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# A numerical approach to (bond) behavior of GFRP bars with concrete

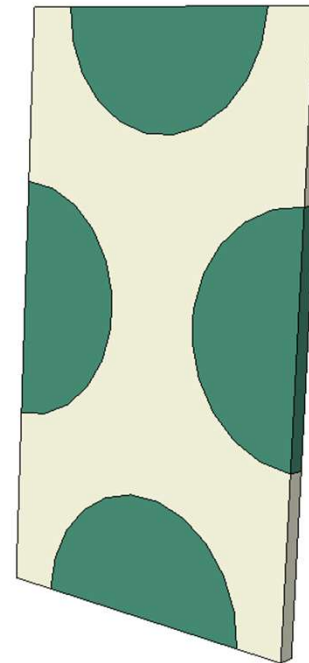
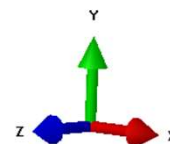
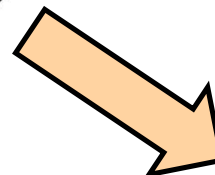
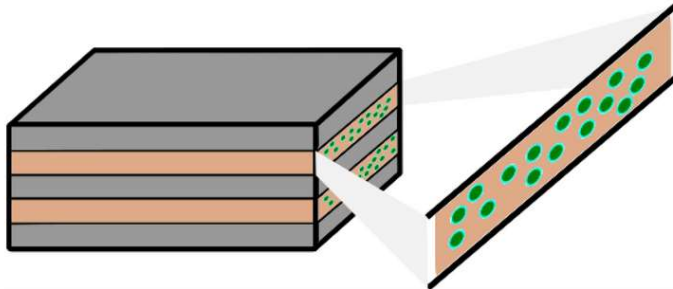
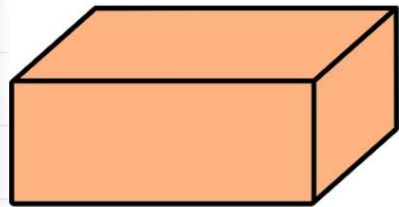


# Material model - composites

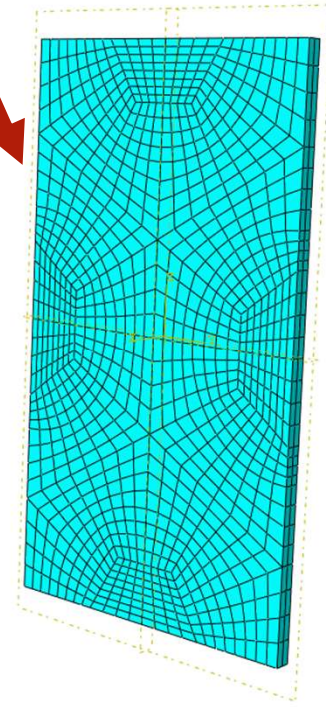
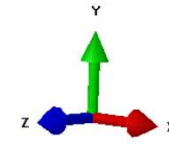
macromechanic

mesomechanic

micromechanic



**RVE**



*level of  
details*

*geometry  
model*

*finite  
model*



# Material model – composites - matrix

*Biresin CR141*                    *100*  
+                                        :  
*Biresin CH141*                   *90*  
+                                        :  
*Biresin CA141*                   *2*

Quantity	Norm	Value	unit
Tensile strength	ISO 527	78	MPa
Young modulus (tensile)	ISO 527	3.2	GPa
Maximum elongation	ISO 527	3.3	%
Flexural strength	ISO 178	145	MPa
Young modulus (flexural)	ISO 178	3.1	MPa
Dens	ISO 1183	1.2	g·cm <sup>-3</sup>



# Material model – composites - fibres

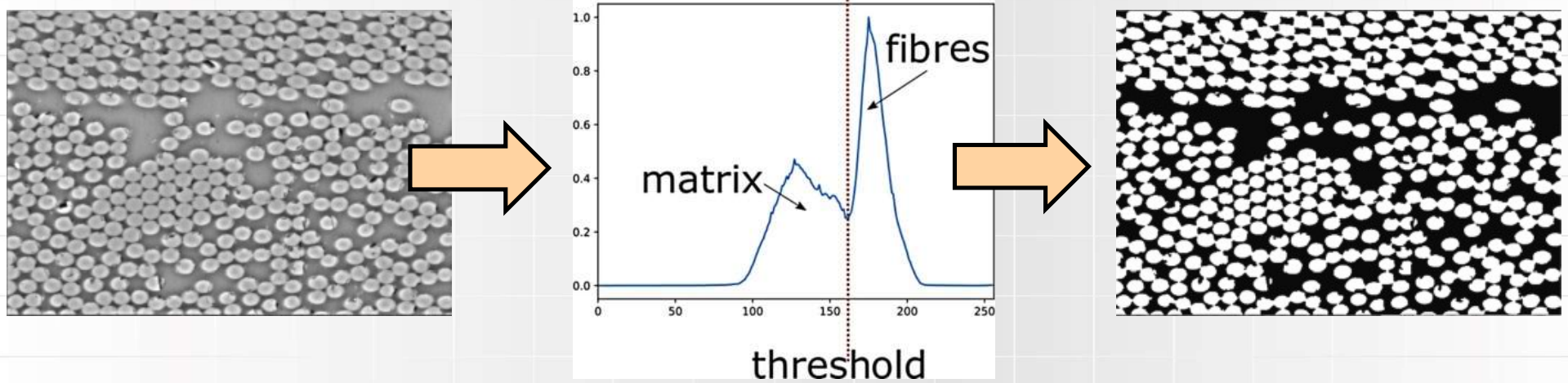


***pultrusion roving  
4800 tex  
John Manville***

glass fiber	$E_1$ [MPa]	$E_2$ [MPa]	$E_3$ [MPa]	$\nu_{12}$ [-]	$\nu_{13}$ [-]	$\nu_{23}$ [-]	$G_1$ [MPa]	$G_2$ [MPa]	$G_3$ [MPa]
values	73000	73000	73000	0.2	0.2	0.2	30416	30416	30416



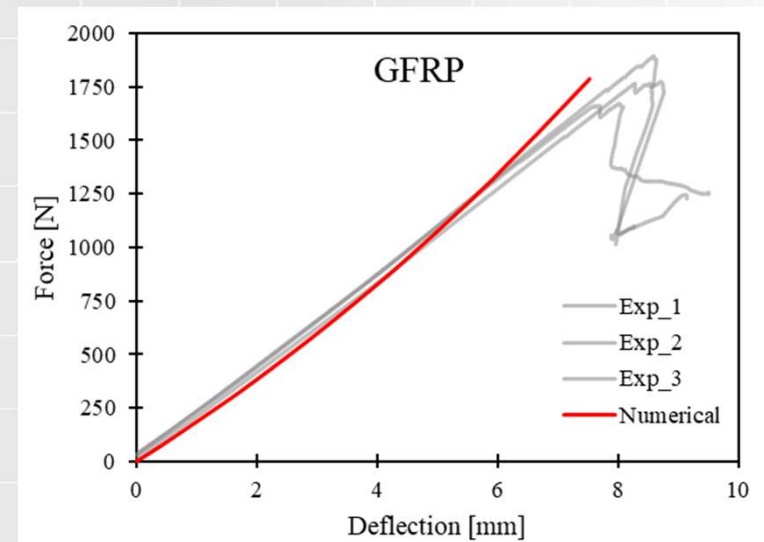
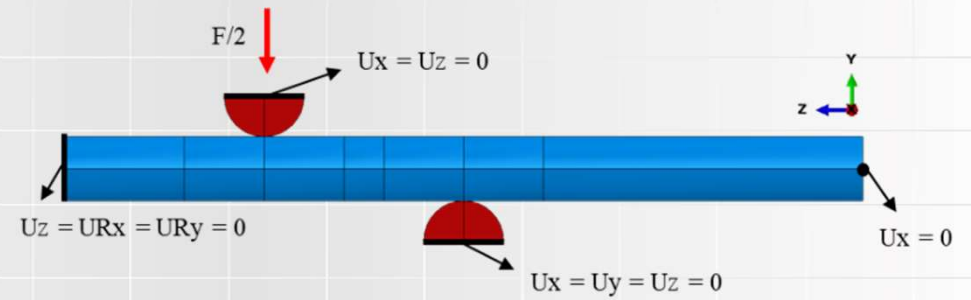
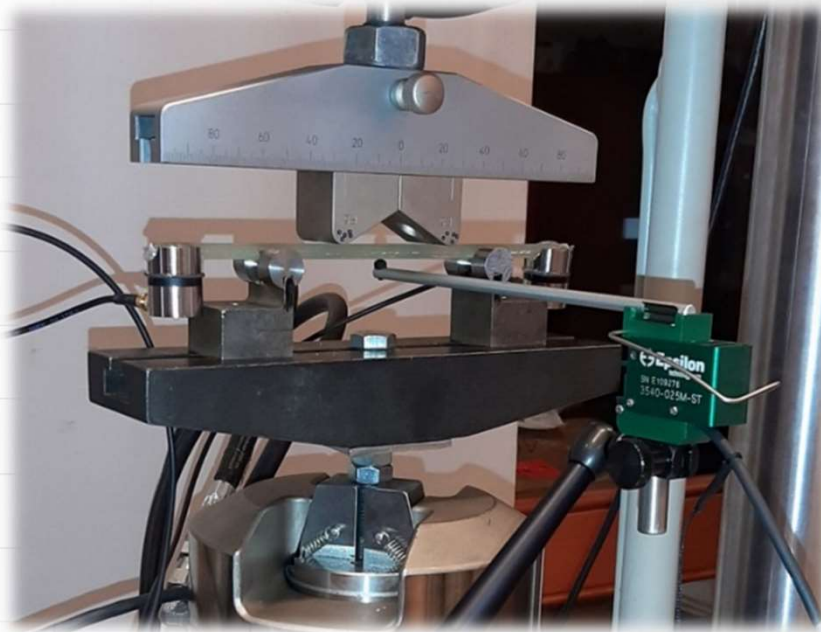
# Material model – composites – fiber content



vol %	$E_1$ [MPa]	$E_2$ [MPa]	$\nu_{12}$ [-]	$\nu_{23}$ [-]	$G_{12}$ [MPa]	$G_{23}$ [MPa]
60%	44918	9946	0.251	0.406	3646	3538
70%	51939	13729	0.237	0.365	4970	5029
80%	58960	20672	0.223	0.321	7533	7827



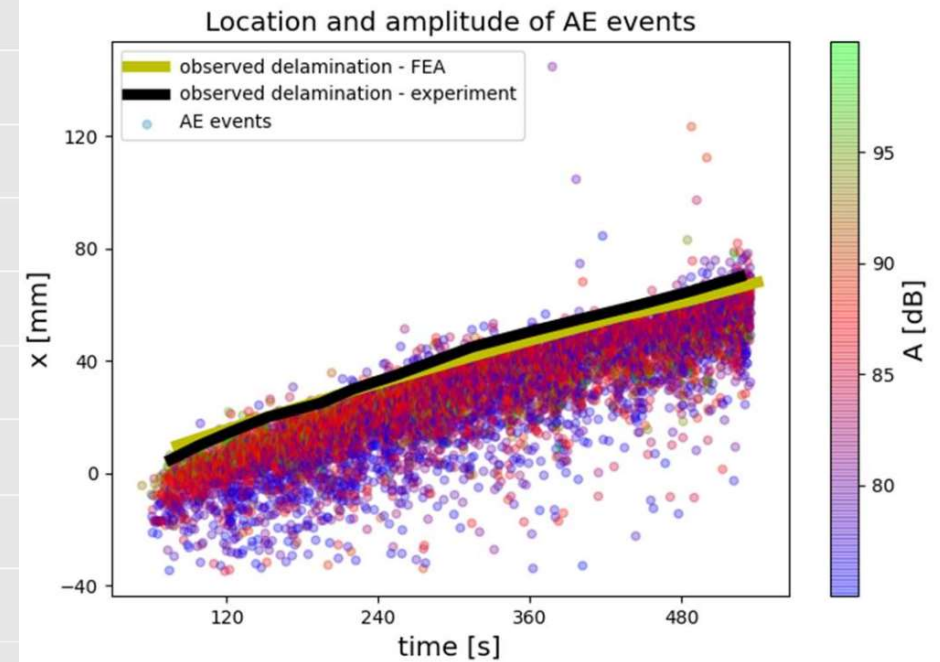
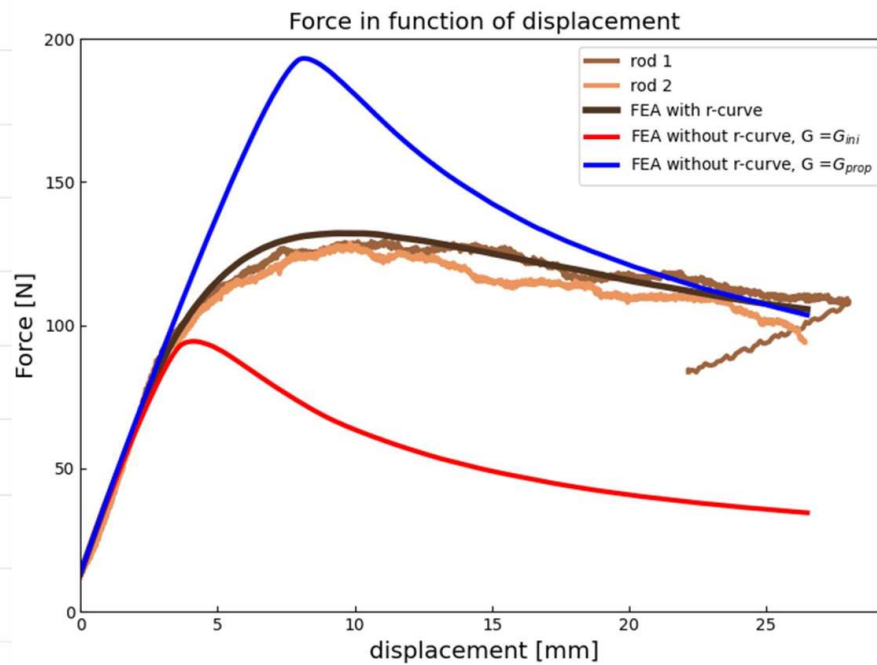
# Material model – verification – 4PB







# Material model – verification – DCB

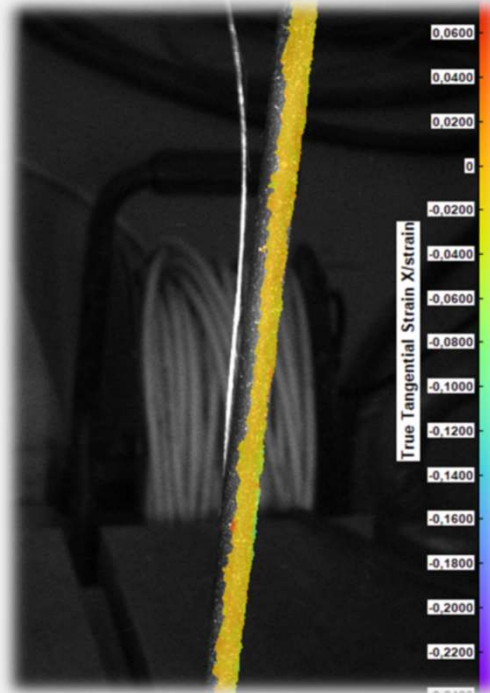




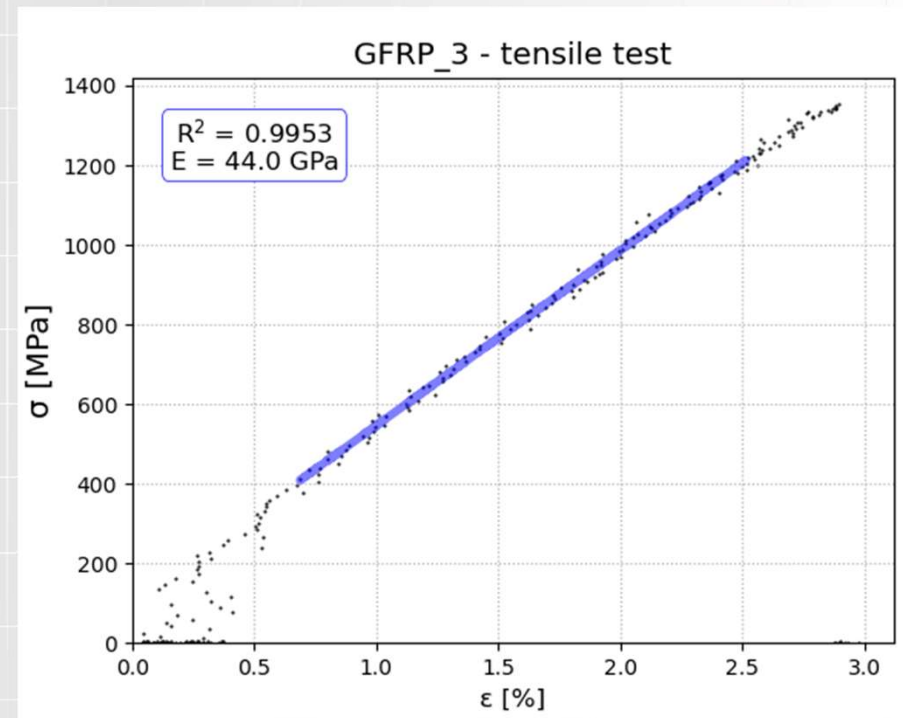
# Material model – verification – DCB



*experimental  
set up*



*DIC  
results*



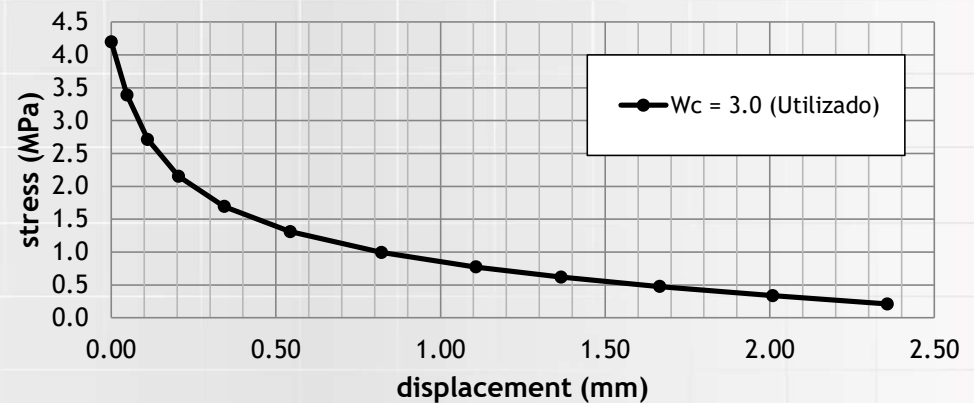
*linear  
regression*





# Material model – concrete

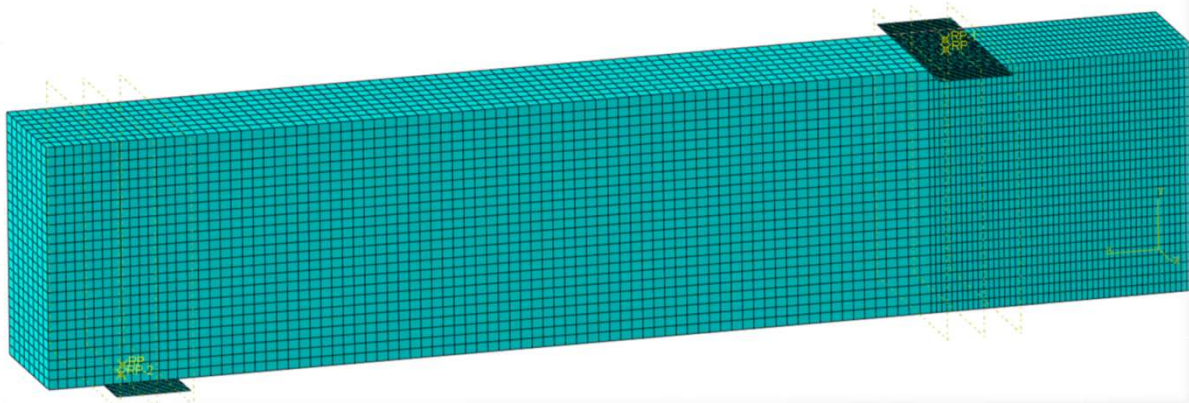
quantity	value	unit
Young Modulus	38.9	GPa
Poisson coefficient	0.4	-
Dilation angle $\psi$	35	°
eccentricity $\epsilon$	0.1	-
$\sigma_{b0}/\sigma_{c0}$	1.16	-
$K_c$	2/3	-
viscosity $\mu$	1e-6	-



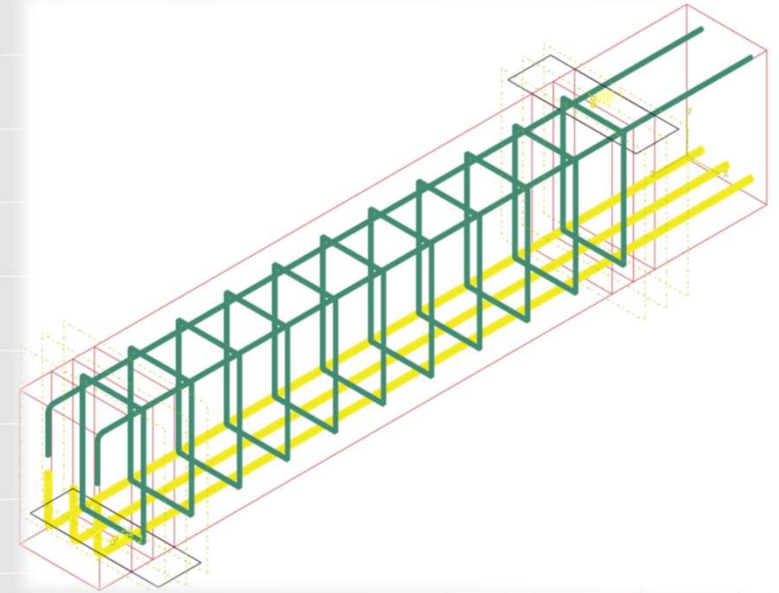
*concrete damaged plasticity*



# Numerical model – 4PB



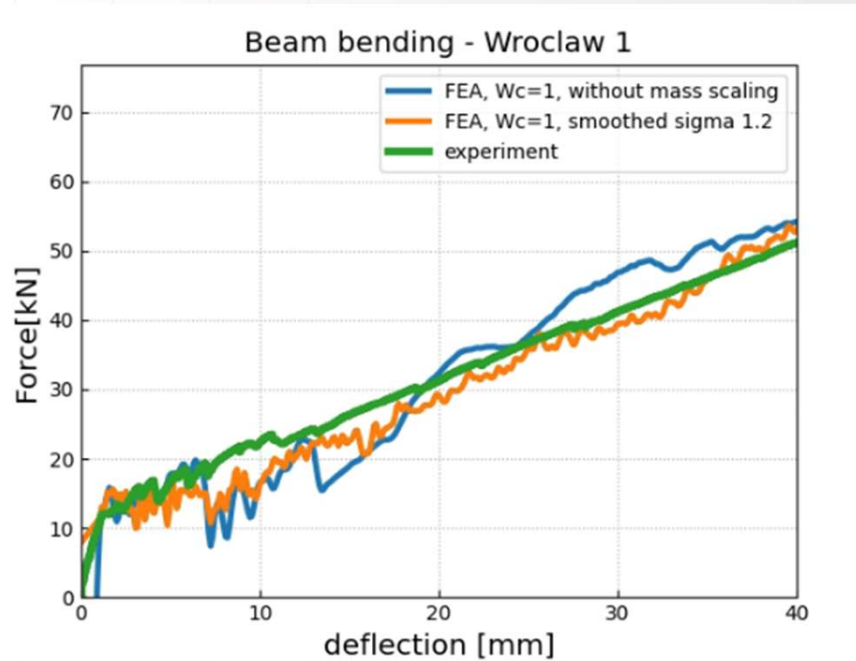
*finite model*



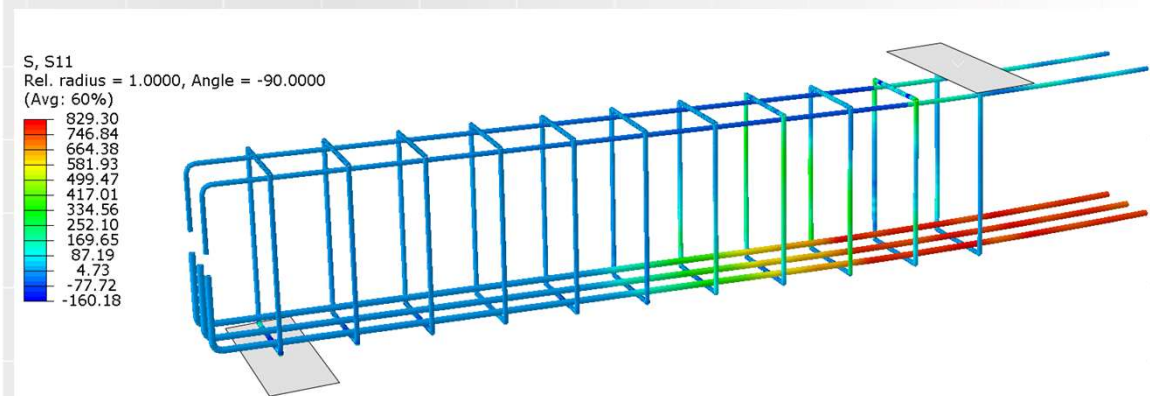
*reinforcement*



# Numerical model – results



*FEA & experiment  
comparison*



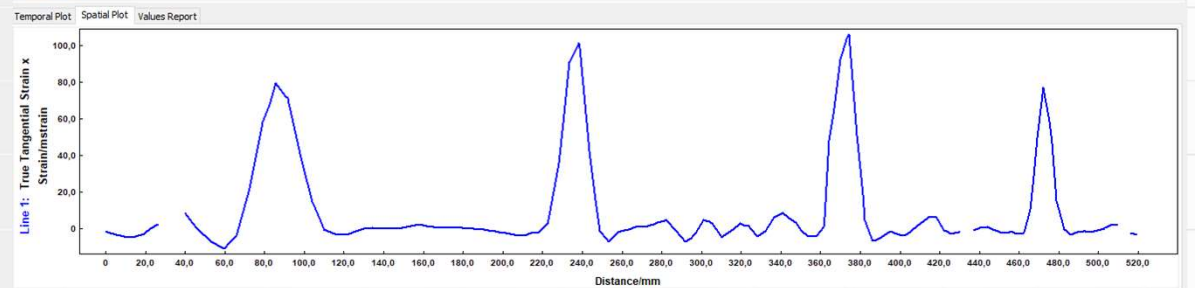
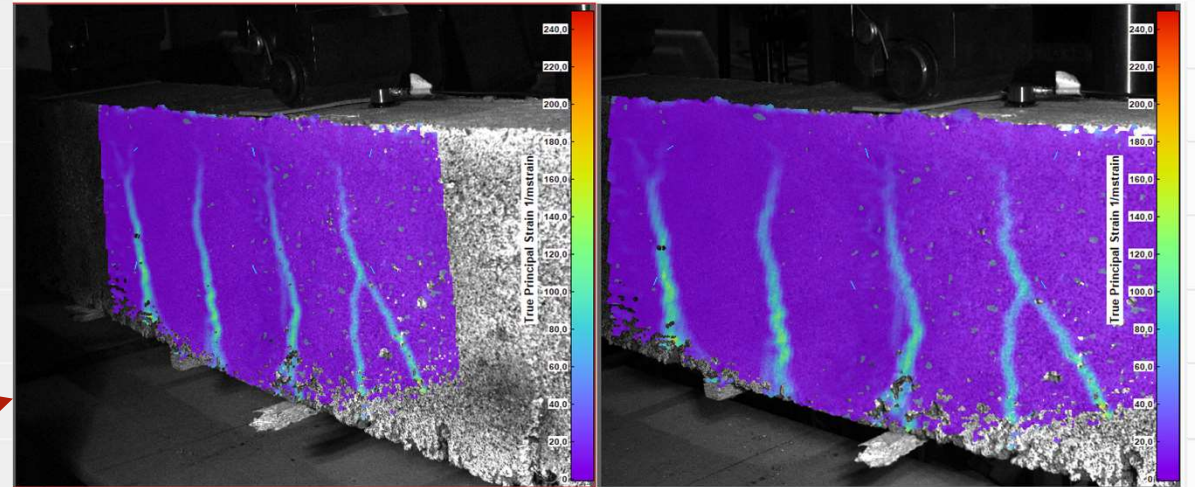
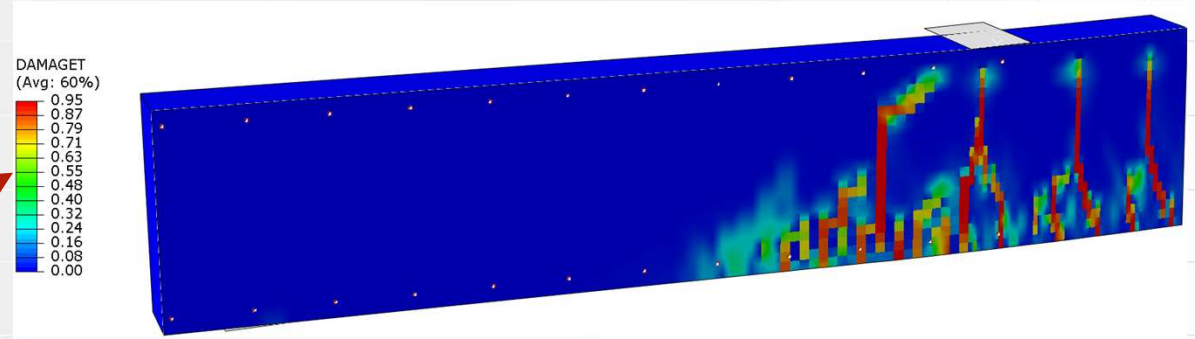
*stresses in  
reinforcement*



# FEA & DIC

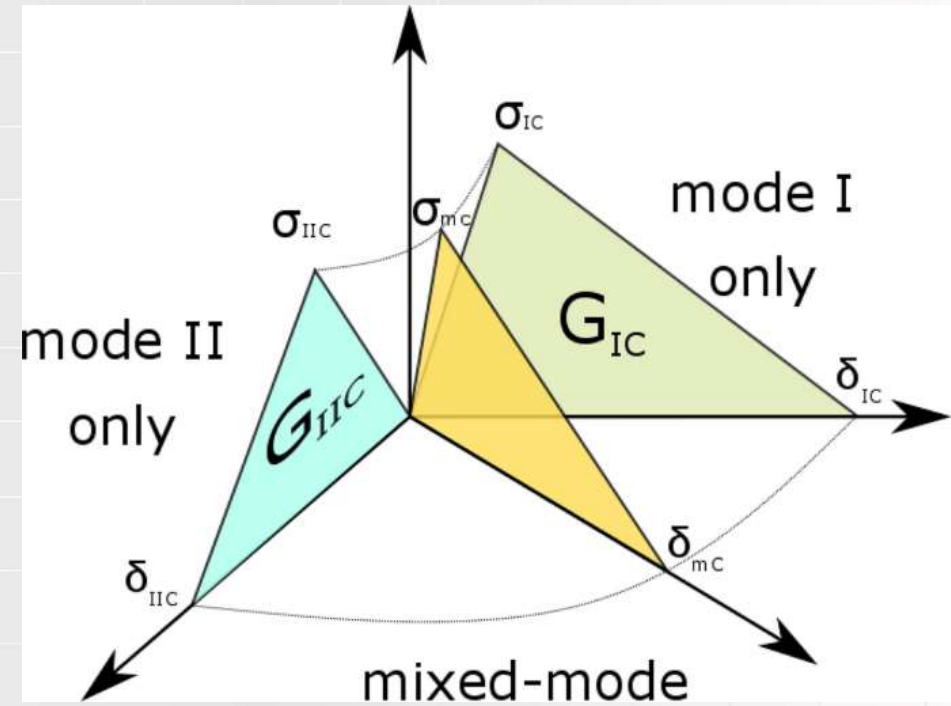
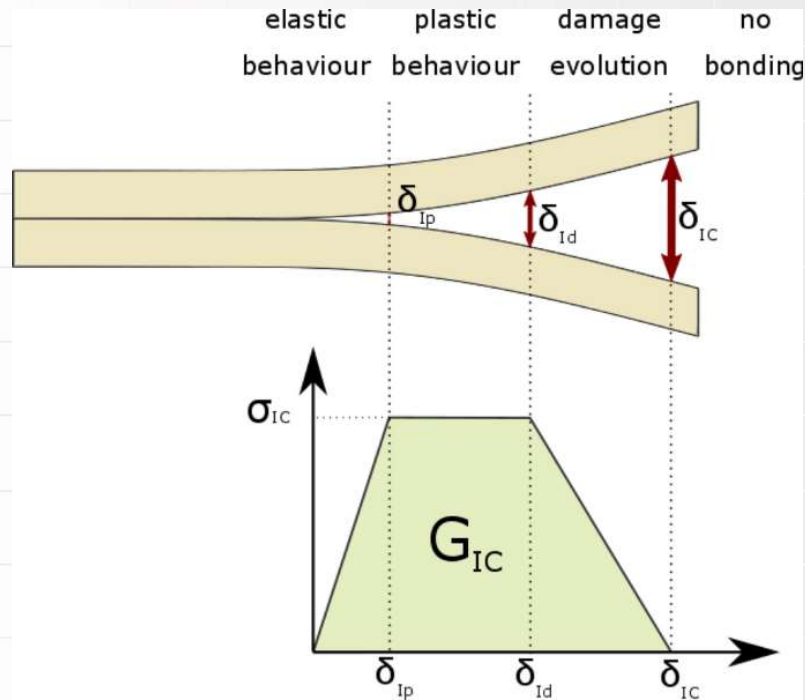
*FEA*

*DIC*



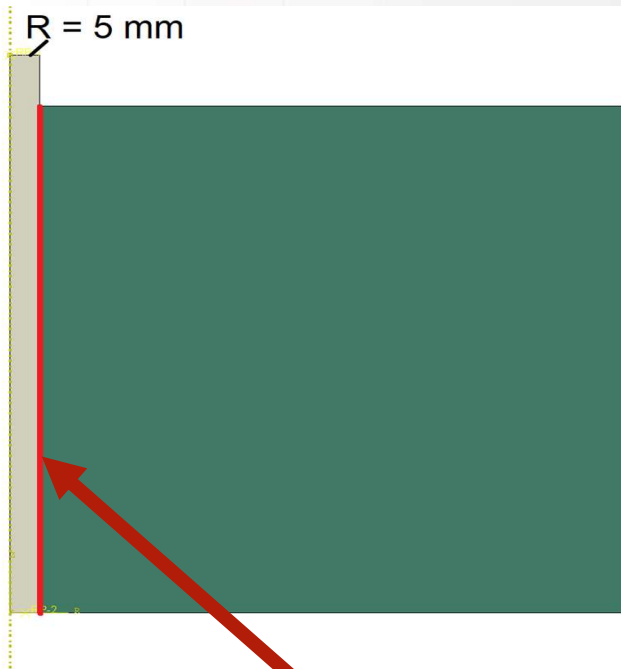


# Bond behaviour - cohesive surfaces





# Modeling of bond behaviour – 2D (axis-symmetry)



CSTATUS  
Closed (Sticking)  
Closed (Slipping)  
Open



*damage  
phase*



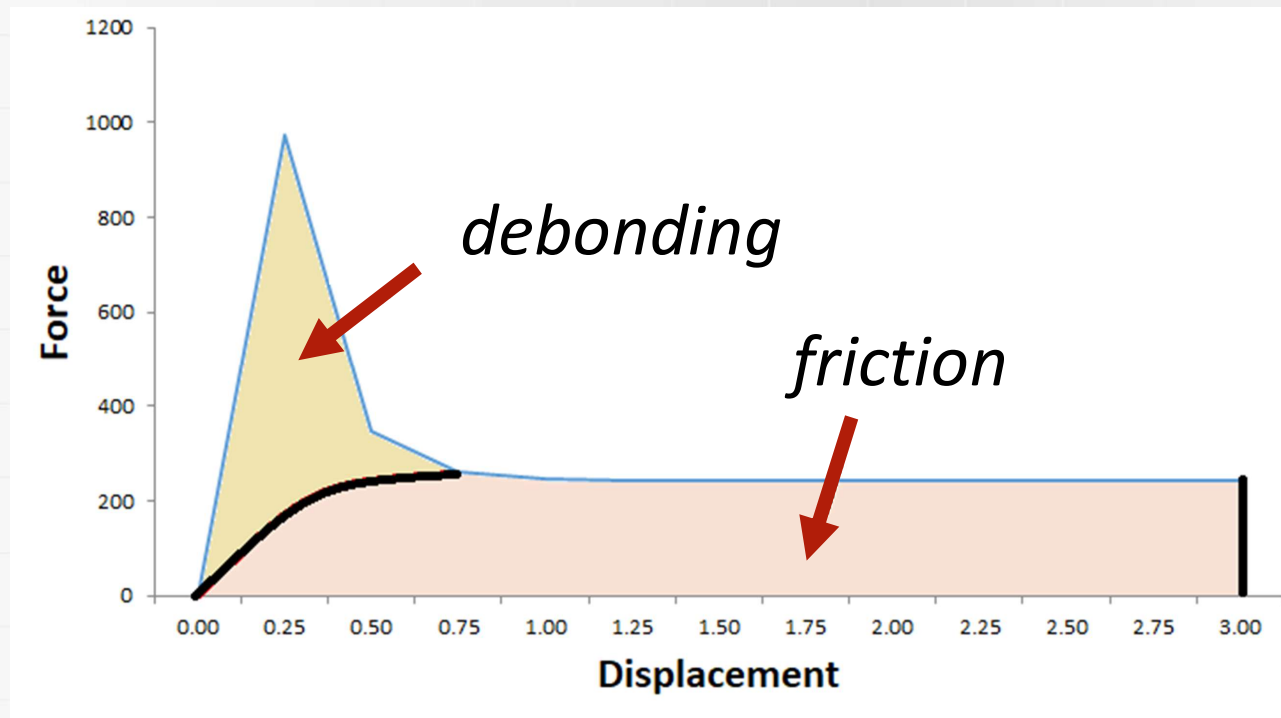
*friction  
phase*

*composite rod – concrete interface  
cohesive surface*



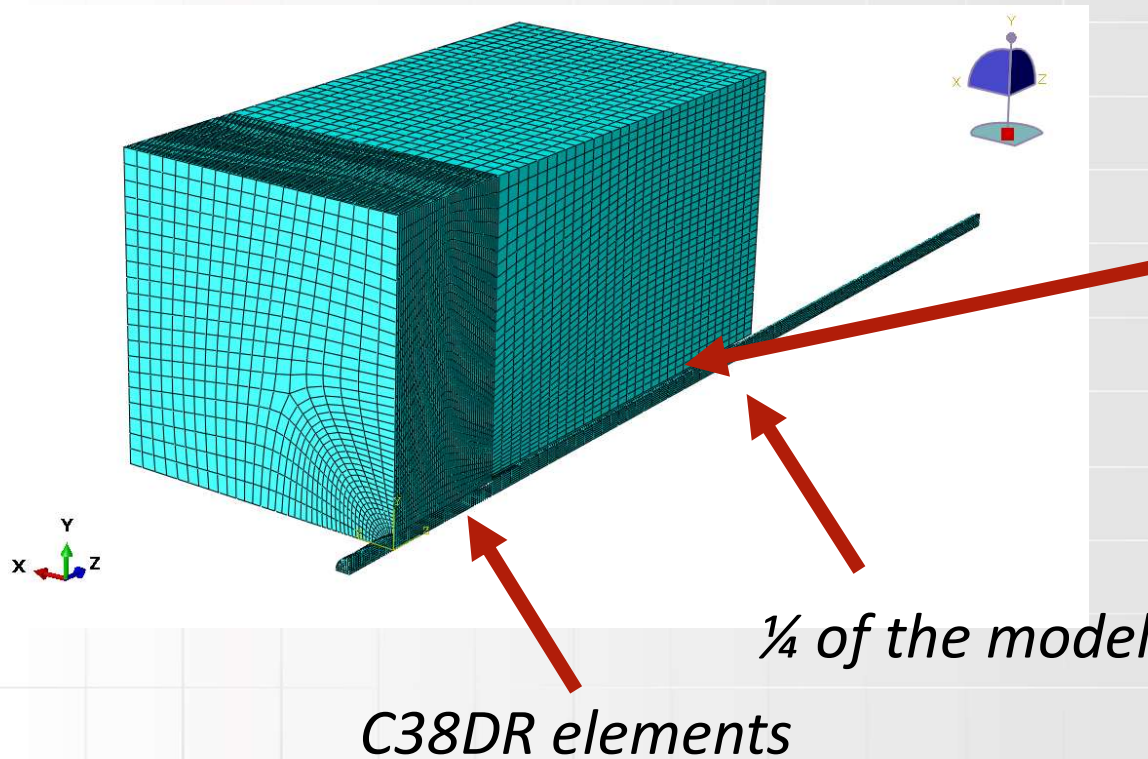


# Modeling of bond behaviour - cohesive surfaces





# Modeling of bond behaviour – 3D

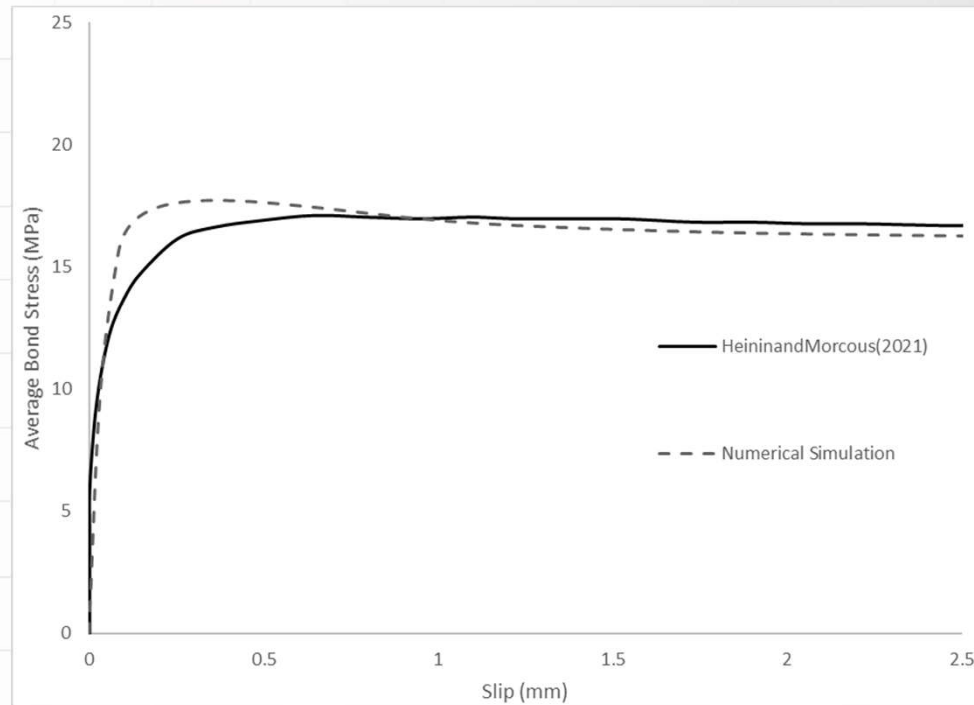


Contact was simulated using the **surface – to - surface** contact option.

The contact interaction property was defined as **Cohesive Behavior with Damage**.



# Modeling of bond behaviour – 3D



quantity	value	unit
$K_{nn}$	178629	$N \cdot mm^{-3}$
$K_{ss}$	1786	$N \cdot mm^{-3}$
$K_{tt}$	1786	$N \cdot mm^{-3}$
Damage initiation	100	MPa
Damage propagation	500	$N \cdot mm^{-1}$

$$k_{ss} = k_{tt} = \frac{\tau_m}{s_m}$$

$$k_{nn} = 100k_{ss} = 100k_{tt}$$

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# Conclusions

- Modeling of concrete beams reinforced by composite rebars require well-prepared material models for composite material, concrete and their interface
- Bond behaviour can be successfully modelled with cohesive zone model approach utilizing cohesive surfaces or elements
- Analytical and/or experimental procedures should be utilized in order to obtain required data for bond behaviour