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Numerical modelling of shear connection between concrete slab and sheeting deck

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Introduction

Structural arrangement

Steel beam

Profile deck

Reinforced concrete slab

Frictional interlock Mechanical interlock – rolled embossments

• Failure modes



(I) flexural failure (II) longitudinal shear failure (III) vertical shear failure

Introduction

Performance tests





(b) Small - scale test

(a) Full – scale test

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- Scopes
 - (i) simplify the experiments
 - (ii) develop an advanced numerical model for the simulation

Experimental program

Short beam specimens

Geometry: 150x150x700

Type:

- Concrete beam
- Reinforced concrete beam
- Composite beam
 - half wave of an open through profile
 - with and without rolled embossments
 - ~3mm of rim



Experimental program

Short beam specimens

- Loading → four point bending
- Measured values \rightarrow mid-span deflection \rightarrow on all beams

 \rightarrow end-slip

 \rightarrow mid-span strains

on composite beams



Verification background for further numerical models

Numerical modelling

- Finite element model development
 - 1st concete material model
 - 2nd composite connection model

ANSYS

• 3rd composite beam model

Reinforced concrete beam model test #1

- Based on published experiment
- 150x250x2800mm
- Modelling parameters
 - Concrete:
 - Solid65 solid element
 - 4 required input data
 - 2 kind of failure surface
 - Reinforcement:
 - Link8 spar element if discrete
 - Material property of Solid65 if smeared

Quarter beam model:



Reinforced concrete beam model test #1

Input data	1/a	1/b	1/c	1/d	1/e	1/f
Concrete compressive strength	-1	69	69	69	69	-1
Concrete tensile strength	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1
Shear transfer coefficient for open crack	-	1-1	-	0.1	1	1
Shear transfer coefficient for closed crack	-			0.9	1	1
Failure surface	2D	2D	3D	2D	2D	2D
Reinforcement (d = discrete, s = smeared)	d	d	d	S	d	d

• Loading \rightarrow four point bending

 \bullet Small loadsteps \rightarrow velocity of crack propagation to be low \rightarrow numerical stability

Reinforced concrete beam model test #1



- Reinforced concrete beam model test #1
 - The numerical model show good accordance with published research
 - Type of failure surface
 - Type of reinforcement

- No significant effect
- Numerical stability by small loadsteps (slow crack propagation)

↓ control step ↓

- Reinforced concrete beam model test #2
 - New RC beam model by RC short beam experiment
 - Progressive model calibration

Reinforced concrete beam model test #2



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- 1) Full reinforcement, non crushing concrete, shear transfer coefficient=1
- 2) Without stirrups, non crushing concrete, shear transfer coefficient = 1
- Only tensioned reinforcement, non crushing concrete, shear transfer coefficient = 1
- 4) Only tensioned reinforcement, non crushing concrete, shear transfer coefficient = 0.3
- 5) Experimental results
- 6) Only tensioned reinforcement, crushing concrete, shear transfer coefficient = 0.3
- Crack patterns for first crack and final state

"Fictive" local model

Composite short beam experimental observations

Major factors in failure

(1) chemical bond,
(2) mechanical bond

effect of rolled embossments

(3) pull-out of the steel rim.

General factors → MODELLING

Short beam's specific factors

Local model construction





Simplified geometry



Material	FE in ANSYS
Concrete	Solid65
Steel	Shell181
Frictional interlock	Conta173-Targe170

Results of the local model



- Results of the local model
 - Runtime ~5 hours
 - Significant increase in runtime when increasing the model size
 - Efficient composite beam model
 - Embossments → spring
 - Spring constant → local model analysis

Parametric study by local models

Parameters:

- Embossment's depth
- Embossment's length
- Sheeting thickness



Expected results by experimental observations [1]:

- Deeper embossment → higher shear stress value (most significant)
- Longest length \rightarrow higher shear resistance (limit!)
- Sheeting thickness \rightarrow significant effect on stiffness

[1] P. Mäkeläinen, Y. Sun: "The longitudinal shear behaviour of a new steel sheeting profile for composite floor slabs", Journal of Constructional Steel Research, 49, 117-128, 1999

Parametric study by local models

Depth analysis

- Curve's character remained the same
- Increase in the load when increasing the depth at the end of linear phase

depth

• Significant difference in ultimate loads \rightarrow tendency not obvious

Depth [mm]	Load at the end of the linear phase [kN]	Ultimate load [kN]
10	0.3345	1.304
12.5	0.3588	3.488
15	0.4054	4.055
17.5	0.4095	3.184
22.5	0.4257	3.857
25	0.4340	4.055

Parametric study by local models

length

Length analysis

- Increase in load when increasing the length
- The difference between the ultimate loads in 10% range
- The change of length has not significant influence

Length [mm]	Load at the end of the linear phase [kN]	Ultimate load [kN]
15	0.3649	3.604
17.5	0.4054	4.054
20	0.4257	3.812
21	0.4340	4.055
22.5	0.4440	3.925
30	0.5292	3.936

Parametric study by local models

Effect of sheeting thickness

• Increase in stiffness when increasing the sheeting thickness



Concluding remarks

- Novel alternative of experimental analysis (short beam) for composite connection.
 - Tendency of the failure modes became traceable \rightarrow numerical analysis
- Adequate concrete and reinforced concrete model
- Numerical local model for fictive rolled embossments
 - Basic behaviour modes
 - Parametric study ↔ published experiments

Contradiction in the results of the depth and length analysis

Chosen experiment ↔ traditional push-out tests

Necessity of new laboratory experiments to prove the results

Pilot experimental investigation for local model calibration

Pilot experimental program

Special pull-out test

- 20x20x20 RC cube
- Embedded steel plate with one enlarged embossment





Thank you