

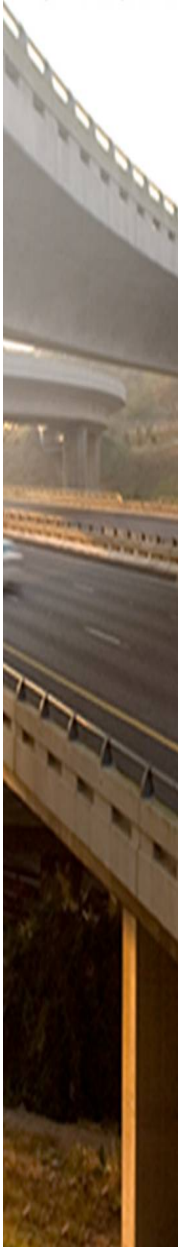
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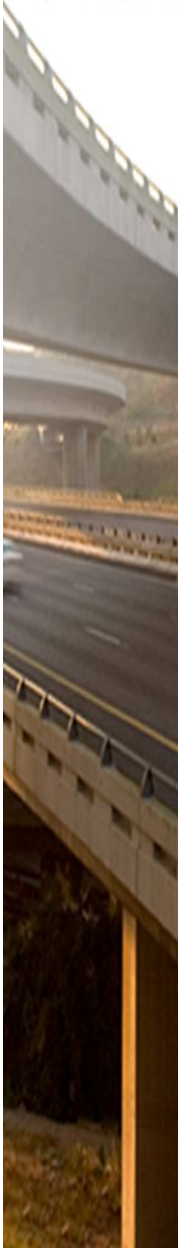
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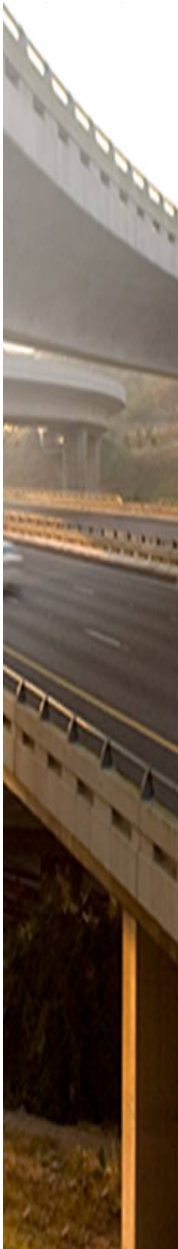


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- Process initiated at RPF - **May 2005**
- R&R framework - **November 2005**
- Pavement Performance Information System (LTPP)
 - Material Classification Concept
 - Pavement Number Concept (PN)
 - 50 Projects Completed – **February 2008**
 - 15 Stabilized Projects Added – **February 2008**
- Mechanistic-Empirical Analysis System (MEAS)
 - Phase 1 – Develop Detailed Project Briefs – **November 2006**
 - Phase 2 - Inception Phase (22 Projects) – **July 2007**
 - Peer Review – Phase 2 Reports – **November 2007**
 - Additional SANRAL Requirements – **December 2007**
 - Appointment of Main Service Providers – **September 2008**
 - CSIR Built Environment
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About the project

Mechanistic-empirical pavement design has been one of the primary pavement design tools in South Africa since the early 1970s. Although some improvements were made to the original method over the years, the main components of the current method are still based on research done during the 1970s and 1980s. The problems associated with the current method were highlighted at the Conference for Asphalt Pavements in Southern Africa held in 2004. These problems were again raised at the subsequent Roads Pavement Forum meeting held in May 2005 and a workgroup appointed to initiate the revision of the South African Mechanistic-Empirical Design Method.

Project sponsors

Currently two sponsors have approved funding for the revision of the flexible pavement design method, the South African National Roads Agency Ltd (SANRAL) and the CSIR. CSIR funding covers mostly research activities to establish the foundation from which the development and implementation activities will be launched. SANRAL is the main sponsor and largest client body to implement the revised design method.

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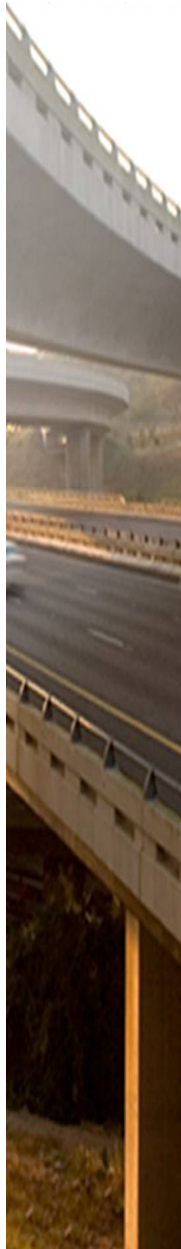
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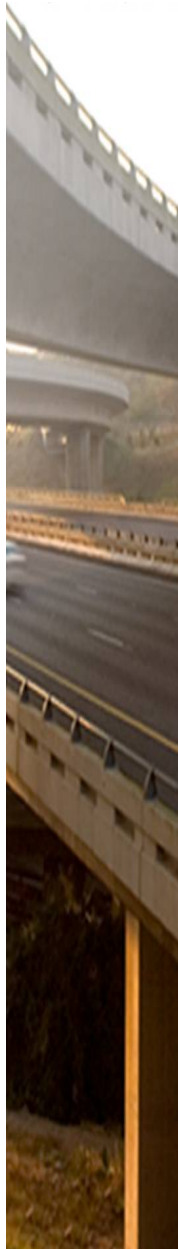
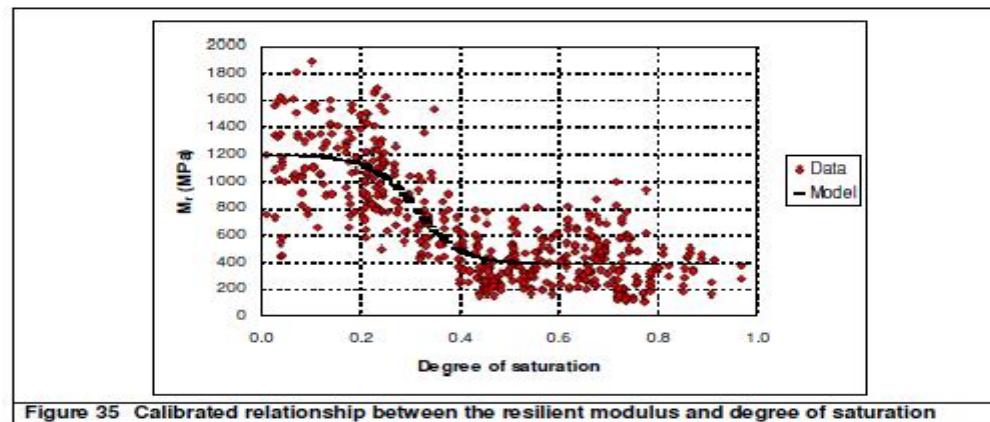
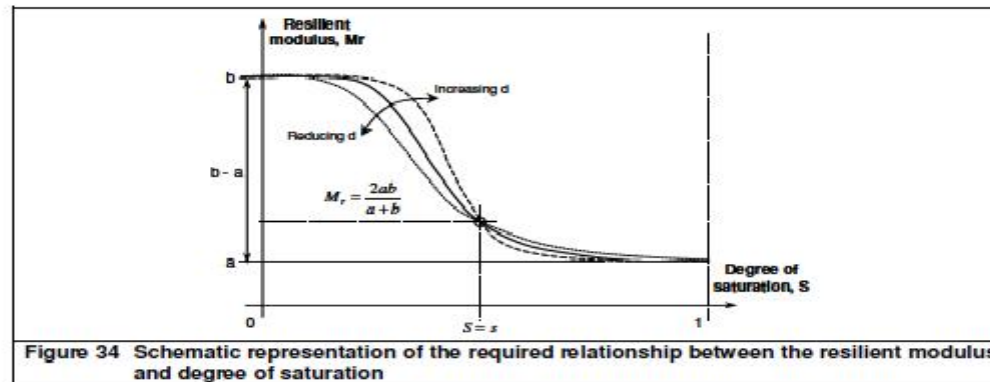
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$$M_r = \frac{a \exp \left[\ln \frac{b}{a} + d(S-s) \right] + b}{1 + \exp \left[\ln \frac{b}{a} + d(S-s) \right]} \quad (24)$$

$$\frac{M_r}{p_{am}} = K_0 V D^{K_{ro}} \left\{ \frac{a \exp \left[\ln \frac{b}{a} + d(S-s) \right] + b}{1 + \exp \left[\ln \frac{b}{a} + d(S-s) \right]} \right\} \left(\frac{\sigma'_2}{p_{am}} \right)^{K_c} \left(\frac{\sigma'_1}{\sigma'_2} \right)^{K_{sa}} \quad (25)$$

with the variables as defined previously



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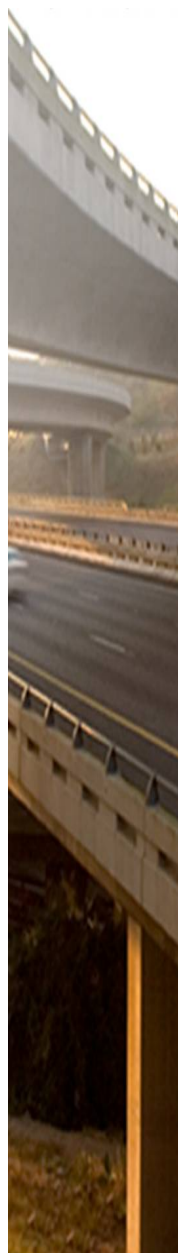
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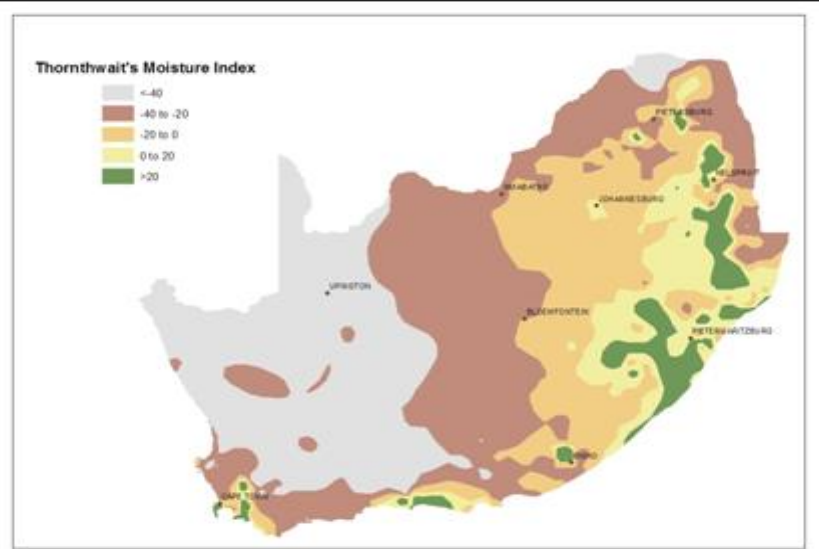


Figure 4 Simplified revised Thornthwaite map



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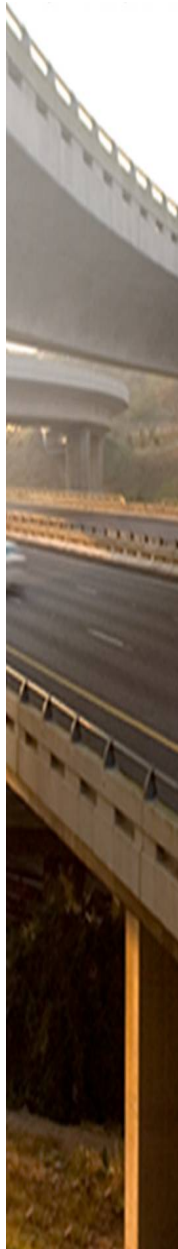
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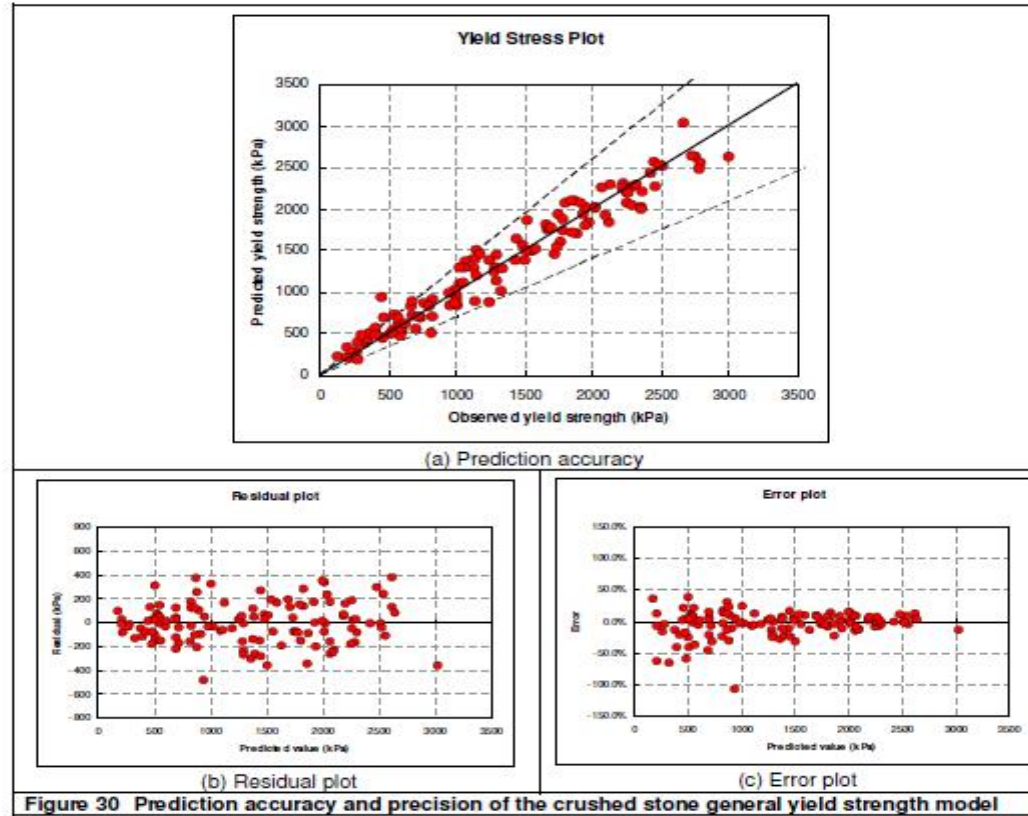
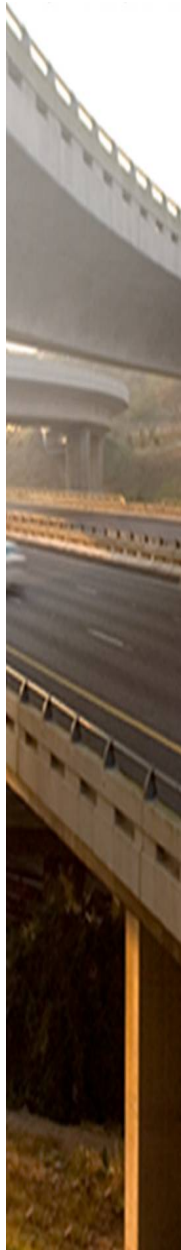


Figure 30 Prediction accuracy and precision of the crushed stone general yield strength model





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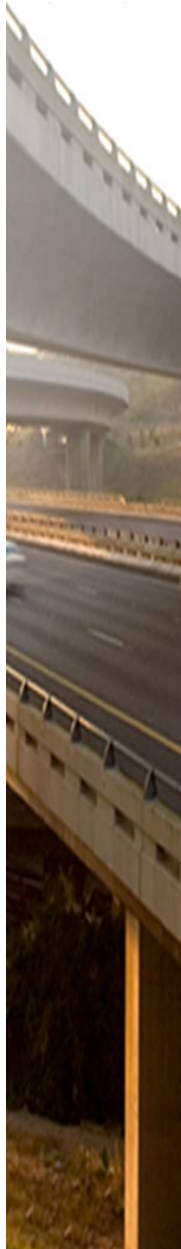


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5.2.2 mod AASHTO volumetric density

The final model for mod AASHTO volumetric density estimates is given by Equation (16) with the model coefficients summarised in Table 19.

$$VD_{mod} = Y_0 + \alpha_1 TD + \alpha_2 TD^2 + \beta_1 (P_{0.425} \times LS) + \beta_2 (P_{0.425} \times LS)^2 + \gamma_1 P_{max} + \gamma_2 P_{max}^2 \quad (16)$$

Where VD_{mod} = mod AASHTO volumetric density (%),

TD = area deviation of the actual grading from the Talbot grading for the corresponding maximum particle size

$P_{0.425} \times LS$ = Product of the percentage passing the 0.425 mm sieve by mass and the linear shrinkage

P_{max} = maximum particle size (mm)

$Y_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma_1, \gamma_2$ = regression model coefficients

Table 19 Model coefficients for the mod AASHTO volumetric density model

| Density estimate for | Regression results | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| | Y_0 | α_1 | α_2 | β_1 | β_2 | γ_1 | γ_2 |
| Fine material | 76.05 | -0.2339 | 0.0015 | -1.4794 | 0.0522 | 0.6177 | -0.0085 |

5.2.3 Loose volumetric density

The final model for the loose volumetric density estimates is given by Equation (17) with the model coefficients summarised in Table 20.

$$VD_{loose} = Y_0 + \gamma_1 P_{max} + \gamma_2 P_{max}^2 + \gamma_3 P_{max}^3 \quad (17)$$

Where VD_{loose} = loose volumetric density (%),

P_{max} = maximum particle size (mm)

$Y_0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3$ = regression model coefficients

Table 20 Model coefficients for the loose volumetric density model

| Density estimate for | Regression results | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Y_0 | γ_1 | γ_2 | γ_3 | γ_4 |
| Fine material | 55.55 | -1.8274 | 0.1092 | | -0.0014 |

5.2.4 Vibratory table optimum compaction moisture content

The final model for the vibratory table optimum compaction moisture content estimates is given by Equation (18) with the model coefficients summarised in Table 21.

$$OCMC_{vb} = Y_0 + \alpha_1 P_{0.425} + \alpha_2 P_{0.425}^2 + \beta_1 P_{max} + \beta_2 P_{max}^2 + \gamma_1 LS + \gamma_2 LS^2 \quad (18)$$

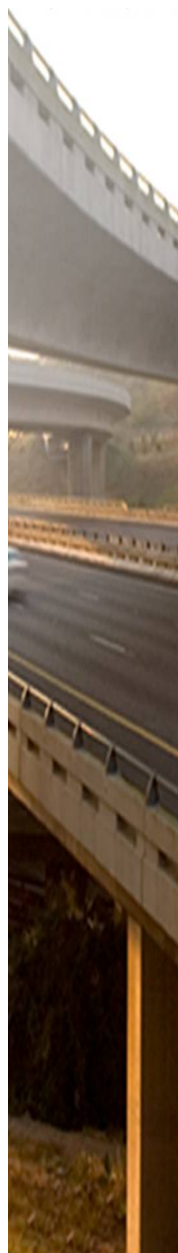
Where $OCMC_{vb}$ = vibratory table optimum compaction moisture content (%),

$P_{0.425}$ = percentage passing the 0.425 mm sieve by mass

P_{max} = maximum particle size (mm)

LS = linear shrinkage

$Y_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma_1, \gamma_2$ = regression model coefficients



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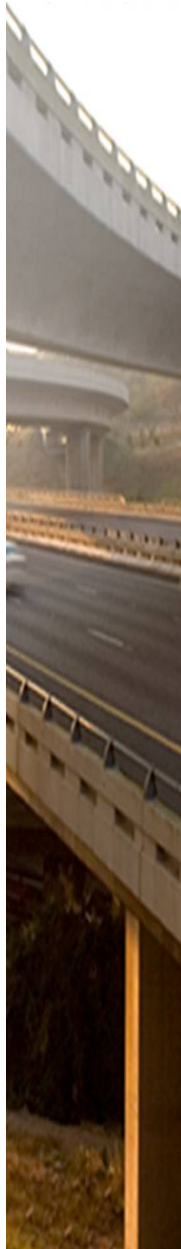
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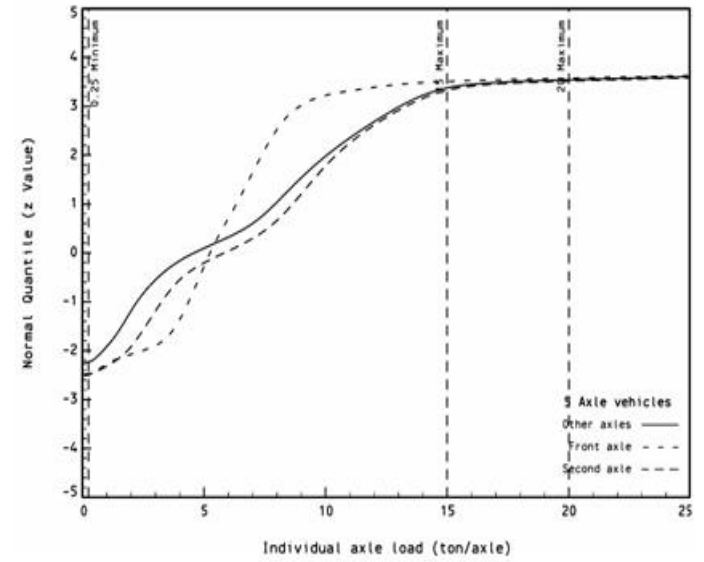
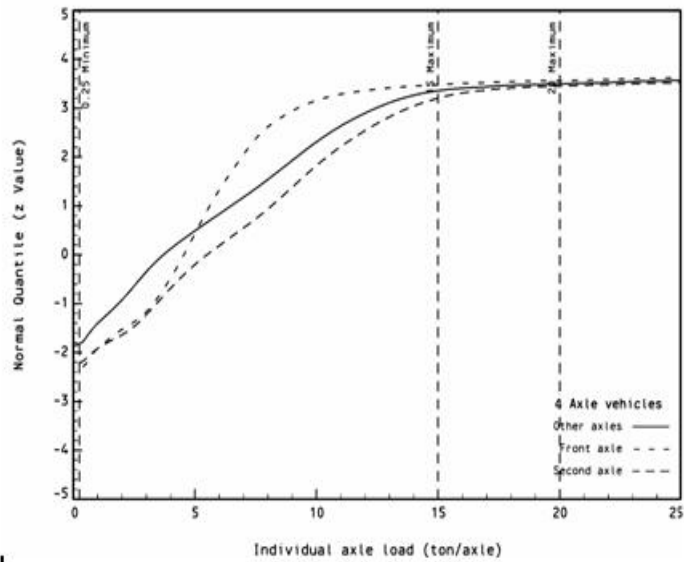
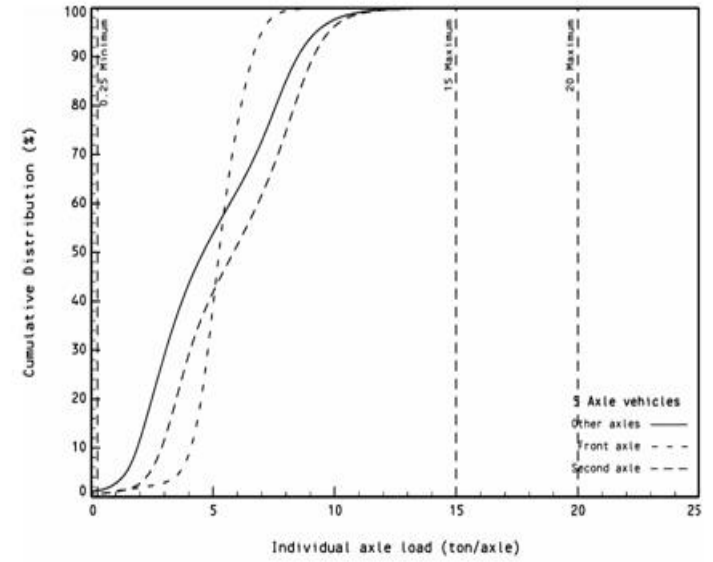
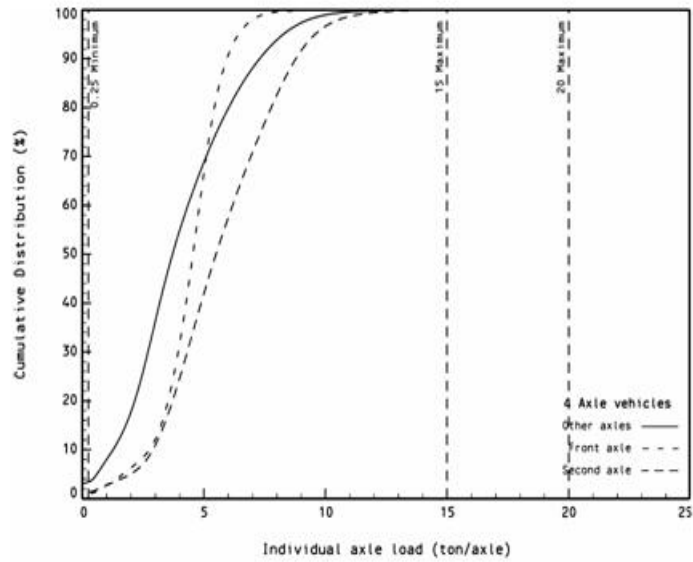
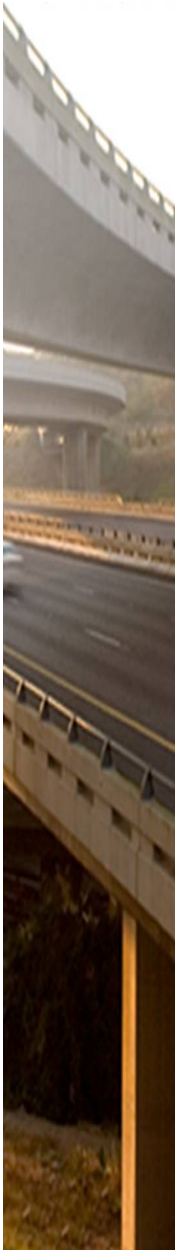


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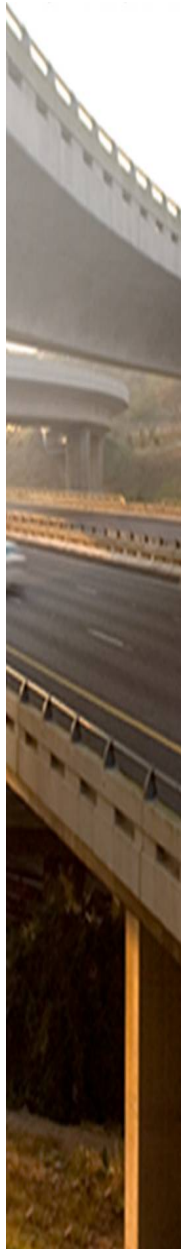
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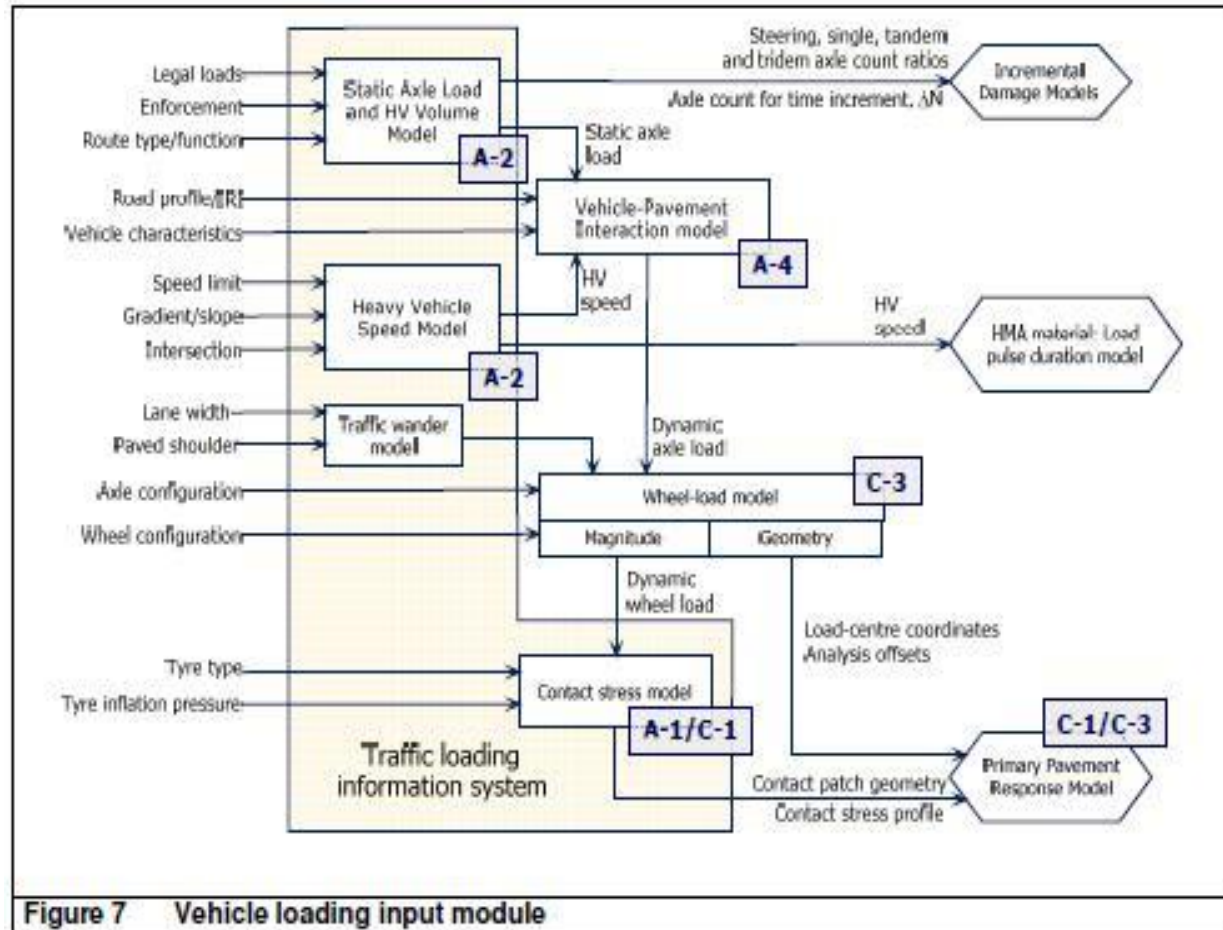
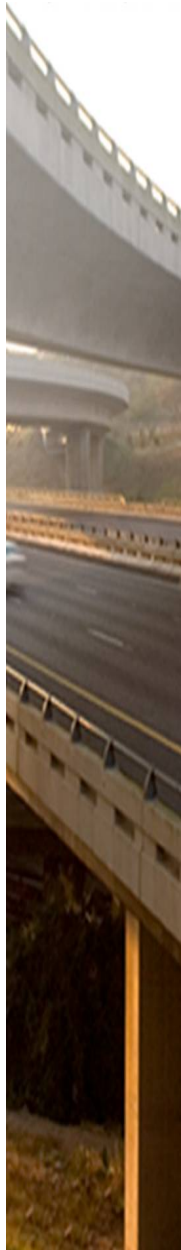
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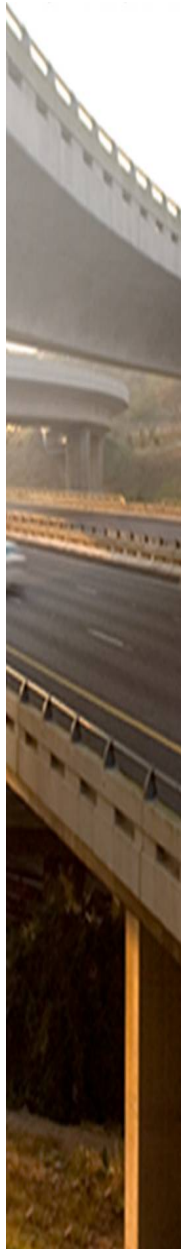
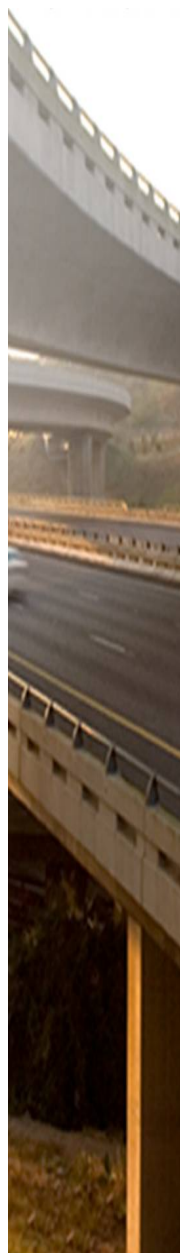
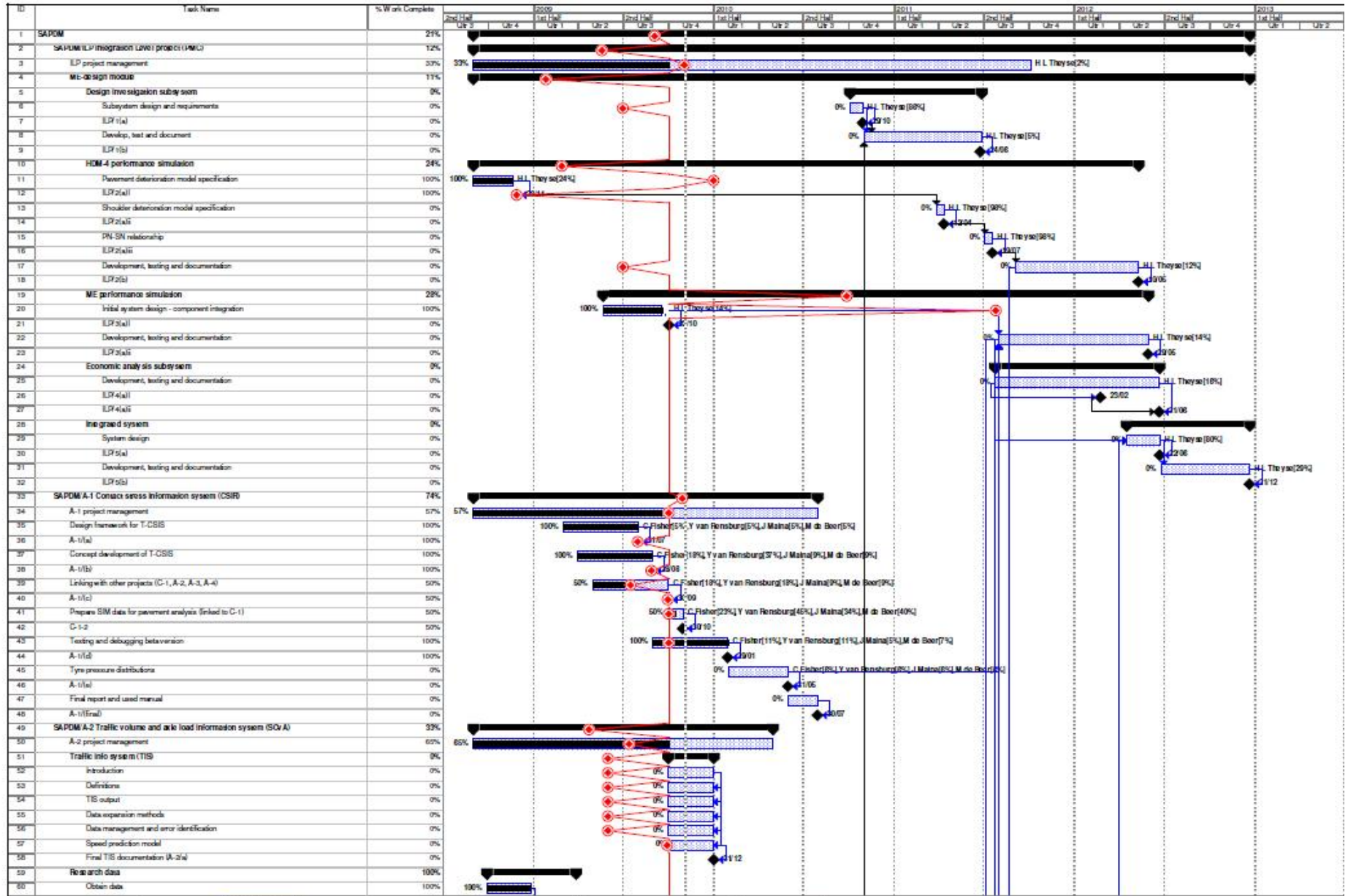


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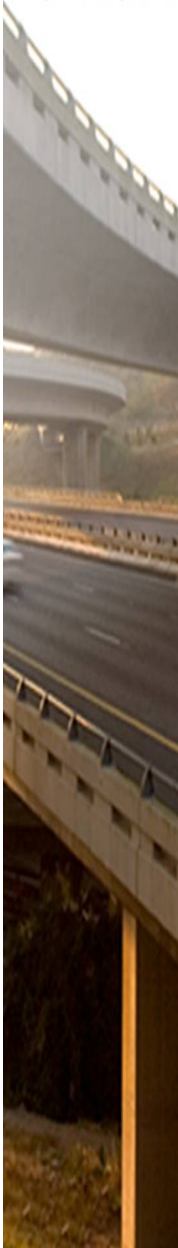
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