

Teknologi Bahan Konstruksi

Non-destructive Test (NDT)

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Why use testing?

- ▶ Make best use of limited budgets
 - Repair vs. replace
 - Increase load limits
- ▶ Preserve our infrastructure
 - Economics
 - Historic structures
- ▶ Make sound judgments to repair or replace
- ▶ Increase level of confidence / decrease uncertainty
- ▶ Increase overall safety



Destructive testing vs Non-destructive testing

- ▶ **Destructive testing** is carried out until the specimen's failure. These tests are generally much easier to carry out, yield more information and are easier to interpret than non-destructive testing
- ▶ **Non-destructive testing** is the type of testing that does not destroy the test object. It is vital when the material in question is still in service.

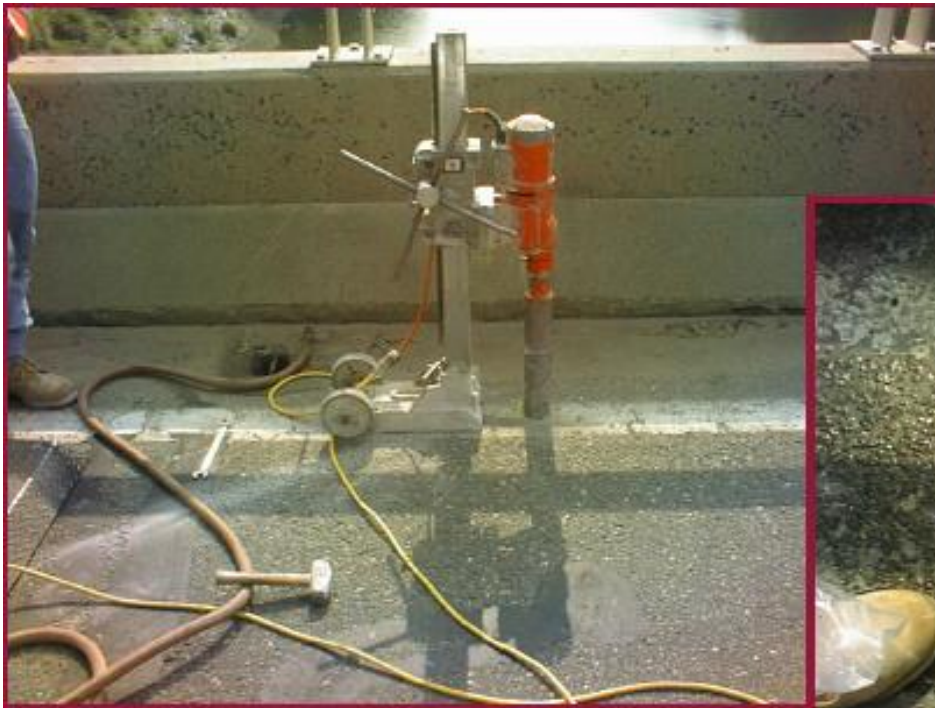
Destructive Testing



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- ▶ Involves removing or uncovering a piece of the structure
 - ▶ Used mostly to determine material properties
 - Determine a load rating
 - Increase load capacity



Used mostly to determine material properties



Determine extent of contamination or damage



Types of Destructive Testing

- ▶ Concrete sampling
- ▶ Freeze-thaw damage
- ▶ Alkali-silica reaction



Types of Non-Destructive Testing

- ▶ Rebound Hammer Test
- ▶ Pull-out Test
- ▶ Windsor Probe Test
- ▶ Maturity Test



Homework

- 1) List four nondestructive test methods for the evaluation of concrete quality. Which one can be used as a direct substitute for determining the compressive strength of concrete?
- 2) What are the principles behind the following test procedures: Schmidt hammer test, Windsor probe test, pullout test, maturity test? Explain which you would recommend for deciding the formwork removal time.
- 3) Your company has been hired to perform the assessment of the damage of a building that had been exposed to a fire for 1 hour. Write a memo describing the protocol of the site investigation including what non-destructive tests should be used to determine the best repair strategy for the reinforced concrete structure.

