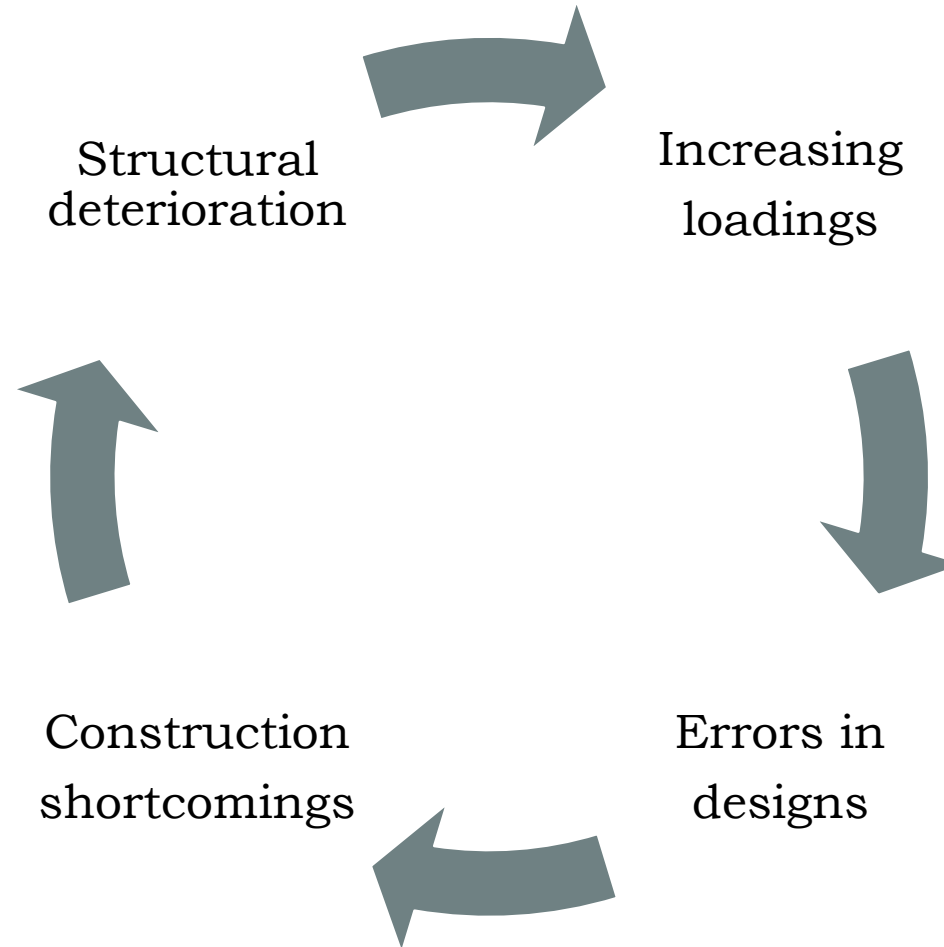


**RC  
structures**



Structural  
deterioration

Increasing  
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**Retrofitting**

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# Efficient Shear Retrofitting of RC Beams using Prestressed Deep Embedded (DE) FRP Bars

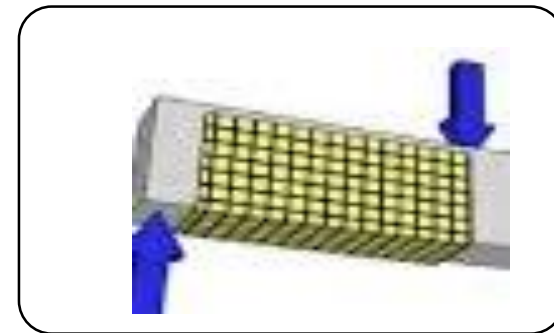
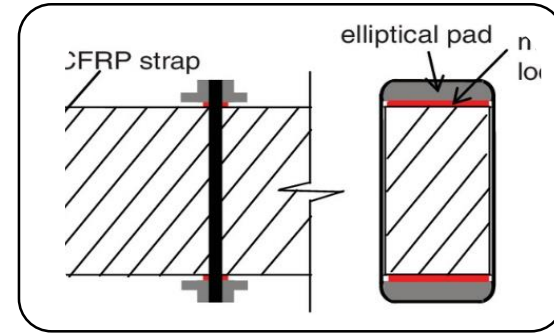
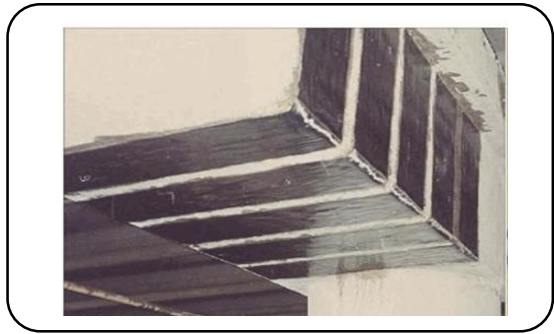


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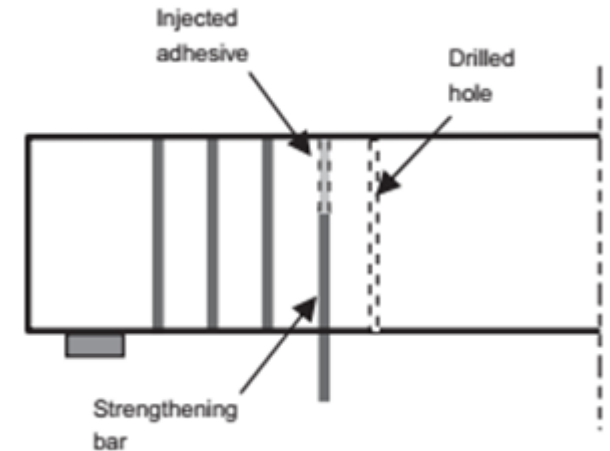
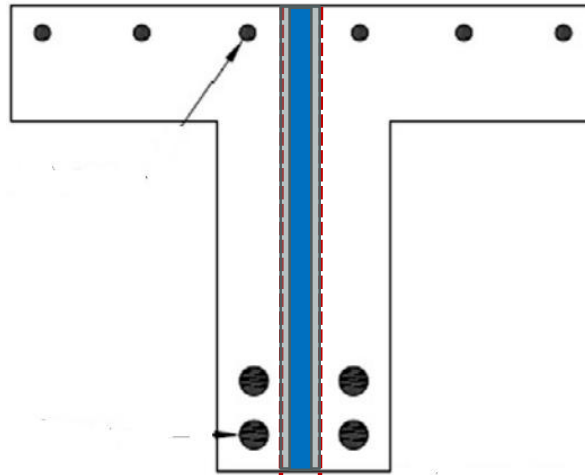
# Shear retrofitting options



DE

# Deep Embedment (DE) technique

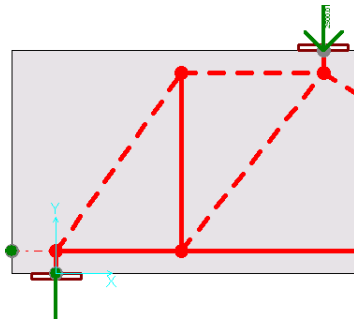
- First proposed by Valerio and Ibell in 2003
- Holes are drilled from the soffit
- Void is filled with epoxy resin
- DE reinforcement is then installed



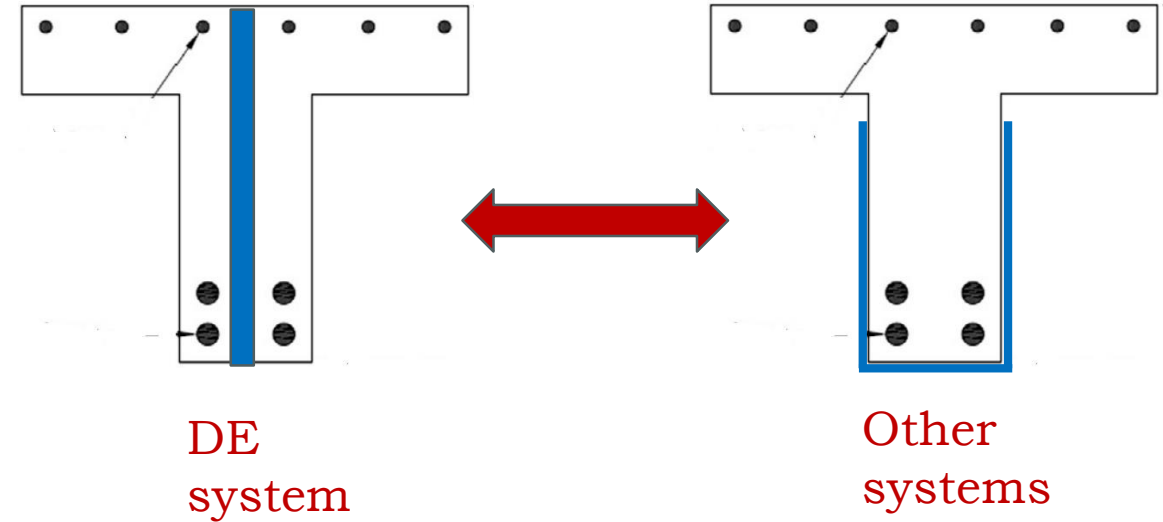
# DE system attributes

## The core installation

- Facilitates truss action



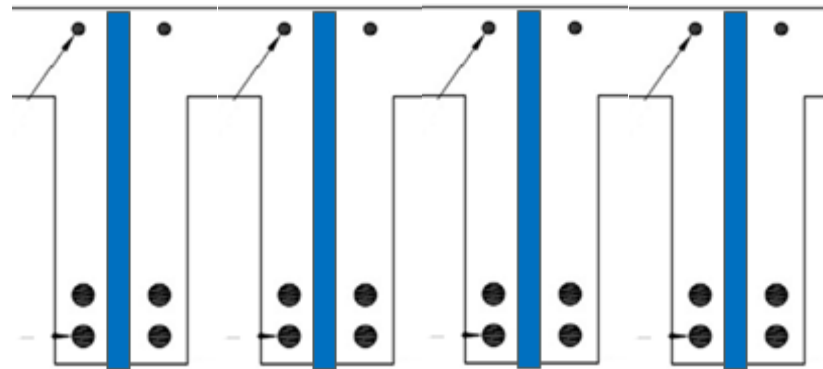
- More confinement to the r/f
  - Less de-bonding issues
- Limited external exposure
  - Steel can also be used
  - Less vulnerability for damage



**more shear enhancement!**

# Further attributes...

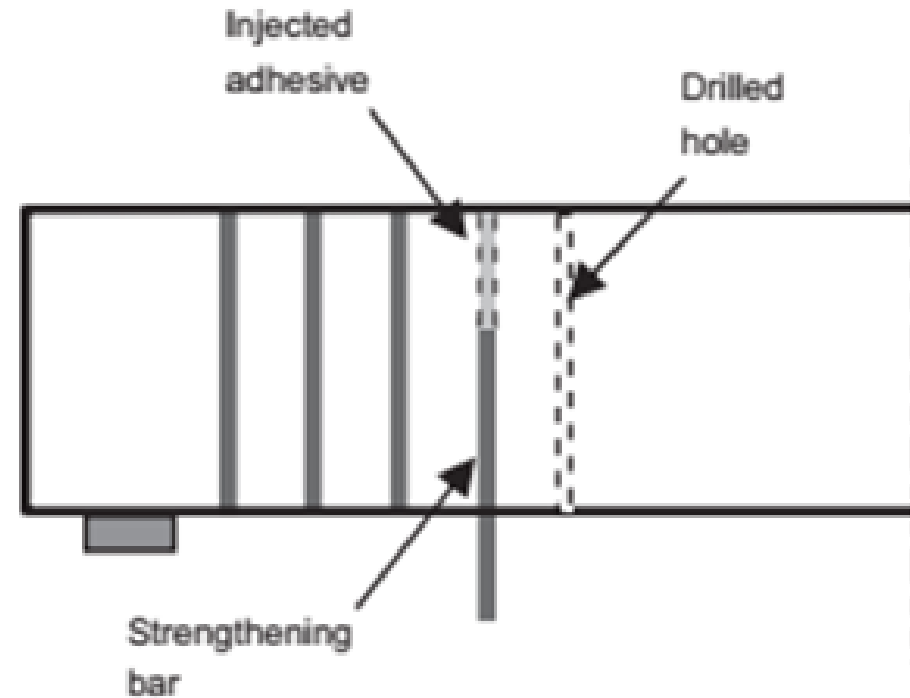
- No need of web/slab approach



- No surface preparation

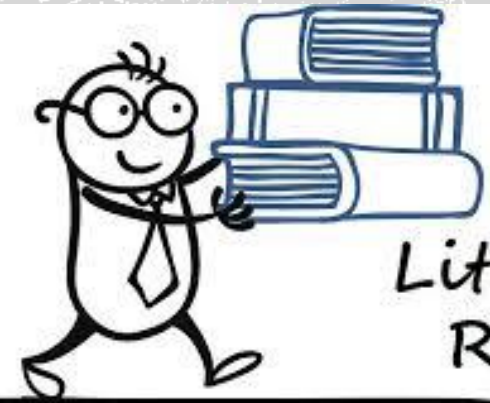
# DE materials

- FRP bars
  - CFRP
  - GFRP
  - AFRP
- Steel





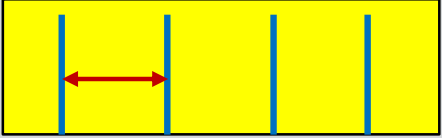
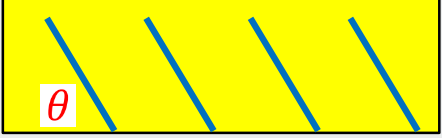
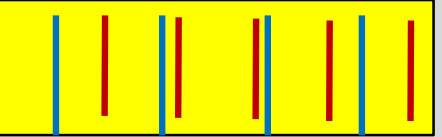

# Past investigations



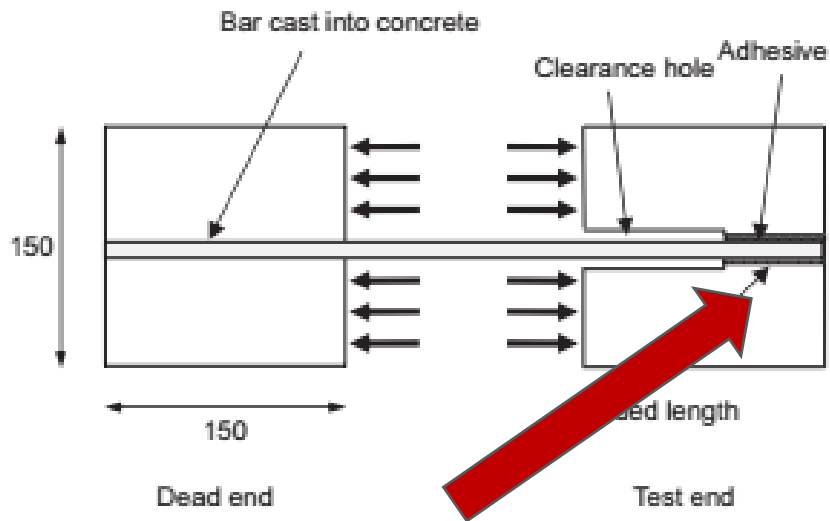
Literature  
Review



# Influencing DE parameters

Parameter		Influence	Investigators
Bar spacing		wider spacing is less effective	<i>Mofidi et al. (2012)</i>
Bar inclination		inclined bars are more effective	<i>Baros et al. (2012)</i>
Interaction with internal shear reinforcement		higher the internal shear r/f density, lower is the DE effectiveness	<i>Mofidi et al. (2012)</i>
Bar surface texture		plain surface is more effective than sand coated surface	<i>Mofidi et al. (2012)</i>
Bond			

# Bond

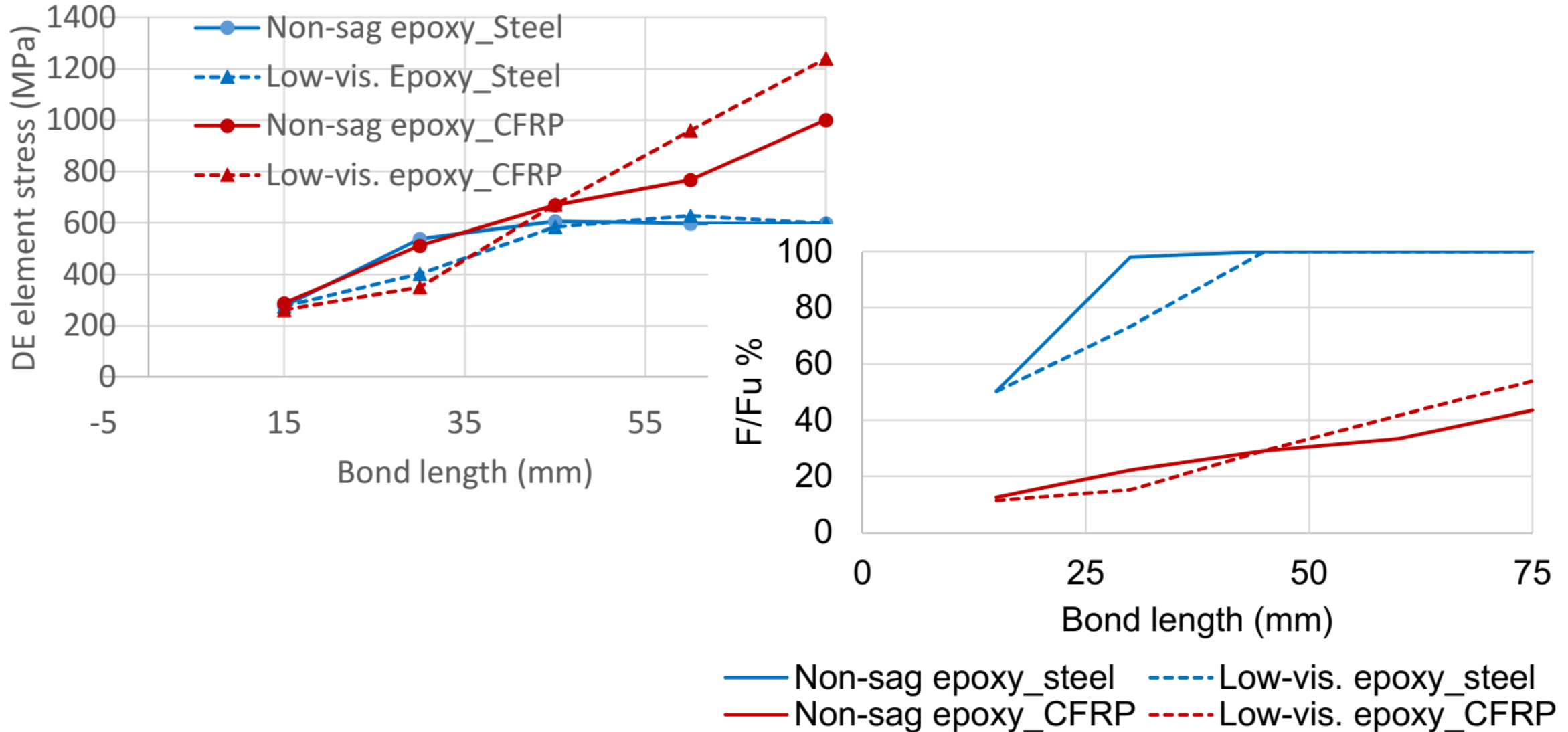


Bar type

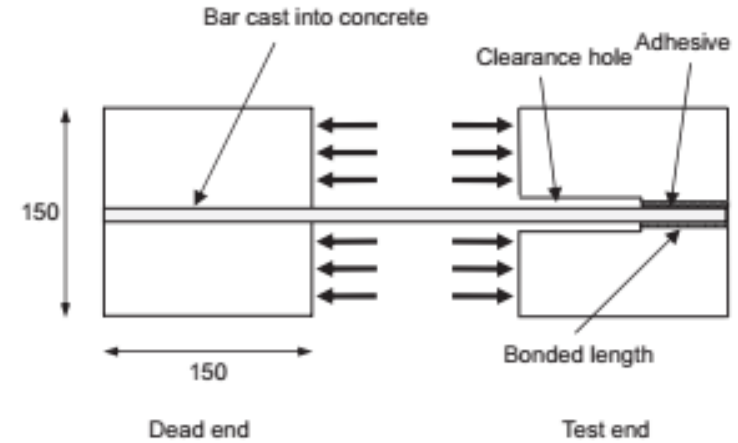
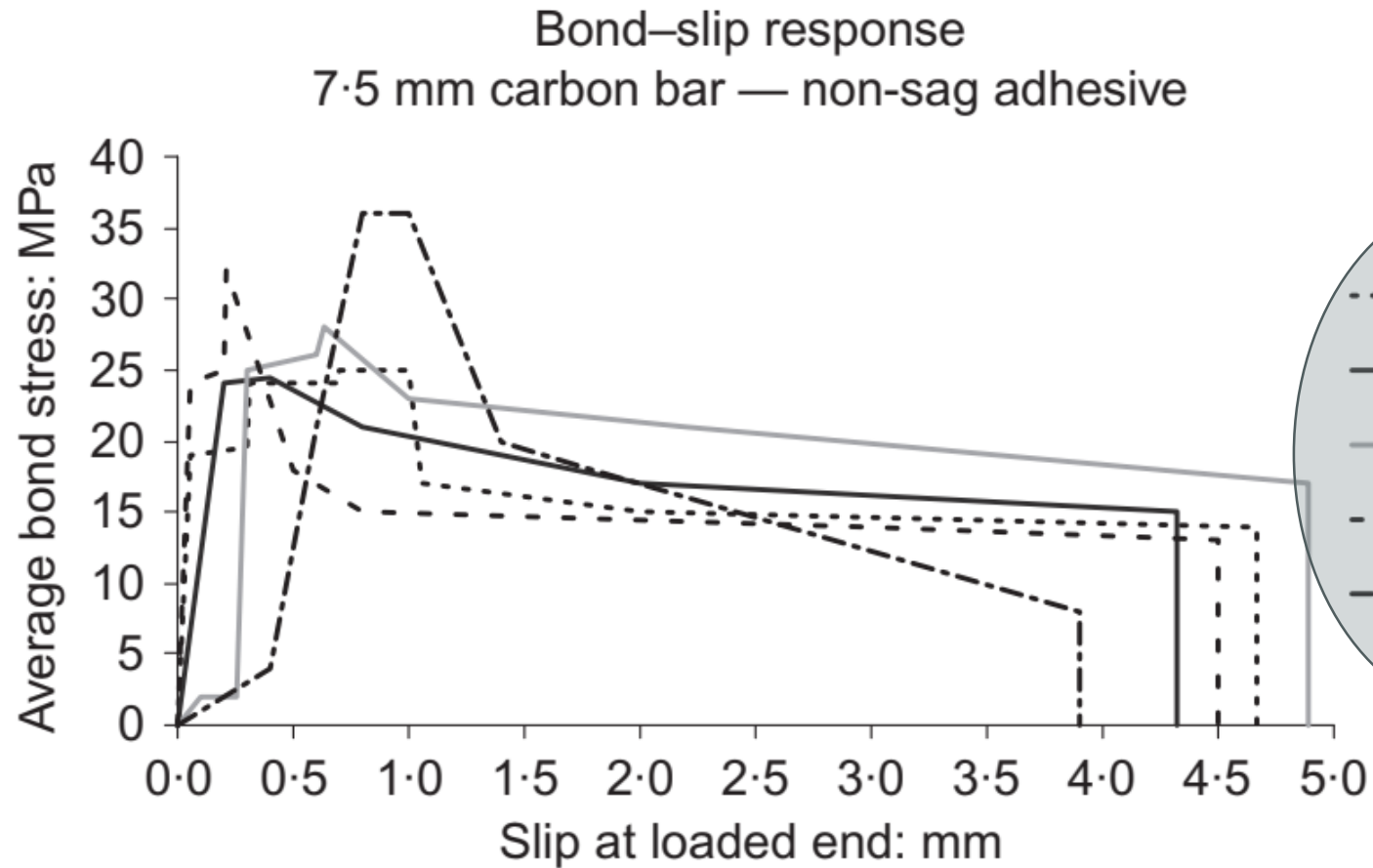
Average bond strength (MPa) – failure mode

Bar type	Average bond strength (MPa) – failure mode				
	15 mm	30 mm	45 mm	60 mm	75 mm
	Non-sag epoxy (Hilti 500 <sup>19</sup> )				
Steel 8	37-SR	36-BY	27-BY	20-BY	16-BY
Carbon 7.5	36-IS	32-IS	28-IS	24-IS	25-IS
Carbon 6	33-IS	30-IS	27-IS	23-IS	21-IS
Glass 9	25-IS	27-IS	24-IS	20-IS	16-BR
Aramid 7.5	17-IS	14-IS	10-IS	07-IS	07-IS
	Low-viscosity epoxy (Araldite <sup>17</sup> )				
Steel 8	37-SR	27-SR	26-BY	21-BY	16-BY
Carbon 7.5	33-IS	22-IS	28-IS	30-IS	31-IS
Glass 9	36-IS	4-IS	27-IS	22-IS	25-BR
Aramid 7.5	26-IS	20-IS	18-IS	17-IS	13-IS
	Medium strength paste (Hilti 150 <sup>20</sup> )				
Steel 8	10-SR	17-SR	26-BY	21-BY	16-BY
Carbon 7.5	17-IS	17-IS	16-IS	19-IS	19-IS
Glass 9	16-IS	16-IS	17-IS	17-IS	17-IS
Aramid 7.5	07-IS	06-IS	08-IS	08-IS	05-IS

# Steel 8 mm vs. CFRP 7.5 mm



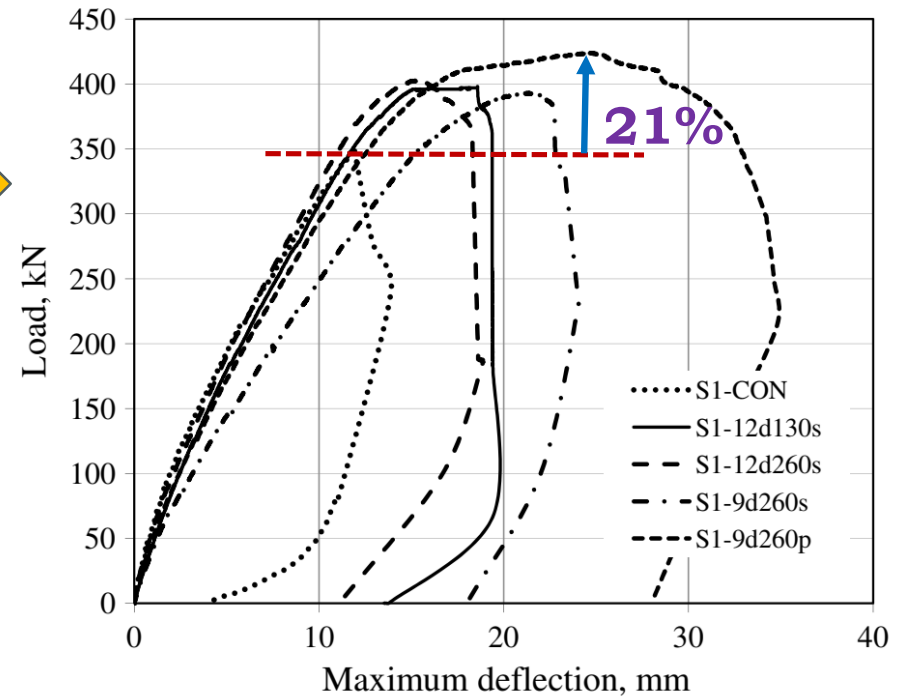
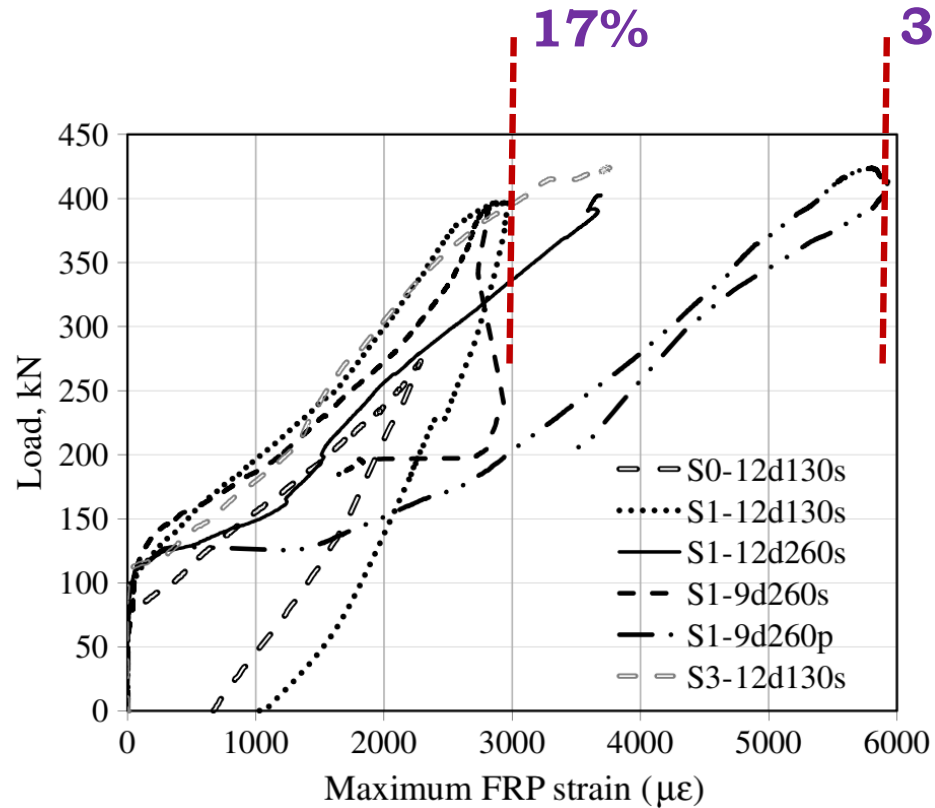
# Bond-slip behaviour



# Shear enhancement

Investigation	Remarks	Shear enhancement
Valerio and Ibell (2003)	10 beams retrofitted with AFRP and steel	85% (up to flexure failure)
Mofidi et al. (2012)	Large scale T beams	45%
Raicic et al. (2017)	Continuous T beams	70%
Dirar and Theofanous (2017)	Large scale: Deep beams	33%
	Shallow beams	96%

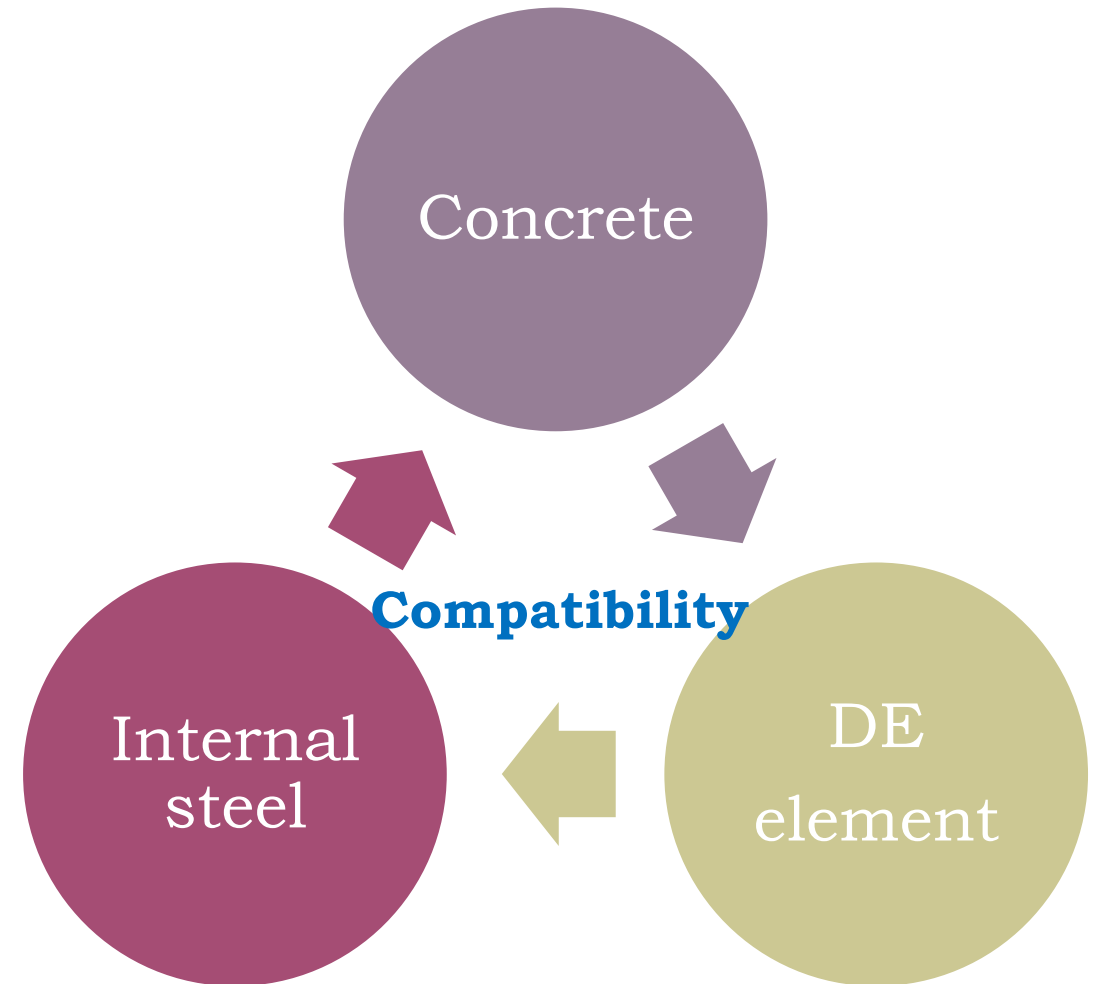
# DE element contribution?



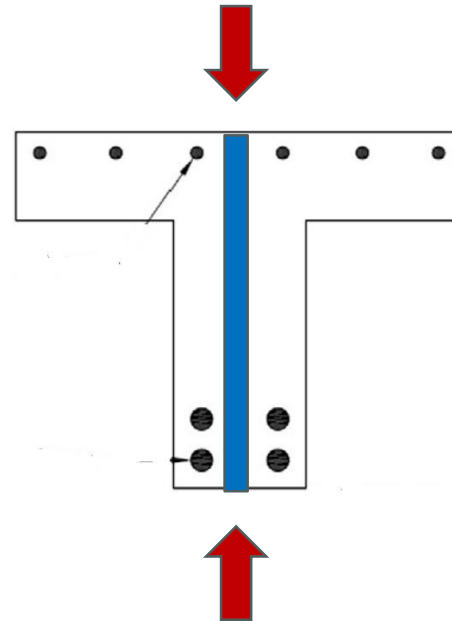
Mofidi et al. (2012)

# Efficiency?

Material	Strain capacity ( $10^{-6}$ )
CFRP	18000
AFRP	25000
GFRP	
Prestressing steel	10000



# How would it be if the DE bar is PRESTRESSED?

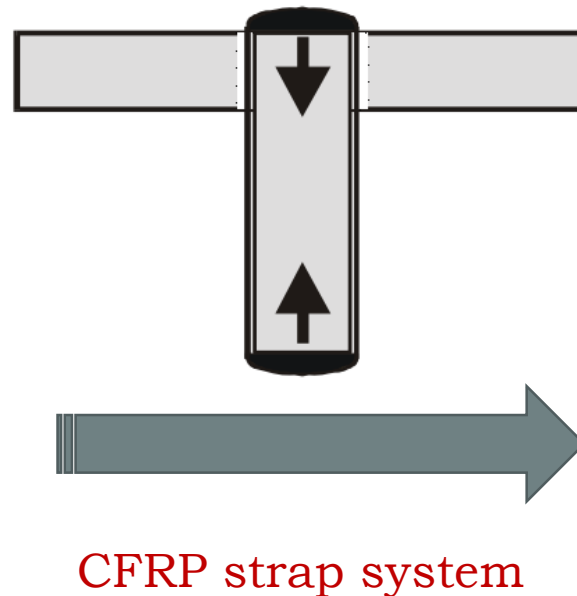




# Experience of prestressed shear retrofitting

## Work by:

- Lees et al. (2002)
- Kesse and Lees (2007)
- Hould and Lees (2009)
- Dirar et al. (2012)
- Yapa and Lees (2014)
- Etc.



Prestress application was impressive in terms of:

- ✓ Shear enhancement
- ✓ Serviceability performance
- ✓ Material usage
- ✓ Etc.

# Initial objective

*Assess the potential of application of prestress to the DE shear retrofitting system*

## Options

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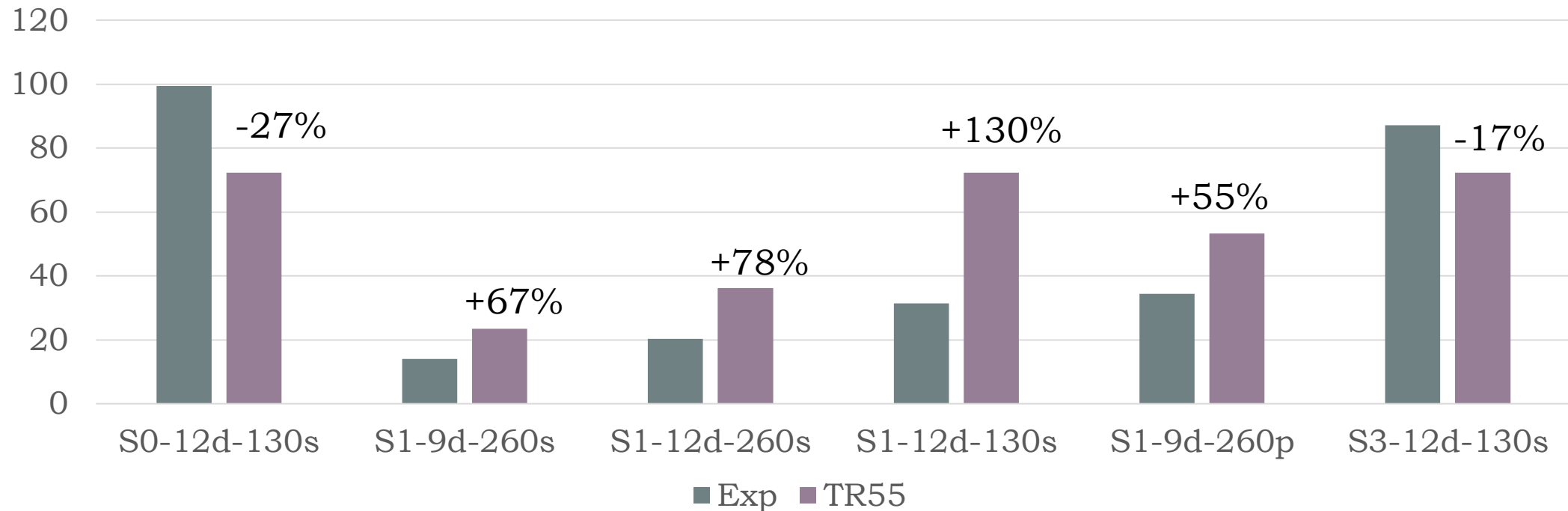
via predictions



# Prediction of DE behaviour

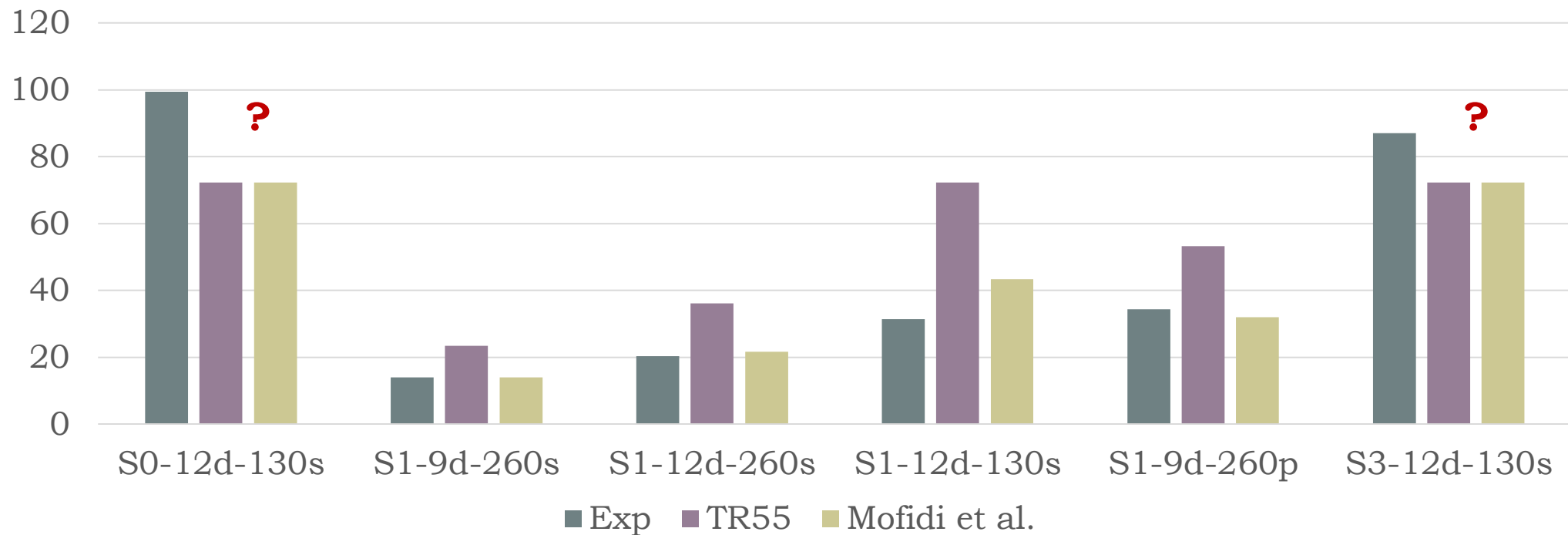
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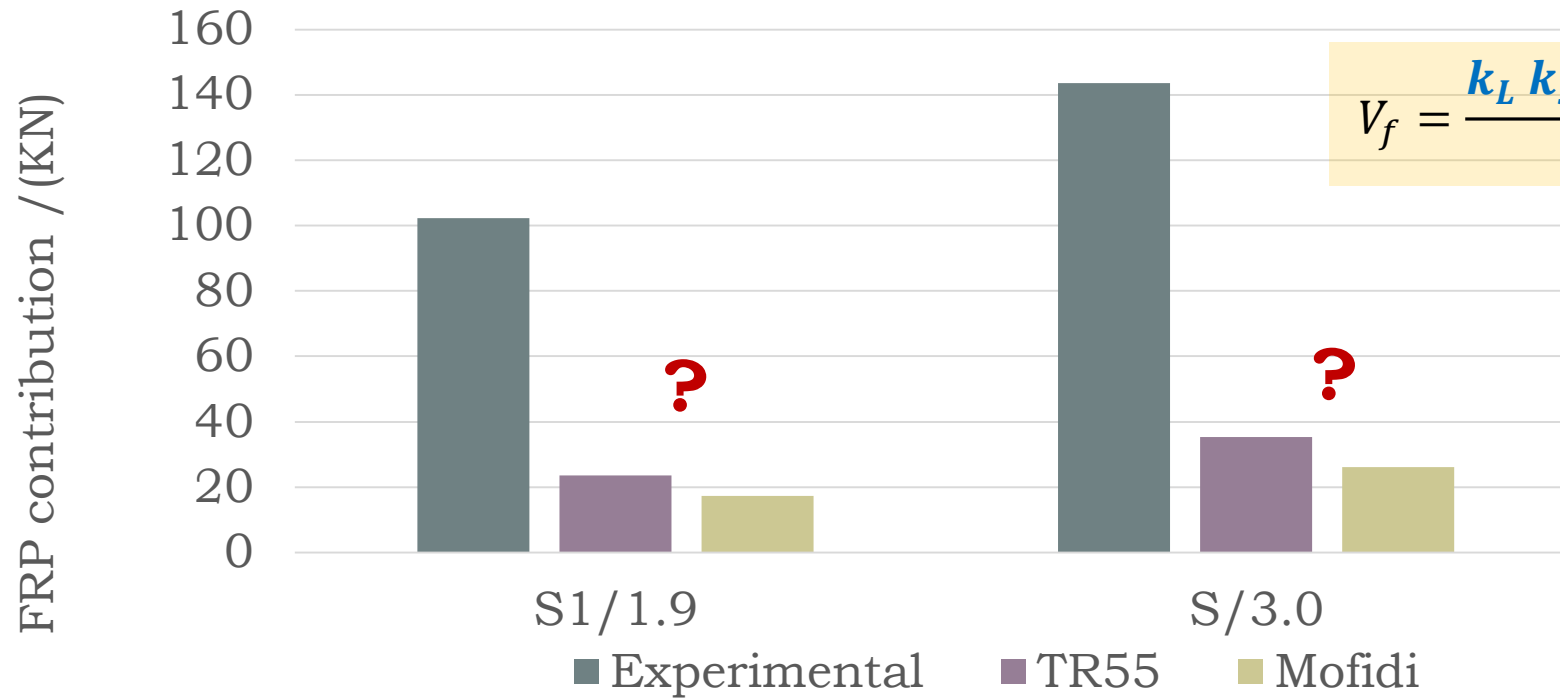


*Mofidi et al. (2012)*

# "Large-scale Reinforced Concrete T-beams Strengthened in Shear with Embedded GFRP Bars", (Dirar and Theofanous, 2017)

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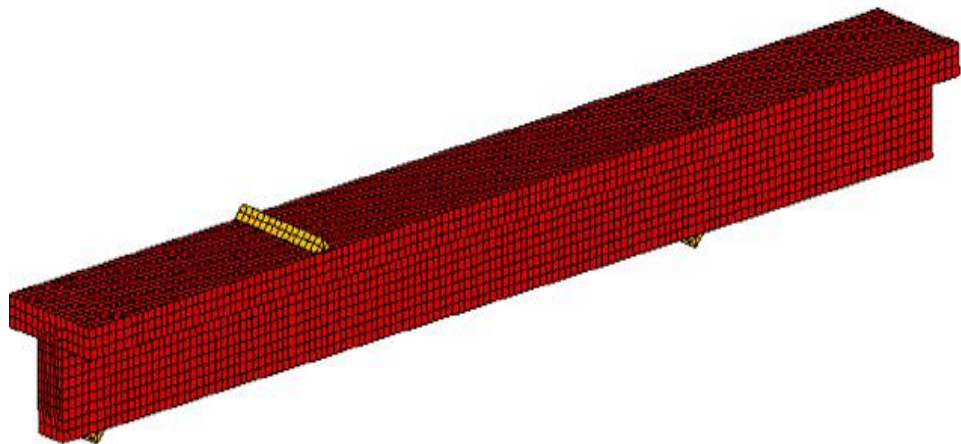
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# Numerical Modelling

Qapo et al. (2016) developed  
3D Finite Element Model for:

- Valerio and Ibell (2003)
- Mofidi et al. (2012)
- Qin et al. (2014)  
experiments



Geometry	Element Model
Concrete	3D Isoparametric 8 Node Solid Brick
Steel Plate	3D Isoparametric 6 Node Solid Wedge
Longitudinal & Stirrups	Truss like Elements
FRP	3D Truss like 2 Node



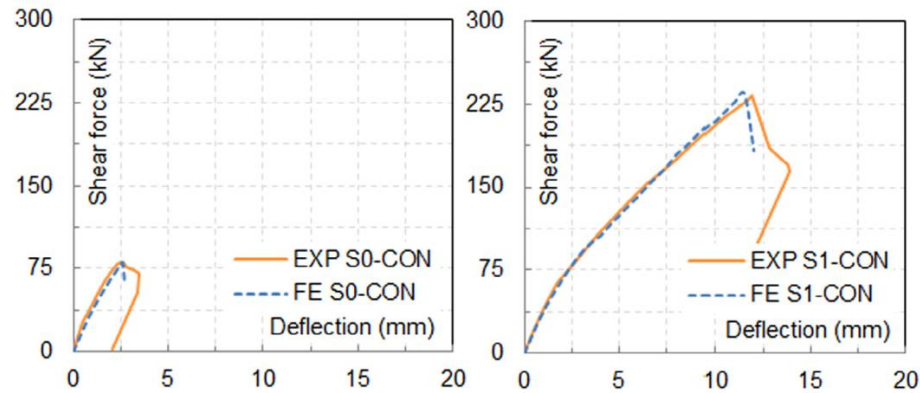
Concrete	Total Strain Crack (Smeared Rotating)
Compression & Softening	Thorenfeldt – Vecchio Collins
Tension Softening	Linear
Shear	<b>Explicit model was not required</b>

Steel Stirrup & Plates	Elastic-Perfectly Plastic Stress-Strain Model
FRP Bars	Linear – Brittle Stress- Strain Model

Interface	Model
Steel Stirrup - Concrete	Perfect Bond
FRP - Concrete	4 Node 3D Interface Elements BPE Bond-Slip Model

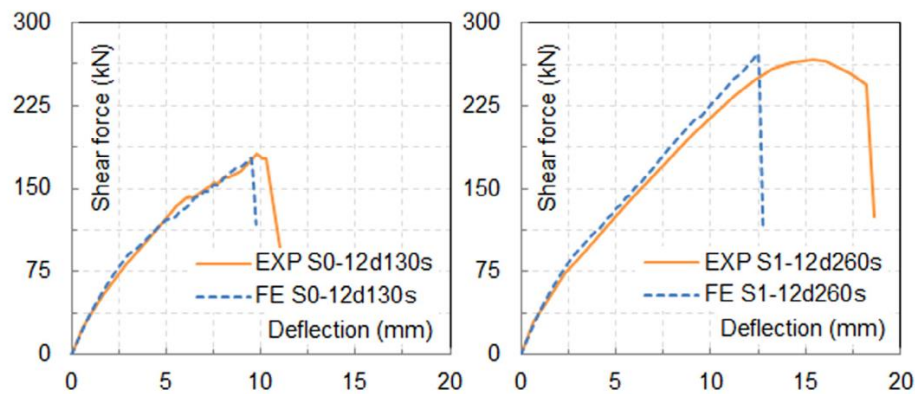
# Qapo et al.'s results

## Load-displacement behaviour



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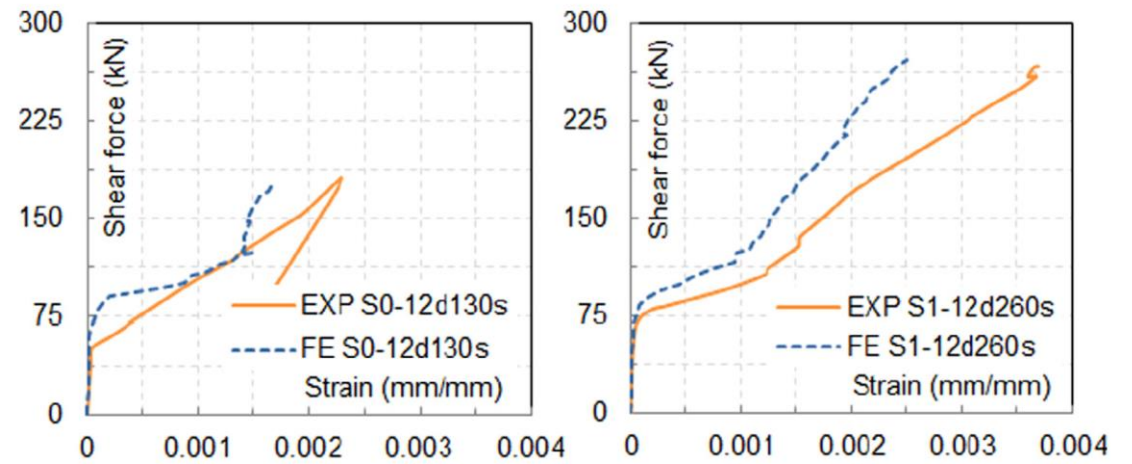
(b)



(c)

(d)

## DE strains

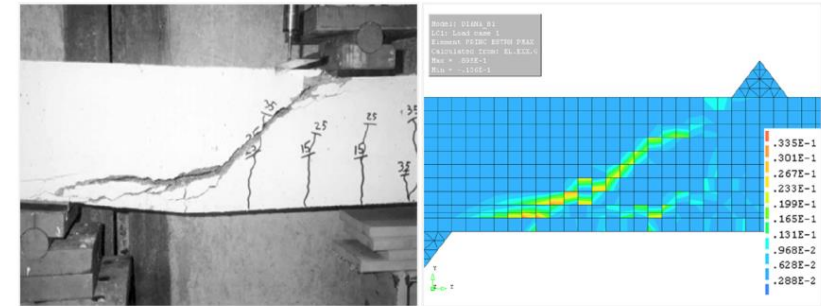
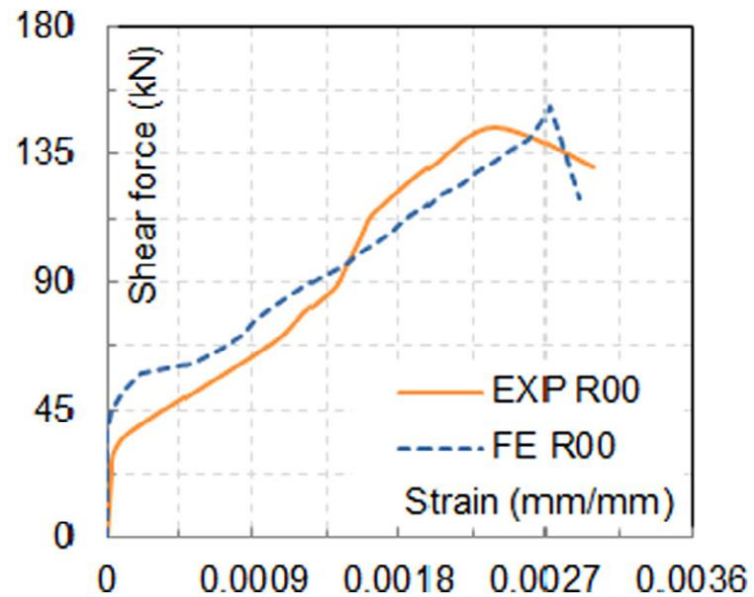


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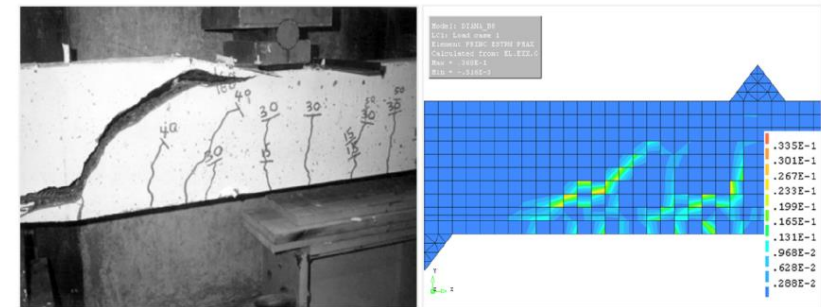
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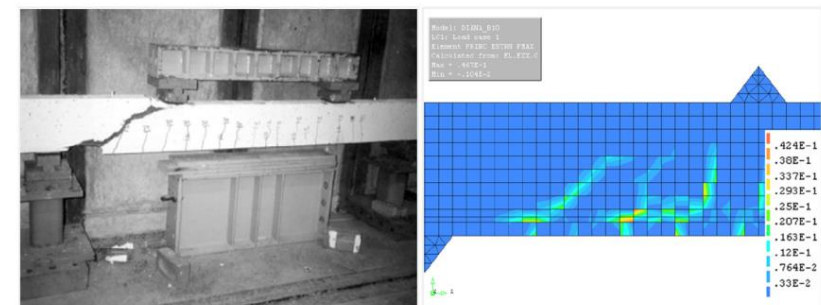
## Shear link strains



(a)



(b)



# Objective and scope

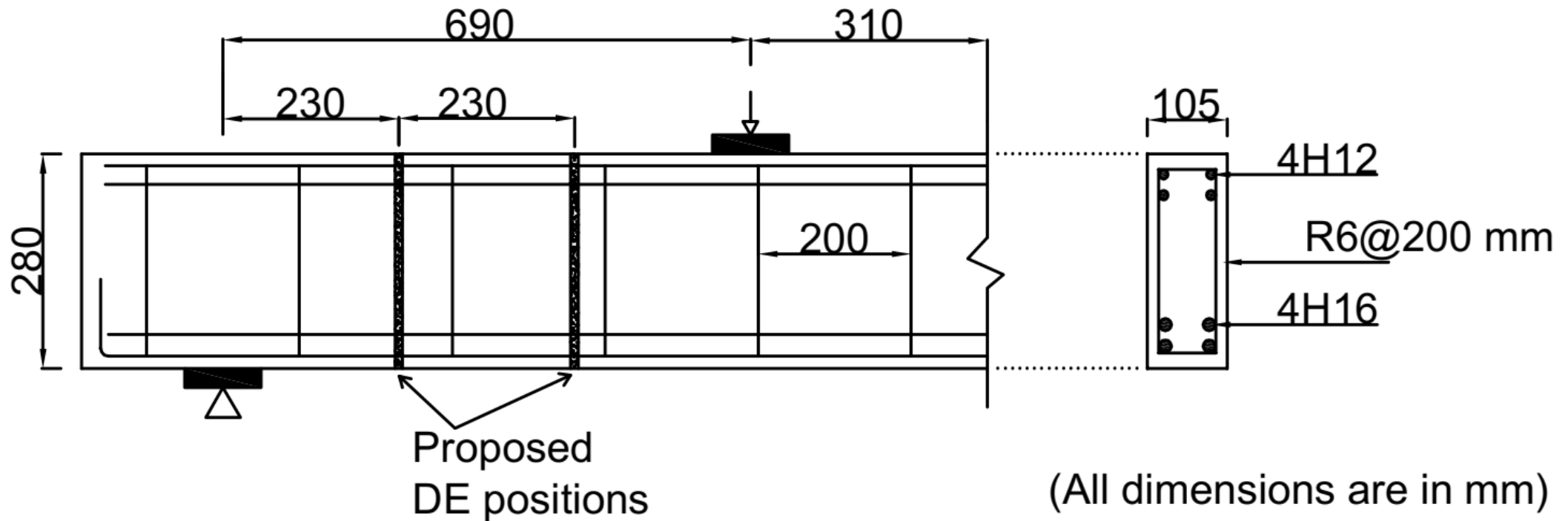
*Assess the potential of application of prestress to the DE shear retrofitting system via numerical analysis*



# Numerical investigation



# Geometrical parameters

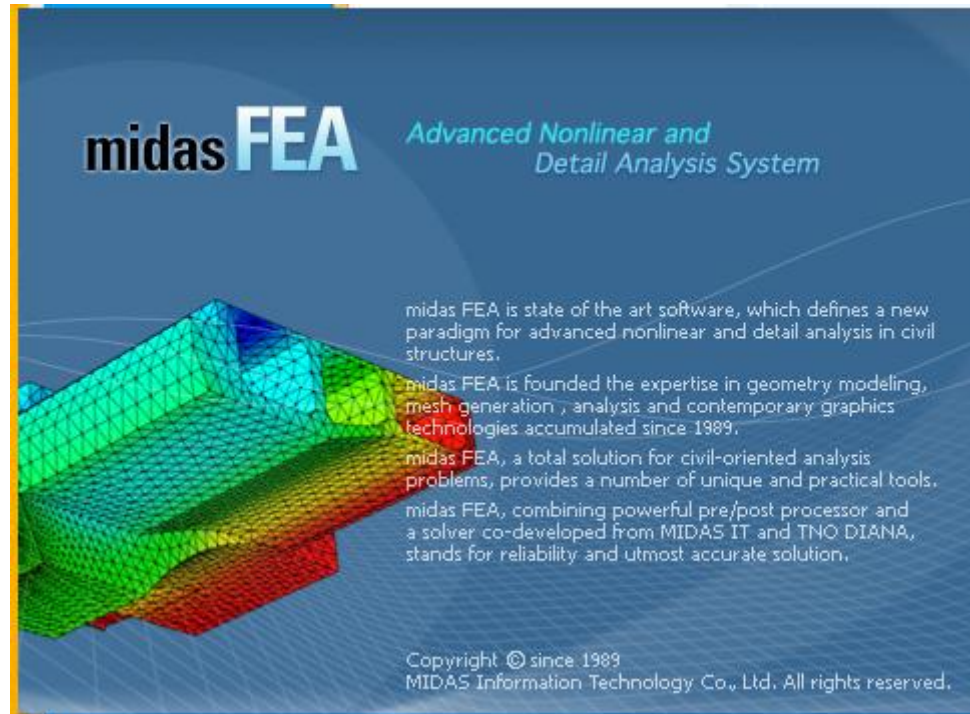


# Material parameters

Concrete	C32/40		
Steel	Tensile	H16	$f_y = 500 \text{ MPa}$
	Compression	H12	$f_y = 500 \text{ MPa}$
	Shear	R6	$f_y = 250 \text{ MPa}$
DE	CFRP	7.5 mm	$f_y = 2000 \text{ MPa}$
			$E = 120 \text{ GPa}$



# MIDAS FEA



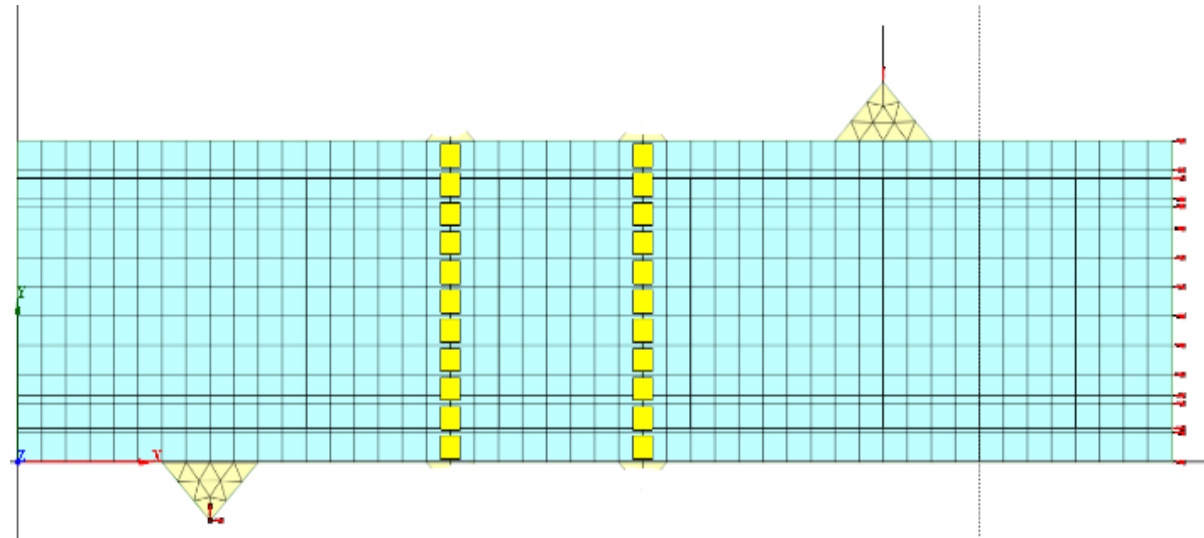
## Attributes

- Non-linear modelling
- Total strain crack model
- Construction stage analysis
- Bonded reinforcement element
- Availability of latest material models

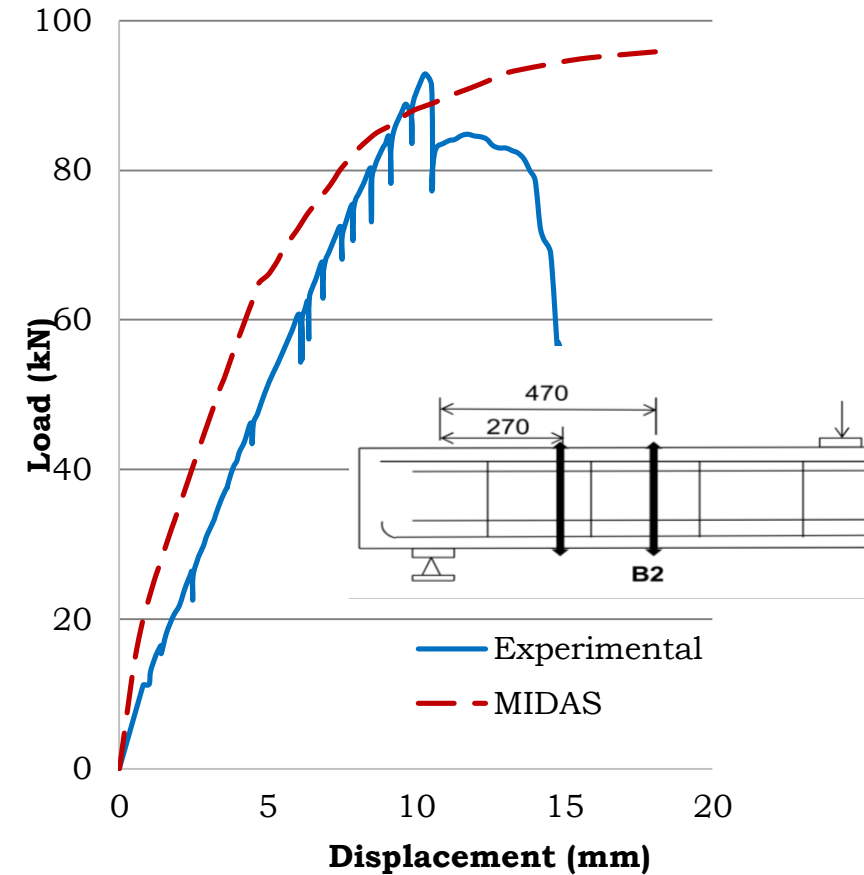
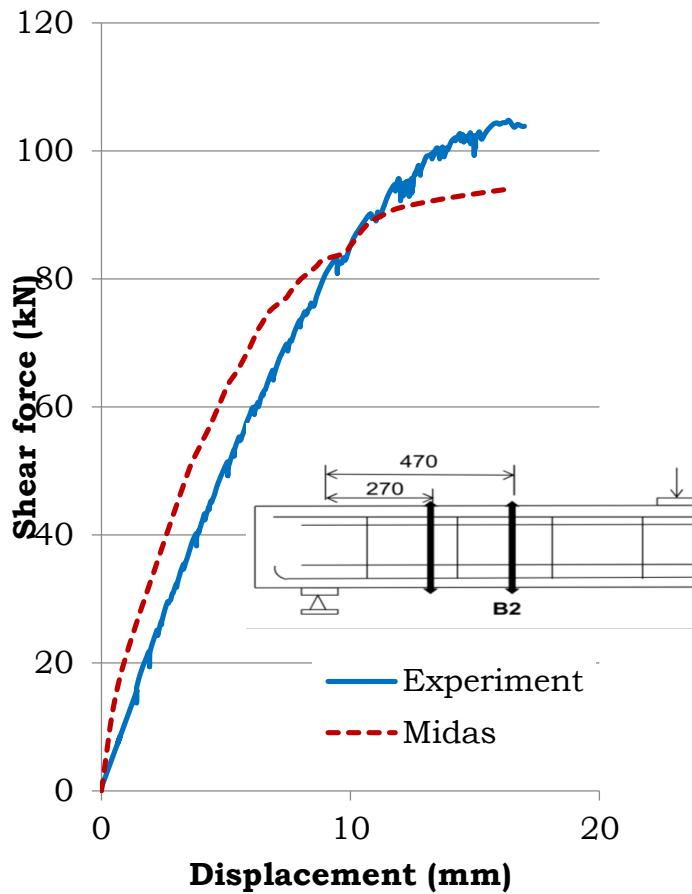
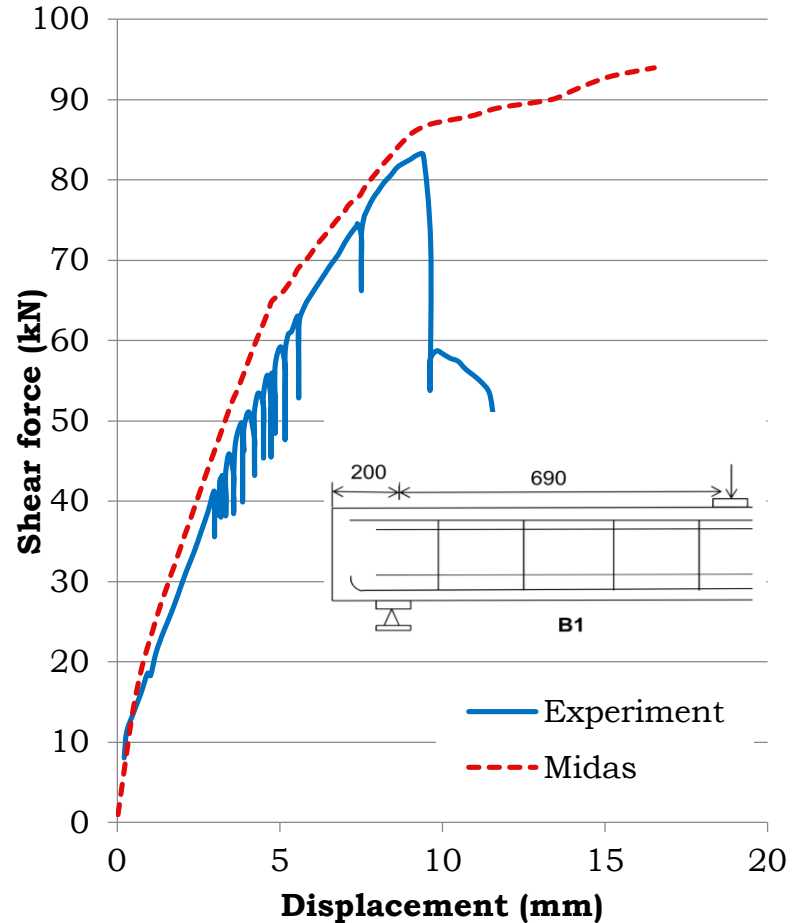


# Mesh parameters

- Beams
  - 2D isotropic plane-stress elements
  - Element size: 25 mm square
- Steel bearing plates
  - Triangular plane- stress elements
  - Elastic
- Reinforcement
  - Embedded 1D elements
- CFRP DE bars
  - 1D isotropic truss elements
- Bond - rigid



# Model validation (by Kurukulasuriya et al. 2017)

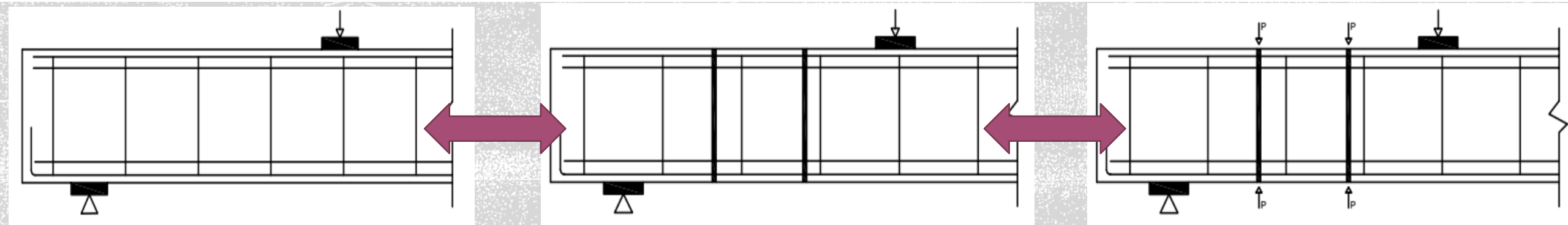


# Material model selection

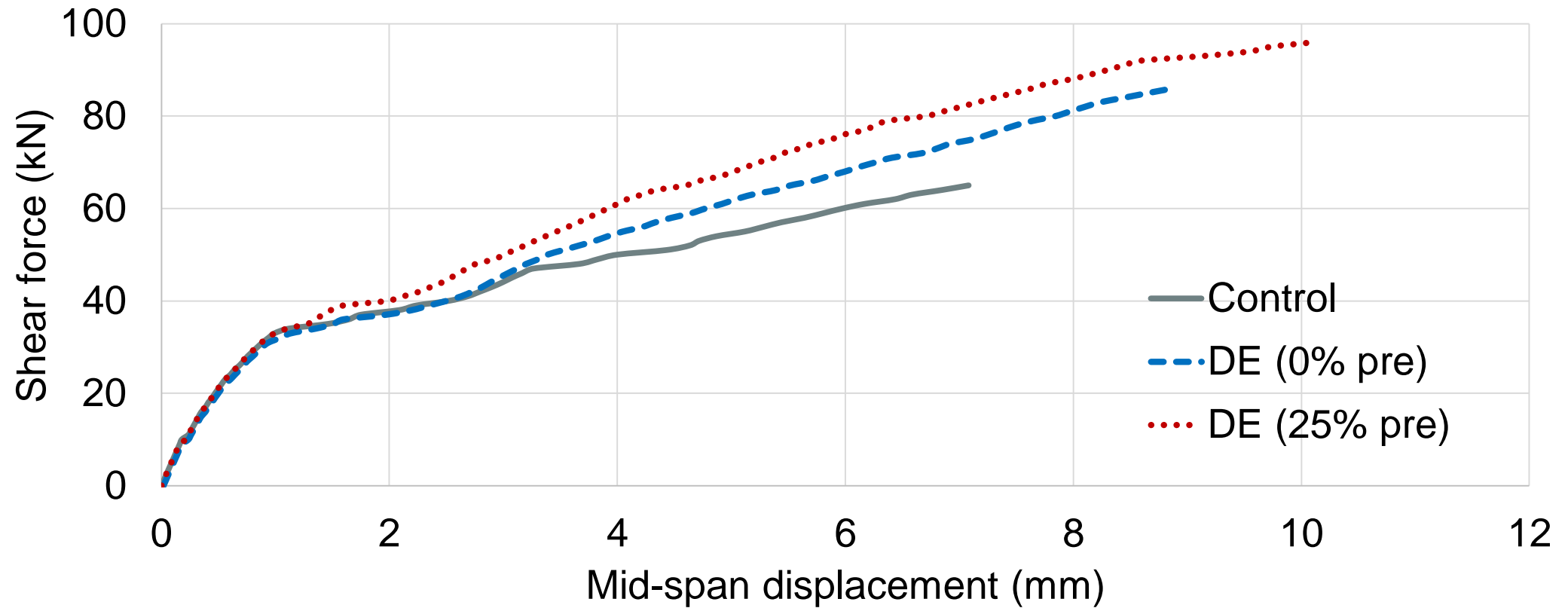
- Concrete compression: Thorenfeldt
- Concrete tension: Exponential
- Concrete crack model: Total strain crack model – fixed
- Shear model: Constant shear retention ( $\beta = 0.1$ )
- Steel reinforcement - Von Mises yield criterion
- CFRP DE bar – linear

# FE simulation results

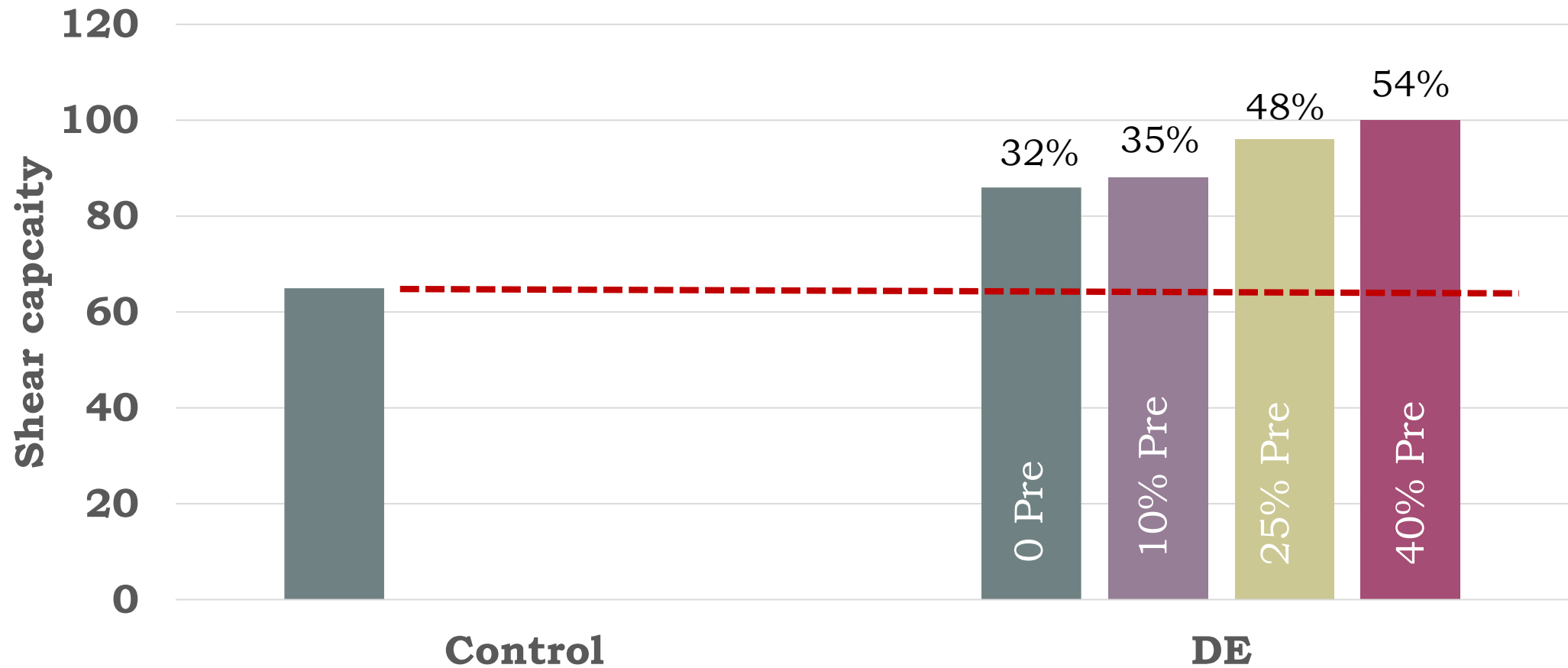
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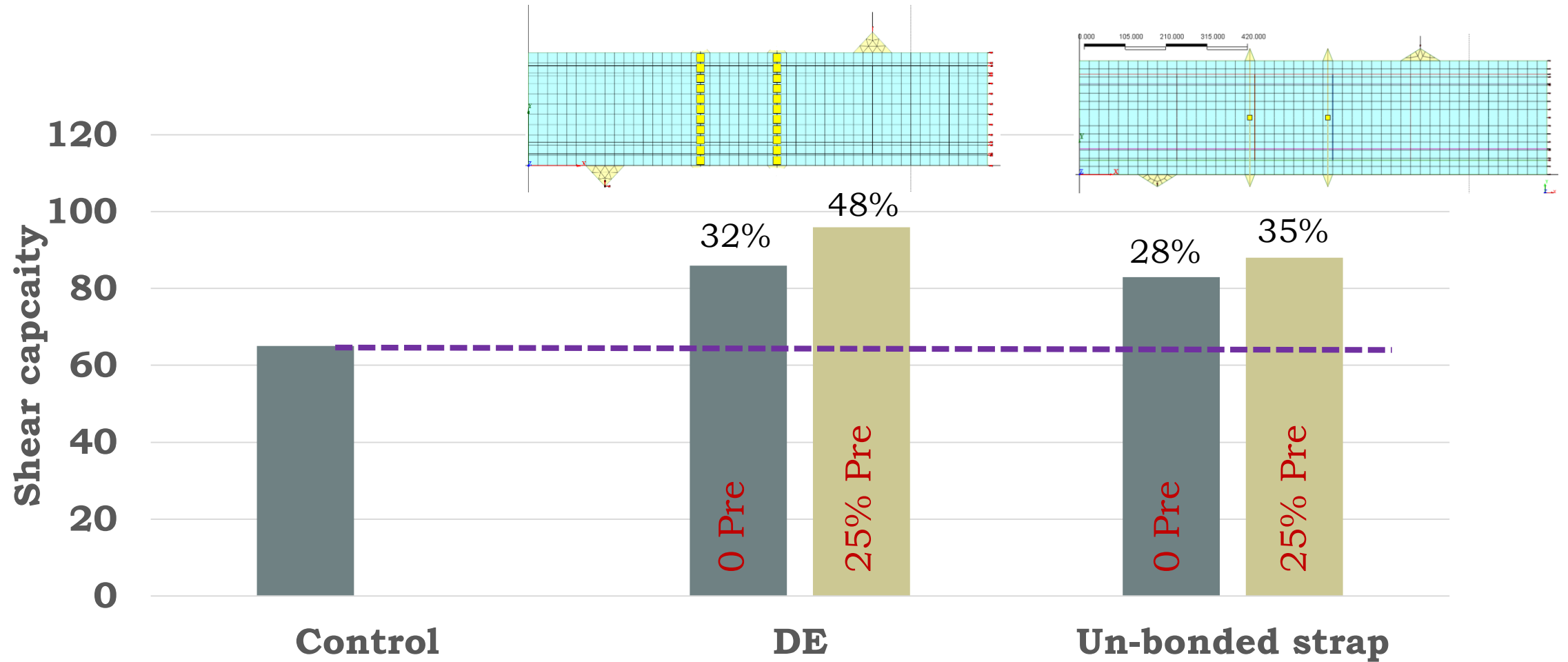
# Load-displacement profile



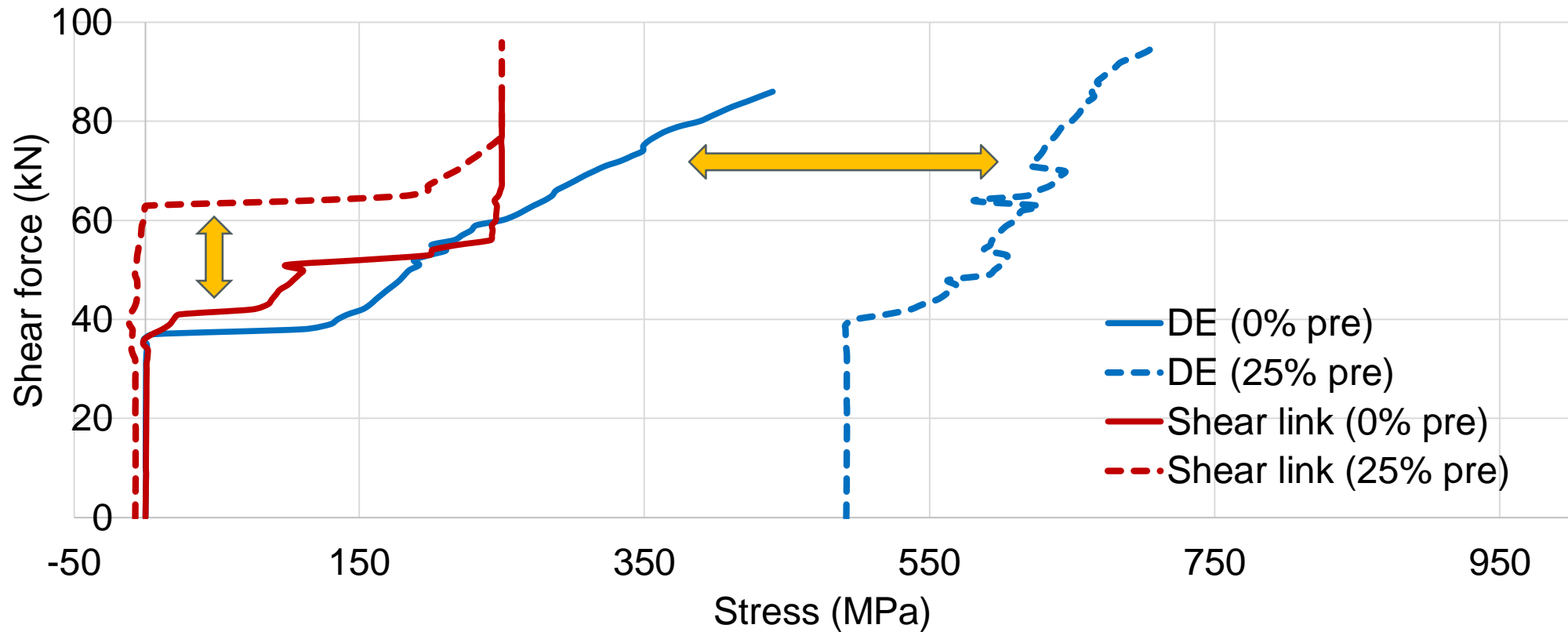
# Shear Capacity



# Comparison with the strap system



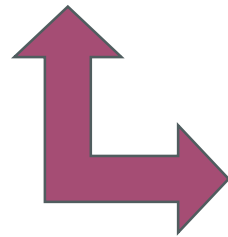
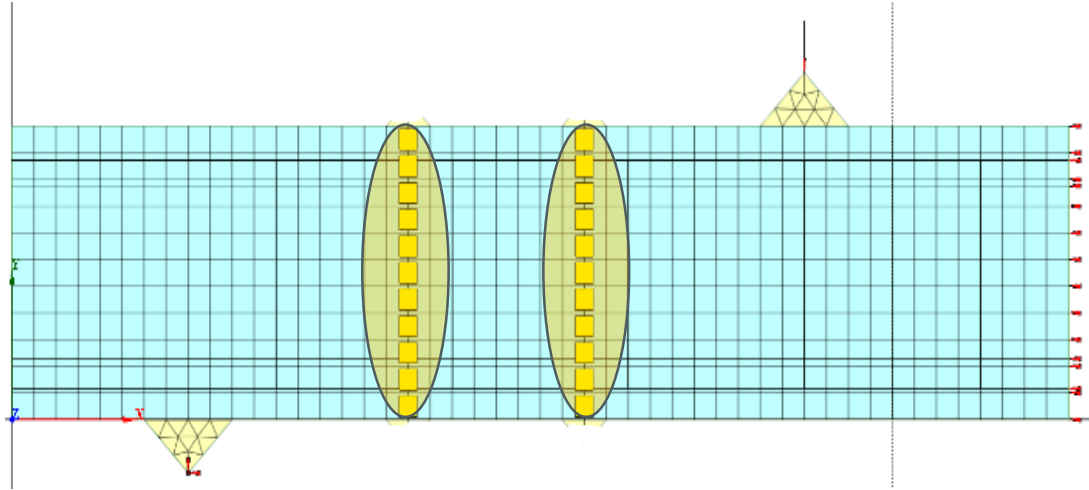
# DE & shear r/f stresses



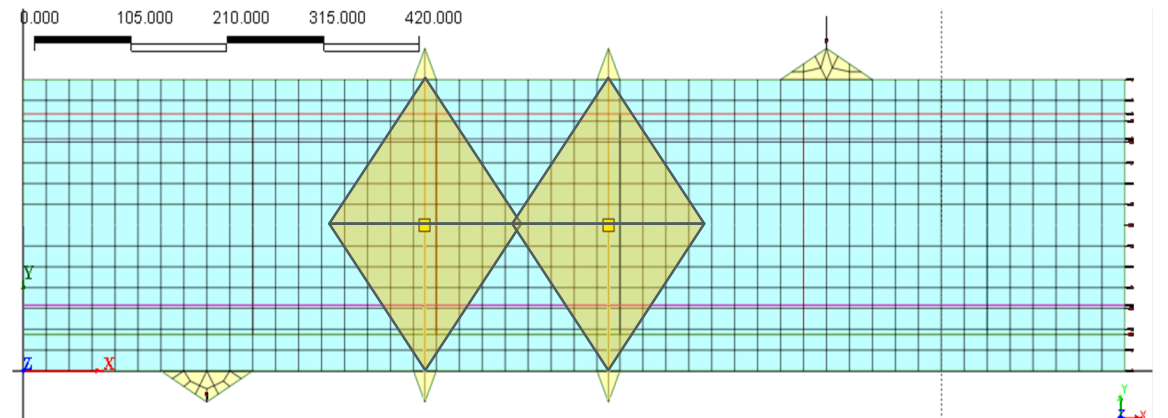


# How does prestress support?

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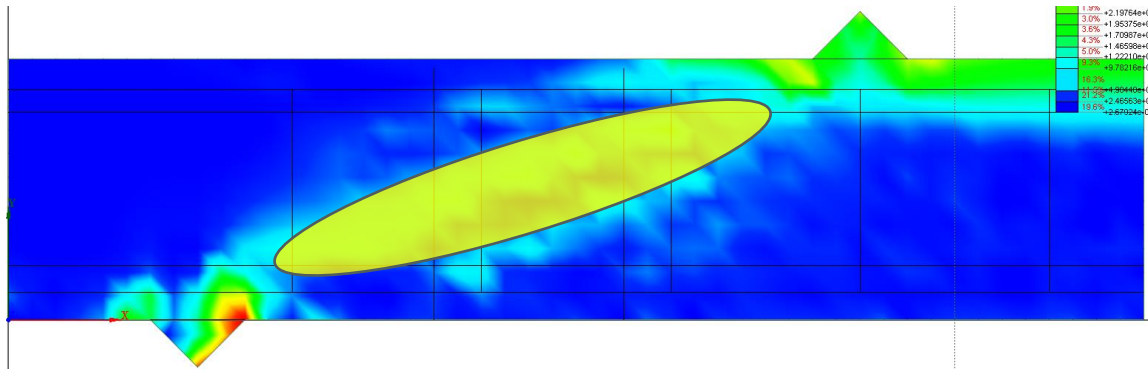


Prestressed CFRP strap

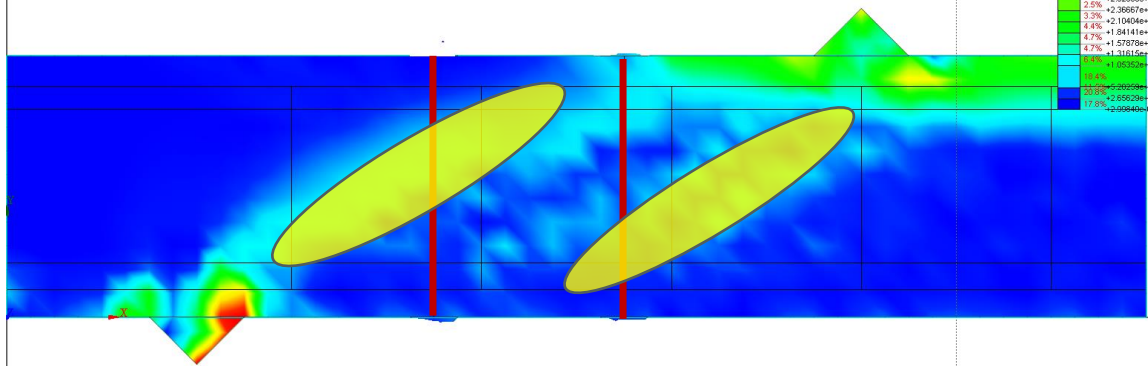


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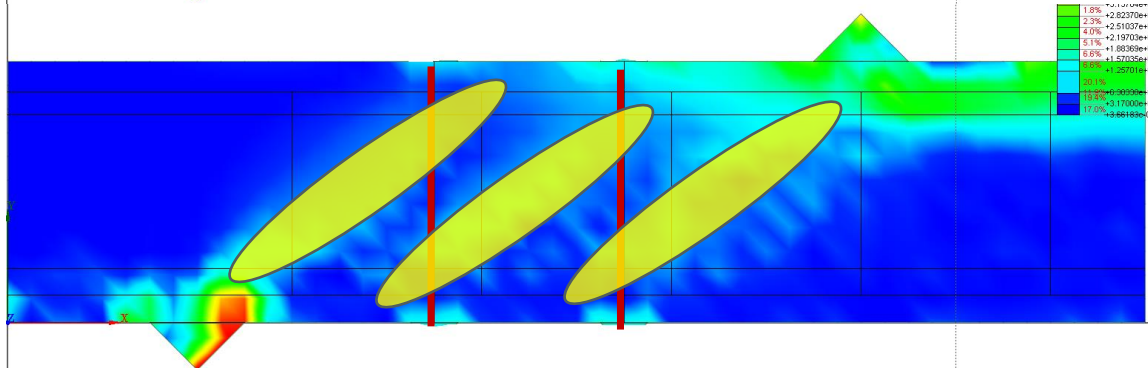
**Control**



**DE**



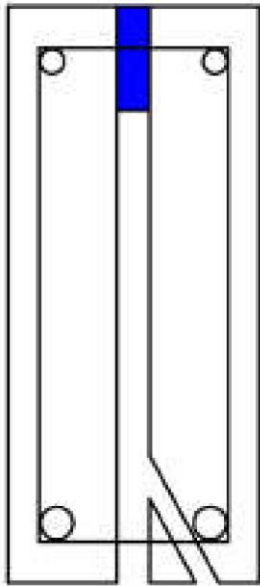
**DE +  
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**Crack angle**

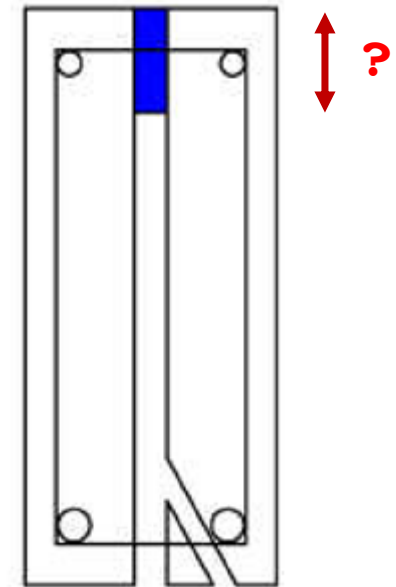
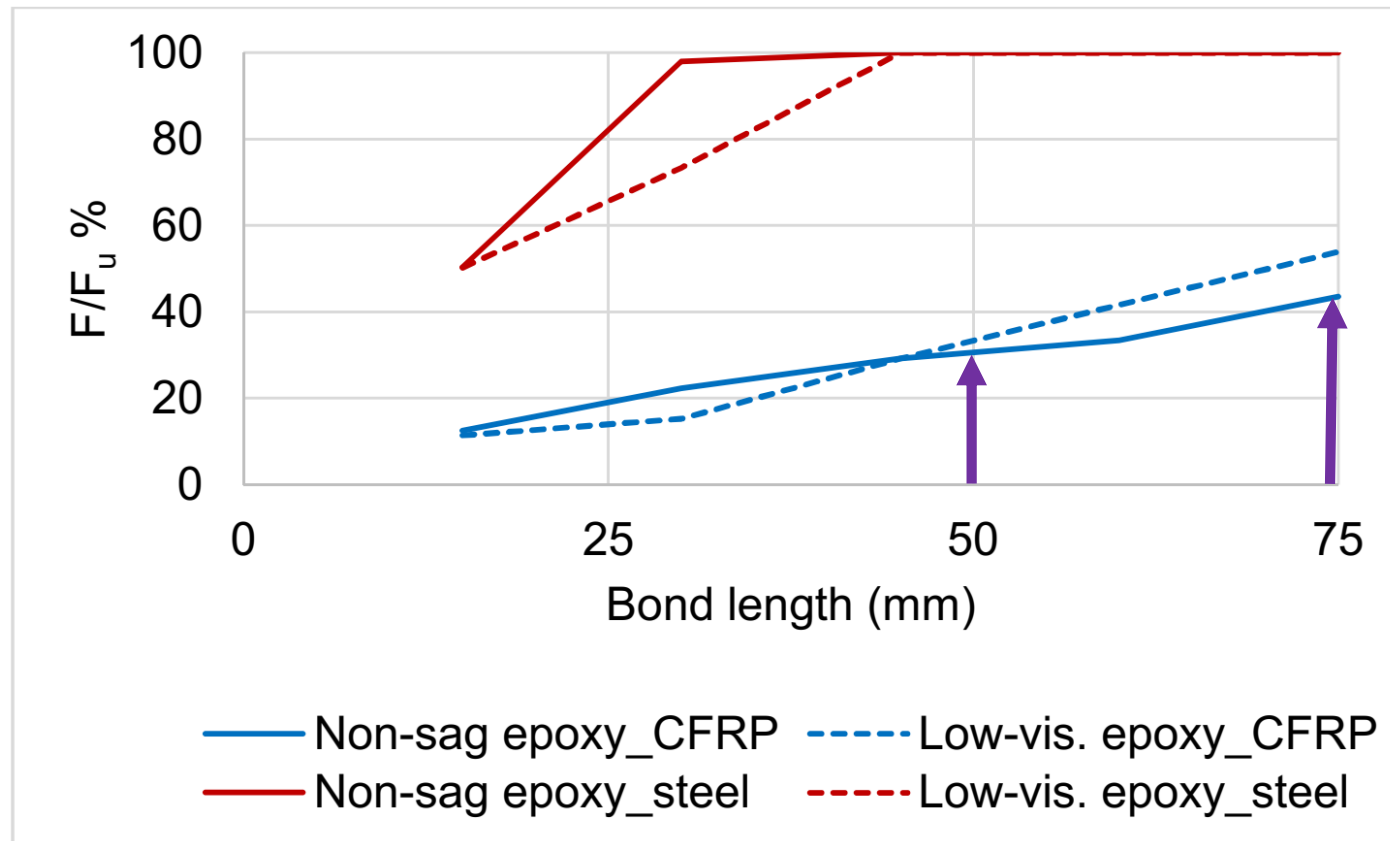
**Crack  
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# Prestressed DE system implementation



(a)

# How much bond length?



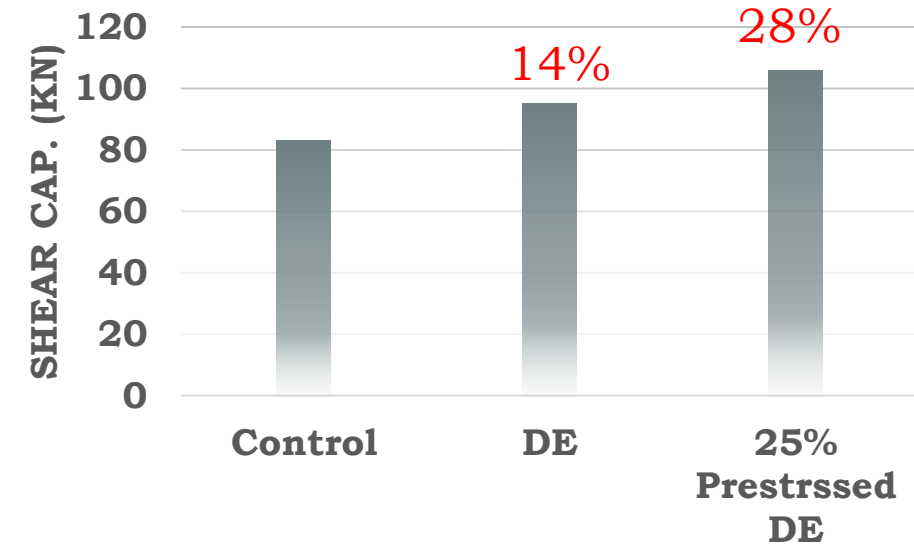
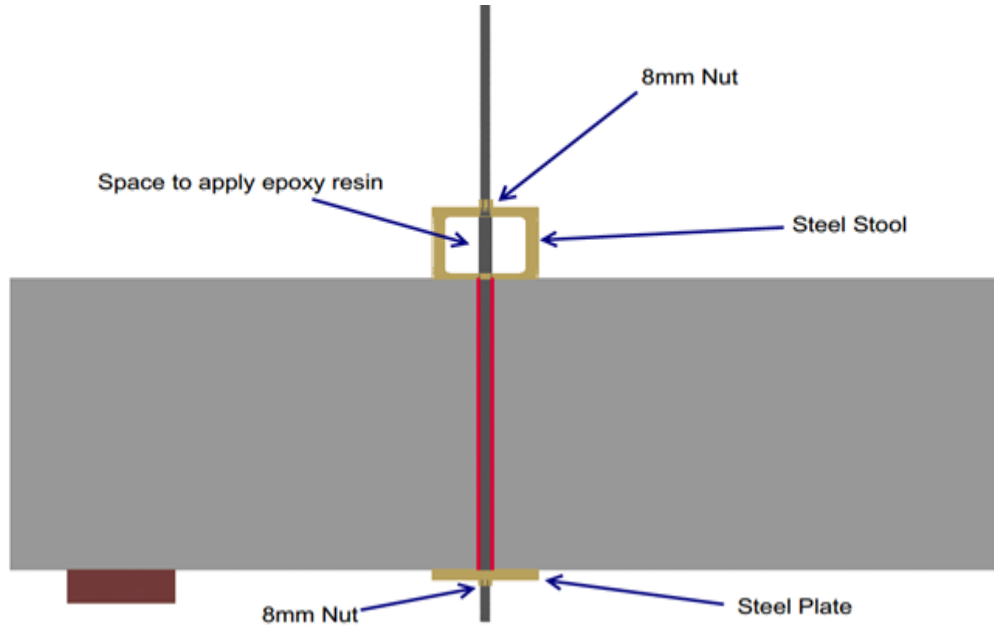
# Conclusions

1. The FE simulations show that the prestress application to the DE system was impressive and the load capacity, ductility and stiffness of the retrofitted RC beams were increased
2. The shear enhancement in the DE system could be escalated by 16% and by 22% when the DE element was subjected to 25% and 40% prestress, respectively
3. Considering the requirements on the bond and on the residual capacity of the retrofitting element, 25% prestress was deemed as a recommendable prestress level
4. The CFRP contribution towards the beam load capacity was more efficient in the prestressed beam than in the non-prestressed beam
5. The use of prestress in the DE system resulted also in better serviceability conditions for the beam.

# Challenges and future work

- Prestressing mechanism needs to be explored
- Experimental validation is essential
- Conduct more precise FE simulations to master the sensitivity of the DE shear retrofitting parameters

# On-going experiment (with steel DE)



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