

# 3rd Blind Simulation Competition

CEB-FIP workgroup WP 2.4.1

*Simulation of slabs reinforced with conventional reinforcement and fibres subjected to punching loading configuration*

Presentation on ABT submission  
DOV lecture evening 7-2-2024





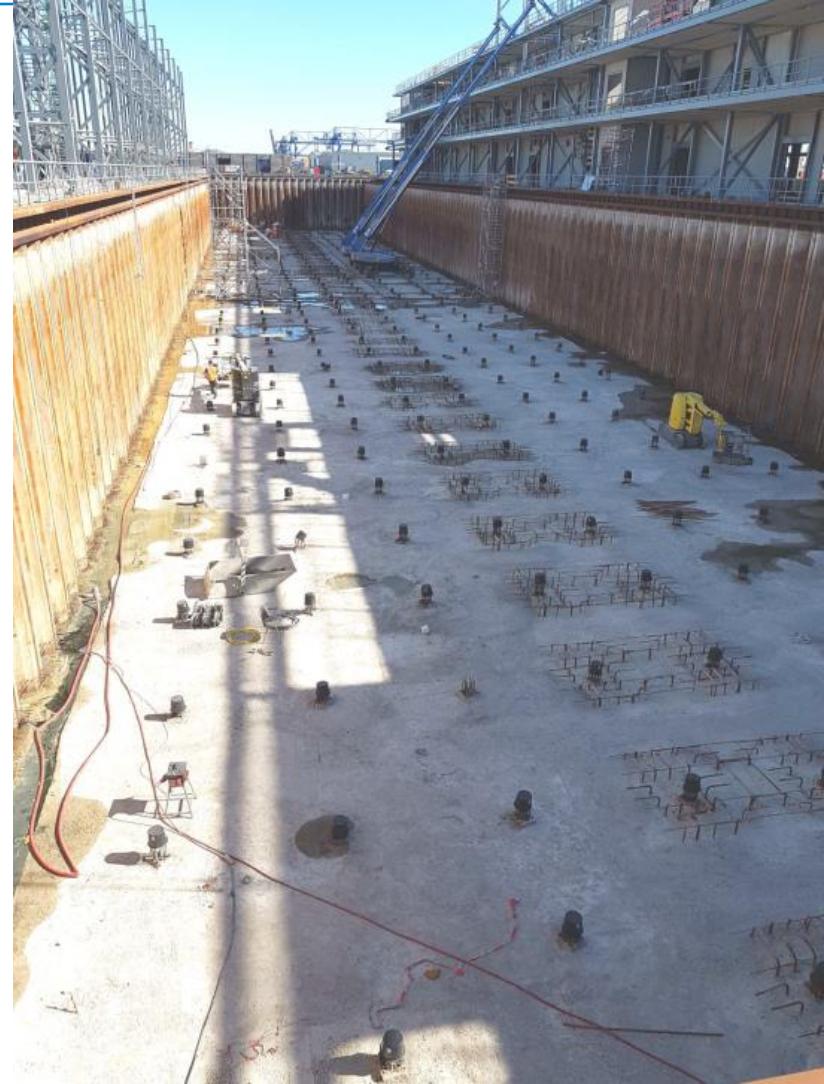
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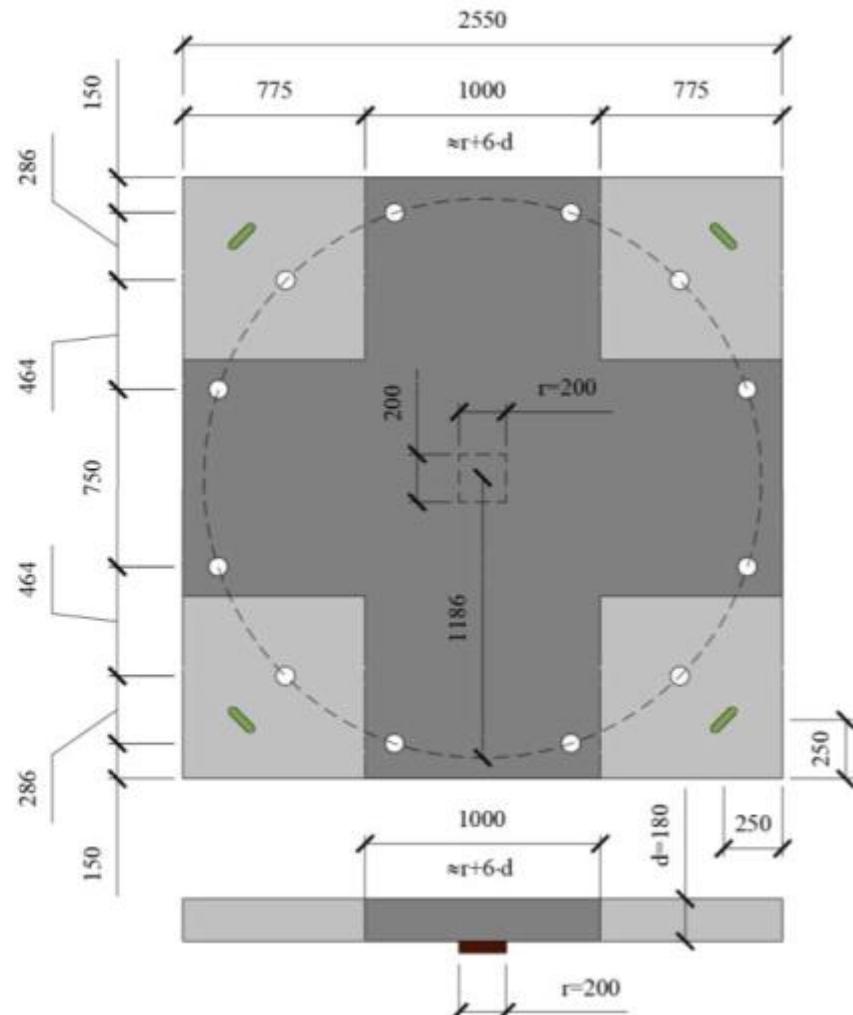
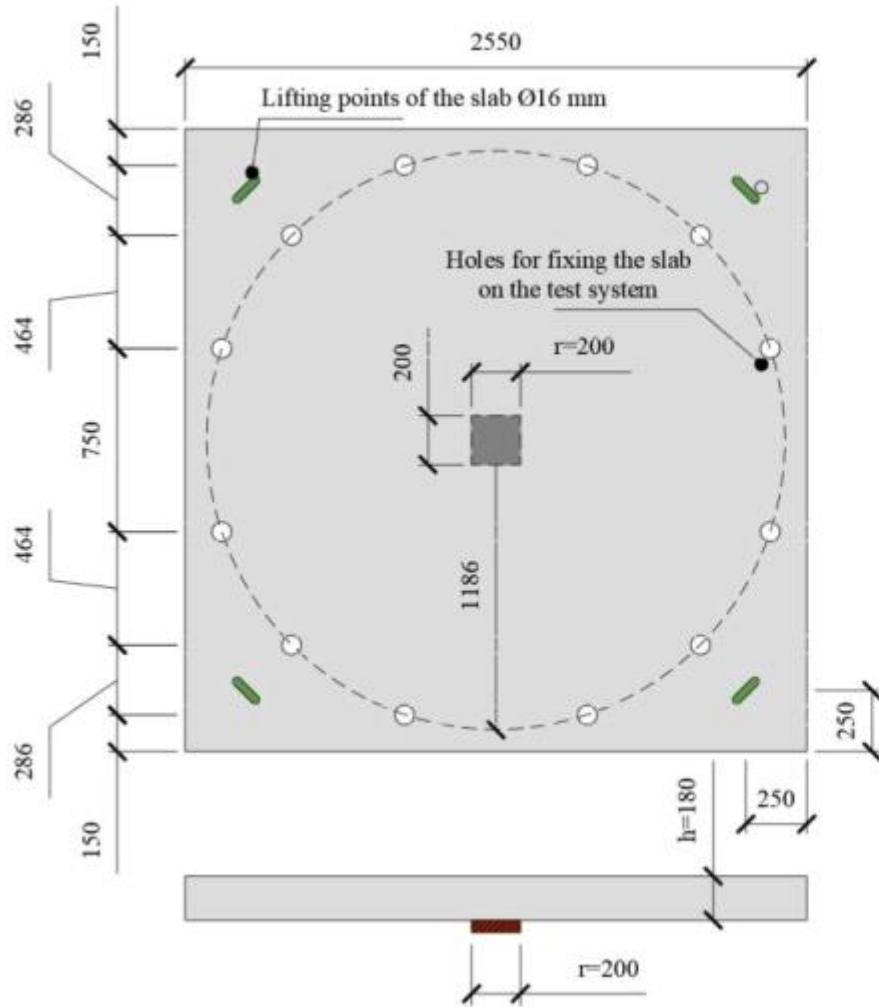


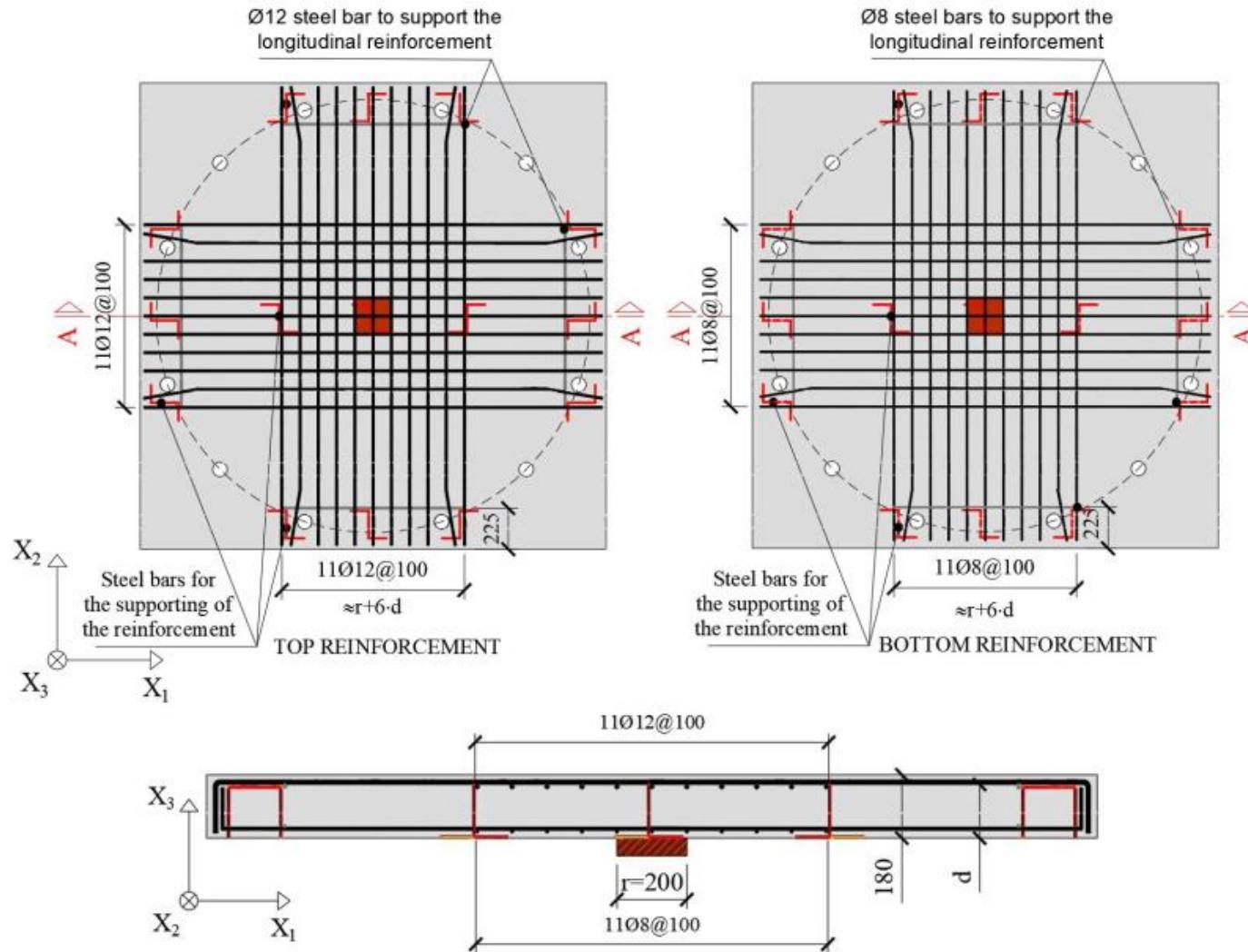
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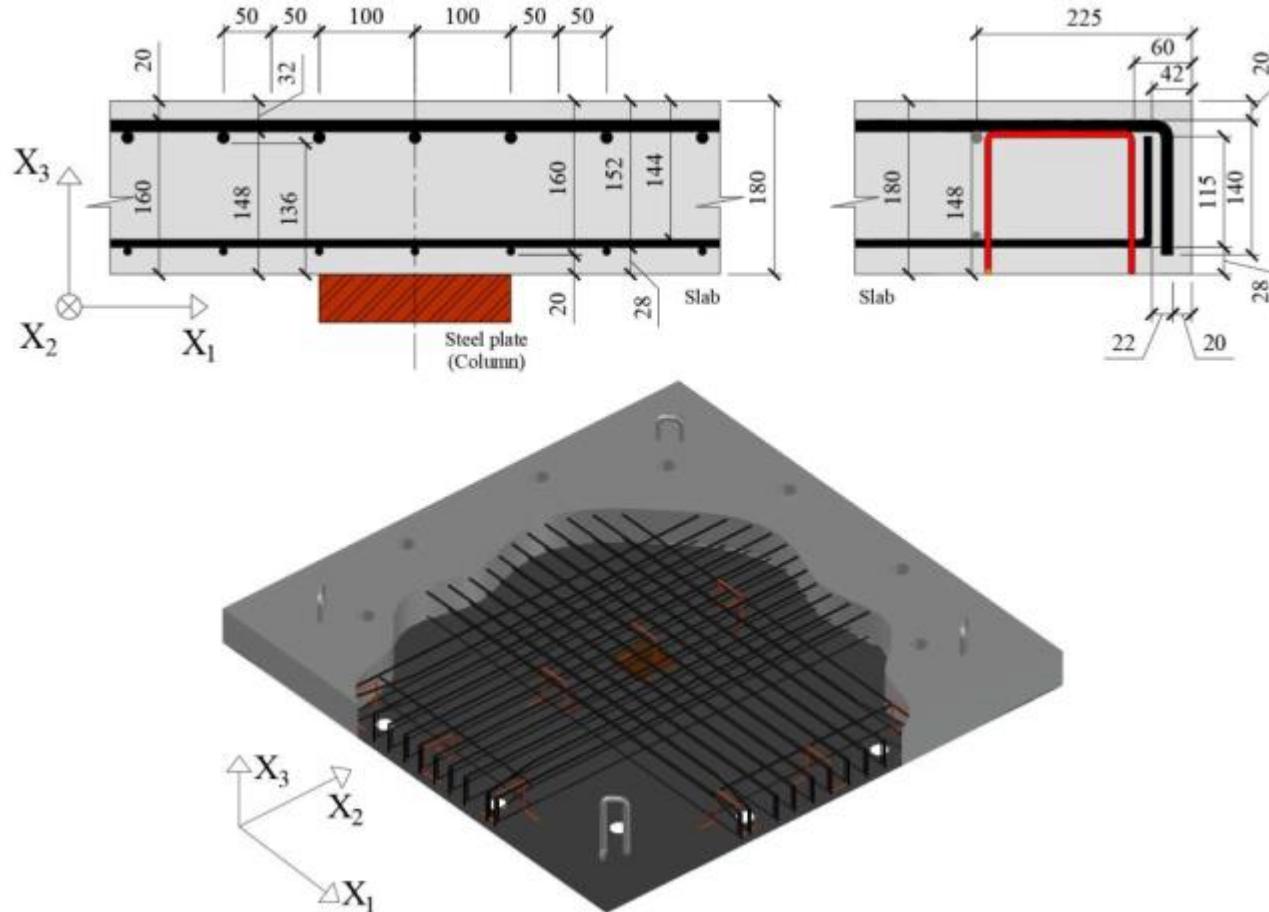
# Projects SFRC

- Industrial floors
- Steel fibre under water concrete (CROW)
- Wind turbine foundations
- Precast concrete basements









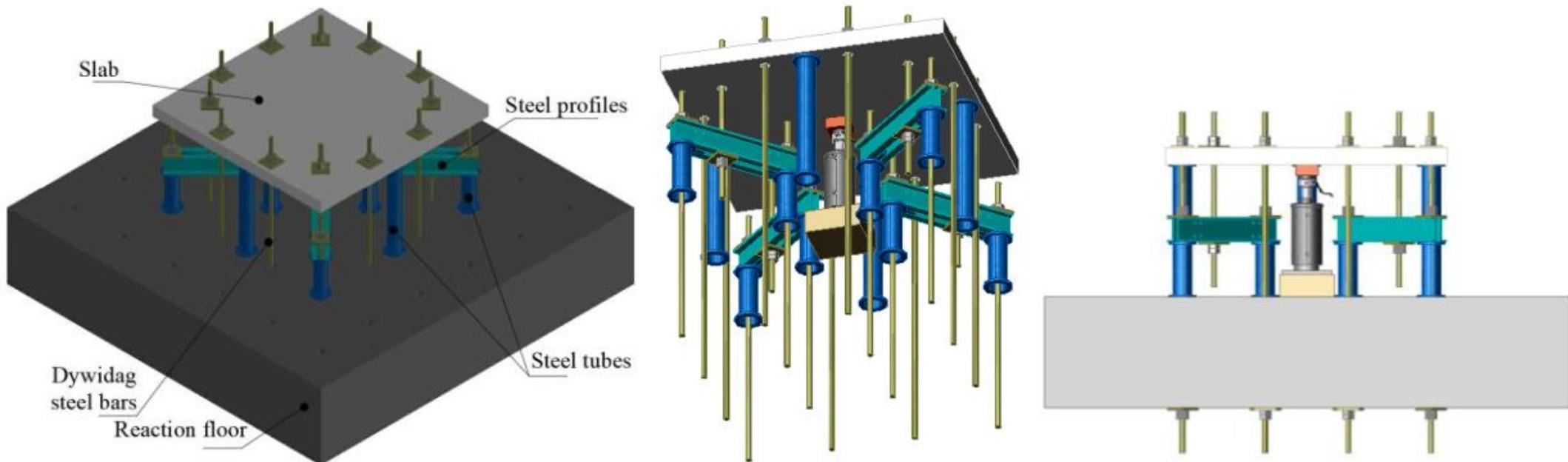
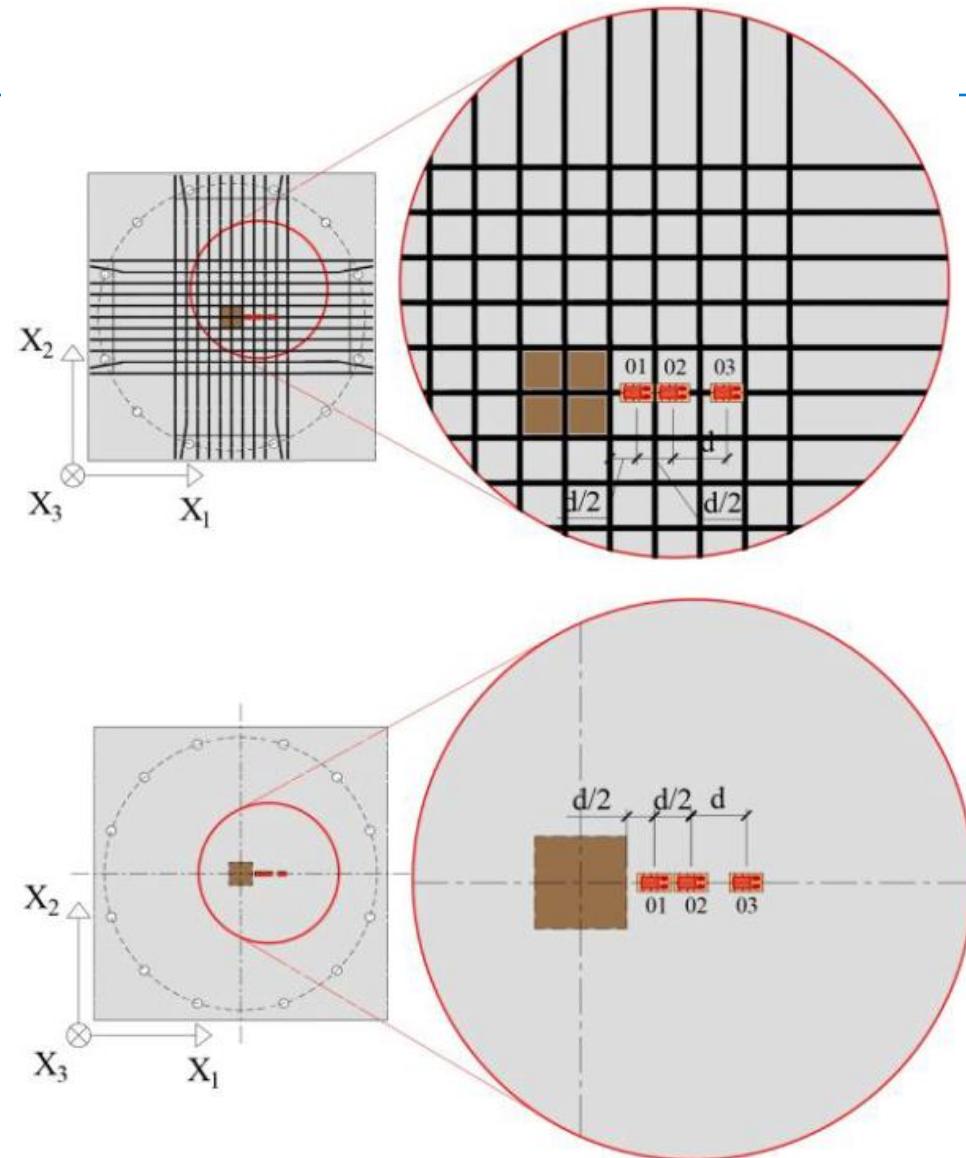
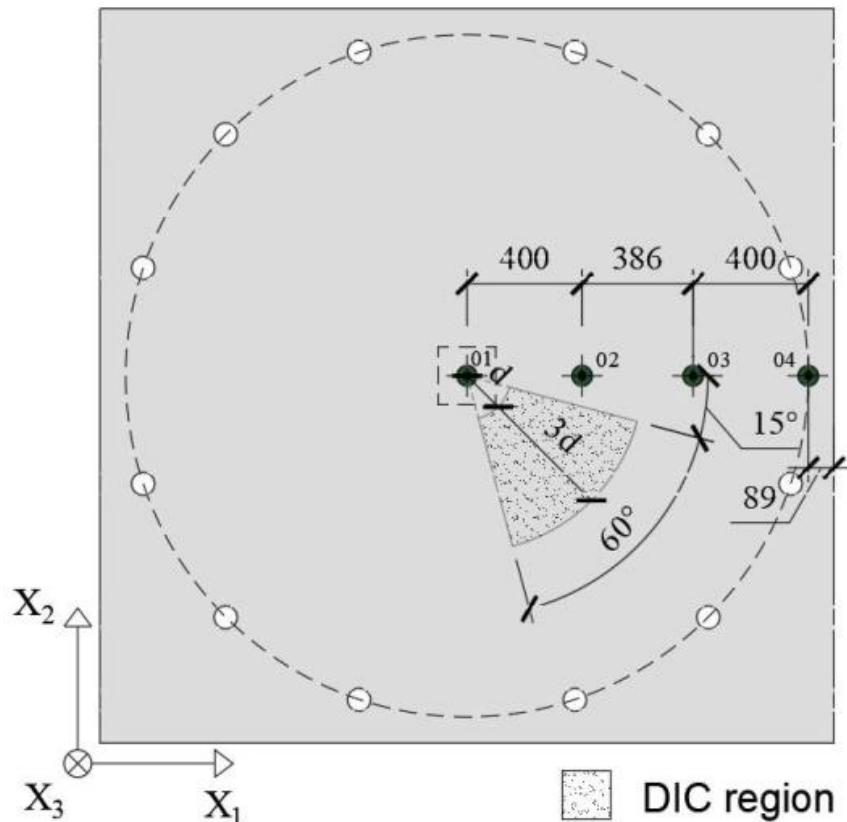
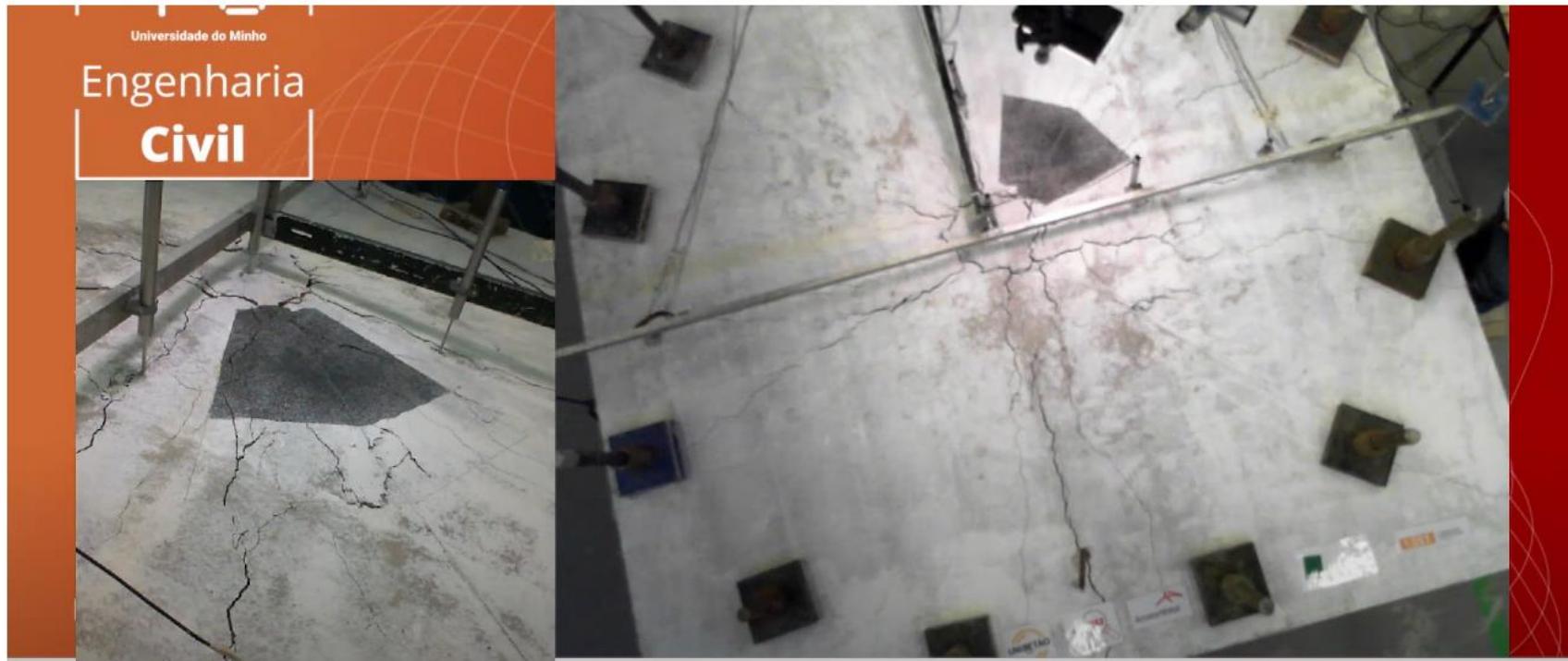


Figure 4. Test setup of the R/SFRC slab prototypes.



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The video player displays a concrete slab with several diagonal and vertical cracks. Several small rectangular sensors or strain gauges are attached to the surface at various points. The background of the video frame is red, and the video itself has a red border.

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# Material properties

- Concrete mix composition
- 60 kg/m<sup>3</sup> steel fibres HE++ 90/60
- Secant modulus of elasticity in compression
- Compressive strength (~C50/60)
- Bending tensile strength results (EN 14651)
- Small round panel test results (SRDP)
- Reinforcement tensile test results (EN ISO 6982-1)

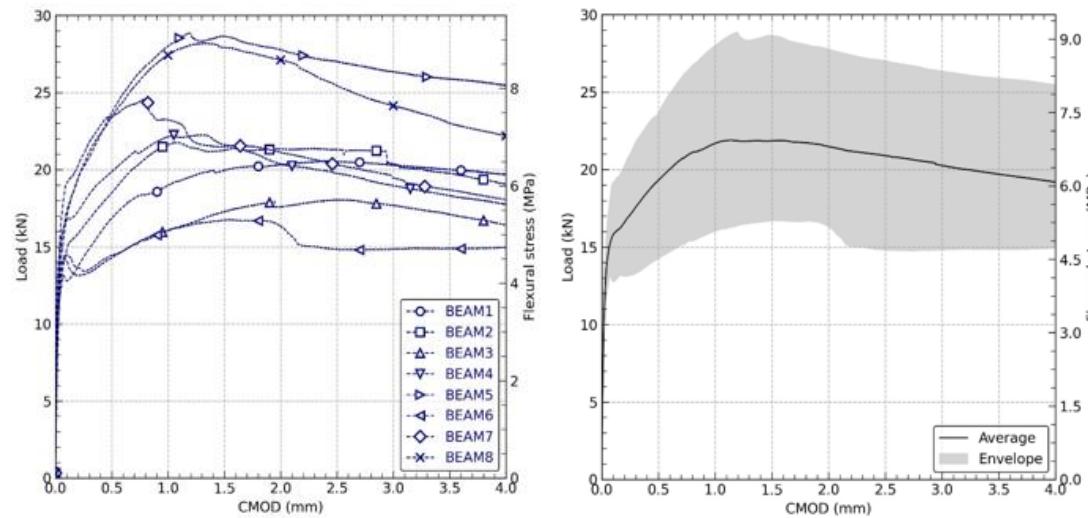
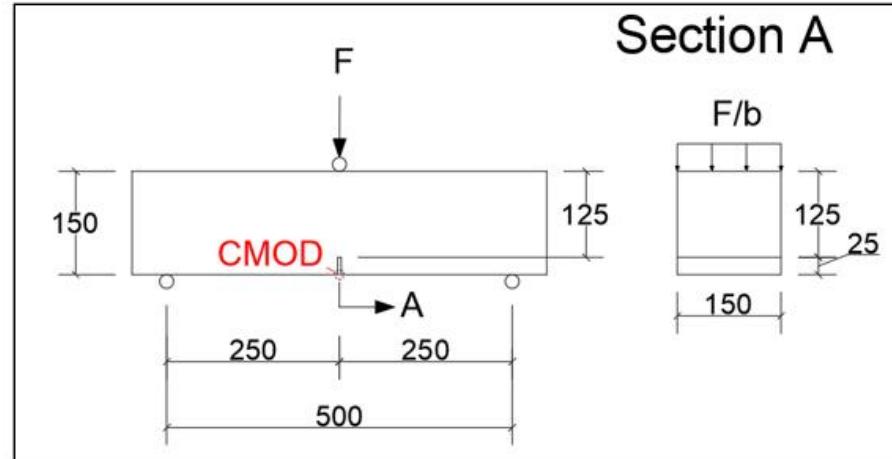


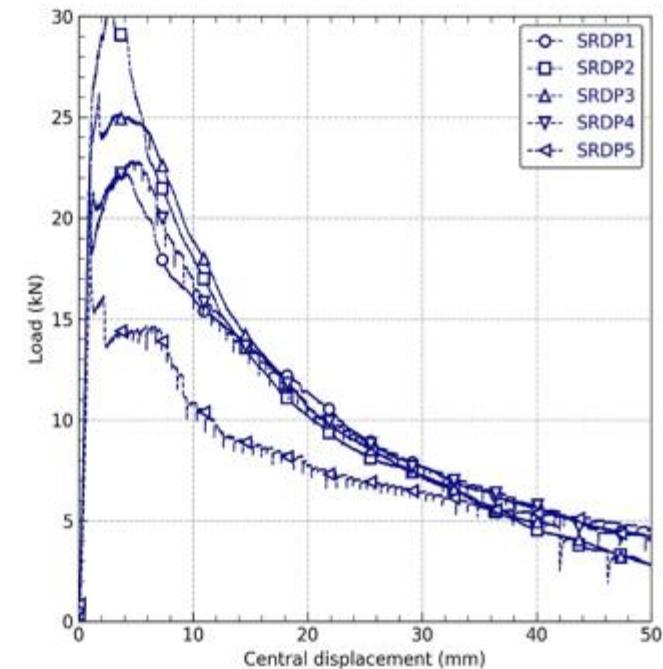
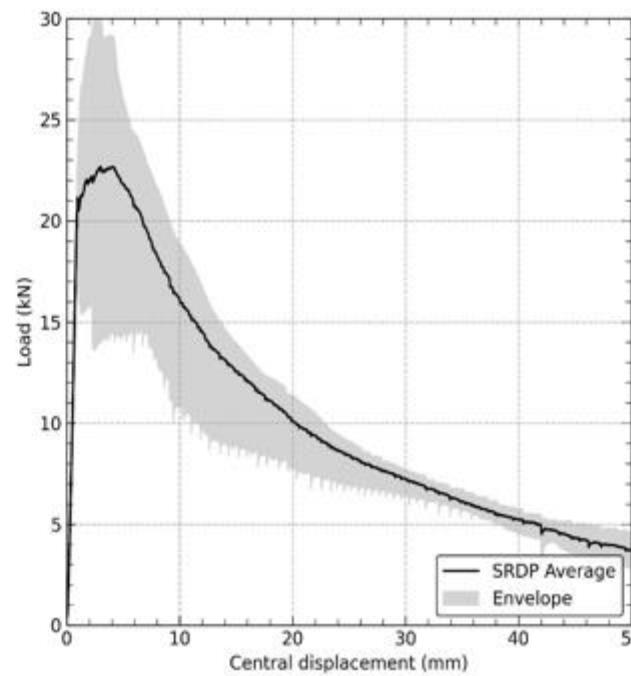
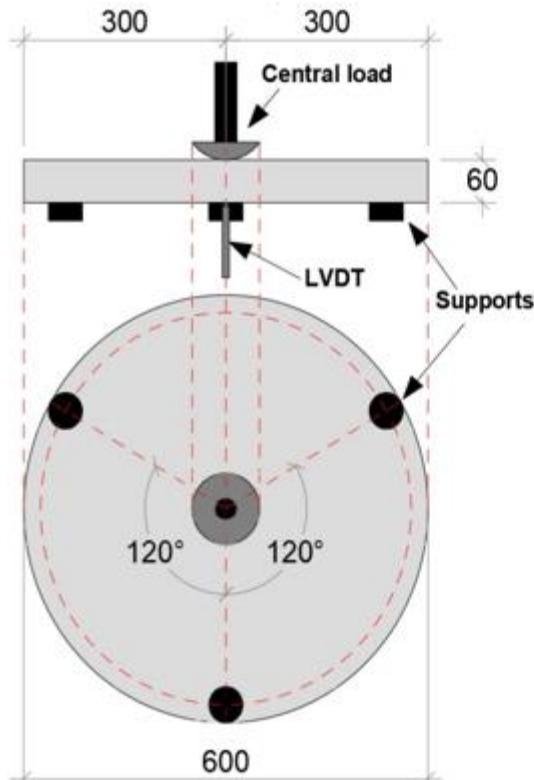
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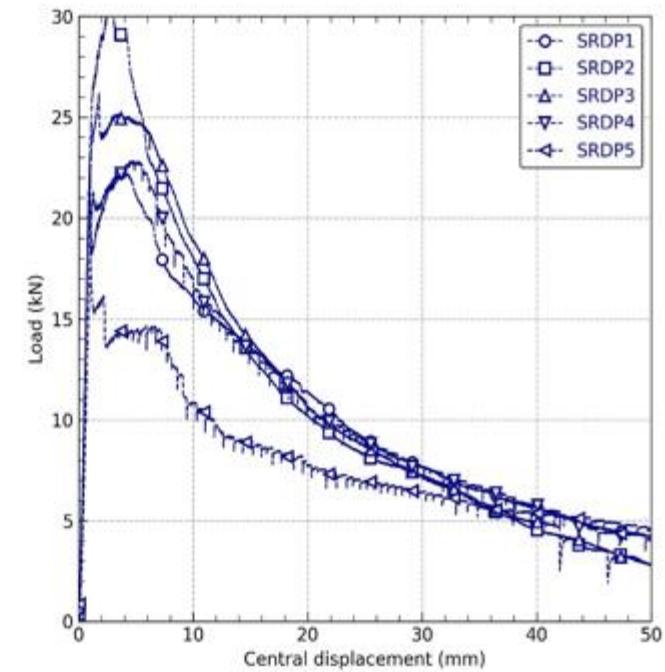
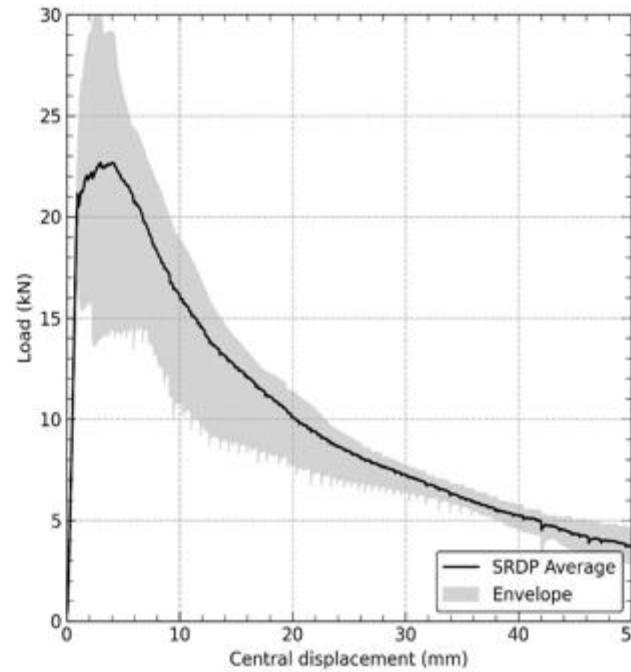
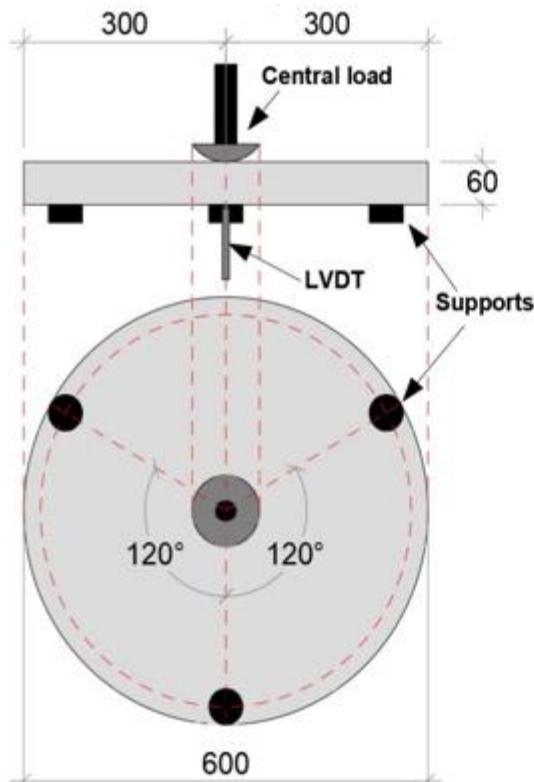


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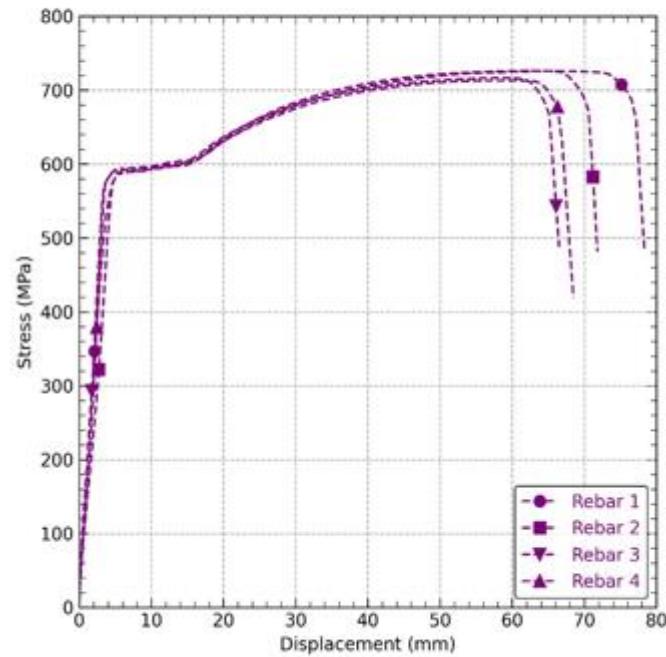
Figure 3. Test set up of (a) Three-point notched beam bending test, and (b) round panel test.



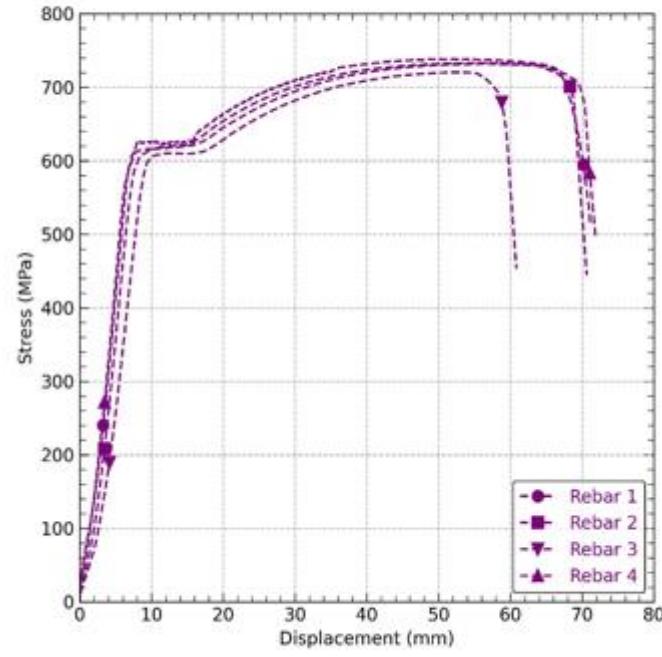




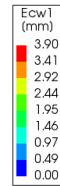
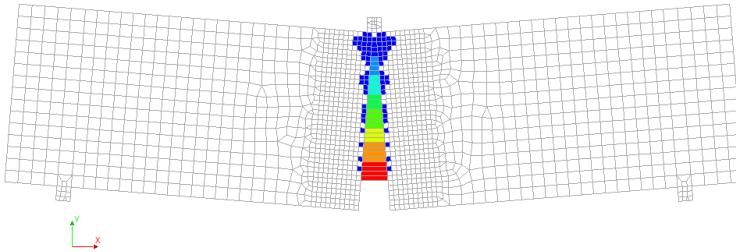
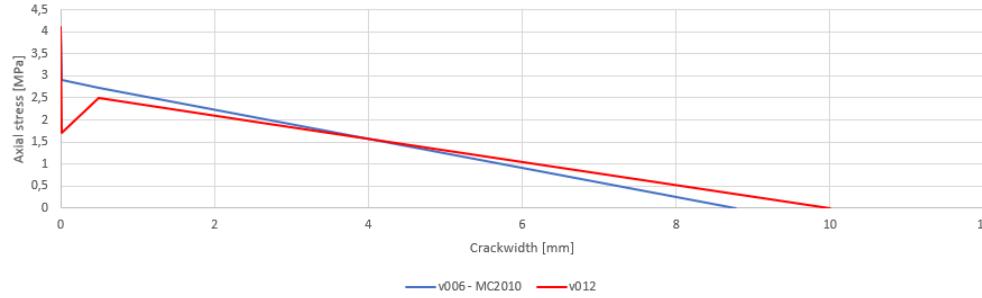
8mm rebars graphic



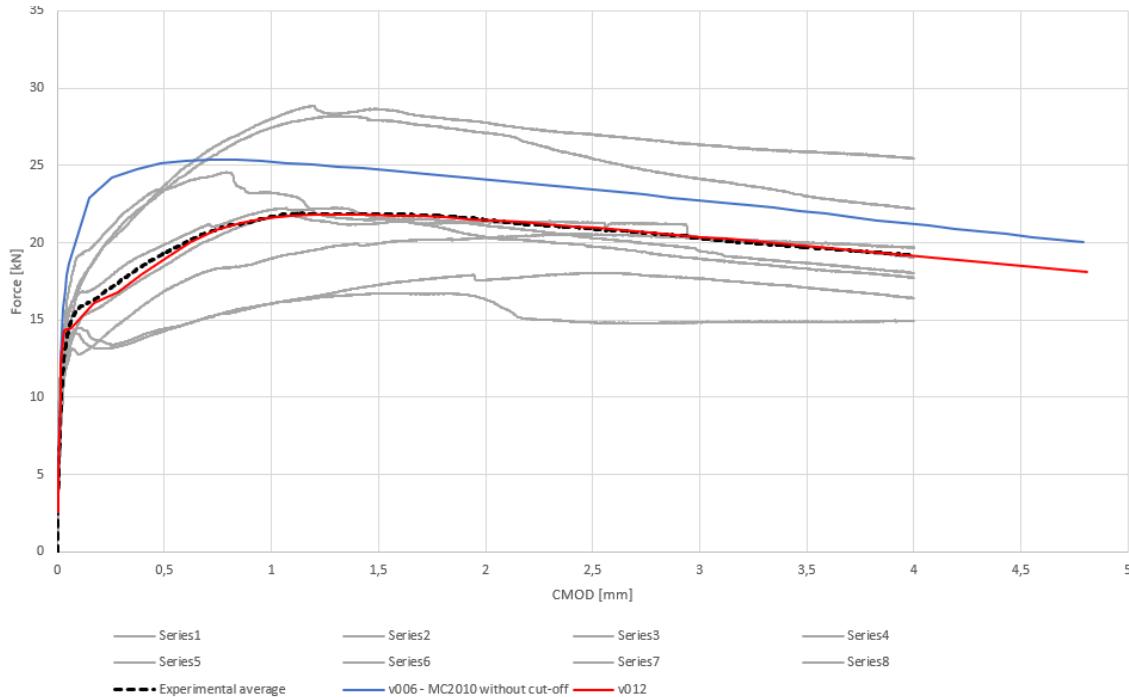
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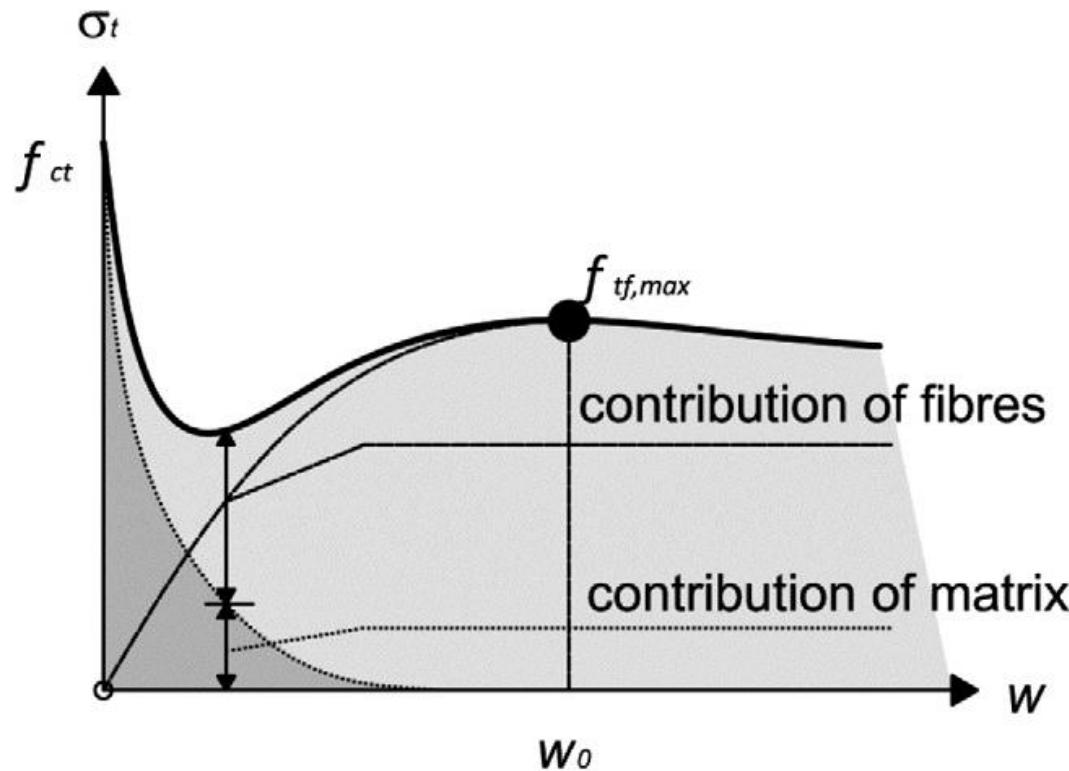


Input crackwidth - stress



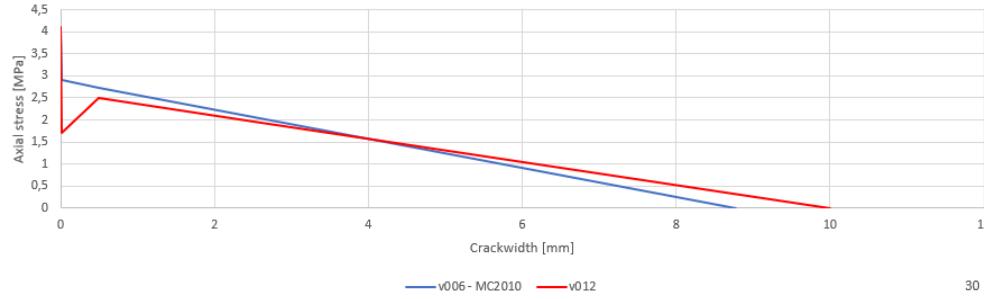
Force - CMOD diagram



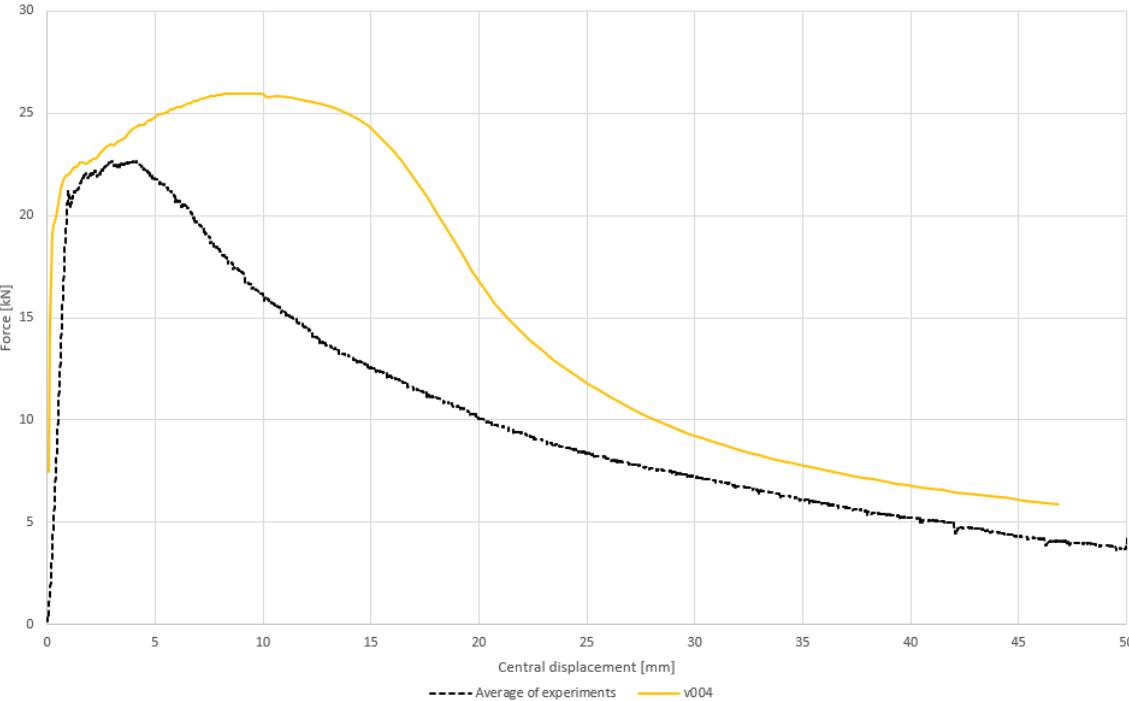


Source: Punching shear strength of steel fibre reinforced concrete slabs,  
Maya et al., Engineering Structures, 1 July 2012

Input crackwidth - stress



SRDP experiments vs DIANA



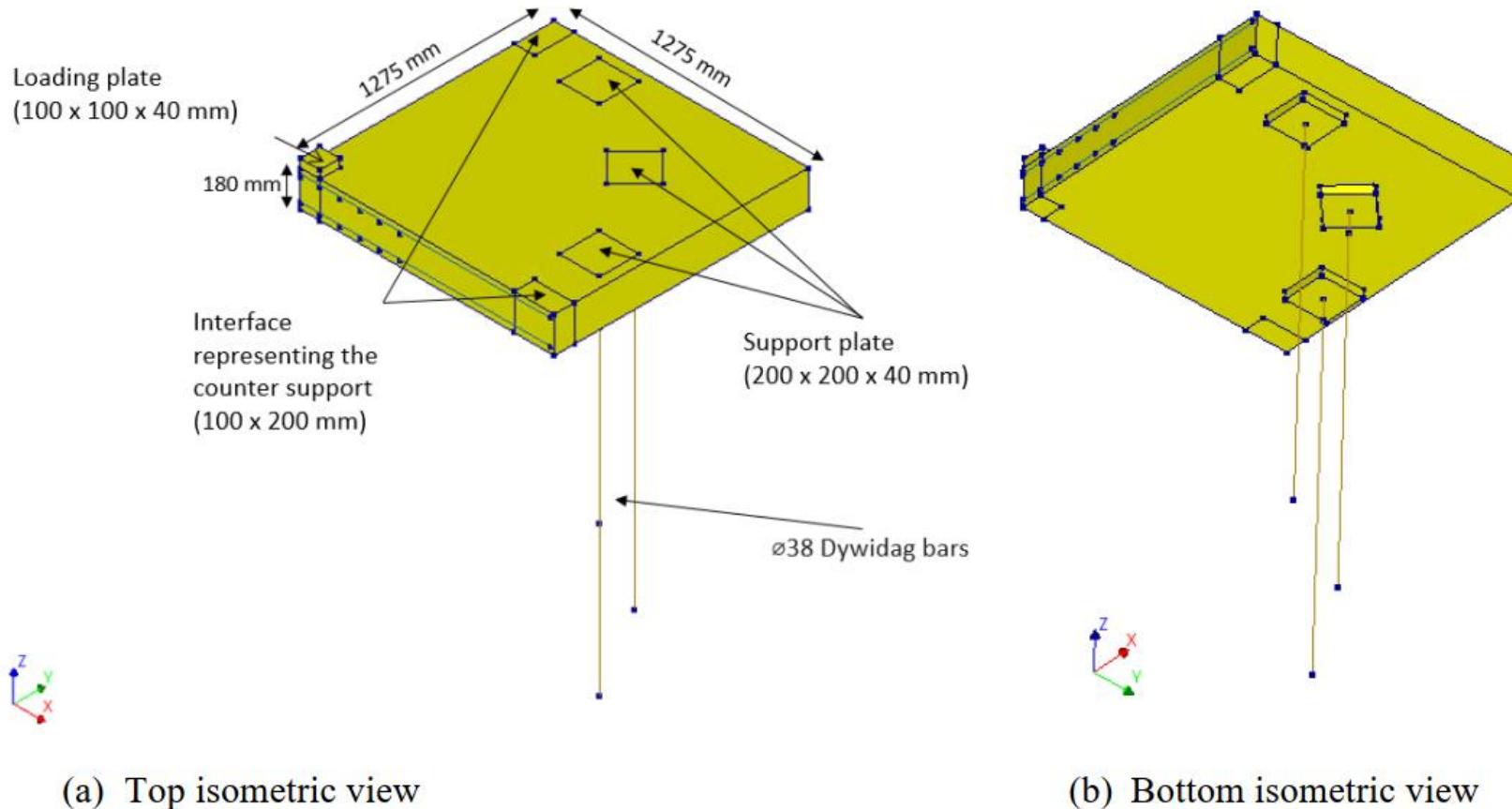
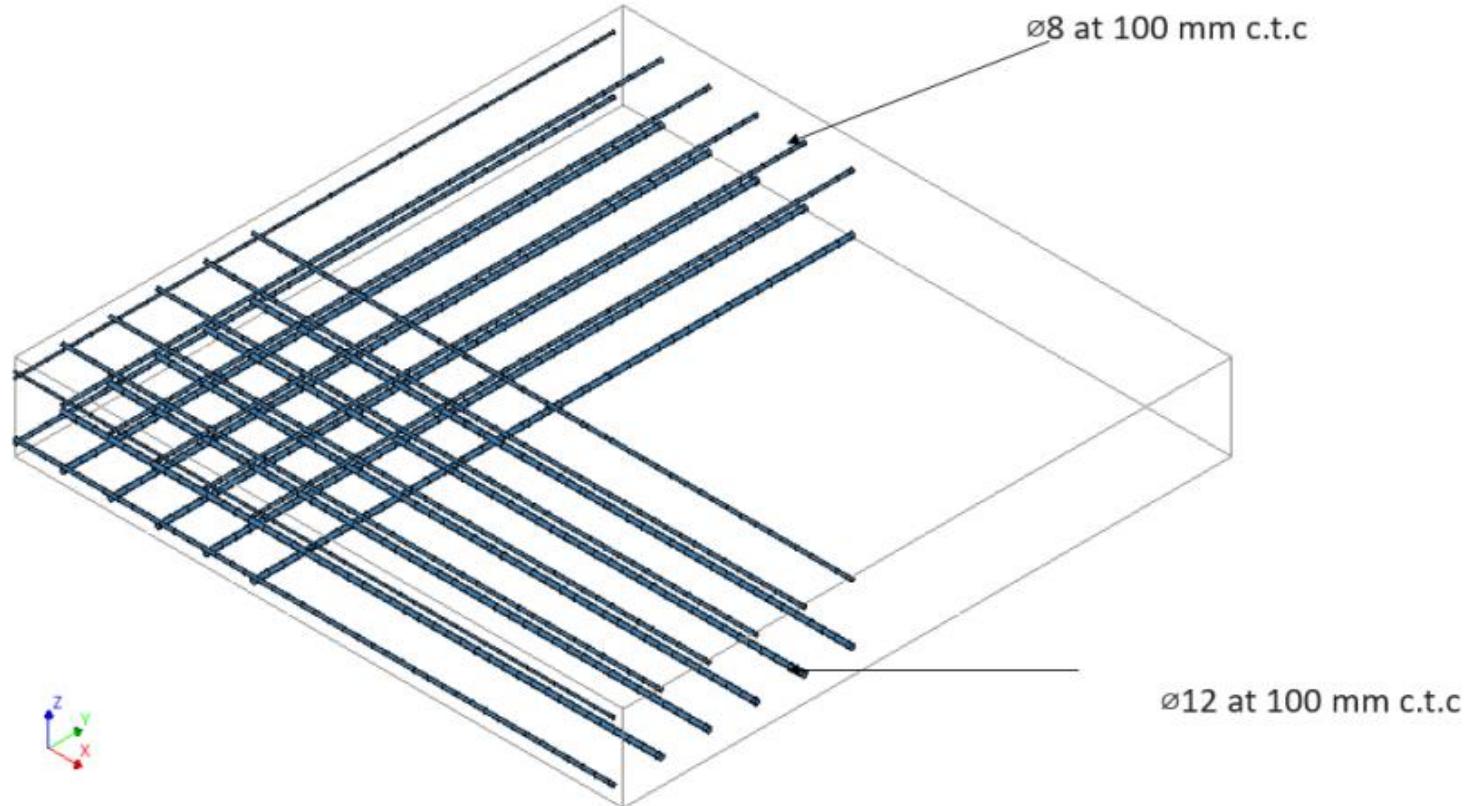
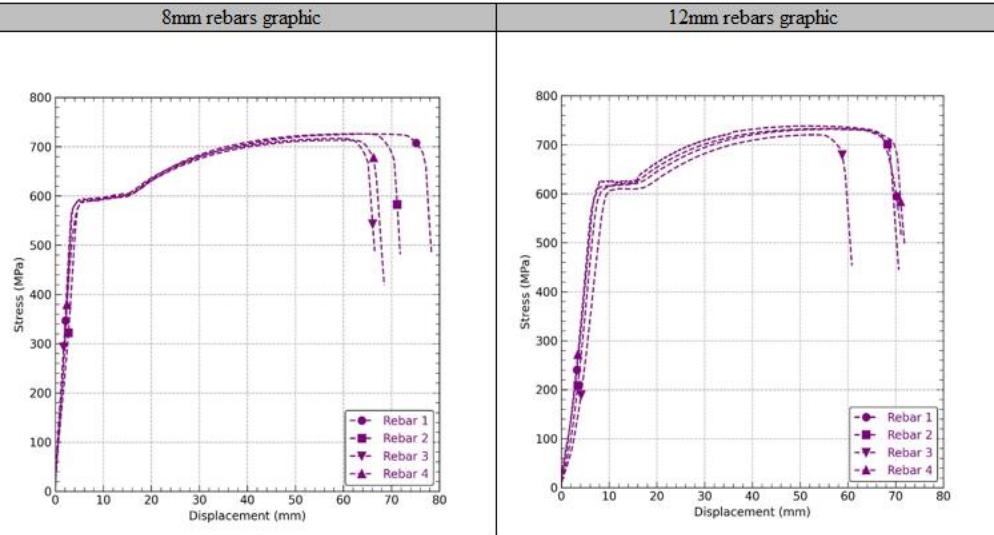


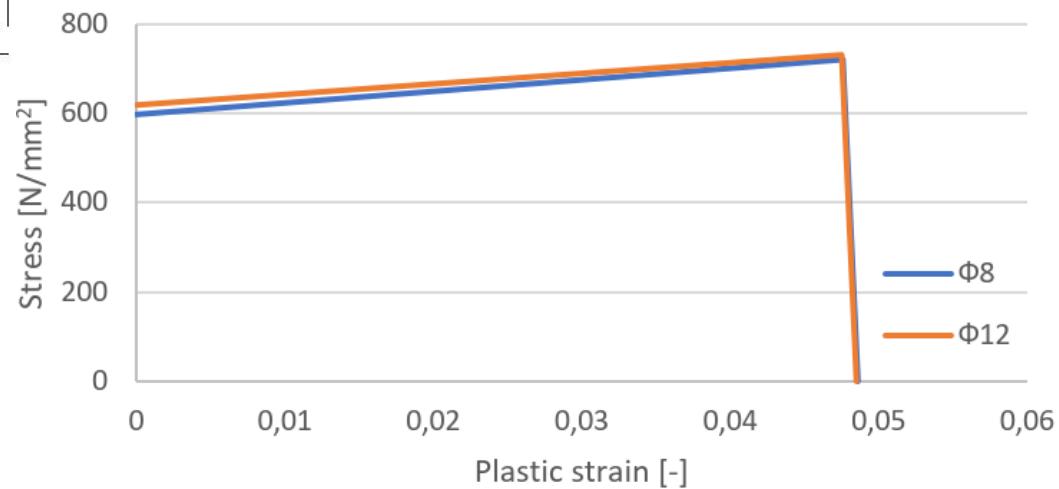
Figure 1: Geometry of the numerical model of the test setup in DIANA FEA 10.5.

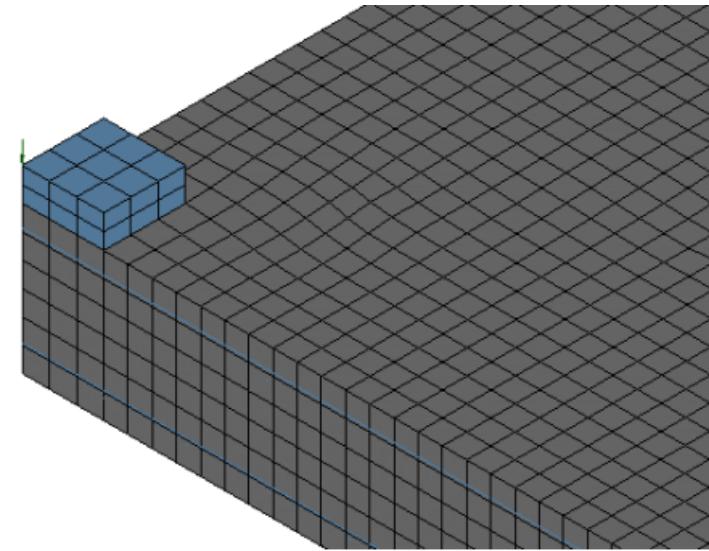
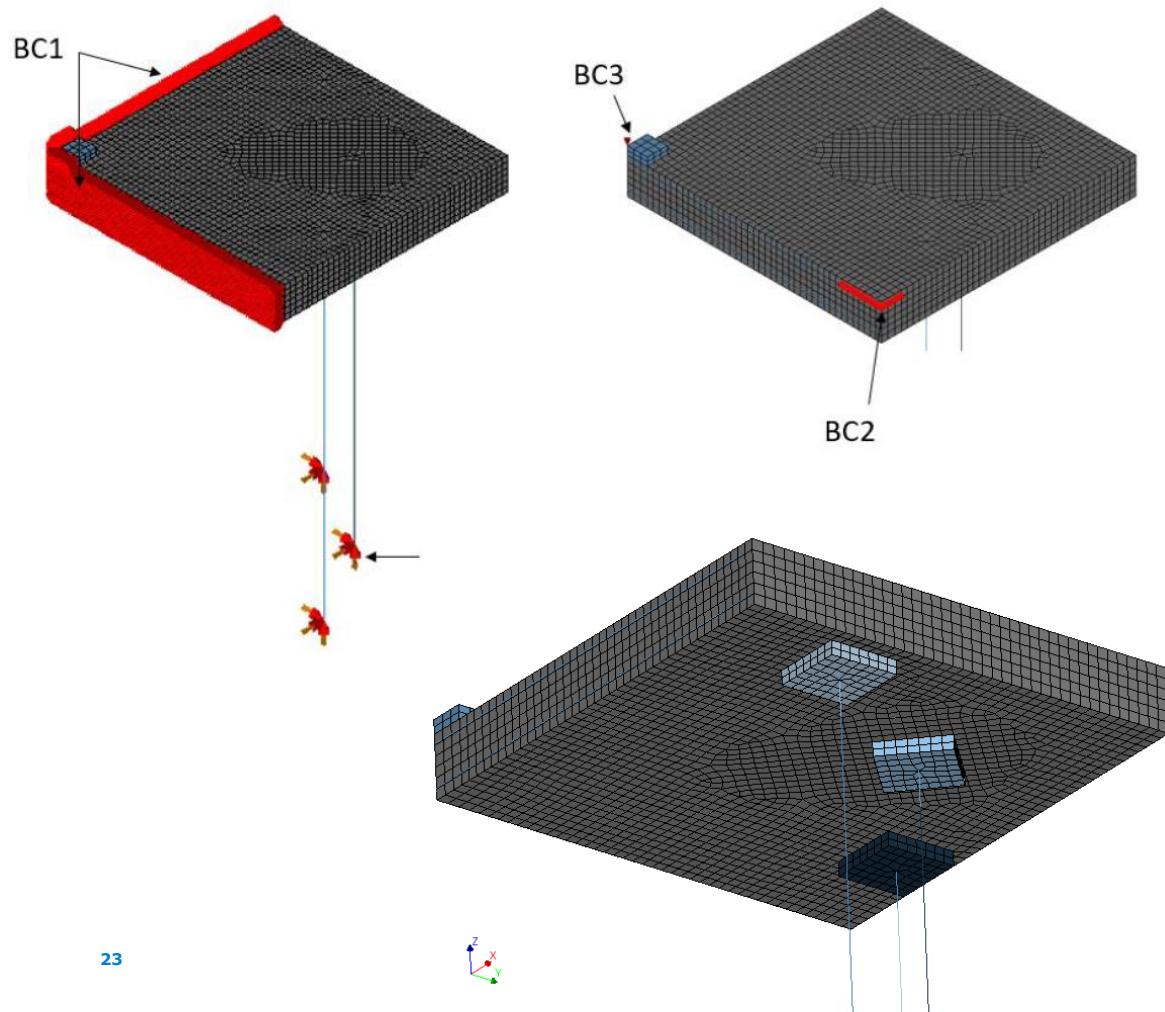


*Figure 2: Flexural reinforcement*



### Plastic strain vs yield stress

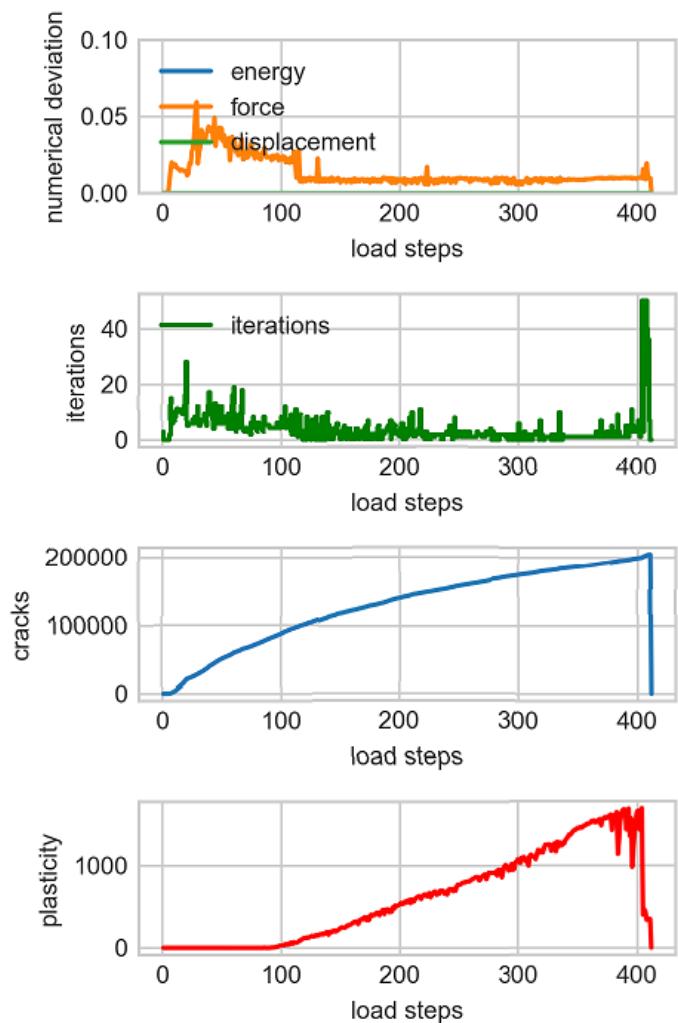
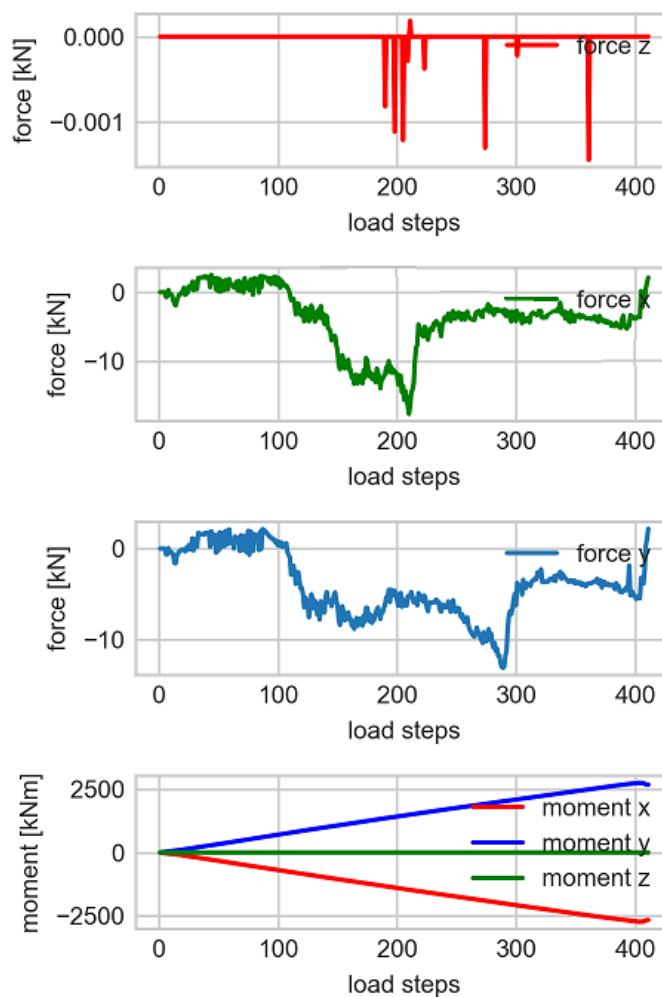


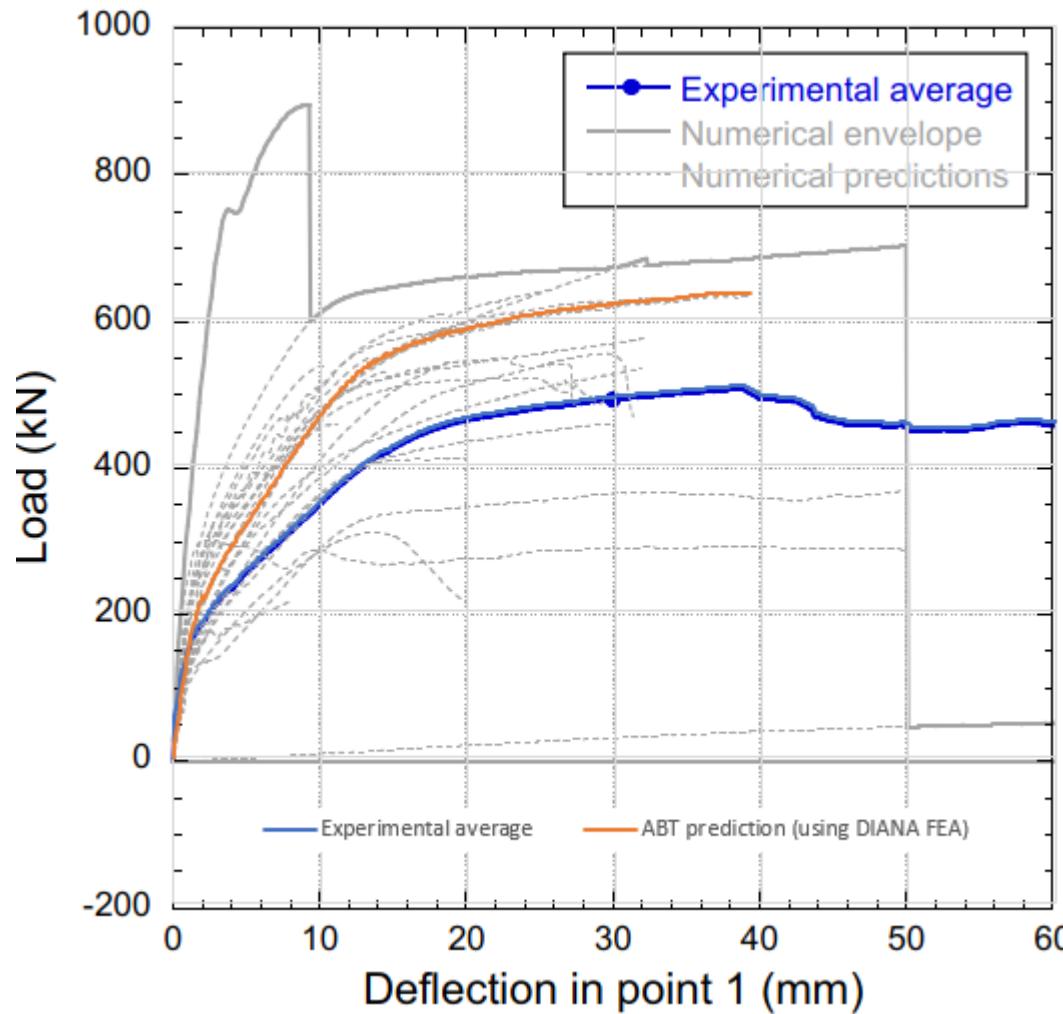


# Analysis settings

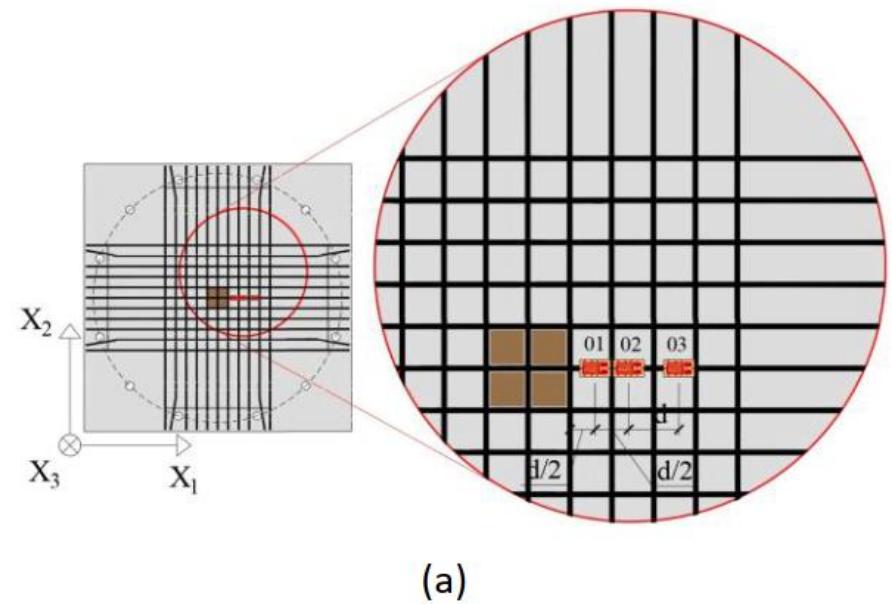
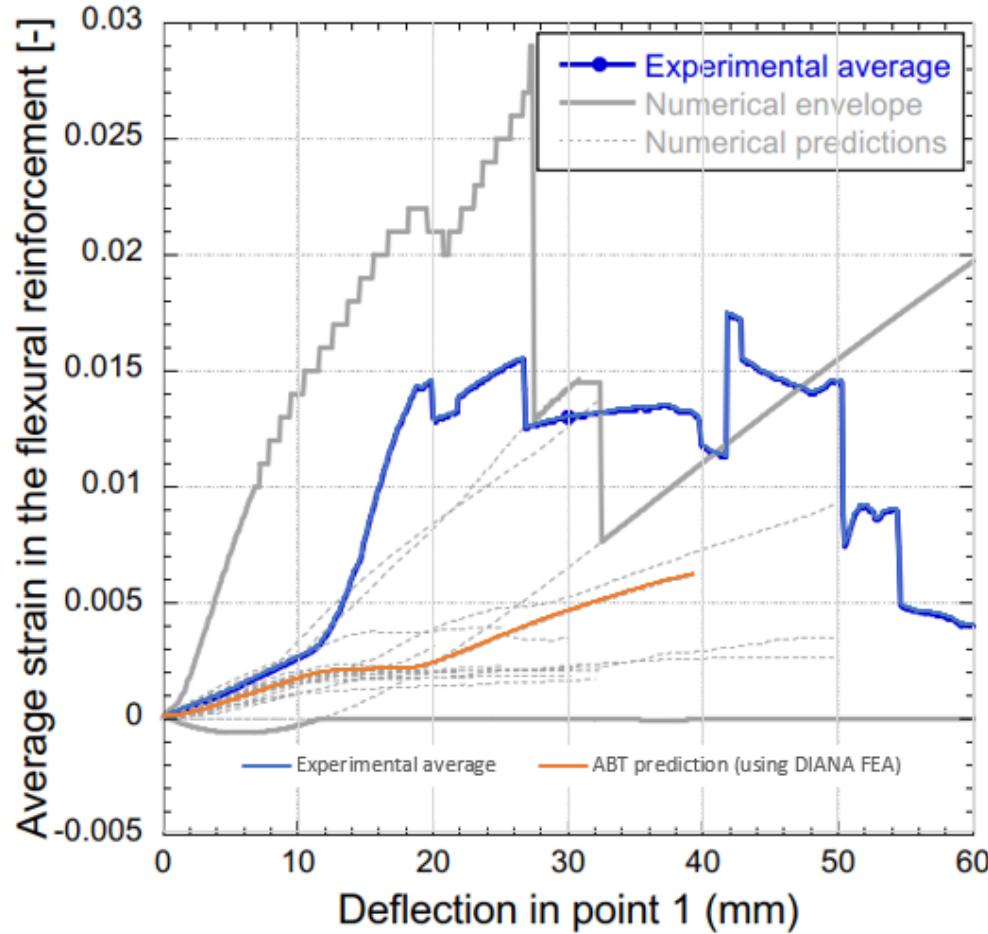
- Displacement control, 500 steps  $\times$  0.1 mm = 50 mm
- Regular Newton Raphson with line search
- Convergence on force tolerance 0.01
- Convergence on energy tolerance 0.001
- No simultaneous convergence required
- Max 50 iterations per step
- Continue when no convergence

Elapsed time: 9 hours 9 minutes 31 seconds





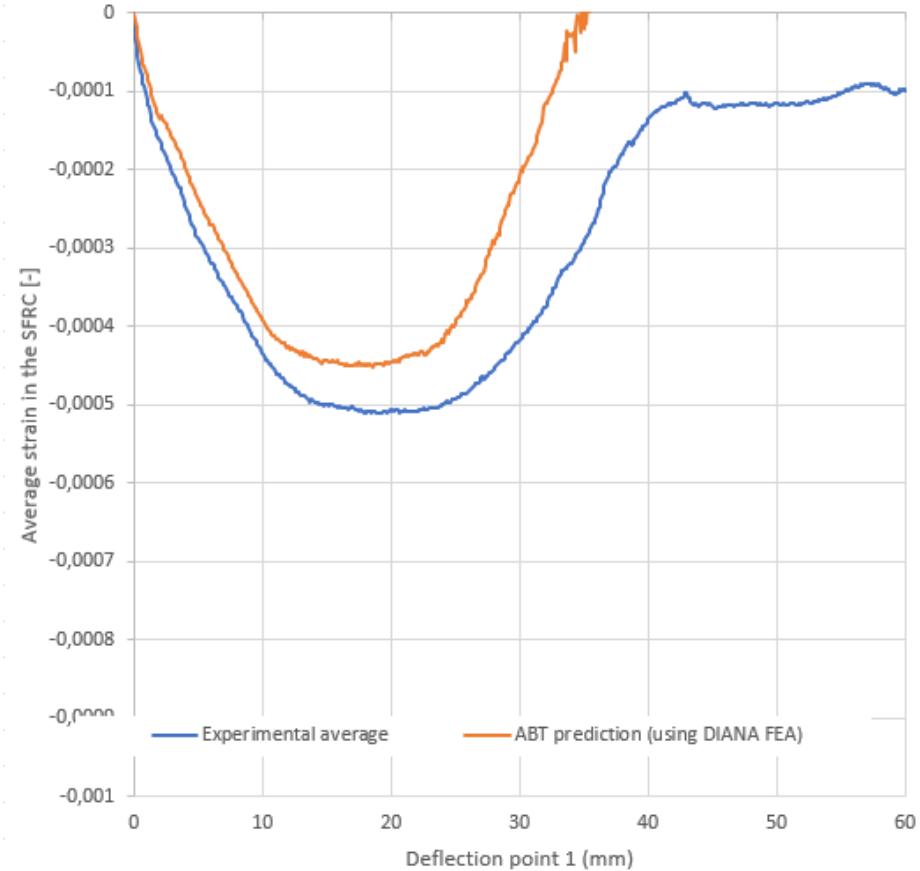
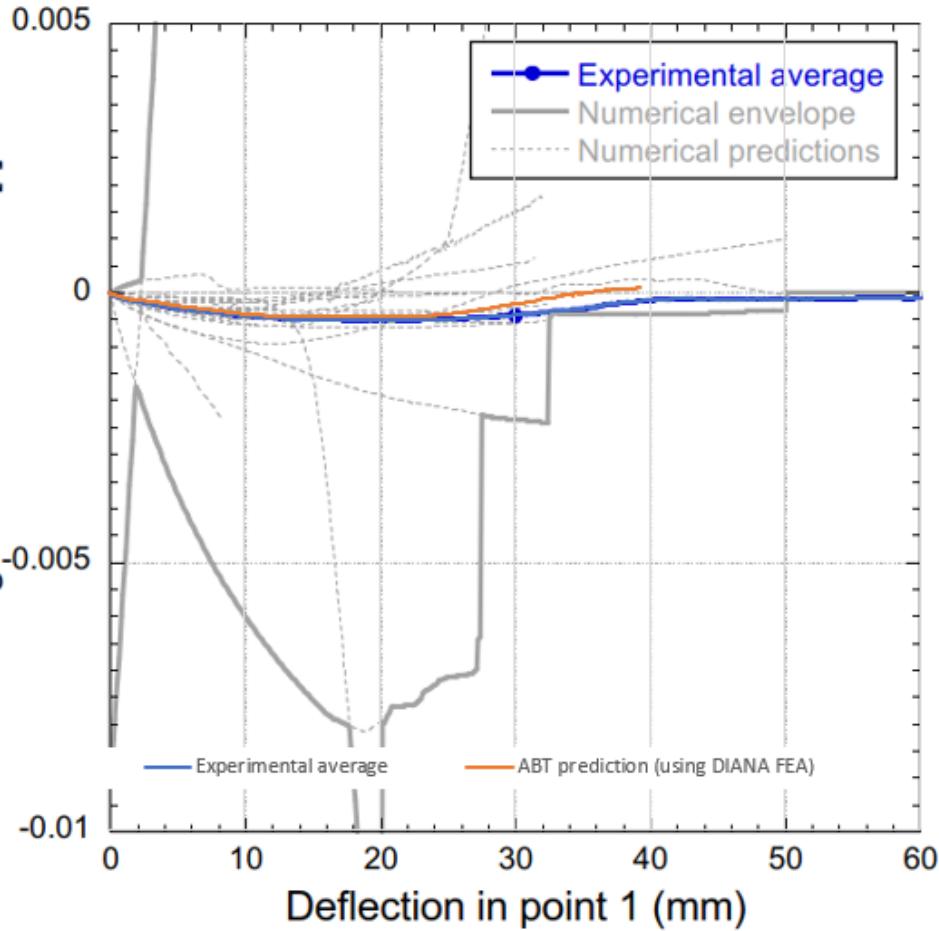
Contribution to score: 25%



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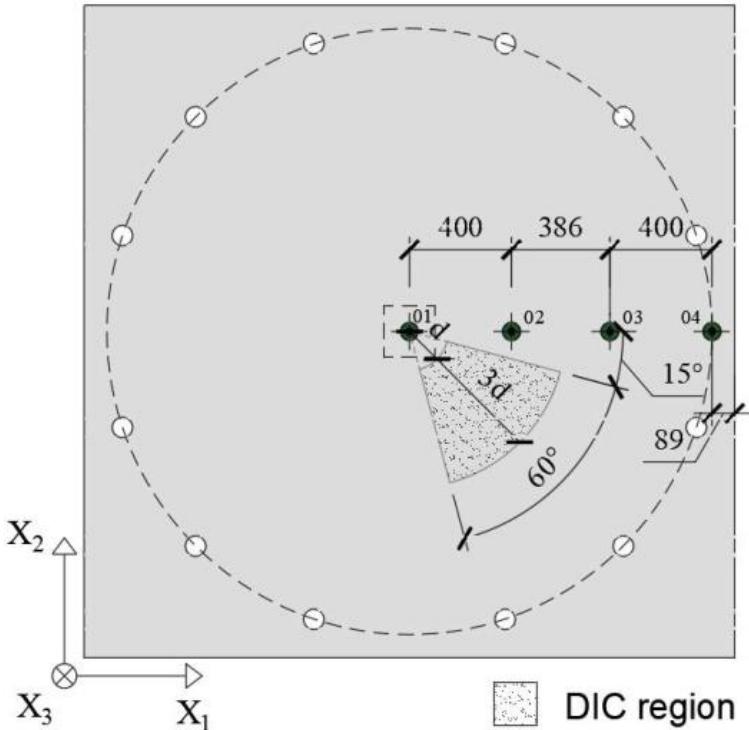
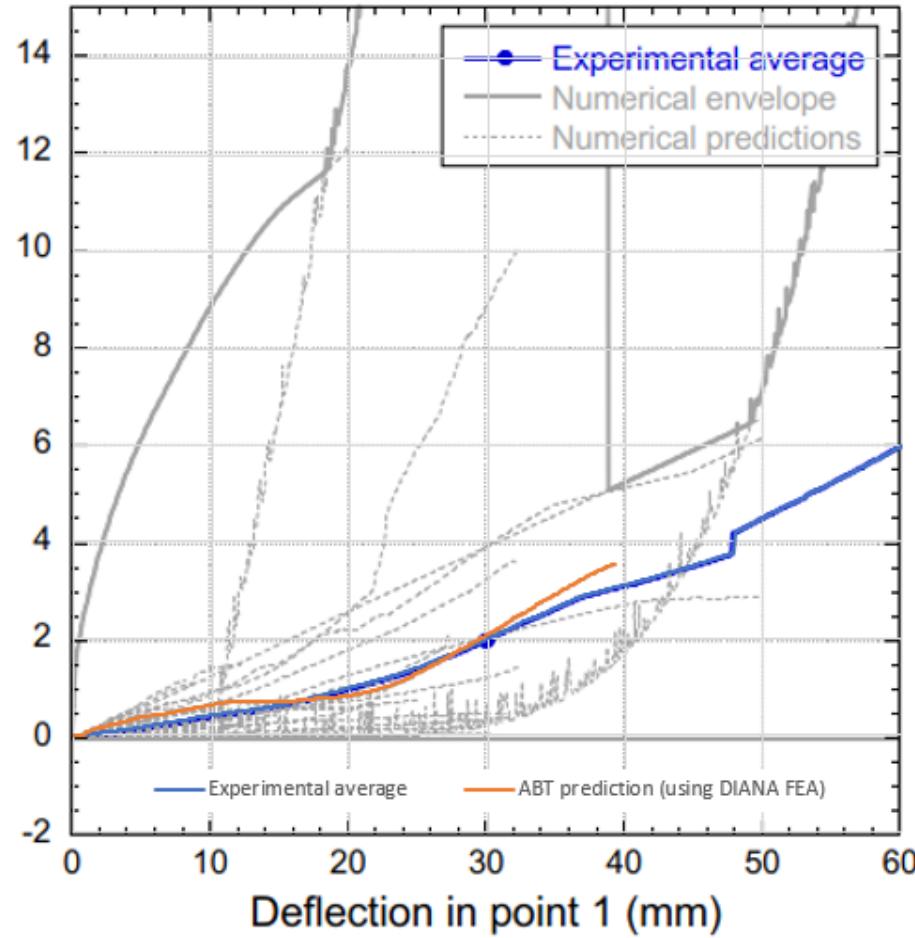
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Average strain in the SFRC [-]



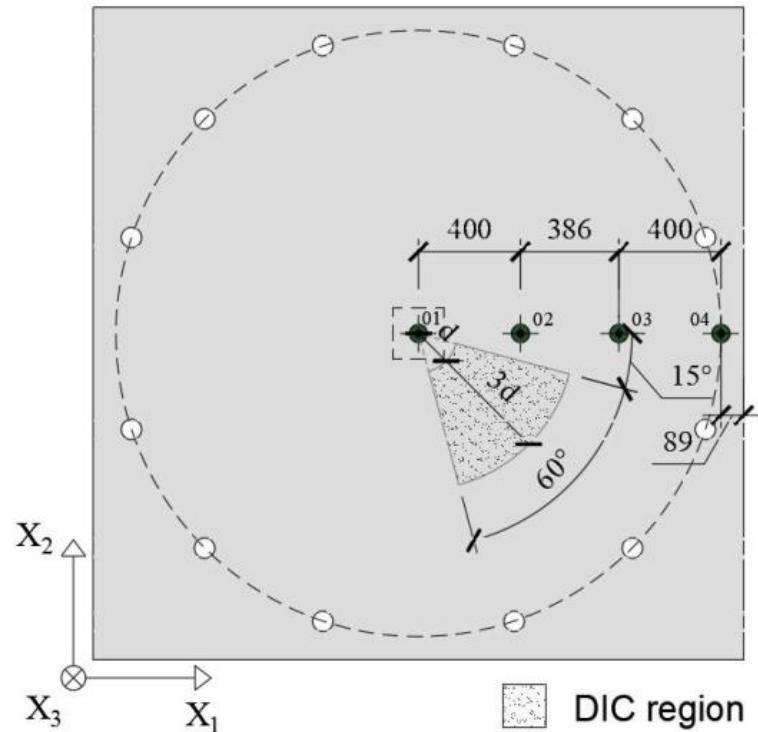
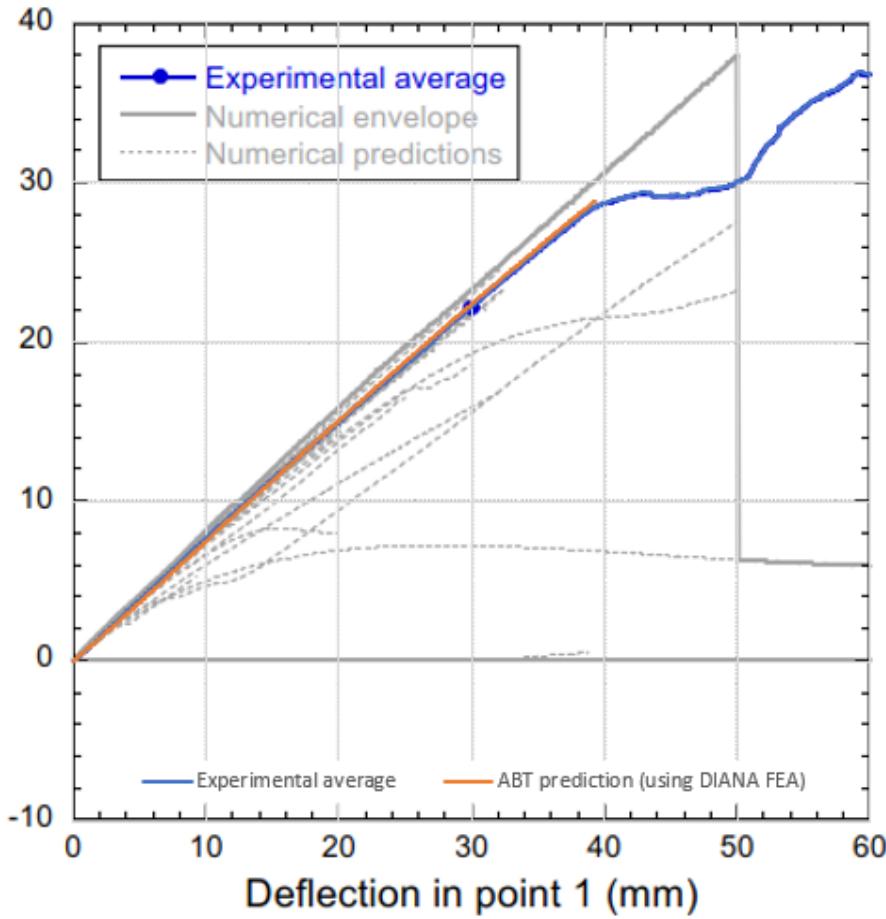
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Maximum crack width (mm)



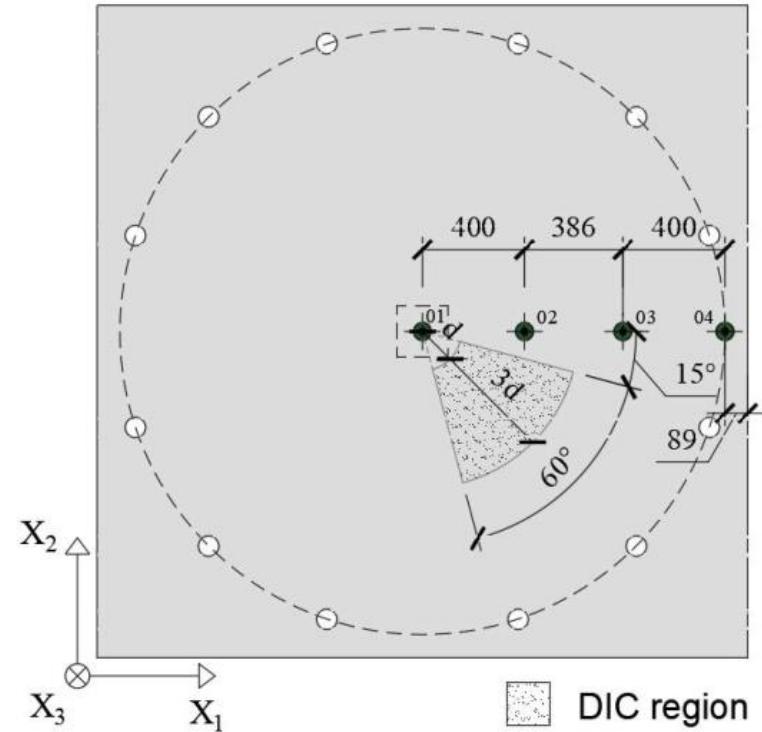
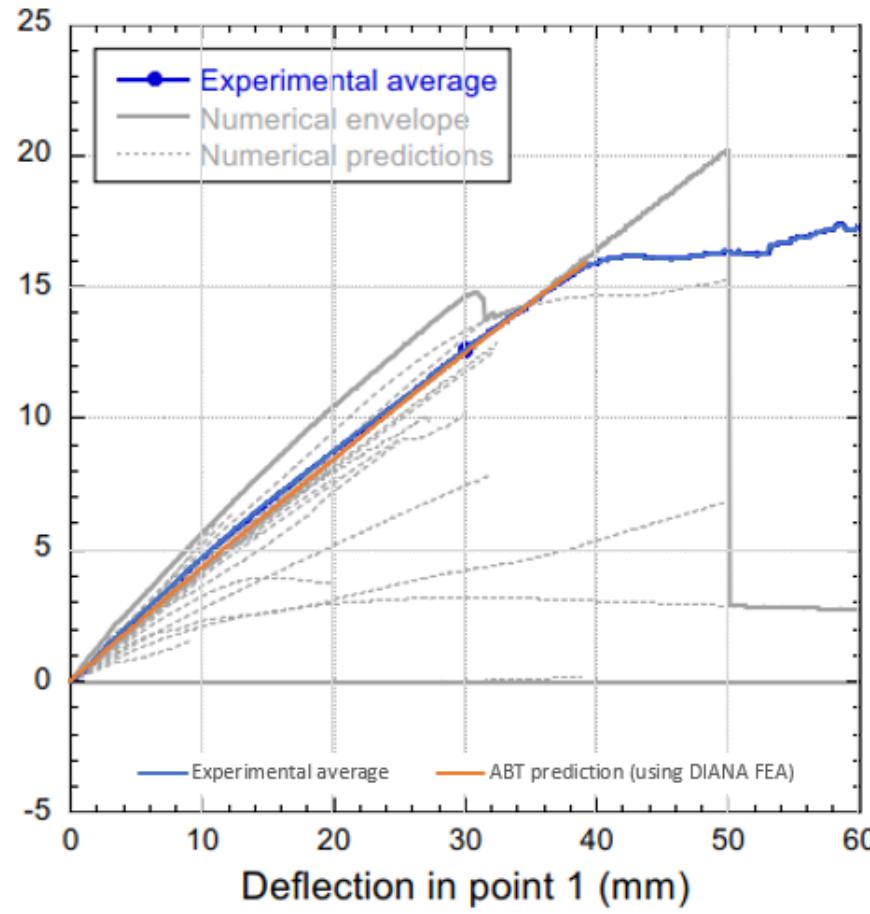
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Deflection in point 2 (mm)

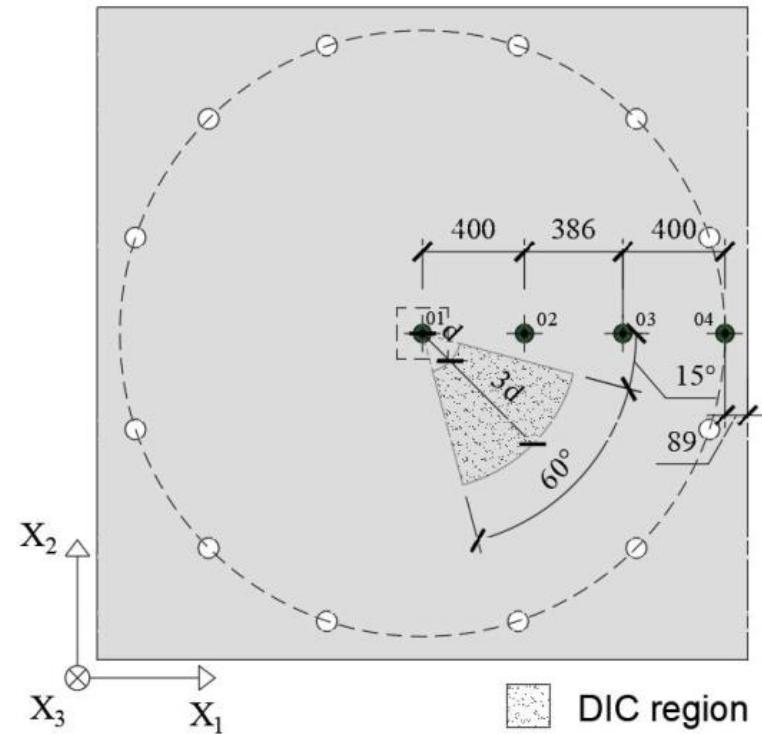
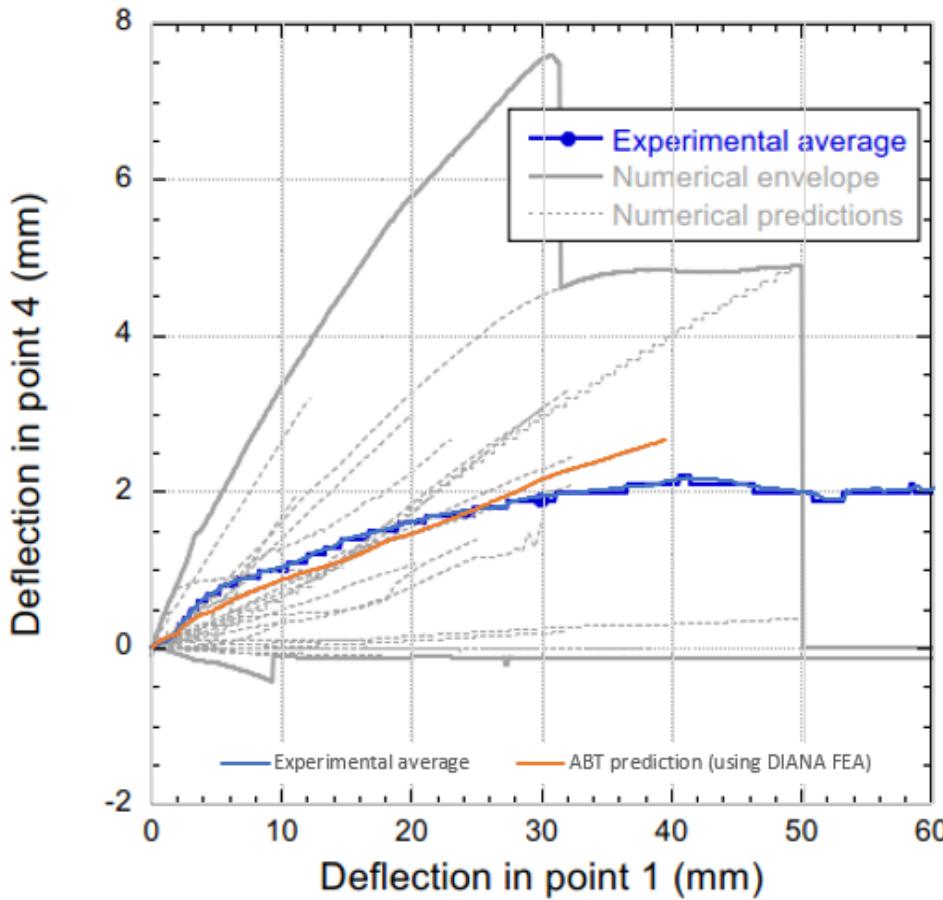


Contribution to score: 5%

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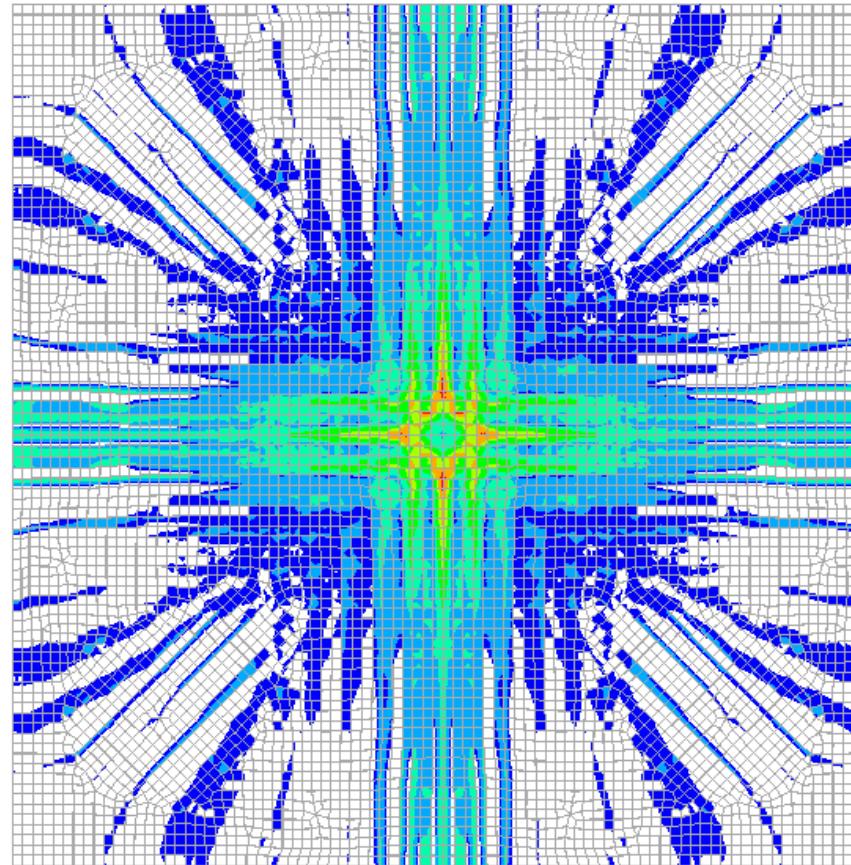


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Blind competition punching SFRC 2023 - ABT submission - v008 embedded  
Load-step 393, Load-factor 39.300, test load  
Crack-widths Ecw1  
min: 0.00mm max: 5.13mm



# Conclusions

- Excellent blind competition
  - Detailed input information
  - Detailed explanation of rules
  - Live stream of experiments
  - Detailed information about results
- ABT predicted displacements, crack width and concrete compressive strain very accurately
- ABT overestimated capacity by about 25% (!)
- Experimental results for steel strain are debatable

# Questions?



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