Effect of Coarse Aggregates on FRP Strain Distribution in a FRP-to-Concrete Bonded Joint

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- Test results and failure modes
- Strain distribution across the FRP width
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J.L. Pan (2010)

Typical failure mode

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Theoretical bond strength models





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Numerical FE models



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Photo of a concrete sample



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2D mesoscopic concrete sample 2D plane stress/strain assumption





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Experimental test design







Test procedure



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Summary of the results

Test	C-1	C-2	C-3	M-1	M-2	M-3*
Failure mode	DB-SCI	DB-SCI	DB-SCI	BF	DB-SCI	DB-SCI
Peak Force (kN)	29.6	26.8	23.1	22.4	22.0	27.8
Mid-span deflection at failure (mm)	1.48	1.68	1.21	1.33	1.11	1.26



3 concrete specimens and 2 mortar specimens Debonding - shear crackinduced (DB-SCI):



Only 1 mortar specimen Block failure (BF):





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FRP-concrete specimens







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Strain analysis procedure



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The test results confirmed that the presence of coarse aggregates results in a remarkable variation (more than twice as much as that in mortar) in the FRP strain distribution across the width of the FRP.

The bond strength of FRP-to-concrete interface is significantly higher than that of FRPto-mortar interface.

Aggregates plays an important role in FRP-to-concrete bond behaviour, and the effect of coarse aggregates on the FRP-to-concrete bond behaviour should not be ignored in both theoretical models and FE simulation





Thank You

Do you have any questions?



