



## POLISH PAVEMENTS

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## INTRODUCTION

- Financed by Polish Highway Agency (GDDKiA)
- 2009-2012 (36 months)
- 12 workpackages
- Reviewed by 50 road specialists and institutions
- Recommended for use in 2014
- **Implemented by law in 2015**
- **Obligatory since 2015**

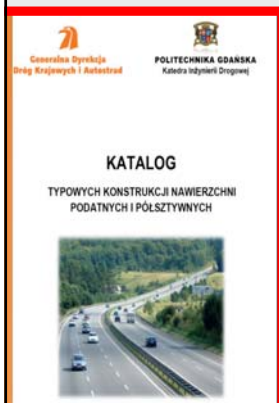


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## PREVIOUS CATALOGUES

Polish Catalogues for Flexible and semi-rigid structures



118 pages  
with examples

**2014 r.**



**1997 r.**



**1983 r.**



**1977 r.**

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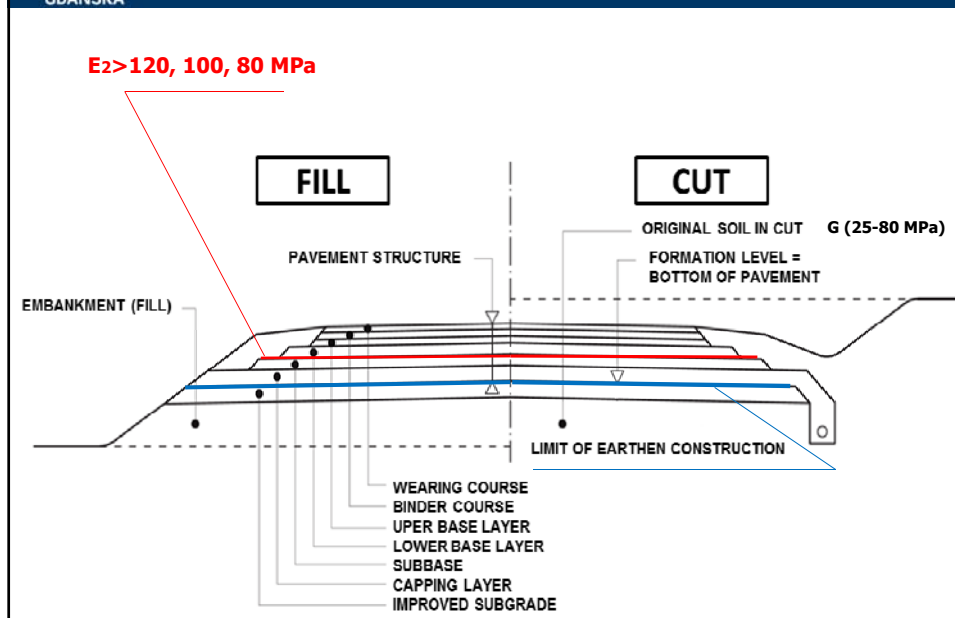
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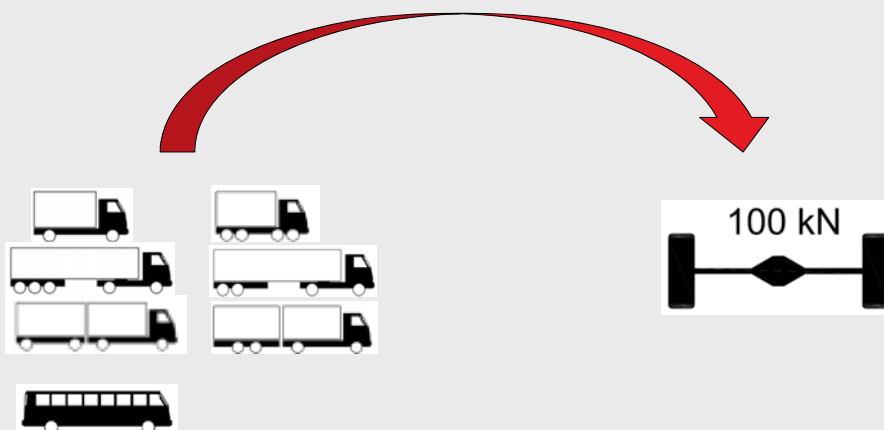
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# TRAFFIC

- Design life period
  - 30-years for motorways and expressways
  - 20-years for other roads (national, district, local)
- Two classes of allowed load
  - 115 kN – motorways, expressways and national
  - 115 kN or 100 kN other roads – temporarily period
- Equivalent Single Axle Load – 100 kN
  - New equivalency factor: HGV without and with trailer, coaches&buses
  - Factors accounting: lane width and number of lanes, longitudinal gradient
- 7 categories of traffic (KR1-30,000 to KR7-90,000,000 ESAL)

$N_{100}$



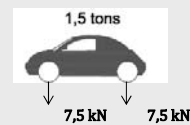
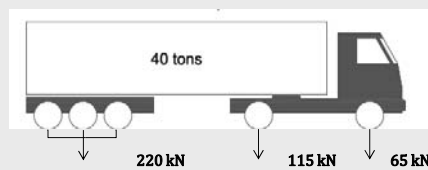
$$N_{100} = f_1 \cdot f_2 \cdot f_3 \cdot (N_C \cdot r_C + N_{C+P} \cdot r_{C+P} + N_A \cdot r_A) \quad (1)$$

where:

- $N_{100}$  – design traffic being the cumulative number of equivalent standard axles of 100 kN per traffic lane during the design life,
- $N_C, N_{C+P}, N_A$  – cumulative number of HGVs without trailers (C), HGVs with trailers or semitrailers (C+P) and coaches and buses (A) during the design life,
- $r_C, r_{C+P}, r_A$  – load equivalency factors (LEF) to convert the numbers of HGVs without trailers (C), HGVs with trailers (C+P) and coaches (A) to the number of 100 kN ESAL,
- $f_1$  – load distribution factor of design lane,  $f_2$  – lane-width factor,  $f_3$  – longitudinal gradient factor.

**Table 1.** Comparison of the load equivalency factors provided in the 2014 and 1997 issues of the Catalogue of Flexible and Semi-rigid Pavements

Vehicle class	2014 issue				1997 issue
	Road type and the legal limit of single axle load				
	Motorways and trunk roads (115 kN)	National roads (115 kN)	Other roads (115 kN) (100kN)		
HGV without trailer – C type	0.50	0.50	0.45	0.45	0.109
HGV with trailer – C+P type	1.95	1.80	1.70	1.60	1.245 1.950
Coaches and buses – A type	1.25	1.20	1.15	1.05	0.594

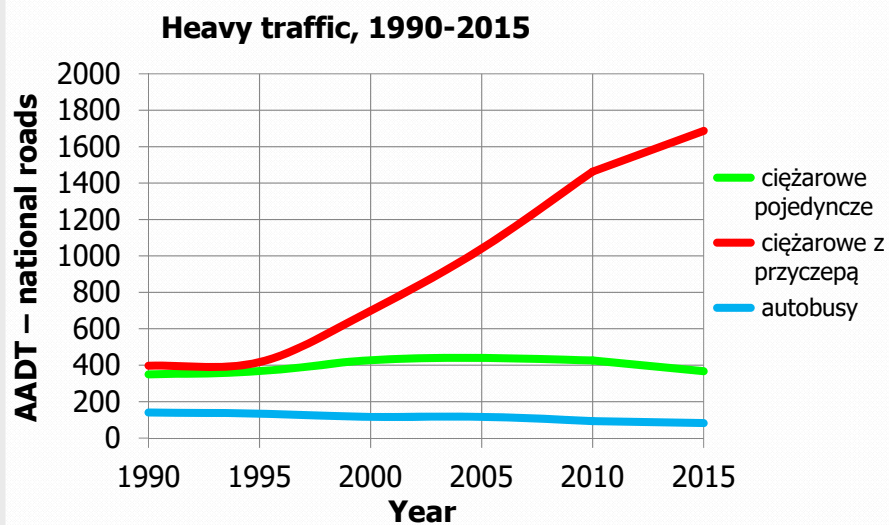


$$F_j = \left(\frac{65}{100}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{115}{100}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{220}{263}\right)^4 = 2,42$$

$$F_j = \left(\frac{7,5}{100}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{7,5}{100}\right)^4 = 0,00006$$

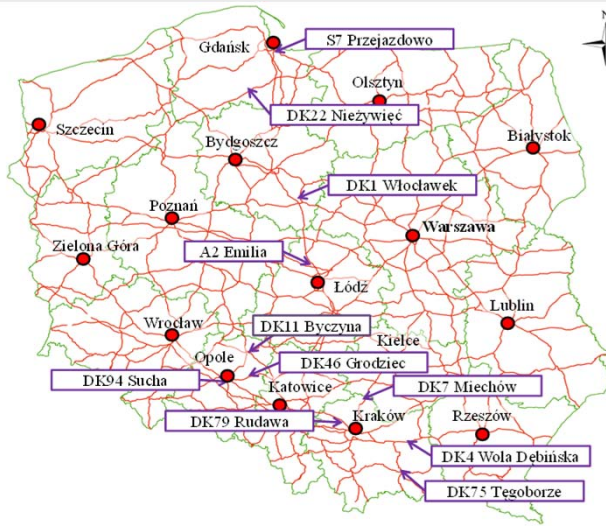
- 1 x 40t truck == 40 000 passenger cars

Kategoria ruchu	$N_{100}$ - sumaryczna liczba równoważnych osi standardowych 100 kN w całym okresie projektowym [w milionach osi 100 kN na pas obliczeniowy]
1	2
KR1	$0,03 < N_{100} \leq 0,09$
KR2	$0,09 < N_{100} \leq 0,50$
KR3	$0,50 < N_{100} \leq 2,50$
KR4	$2,50 < N_{100} \leq 7,30$
KR5	$7,30 < N_{100} \leq 22,00$
KR6	$22,00 < N_{100} \leq 52,00$
KR7	$N_{100} > 52,00$





# TRAFFIC (2)



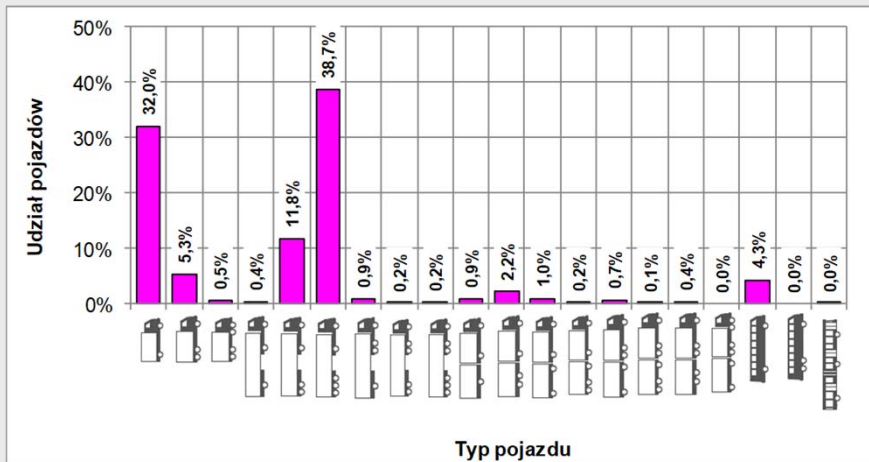
**11 WIM stations**

**Measurement period  
from 1 to 6 whole  
years**

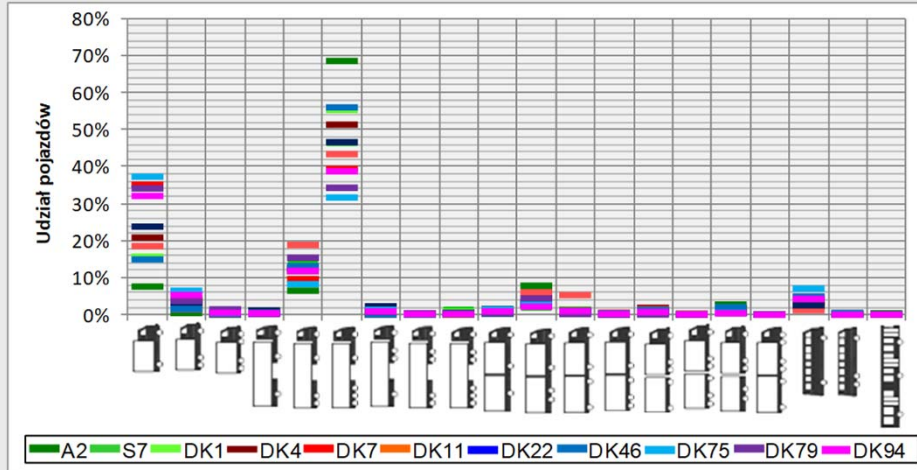
**More than 12  
millions heavy  
vehicles after data  
validation**

## WIM – one station

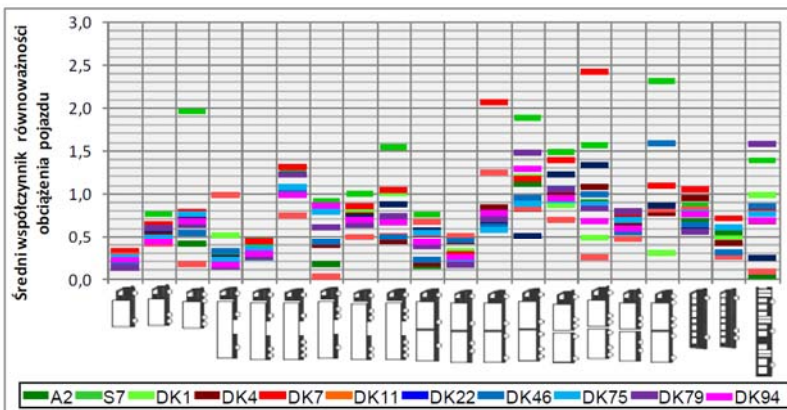
■ Example – station at DK94



- WIM data – comparison from 11 stations

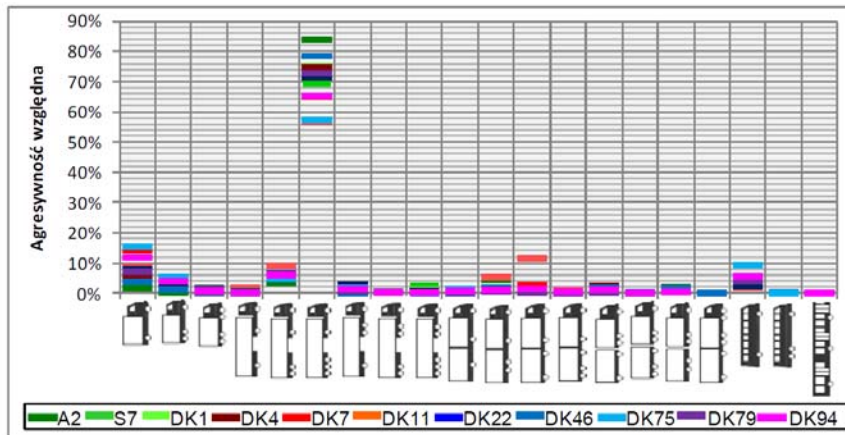


- Load Equivalency Factors (LEF)



Rysunek 3.14. Średnie współczynniki równoważności obciążenia poszczególnych typów pojazdów według wzoru czwartej potęgi

### ■ Relative aggressiveness

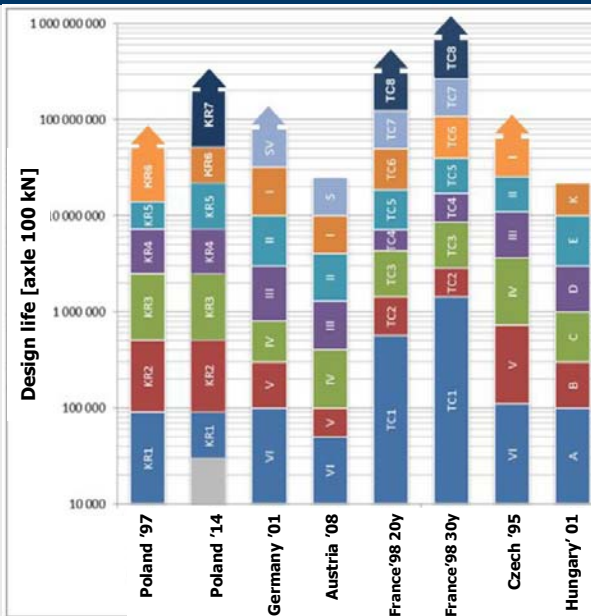


Rysunek 3.15. Agresywność względna  $A_t$  poszczególnych typów pojazdów t w oparciu o wzór czwartej potęgi

## TRAFFIC (3)

### Design life:

- all standardized to 100 kN
- 20 or 30 years



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## MATERIALS

- **Wearing course:** SMA, AC, PA, BBTM
- **Upper base and binder course:** AC (HMAC not included)
- **Lower base course:**
  - Unbound aggregate mixture (**UM**): C<sub>90/3</sub>, C<sub>50/30</sub>, CNR, CBR>80 or 60%
  - Hydraulically bound mixture (**HBM**): C<sub>8/10</sub>, C<sub>5/6</sub>, C<sub>3/4</sub>
  - Hydraulically treated soil (**HTS**): C<sub>3/4</sub>, C<sub>1,5/2</sub>
  - Cold recycling mixture (cement +bitumen emulsion or foam bitumen)

## New wearing course

Safe, eco-friendly poroelastic road surface  
(SEPOR)



Financed by NCRD

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## SEPOR - Aim

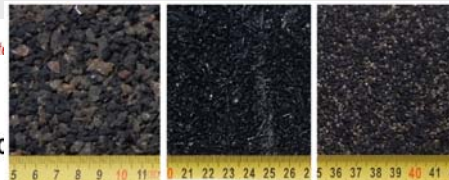
Development of innovative poroelastic pavement, where is used crumb rubber grit instead of aggregate which:

- extremely decrease traffic noise (10-12 dB)
- increase safety by high waterpermeability and high skid resistance
- improve properties of fire suppression from spills of liquid fuels



Rubber aggregate  
CR grit  
30-50% v/v

Poroelastic r



Aggregate and CR grit: 2/5,  
Air voids: 30% Binders: HiMA, epoxy

## MATERIALS (2)

- **Subbase:** UM  $C_{NR}$ , CBR>60%, HBM and HTS  $C_{5/6}$ ,  $C_{3/4}$ ,  $C_{1,5/2}$
- **Capping layer** – frost layer or drainage layer: HBM or HTS  $C_{1,5/2}$ , UM CBR>35 or 25% or in case of drainage layer UM, soil n.s.f.h.
- **Improved subgrade:** UM CBR>20%, soil n.s.f.h., HTS  $C_{0,4/0,5}$
  
- n.s.f.h.: non sticky/firm/hard

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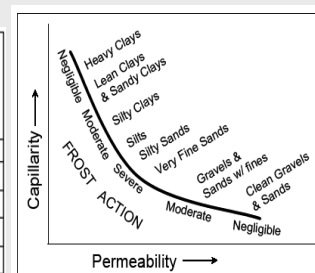
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# SUBGRADE

- 4 subgrade classes-groups: G1, G2, G3 i G4
- Subgrade classified by bearing capacity: CBR → in situ static plate modulus  $E_2$  and by frost susceptibility

Lp.	Subgrade group $G_i$	CBR after 4 days soaking [%]	Static plate modulus $E_2$ [MPa]
1	2	3	4
1.	G1	$CBR \geq 10$	$E_2 \geq 80$
2.	G2	$5 \leq CBR < 10$	$50 \leq E_2 < 80$
3.	G3	$3 \leq CBR < 5$	$35 \leq E_2 < 50$
4.	G4	$2 \leq CBR < 3$	$25 \leq E_2 < 35$



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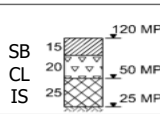
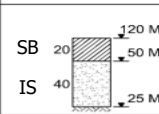
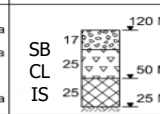
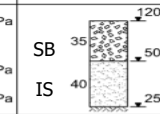
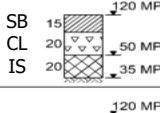
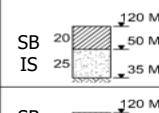
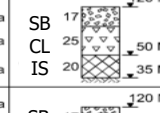
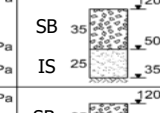
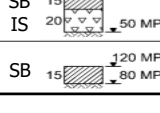
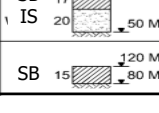
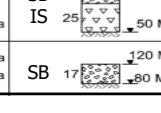
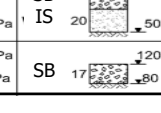






## LOWER PAVEMENT LAYERS AND IMPROVED SUBGRADE

- 3 levels of bearing capacity on top of lower pavement layers structure:

- $E_2 = 80 \text{ MPa}$  – KR1 i KR2
- $E_2 = 100 \text{ MPa}$  – KR3, KR4
- $E_2 = 120 \text{ MPa}$  – KR5, KR6 and KR7

SB - subbase  
CL - capping layer  
IS - improved subgrade

		TYP 1	TYP 2	TYP 3	TYP 4
Subgrade group Gi	G4				
	G3				
	G2				
	G1				

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## CALCULATION

1. Mechanistic criteria (IA'81, AASHTO'04, F'94, Shell'77)
2. Empirical method - AASHTO '93
3. Catalogues
  - Austria '08
  - Germany '01
  - Poland '97
  - UK method '06
  - France '98

## CALCULATION (2)

- AASHTO 2004 – main criterium (bottom-up cracking)
  - FC=5, 10, 15 i 20%
- IA, Shell – only for comparison
- F – only for HMA (finally not included)
- University of Illinois (Dempsey) – for semi-rigid
- PCA – for semi-rigid

# AASHTO fatigue criterium

$$N_f =$$

$$D * 7,3557 * (10^{-6}) \cdot C \cdot k'_1 \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_t}\right)^{3,9492} \left(\frac{1}{E}\right)^{1,281}$$

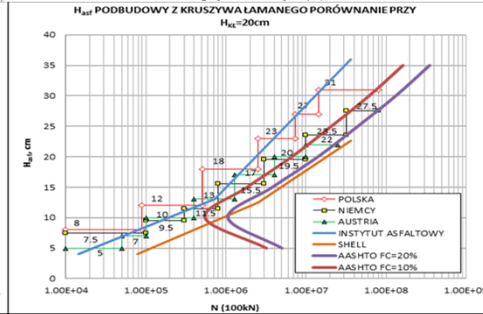
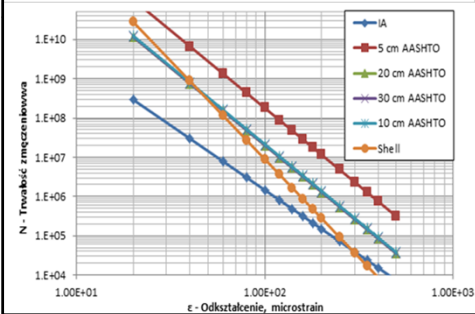
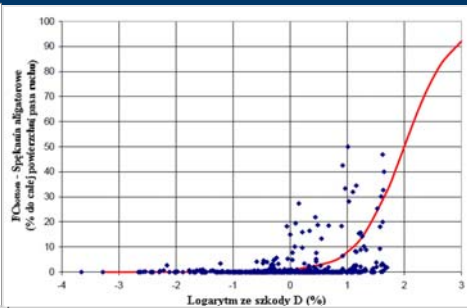
$$C = 10^M$$

$$M = 4,84 \left( \frac{V_b}{V_a + V_b} - 0,69 \right)$$

$$k'_1 = \frac{1}{0,000398 + \frac{0,003602}{1 + e^{(11,02 - 1,374 \cdot h_{ac})}}}$$

$$FC_{bottom} = \left( \frac{100}{1 + e^{(-2 \cdot C'2 + C'2 \cdot \log_{10}(D \cdot 100))}} \right)$$

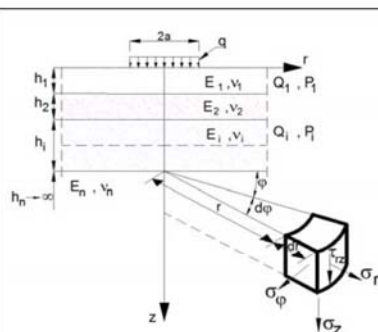
# Criterium AASHTO 2004



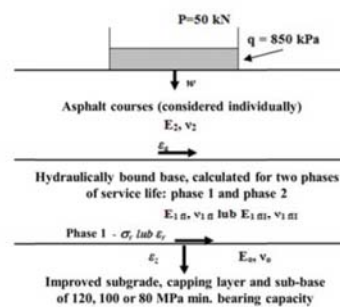
# IA deformation criterium

$$\blacksquare N_p = \left( \frac{\varepsilon_z}{0,0105} \right)^{\left( -\frac{1}{0,223} \right)}$$

# CALCULATION



(a)



(b)

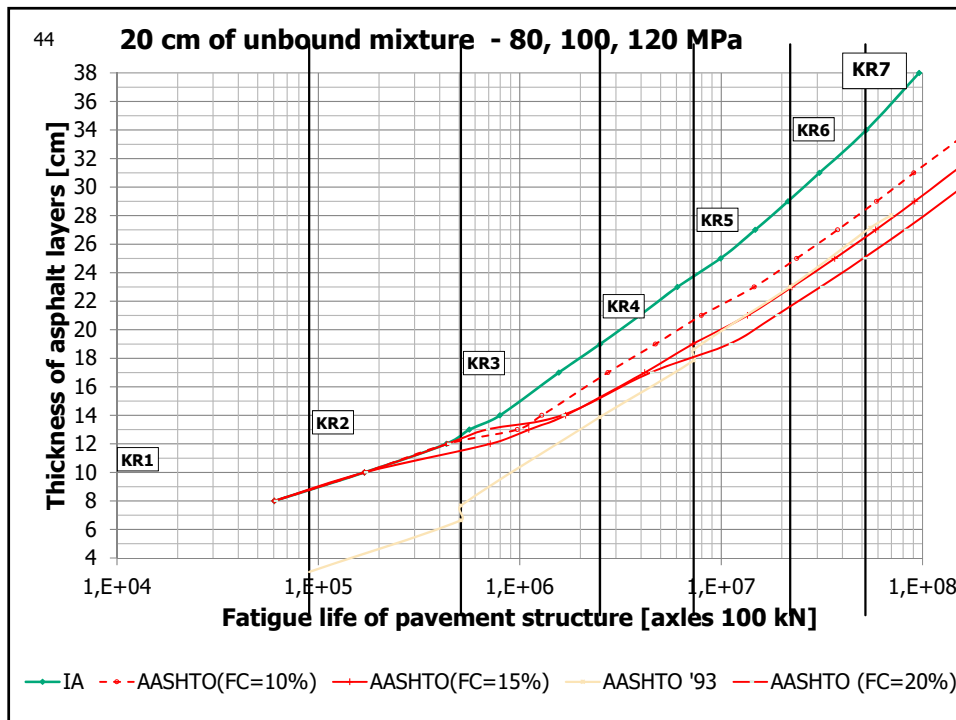
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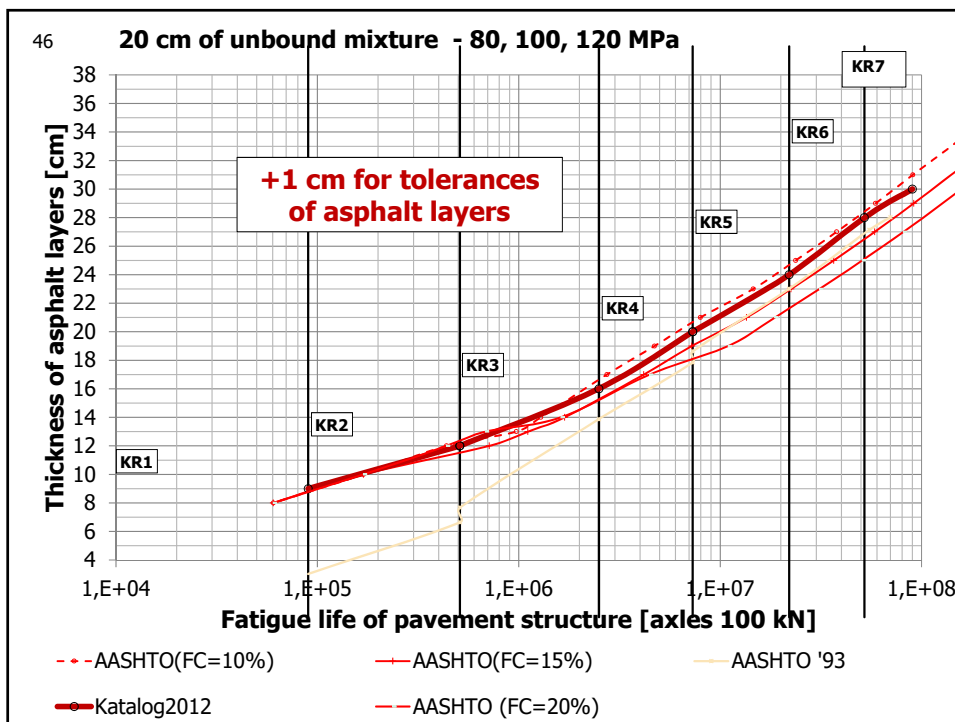
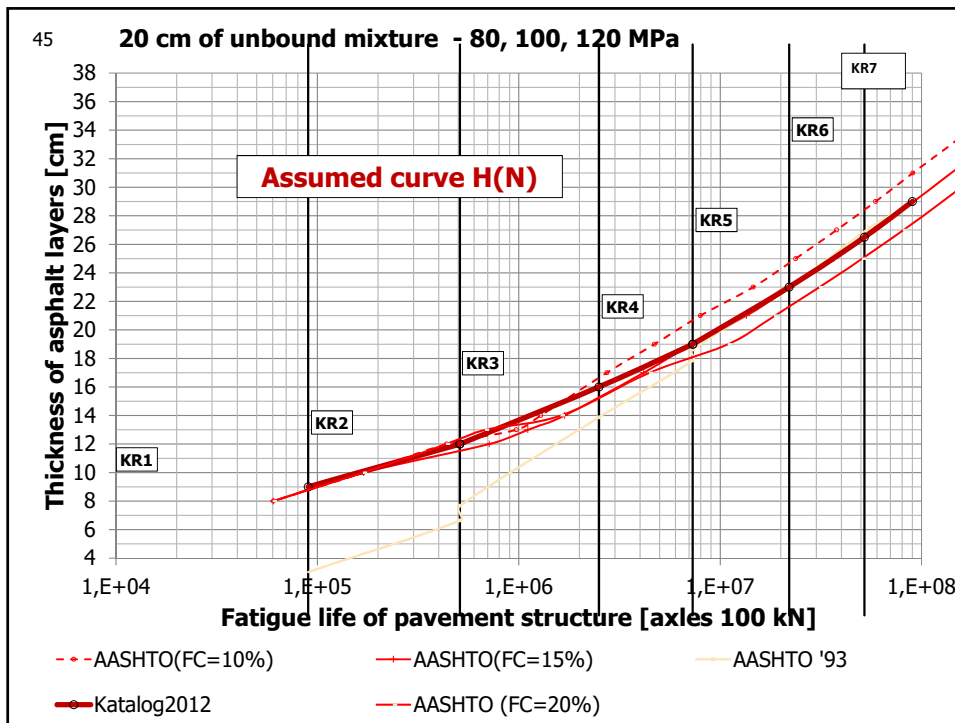
1. Mechanistic calculation of upper pavement layers for support level of 120, 100 and 80 MPa, depending on the traffic class KR
  - solutions for lower pavement layers and improved subgrade were calculated earlier
2. Accepted results
  - according to AASHTO 2004
3. Comparison of accepted results with other catalogues
4. Implementation of technological tolerances for asphalt layers (+1 cm for asphalt layers)

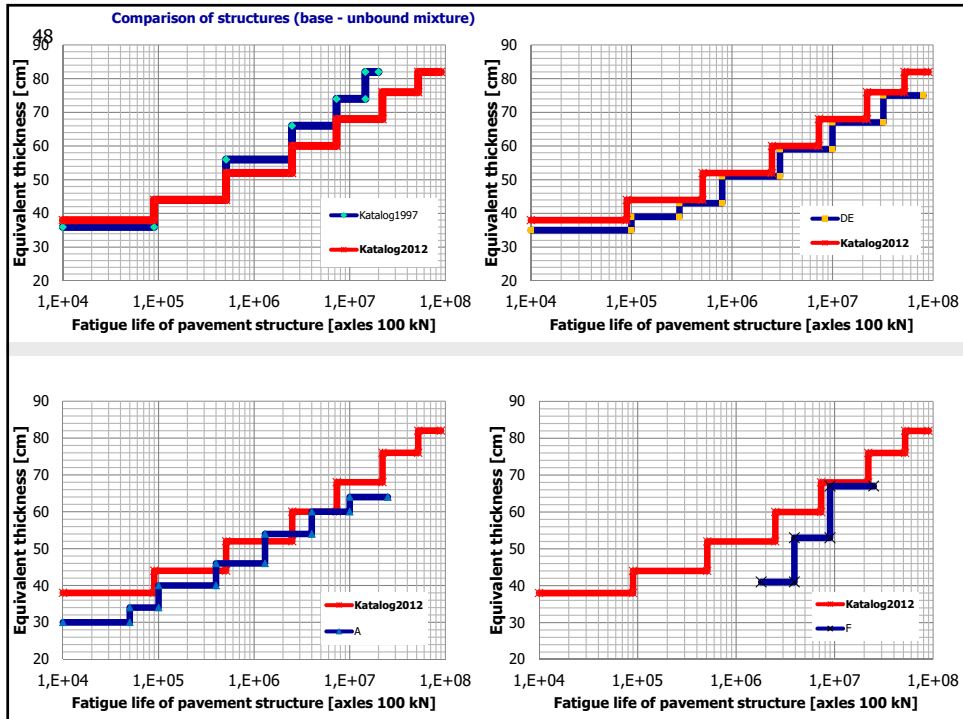
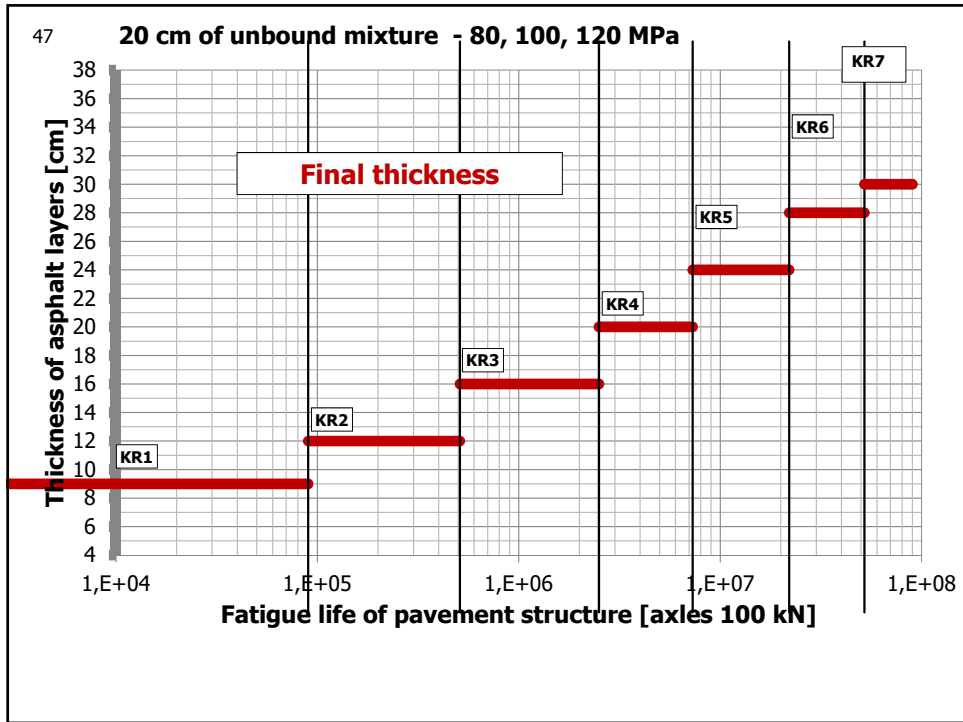
## CALCULATION ASSUMPTIONS (2)

- Wheel load - **850 kPa, 50 kN** (650 kPa, 50 kN)
- Stiffness of asphalt layers (Shell method)
  - Bitumen: **35/50 i 50/70** - D50/70
  - New **volumetric proportion**
  - New equivalent temperature
    - **+13°C (+15°C)** +2, +10, +23°C

# BASE COURSE (UPPER) AC & (LOWER) UM

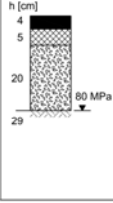
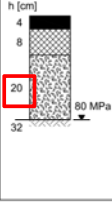
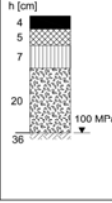
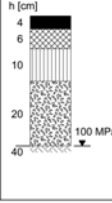
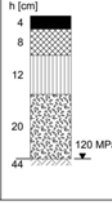
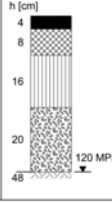
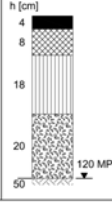













## TYP A1: (upper base) = AC, (lower base) – unbound mixture $C_{90/3}$

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Ruch projektowy (mim osi 100 kN)	0,03 - 0,09	0,09 - 0,5	0,5 - 2,5	2,5 - 7,4	7,4 - 22,0	22,0 - 52,0	> 52,0
TYP A1							
LEGENDA:	 warstwa ścieralna z mieszanki mineralno-asfaltowej, wymagania materiałowe wg punktu 7.12		 warstwa wiążąca z betonu asfaltowego, wymagania materiałowe wg punktu 7.13		 warstwa podbudowy zasadniczej z mieszanki niezwiązanej $C_{100}$ , wykonana wg punktu 10.12, materiały wg punktów 7.14 i 7.17		 wymagany wstępny moduł odkształcenia $E_s$
	 warstwa podbudowy zasadniczej z betonu asfaltowego wykonana według punktu 10.12, wymagania materiałowe wg punktów 7.14 - 7.15						

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- Type A1 – **AC + UM C<sub>90/3</sub> – KR1-7**
- Type A2 – **AC + UM C<sub>50/30</sub> – KR1-7**
- Type A3 – **AC + UM C<sub>NR</sub> – KR1-2**
- Type B – **AC (full depth) – KR1-7**
- Type C – **AC+HBM C<sub>8/10</sub>, C<sub>5/3</sub>, C<sub>3/4</sub> – KR1-7**
- Type D – **HTS C<sub>1,5/2</sub> – KR1-2**
- Type E – **CRM – KR1-4**

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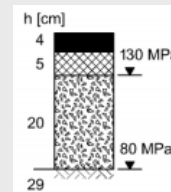
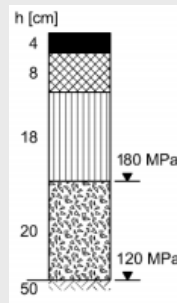
Table 3. Thicknesses of the upper courses of typical pavement structures given in [11]

No.	Type of pavement	Thickness of the upper courses of pavement, cm							
		Pavement course	Traffic class						
			KR1	KR2	KR3	KR4	KR5	KR6	KR7
1.	Flexible	Asphalt layers	9	12	16	20	24	28	30
		Unbound base, C <sub>90/3</sub>	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
2.	Flexible	Asphalt layers	9	12	16	20	24	28	30
		Unbound base, C <sub>50/30</sub>	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
3.	Flexible	Asphalt layers	9	12	-	-	-	-	-
		Unbound base, C <sub>NR</sub>	25	25	-	-	-	-	-
4.	Flexible	Asphalt layers and base	14	18	22	26	30	34	36
5.	Flexible	Asphalt layers	8	12	12	16	-	-	-
		Mineral/cement/emulsion/ FBit base	15	15	20	20	-	-	-
6.	Semi-rigid	Asphalt layers	9	11	15	18	20	22	24
		Hydraulically-bound base	18	20	20	22	22	24	24
7.	Semi-rigid	Asphalt layers	9	11	-	-	-	-	-
		Hydraulically treated soil base	18	20	-	-	-	-	-

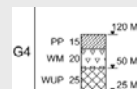
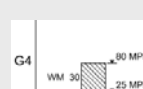
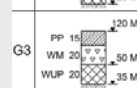
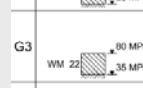
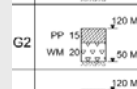
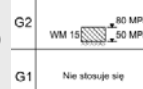

## STRUCTURE EXAMPLES

KR7 – 52-90 mln 100 kN    KR1- 0,03-0,09 mln 100 kN

Upper layers -



Lower layers  
and improved  
subgrade -

G4		<p>Very weak subgrade (<math>E_2 &gt; 25</math> MPa or <math>2 &lt; \text{CBR} &lt; 3\%</math>)</p>	G4	
G3		<p>Weak subgrade (<math>E_2 &gt; 35</math> MPa or <math>3 &lt; \text{CBR} &lt; 5\%</math>)</p>	G3	
G2		<p>Quite good subgrade (<math>E_2 &gt; 50</math> MPa or <math>5 &lt; \text{CBR} &lt; 10\%</math>)</p>	G2	
G1		<p>Strong subgrade (<math>E_2 &gt; 80</math> MPa or <math>\text{CBR} &gt; 10\%</math>)</p>	G1	Nie stosuje się

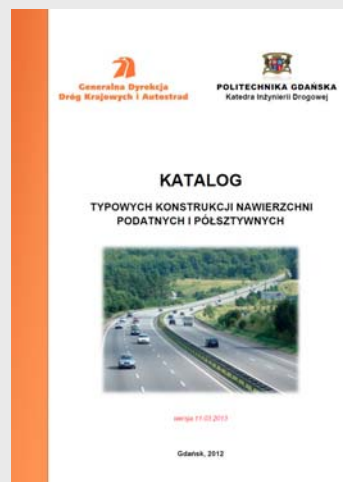
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## CONCLUSIONS

- New Polish Catalogue covers:
  - new extended traffic loads and design life period, EU standard materials
- Safety margins:
  - traffic calculation, mechanical properties of materials (conservative), tolerances of asphalt layers
- It was implemented to official use by government in 2015

## Catalogue





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