# Cement and SCM

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#### Safety First!

- Always wear proper personal protective equipment (PPE) when working with cement and concrete
  - Gloves
    - Cover all exposed skin that may come in contact with the cement or concrete
  - Eye protection
  - Respirator
  - Hearing protection
  - Safety shoes





#### Early Cement Works

Aspdin's early cement was nothing more than hydraulic lime, but in 1824 his patent gave him the use of the term *Portland* cement



Lea's Chemistry of Cement







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1885 *England* Frederick Ransome patented a rotary kiln (18 inch X 15 ft)

1900 - Thomas Edison takes advantage of the horizontal rotary kiln. Cement manufacturing changed from a batch process to a continuous process





#### Portland Cement - Definition

• Simple Definition

The gray powder that reacts with water to create a glue-like material that bonds aggregates together to form concrete

Hydraulic Cement











#### **Raw Material Components**





#### **Raw Material Mining & Processing**







#### **Raw Material Proportioning and Blending**



Raw materials are homogenized by crushing, grinding and blending so that approximately 80% of the raw material pass a No.200 sieve





#### Two Types of Cement Kilns

#### <u>Wet</u> Process

- Kiln Mix is a Slurry (30%-40% water)
  - Advantages
    - more uniform
    - •raw material may already contain moisture
  - Disadvantage
    - higher energy use

#### Dry Process

- Kiln Mix is a Dry Powder
  - Advantages
    - preheating done outside the kiln
    - •efficiency
    - •shorter kiln length
  - Disadvantage
    - •alkalies, sulfur, chlorides
    - •tall, sophisticated





#### Dry Process Kilns







### Dry Process Kilns

- Cement kilns are heated to about 2700°F
- Final pre heater stage of a pre calciner kiln is ~1600 \*F
- Mixture is fed into kiln & burned in a dry state
- This process provides considerable savings in fuel consumption and water usage.



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#### The Kiln









#### Heat Zones Inside the Kiln











#### Clinker





#### Clinker (Cement) Compounds







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- Alite C<sub>3</sub>S (Tricalcium Silicate)
  - Lots of Heat Production and Early Age Strength
  - Controls Initial and Final Setting
- Belite C<sub>2</sub>S (Dicalcium Silicate)
  - Later Age Strength and Less Heat Production
- Aluminate C<sub>3</sub>A (Tricalcium Aluminate)
  - Lots of Heat Production
  - Contributes to very early Age Strength
  - Controls Sulfate Attack Resistance
- Ferrite C<sub>4</sub>AF (Tetracalcium Aluminoferrite)
  - Some Heat Generation but Contributes Little Strength
  - Responsible for Grey Color
  - Lowers clinkering temperature

C<sub>2</sub>S (belite)

 $C_3S$  (alite)





#### **Turning Clinker into Cement**



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## **Cement Types**

- Type I General Use Cement
- Type II Moderate Sulfide Resistance
- Type III High Early Strength
- Type IV Low Heat of Hydration
  - (No longer available)
- Type V High Sulfide Resistance





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portland cement	C <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>2</sub> S	C <sub>3</sub> A	C <sub>4</sub> AF	fineness m²/kg	
Ι	54	18	10	8	369	
II	55	19	6(max8)	11	377	
III	55	17	9(max15)	8	548	
IV	42	32 <b>no</b> l	ONGE <mark>R</mark> AVAIL	ABLE5	340	
V	54	22	4(max5)	13	373	
White	63	18	10	1	482 CONCRI	TEPIPE.ORG



#### **Cement Characteristics**

- Specific Gravity: 3.15
- Amount Passing #325
   Sieve (45 micron): ~95%
- Surface Area (Blaine): 390-410 m<sup>2</sup>/kg
- Median Particle Size: 10 microns











#### Certification Report

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an	a complies with A	Company L	specifications for Type I-II cement.				
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Telephone:	-		Contact:				
Date Issued: 15-Jan-2013	3	is based on a	average test data during the test perio	d			
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CaO (%) MaO (%)	- 6.0 max	63.9	Autoclave Expansion (%) (C151)	0.80 max	0.00		
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Loss on Ignition (%)	3.0 max	2.5	2 days	12.0 (1740) min	29.0 (40		
CO <sub>2</sub> (%)	0.75 max	1.2	7 days	19.0 (2760) min	34.9 (50		
Limestone (%)	5.0 max	3.1	Initial Vicat (minutes)	45 375	80		
Inorganic Processing Addition (%)	5.0 max	0.0	initial vicat (minutes)	40-370	09		
Potential Phase Compositions <sup>c</sup> :		60	Mortar Bar Expansion (%) (C1038)	-	0.008		
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C <sub>3</sub> A (%)	8 max	7					
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SO3 (%)



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#### **Cement Hydration**



**CSH** gel is the glue that holds concrete together







<u>Hydrated Cement Paste -</u> Depending on the time of hydration and the Portland cement composition, several crystalline pictures can be observed in hydrated cement paste. A typical one contains CSH, calcium hydroxide and ettringite as shown in this picture.



Primary cement reaction (fast):  $C_3S$  (and  $C_2S$ ) + water = C-S-H gel

Byproduct from hydration = Calcium Hydroxide

Pozzolanic reaction (slow): Fly Ash + Calcium Hydroxide = C-S-H gel







#### Supplementary Cementitious Materials (SCMs)



From left to right:

- Fly ash (Class C)
- Metakaolin (calcined clay)
- Silica fume
- Fly ash (Class F)
- Slag Cement
- Calcined shale





#### What is a Supplementary Cementitious Material?

- Supplementary Cementitious Material (SCM) a material that, when used in conjunction with Portland Cement or Blended Cement, contributes to the properties of the hardened concrete through hydraulic activity, pozzolanic activity, or both.
- Hydraulic Cementitious Material a material that sets and hardens by a chemical reaction with water.
- Pozzolanic Material a siliceous or siliceous and aluminous material, which in itself possesses little or no cementitious value but will, in finely divided form and in the presence of moisture, chemically react with calcium hydroxide at ordinary temperatures to form compounds possessing cementitious properties.





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#### Slag Cement

#### Byproduct from the iron manufacturing process

- ASTM C 989 Standard Specification for Slag Cement for Use in Concrete and Mortars (classified by Strength Activity Index compared to a reference Portland Cement)
  - Grade 80 (SAI @ 28days = 75%)
  - Grade 100 (SAI @ 7days = 75% & 28days = 95%)
  - Grade 120 (SAI @ 7days = 95% & 28days = 115%)

#### **Slag Cement is a hydraulic cement**





Hoppers Hot air stoves Skip (dump car) Blast furnace waste gas Refractory Αİ Blast furnace Iron ore Coke and limestone ROS Hot air blast Ladle Molten iron Charge Slag drain

#### Blast Furnace





#### Molten Iron & Slag



The slag is not as dense as the molten iron and floats on the top. It is separated by mechanical means and then granulated





Granulation



Rapid quenching with water at a ratio of 10:1 changes the hot slag to glassy, non-metallic silicates and aluminosilicates of calcium, known as granulated blast furnace slag





#### Grinding









#### **Slag Characteristics**

- Specific Gravity: 2.6 2.9
- Amount Passing #325 Sieve (45 micron): ~95%
- Surface Area (Blaine): 400 m<sup>2</sup>/kg
- Median Particle Size:
  10 microns







#### Slag Cement

- Benefits for Hardened Concrete
  - Later age strength
  - Increased flexural strength
  - Lighter, brighter color
  - Reduced permeability and increased durability
  - Increased resistance to alkali silica reaction
  - Increased sulfate resistance (low alumina slag)

#### Cautions

 As levels of unoxidized sulfide sulfur increase, a temporary greening of the hardened concrete may occur







#### Pozzolans (For example Fly Ash & Silica Fume)

- ASTM C618 Standard Definition
  - "pozzolan, *n.*
  - a siliceous or siliceous and aluminous material which in itself possesses little or no cementitious value but which will, in finely divided form and in the presence of moisture, chemically react with calcium hydroxide to form compounds possessing cementitious properties"









#### Fly Ash Production







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## Fly Ash

- Class F
  - Produced from burning anthracite or bituminous coal
  - CaO content < 10%
  - Pozzolanic (no hydraulic properties, reacts to cement hydration byproducts only)
- Class C
  - Produced from burning of lignite or subbituminous coal
  - CaO content > 20%
  - Hydraulic and pozzolanic properties



#### Fly Ash Characteristics

- Specific Gravity: 2.1 2.9
- .Amount Passing #325 Sieve (45 micron): 85% - 98%
- Surface Area (Blaine): 420 m<sup>2</sup>/kg
- Median Particle Size:
   Class C = 5 microns
   Class F = 15 microns







### Fly Ash

#### **Benefits for Hardened Concrete**

- Improve workability
- Lower mix cost
- Reduce heat
- Lower permeability
- Improve durability
- Mitigates ASR and DEF (Class F only)

#### Cautions

- Low early-age strength
- Increase set time
- Affects air entrainment (Class F)





#### Silica Fume Production







#### Silica Fume Characteristics

- Specific Gravity: 2.2 2.3
- Amount Passing #325 Sieve (45 micron): 100%
- Surface Area (Blaine): 20,000 m<sup>2</sup>/kg
- Median Particle Size:
   0.15 microns





Tobacco smoke has a surface area of 10,000 m<sup>2</sup>/kg





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#### Silica Fume Use

- First used in concrete in 1950's. Modern usage started in the 1980s.
- Works on two mechanisms:
  - Purely pozzolanic because of the high silica content
  - Ultra fine filler material that fills the spaces between cement grains
- Very effective for very high strength / low permeability
- Typically used at 5-10% (by mass) replacement of cement
- Available in raw, densified, pelletized and slurry form



#### Silica Fume

#### **Benefits for Hardened Concrete**

- Significant strength gain
- Reduces permeability
- Improves bonds strength to steel
- Reduces steel corrosion
- Improves freeze/thaw durability
- Excellent resistance to sulfate attack
- Significantly reduces Alkali-Silica reactivity

#### Cautions

- Concrete is more sticky
- Water demand of concrete will increase
- Affects Air Entrainment dosage
- Potential for plastic shrinkage cracking







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#### Conclusions

- Portland cement is a complex material that is manufactured from natural materials
- Pozzolans and Slags are by-products of manufacturing processes
- The use of SCM's can benefit concrete by improving the desired engineering properties
- SCM's also provides an environmental benefit



