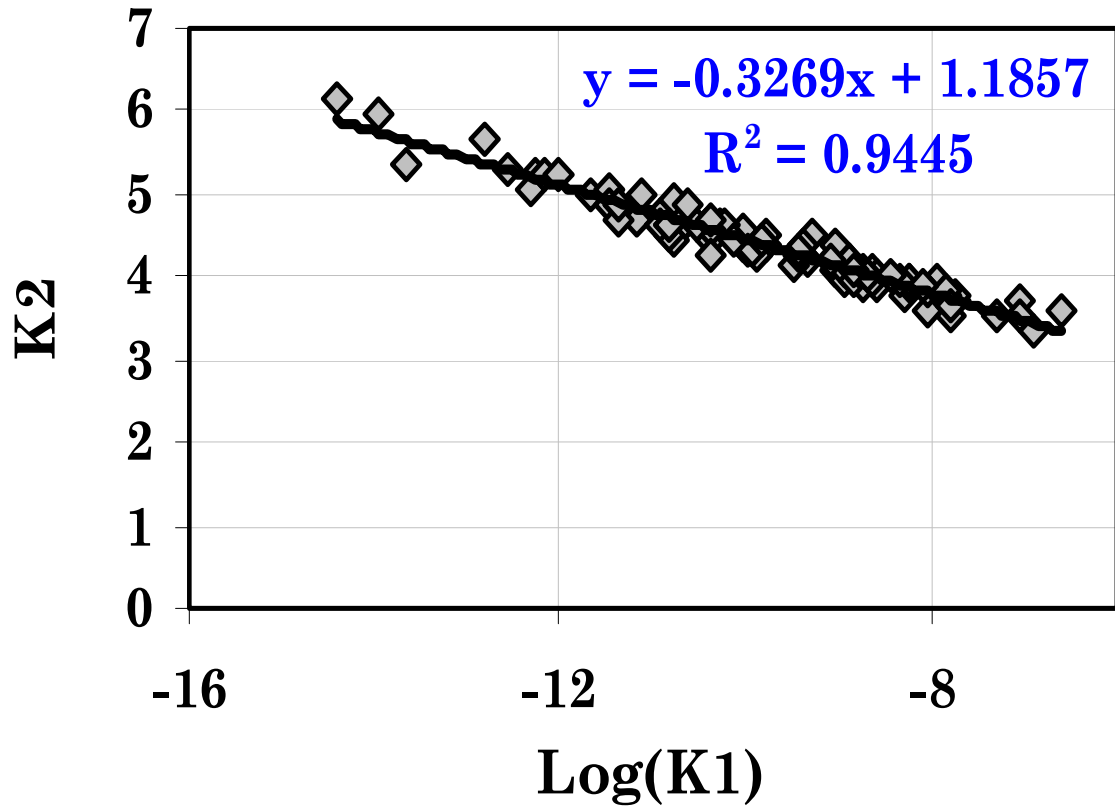
- **Illinois DOT**
  - 25 mixes, 19, 12.5, 9.5 mm NMS
  - Production Samples
- **Aggregate Interlock**
  - Gradation Control, One Aggregate
- **Dubai, U.A.E.**
  - 4 Asphalts, 2 Aggregates, 8 gradations
- **Various Others**

# ILLINOIS DOT

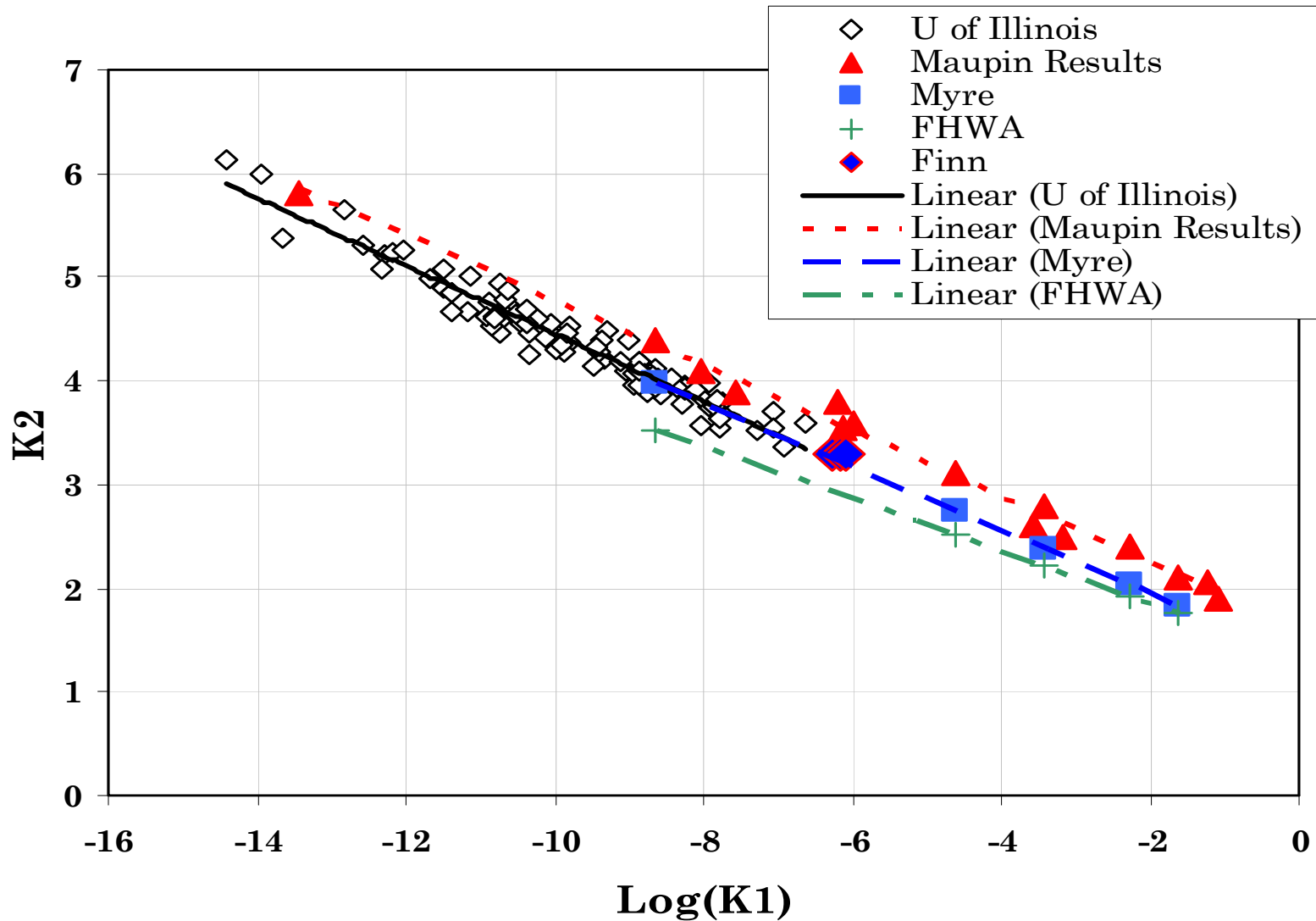




# ALL MIXTURES



# OTHER STUDIES



# **K – n RELATIONS**

- **Myre / Norway NTH (1992)**  
**LOG K = (1.332 – n) / 0.306**
  
- **U of IL**  
**Ghuzlan & Carpenter (2001)**  
**LOG K = (1.186 – n) / 0.327**

# MAUPIN WORK

- **Constant Strain Conditions**
  - Different Failure Assumptions
  - One-Third Modulus Reduction
- **$K_2 = 0.0374 \sigma_{IT} - 0.744$**
- **Calculate  $K_1$** 
  - $\sigma_{IT}$  = Indirect Tensile Strength (psi) @ 72°F
  - Marshall Samples

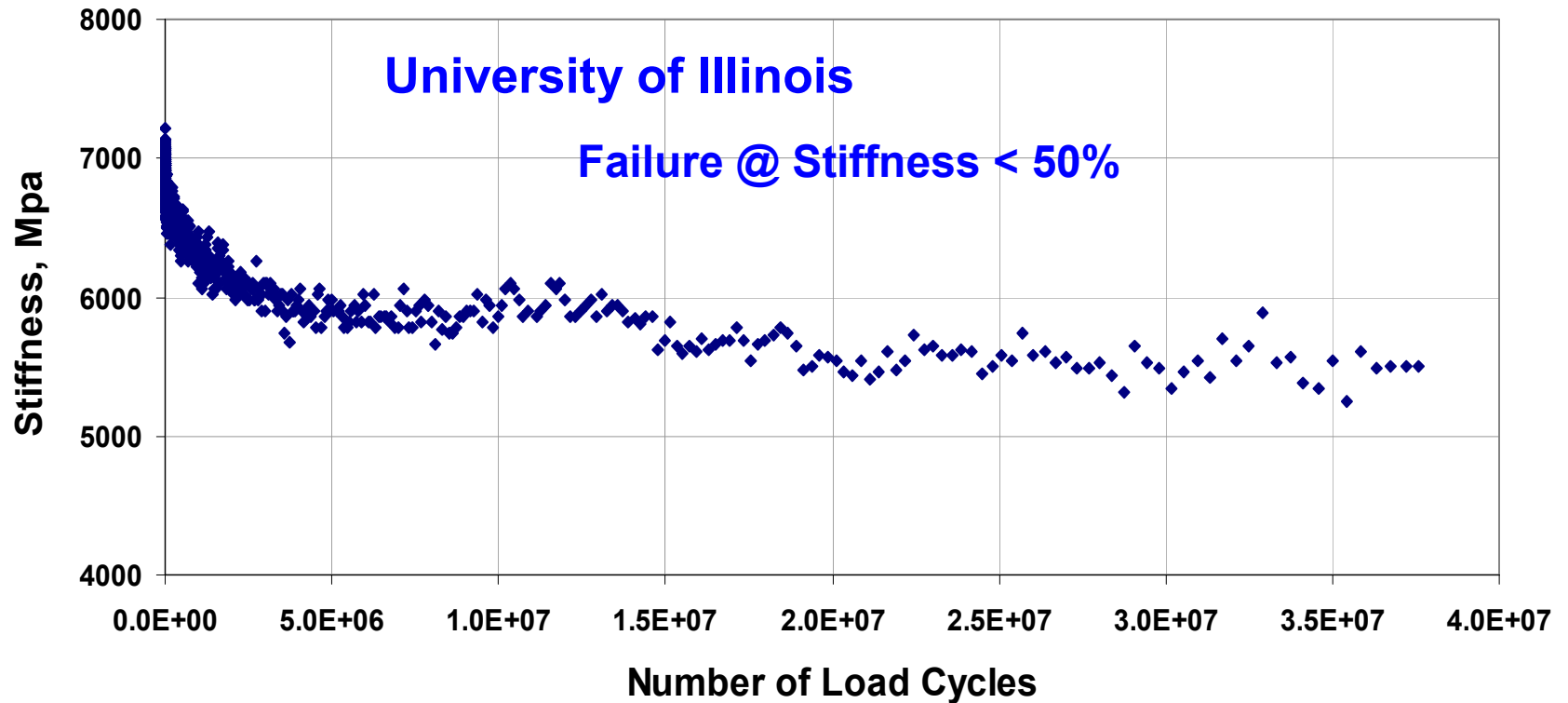
**THERE IS**

**NO “UNIQUE”**

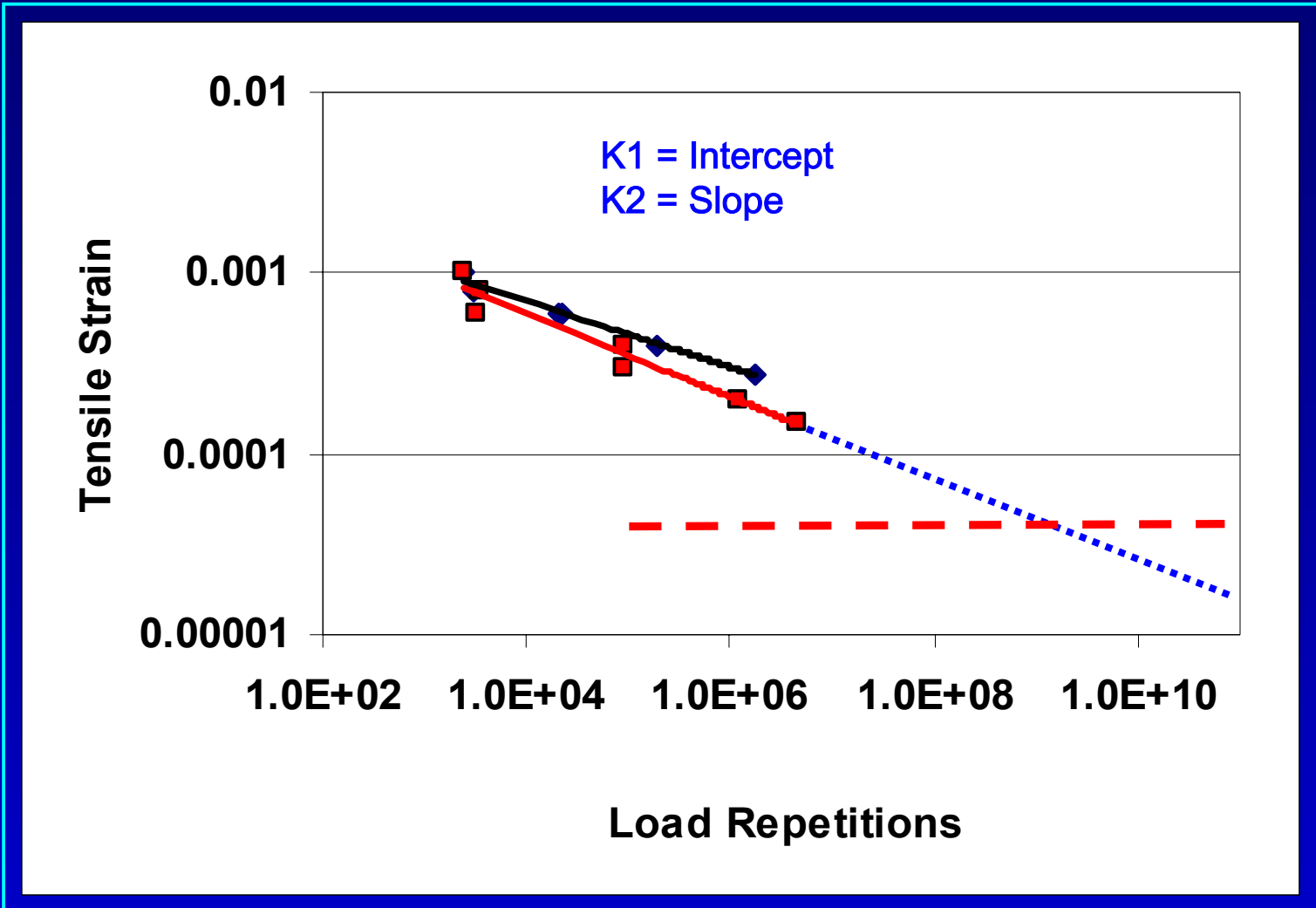
**HMA FATIGUE ALGORITHM !!!!**

# **LOW STRAIN HMA FATIGUE BEHAVIOR**

# 70 Micro Strain Test



# FATIGUE ENDURANCE LIMIT





# FATIGUE ENDURANCE LIMIT

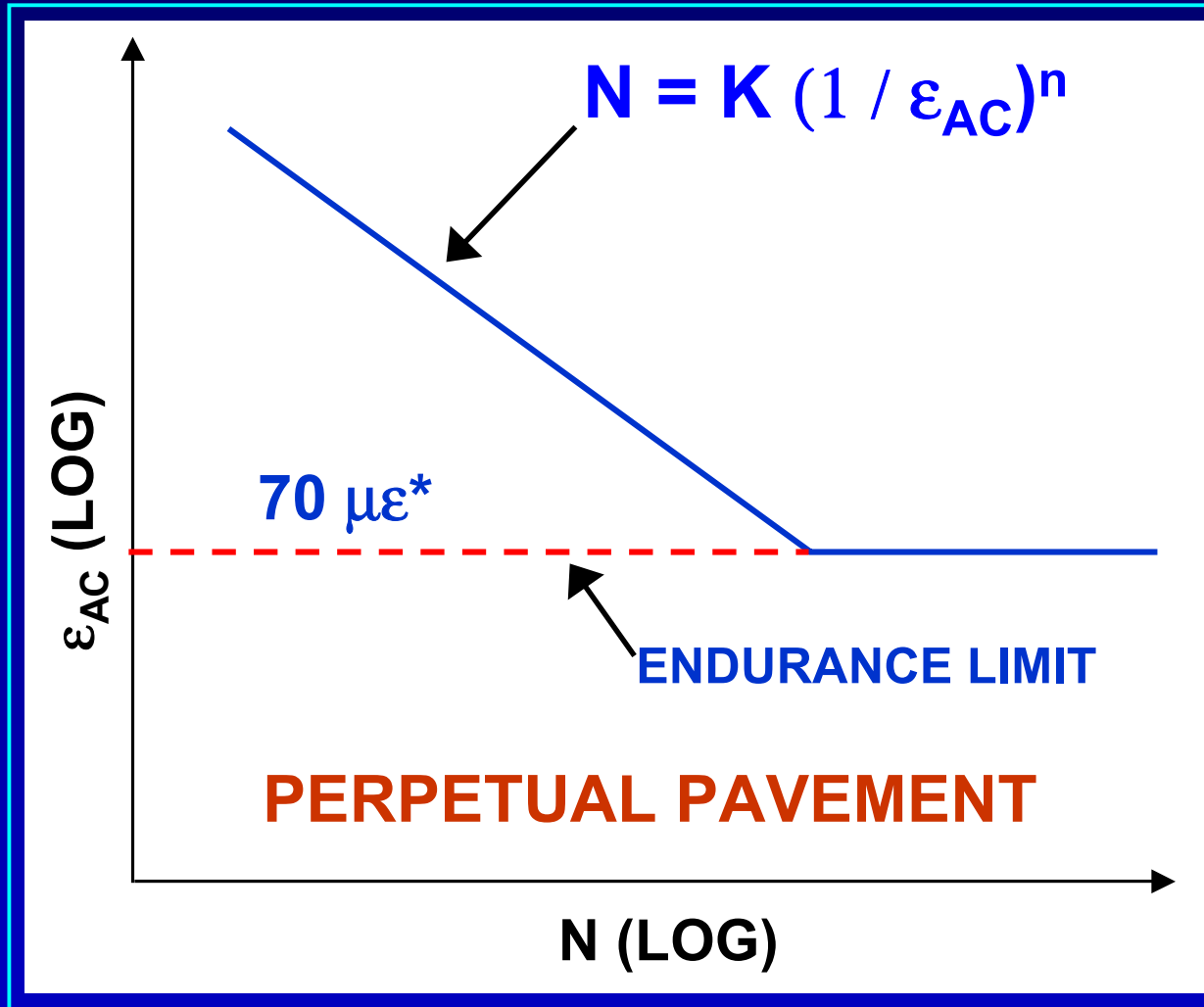
- **Damage and Healing Concepts and Test Data Support a Strain Limit Below Which Damage Does Not Accumulate**
- **Different Limit for Different Mixes and Binders**

# Significance of Fatigue Endurance Limit

*“....such a limit would provide a thickness limit for the pavement..Increasing the thickness beyond the limiting thickness... would provide no increased structural resistance to fatigue damage and represent an unneeded expense.”*

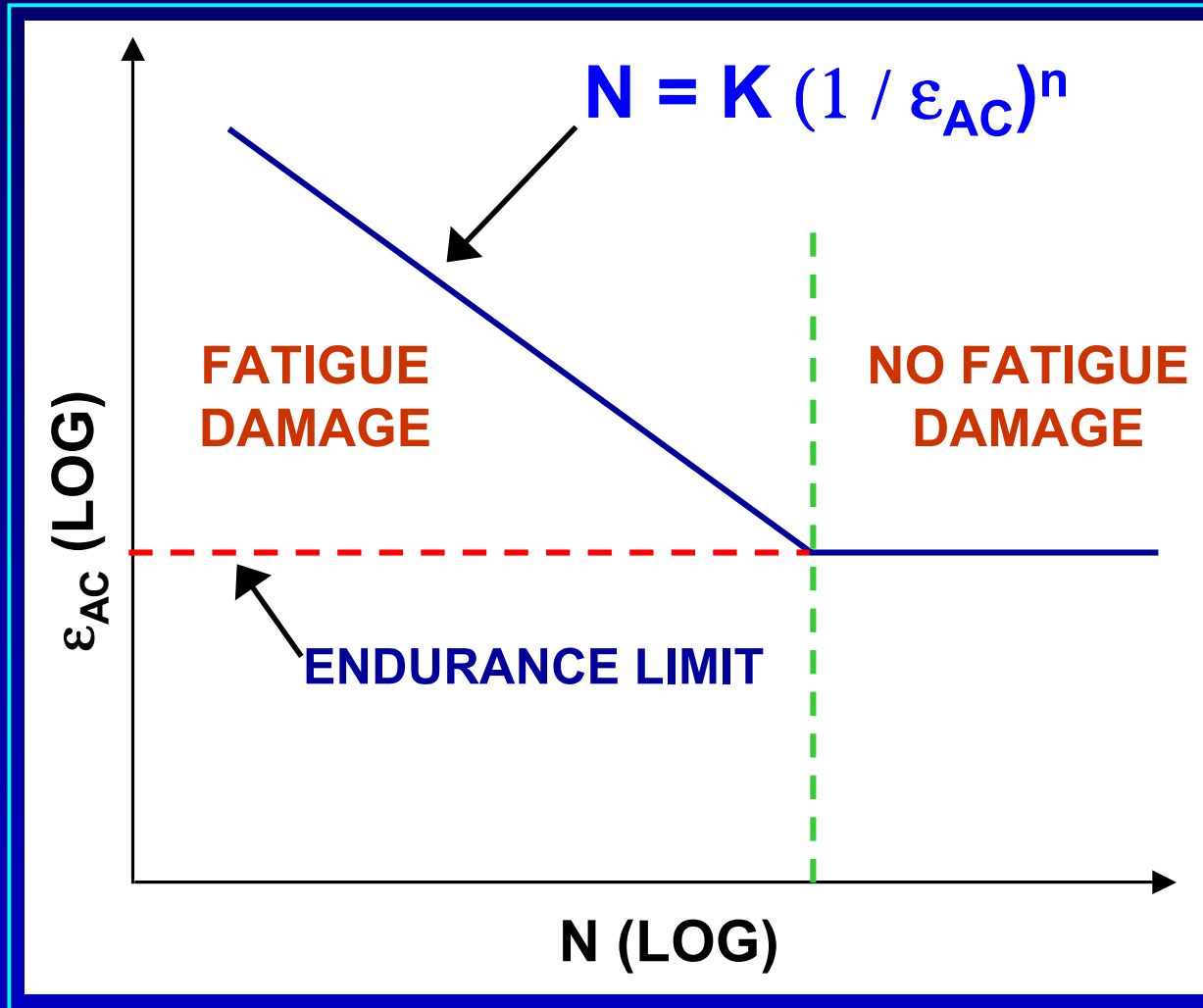
Prof. Carpenter

# HMA FATIGUE



\*Monismith and McLean  
(’72 AAPT)

# HMA FATIGUE



$$P_i = \frac{N_i}{N_{Ti}} (100)$$

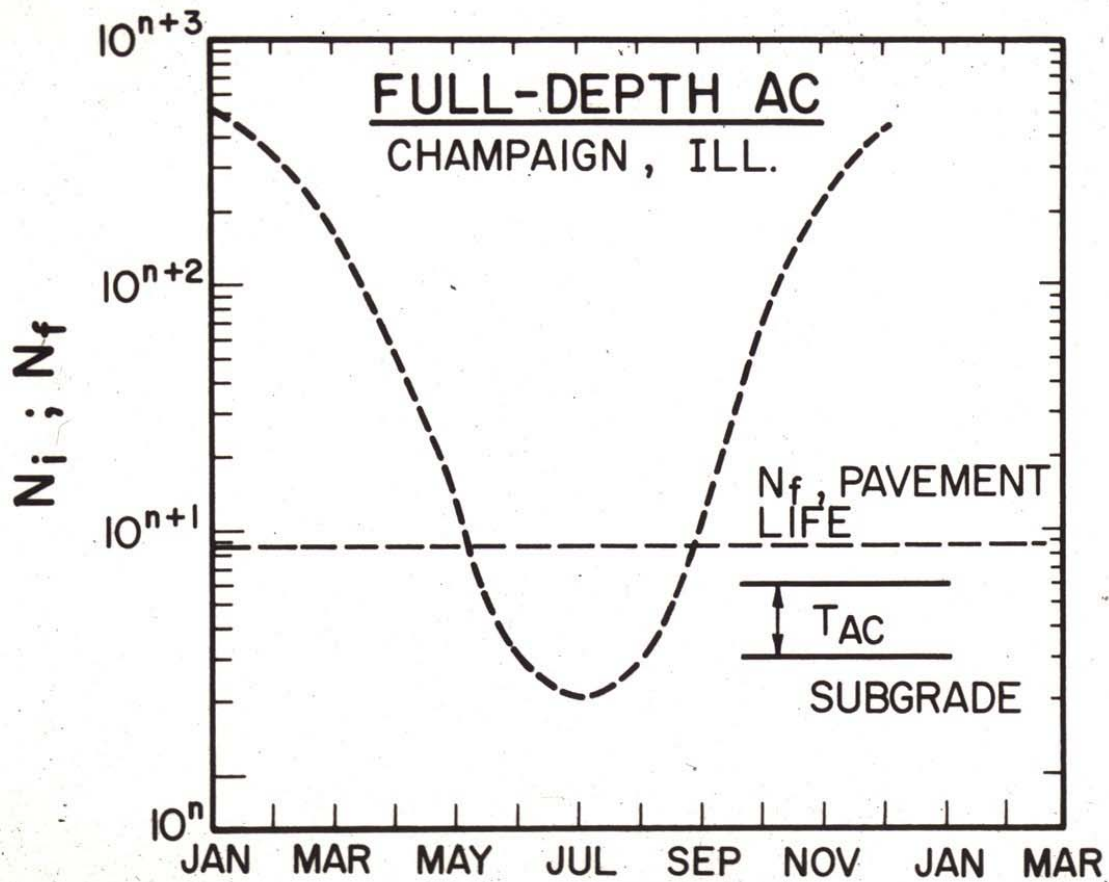
**FAILURE :**  $\sum_{i=1}^n P_i = 100$

# MINER'S

$$N_f = \frac{12}{\sum_{i=1}^{12} \frac{1}{N_i}}$$

$N_f$  = "TOTAL" PAVT. LIFE

$N_i$  = PAVT. LIFE-MONTH "i"



# **STRUCTURAL MODELLING**

**Elastic Layer (ELP)**

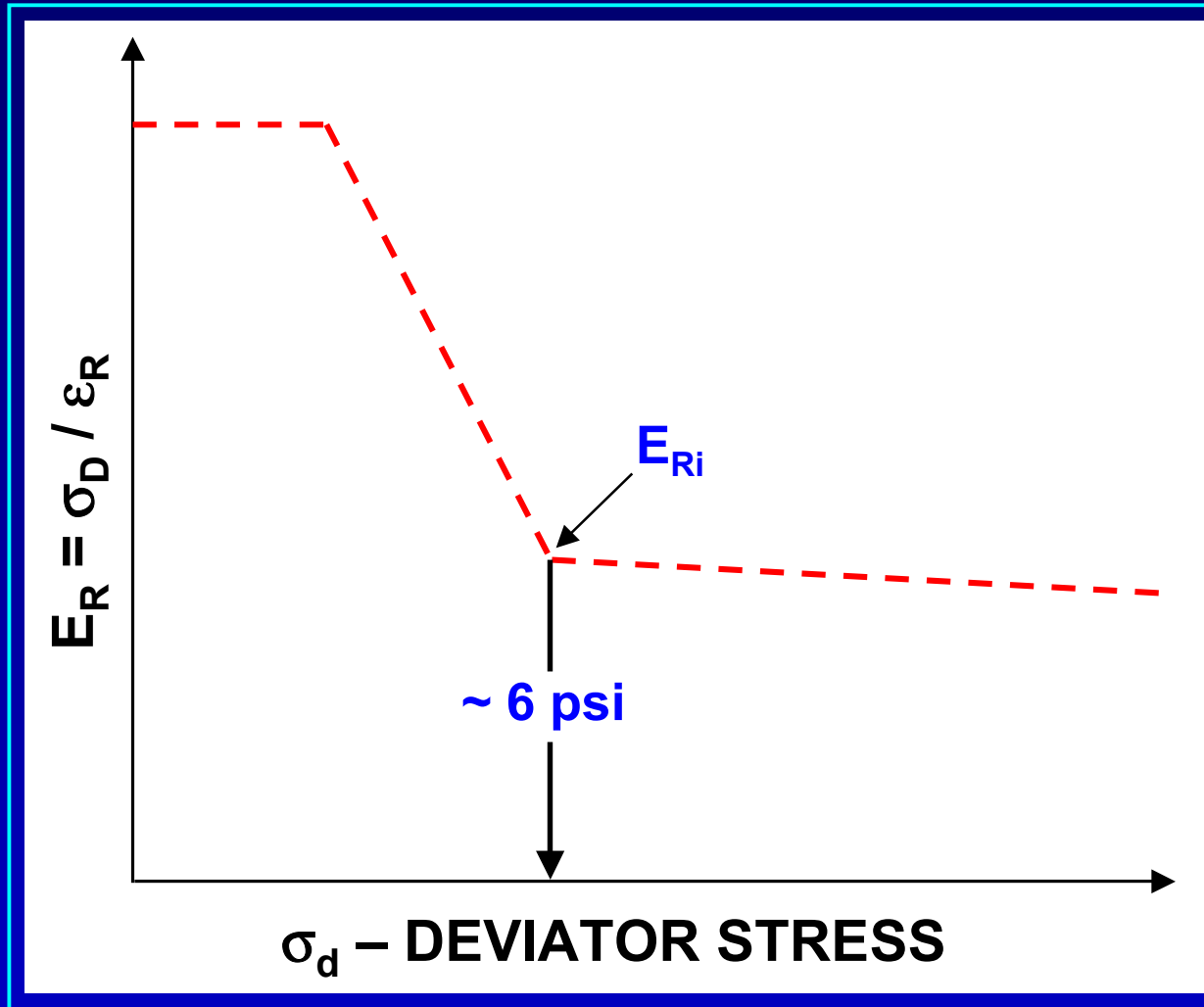
**Stress Dependent  
Finite Element**



# **STRUCTURAL MODEL**

**ILLI-PAVE**

# FINE - GRAINED



# $E_{Ri}$ CORRELATIONS

$$E_{Ri} = 0.37 Q_u - 0.86$$

$$E_{Ri}(\text{OPT M.C.}) = 4.46 + 0.098 (\% \text{Clay}) + 0.119 (\text{PI})$$

$$Q_u = 4.5 \text{ CBR}$$

$E_{Ri}$  - ksi

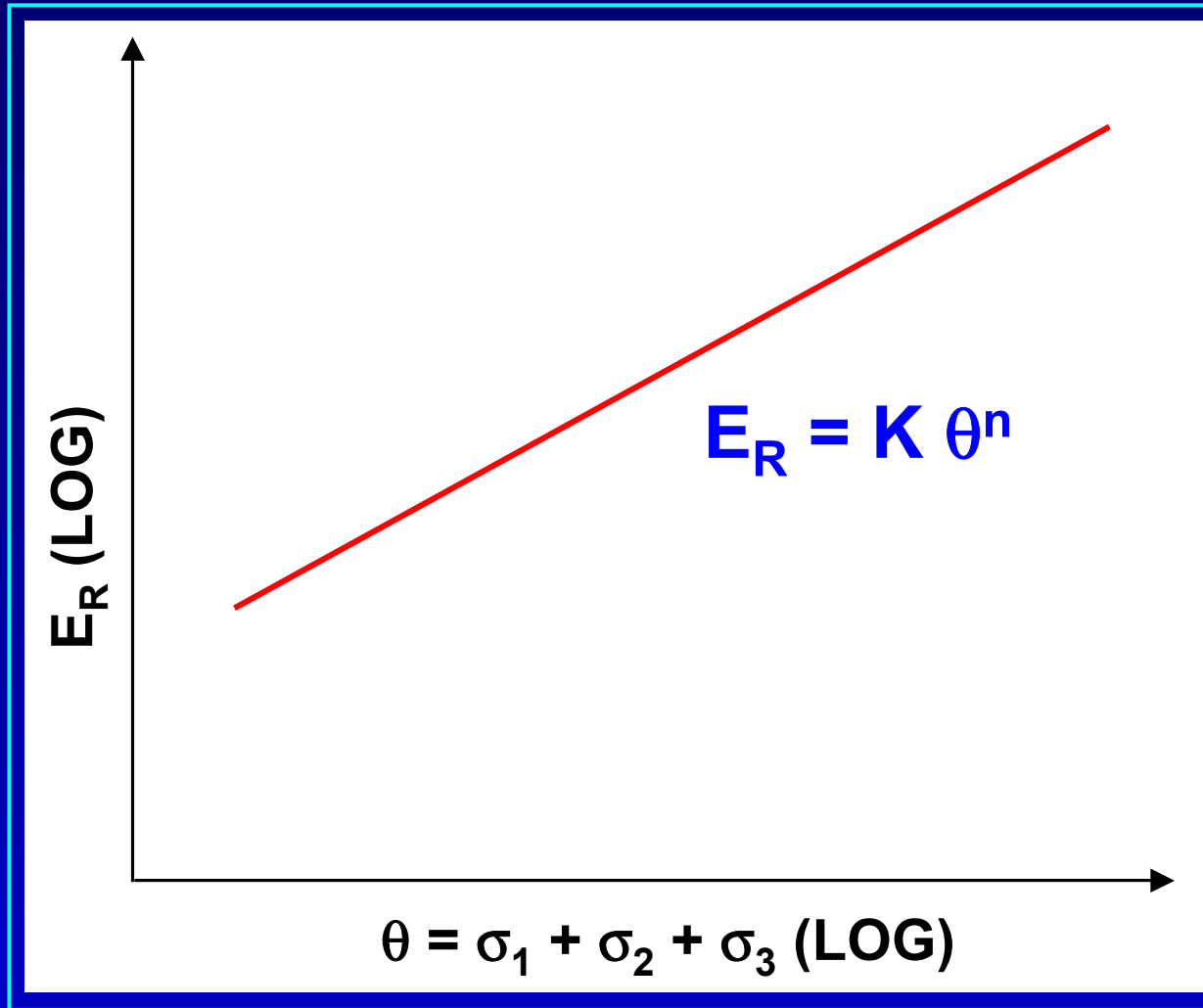
$Q_u$  - psi

# MODULUS CLASSES FINE-GRAINED SOILS

<u>SOIL</u>	<u><math>E_{Ri}</math> (ksi)</u>	<u>Qu (psi)</u>	<u>CBR</u>
STIFF	12.3	33	8
MEDIUM	7.7	23	5
SOFT	3.0	13	2
VERY SOFT	1.0	6	1

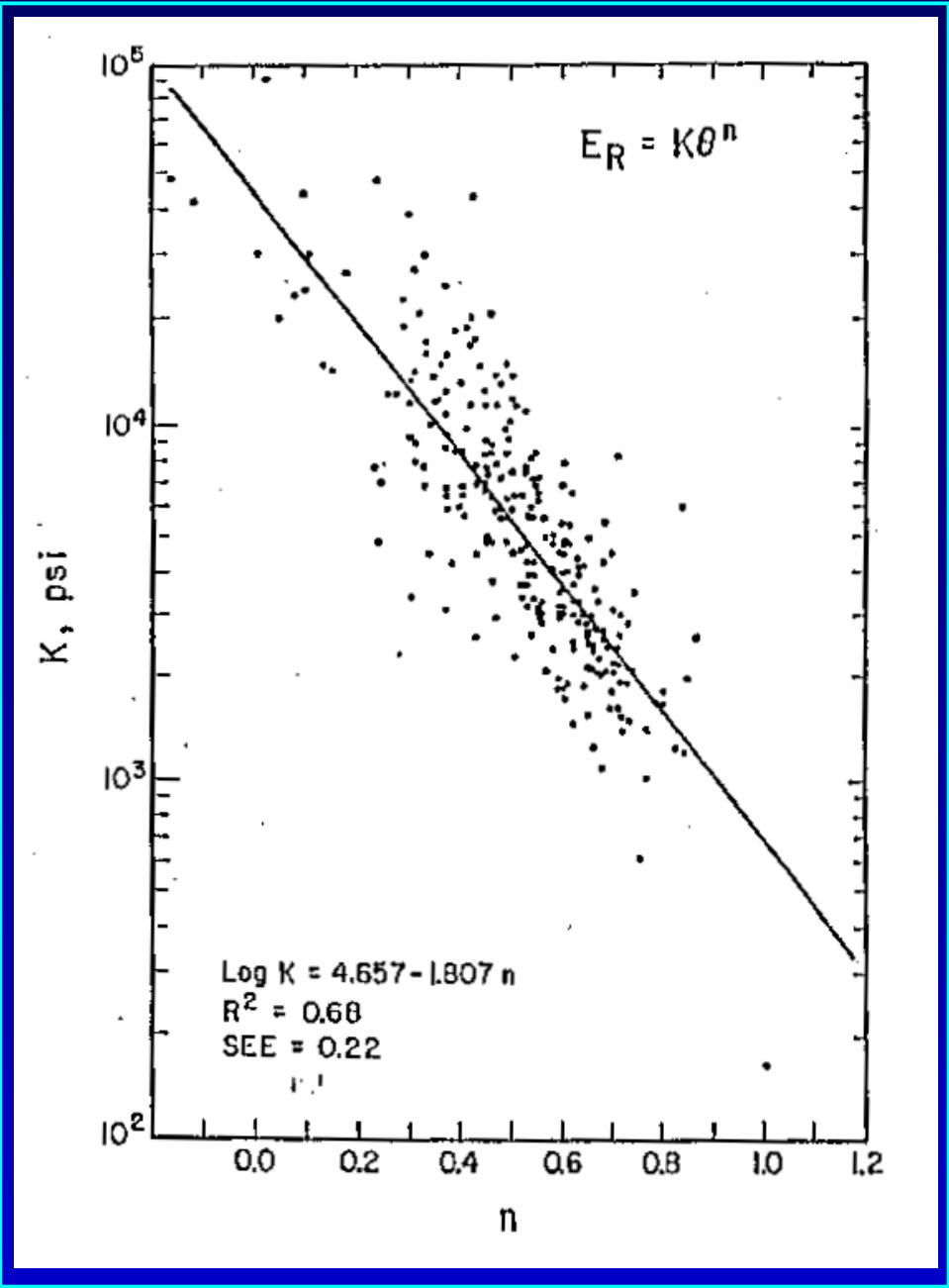
$$E_{Ri} \text{ (ksi)} = 0.42 \text{ Qu (psi)} - 2$$

# GRANULAR MATERIAL



$$E_R = K \theta^n$$

<u>AGGREGATE CLASS</u>	<u>K, psi</u>	<u>n</u>
SILTY SANDS (8)	1620	0.62
SAND GRAVEL (37)	4480	0.53
SAND/AGG BLENDS (78)	4350	0.59
CRUSHED STONE (115)	7210	0.45



**WHAT IS THE MODULUS ???**

**ELP – CONSTANT E!!!**



# **HOT MIX ASPHALT**

**LINEAR ELASTIC (E)**

**$E = f(\text{Temp} \ \& \ \text{Freq})$**

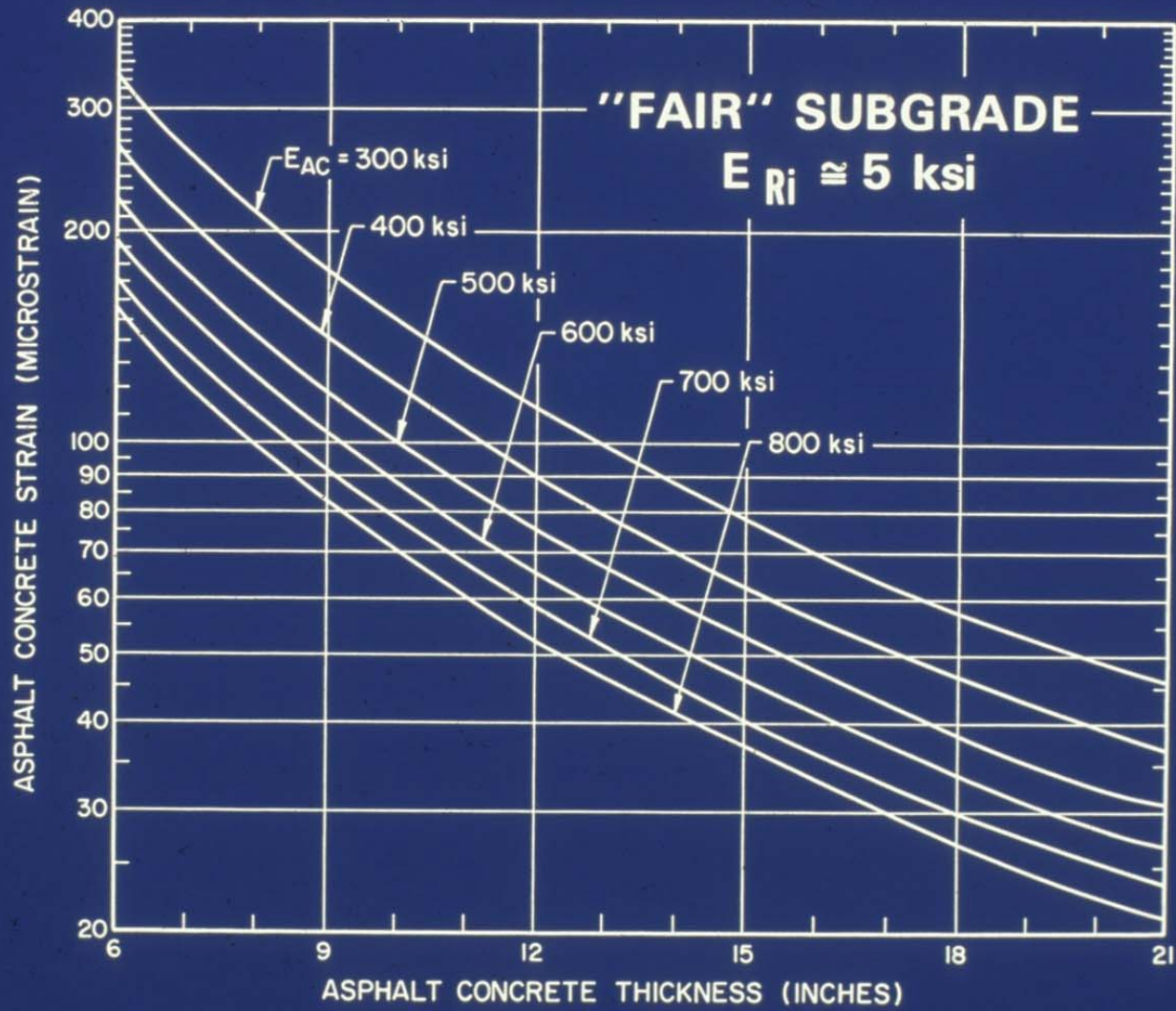
# FULL-DEPTH AC

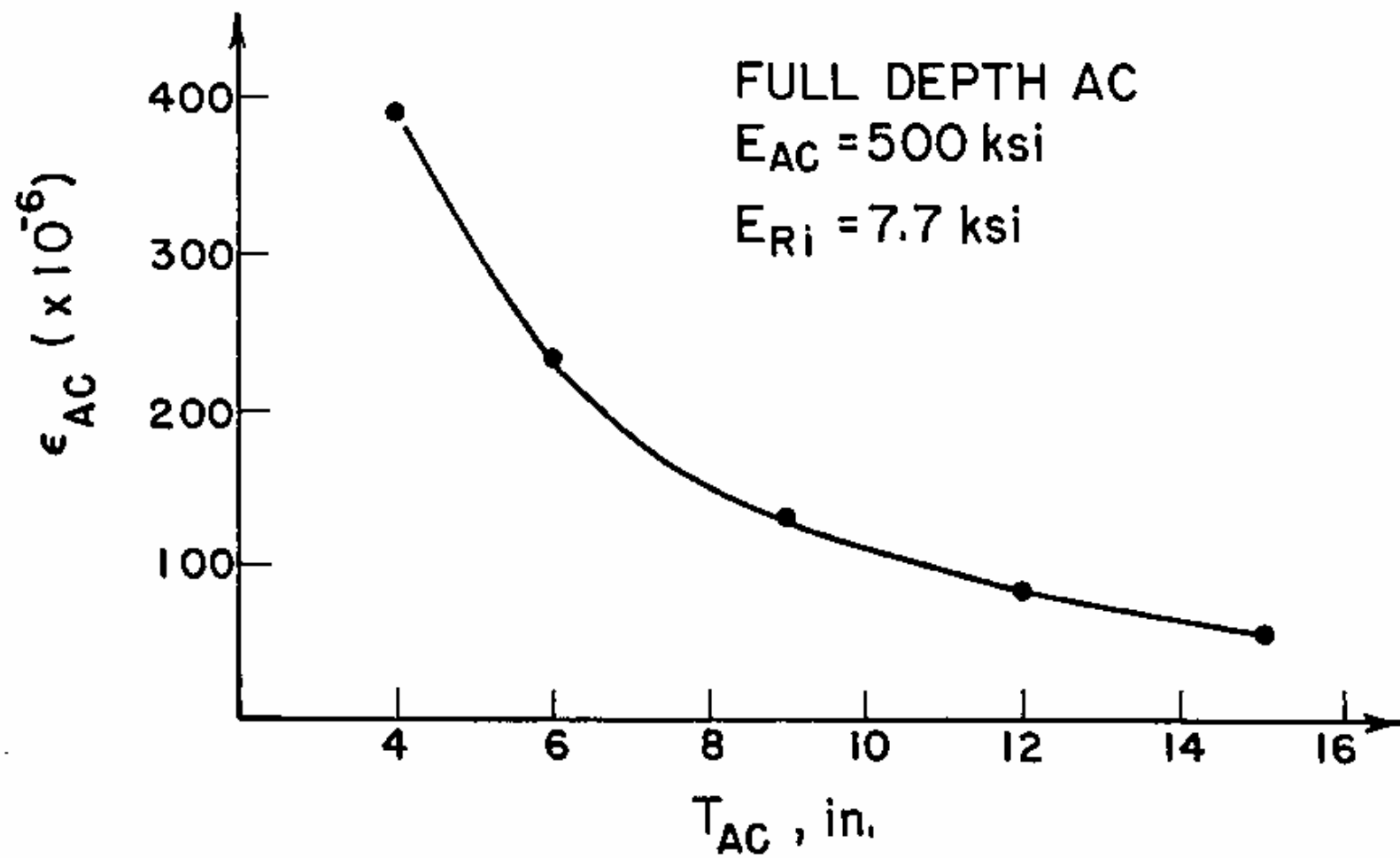
$$\text{LOG } \varepsilon_{AC} = 5.746 - 1.589 \text{ LOG } T_{AC} - 0.774 \text{ LOG } E_{AC} - 0.097 \text{ LOG } E_{Ri}$$

$\varepsilon_{AC} : \mu\varepsilon$

$T_{AC} : \text{in.}$

$E_{AC}, E_{Ri} : \text{ksi}$





O. A. Fonesca & M. W. Witczak  
AAPT Proceedings – 1996

*“A Prediction Methodology for the Dynamic Modulus of In-Place Aged Asphalt Mixtures”*

M. W. Witczak & O. A. Fonesca  
TRB RECORD No.1540 (1996)

*“Revised Predictive Model for Dynamic (Complex) Modulus of Asphalt Mixtures”*

(AASHTO – 2002 Guide)

# ASPHALT INSTITUTE EQUATION

$$E_{AC} = f(X_1, X_2, X_n)$$

$$P_{200} = \% - \# 200$$

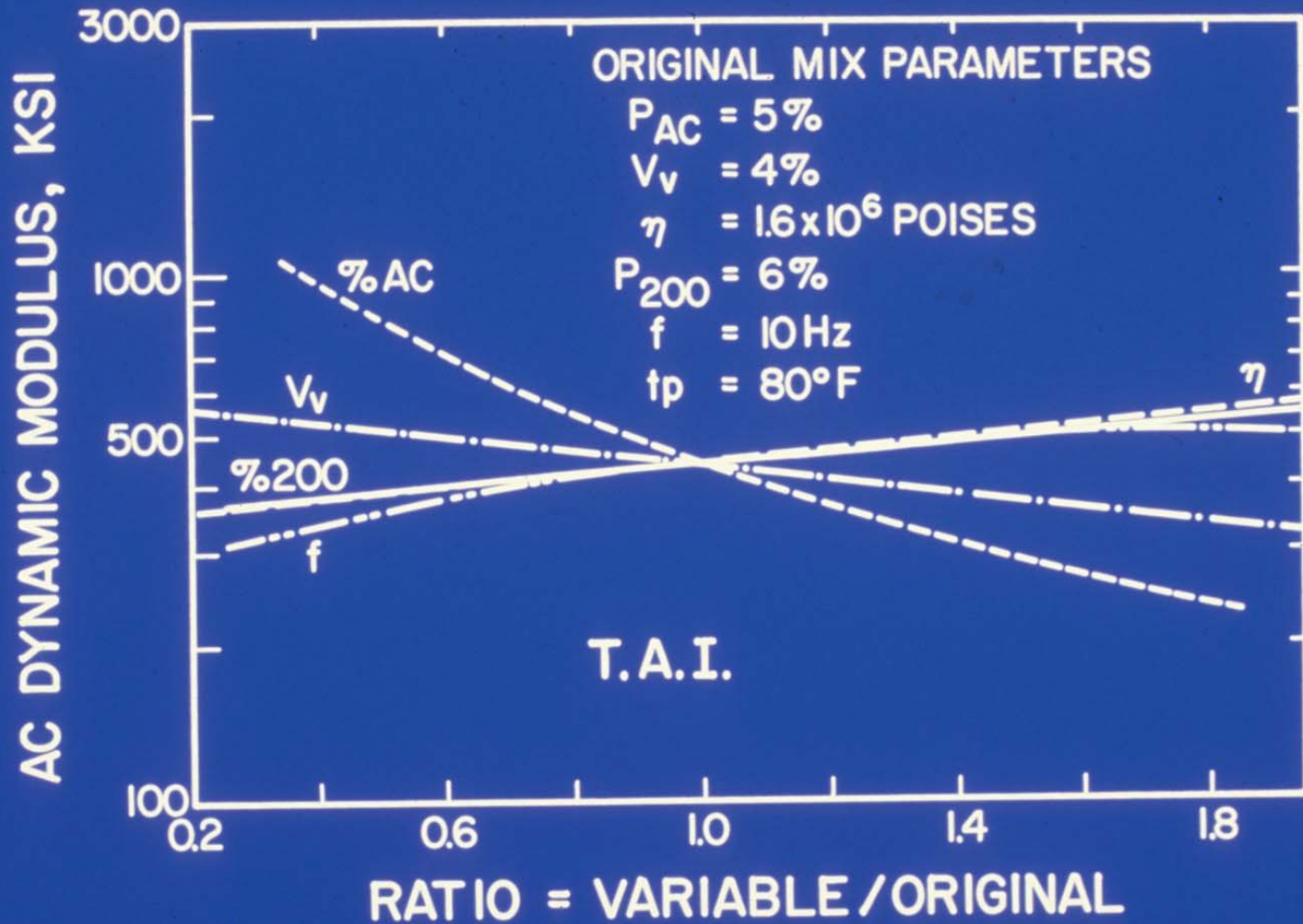
$$V_v = \% \text{ AIR VOIDS}$$

$$\eta_{70 F} = \text{ABSOLUTE VISCOSITY (poises } \times 10^6)$$

$$P_{AC} = \% \text{ ASPHALT (wt. of mix)}$$

$$t_p = \text{TEMPERATURE (F)}$$

$$f = \text{FREQUENCY (HZ)}$$



# SEASONAL EFFECTS

- HMA MODULUS VARIES !!
- HMA  $\epsilon$  VARIES !!
- HMA FATIGUE LIFE VARIES !!

***MUST CONSIDER IN M-E DESIGN***



# PG GRADE EFFECTS

TEMP (°F)	HMA MODULUS (ksi)	
	64-22	70-22
70	910	1160
75	765	975
80	640	815
85	530	675
90	435	550

Asphalt: 3.5 %    AV: 4 %  
- # 200: 3 %      f = 10 hz

# PG 70-22

## HMA MODULUS (ksi)

<u>TEMP (°F)</u>	<u>AC-4.0 %*</u>	<u>AC-3.5 %**</u>
70	1195	1160
75	995	975
80	820	815
85	670	675
90	540	550

\* AV: 2.5 %  
- # 200: 3 %

\*\* AV: 4.0 %  
f = 10 hz

# ASPHALT INSTITUTE PROCEDURE

$$\text{MMPT } (^\circ\text{F}) = \text{MMAT} [1 + (1 / \{Z + 4\})] - [34 / \{Z + 4\}] + 6$$

**Z: INCHES FROM SURFACE**

# CHAMPAIGN, IL

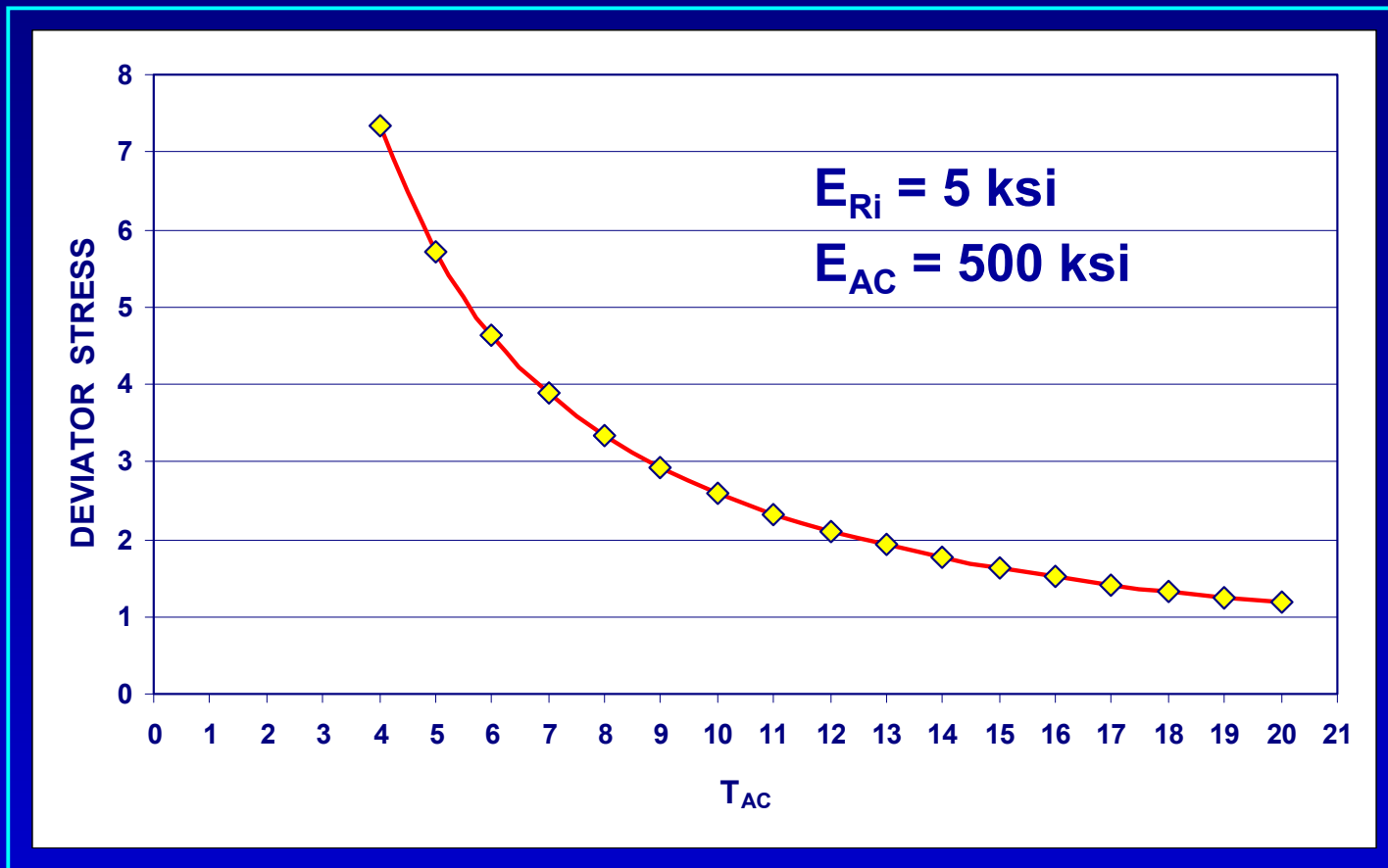
MONTH	MMAT (°F)	MMPT (°F)
JAN	27.1	32.5/30.4
FEB	33.0	39.1/37.9
MAR	40.6	47.8/46.6
APR	51.2	58.9/59.5
MAY	62.5	72.0/73.9
JUN	72.0	83.4/82.9
JUL	74.7	86.5/84.9
AUG	72.8	84.3/82.3
SEP	65.8	76.4/74.1
OCT	54.7	63.7/62.5
NOV	41.8	49.1/46.8
DEC	32.4	38.5/38.0

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# FULL-DEPTH AC

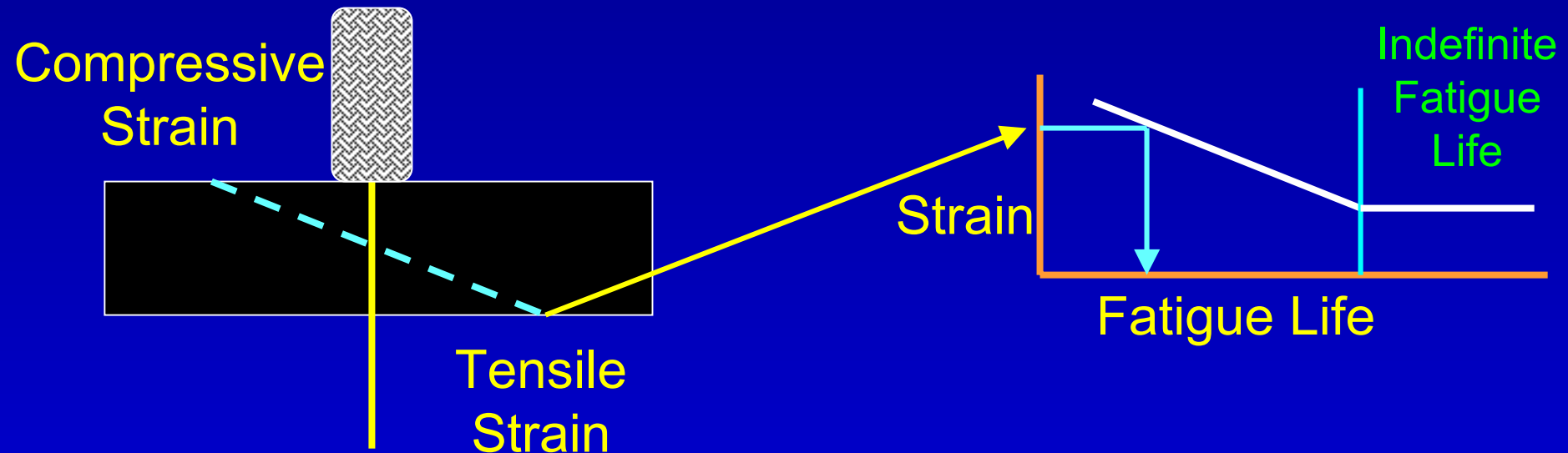
$$\text{LOG } \sigma_D = 2.74 - 1.14 \text{ LOG } T_{AC} - 0.515 \text{ LOG } E_{AC} + 0.29 \text{ LOG } E_{Ri}$$

$\sigma_D$  : psi     $T_{AC}$  : in.     $E_{AC}$  ,  $E_{Ri}$  : ksi



# Pavement Design Concepts

- **Fatigue Resistant Asphalt Base**
  - Minimize Tensile Strain with Pavement Thickness
  - Thin Asphalt Pavement = Higher Strain
  - Higher Strain = Shorter Fatigue Life



# PERPETUAL PAVEMENT

(70 MICRO-STRAIN / 9 kips)

(SUBGRADE  $E_{Ri}$  - 5 ksi)

**AC MODULUS**  
**(ksi)**

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800

700

600

500

400

300

**AC THICKNESS**  
**(inches)**

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10.00

10.75

11.50

12.50

14.00

16.00

# PERPETUAL PAVEMENT

(70 MICRO-STRAIN / 10 kips)

(SUBGRADE  $E_{Ri}$  - 5 ksi)

**AC MODULUS**  
**(ksi)**

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**AC THICKNESS**  
**(inches)**

---

800

10.7

700

11.4

600

12.3

500

13.4

400

15.0

300

17.2



# CMI - IL

19 mm SP mix

\*AC: 4.8 % PG 64-22

\*AV: 4.0 %

\*- # 200: 5 %

\*f = 10 hz

$\text{LOG } E_{AC} \text{ (ksi)} = 4.33 - 0.0198 T \text{ (}^\circ\text{F)}$

$$N = 8.2 \cdot 10^{-8} (1/\epsilon_{AC})^{3.5}$$

$T_{AC} = 13.5 \text{ inches}$        $E_{Ri} = 5 \text{ ksi}$

\* $N_F$  w/o Endurance Limit: 119 MESALS

\*July AC Strain: 70  $\mu\epsilon$

**“PERPETUAL” PAVEMENT**

**RUBBLIZED PCCP**

**WITH**

**HMA OVERLAY**

# THE MHB I-70 / IL



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# Z-GRID ROLLER



# PAVING OPERATION



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# HOT-MIX ASPHALT OVERLAY DESIGN CONCEPTS FOR RUBBLIZED PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENTS

Marshall R. Thompson  
TRB Record 1684 (1999)

$$\text{LOG } \varepsilon_{AC} = 1.001 + 1.024 \text{ LOG}(AUPP)$$

$$\text{LOG}(AUPP) = 1.865 - 0.393 \text{ LOG}(E_{AC} T^3 / 1000)$$

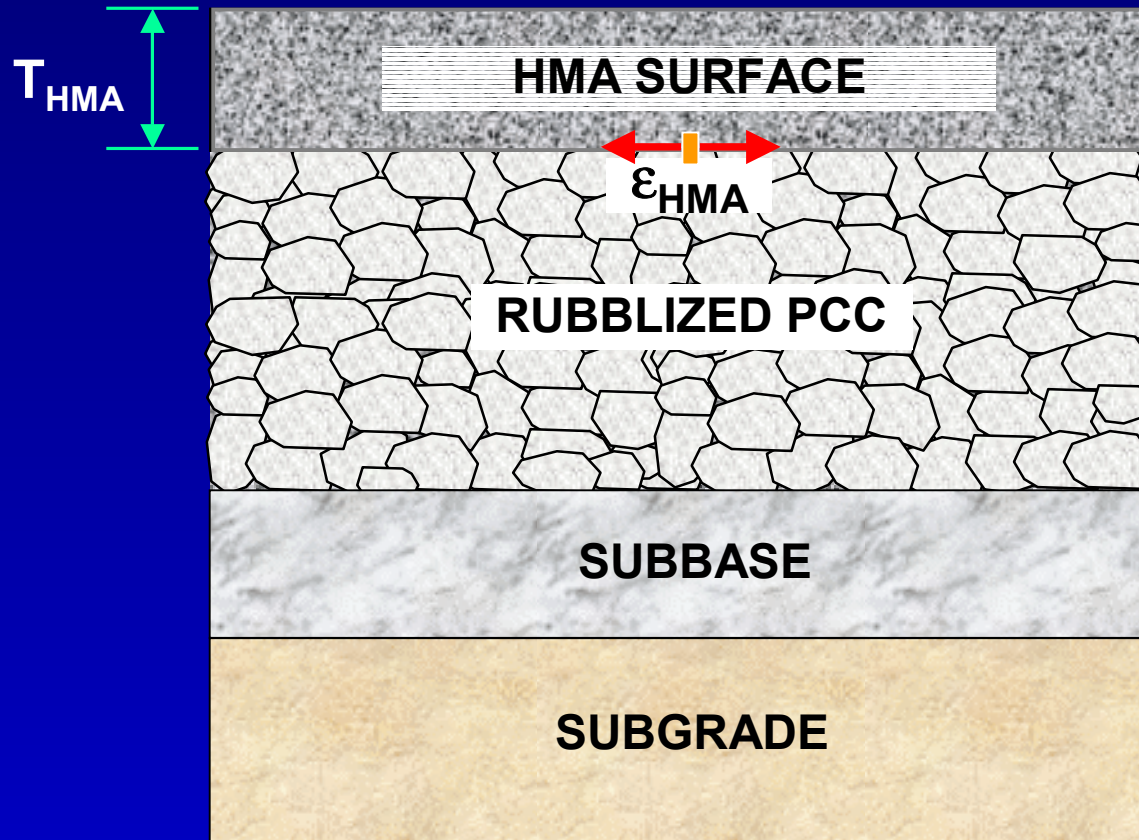
$\varepsilon_{AC}$  = Micro-strain ( $10^{-6}$ )

AUPP – inches

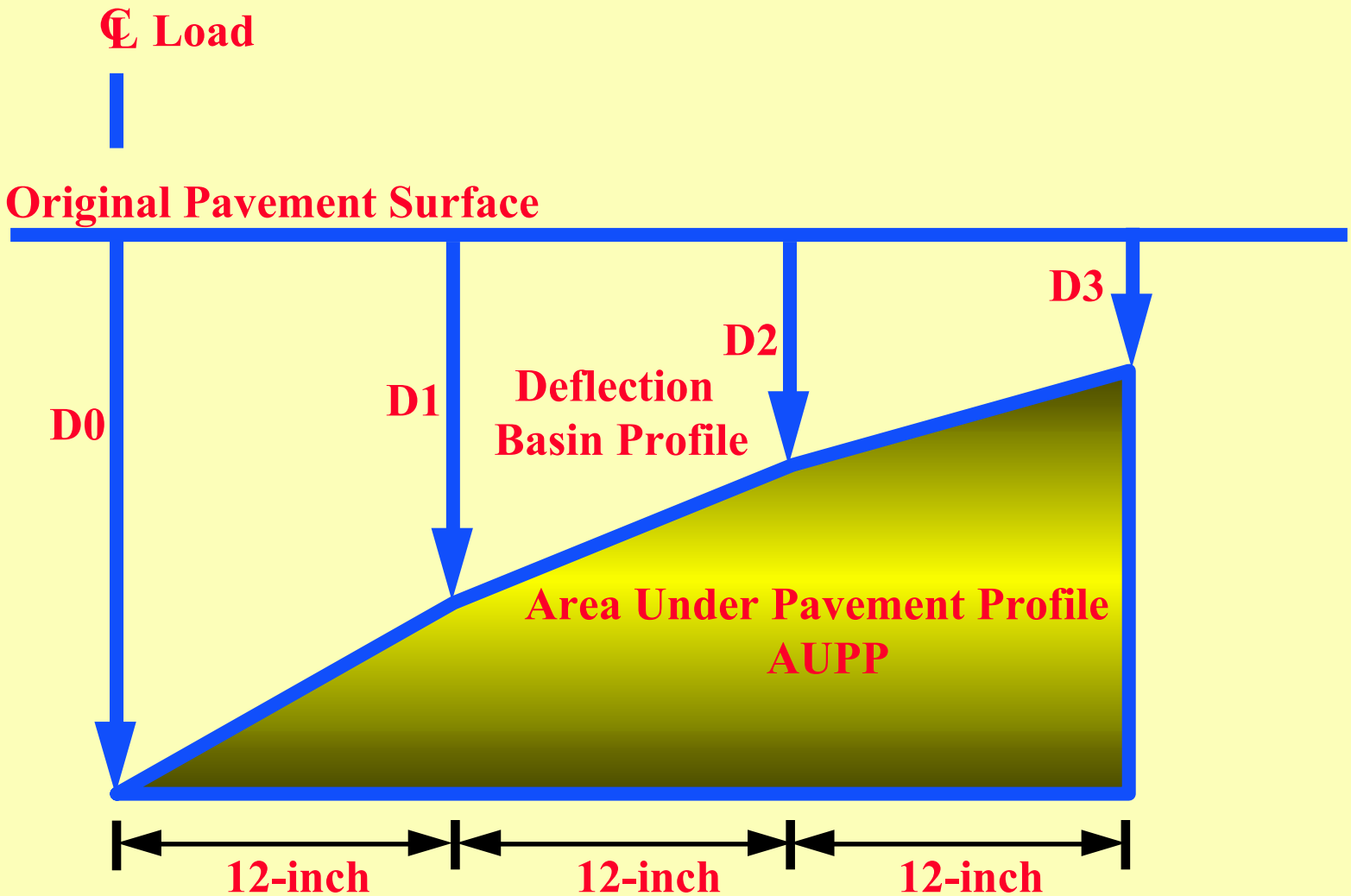
$E_{AC}$  – ksi

T – inches

# RUBBLIZED PVT SECTION







$$\text{AREA} = 6 * (\text{D0} + 2 * \text{D1} + 2 * \text{D2} + \text{D3}) / \text{D0}$$

$$\text{AUPP} = (5 * \text{D0} - 2 * \text{D1} - 2 * \text{D2} - \text{D3}) / 2$$

# PERPETUAL PAVEMENT

## RUBBLIZED PCCP

### (70 MICRO-STRAIN)

**AC MODULUS**  
**(ksi)**

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**800**

**700**

**600**

**500**

**400**

**300**

**AC THICKNESS**  
**(inches)**

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**8.2**

**8.6**

**9.0**

**9.6**

**10.4**

**11.4**

# **CHAMPAIGN, IL**

## **HMA OL / RUBBLIZED PCCP**

**JULY MMPT = 86.5 °F**

**$E_{AC} = 370$  ksi**

**$T_{AC} = 11$  inches**

**HMA  $\epsilon = 67$  Micro -  $\epsilon$**

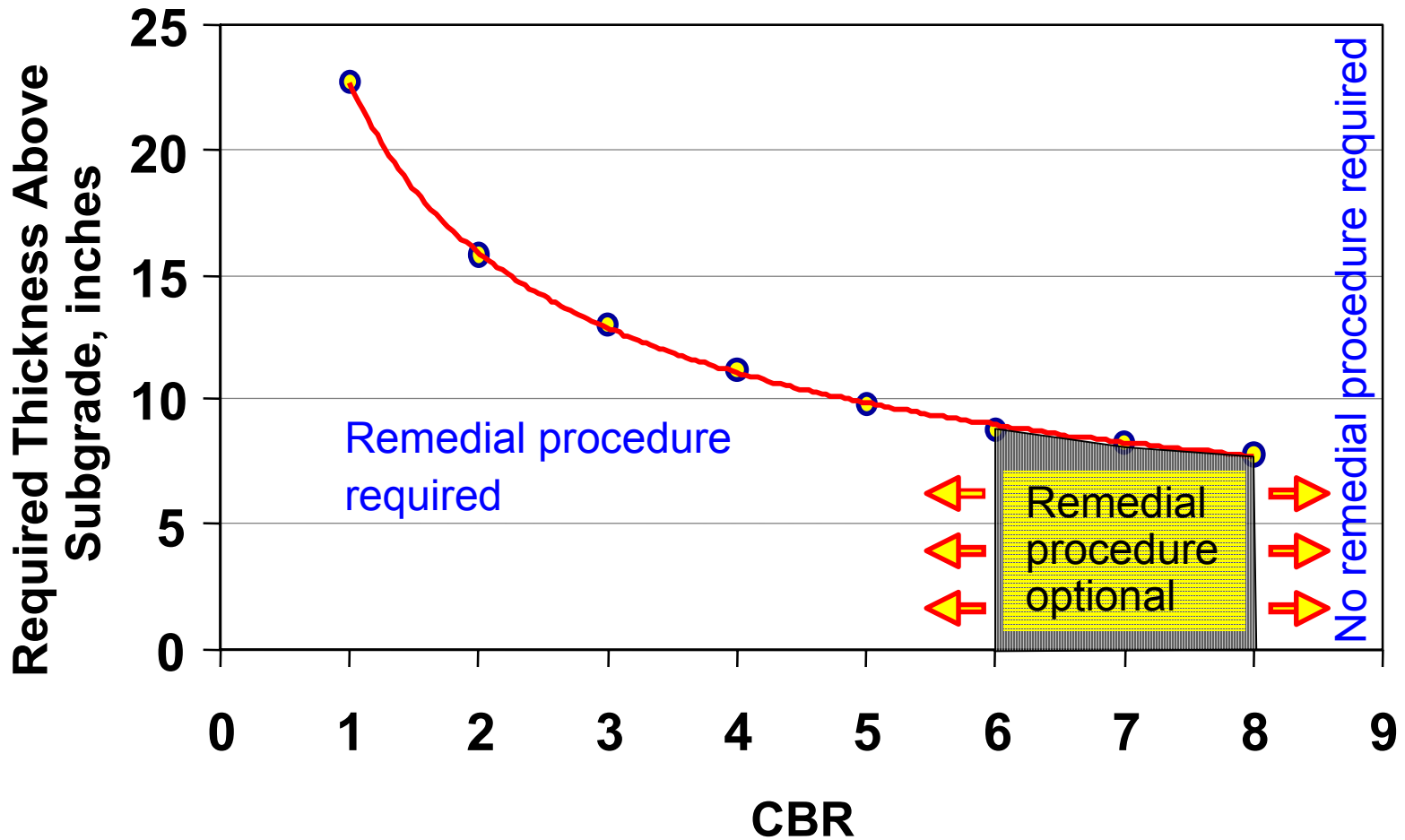
# Why are Perpetual Pavements Important?

- **Lower Life Cycle Cost**
  - Better Use of Resources
  - Low Incremental Costs for Surface Renewal
- **Lower User Delay Cost**
  - Shorter Work Zone Periods
  - Off-Peak Period Construction

**FULL-DEPTH AC**

**FULL QUALITY AC**

# Foundation - Illinois



**THANK YOU !!**

**????????**