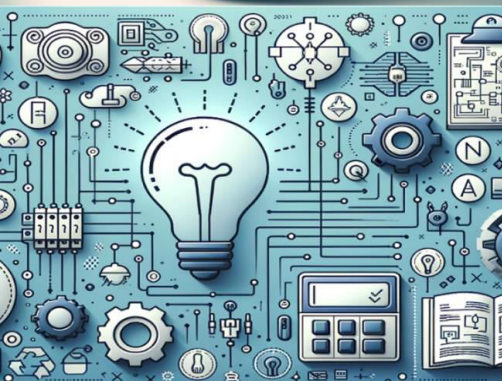


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Design and Estimation of RCC Structures

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ABSTRACT: The review also highlights how design variations, including the use of different concrete grades, reinforcement configurations, and beam shapes, can alter the overall performance of RCC beams. Material properties, such as the type of steel used for reinforcement (e.g., mild steel vs. high-strength steel) and the use of advanced concrete materials (e.g., high-performance concrete, fiber-reinforced concrete), are analyzed in detail. Additionally, the study investigates the effects of advanced materials such as polymer-coated reinforcement bars and ultra-high-strength concrete on the flexural strength and stiffness of RCC beams, emphasizing their potential for improving the durability and performance of concrete structures. It concludes by discussing future research directions, including the integration of newer computational methods, the exploration of innovative materials, and the development of more advanced FEA models for better prediction of RCC beam behavior. The findings aim to provide engineers and researchers with a deeper understanding of the key factors affecting RCC beam performance, contributing to the development of more efficient, durable, and cost-effective structural designs.

KEYWORDS: – E-TABS, RCC, Design, Estimation, Building, Cost,

I. INTRODUCTION

This study provides a comprehensive review of reinforced concrete (RCC) beams and structures, focusing on their performance under dynamic loads, material enhancements, and cost estimation methods. While RCC structures are generally designed for static loads, real-world applications expose them to dynamic forces such as traffic vibrations, wind forces, seismic activity, and marine wave actions. These dynamic loads can lead to fatigue, a failure mechanism caused by repeated loading cycles. Fatigue induces material degradation and reduces the service life of RCC structures, making it crucial to consider dynamic loading conditions during design. Repeated stress cycles can lead to premature failure if the effects of fatigue are not adequately addressed, highlighting the need for robust design methodologies to ensure durability and long-term performance.

The study emphasizes the importance of both experimental and numerical methods for analyzing RCC beams. Experimental testing, including fatigue testing and load monitoring, allows for the direct observation of RCC beam behavior under various load conditions. These experiments help identify failure modes, crack propagation, and performance under repeated loading. To complement experimental data, numerical methods such as Finite Element Analysis (FEA) are used to simulate the behavior of RCC beams under both static and dynamic loads. FEA tools, such as ANSYS, allow for a detailed understanding of stress distribution, strain, and fatigue life prediction, which are essential for optimizing structural design. By combining experimental and numerical approaches, engineers can design RCC structures that perform reliably under dynamic loading conditions throughout their service life.

The flexural strength and stiffness of RCC beams are critical parameters for ensuring their stability and load-bearing capacity. Several factors influence these properties, including the quality of the concrete mix, the reinforcement configuration, and material enhancements. Concrete mix design, such as the choice of cement, aggregates, and water-cement ratio, directly impacts the strength and stiffness of the beam. Additionally, the quantity, type, and placement of steel reinforcement play a significant role in resisting bending and controlling cracking under load. The study also highlights the use of advanced materials like fiber-reinforced concrete and high-performance concrete to enhance the fatigue resistance and load-bearing capacity of RCC beams. The incorporation of high-strength reinforcement, such as polymer-coated steel, can further improve the durability and performance of RCC structures exposed to dynamic loads. In RCC structural design, the Limit State Method is commonly employed to ensure safety and performance. This method considers both ultimate limit states (ULS), which address safety under extreme loads, and serviceability limit states (SLS), which ensure functionality under normal loading conditions. The goal of this design approach is to create



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structures that are safe, durable, and capable of withstanding misuse and fire. By considering both safety and serviceability, the Limit State Method ensures that RCC structures meet the required standards for long-term performance, minimizing the risk of failure due to dynamic loads or other unforeseen circumstances.

Cost estimation is a critical component of construction projects, as it helps determine the overall budget and material requirements. The study reviews several techniques for accurately estimating the quantities of materials needed for RCC structures. Volume-based calculations are used to determine the amount of concrete required by calculating the volume of various structural elements such as beams, slabs, and columns. Steel weight conversion methods are employed to estimate the amount of reinforcement steel required, which is essential for accurate material procurement and budgeting. Additionally, reinforcement sketching techniques are used to create detailed layouts that assist in material estimation and ensure the correct implementation of design specifications on-site.

A detailed cost breakdown for the construction of an administrative block is provided in the study, offering insights into material selection, budgeting, and cost control. The breakdown includes estimates for the quantities and costs of materials such as concrete, steel reinforcement, and other construction elements. The study also emphasizes the importance of accounting for seismic safety measures in cost estimation, particularly for projects located in earthquake-prone areas. By considering additional reinforcement and design requirements for seismic safety, the total cost of the project can be accurately predicted. This detailed cost analysis is essential for effective project management and ensures that the structure is both cost-efficient and safe.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Paper NO.1

Saksena and Patel[1] et al conducted a study to examine the effects of small circular openings on the structural behavior of reinforced concrete beams, focusing on shear strength, flexural strength, and ultimate load-carrying capacity. Their research aimed to analyze how variations in the size and placement of openings influence beam performance under loading conditions. The impact of small circular openings on the shear, flexural, and ultimate strength of beams. Their study focused on variations in opening diameter and position. The results indicated that the presence of diagonal reinforcement and stirrups at the top and bottom of the opening significantly improved beam performance.

Paper NO.2

Amin et al. (2013) [3] conducted an experimental study on the shear strength behavior of reinforced concrete deep beams with and without web reinforcement. The study involved testing nine reinforced concrete deep beams with dimensions of 750 mm × 350 mm × 75 mm under a gradually increasing load until failure. The strength and behavior of reinforced concrete deep beams are significantly influenced by the size and placement of openings, as well as the amount and type of web reinforcement. Beams without web reinforcement were more vulnerable to shear failure, while the inclusion of reinforcement improved performance by distributing stresses more effectively. The theoretical formula obtained by Kong and Sharp's was modified to calculate the ultimate load which compared by experimental results. The results gives clear indicator that the behavior and strength of deep beam affected by the location of openings and the amount of web reinforcement, either in the form of discrete fibers or as continuous reinforcement. The effects of opening sizes and locations on the shear strength behavior of reinforced concrete deep beams without web reinforcement were studied.

Paper NO.3

Diggikar et al. [5] investigated the effectiveness of externally bonded CFRP (Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polymer) sheets in strengthening the shear capacity of reinforced concrete (RC) deep beams with openings. Their study focused on the impact of CFRP and GFRP (Glass Fiber Reinforced Polymer) sheets on the structural behavior of beams with rectangular openings. The strength gain caused by the CFRP sheets was in the range of 35–73 %. Results predicted from theoretical methods compared with experimental results were within a 15 % error band and varied between 0.92 and 1.34 for un-strengthened and strengthened specimens, respectively. The accuracy of theoretical models was within a 15% error range, with the ratio of predicted to experimental values ranging from 0.92 to 1.34 for both strengthened and strengthened beams.



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Paper NO. 4

Mohammad waffy Fazil [2]2021 – In this research they have focused to avoid cost overrun in the project. Their aim is to provide a basis to improve cost estimation performance in construction. Their primary objectives was to synthesize the factors that are affecting cost estimation performance in construction projects and propose future directions regarding cost estimation performance based on the identified factors.

III. PURPOSE OF PROJECT

The primary aim of this swimming pool project is to design and construct a functional, aesthetically pleasing, and safe swimming facility that meets the needs of its intended users. The project focuses on ensuring structural integrity, efficient water management, user comfort, and sustainability while adhering to safety regulations and industry standards.

Specific Objectives

1. **To Provide a Recreational and Fitness Facility**
 - Create a space that allows for swimming, relaxation, and physical exercise.
 - Design features that cater to different users, such as recreational swimmers, athletes, and children.
2. **To Ensure Safety and Compliance**
 - Implement safety measures like proper depth markings, non-slip surfaces, barriers, and emergency exits.
 - Ensure compliance with local building codes, health, and safety regulations.
3. **To Incorporate Efficient Water Circulation and Filtration**
 - Install an effective filtration system to maintain water quality and hygiene.
 - Use energy-efficient pumps and sustainable water management techniques.
4. **To Enhance Aesthetic and Environmental Harmony**
 - Design the pool to blend seamlessly with the surrounding landscape and architecture.
 - Use eco-friendly materials and energy-efficient solutions, such as solar heating and LED lighting.
5. **To Optimize Functionality and User Experience**
 - Ensure accessibility for all users, including children and people with disabilities.
 - Provide additional features such as seating areas, lighting, and temperature control to enhance comfort.
6. **To Minimize Maintenance and Operational Costs**
 - Use durable construction materials to extend the lifespan of the pool.
 - Incorporate automation for cleaning, heating, and water treatment to reduce maintenance efforts.

IV. AIM AND OBJECTIVES

- **Aim –**
 1. To design the RCC members.
 2. To estimate the quantities required for building structures.
- **Objectives –**
 1. To use and apply the skills of E-TABS software for design RCC structures
 2. To use and apply the knowledge of course estimating and costing or open source software.

V. EXPECTED RESULTS AND CONCLUSION

The design of a swimming pool is a crucial process that involves careful planning, aesthetics, functionality, and safety considerations. A well-designed pool should balance visual appeal with practical elements such as structural integrity, efficient water circulation, and user safety. Key aspects include selecting appropriate materials, ensuring proper drainage, incorporating filtration systems, and considering environmental sustainability.

Additionally, the pool should align with its intended use—whether for recreation, fitness, or competition—while complementing its surrounding landscape. Features such as lighting, seating areas, and heating systems can enhance the experience. Overall, a successful swimming pool design maximizes comfort, usability, and durability, providing a safe and enjoyable space for users.



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The success of a swimming pool design depends on the seamless integration of aesthetics, functionality, and safety. It should meet the needs of its users while maintaining durability and ease of maintenance. By incorporating modern innovations and sustainable solutions, designers can create pools that offer long-term value and an enhanced aquatic experience.

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