

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

Based on the results obtained with respect to above mentioned objectives, following conclusions can be made.

- UPV and compressive strength of cement mortar has a linear relationship and LSF also has an indirect influence on this relationship.
- UPV at 02 day increases about 24% at the end of 28 days if following factors kept constant;
 - i. Water/cement ratio
 - ii. Amount and size of aggregates
 - iii. Curing media (i.e. water)
 - iv. Curing temperature (i.e. 27 ± 1 °C)
- Correlations given in (3) and (4) can be used to predict compressive strength of cement at 28 days within 02 days with only $\pm 5\%$ deviation.

Results of this study can be used to expedite the testing of OPC at laboratory scale and hence can be beneficial for import inspection scheme operated by SLSI.



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However, since LSF of the cement samples used for this study lie between 0.90-1.00 and throughout the entire experiment the temperature was maintained at 27 ± 1 °C, the correlations can be recommended for the samples which have LSF of the same range and a stable temperature condition. For samples having LSF out of the above range and for varying temperature conditions further studies have to be carried out.

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APPENDIX – A: INDIVIDUAL RESULTS, MEAN VALUE AND STANDARD DEVIATION OF UPV AND COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF 10 SAMPLES (30 SPECIMENS) OF CEMENT MORTAR.

Sample ID	Age	UPV m/s					Compressive strength MPa				
		Specimen no.			Mean	Stdev	Specimen no.			Mean	Stdev
		i	ii	iii			i	ii	iii		
A	02	4259.22	4236.97	4238.43	4244.87	12.44	18.72	19.82	18.93	18.96	0.72
							18.84	19.64	17.81		
	07	4453.3	4440.45	4447.89	4447.21	6.45	28.41	28.74	30.81	29.64	1.08
							29.2	29.64	31.05		
	15	4786.38	4780.00	4795.18	4787.19	7.62	31.43	40.42	36.18	36.2	3.04
							34.46	37.26	37.45		
	28	5248.9	5266.57	5282.13	5265.87	16.62	46.36	42.22	46.15	44.55	3.05
							41.9	41.68	49.01		
B	02	4195.8	4195.8	4225.35	4205.65	17.06	18.75	19.1	19.44	19.27	0.29
							19.5	19.41	19.41		
	07	4483.15	4516.98	4484.96	4495.03	19.03	31.51	30.73	30.95	31.22	0.31
							31.41	31.39	31.33		
	15	4819.28	4826.61	4792.00	4812.63	18.24	37.68	37.76	38.06	37.96	0.34
							37.56	38.33	38.38		
	28	5226.09	5172.41	5186.15	5194.88	27.88	50.58	49.69	48.83	49.95	0.63
							50.14	50.08	50.39		
C	02	4109.56	4137.93	4109.59	4119.04	16.36	22.03	21.60	20.91	21.71	0.62
							21.94	21.18	22.63		
	07	4411.76	4363.64	4428.04	4401.15	33.49	31.63	31.85	32.58	32.24	0.46
							31.79	31.79	32.5		
	15	4669.26	4669.26	4683.5	4682.31	18.11	37.68	37.76	38.06	37.96	0.34
							37.56	38.33	38.38		
	28	5111.11	5067.8	5016.27	5085.06	22.96	54.19	53.20	54.30	53.27	0.8
							52.89	52.58	52.49		
D	02	4255.32	4255.32	4240.28	4250.31	8.68	16.62	22.18	17.64	18.60	2.42
							18.91	20.47	15.78		
	07	4545.45	4535.85	4601.53	4560.95	35.48	27.46	28.54	28.74	29.12	1.15
							29.53	30.84	29.61		
	15	4822.58	4889.80	4909.84	4874.07	45.70	33.06	33.29	36.73	34.91	1.74
							34.69	34.44	37.24		
	28	5324.44	5244.54	5290.75	5286.58	40.11	50.35	49.09	48.39	48.73	1.08
							47.63	47.54	49.34		
E	02	4181.18	4210.53	4210.53	4200.75	16.94	19.12	24.68	20.14	21.21	2.28
							21.41	22.97	18.91		
	07	4460.97	4477.61	4428.04	4455.54	25.23	33.71	34.79	34.99	34.43	1.65
							35.78	31.46	35.86		
	15	4938.27	4942.39	4958.68	4946.45	10.79	45.56	45.79	49.23	45.95	2.78
							40.94	46.94	47.24		
	28	5186.15	5222.71	5222.71	5210.52	21.11	53.48	54.71	54.02	53.14	2.16
							50.26	50.76	55.59		

Cont.

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		Specimen no.			Mean	Stdev	Specimen no.			Mean	Stdev
		i	ii	iii			i	ii	iii		
F	02	4026.85	4040.40	4013.38	4026.88	13.51	21.41	20.56	19.53	20.37	0.68
							20.70	19.78	20.26		
	07	4293.91	4263.35	4297.49	4284.91	18.77	31.01	31.03	32.26	31.51	0.64
							32.17	30.83	31.79		
15	4651.16	4633.20	4633.20	4639.19	10.37	40.81	40.89	41.81	40.25	1.31	
						40.69	38.33	39.00			
28	4991.67	4987.50	4991.67	4990.28	2.41	51.31	49.39	51.34	50.53	1.80	
						49.01	53.39	48.77			
G	02	4152.25	4166.67	4152.25	4157.05	8.32	23.45	22.86	22.48	22.79	0.44
							22.58	23.13	22.28		
	07	4411.76	4411.76	4428.04	4417.19	9.4	32.88	33.10	33.83	33.49	0.46
							34.04	33.33	33.75		
15	4780.88	4800.00	4780.88	4787.25	11.4	41.83	41.67	42.20	41.64	0.74	
						40.81	40.76	42.59			
28	5172.41	5150.21	5172.41	5165.01	12.82	53.61	53.68	51.66	54.28	1.64	
						54.98	56.16	55.61			
H	02	4155.71	4152.25	4166.67	4158.21	7.53	17.57	19.50	18.04	18.54	0.69
							18.66	18.47	19.01		
	07	4404.41	4433.33	4397.06	4411.60	19.18	31.63	31.85	31.96	31.20	0.7
							30.29	30.83	30.63		
15	4842.11	4746.03	4788.00	4792.05	48.16	40.81	41.67	42.20	41.64	0.74	
						41.83	40.76	42.59			
28	5163.79	5137.34	5181.82	5160.98	22.37	46.93	49.08	49.29	48.09	1.49	
						49.60	45.86	47.79			
I	02	4271.43	4257.14	4278.57	4269.05	10.91	21.88	19.69	20.96	20.37	0.99
							20.75	19.31	19.63		
	07	4513.34	4457.34	4507.52	4532.35	18.2	31.38	29.94	31.02	30.86	0.6
							30.55	30.46	30.33		
15	4815.76	4826.61	4807.23	4816.57	9.74	40.66	41.39	39.67	41.31	1.05	
						41.44	42.71	41.96			
28	5305.31	5268.72	5281.94	5285.32	18.53	51.76	52.00	50.54	51.69	1.29	
						53.46	49.91	52.47			
J	02	4218.31	4233.22	4195.80	4215.78	18.83	22.31	21.60	23.65	22.84	0.85
							23.26	22.47	23.76		
	07	4444.44	4477.61	4460.97	4461.01	16.58	33.88	33.42	33.16	33.46	0.44
							33.38	34.06	32.88		
15	4743.08	4743.08	4761.90	4749.36	10.87	45.75	43.89	46.29	45.06	1.15	
						43.94	46.24	44.26			
28	5181.82	5204.35	5231.44	5205.87	24.85	53.16	52.13	53.34	52.97	0.65	
						52.19	53.70	53.30			