

# Effect of Temperature on Resilient Modulus of Recycled Unbound Aggregates

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– Presentation and Review



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# Presentation of the paper (1/3)

- 2 Materials:
  - **RAP:** Recycled Asphalt Pavement
    - Old pavement



- **RCA:** Recycled Concrete Aggregates
  - Old roads
  - Old buildings
  - Old concrete structures



# Materials

**TABLE 1 Index Properties of RAP, RCA, and Class 5 Aggregates**

Material	Source	d <sub>10</sub> (mm)	d <sub>50</sub> (mm)	C <sub>u</sub>	C <sub>c</sub>	G <sub>s</sub>	AB (%)	AC (%)	w <sub>opt</sub> (%)	γ <sub>dmax</sub> (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	Fines (%)	USCS
Class 5	MN	0.08	1.0	21	1.4	2.57	-	-	8.9	20.1	9.5	GW-GM
	CA	0.31	4.8	22	1.4	2.32	5.0	-	10.4	19.9	2.3	GW
RCA	TX	0.43	13.3	38	6.0	2.27	5.5	-	9.2	19.7	2.1	GW
	NJ	0.18	2.0	28	0.3	2.31	5.4	-	9.5	19.8	4.3	SP
	MI	0.4	9.7	35	3.9	2.37	5.4	-	8.7	20.8	3.2	GP
RAP	CO	0.35	2.2	9	0.7	2.23	3.0	5.9	5.7	20.7	0.7	SP
	TX	0.72	5.4	11	1.1	2.34	1.3	4.7	8.1	20.3	1.0	GW
	NJ	1.00	4.9	6	1.3	2.37	2.1	5.2	6.5	20.4	0.7	GW
	MN	0.3	1.6	7	0.7	2.41	1.8	7.1	6.7	20.8	2.5	SP

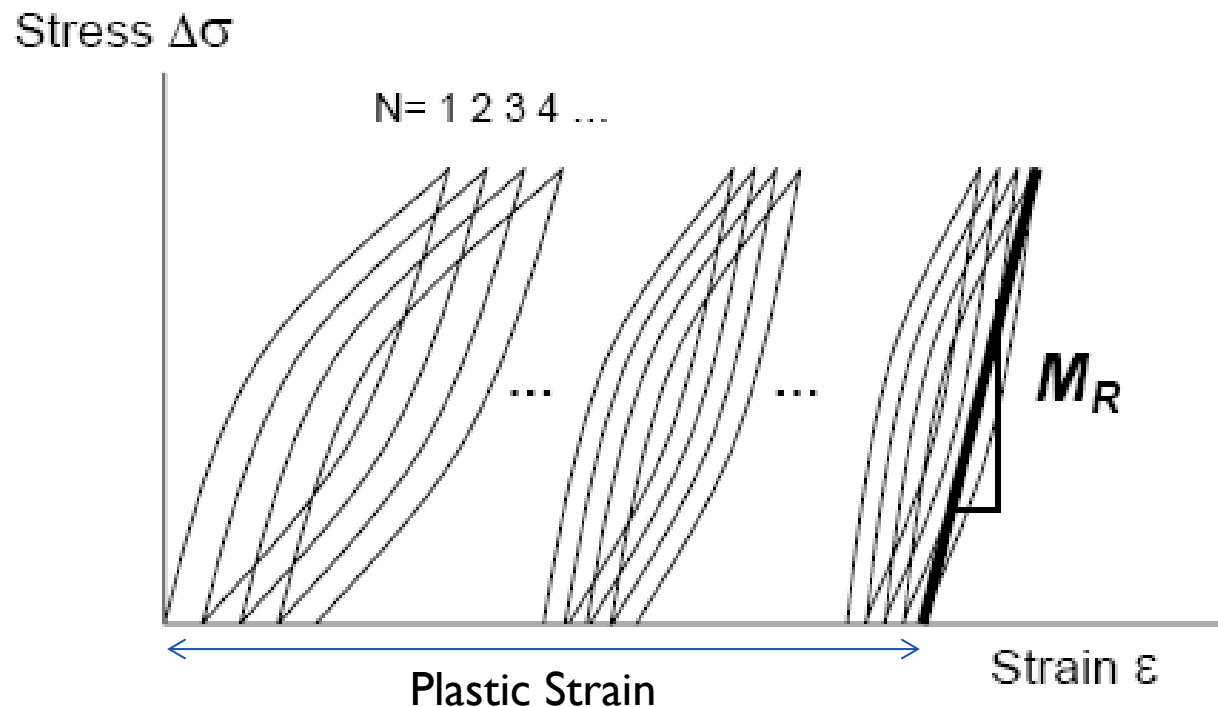
Note: d<sub>10</sub>: effective particle size (particle size for which 10% of the sample is finer than d<sub>10</sub>); d<sub>50</sub>: average particle size (particle size for which 50% of the sample is finer than d<sub>50</sub>); C<sub>u</sub>: coefficient of uniformity (d<sub>60</sub>/d<sub>10</sub>); C<sub>c</sub>: coefficient of curvature (C<sub>30</sub><sup>2</sup>/(C<sub>10</sub> × C<sub>60</sub>)); G<sub>s</sub>: specific gravity; USCS: Unified Soil Classification System; AC:Asphalt Content; AB:Absorption; MN:Minnesota; CA:California; NJ:New Jersey; CO:Colorado; TX:Texas.

*Legend gradation USCS:*

- 1 Class 5
- 4 samples of RCA
- 4 samples of RAP
- ❖ GW: well-graded gravel
- ❖ GM: silty gravel
- ❖ GP: poorly graded gravel
- ❖ SP: poorly graded sand

# Presentation of the paper (2/3)

- 2 Parameters:
  - **Resilient Modulus:** Important characteristic for the pavement design
  - **Plastic Strain:** Important to characterise rutting



# Presentation of the paper (3/3)

- 3 Tests :
  - Temperature-Controlled Resilient Modulus
  - Field Tests
  - Freeze-Thaw

# Test I: Temperature-Controlled Resilient Modulus

- Procedure *NCHRP 1-28A*.
- Tests conducted at 4 different temperatures: 7, 23, 35 and 50 °C.

- Measure the strain inside the sample

- Establishing the resilient modulus

$$M_R = \frac{\sigma_{dN}}{\epsilon_r}$$

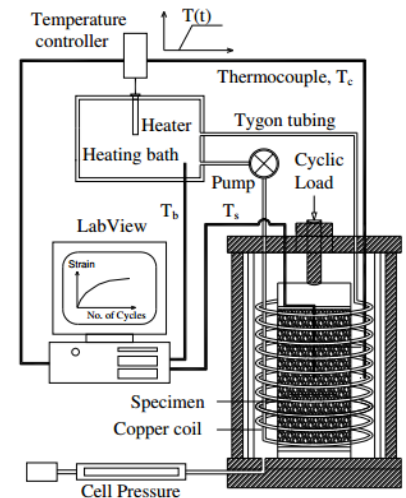
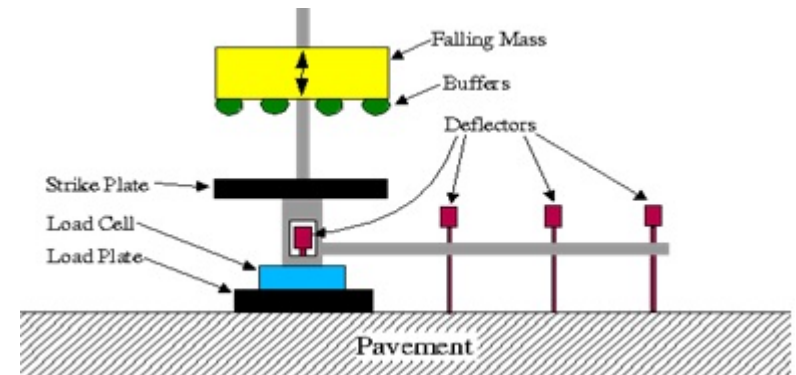


FIGURE 1 Schematic of temperature-controlled resilient modulus cell

# Test 2: Field Tests

- Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD)
- Done in Albertville, Minnesota.
- From Fall 2010 to Spring 2012: 5 measurements.



FALLING WEIGHT DEFLECTOMETER  
TRAILER MOUNTED

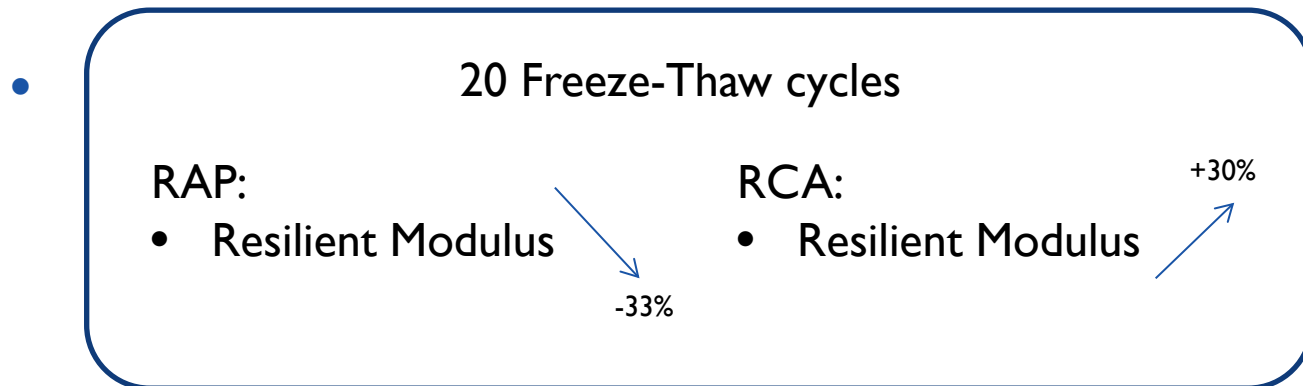
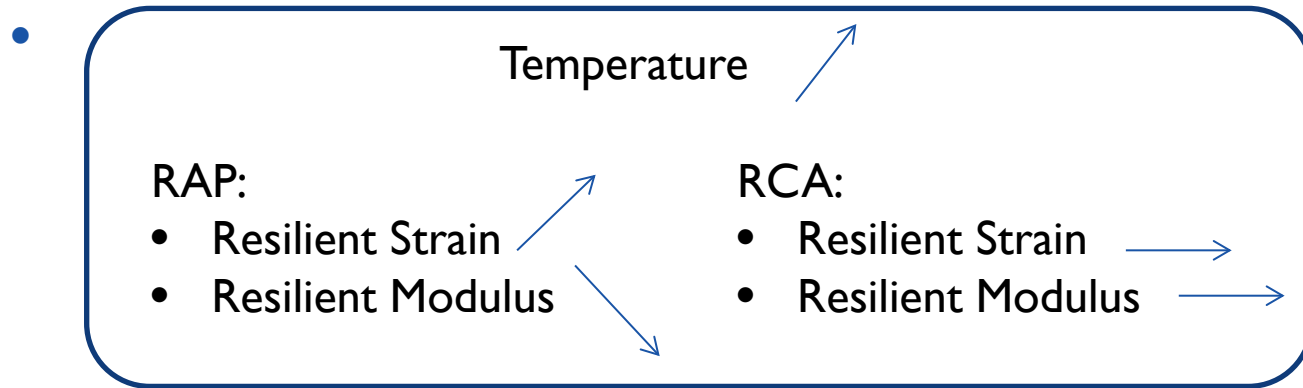


# Test 3: Freeze-Thaw Cycles

- Number of F-T cycles tested: 5, 10 and 20.
- 24 hours freezing and 24 hours thawing.

# Results (1/2)

- Recycled Aggregates have **comparable** or even **better properties** than Classical Aggregates.



- Installation of RAP better in summer

# Results (2/2)

- From the field test (FWD):  $\frac{E_{FWD}}{E_{FWD0}} = e^{-0.011(T-T_0)}$

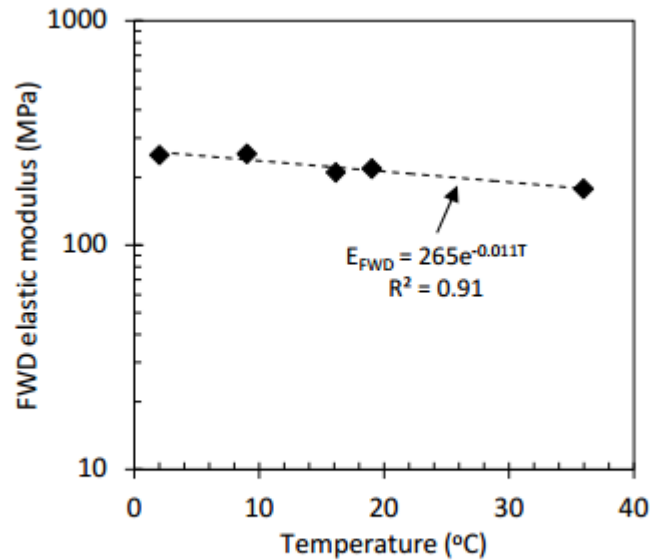


FIGURE 7 Variation of field modulus with pavement surface temperature

# Review (1/5)

- Global view of the paper:
  - Organized and written in a clear way.
  - Conclusion concise and precise.
  - Approach interesting for technical society.
  
- Methodology and Tests:
  - Standardized procedure used.
  - Well described equipments and materials.

# Review (2/5)

- Presentation of data and results:

- 202 and onto the MnROAD mainline, which is 5.6 km long by 2 lanes wide. The pavement profile is  
203 shown in Fig.2. Testing was performed using a trailer-mounted Dynatest model 1000 FWD. A

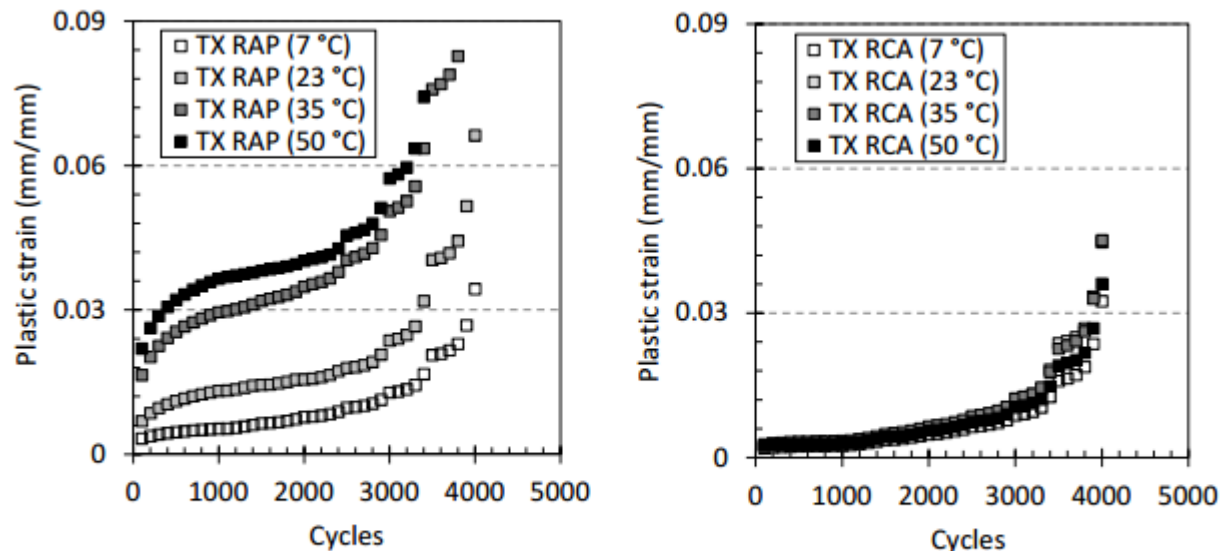
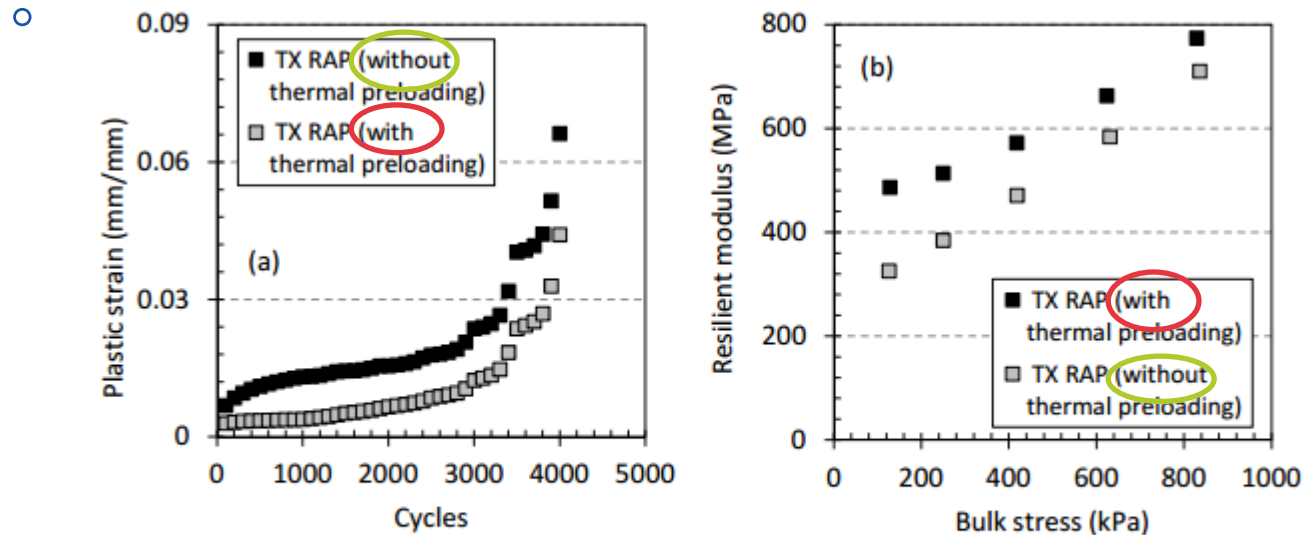


FIGURE 2 Cumulative plastic strain versus number of cycles at different temperature for TX RAP (a) and TX RCA (b)

- 151 Table 2 summarizes the testing program conducted in this study. NCHRP 1-28A  
152 Procedure IA was followed for laboratory  $M_R$  testing. The materials used in this study are

# Review (3/5)

- Presentation of data and results:

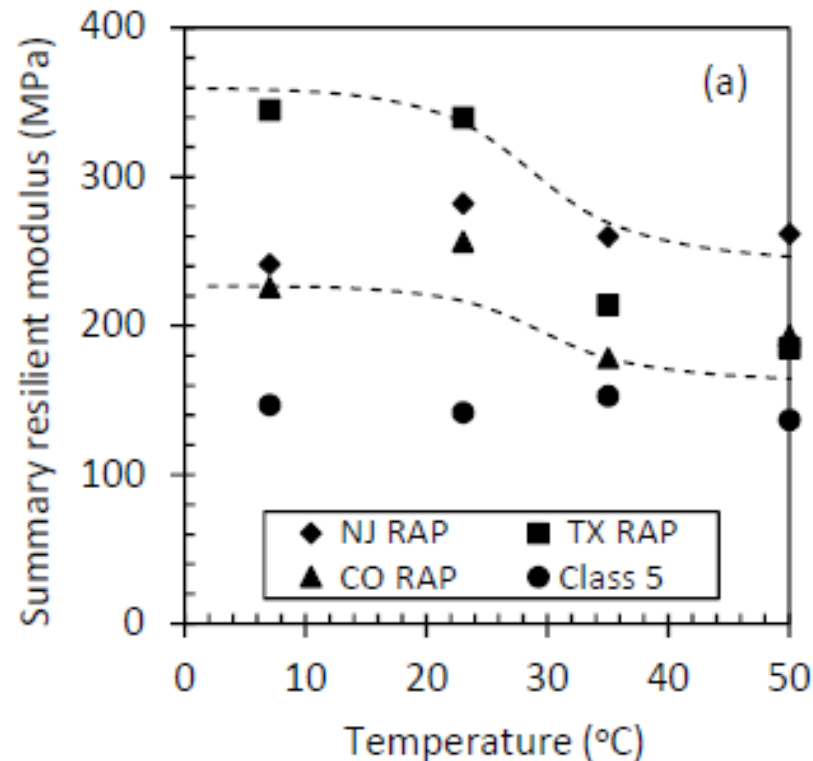


**FIGURE 5** Effect of thermal preloading: plastic strain versus number of cycles (a) and resilient modulus versus bulk stress (b)

# Review (4/5)

- Presentation of data and results:

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No explanation for the differences between RAP materials themselves (gradation?, ...)

263 of RAP. The most noticeable reduction in  $M_R$  of RAP occurred within the temperature range of  
264 23 °C to 35 °C where the  $M_{RS}$  decreased by 26% on average. Increasing temperature reduces

# Review (5/5)

- Explanations:
  - Clear explanation for some results.
  - Some other result: no attempt of explanations or hypothesis.
- Hypothesis:
  - No discussion for some hypothesis.



# Conclusion

- Some corrections are needed.
- But should be published.



# Questions?

