## **Engineering for Strength!**



#### Variables – Day 2

### Let's review...

- What is one example of a mixture?
   Why is it a mixture?
- What is one example of a solution?
   Why is it a solution?

What does "concentration" mean?

# Why are we trying to design better adobes?







### Material Engineers...







Invent new materials to use for lots of different things
Improve existing materials
Do lots of experiments and variable testing

#### How to test adobes!

<u>control</u> A variable kept constant or controlled during an experiment.

variable Something that is allowed to change during an experiment.

independent variable A variable that you intentionally change during an experiment, like the amount of water added to the mixture.

dependent variable A variable that changes as a result of a change in the independent variable; in this case, the strength of the adobe.

### **Example Experiment Graph**

dependent variable



independent variable

## Today, we are going to practice graphing as a class...

 Let's graph our data for each of the three different independent variables tested on separate graphs

 Do I have any volunteers to show us how?

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