





Construction Innovation Technology & Developments

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This presentation ...

- Brief background ASPARi
- Worrying issues worldwide
- Current responses
- Research developments
- Barriers to change
- Practical issues
- Lessons for SA





Who is ASPARi?

- Researchers & contractors
- 10 companies
- More than 80% of the asphalt turnover in the Netherlands
- Focus on asphalt construction
- Improved process control







Worrying issues worldwide!

Clients

- Premature failure
- Less money available
- Value for money?

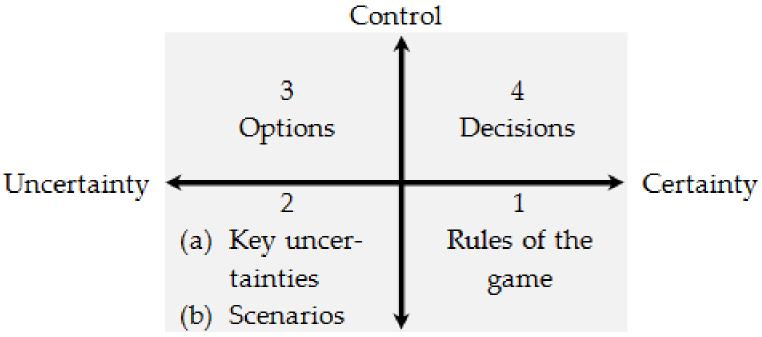
Contractors

- Asphalt construction a traditional sector
- Ageing workforce
- Increase in technology





The response ...





























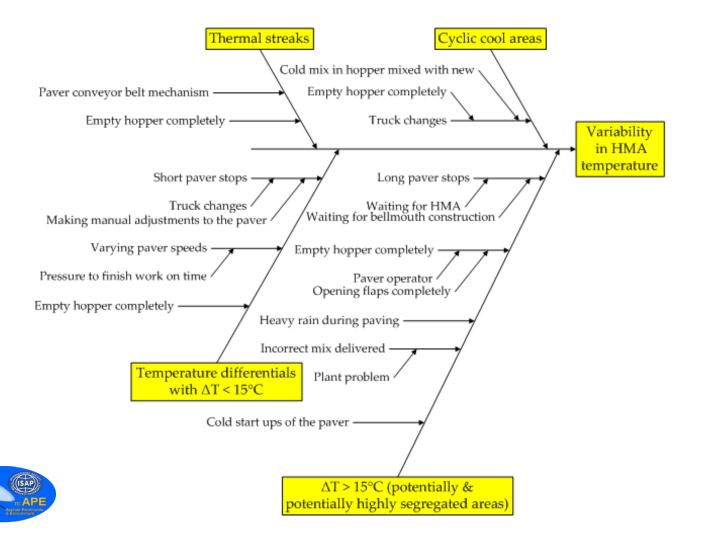
ASPARi focus areas ...

- Mix temperature & compaction consistency
- Logistics
- Laboratory
- Construction informatics
- Real-time process control
- New sensors
- BIM
- Education



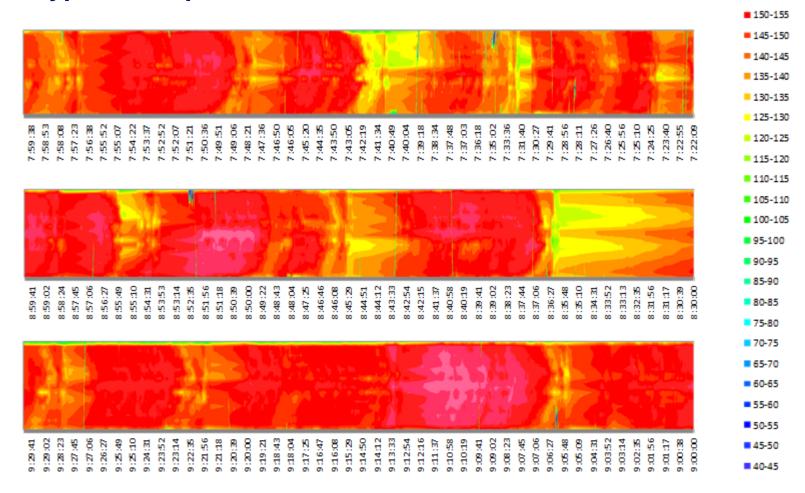






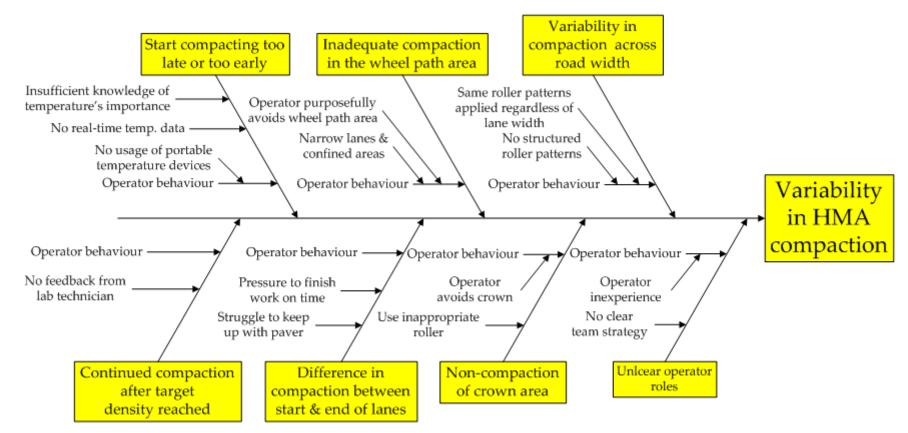


Typical Temperature Contour Plot



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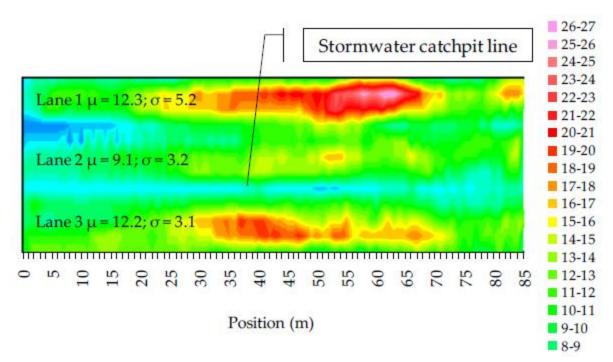
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Typical Compaction Contour Plot ...







Paver speeds ...

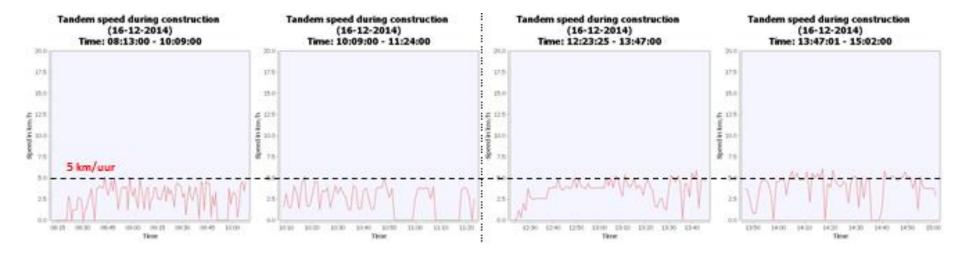








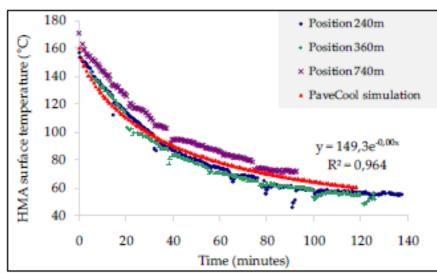
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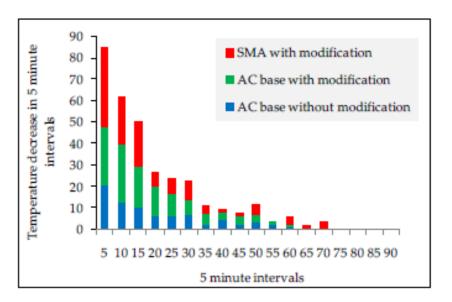


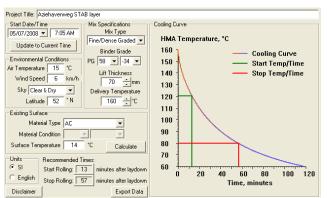


Understanding cooling behaviour



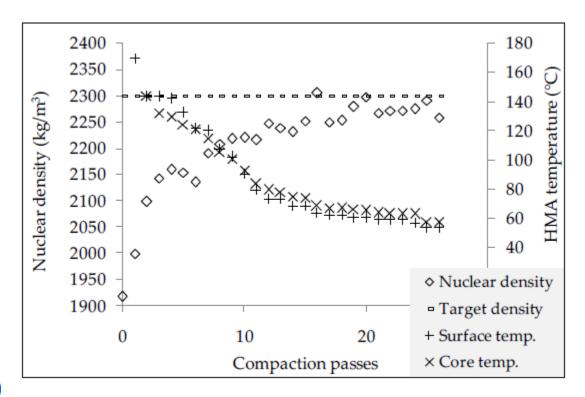






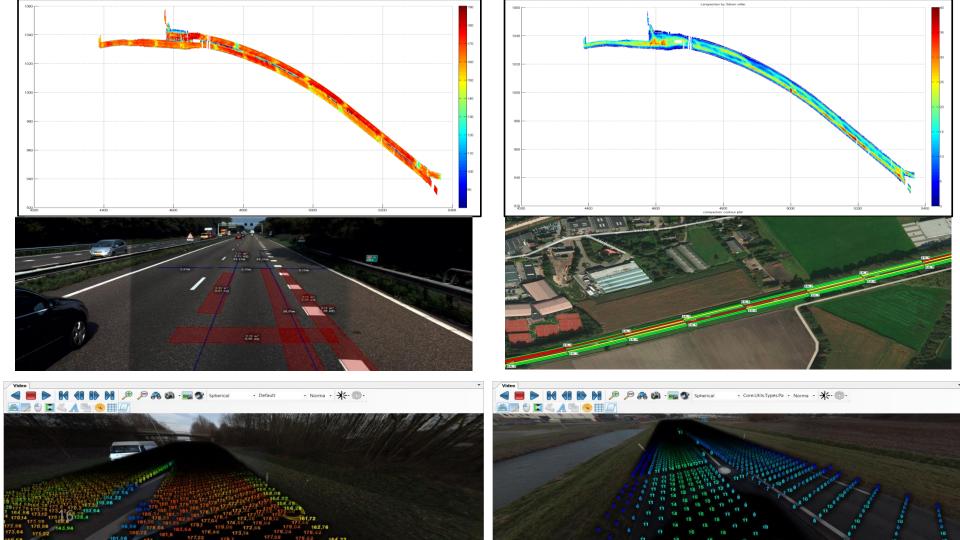


Understanding cooling behaviour and density progression









Compaction innovations







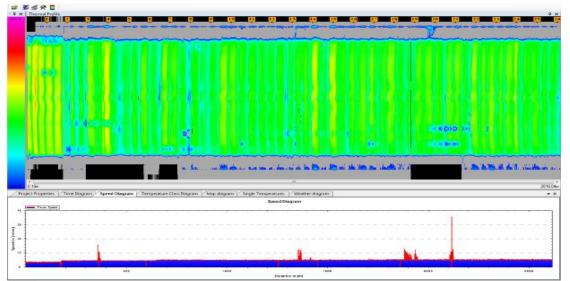




Paving innovations



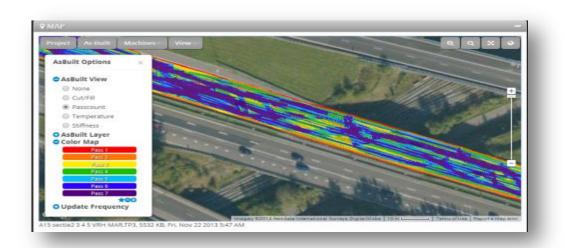




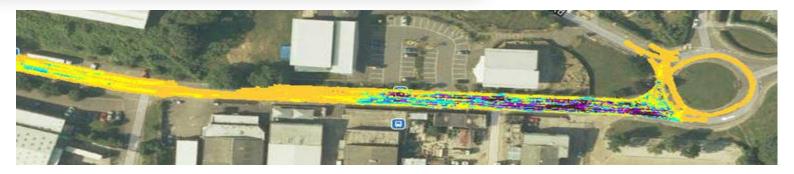




Reporting



Postprocessing!



Beware ... barriers to change

- Business as usual approach
- Technology cost, introduction & adoption
- Changing roles in asphalt construction
- Mismatch in client, designer & contractor needs
- Inappropriate client approaches
- Equipment manufacturer approaches
- Absence of appropriate education





Practical issues ...

- Technology & the human factor
- In technology we trust???
- The pace of technology development
- Big data & real-time process control
- Aligning laboratory & field practices
- Working with machine manufacturers
 - Open vs. closed systems
 - Data standards
 - Data interoperability





Lessons for SA ...

A client driven approach to stimulate innovation in asphalt construction!!!!

Potential benefits include

- Measuring is knowing ... georefencing
- Identify opportunities for process improvement
- From experienced-based to method-based practices
- Get it right the first time
- Increased durability of asphalt layers
- Operational, tactical & strategic decision-making





Thank you for listening ... any questions?



