



$$VMA(\%) = \frac{VMA(\%)}{V_{mb}} = V_{be} + V_a \Rightarrow VMA = V_{be} + V_a \Rightarrow VMA \begin{matrix} \nearrow V_{be} \\ \searrow V_a \end{matrix}$$

~ Assume the  $P_{be} = \text{constant} \rightarrow V_{be} = \text{constant}$

$$VMA = V_{be} + V_a$$

$\downarrow V_{be} \text{ const.} \rightarrow \uparrow VMA \Rightarrow V_a \uparrow \rightarrow$  premature cracking, raveling and stripping.

$\downarrow V_{be} \text{ const.} \rightarrow \downarrow VMA \Rightarrow V_a \downarrow \rightarrow$  Rutting and shoving are expected

~ Assume  $V_a = \text{constant} = \text{Target air void content} = 3\% \text{ or } 4\% \text{ or } 5\%$

$\downarrow V_a \text{ const.} \rightarrow \uparrow VMA \Rightarrow \uparrow V_{be} \rightarrow$  Bleeding when temperature rise and asphalt expands

$\downarrow V_a \text{ const.} \rightarrow \downarrow VMA \Rightarrow \downarrow V_{be} \rightarrow$  Not enough to adequate adhesion to bind the aggregate



Now

$$\text{Minimum} \leq VMA < \text{Maximum}$$

