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- Part 1: Sampling of fresh concrete
- Part 2: Properties of fresh concrete
- Part 3: Making and curing test specimens
- Part 4: Strength of hardened concrete
- Part 5: Properties of hardened concrete other than strength
- Part 6: Sampling, preparing and testing of concrete cores
- Part 7: Non-destructive tests on hardened concrete
- Part 8: Determination of drying shrinkage of concrete for samples prepared in the field or in the laboratory
- Part 9: Determination of creep of concrete cylinders in compression

The following part is under preparation:

— Part 10: Determination of static modulus of elasticity in compression

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Testing of concrete —

Part 9: Determination of creep of concrete cylinders in compression

1 Scope

This part of ISO 1920 specifies a method for determining the creep of standard concrete test cylinders subjected to a sustained longitudinal compressive load.

NOTE The conditions for curring and storage (see 6.1) can be varied to suit different requirements, e.g. early pre-stress. The time of loading (see 5.2) can also be varied to give an indication of other properties. These variations, however, will not conform to the requirements for a creep test as specified in this part of ISO 1920 and it is necessary that any deviation from the standard procedure be recorded in the test report.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are essential for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1920-3:2004, Testing of concrete — Part 3: Making and curing test specimens

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ISO 1920-4:2005, Testing of concrete — Part 4: Strength Opardened concrete

ISO 1920-8:2009, Testing of concrete — Part 8: Determination of drying shrinkage of concrete for samples prepared in the field or in the laboratory

3 Principle

The creep of the concrete is obtained by determining the total combined creep and drying shrinkage of the loaded specimens and subtracting from this value the drying shrinkage of the unloaded specimens, all specimens being stored in the same environmental conditions. This part of ISO 1920 details the fixed environmental conditions for carrying out the test, which allows comparison with previously tested specimens and specimens tested in other laboratories.

4 Apparatus

4.1 Loading frame, capable of applying and maintaining the required load on the specimen or group of specimens for the duration of the test. The means of maintaining the load may be either a spring or system of springs; alternatively, a hydraulic ram or capsule may be used.

A schematic diagram of a loading frame operated by a hydraulic arrangement is given in Figure 1. A similar arrangement can also be used for a spring-loaded system in which the system of loading only will be different.

NOTE The arrangement shown in Figure 1 employs the vertical loading of specimens. Horizontal loading of specimens is also frequently employed.