



**Subtask E2b-1.a:**

**Impact of current extraction techniques on  
properties of extracted RAP aggregates**

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# ***Develop a System to Evaluate the Properties of RAP***

## ***Objective***

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- **Evaluate impact of current extraction techniques on properties of extracted RAP aggregates.**
- **Extract aggregates from Lab-produce RAP mixes using:**
  - **Centrifuge (Trichloroethylene)**
  - **Reflux (Trichloroethylene)**
  - **Ignition oven**

## ***Develop a System to Evaluate the Properties of RAP Aggregate Sources***

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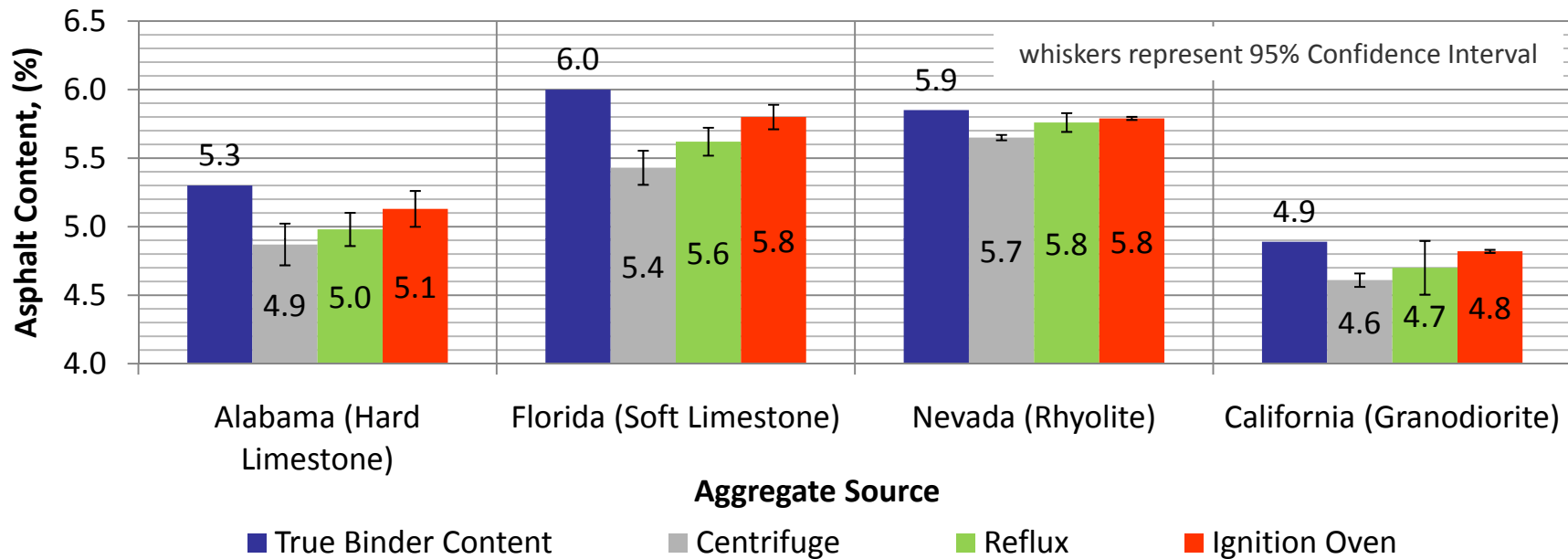
- **Nevada: Rhyolite (UNR)**
- **California: Granodiorite (UNR)**
- **Alabama: Hard Limestone (NCAT)**
- **Florida: Soft Limestone (NCAT)**

## ***Develop a System to Evaluate the Properties of RAP Lab Produced RAP***

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- **SP mix design: intermediate gradation.**
- **Subject *loose* samples to STOA (4 hrs at 275°F) followed by LTOA (5 days at 185°F).**
- **Extract aggregates from aged loose specimens.**
- **Measure extracted aggregates physical properties.**

# *Develop a System to Evaluate the Properties of RAP Extracted Binder Contents*



**Ignition oven is generally the closest to the true binder content, followed by reflux, & lastly centrifuge.**

## *Develop a System to Evaluate the Properties of RAP Measured Aggregate Properties*

| Property  | Specification    |
|---|------------------|
| Sieve Analysis                                      | AASHTO T 27, T30 |
| Coarse Aggregate Durability                         | AASHTO T 210     |
| Fine Aggregate Durability                           | AASHTO T 210     |
| Sand Equivalent                                     | AASHTO T 176     |
| LA Abrasion   | AASHTO T 96      |
| Specific Gravity and Absorption of Coarse Aggregate | AASHTO T 85      |
| Specific Gravity and Absorption of Fine Aggregate   | AASHTO T 84      |
| Fine Aggregate Angularity                           | AASHTO T 304     |
| Fractured Faces                                     | ASTM D 5821      |
| Percent of Loss in the Microdeval                   | ASTM D 7428      |
| Soundness   | AASHTO T 104     |
| Aggregate Imaging System (AIMS)                     | --               |

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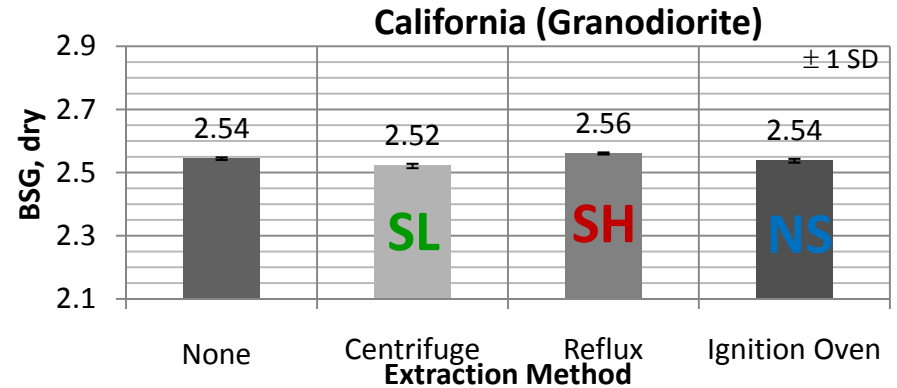
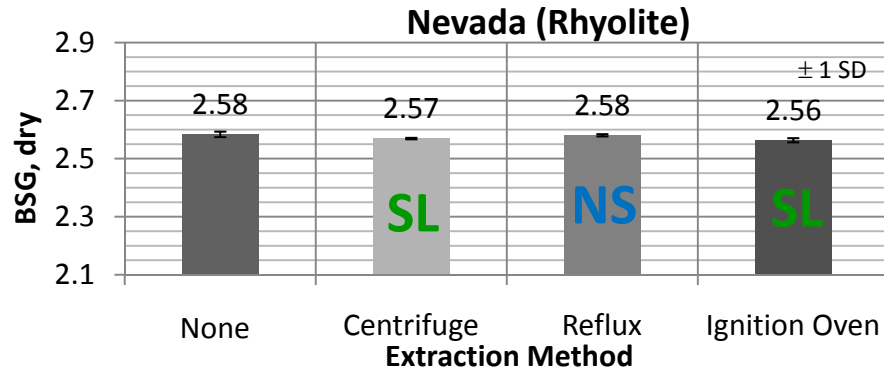
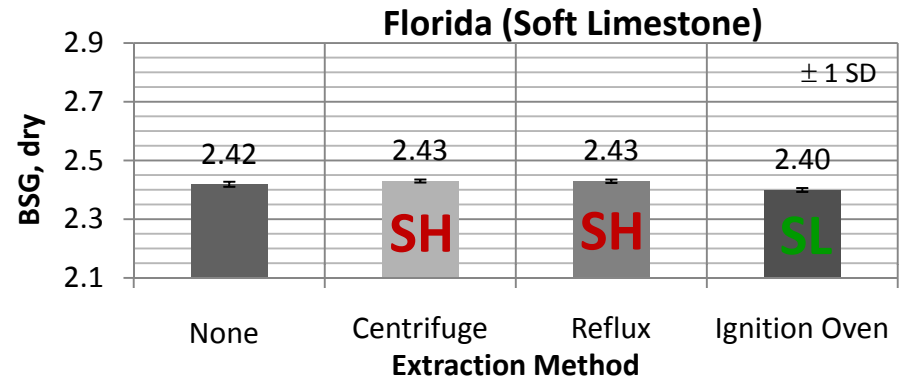
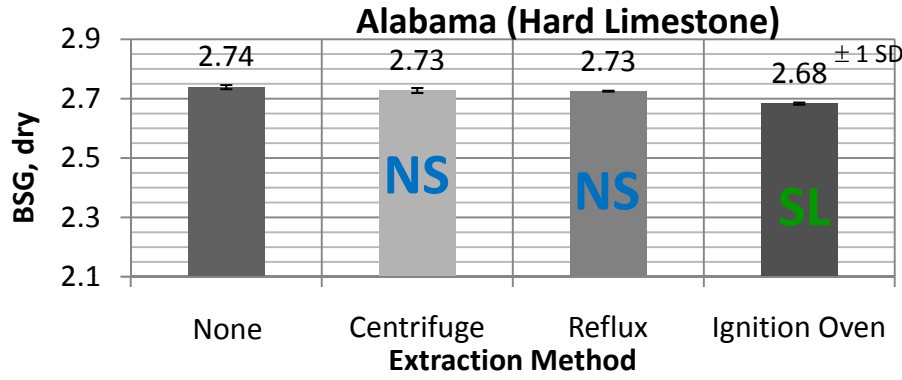
## ***Focus of the Presentation***

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- **BSG & Absorption of coarse aggregates**
- **BSG & Absorption of fine aggregates**
- **Consequences of extraction method on SP mix design.**
- **Effect of RAP aggregate SG on VMA**

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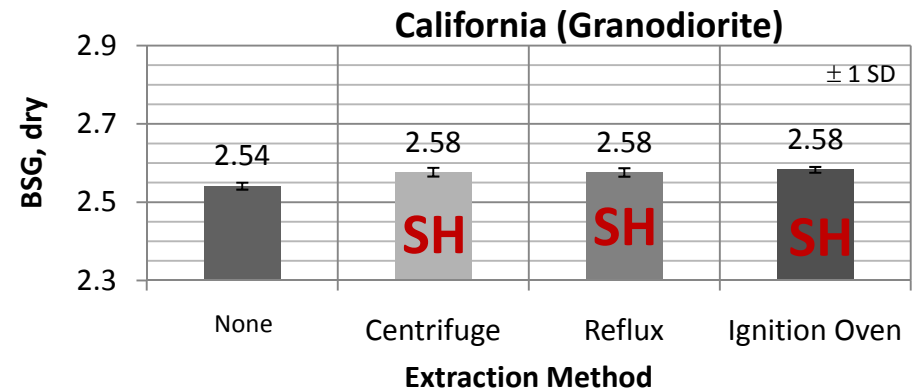
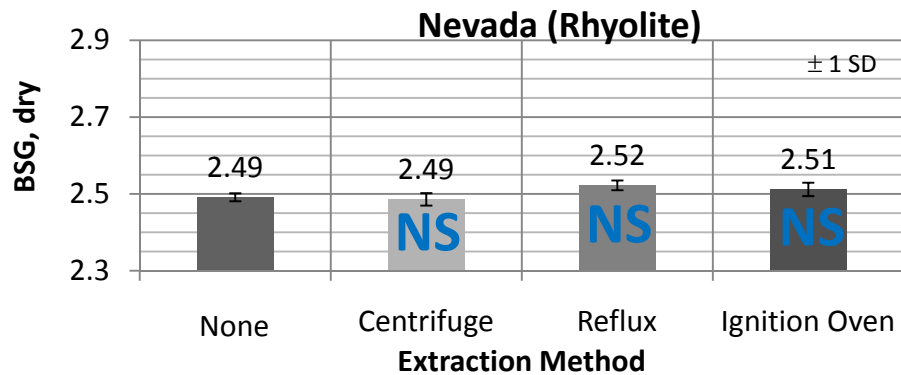
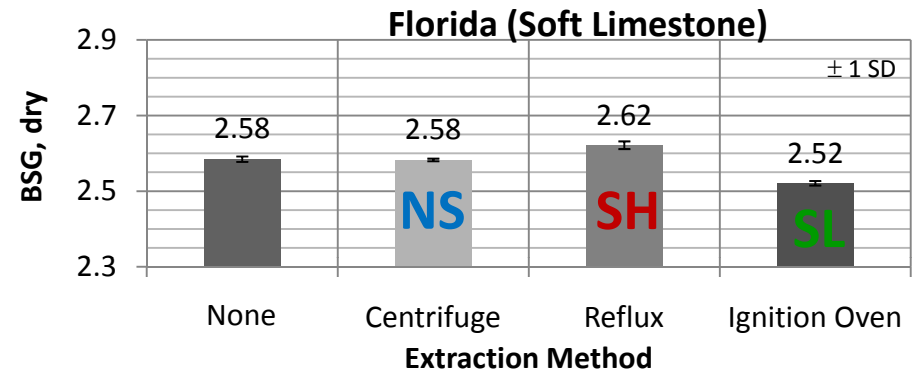
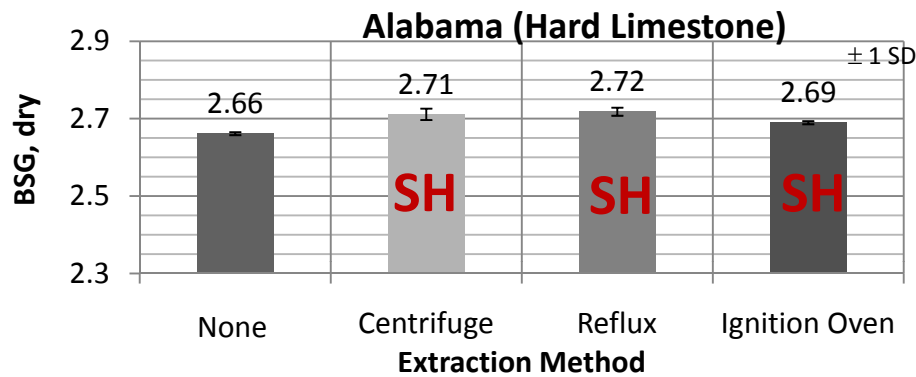
## Coarse Aggregate – Bulk Dry Specific Gravities (Gsb)





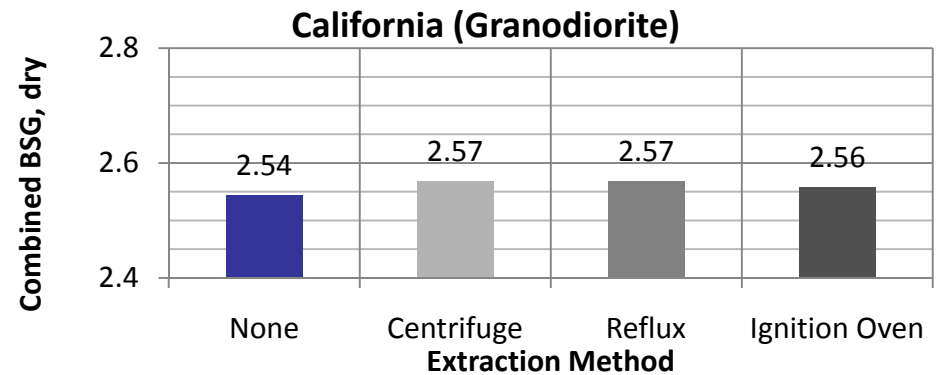
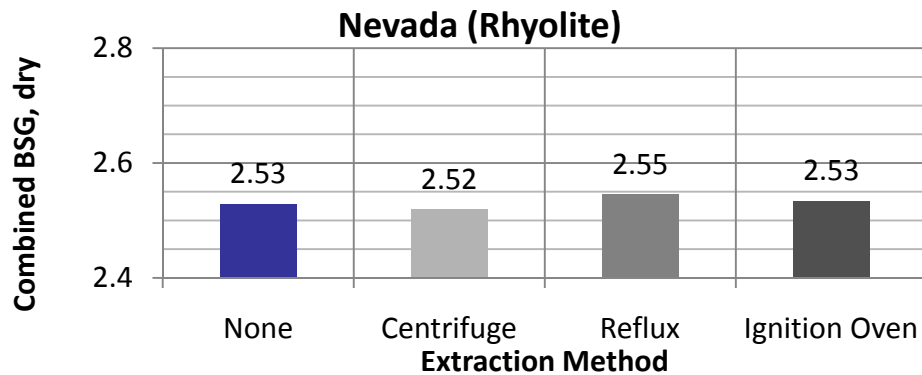
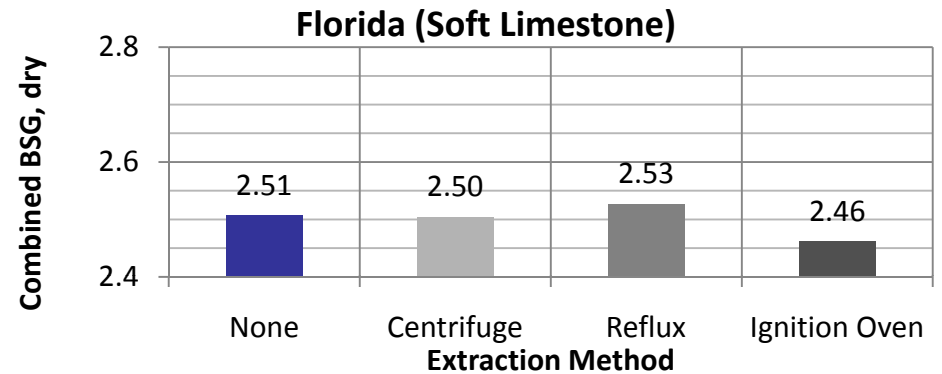
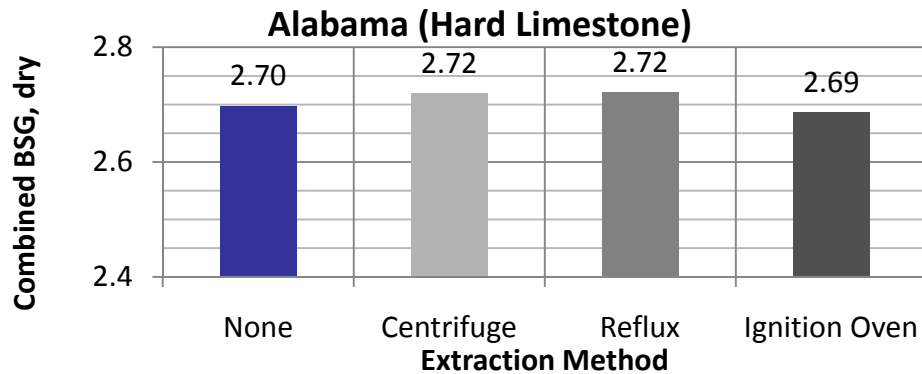
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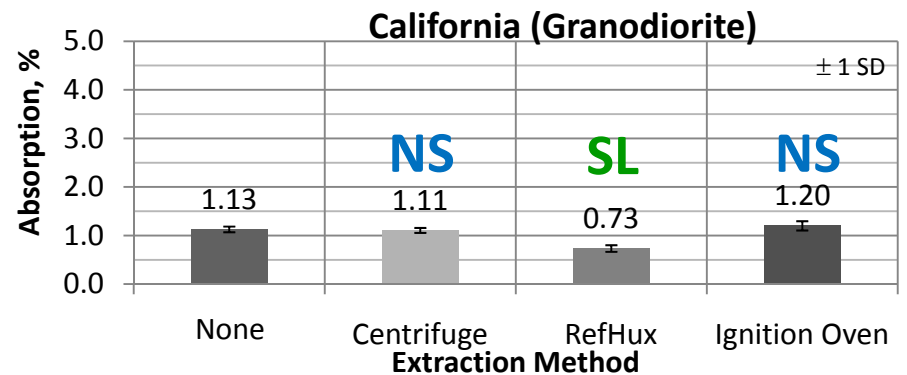
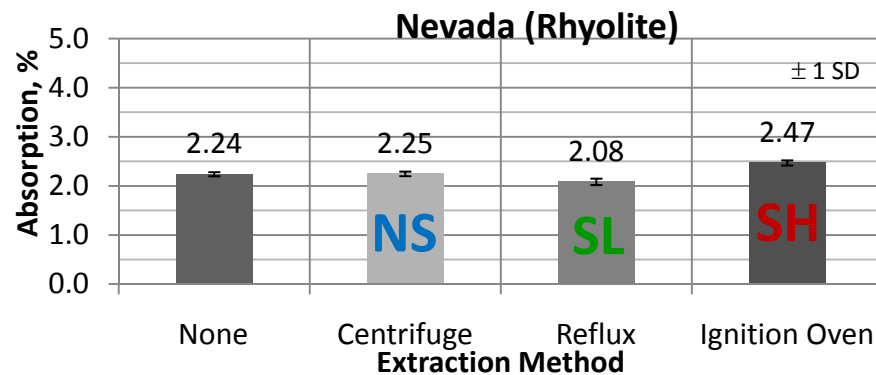
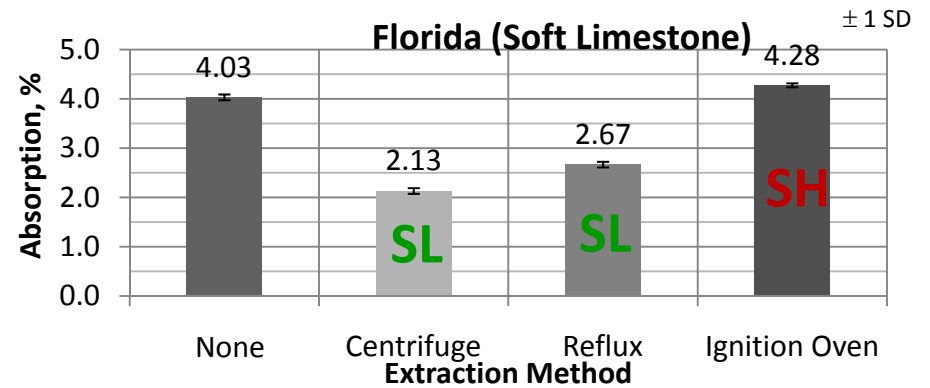
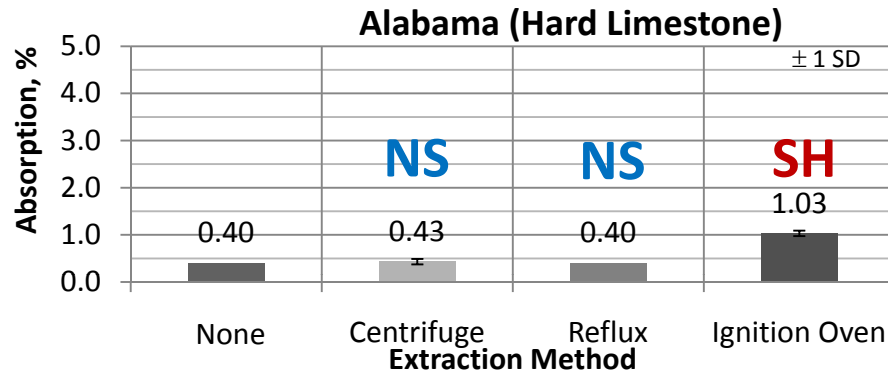
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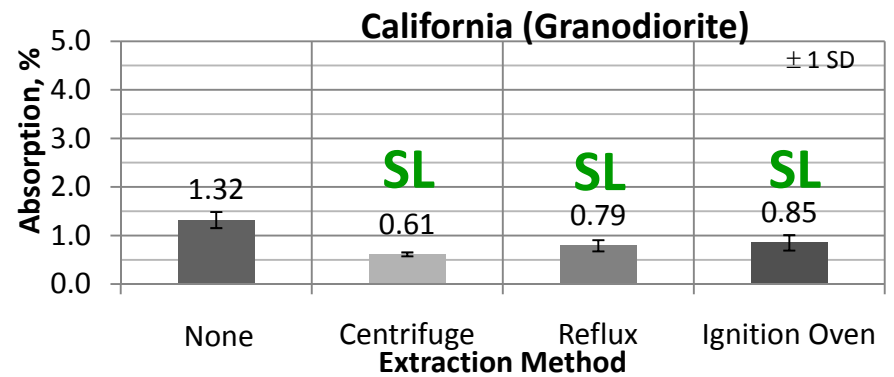
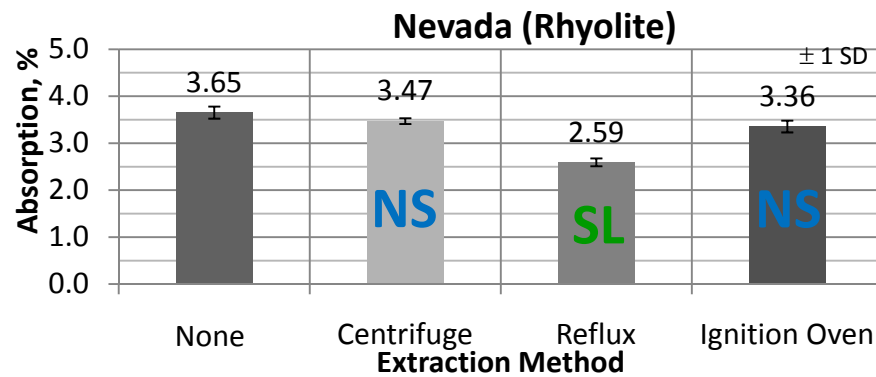
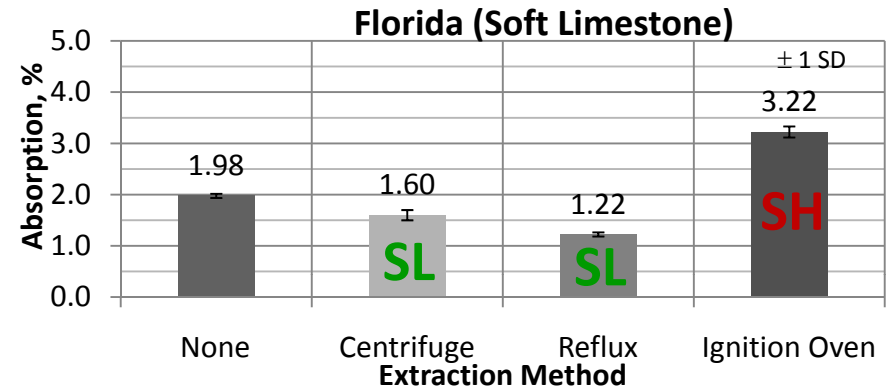
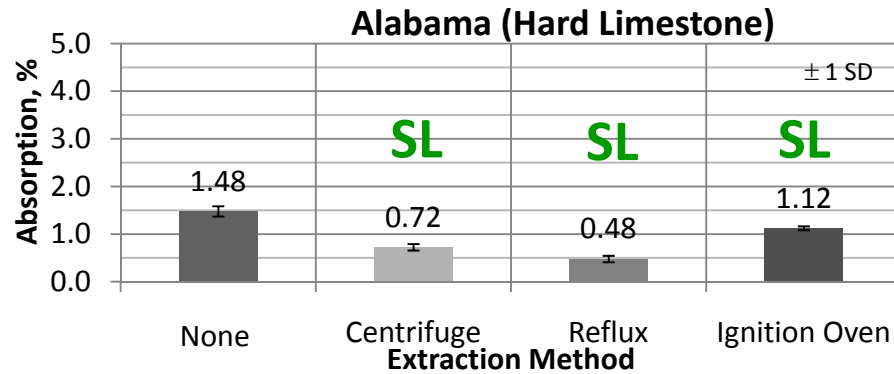
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## Coarse Aggregate – Absorption



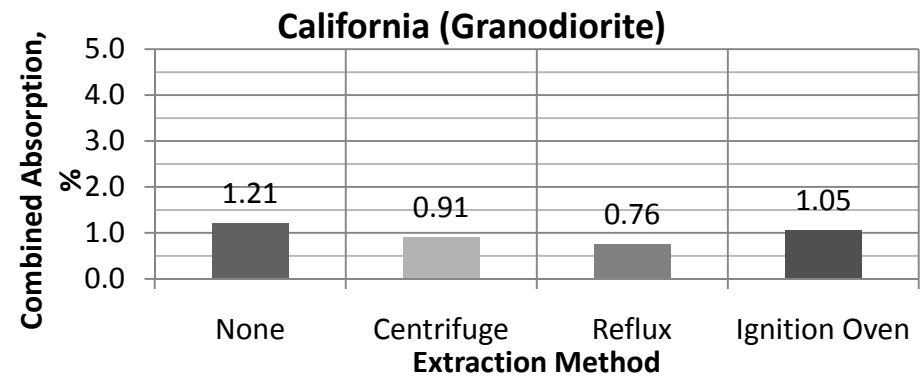
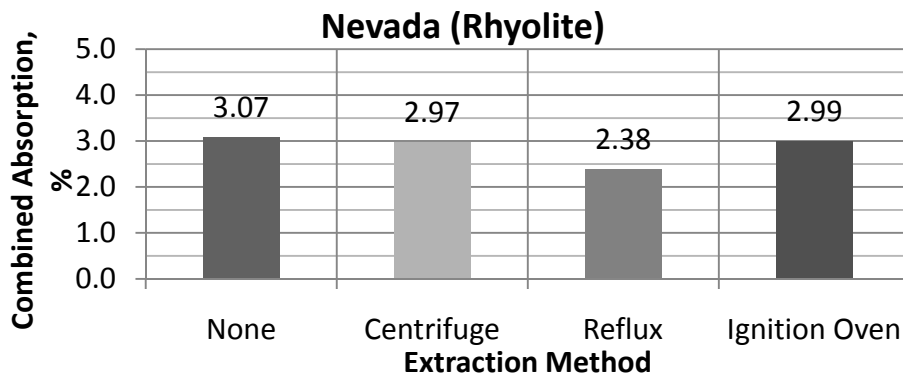
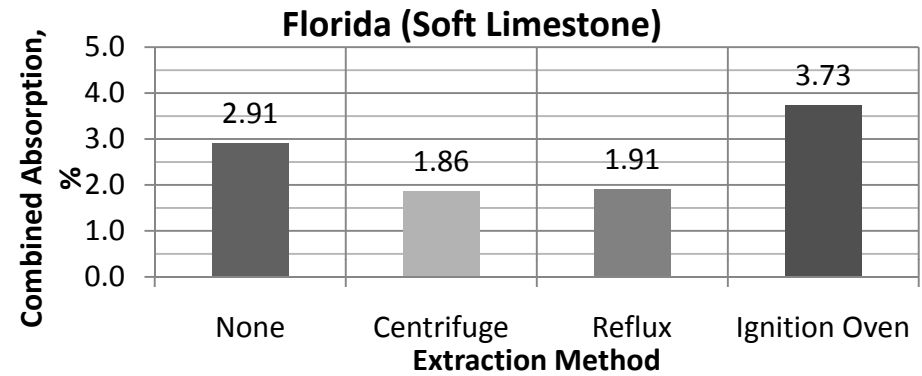
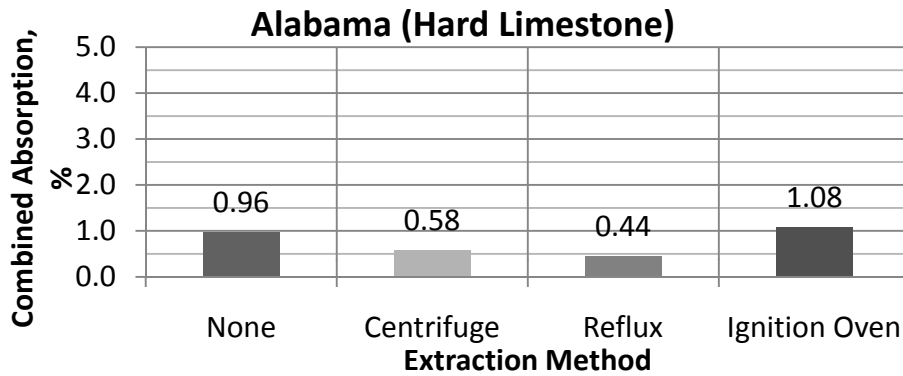
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## Fine Aggregate - Absorption



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## Combined Aggregate - Absorption



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## ***Summary of Paired Mean Comparisons Results for Various Aggregate Properties***

| Aggregate Properties                     | Centrifuge |    |    | Reflux |    |    | Ignition |    |    |
|--|------------|----|----|--------|----|----|----------|----|----|
|  | SL         | NS | SH | SL     | NS | SH | SL       | NS | SH |
| Sieve analysis                           |            |    |    |        |    |    |          |    |    |
| - 1/2 inch sieve                         | --         | 4  | -- | --     | 4  | -- | --       | 4  | -- |
| - No. 4 sieve                            | --         | 4  | -- | 1      | 2  | 1  | --       | 3  | 1  |
| - No. 8 sieve                            | 1          | 2  | 1  | 2      | 1  | 1  | 1        | 2  | 1  |
| - No. 50 sieve                           | 1          | 1  | 2  | 1      | 2  | 1  | --       | 2  | 2  |
| - No. 200 sieve                          | 1          | 2  | 1  | 1      | 2  | 1  | 2        | -- | 2  |
| Coarse aggregate specific gravities      |            |    |    |        |    |    |          |    |    |
| - Bulk dry specific gravity              | 2          | 1  | 1  | --     | 2  | 2  | 3        | 1  | -- |
| - Saturated surface dry specific gravity | 1          | 3  | -- | 1      | 3  | -- | 1        | 3  | -- |
| - Apparent specific gravity              | 1          | 3  | -- | 1      | 3  | -- | 1        | 3  | -- |
| Fine aggregate specific gravities        |            |    |    |        |    |    |          |    |    |
| - Bulk dry specific gravity              | --         | 2  | 2  | --     | 1  | 3  | 1        | 1  | 2  |
| - Saturated surface dry specific gravity | 1          | 2  | 1  | --     | 2  | 2  | 1        | -- | 3  |
| - Apparent specific gravity              | 1          | 3  | -- | 1      | 3  | -- | --       | 3  | 1  |
| Coarse aggregate absorption              | 1          | 3  | -- | 3      | 1  | -- | --       | 1  | 3  |
| Fine aggregate absorption                | 3          | 1  | -- | 4      | -- | -- | 2        | 1  | 1  |
| Coarse aggregate durability index        | --         | 2  | 2  | 1      | 2  | 1  | 1        | -  | 3  |
| Sand equivalent                          | --         | 2  | 2  | --     | 2  | 2  | --       | 2  | 2  |
| LA abrasion mass loss                    | 1          | 3  | -- | --     | 3  | 1  | --       | 1  | 3  |
| Uncompacted void content                 | 3          | -- | 1  | 3      | -- | 1  | 3        | -- | 1  |

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## *Consequences of the Extraction Method on the SP Mix Design*

| Aggregate Property                 | Centrifuge  | Reflux   | Ignition Oven   |
|------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Passing #4 sieve                   | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Close estimate 50% of time and <b>25% of time over- or under-estimate.</b>                                       | Close estimate 75% of time and <b>25% of time over-estimate.</b>  |
| Passing #200 sieve                 | Close estimate 50% of time and <b>25% of time over- or under-estimate.</b>  | Close estimate 50% of time and <b>25% of time over- or under-estimate.</b>                                       | <b>Over-estimate 50% of time and under-estimate 50% of time.</b>  |
| Combined bulk dry Specific Gravity | Over-estimate 50% of time and under-estimate 50% of time. <b>The under-estimate is likely to be caused by mixing.</b> | Over-estimate 100% of time. <b>The impact is masked by mixing.</b>   | Over-estimate 50% of time and under-estimate 50% of time. <b>The under-estimate is likely to be caused by mixing.</b> |
| CA fractured faces                 | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Close estimate 100% of time.   | Close estimate 100% of time.  |
| FA uncompacted voids               | Over-estimate 25% of time and under-estimate 75% of time. The design will be conservative 75% of time.                | Over-estimate 25% of time and under-estimate 75% of time. The design will be conservative 75% of time.           | Over-estimate 25% of time and under-estimate 75% of time. The design will be conservative 75% percent of time.        |
| FA sand equivalent                 | Close estimate 50% of time and over-estimate 50% of time. The design will be <b>un-conservative 50% of time.</b>      | Close estimate 50% of time and over-estimate 50% of time. The design will be <b>un-conservative 50% of time.</b> | Close estimate 50% of time and over-estimate 50% of time. The design will be <b>un-conservative 50% of time.</b>      |
| LA abrasion                        | Close estimate 75% of time and under-estimate 25% of time. The design will be <b>un-conservative 25% of time.</b>     | Close estimate 75% of time and over-estimate 25% of time. The design will be conservative.                       | Close estimate 25% of time and over-estimate 75% of time. The design will be conservative.                            |

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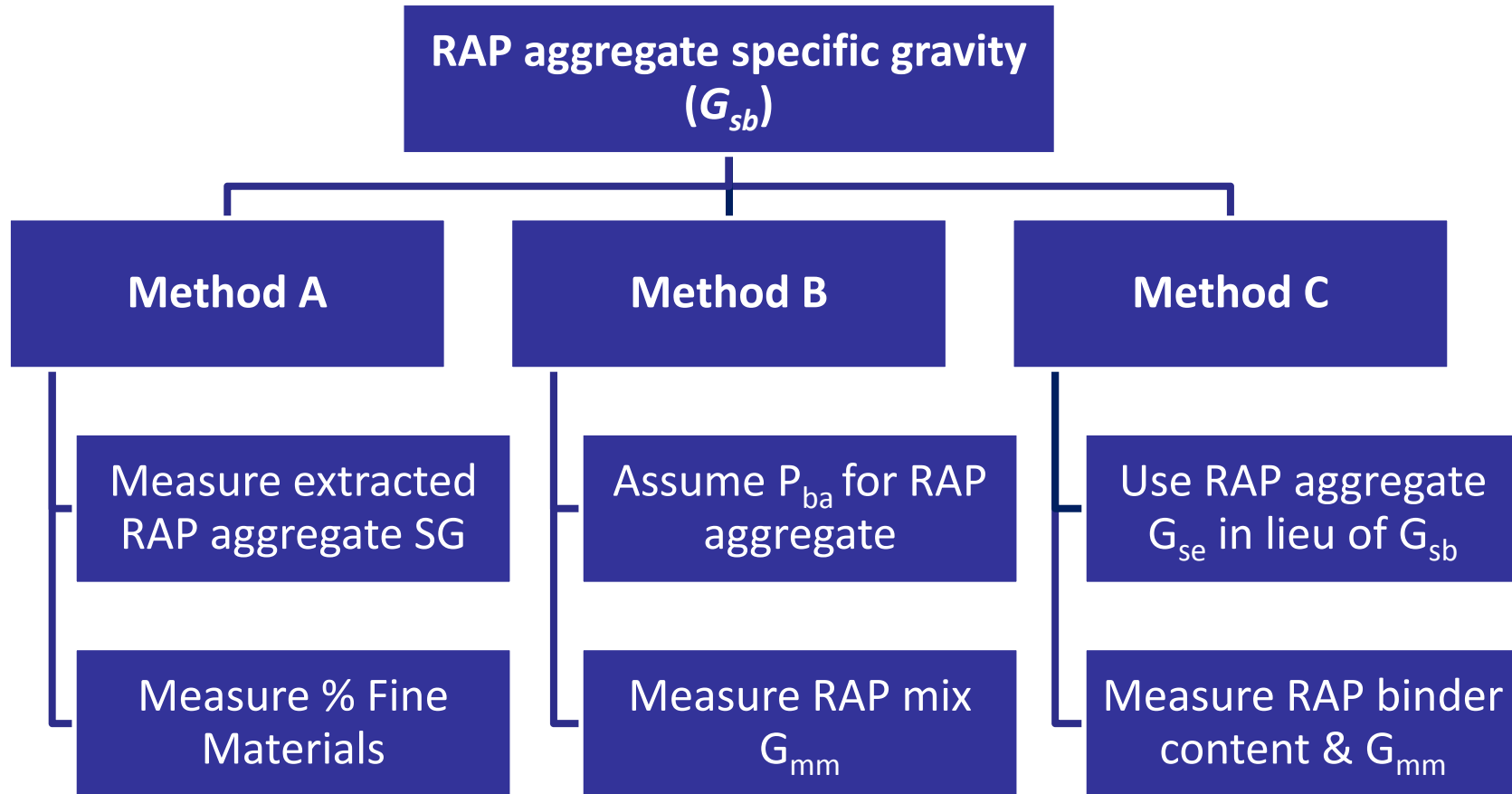
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- **SG of the combined gradation of RAP and virgin aggregates is required for the volumetric calculations of a mix design.**
- **BSG of each aggregate stockpile, including RAP aggregate needs to be determined for the calculation of BSG of combined aggregates.**



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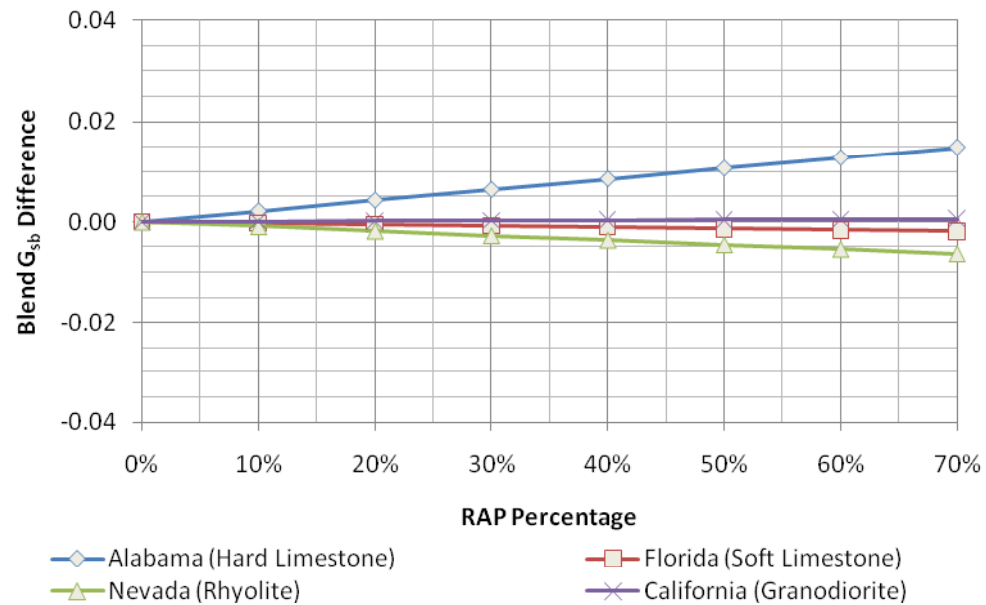
## ***Effect of RAP Aggregate SG on VMA***



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## Effect of RAP Aggregate SG on VMA

- Method A: Difference in Blend  $G_{sb}$

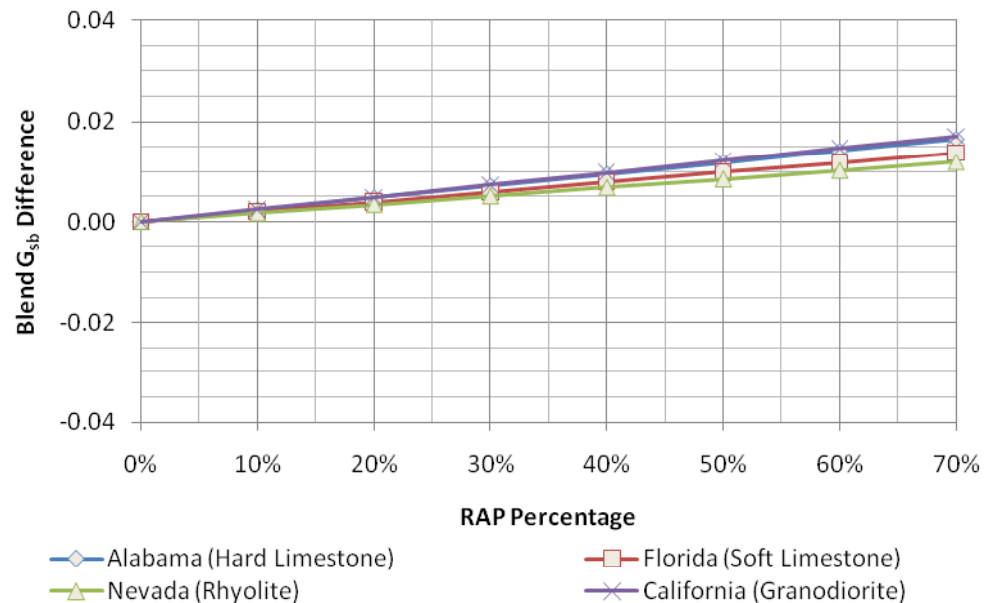


Centrifuge

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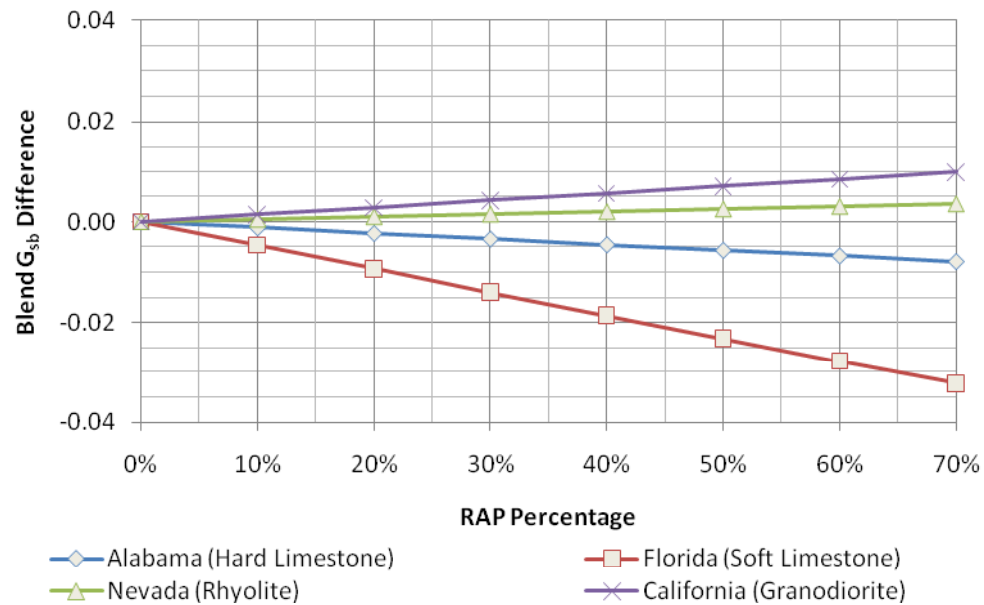


Reflux

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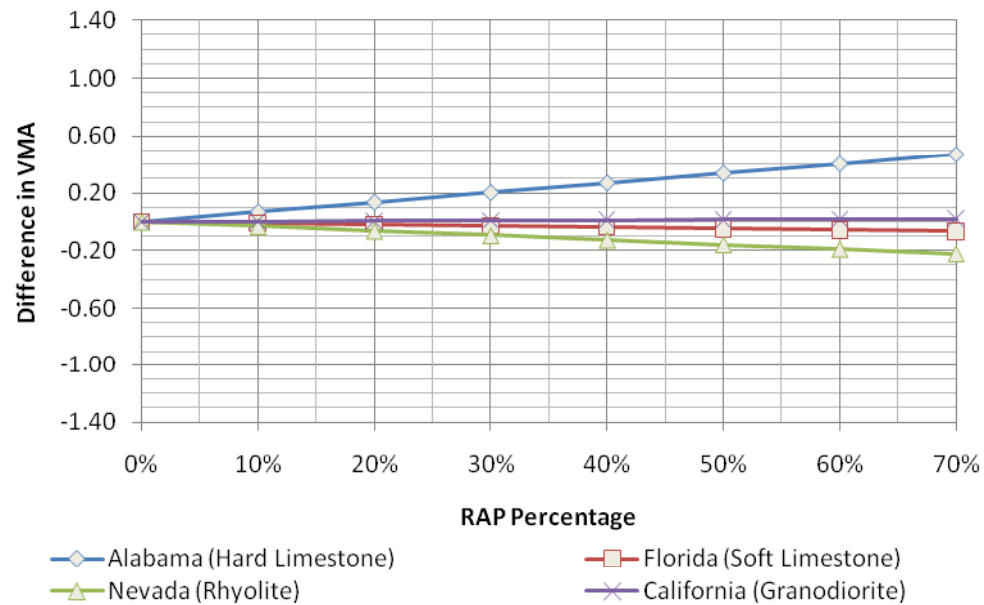


Ignition Oven

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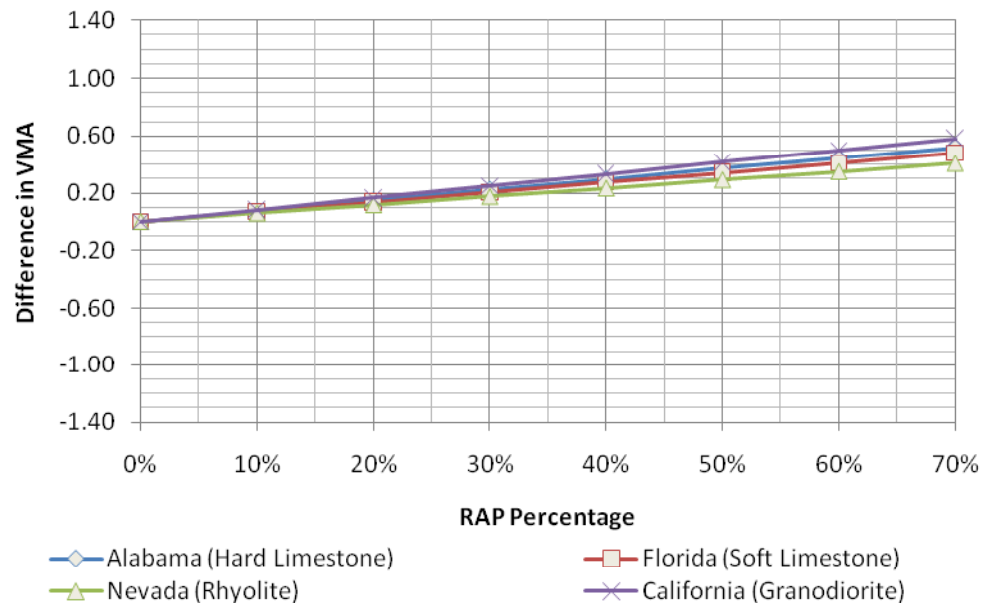


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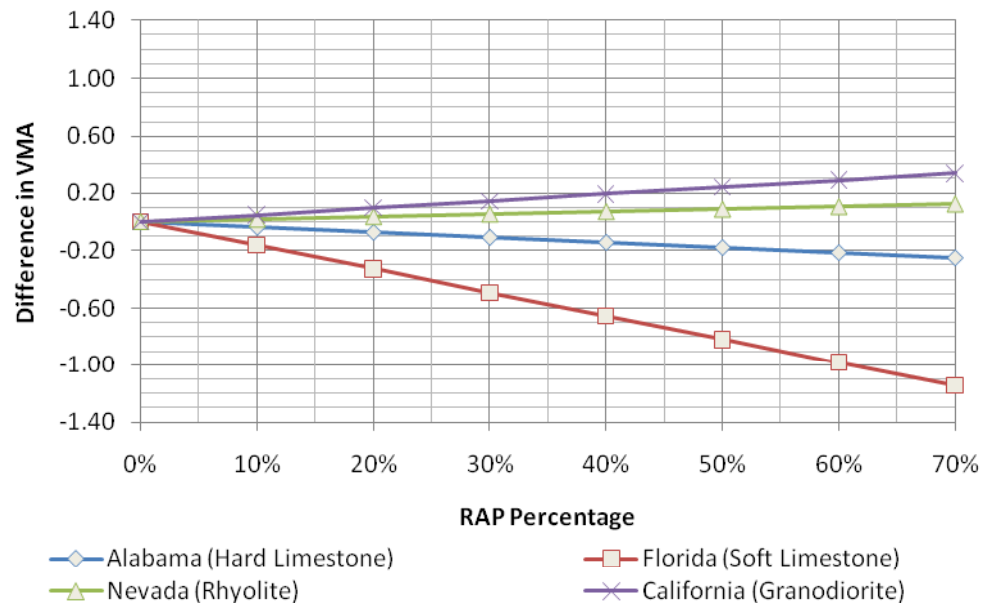


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**Ignition Oven**

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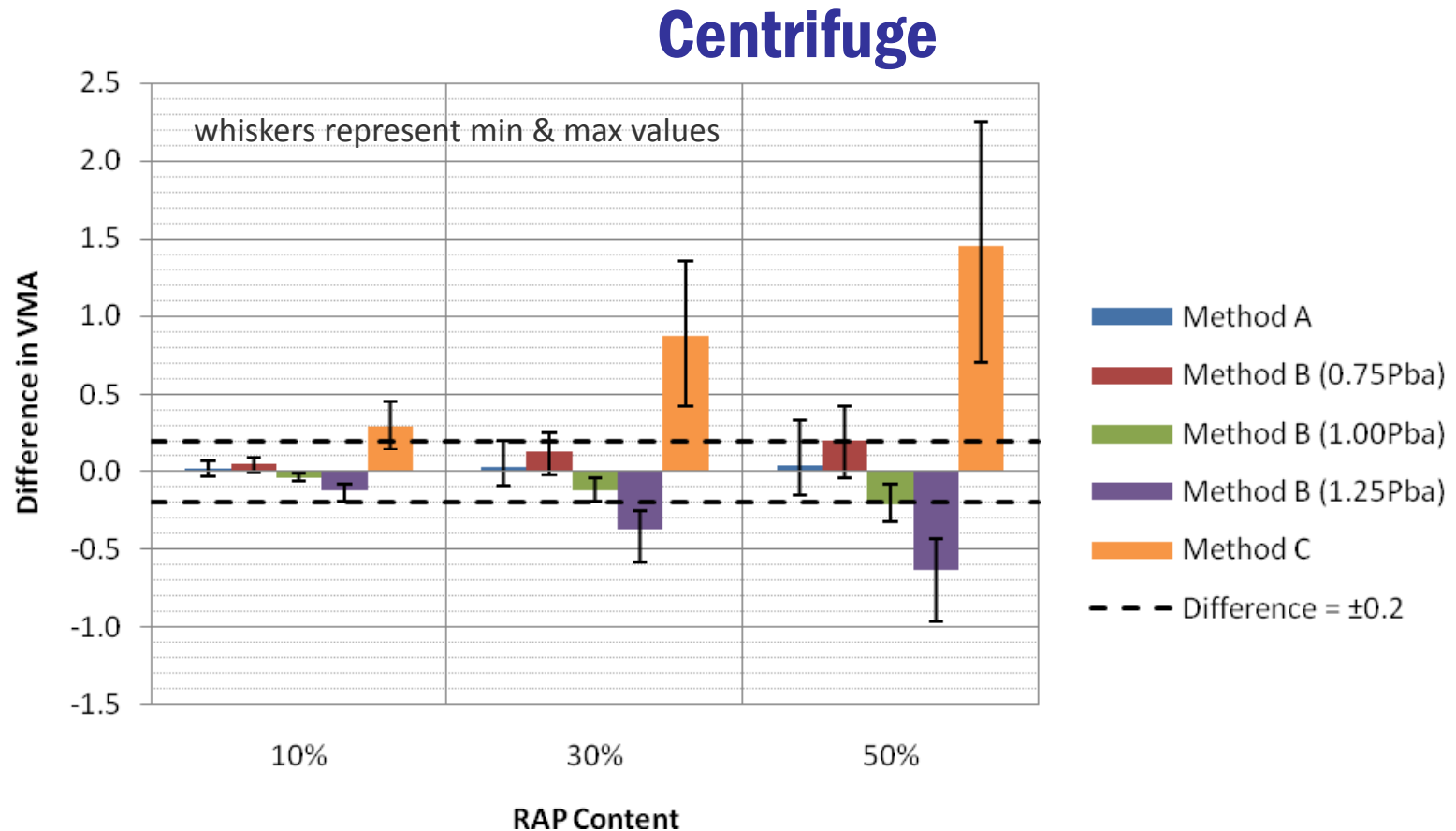
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- Similar analysis and plots were developed for ***Method B*** and ***Method C***.
- **Method B** was evaluated for three levels of assumed asphalt absorption for RAP aggregate:
  - $P_{ba}$  (true value)
  - 75% of  $P_{ba}$  (under estimate absorption by 25%)
  - 125% of  $P_{ba}$  (over estimate absorption by 25%)



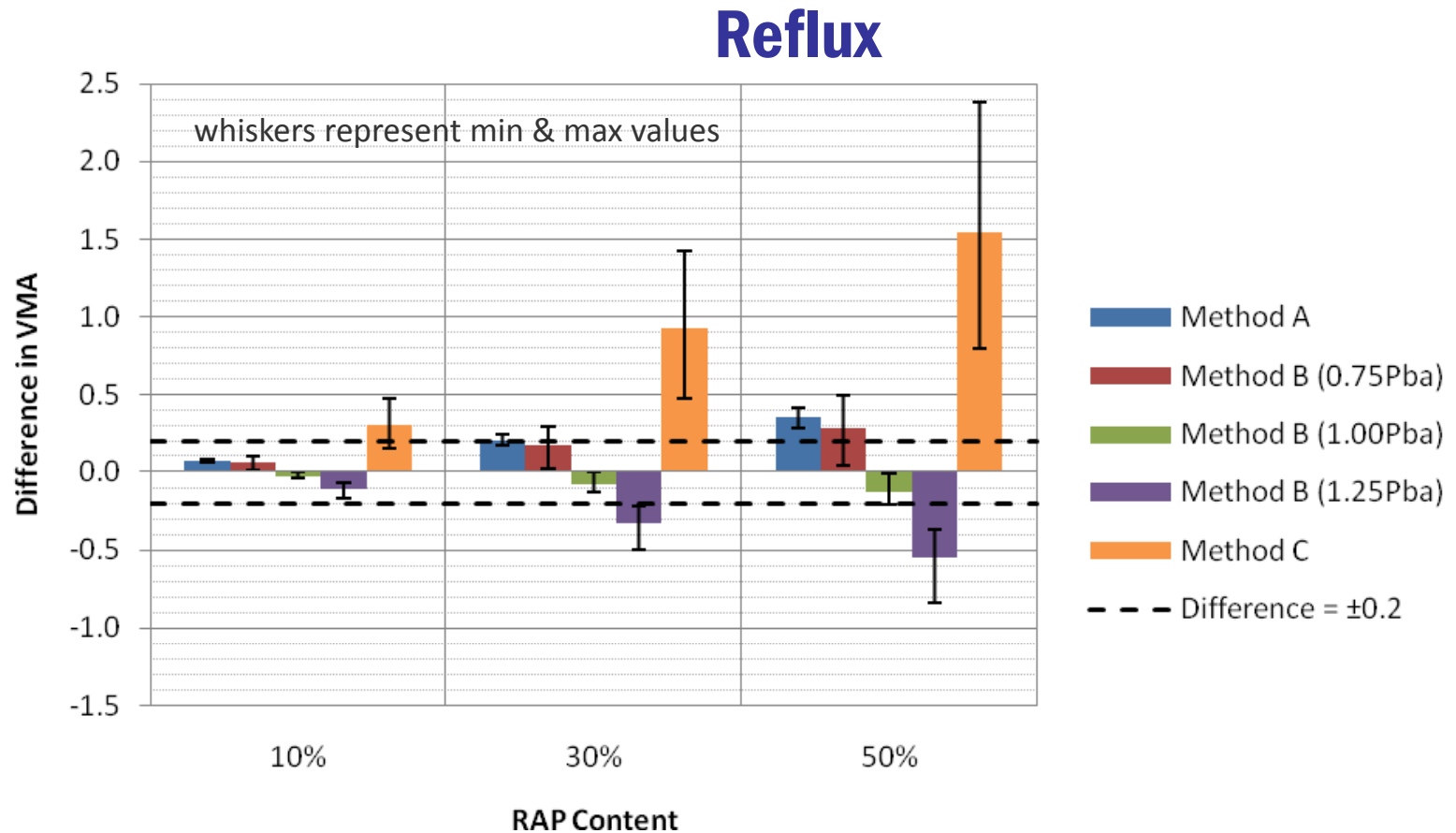
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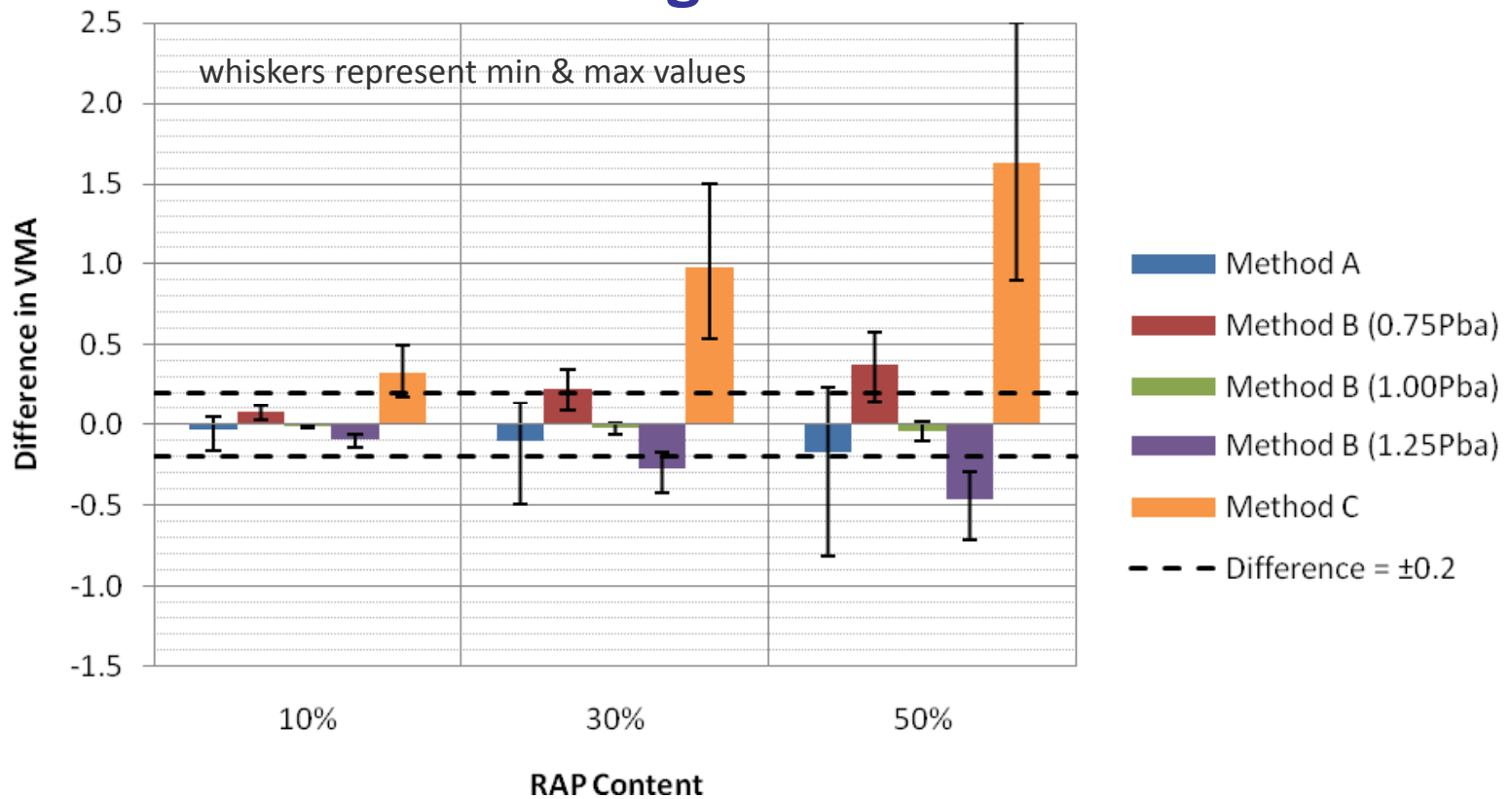
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| Extraction Method | RAP Content | Method A  | Method B (0.75Pba)  | Method B (1.00Pba)           | Method B (1.25Pba)           | Method C   |
|-------------------|-------------|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Centrifuge        | 10%         | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Close estimate 100% of time. | Close estimate 100% of time. | Over-estimate 50% of time. <b>The design will be un-conservative 50% of time</b>   |
|                   | 30%         | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Over-estimate 25% of time. <b>The design will be un-conservative 25% of time.</b> | Close estimate 100% of time. | Under-estimate 100% of time. | Over-estimate 100% of time. <b>The design will be un-conservative 100% of time</b> |
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|-------------------|-------------|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Reflux            | 10%         | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Close estimate 100% of time.  | Close estimate 100% of time. | Close estimate 100% of time. | Over-estimate 50% of time. <b>The design will be un-conservative 50% of time</b>   |
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