

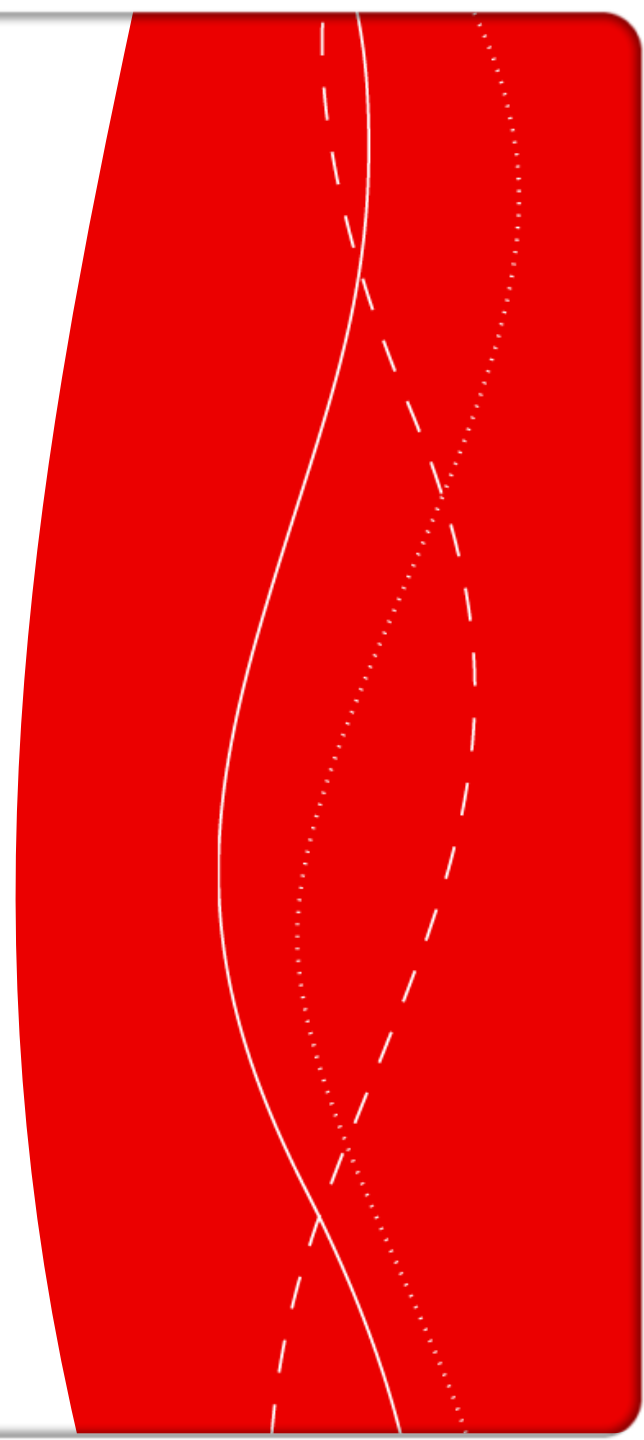


# **Experiences of EN 12697-16 in Sweden, (Prall)**

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# Overview of road industry in Sweden

## Swedish Transport Administration

### Some numbers

- State roads: 98 500 km (80% paved roads, 20% gravel roads)
- Municipal roads and streets: 41 600 km
- Private roads with state subsidies: 76 300 km
- Private roads without state subsidies: Large amount!

# Overview of road industry in Sweden

Total production of hot and warm mix asphalt 2015

Surface course	Binder course	Base course
55 %	25 %	20 %

- Warm mix asphalt 2015: **0,700** million tons total

Company in the asphalt industry in 2015

Production only	Production & Laying	Laying only
0	11	80

**In brief**

# VTI

Swedish National Road and  
Transport Research Institute

VTI is an independent and internationally  
prominent research institute within the  
transport sector

Founded 1923

Located in Linköping, Stockholm,  
Göteborg, Borlänge and Lund



# VTI's research areas

- Infrastructure maintenance
- Vehicle technology
- The environment
- People in the transport system
- Planning and decision making processes
- Traffic analysis
- Traffic safety
- Transport economics
- Transport system
- Pavement technology



# Wheeltracking equipment

The susceptibility of bituminous materials to deform is assessed by the rut depth formed by repeated passes of a loaded wheel over an asphalt concrete slab at a fixed temperature.



# Material testing system

An advanced servo-hydraulic material testing system

Many applications, mainly for mechanical testing of materials intended for use in pavement layers

Measuring of stiffness modulus, creep, fatigue, shear and triaxial tests



# Vti:s Road Laboratory

Departments in our laboratory

- Binder/bitumen
- Unbound material, Aggregate
- Asphalt

Standard methods

EN-methods

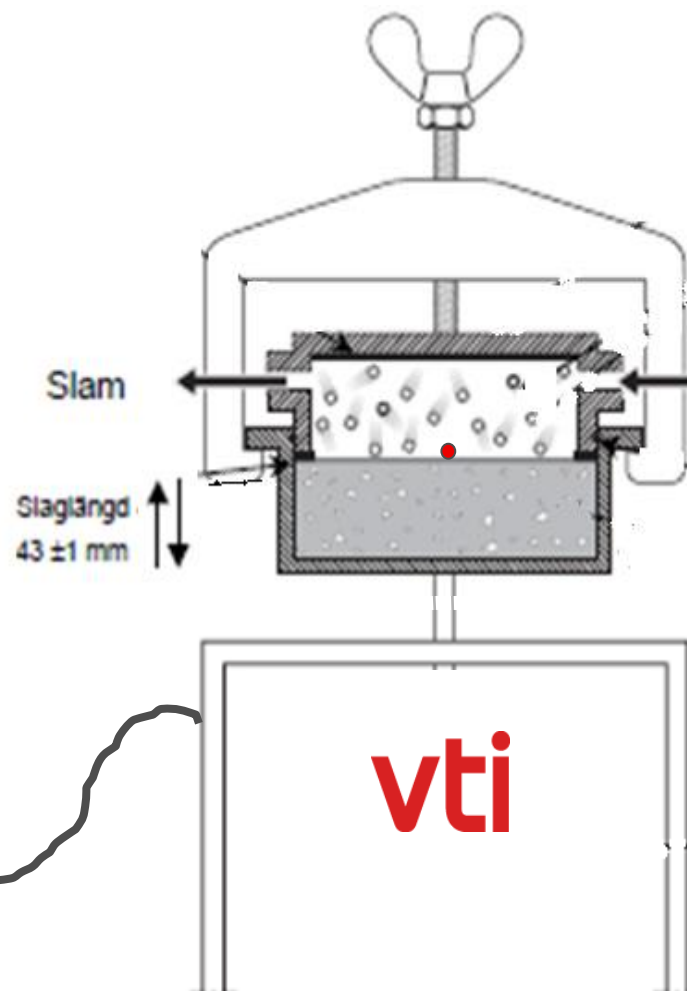
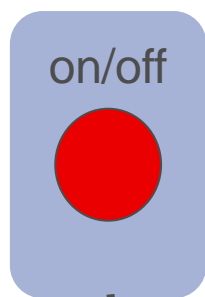
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In house developed methods

Accredited according to EN ISO/IEC 17025

Certified according to EN ISO 9001 & 14001

EN 12697-16:2016  
Abrasion by studded tyres  
Method A: Prall

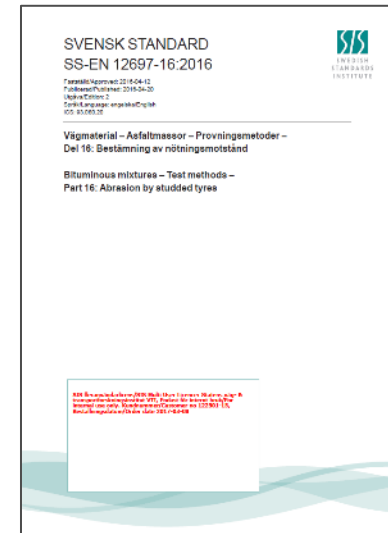




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## Scope

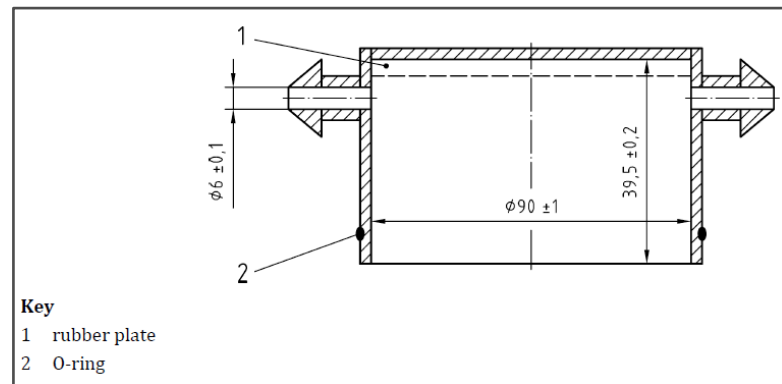
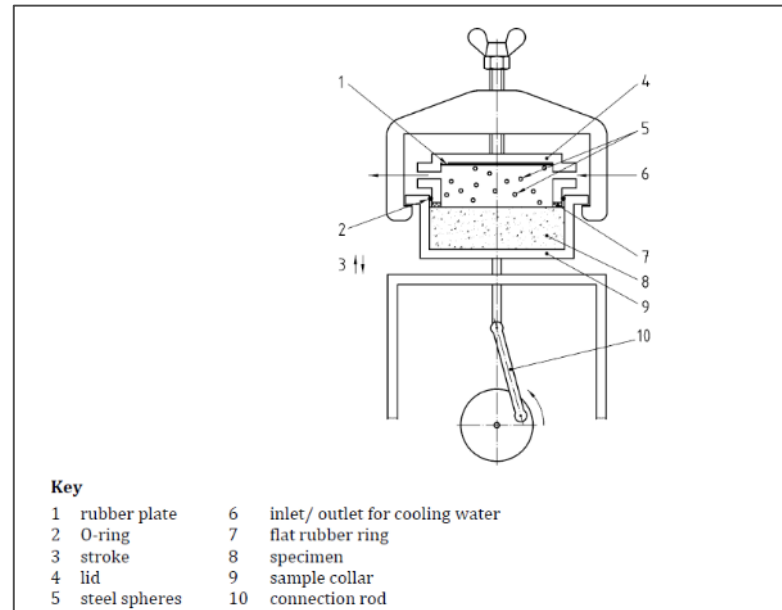
Determining the susceptibility of abrasion by studded tyres. Test on cylindrical specimen of bituminous mixtures



# EN 12697-16:2016 Prall

## Apparatus

- Stroke height ( $43 \pm 1$  mm)
- Water temperature ( $5 \pm 1$  °C)
- 40 steel spheres diameter between 11,50 and 12,01 mm
- The hardness: 58-65 HRC
- The total weight steel balls: 265-285g
- Frequency ( $950 \pm 10$  stroke/min)
- Abrasion time (15 min  $\pm 10$  sek)



# Round Robin test 2016 Prall

## Ambition

Test normal mix types from highly trafficked roads

Delivered and was conducted between October to November 2016



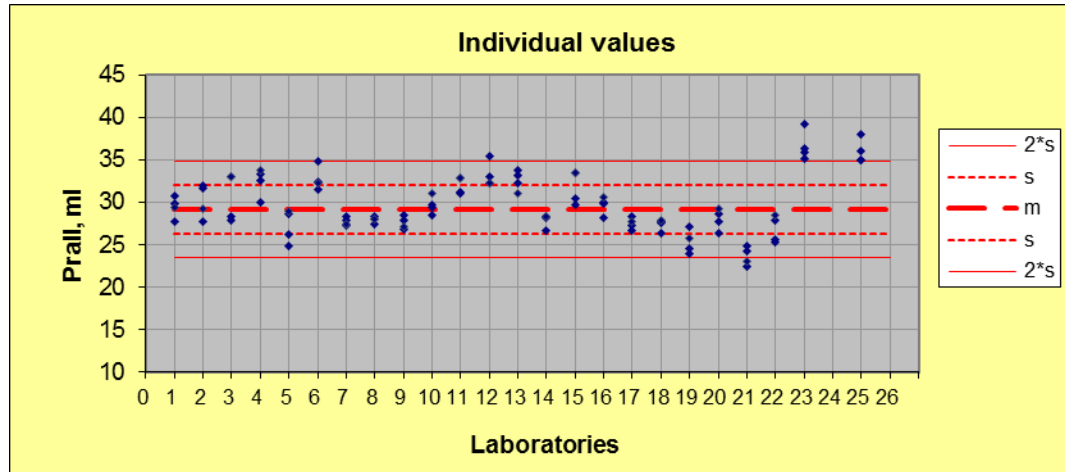
## Three mixes:

1. SMA11 70/100 (Peab)
2. SMA16 70/100 (Skanska)
3. AC16 70/100 (NCC)



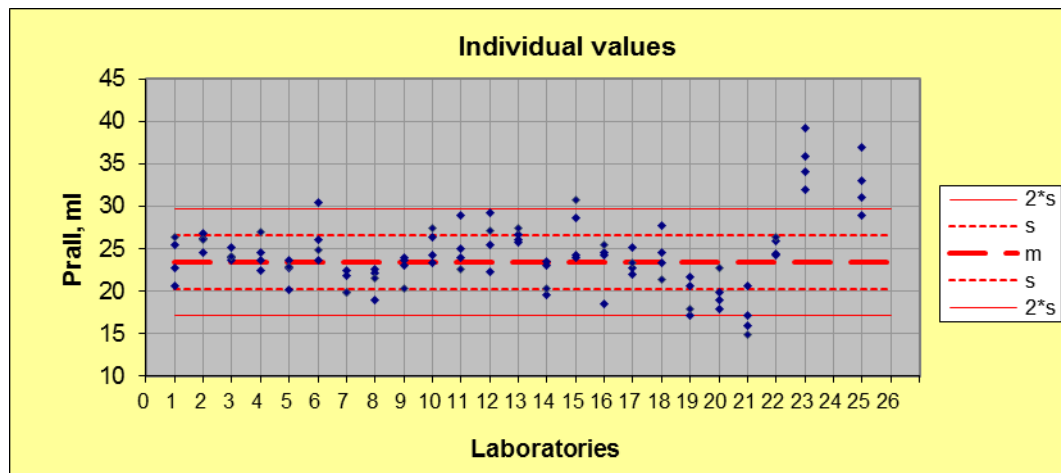
# Results

## Material 1: SMA11 70/100



Material 1  
Mean: 29,1 ml

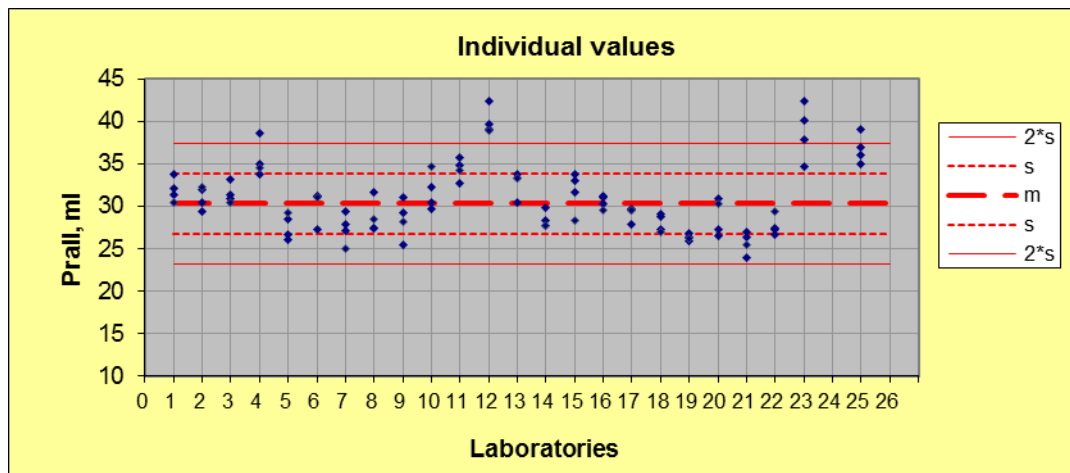
## Material 2: SMA16 70/100



Material 2  
Mean: 23,4 ml

# Results

## Material 3: AC16 70/100



Material 3  
Mean: 30,3 ml

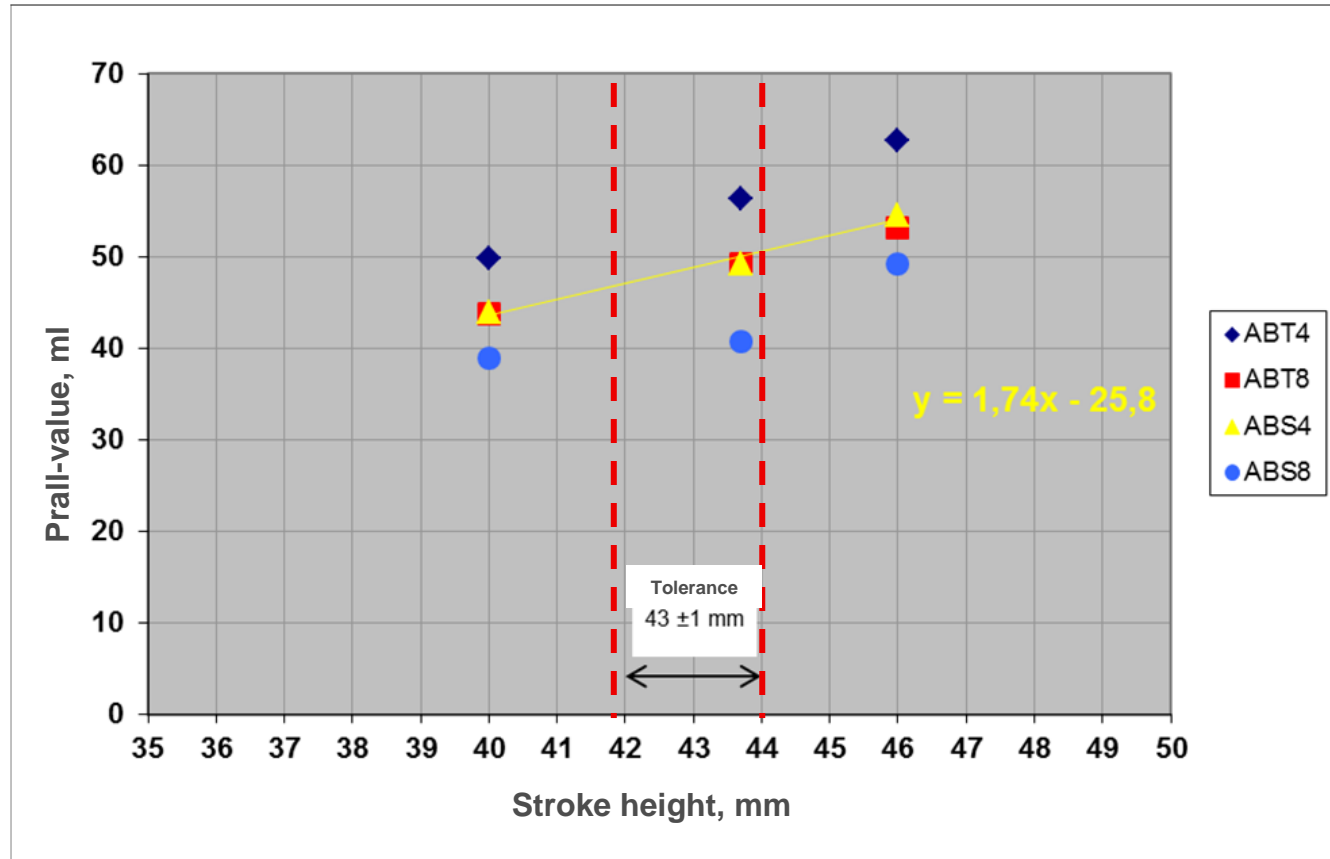
# Statistical evaluation

Prov	m	r	R	r-%	R-%	r <sub>standard</sub>	R <sub>standard</sub>
Material 1	29,1	3,9	8,1	13,5	27,6	15 %	27 %
Material 2	23,4	6,0	8,9	25,8	38,2		
Material 3	30,3	4,6	10,2	15,1	33,5		
Mean:	27,6	4,9	9,0	18,1	33,1		

# Equipment- and operator dependency



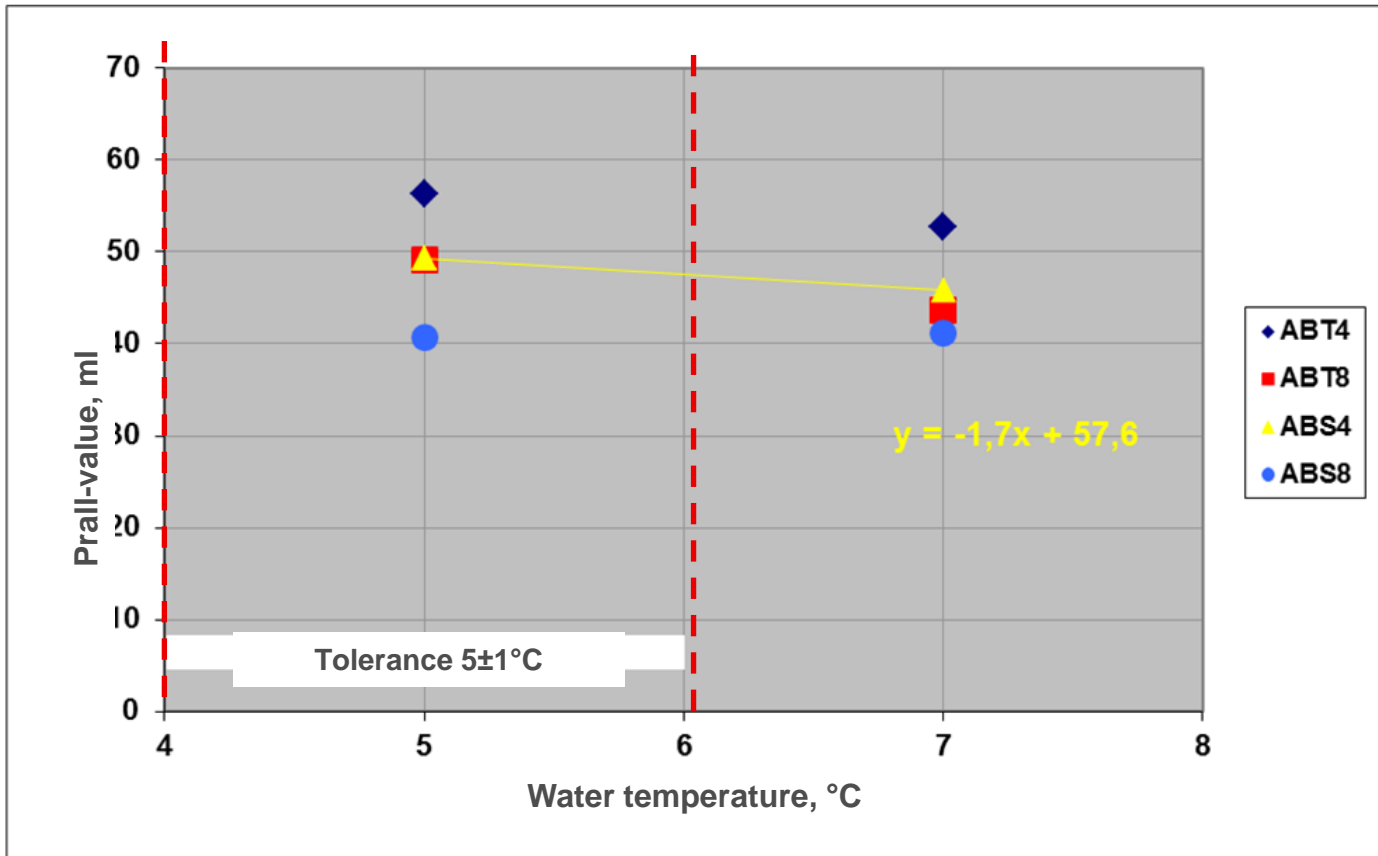
# Sensitivity to stroke height



Sensitivity to stroke height, approximately  $\pm 1$  ml uncertainty



# Sensitivity to water temperature 1

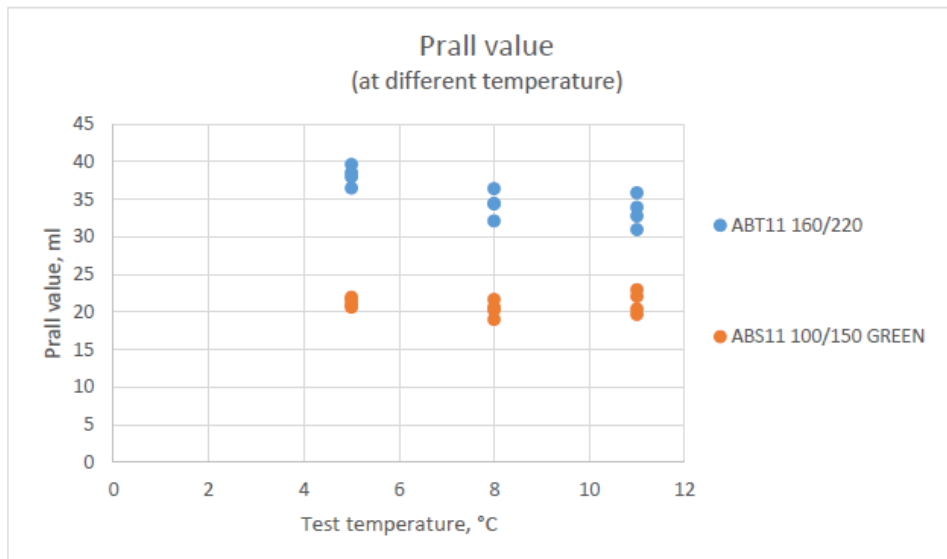


Sensitivity to water temperature, approximately  $\pm 2$  ml uncertainty

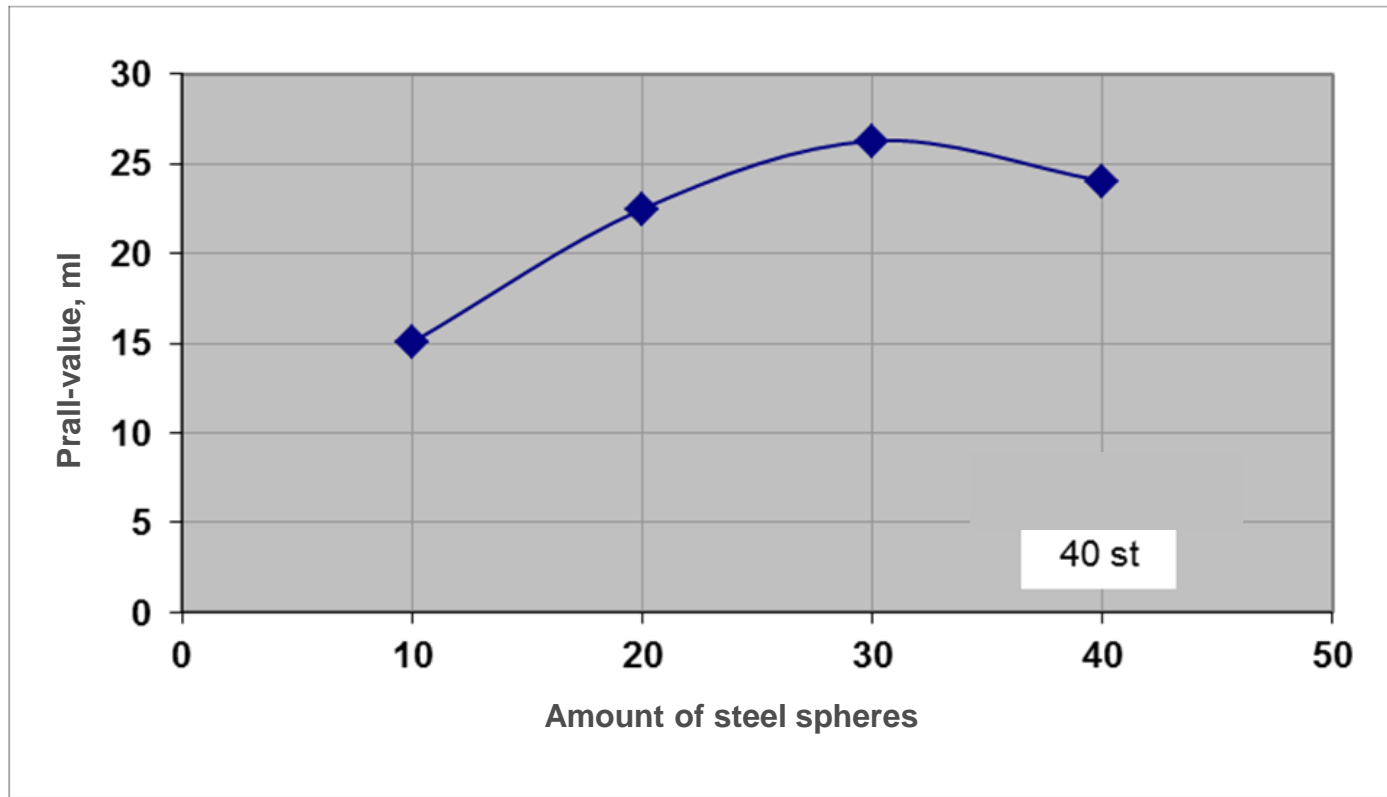
# Sensitivity to water temperature 2

Table 14 SMA11 100/150 GREEN

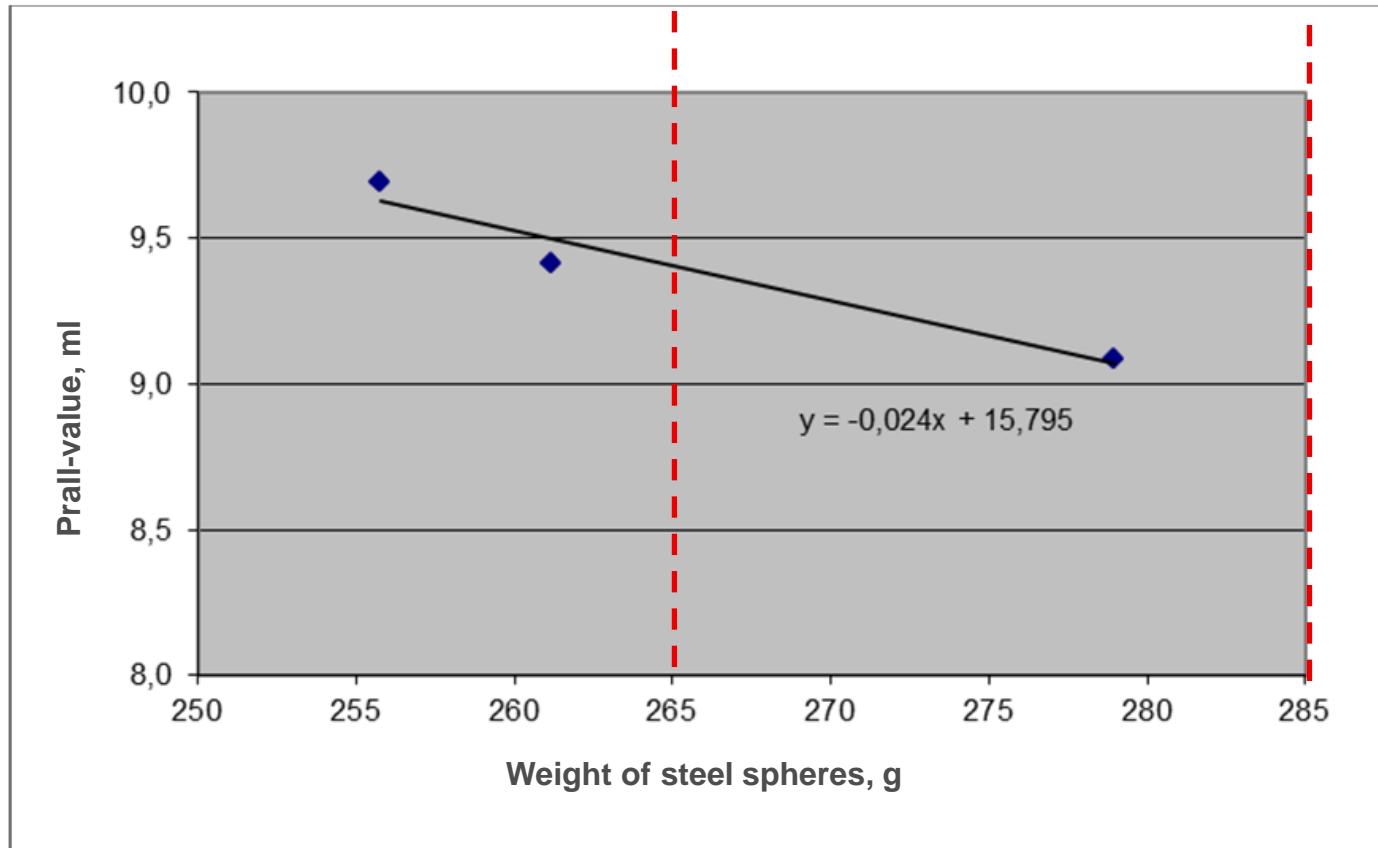
Test temperature	Individual values				Average	s	V-%
+5 °C	20.6	21.7	22.0	21.0	21.3	0.6	2.8
+8 °C	19.0	21.7	20.3	20.6	20.4	1.1	5.4
+11 °C	20.5	22.1	23.0	19.7	21.3	1.5	7.1



# Sensitivity to amount of steel spheres

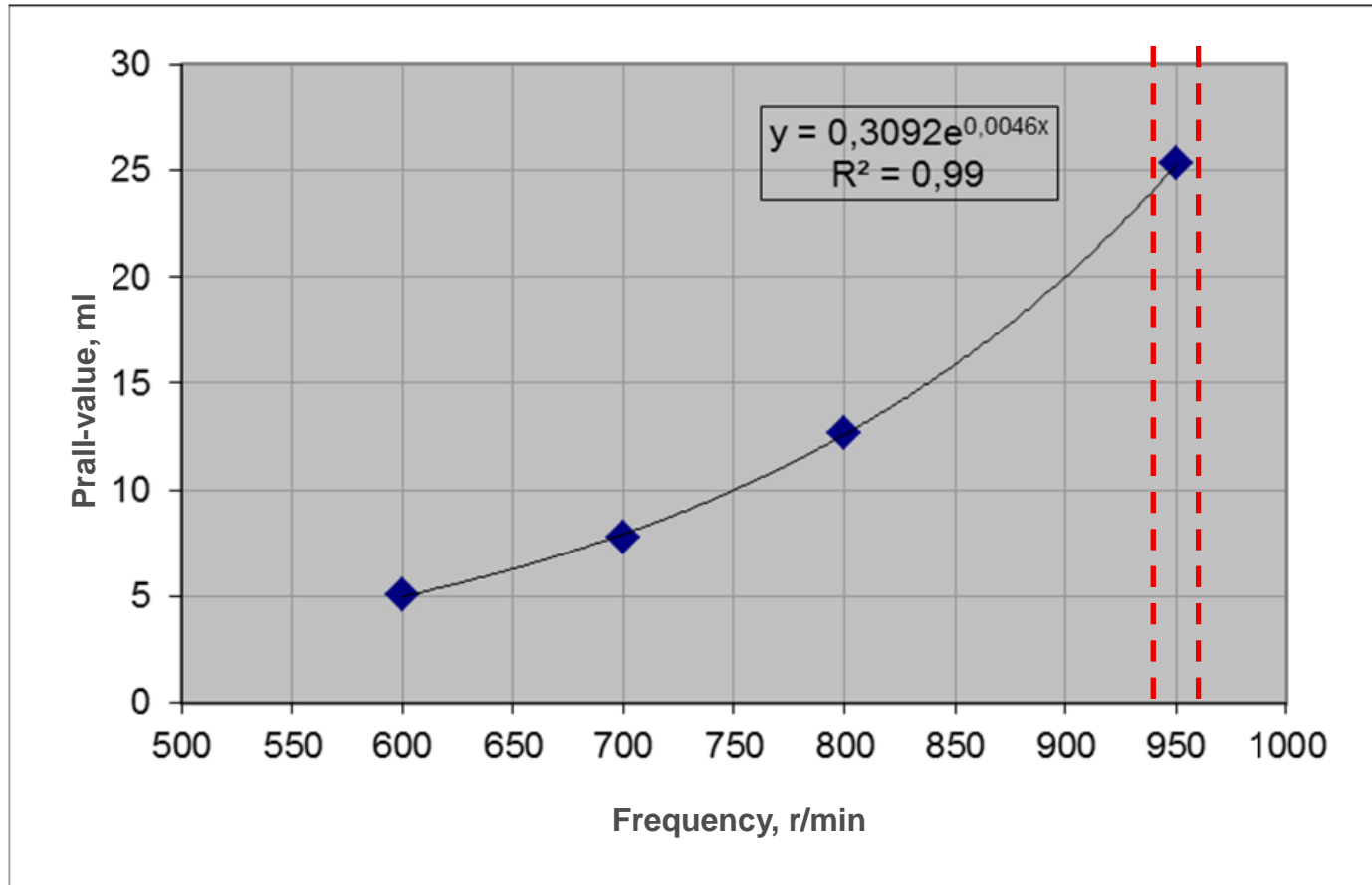


# Sensitivity to weight of steel spheres



Sensitivity to weight of steel spheres, approximately  $\pm 0,25$  ml uncertainty

# Sensitivity to frequency



Sensitivity frequency, approximately  $\pm 1$  ml uncertainty

# Correlations to field conditions

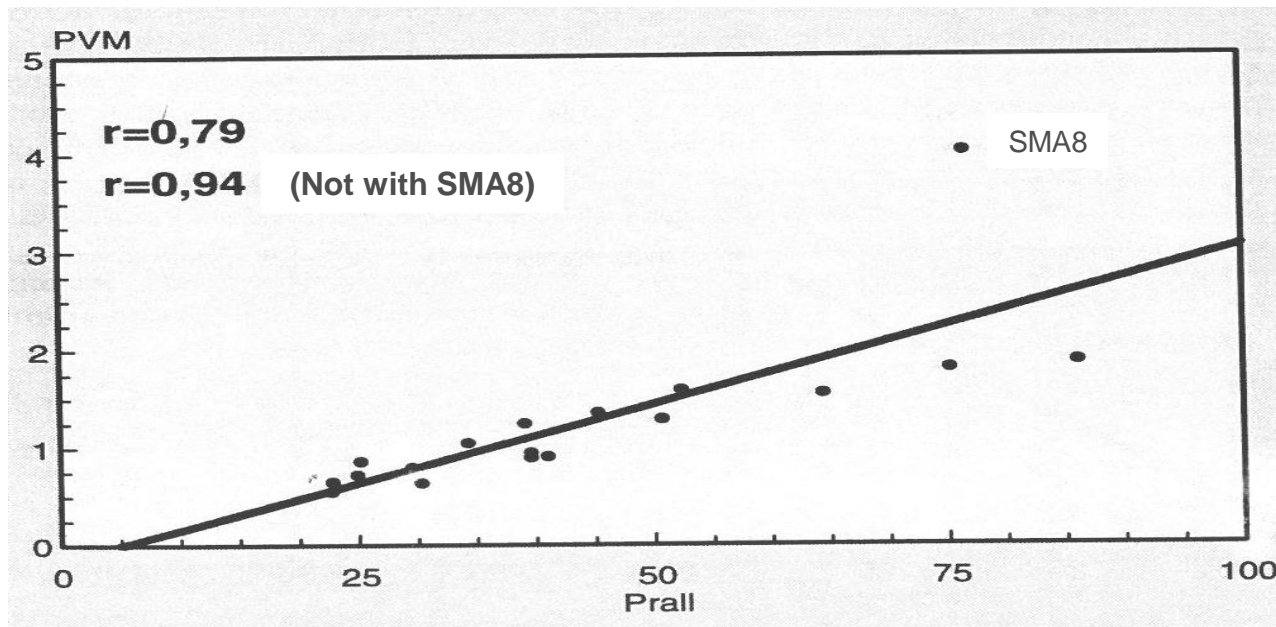
- Circular road simulator

**Correlation between  
road simulator and field  $r > 0,95$**



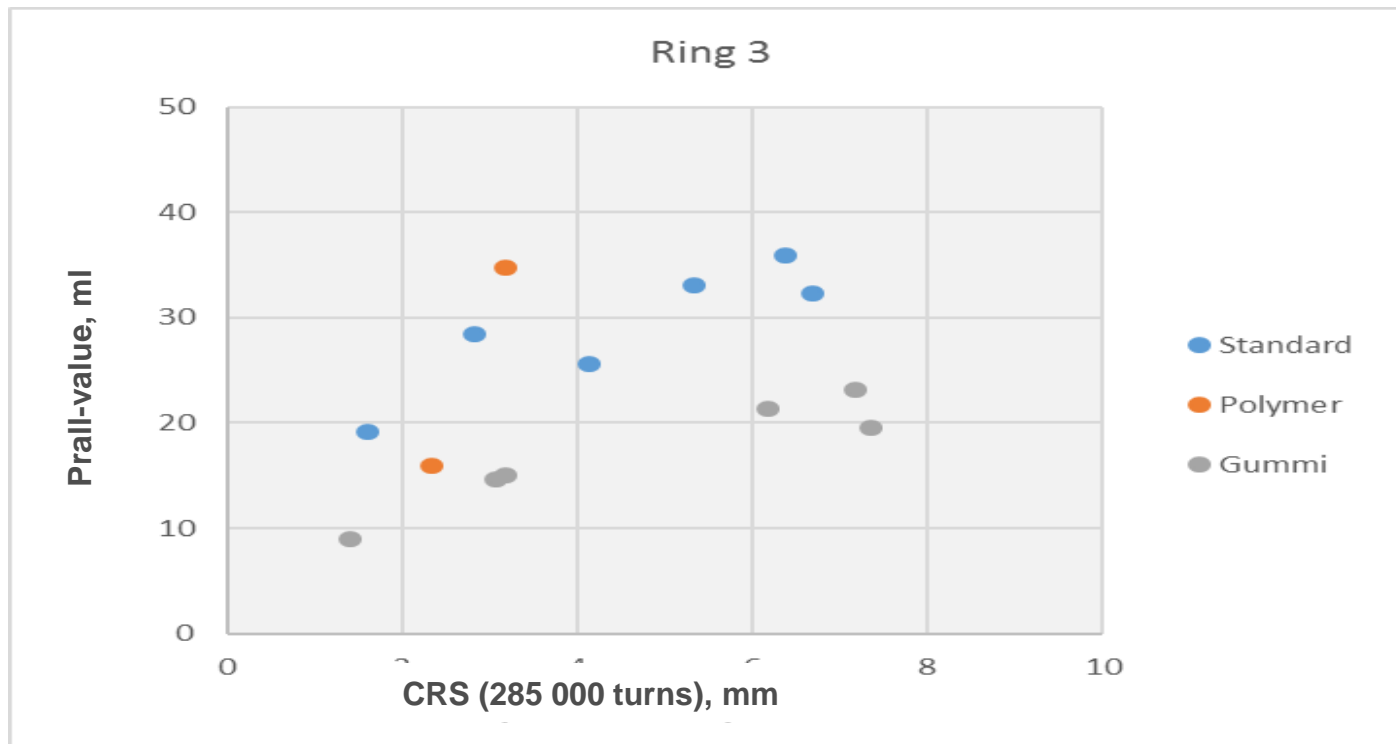
# Correlations to field conditions

Correlation between  
road simulator and Prall  $r > 0,90$



# Some results on different mixes with different binder

Prall underestimates according to wear in circular road simulator on Rubber-binder





# Conclusions

- Expected summarised uncertainty due only to the acceptable tolerances:

$$\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 0,5^2 + 0,5^2 + 2^2} \approx 4$$

- Repeat- and reproducibility could be better
- Correlation between prall and field is very good



**Thank you for your attention!**

**Questions?**



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