



## LE SFIDE DELLA INDUSTRIALIZZAZIONE NELLA COSTRUZIONE E MANUTENZIONE DI OPERE SOTTERRANEE

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# HIGH VERTICAL LOADING CAPACITY FRAME

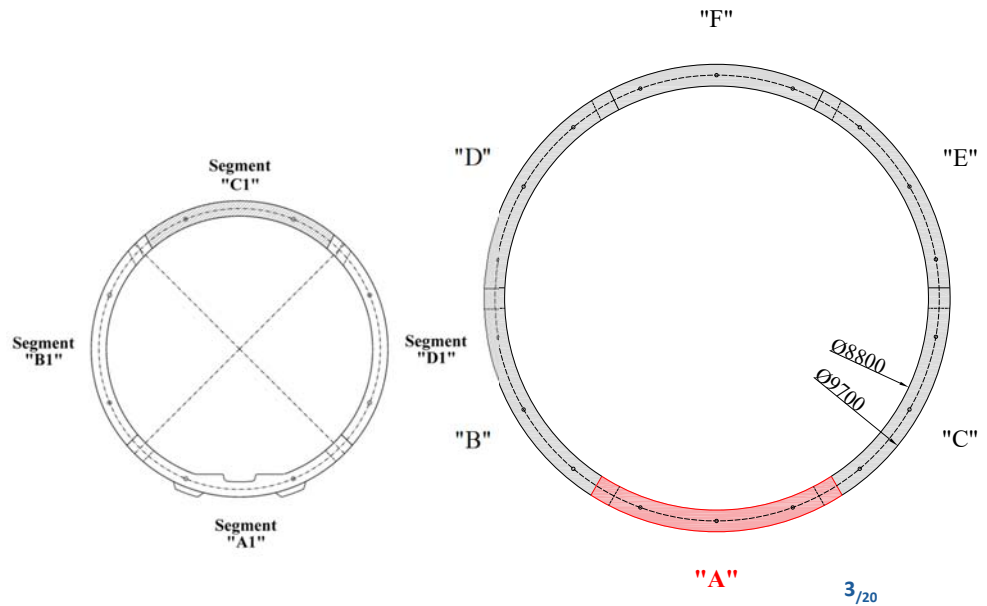
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## FEATURES OF THE REACTING FRAME

- Self-equilibrated system
- concrete beam 1x1x5 m + 6 steel frames
- maximum trust capacity: **16 MN**
- **different loading configurations**
- maximum sample height: **2 m**

## SEGMENT TESTED

- Internal diameter from 3.5 m up to 8.8 m



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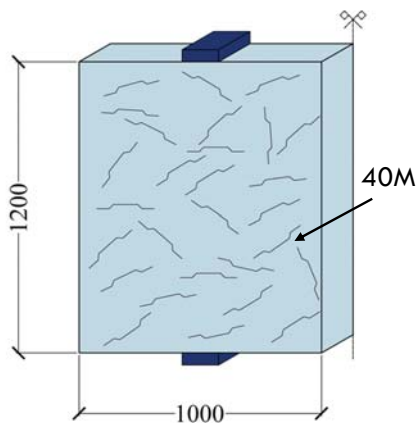
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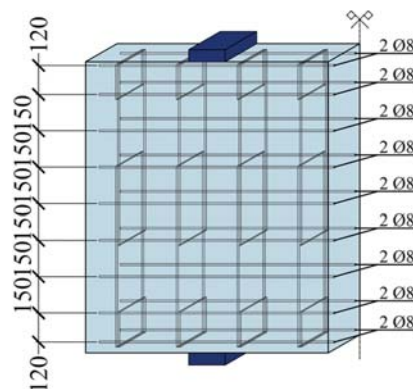
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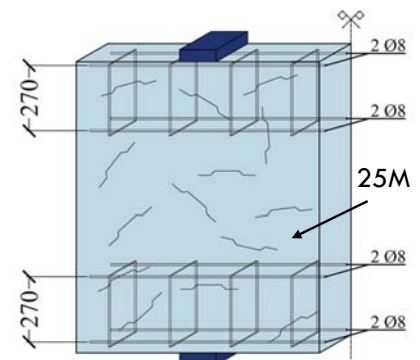
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SFRC-40M



RC



Hy-25M

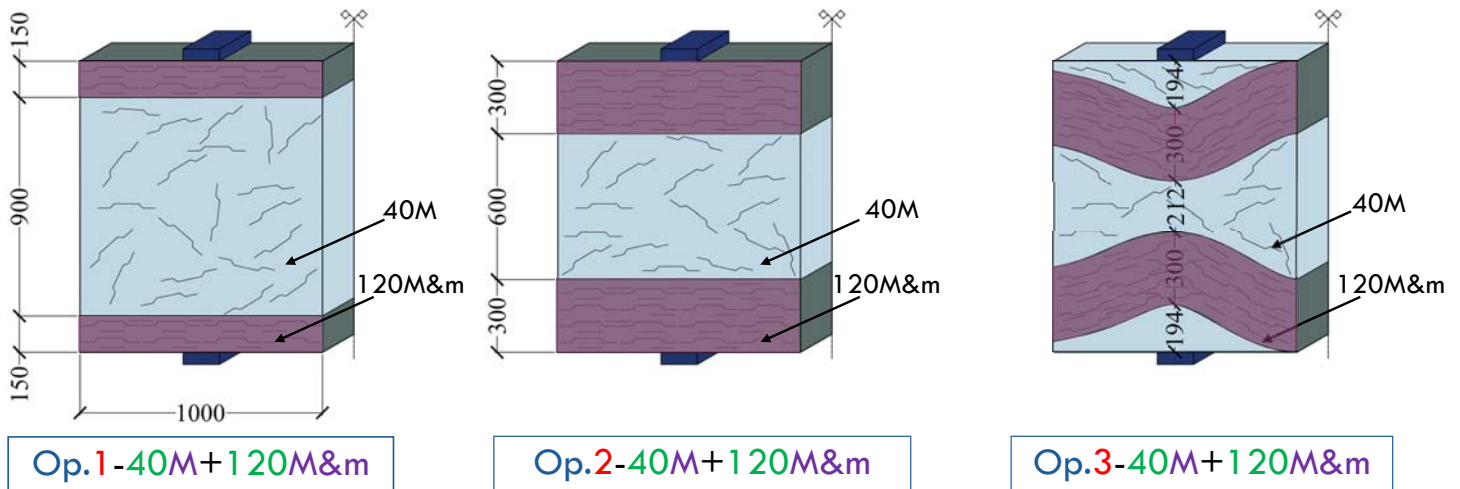


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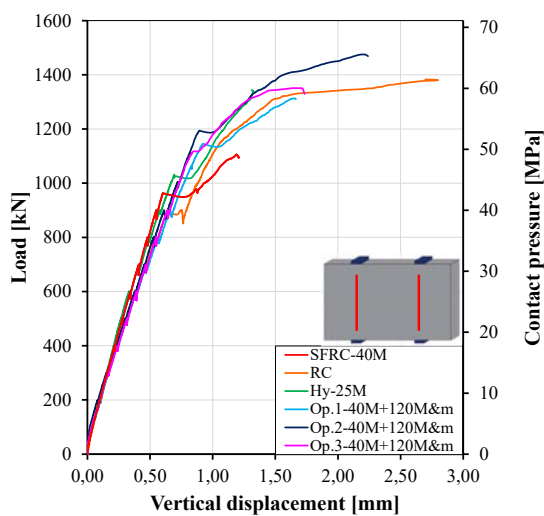


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ID	$f_{cm}$ [MPa]	$P_{max}$ [kN]	$\sigma_{max}$ [MPa]	$\sigma_{max}/f_{cm}$ [-]
SFRC-40M	50,2	1105,7	49,1	0,98
RC	43,9	1382,9	61,5	1,40
Hy-25M	48,4	1344,7	59,8	1,23
Op.1-40M+120M&m	44,7	1312,7	58,3	1,31
Op.2-40M+120M&m	47,6	1475,0	65,6	1,38
Op.3-40M+120M&m	47,0	1351,1	60,0	1,28



SFRC-40M



RC



Op.3-40M+120M&m



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# 1500 kN LOADING FRAME



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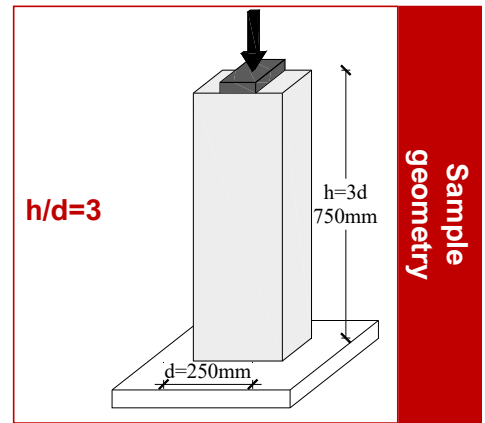
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## Experimental campaign:

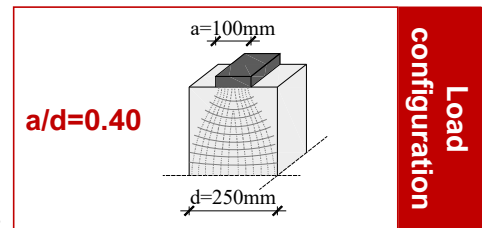
- prismatic samples
- line load configuration
- reinforcement solutions:
  - fibres only
  - rebars only
- two casting directions

## Fibre types:

	60/65	30/80
Material	steel	steel
Shape	double hooked end	hooked end
Diameter [mm]	0.90	0.38
Length [mm]	60	30
Aspect ratio [-]	65	80
Dosage [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	25-40-60	25-40-60



Sample geometry



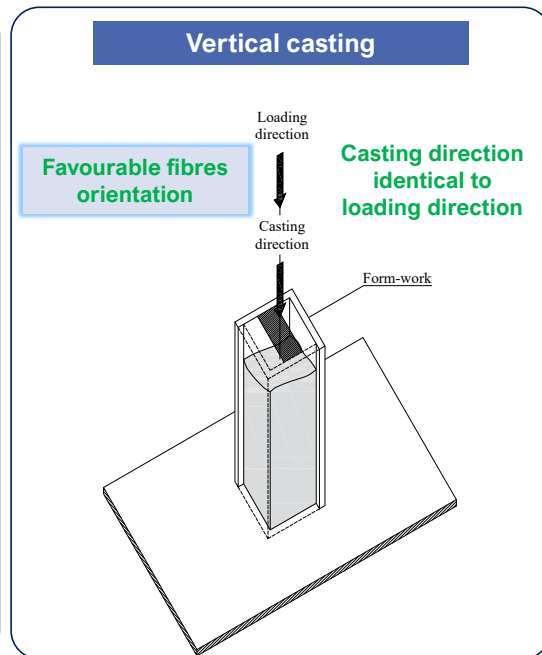
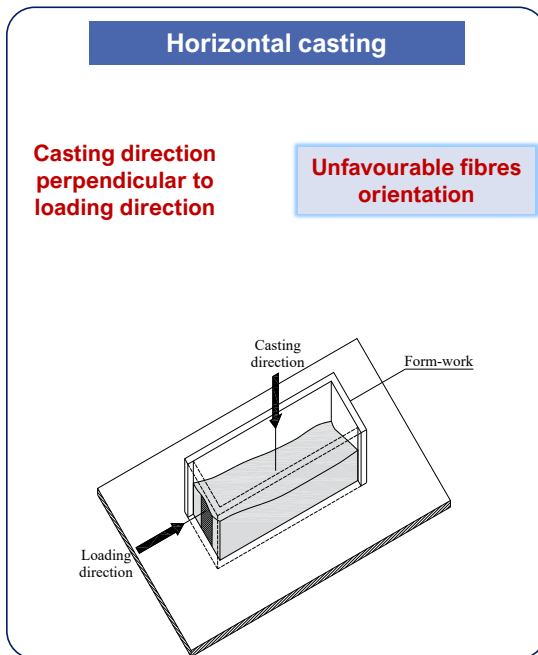
Load configuration



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ID	N° of samples	Fibre type	Fibre dosage [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Steel reinfo.	Base concrete	Casting direction
60/65-25	3	60/65	25	-	SFRC25	Vertical
60/65-40	3	60/65	40	-	SFRC40	Vertical
60/65-40H	3	60/65	40	-	SFRC40	Horizontal
60/65-60	3	60/65	60	-	SFRC60	Vertical
30/80-25	3	30/80	25	-	SFRC25	Vertical
30/80-40	3	30/80	40	-	SFRC40	Vertical
30/80-40H	3	30/80	40	-	SFRC40	Horizontal
30/80-60	3	30/80	60	-	SFRC60	Vertical
RC-0.6	3	-	-	Φ8/65	PC	Vertical
RC-1.0	3	-	-	Φ8/40	PC	Vertical



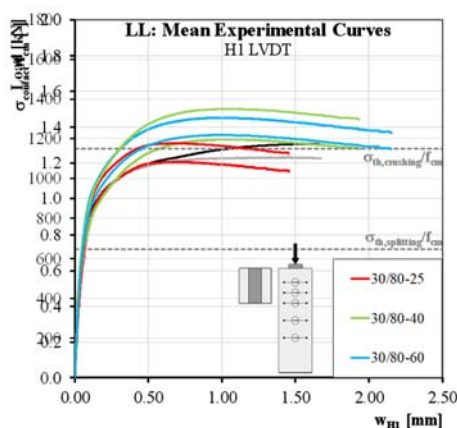
rebars



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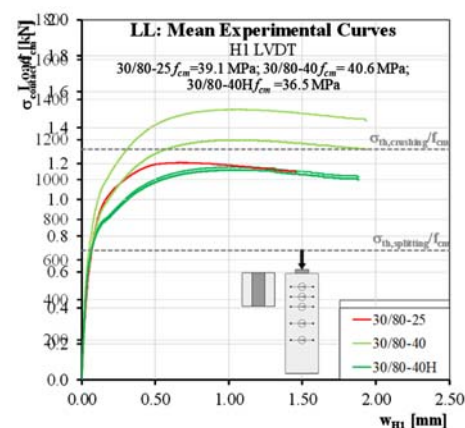
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40 kg/m<sup>3</sup> of steel fibres ( $f_{R1m}=4.2-5.5$  MPa) change the failure mode from splitting to crushing

60 kg/m<sup>3</sup> of steel fibres ( $f_{R1m}=6.7-6.5$  MPa) guaranteeing a stiffer response than RC solution



Casting direction influences the maximum load and the failure mechanism, thus the post-cracking behaviour of specimens is affected by casting direction



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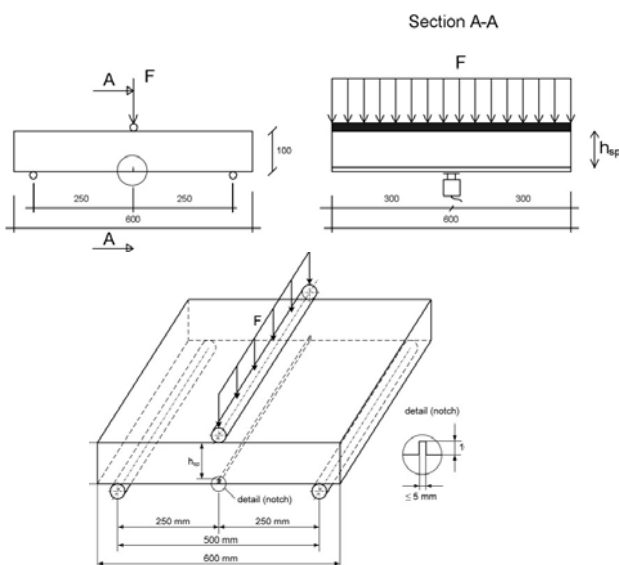
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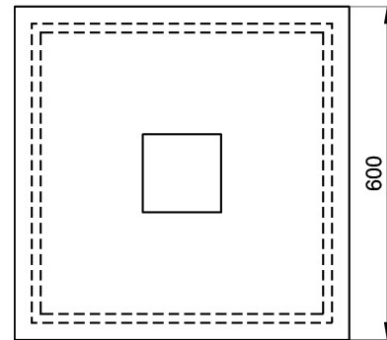
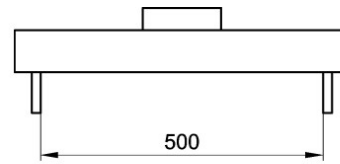
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## Tests according EN14488-5



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