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**RESEARCH ON INFLUENCE OF CHEMICAL ELASTICITY  
ADMIXTURES FOR INCREASING SETTING TIME ON  
MECHANIZATION CHARACTERISTICS OF ROLLER COMPACTED  
CONCRETE FOR GRADATION DAM CONSTRUCTION**

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## **PREFACE**

### **1. Background of the research**

The applicable and researches on Roller Compacted Concrete (RCC) is a significant development in construction which contribute in reducing cement volume resulting in reducing a concrete heating, speeding up process of concrete works, using waste and localized materials , v.v...

Currently, There has been 17 RCC dams which are finished construction or on operation, also many other dams project on processing of preparing construction. Unfortunately, The national standards is still not applied to classify and choose an admixture of chemical plasticity for reducing settings time (MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE), it is very important part for quality of RCC construction. The applicable of MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE admixtures would keep on workability, increase settings time in order to increase construction period and reduce cool crack, improve quality and water proof capacity for RCC dam.

With above mentioned issue, the thesis is proposed to this solution is “ **Esearch on influence of chemical plasticity admixtures for increasing setting time on mechanization characteristics of RCC in Hydro Dam**”.

### **2. Purpose of research**

Research on influence of MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE admixtures on mechanization characteristics of RCC for hydro dam and make suggestion to usage of MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE admixtures for any actual demands on site.

### **3. Subjects and range of research**

- Subjects : Some of RCC characteristics for hydro dam construction which is applicable MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE admixtures in proportions.
- Range of research: Influence of MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE admixtures (TM25 / Sika, Rheoplus 26 RCC / BASF, ADVA 181/ GRACE) on mechanization characteristics of RCC for hydro dam construction.

### **4. Research support**

Both of lab studies and experiments on site.

## 5. Science Meaning

- Find out the rules of an influence of Mineral Chemical Admixtrure admixtures on charaticities of RCC for hydro dam construction.

## 6. Applicable meaning

- Suggest to choosing MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE admixtures for design of proportions of RCC.
- Suggest to RCC proportion design which is used MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE admixtures at Nước Trong Project, and construction methods, technical support.

## 7. Advanced Update of thesis

- Thesis results coulddetermind an influence of three admixtures generation of MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE on basic mechanization charaticities of RCC as followings: workabilities, starting time and finishing time of settings, strength of tension, compression, water proofing of RCC.
- To Supply the background of choosing types and volume of MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRUREadmioxtures to respond to any actual request of quality and period of RCC construction.

# CHAPTER 1. OVERVIEW OF APLLYING RCC TO HYDRO DAM CONSTRUCTION

## 1.1. Background of RCC Hydro Dam

RCC is concrete which compacted by Rolling compactor, concrete in the non-setting form would receive the compacting force from roller during process of compaction. RCC proportion is equivalent to Traditional concrete, however, Rolled compaction technologies would be very especially effective to apply to hydro dam construction support as well as big volume quantity constructed.

## 1.2. Material applicable to RCC

Cement :porland cement; Mineral admixtures: Sieved ash, fly ash or poozerland; Chemical admixtures: MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE admixtures( VS applicable); Aggregate : Fine aggregate : natural sand or milled sand from quarry; Coarse aggregate : aggregate D 10-20.

## 1.3. Technologies Support for RCC

RCC construction application could create high effectiveness of costing as request high-speed processing on construction so the preparation of planning

and schedule should be detailed and strict., the effectiveness of compaction should be affected by proportion of RCC and specification of compaction equipments.

#### **1.4. Situation of researches and applicable RCC to Hydro dam construction**

##### **1.4.1. World wide**

In 1960, Concrete proportion used low volume of cement was studied; in 1980, RCC was applied in Dam Construction in United States; In 1974, RCC was applied in Japan; In 1980, RCC was initially applied in China. Currently, RCC Dams ranked in the top of the world for quality, quantity, height of dam, technologies.

##### **1.4.2. Việt Nam**

In 1990, RCC was initially applied in Việt Nam. In 2003, the first RCC dam construction is applied in Pleikrong HYDRO DAM. Currently, there has been 20 dams applied RCC Technologies and many others prepared to start construction...

#### **1.5. Situation of research and applicable to Chemical Mineral admixtures.**

##### **1.5.1. Situation of research and applicable to Chemical Mineral admixtures in the world**

The improvement of RCC quality by using Chemical Admixtures was in 1980. In the Standards of Industry of Japan or United States, Chemical admixtures were determined as one of component in proportion of RCC.

##### **1.5.2. Situation of research and applicable to Chemical Mineral admixtures in Việt Nam**

In Việt Nam, RCC was initially applied in 1990s; In 2003, Pleikrong HYDRO DAM was applied RCC technology without Chemical admixtures. After that, all HYDRO DAM has been applied RCC technology with Chemical Admixtures such as TĐ A Vương – Quảng Nam, TĐ Bản Vẽ - Nghệ An, TĐ Sơn La – Sơn La, TĐ Lai Châu – Lai Châu, TĐ Đình Bình – Bình Định, v.v...

#### **1.6. The disadvantages of RCC technology in Việt Nam**

- The heating problems in RCC: If the temperature differences of inner concrete and outside concrete is big enough, The non-constant elasticity in between inner concrete and outside concrete would create the crack of concrete.

- Water proofing of RCC: The differences of water pressure is significal, the uniform of structure and capacity of water proof is low. The design and installation of water stop is not qualified.

### **1.7. The factors affect on RCC constrction:**

Workabilities of RCC, Time of settings, Processing on improving RCC strength, processing on heating

### **1.8. Purpose and Mision of Thesis**

- Purpose: Research on influence of Chemical admixtures on mechanization characticities of RCC for HYDRO DAM constrction.
- Mision: Research on Influence of Chemical admixtures on workabilites, setting time, strength of compression and tension, heating development, compacting time, water proofing, period of construction..

### **Conclusion of Chapter 1**

- RCC use chemical admixtures to extend the time of setting, improve workability, and water proof of dam.
- Việt Nam has not carried out any an intensive and full research on chemical admixtures, also the suggestion to usage of chemical admixtures in RCC.

## **CHAPTER 2: SCIENCE BACKGROUND, APLLICABLE MATERIAL AND RESEARCH METHODS**

### **2.1. Science background of using chemical admixtures in RCC**

#### **2.1.1.Science background of using chemical admixtures in RCC**

Chemical admixtures would be divided in 3 generations: G1, G2, G3. Admixtures could create a adsorptivity membrane to cover cement spot and prevent from cement combination and capacity of independing by themself inorder to inprove the effectiveness of elasticity.

#### **2.1.2. Science background of using Chemical admixtures for increasing setting time in RCC**

To Create membrane to protect cement and prevent from hydrating progress; to increase the progress on setting crystal seed of Hydrosytecanxi; to prevent from development of crystal seed; to prevent from forming hydro canxi crystal seed; sedimetantion extracts of components to increase time of settings and forming protective membrane.

### **2.1.3. Plasticity result of Chemical admixtures to strength of RCC**

Improve characteristics of cement in concrete and respond concrete specification to requirements such as increase settings time, reduce water content, improve flexibility, water proof v.v...

### **2.2. Materials for research**

Cement PC40 Kim Đình, Fly ash Phả Lại, Granit coarse aggregate, natural sand, Chemical Mineral admixtures TM 25/ Sika, Rheoplus 26 RCC/ BASF, ADVA 181/ GRACE.

### **2.3. Methods of research**

Both of lab studies and experiment on situ.

#### **2.3.1. Standards of materials**

Cement: TCVN 6017:1999; TCVN 4030:2003; TCVN 6017:1999; TCVN 6016:2011.

Fly ash: TCVN 7131:2002; TCVN 7572:2006; TCVN 4030:2003; TCVN 8827:2011; TCVN 7131:2002; TCVN 6882:2001.

Fine and coarse aggregate: TCVN 7572:2006; TCVN 7570:2006.

#### **2.3.2. Standards of testing RCC**

SL 48:94; TCVN 3118:1993; TCVN 3108:1993; TCVN 3116:1993.

### **Conclusion of chapter 2**

1. Through studies, analyses, statistic process, the science background of influence of admixtures on RCC as followings:

- The mechanism of elasticity is creating membrane of electrostatic and space.
- The mechanism of increasing settings time, prevent from development of crystal seed and form a new material that can reduce cement hydraulic progress.

2. Through surveys and experiments result, thesis has chosen materials and admixtures which could respond to requirement of producing RCC:

3. The standards of experiments of aggregates is applicable : VS. Design and experiments standards: China / SL48-94.

## CHAPTER 3: RESEARCH ON INFLUENCE OF CHEMICAL ADMIXTURES ON SOME CHARACTERISTICS OF RCC

### 3.1. Design proportion of RCC in accordance with SL48-94

Table proportion of RCC basic: refer to table 3.1, specification: refer to table 3.2

**Table 3.1. Basic RCC Proportion**

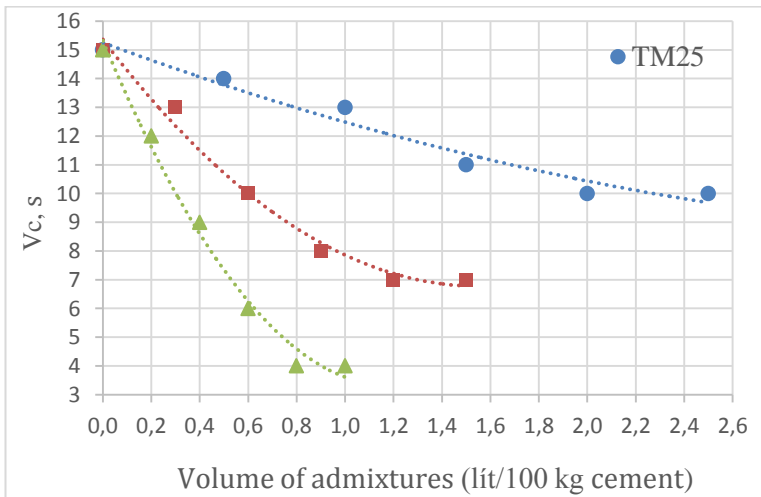
Material	Cement, kg	Fly ash, kg	Fine admixtures, kg	Sand, kg	Coarse aggregate, kg	Water, lít
Volume	80	140	57	751	1318	115

**Table 3.2. Specification of basic RCC proportion**

Specification	V <sub>c</sub> , s	R <sub>28</sub> , MPa	R <sub>90</sub> , MPa	T <sub>bddk</sub> , hour	T <sub>ktdk</sub> , hour
Value	15	13,6	20,3	7,5	18,25

### 3.2. Research on influence of Chemical admixtures on RCC workability

Refer to table 3.1, if volume of admixtures changed in order to monitor the adjustment of workability of RCC (V<sub>c</sub>). Result is shown in diagram of picture 3.1.



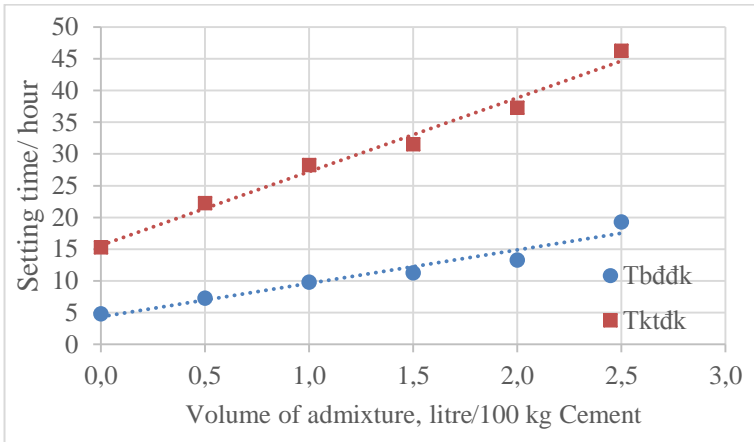
**Picture 3.1. Figure shows the influence of chemical admixtures on RCC workabilities**



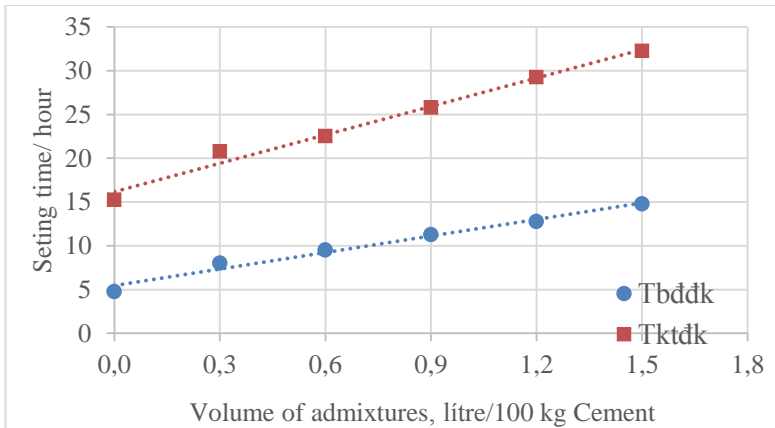
Chemical admixtures would stimulate flexibilities/ workabilites of RCC. The capacities of improving workabilites would besignificantlyincrease from usage of TM25,Rheoplus 26 RCC to ADVA 181.

### 3.3. Research on chemical admixtures on settings time of RCC

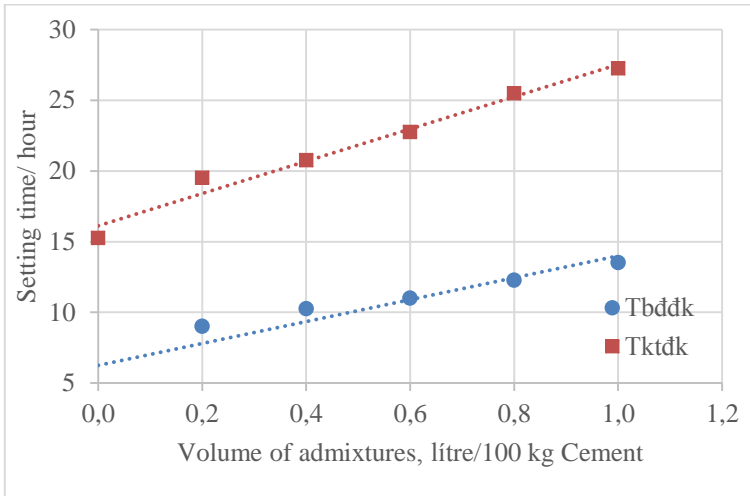
Basic RCC proportion in table 3.1, the volume of admixtures should be changed to monitor the adjustment of setting time of RCC. Result of expriments is shown in figures 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4.



**Picture 3.2. Figure is shown the influence of admixtures TM 25 volume on setting time of RCC**



**Picture 3.3. Figure is shownthe influence of volume of admixtures Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) on setting time of RCC**



**Picture 3.4.** Figure is shown the influence of volume of admixtures ADVA 181 on setting time of RCC

Note: Three of admixtures should increase setting time of RCC.

### 3.4. Research on Chemical admixtures on strength of RCC

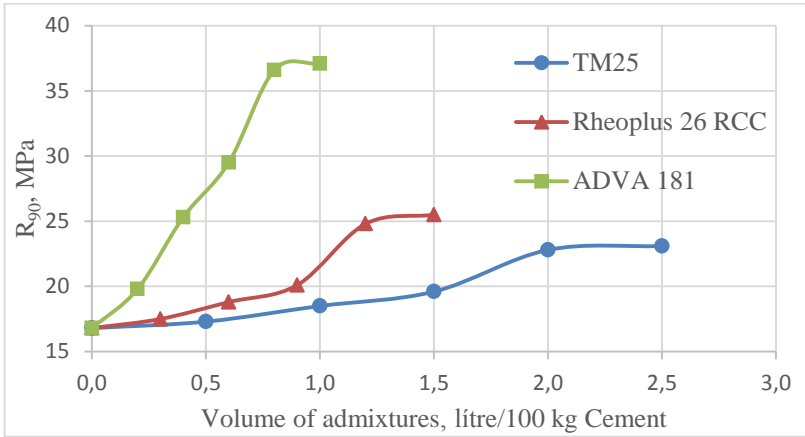
#### 3.4.1. Compression strength:

Monitor the influence of Chemical admixture on Compression strength of RCC on the base of keeping workability constant ( $V_c = 10 \pm 1s$ ). Refer to proportion at table 3.9, adjustment should be made to compensate workability as  $V_c = 10 \pm 1s$ .

**Table 3.9. RCC Proportion to test compression strength**

Material	Cement, kg	Fly ash, kg	Fine admixtures, kg	sand, kg	Coarse aggregate, kg	water, lit	Chemical admixtures, lit
Volume	80	140	57	751	1318	125	0

The result should be shown in figure picture 3.5.

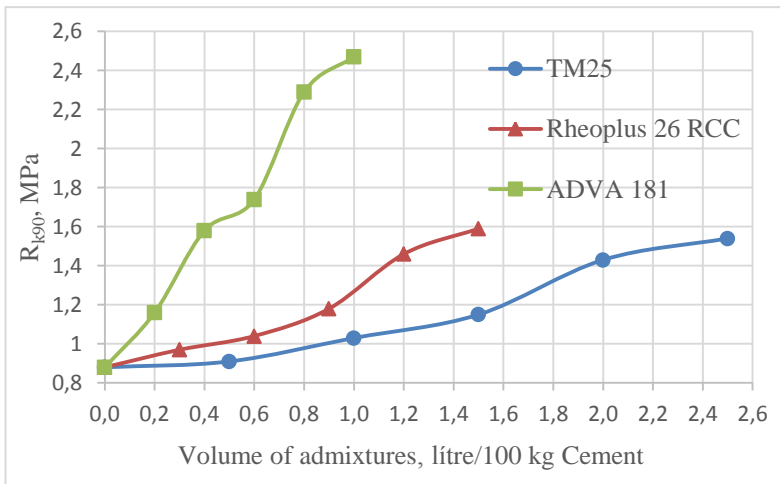


**Picture 3.5.** Figure is shown the influence of volume of admixtures on compression strength of RCC

Three of admixtures should increase significantly the compression strength of RCC from usage of TM25, Rheoplus 26 RCC to ADVA 181.

### 3.4.2. The strength of tension along center axis

Refer to proportion at table 3.9, the volume of water would be significantly reduced and increased a volume of admixtures, also kept workability of RCC as constant. The result should be shown in picture 3.6.



**Picture 3.6.** Figure is shown the influence of volume of admixtures on strength of tension along center axis

Three of admixtures should increase significantly the stretching strength of RCC from usage of TM25,Rheoplus 26 RCC to ADVA 181.

### 3.5.Research on chemical admixtures on time of compaction

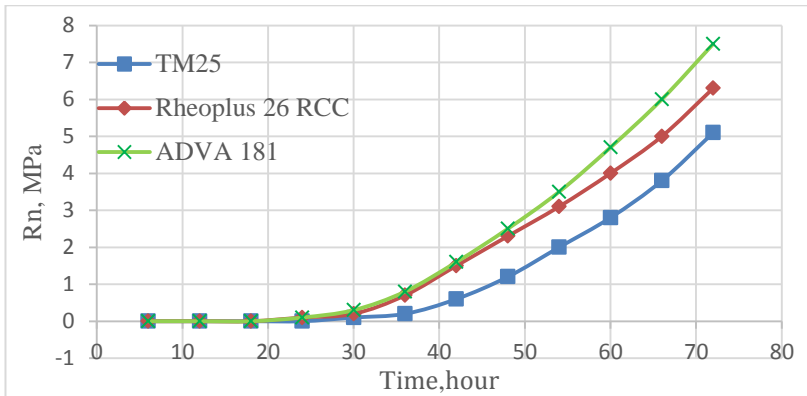
To test the compression strength of RCC sample at lower layers meanwhile pour RCC concrete at many difference processing period. In the research, sample at higher layers after pouring to sample RCC concrete at lower layers at every 6 hours.

**Table 3.16. proportion of RCC to test at compaction period**

Material	Cement, kg	Fly ash, kg	Fine admixtures, kg	sand, kg	Coarse aggregate , kg	water, lit	Chemical admixtures, lit
TM25	80	140	57	751	1318	119	4,40
Rheoplus 26 RCC	80	140	57	751	1318	108	2,64
ADVA 181	80	140	57	751	1318	82	1,76

#### 3.5.1. Mornitor the strength of RCC at short setting time

The result of expoeriments of compression strength of sample as picture 3.7.

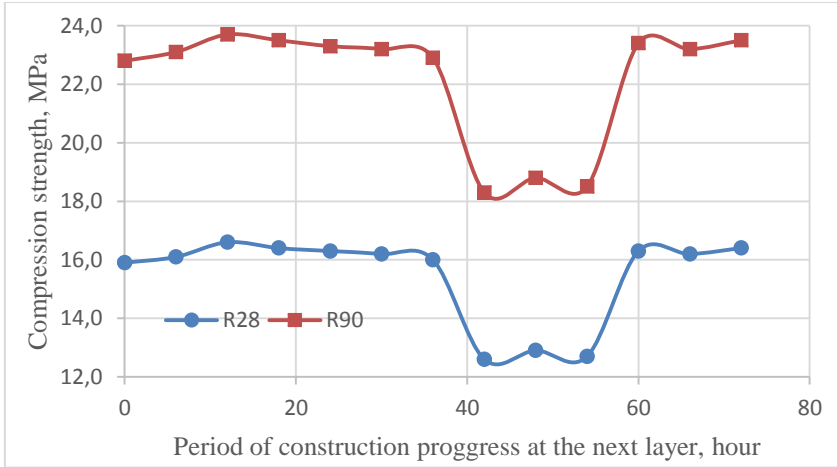


**Piture 3.7. Figure is shown compression strength in period of progress**

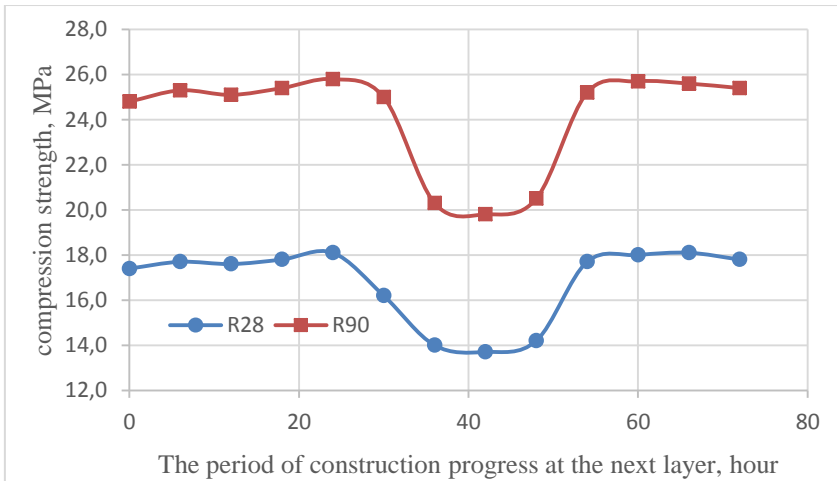
The velocity of development of strength depends on admixtures usage , the level of development is sigfinically increased from TM25, Rheoplus 26 RCCto ADVA 181.

### 3.5.2. Monitor the influence of chemical admixtures on compaction period

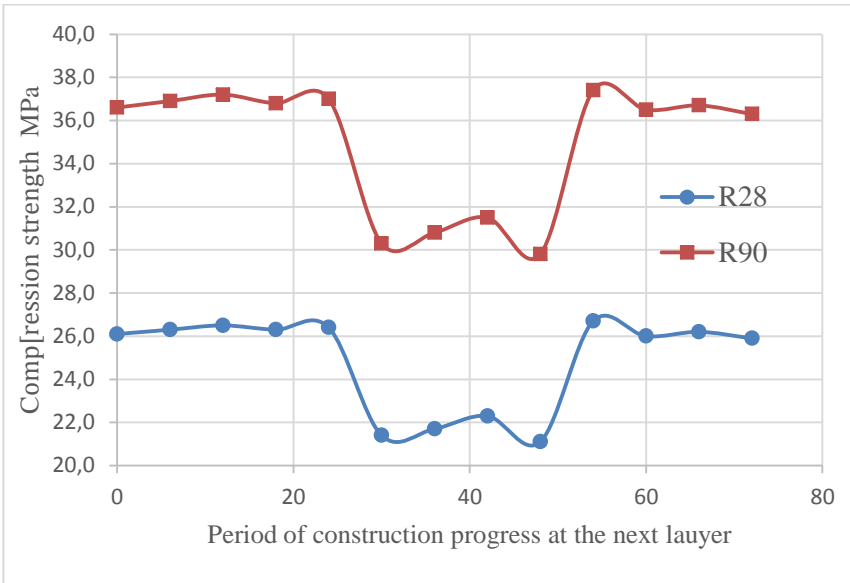
The experiments of RCC strength at lower layers in the period of construction progress of higher layer at every 6 hour. The result is shown in picture 3.8, 3.11, 3.9 and 3.10.



**Picture 3.8.** Figure is shown compression strength of RCC sample used chemical admixture TM25 at difference period of construction progress



**Picture 3.9.** Figure is shown compression strength Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) at difference period of compaction progress

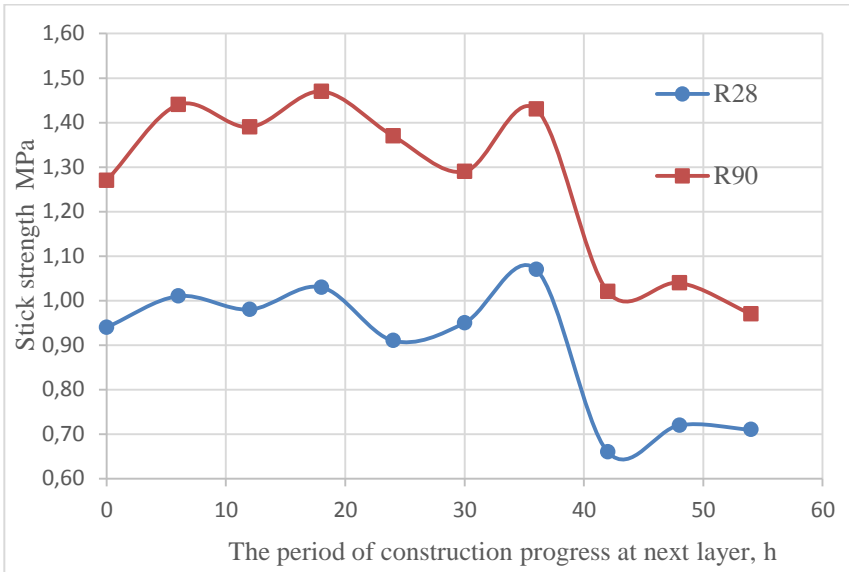


**Picture 3.10. Figure is shown compression strength sample used admixtures ADVA 181 at difference period of compaction progress**

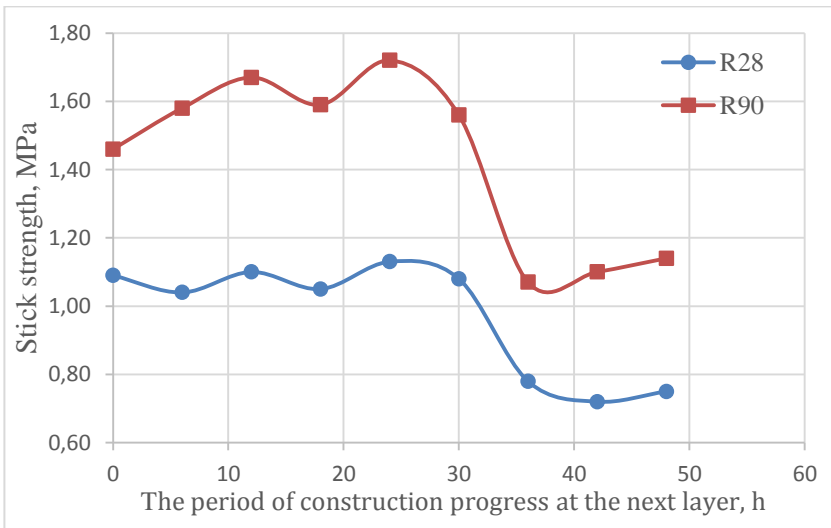
The period of compacting RCC at higher layers would affect on RCC strength of lower layers and the connection joint of two these layers. This is a cause of reducing the strength of tension at surface of layer, also this is a background knowledge to choose the specification of equipment, design and prepare the planning as well as keep continue of progress of construction from starting pouring concrete, compacting lower layer to finishing the higher layer is not exceeding 36 hours for M25, 30 hour for Rheoplus 26 RCC and 24 hour for ADVA 181.

### **3.6. Research on the influence of chemical admixtures on tension of each layer**

The result of testing tension strength between 2 layers at difference period of compaction is shown at picture 3.11, 3.12 and 3.13.



**Picture 3.11.** Figure is shown the tension strength at between old and new layer of RCC used chemical admixtures MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE TM25



**Picture 3.12.** Figure is shown the tension strength at between new and old layers of RCC used admixtures MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE Rheoplus 26 RCC



**Picture 3.13.** Figure is shown the strength of tension at between old and new layers of RCC used admixtures MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTURE ADVA 181

- The period of compaction progress for RCC higher layers from 0 ÷ 36 H would compensate the best compression strength with TM25,0 ÷ 30H, Rheoplus 26 RCC and 0 ÷ 24 with ADVA 181. This matter should be explained that meanwhile RCC finished setting causes significant reduce of combination between old and new RCC layers.

### 3.7. Research on the influence of chemical admixture for increasing setting time on water proof of RCC

The proportion for testing shown in table 3.22.

**Table 3.22. Proportion for permeable parameters**

Material	Cement, kg	Fly ash, kg	Fine admixtures, kg	sand, kg	Coarse aggregate, kg	water, lit	Chemical admixtures, lit
Benchmark proportion	80	140	57	751	1318	125	0,00
TM25	80	140	57	751	1318	119	4,40
Rheoplus 26 RCC	80	140	57	751	1318	108	2,64
ADVA 181	80	140	57	751	1318	82	1,76



Result of testing the permeable parameters of RCC at 90 days is shown as table

**Table 3.23. Result of testing permeable parameters of RCC at 90 days**

Sample	$R_{90}$ , Mpa	Permeable parameters, $K_{th} (\times 10^{-8} \text{ cm/s})$	Permeable pressure, atm
Benchmark proportion sample	16,8	1,675	2
TM25 sample	22,8	1,314	4
26 RCC sample	24,8	0,523	6
ADVA 181 sample	36,6	0,173	10

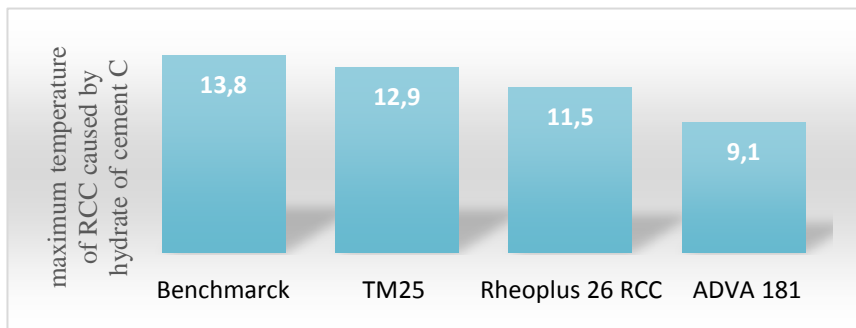
When RCC used Chemical admixtures, the permeable parameters is significantly reduced and water proof capacity is improved). Chemical admixtures for increasing setting time at higher generation would be improved water proofing capacities

### 3.8. Research on the influence of Chemical admixtures on adiabatic heating of RCC

The result of work out  $\Delta_t$  of RCC used admixtures and benchmark RCC( no used admixtures) is shown at table 3.24.

**Table 3.24. Maximum temperature of RCC caused by hydrate of cement**

Material	Cement	Fly ash	R28	R90	$\Delta_t(\text{LT})$	$\Delta_t(\text{do})$
Benchmark	80	140	11,7	16,8	14,1	13,8
TM25	75	145	11,5	16,5	13,2	12,9
Rheoplus 26 RCC	67	153	12,1	17,1	12,3	11,5
ADVA 181	53	167	12,8	17,5	9,7	9,1



**Picture 3.14. Maximum temperature of RCC caused by hydrate cement**

If TM25 used,  $\Delta_t$  will be reduced 0,9 °C g, Rheoplus 26 RCC reduced 2,3°C, ADVA 181 reduced 4,7°C to compare with benchmark proportion.

### 3.9. Compare the velocity of pouring RCC when used chemical and not used chemical admixtures

The velocity of pouring concrete is shown by followed fomular:

$$h = \frac{P \cdot K \cdot (t_2^1 - t_1)}{A}$$

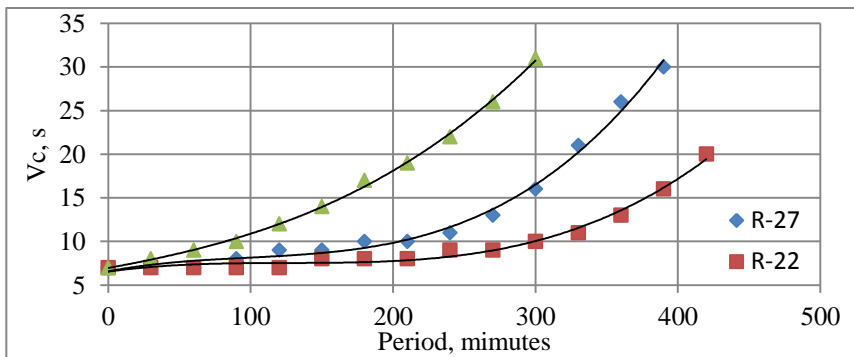
$h$  – the thickness of pouring layer ;  $P$  – productivity of concrete manufacture;  $K$  – the factor relative to non constant of concrete construction progress ( $K = 0,8 \div 0,9$ );  $t_2$  – the setting time at beginning of concrete ( $h$ );  $t_1$  – the period from unloading concrete from truck to pouring to structure component location ( $h$ );

$A$  – area section of concrete layer ( $m^2$ );  $t_2^1$  is allowed period ofr construction progress which not affect on the development of strength of RCC. Admixtures

MINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURE TM25:  $t_2^1 = 36$  h; Rheoplus 26 RCC:  $t_2^1 = 30$  h; ADVA 181:  $t_2^1 = 24$ h.

### 3.10. Research on the influence of environmental temperature on workability of RCC.

Porportionaplicable is shown in table 3.1 .RCC mass was tested indoor which humemidity must be 90% at three diffirence of Temperature are 22°C, 27°Cvà 32°C. The result is shown in picutre 3.15.



**Picture 3.15.** Figure is shown the change of workability of RCC massusedMINERAL CHEMICAL ADMIXTRURERheoplus 26 RCC at diffirenceenvironment temperature

With equivalent proportion and temperature, humidity; if temperature is as high as well as workability is reduced rapidly( value Vc increasingly) mean while period of construction is on progress. The increase of environment temperature will make the velocity of hydrating cement increase also reduce the workability of RCC ( meaning increase the Vc).

Progress of construction in high temperature environment should be reduced hydrating processing of cement by decreasing temperature of RCC or increasing volume of Chemical admixtures.

### **Conclusion of chapter 3**

1. Choose admixtures and proper volume of admixtures for RCC proportion when admixtures G1,2,3 applied .
2. Find out the influence of each admixtures on RCC characteristics:
  - Increase workability of RCC: TM25 reduced 5s, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) reduced 8s, ADVA 181 reduced 11s.
  - Increase time of starting setting of RCC: benchmark is 7,5 h, increase to 13,25 with TM25, to 12,75 h with Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) and to 12,25 H with ADVA 181;
  - Increase time of finishing setting of RCC : benchmark is 18,75 H, increase to 37,25 H with TM25, 29,25 H with Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) and 25,5 H with ADVA 181;
  - Increase compression strength of RCC: TM25 increase 37,5%, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) increase 51,79%, ADVA 181 increase 120,83%;
  - Increase tension of RCC: TM25 increase 75%, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) increase 80,7%, ADVA 181 increase 180,7%;
  - Increase the water proof of BTDL: benchmark  $K_{th} = 1,675 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s has water proof factor W2, TM25  $K_{th} = 1,314 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s water proof factor W4, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1)  $K_{th} = 0,523 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s water proof factor W6, ADVA 181  $K_{th} = 0,173 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s water proof factor W10;
3. Chemical admixture has influence on period of construction progress of compacting higher layer in order to lower layer of RCC would not be reduced the compression strength.
  - TM 25 admixtures, the period of construction for higher layer of RCC from time of pouring lower layer is not later than 36 h or after 60 H; Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1), the period of construction for higher layer of RCC from time of pouring lower layer is not later than 30 H or after 54

giữa;ADVA 181, the period of construction for higher layer of RCC from time of pouring lower layer is not later than 24 H or after 54 H;

4. Chemical admixtures could be reduced volume of cement in RCC so caused in reducing temperature in RCC: TM 25 reduced 0,9 °C; Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1)reduced 2,3 °C;ADVA 181reduced 4,7 °C.

5. Chemical admixtures could be extended the setting time and controlled the period of construction progress longer than  $T_{bđđk}$ . These advantages contribute in speeding up the pouring concrete, reducing the cold crack and others temporary works.

6. With constant humidity, temperature and equivalent proportion; high temperature will reduce the workability of RCC significantly.

With above mentioned results, Chemical admixtures types could be chosen and volume of chemical admixtures could be controlled to be suitable to RCC which required exact workability, strength, time to pour concrete.

## **CHAPTER 4.EXPERIMENTING RCC USED CHEMICAL ADMIXTURES FOR INCREASING SETTING TIME AT SITE**

With the approval from PMU of Nước Trong project (Division 6 – MoARD), the thesis carried out design the proportion for RCC and made a tolerance for applying at Nước Trong site.

### **4.1. Description to Nước Trong Project**

Nước Trong Dam locates in Sơn Hà - Quảng Ngãi province with total volume is  $V_h=289.50 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ . The main Dam is used RCC technology which its height is 69,0m.



**Picture 4.2.Material dock**

RCC is batched by 02 batching machine with vertical axes and capacity of batching is  $250 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$



**Picture 4.3. Batchingplan**



**Picture 4.4. Trucking and pouring RCC**



**Picture 4.5. Compacting RCC**



**Picture 4.6. Testing Volume Density for RCC after compacting**



**Picture 4.7. Maintainance works**

#### **4.1.2. Proportion of applicable RCC Cấp phối BTĐL at Nước Trong project**

RCC requirement at Nước Trong project : Workability  $V_c = 10 \pm 3s$ ;  $T_{bdk} = 18 \pm 2$  h;  $T_{ktdk} \leq 70$  h; Compression Strength at 90 days  $\geq 20$  Mpa; Water proofing Level W6 at 90 days; Workability maintain  $\geq 4$  is  $V_c = 10 \pm 3s$ .

**Table 4.2. Proportion for RCC at Nước Trong Project**

Material	Cement, kg	Fly ash, kg	Sand, kg	Aggregate , kg	TM25, l	PL96, l	Water, l
Volume	125	240	713	1383	2,6	0,8	115

**Table 4.3. Proportion for RCC after applicable adjustment for construction at Nước Trong project**

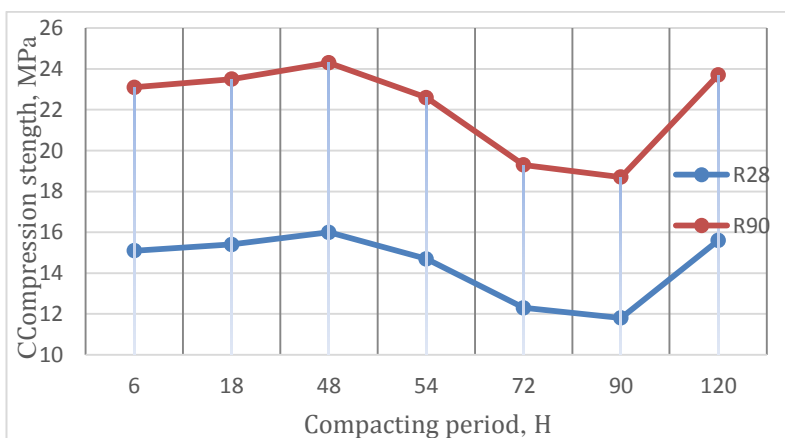
Material	Cement, kg	Fly ash, kg	Sand, kg	Aggregate, kg	TM25, l	PL96, l	Water, l
Volume	80	140	57	751	1318	3,96	108

Workability  $V_c = 8s$ ;  $T_{bdk} = 17,25h$ ;  $T_{kdk} = 58,25h$ ; Compression Strength at 90 days = 26,4 Mpa; Water proofing Level W6 at 90 days Workability maintain  $V_c = 10 \pm 3s$ .

#### 4.2. Result of Testing at site

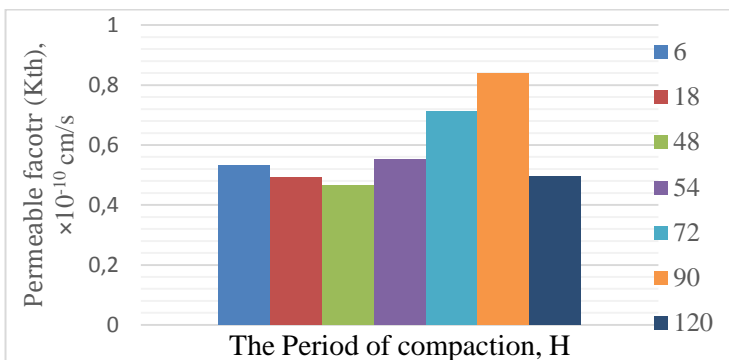
Volume of testing is  $70 \text{ m}^3$  for RCC at Nước Trong project, the progress and result as followings:

Concrete was poured at site with thickness after grading is  $34 \text{ cm} \pm 2$ . The parameter of  $V_c$  at batching plan is  $10 \pm 3s$ ; Size dimension of sample  $W \times H \times L = (3,3 \times 0,9 \times 25) \text{ m}$ ; Compaction round is 10 times consisting of 8 silent compaction and 2 vibrating compaction. The result is shown in Picture 4.8 and 4.9.



**Picture 4.8. Compression strength at every period of compaction**

- The progress of compaction before setting time getting started did not affect on compression strength of RCC. From setting time getting finished, the the moment that RCC strength was obtained about 3 MPa, compaction would reduce the compression strength of RCC.



**Picture 4.9. Permeable factor at every period of compaction**

Conclusion :Compaction progress before the moment that RCC is not finished setting would be increased compression strength and reduced the permeable factor value (meaning water proofing capacity is heigher/ better).

#### **Conclusion chapter 44**

1. Site experiment for 70 m<sup>3</sup> RCCM20B6R90 used Rheoplus 26 RCC.
2. To decide the suitable momment of compaction: Compacting RCC before setting time would not influence on mechanization characticities of RCC; compaction between finishing setting time to moment that RCC strength is 3 MPa would be reduced mechanization characticities of RCC ; compactionafter Stength is over 3 MPa would not be influenced on compression strength and water proofing capacity of RCC.

### **CONCLUSION AND KẾT LUẬN VÀ REQUEST**

#### **CONCLUSION**

1. Admixture type and reasonable volume should be significantly choosen for RCC and decided by level of grade. Reasonable volume of TM25is 2,0; Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) is 1,2; ADVA 181is 0,8 litres/100 for 100kg cement.
2. To find out the influence of admixtures type on RCC specification: to Increase workability (reduce Vc): TM25 reduced 5s, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) reduced 8s, ADVA 181 reduced 11s to be compared to benchmark sample; to increase setting time, settingtime of benchmark sample is 7,5 h, increased to 13,25 using TM25, to 12,75 using Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) and to 12,25 using



ADVA 181; to increase time of finishing setting of RCC, setting time of benchmark sample is 18,75, increased to 37,25 using TM25, to 29,25 using Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) and to 25,5 using ADVA 181; to increase compression strength, TM25 usage increased 37,5%, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) increased 51,79%, ADVA 181 increased 120,83%; tension strength, TM25 increased 75%, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) increased 80,7%, ADVA 181 increased 180,7%; to increase water proofing capacity, benchmark sample  $K_{th} = 1,675 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s with Water Proofing is W2, TM25:  $K_{th} = 1,314 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s with Water Proofing is W4, Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) :  $K_{th} = 0,523 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s with Water Proofing is W6, ADVA 181 :  $K_{th} = 0,173 \times 10^{-8}$  cm/s with Water Proofing is W10;

3. Mineral chemical admixture influenced on construction time of compacting the higher layer in order to lower layer is not decreased the compression strength. The period of compaction is suitable to dam construction progress: for TM 25, the construction time of higher layer from period of pouring lower layer is before 36 hours or after 60 hours; for Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1), the construction time of higher layer from period of pouring lower layer is before 36 hours or after 54 hours; for ADVA 181, the construction time of higher layer from period of pouring lower layer is before 24 hours or after 54 hours;

4. Mineral chemical Admixture in the proportion of RCC will be reduced the volume of cement, so the heating inside RCC would be reduced: TM 25 reduced  $0,9^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; Rheoplus 26 RCC (A1) reduced  $2,3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; ADVA 181 reduced  $4,7^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

5. Mineral chemical admixtures will be increased the setting time of RCC and increased the velocity of pouring concrete, reduced the cold crack and others facility works.

6. The result of site testing is shown that the suitable moment of compacting for testing RCC proportion could be decided, also strongly confirmed the result at chapter 3 for compaction time:

- Compacting works should be started before RCC to finished setting time so the mechanization characteristics of RCC would not be affected;
- Compacting works started at the moment from setting time finished to strength of RCC is 3 Mpa would be reduce mechanization characteristics of RCC;
- Compacting works started after RCC strength is 3 Mpa would not affect the mechanization characteristics of RCC.

## REQUEST

1. From the result of thesis for designing the proportion of RCC, the admixtures type and the volume of elasticity admixtures for increasing setting time should be decided to respond to demand of technology on construction progressing or technical, specification of RCC.
2. The research on RCC should be kept continue to propose the detailed instruction for designing RCC proportion used elasticity admixtures for increasing setting time of RCC in Dam construction.

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