CE628A: Durability of Concrete Structures

Course Contents:

Concrete and the environment: interaction; Overview of concrete deterioration: alkali-aggregate reaction, corrosion, carbonation; Permeability of concrete and its measurement: penetration of carbon dioxide and chlorides into concrete, corrosion of steel in concrete - electrochemistry of corrosion, micro and macro cell corrosion, corrosion cells and currents, role of concrete, prevention of corrosion; Corrosion induced longitudinal cracks: nature and properties of corrosion products; Alkali aggregate reaction: reactive minerals, mechanism of deterioration, identification and tests; Codal provisions for durability; Nondestructive testing; repair/rehabilitation of structures.