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Setiap penggunaan mortar di lapangan selalu diharapkan mempunyai nilai keawetan yang lama. Namun yang perlu di ingat bahwa seiring bertambahnya umur mortar pada suatu ketika mortar akan mengalami penurunan kekuatan, baik kuat tekan maupun kuat tariknya. Oleh sebab itulah pengujian terhadap kekuatan mortar perlu dilakukan untuk mengetahui sampai dimana mortar mencapai kekuatan maksimum dan kemudian mengalami penurunan kekuatan.

Kemiripan bahan penyusun sering dijadikan alasan para peneliti untuk membandingkan nilai kekuatan mortar dengan beton. Namun ternyata tidak selamanya perilaku mortar mempunyai kesamaan dengan beton. Menurut penelitian yang dilakukan Wood bahwa mortar akan mengalami penurunan kekuatan sesudah umur 90 hari sedang beton masih akan mengalami kenaikan kekuatan sampai pada umur 1 tahun.

Tentunya akan sangat menarik membuktikan penelitian Wood ini dengan menggunakan material Indonesia. Di samping itu perbandingan kuat tekan dan kuat tarik lentur mortar juga perlu diketahui untuk menentukan kualitas dari mortar tersebut. Pada beton perbandingan nilai kuat tarik dengan nilai kuat tekannya sering di gunakan dengan formula $f_{tr} = C \sqrt{f'_c}$, dimana C merupakan konstanta. Pada mortar penggunaan formula ini perlu di buktikan.

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