It’s all about Academic Instruction

Can Codes and Standards Improve the Performance and Longevity of Existing Concrete Structures?

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Based on my perspective

• As a teacher: developed Assessment-Repair-Rehabilitation sequence along with Drs. Abdul Zureick and David Scott at Georgia Tech (beginning late 1980’s – continues today)
• As a researcher: against industry and ACI obstacles
• As a past chair of ACI 562 & current TAC Chair + ACI and IRCI committees
Education is needed

• Large segment of construction industry: > $20 billion annually
• Poor repair performance: After 10 years only 30% of repairs are OK
• Exciting area requiring maximum creativity – both office & field
• Great opportunities for your graduates
• More consulting firms require engineers to do assessment and repair activities
Where do students learn about rehabilitation?
University undergraduate and graduate programs.

• Queried ACI Faculty Network
  • 29 faculty responses from 26 universities:
    • 21 US universities including Puerto Rico,
    • 3 from Canada,
    • 1 Australia
    • 1 Italy
    • 1 Sweden

• ACI University, ICRI continuing education
# Schools & Courses
Materials, Rehabilitation, Repair

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Lab Experiences

Slabs With Defects/Voids

Ultrasonic Pulse Velocity (UPV)

Infrared Thermography

From Prof. David Scott
Georgia Tech CEE 6538
References for classes – most used by 26 schools


ACI 562-16 *Code Requirements for Assessment, Repair, and Rehabilitation of Existing Concrete Structures and Commentary*

ACI/ICRI *Guide to the Code for Assessment, Repair, and Rehabilitation of Existing Concrete Structures (562MAN-16)*

ACI 440.2R-17: *Guide for the Design and Construction of Externally Bonded FRP Systems for Strengthening Concrete Structures*

ACI 546R-14 *Guide to Concrete Repair*
Questions & Discussion
Further References

Condition Assessment:
ACI 364.1R-07: Guide for Evaluation of Concrete Structures before Rehabilitation
ACI 437.2-13: Code Requirements for Load Testing of Existing Concrete Structures and Commentary
ACI 437.1R-07: Load Tests of Concrete Structures: Methods, Magnitude, Protocols, and Acceptance Criteria
Nondestructive Evaluation Techniques: ACI 228.2R-04, ICRI 210.4
core sampling and evaluation ACI 214.4, ASTM C823, ASTM C42
Materials: ACI 201.1-08, ACI 224.1-07, Ch 1-2, CSTR 54, Ch 3, CSTR 22
Corrosion: ACI 222-01, BRE Digest 434
Surface Preparation: ACI 546-04, Ch 2, ICRI 310.1-08, ICRI 310.3-04, ACI 364.6 T-02, ACI 364.7 T-02, ACI 364.8 T-02
Material Selection: ACI 546-04, Ch 3, ACI 546.3-06, ICRI 320.2-09

Repair Installation Techniques: ICRI 320.1-96, ACI E706, ACI 503.7-07, ACI 325.13-06
Shotcrete: ACI 506-2-95
Structural Strengthening: ACI 546-04, Ch 5, ICRI 330.1-06
Prestressing: ACI 423.4R-14 Report on Corrosion and Repair of Unbonded Single-Strand Tendons,
FRP Design:
440.2R-17: Guide for the Design and Construction of Externally Bonded FRP Systems for Strengthening Concrete Structures
440.3R-12: Guide Test Methods for Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Composites for Reinforcing or Strengthening Concrete and Masonry Structures
ICRI 330.2–16 Guide Specifications for Externally Bonded FRP Fabric Systems for Strengthening Concrete Structure