

## **KNOWLEDGE SHARING**

PATCH REPAIR & REBAR TREATMENT

- Definition of defects
  - Something that does not come up to the expectations of the clients, falls below the prescribed standard for things of its kind, less acceptable than it ought to be or the result of an error (Puller-Strecker, 1990)
  - A fault in an element, material or component of a building. On the other hand, a building failure is here meant as a consequence of such a defect/ fault (James Douglas et. al., 2007)

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- Categories of errors (CIDB 1993)
  - Pre-design errors poor or inadequate brief
  - Design errors unusual or awkward details leading to leaks
  - Construction errors bad workmanship
  - Maintenance errors lack of regular/ scheduled maintenance

- Type of defects
  - Honey combing
  - Delamination/ spalling
  - Cracks
  - Corrosion
  - Material deterioration
    - Sulphate attack
    - Acid attack

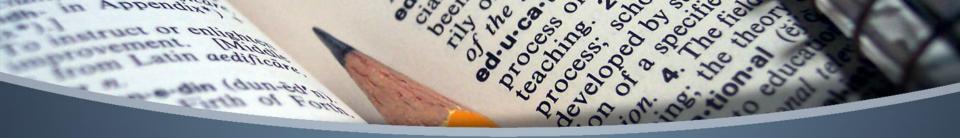


- Type of cracks
  - Cracks due to corrosion of steel reinforcement
    - Carbonation
    - Chloride attack
  - Cracks due to intrinsic movement in concrete
    - Shrinkage
    - Creep
    - Hydration
    - Changes in temperature



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- Type of cracks
  - Cracks due to load-induces
    - Deficiency in design
    - Imposed loading greater than the intended load
    - Construction fault
  - Cracks due to settlement



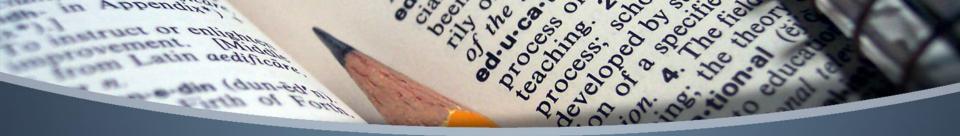
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Honeycomb

Popouts







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Delamination

**Spalling** 

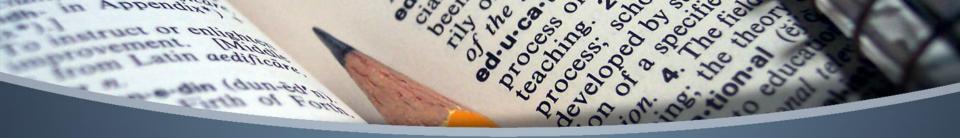






### TYPE OF DEFECTS





## Cracks due to load-induce

Bending failure

Shear failure

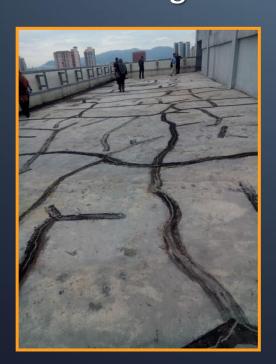






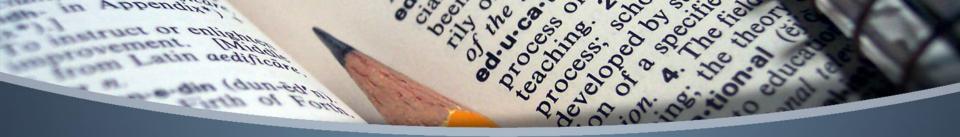
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Plastic shrinkage cracks

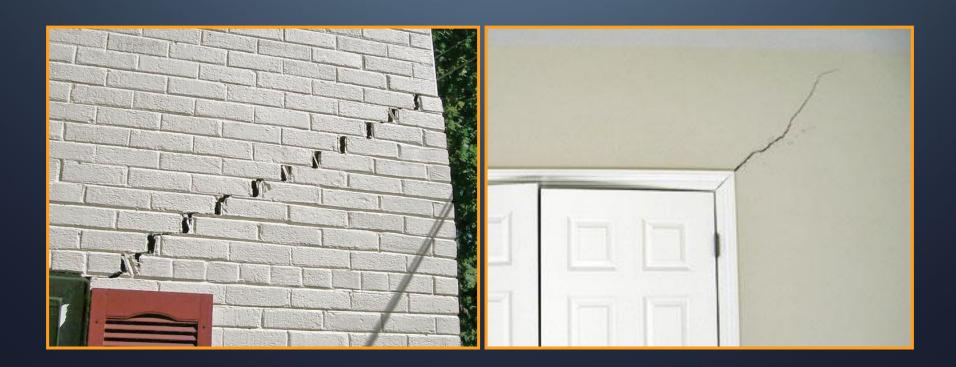


Alkali-aggregate reaction





### **Cracks due to settlement**

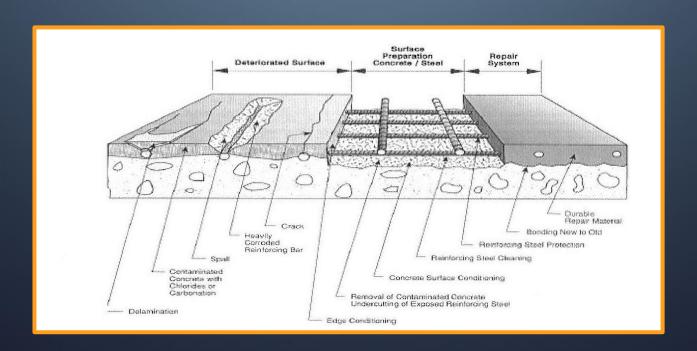


- General process for assessment of concrete structure:
  - Review of engineering data (e.g design, past performance)
  - Condition survey (visual inspection)
  - Testing works (in-situ & lab)
  - Report and recommendation

- Common NDT (in situ & lab)
  - Cover meter survey
  - Pull of test
  - Carbonation test
  - Density
  - Rebound hammer
  - Ultrasonic pulse velocity
  - Half cell potential
  - Coring test



### INTRODUCTION TO STRUCTURAL REPAIR



**Anatomy of Surface Repairs** 



- Selection of repair materials
  - Strength & durability
  - Differential volume behavior
  - Appearance & compatibility

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- Repair materials
  - Cementitious based
    - Cementitious grouts, mortars & concrete
    - Polymer modified cementitious grouts & mortars
    - Superfluid micro-concrete
  - Resin based
    - Epoxy resin grouts & mortars
    - Polyester resin grouts & mortar



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- Material properties
  - Cementitious based
    - Increase bond strength, tensile strength, compressive strength & flexural strength
    - Relatively faster curing time
    - Less permeable; better durability
    - Shrinkage compensating

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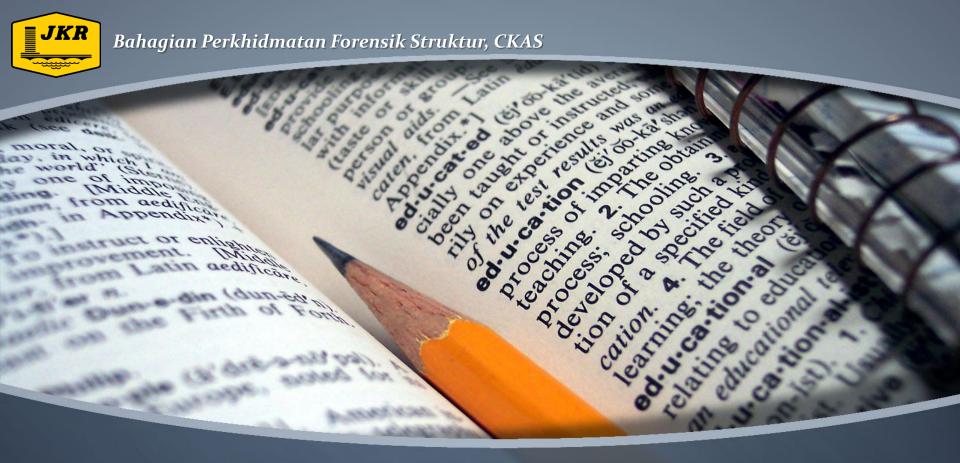
- Material properties (cont'd)
  - Resin based
    - High bond strength, excellent adhesion strength
    - Fast curing time
    - Less permeable; better durability
    - Shrinkage compensating



### STANDARD METHOD OF REPAIR

- Crack repair
- Small (patch) repair
- Large repair
  - Drypack
  - Form & cast in place
  - Form & pump
  - Preplaced aggregate
- Surface protective coating
- Cathodic protection





## **PATCH REPAIR & BAR TREATMENT**



### **APPLICATION CRITERIA**

- Inactive defects due to honeycomb, spalling, cavity etc.
- Localised/ small defect
- Spalling/ defective area not more than 0.5m<sup>2</sup>
- Causes
  - Poor workmanship
  - Minimal carbonation
  - Inadequate cover



#### **REPAIR PROCESS**

- Removal of defective concrete
- Reinforcement preparation
  - Removal of corrosion products
  - Lap new reinforcement (for loss >10%)
  - Priming
- Apply bonding agent
- Place repair material
- Protective coating





### REMOVAL OF DEFECTIVE CONCRETE

- Mark areas to be removed
- Concrete removal by jack hammers or waterjet
  - Removal must not damage rebar
  - Removal must be 20mm behind rebars
  - Removal additional 50mm beyond corroded rebar
- Saw cut edges of repair area by 10mm 20mm deep (no feather edges)
- Clean remaining concrete surface
- Removal only on alternate columns/ beams within same span



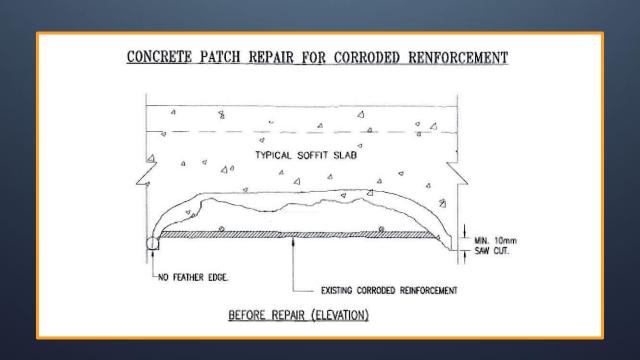


#### REINFORCEMENT PREPARATION

- Remove all corrosion products
- Rebar corrosion more than 10% has to be supplemented
  - Minimum lap length = 42Ø
- Prime rebar within 2 hours of cleaning using zinc-rich type primer

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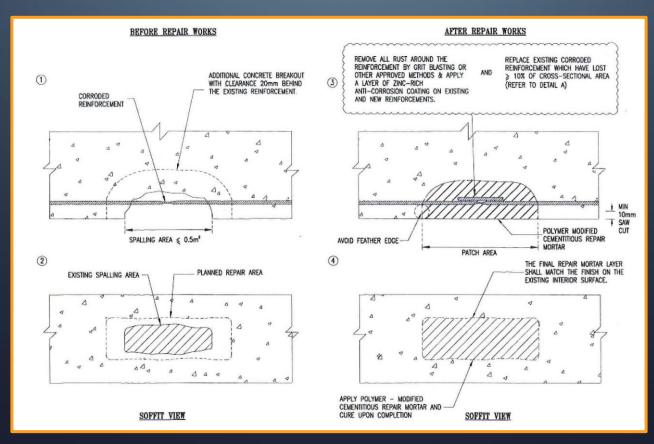
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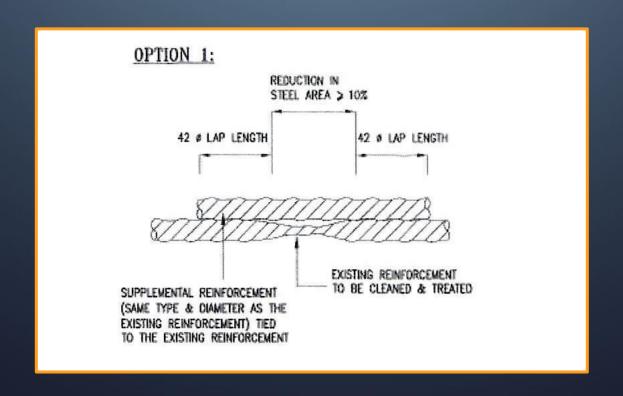
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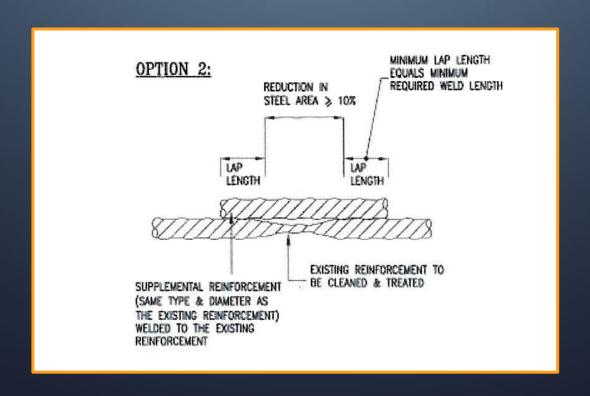
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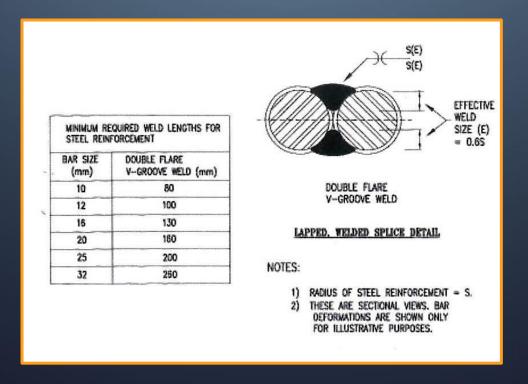
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## Removal of defective concrete



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## Priming the rebar & apply the bonding agent





# Place repair material

