



Experimental investigation of individual embossed mechanical bond in composite floor

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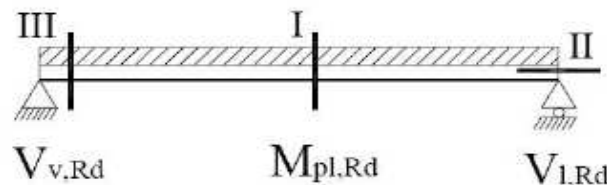


Introduction

- Structural layout

Concrete slab } Frictional interlock
Profile deck } Mechanical interlock – rolled embossments
Steel beam

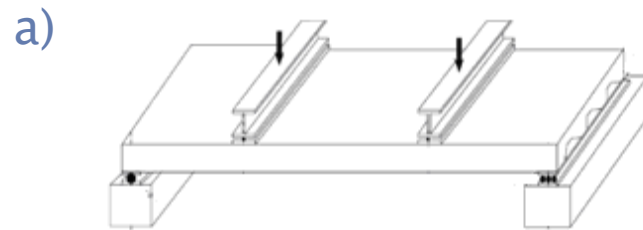
- Failure modes



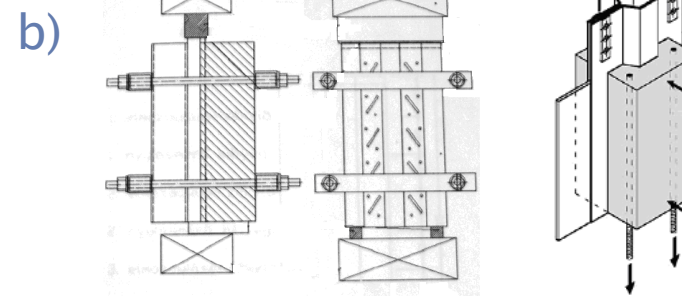
(I) flexural failure (II) longitudinal shear failure (III) vertical shear failure

Introduction

- Performance tests



(a) Full – scale specimens



(b) Small scale specimens of push – out test

- Scope

- Simplify the experiments
- Develop an advanced numerical model for the simulation

Numerical pre-study

- Model levels

1. Concrete material model

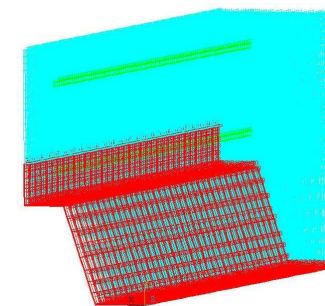
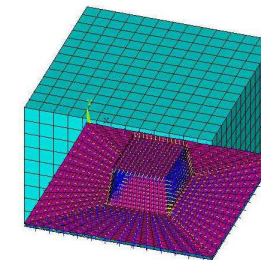
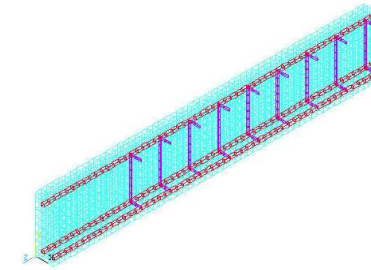


2. Composite connection model



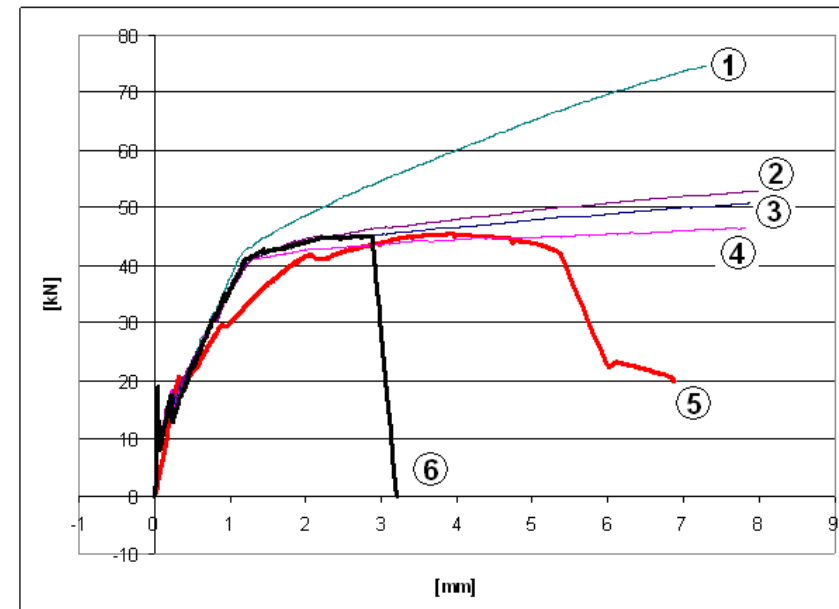
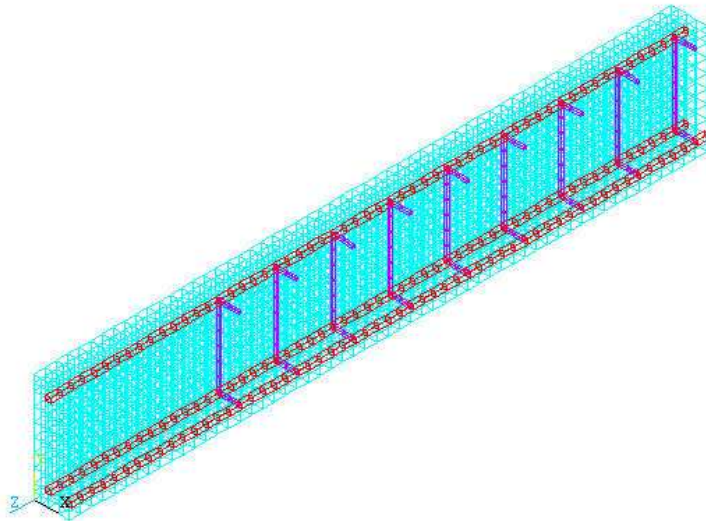
3. Composite beam model

ANSYS



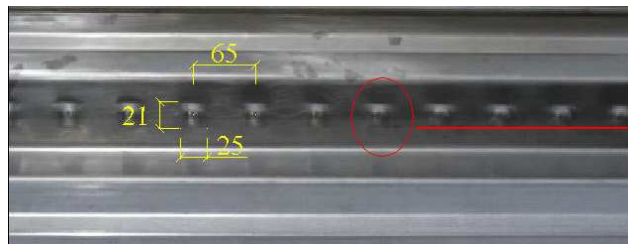
Numerical pre-study

- Concrete material model
 - Simply supported RC beam
 - ANSYS code
 - Appropriate concrete material model

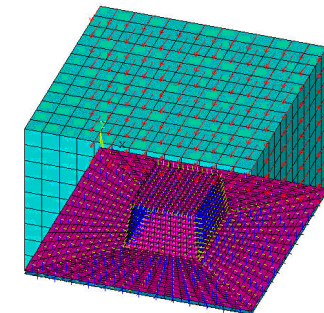
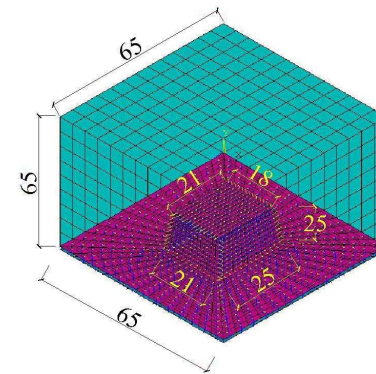


Numerical pre-study

- Local model of embossed mechanical bond



Simplified geometry



- Basic behaviour
- Parametric study



Complex behaviour



Experimental verification

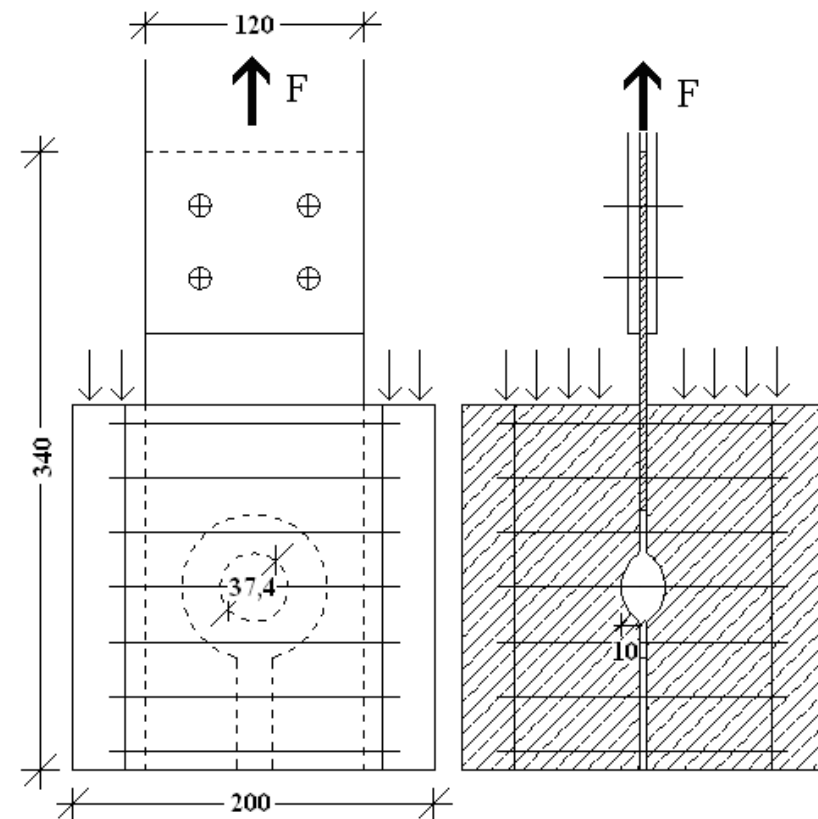


Benchmark experiments for local model verification

Experimental program

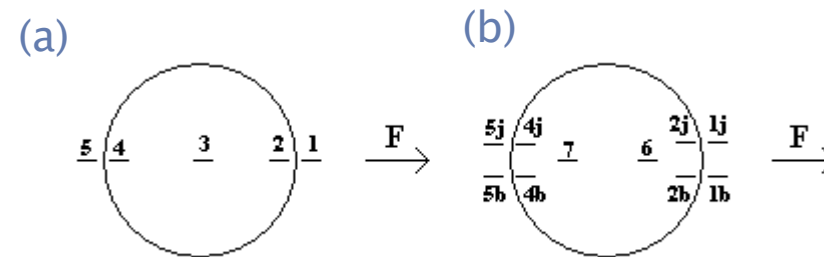
- Layout

- Two plate thicknesses
- Six specimens
- One enlarged embossment
- Strain gauge measurement
- Two plates back-to-back in the concrete cube
- Separation with spacer plate
- Free deformation of the embossment is insured
- Avoid global failure in concrete → stirrups



Experimental program

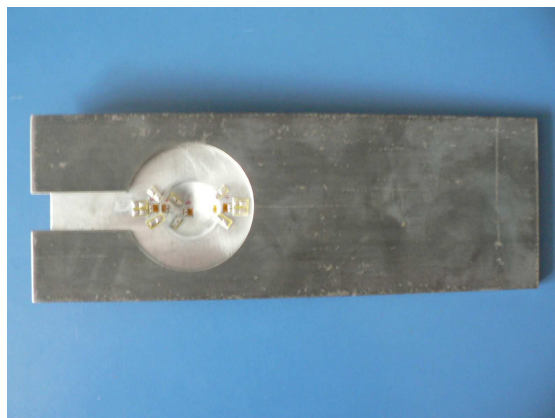
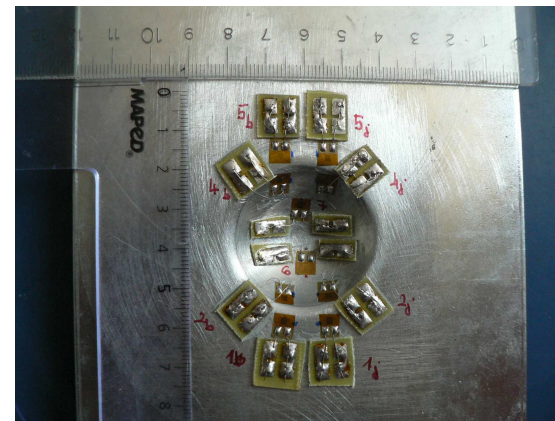
- Strain gauges



Strain gauges (a) basic and (b) supplementary

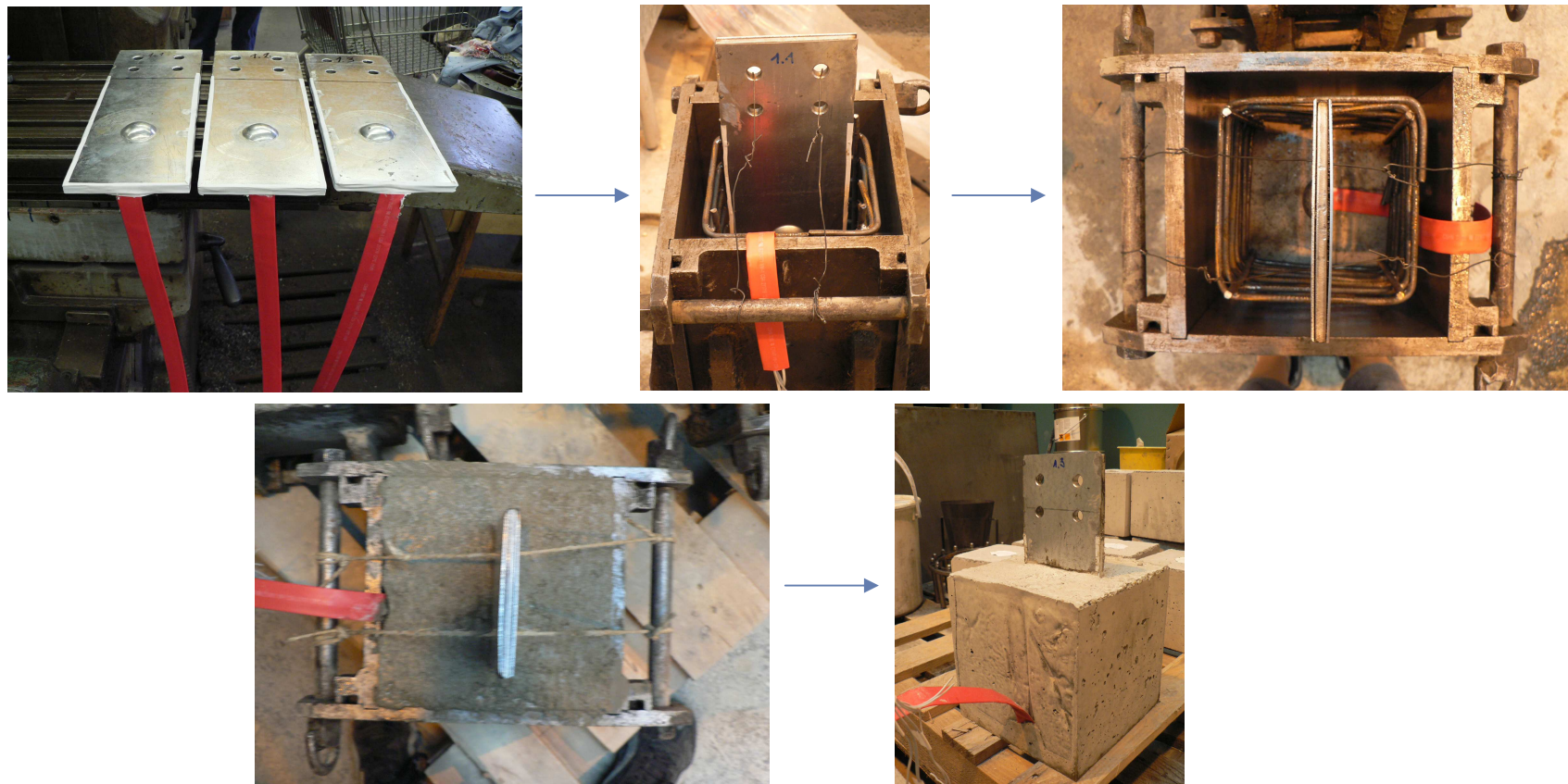
Experimental program

- Strain gauges



Experimental program

- Specimens



Experimental program

Sign	Sheeting thickness [mm]	Strain gauges [pc]	Concrete cube size [cm]	Steel plate size [mm]	Embossment diameter/height [mm]	f_y/f_u^* of steel [N/mm ²]	f_{ck}^{**} of concrete [N/mm ²]
1.1	1,5 mm	5	20x20x20	340x120	37,4/10	444/510	43,35
1.2	1,5 mm	5	20x20x20	340x120	37,4/10	444/510	43,35
1.3	1,5 mm	15	20x20x20	340x120	37,4/10	444/510	43,35
2.1	2 mm	5	20x20x20	340x120	37,4/10	459/534	43,35
2.2	2 mm	5	20x20x20	340x120	37,4/10	459/534	43,35
2.3	2 mm	15	20x20x20	340x120	37,4/10	459/534	43,35

* yield stress/ultimate stress

** compressive strength

Experimental program

- Execution
 - Loading frame
 - Support from above
 - Centralized and uniform load transfer

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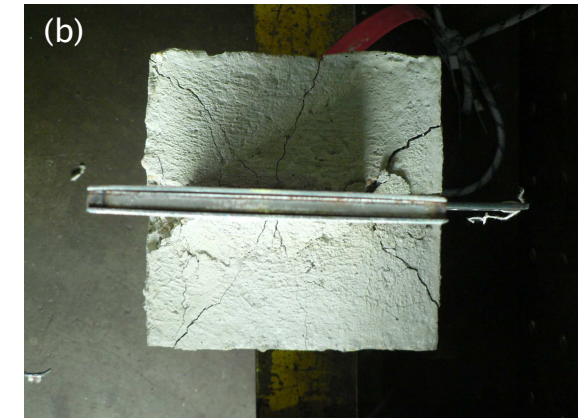
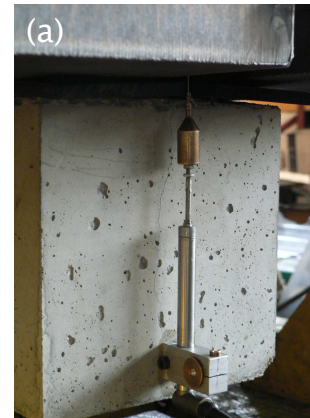
 - Hard rubber pad on the supported concrete surface
 - Strain measurement
 - Relative displacement measurement



Test results

- Failure

- First crack on the exterior side of concrete
 - Crack propagation
 - Slip of the plate
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- Two kinds of cracks



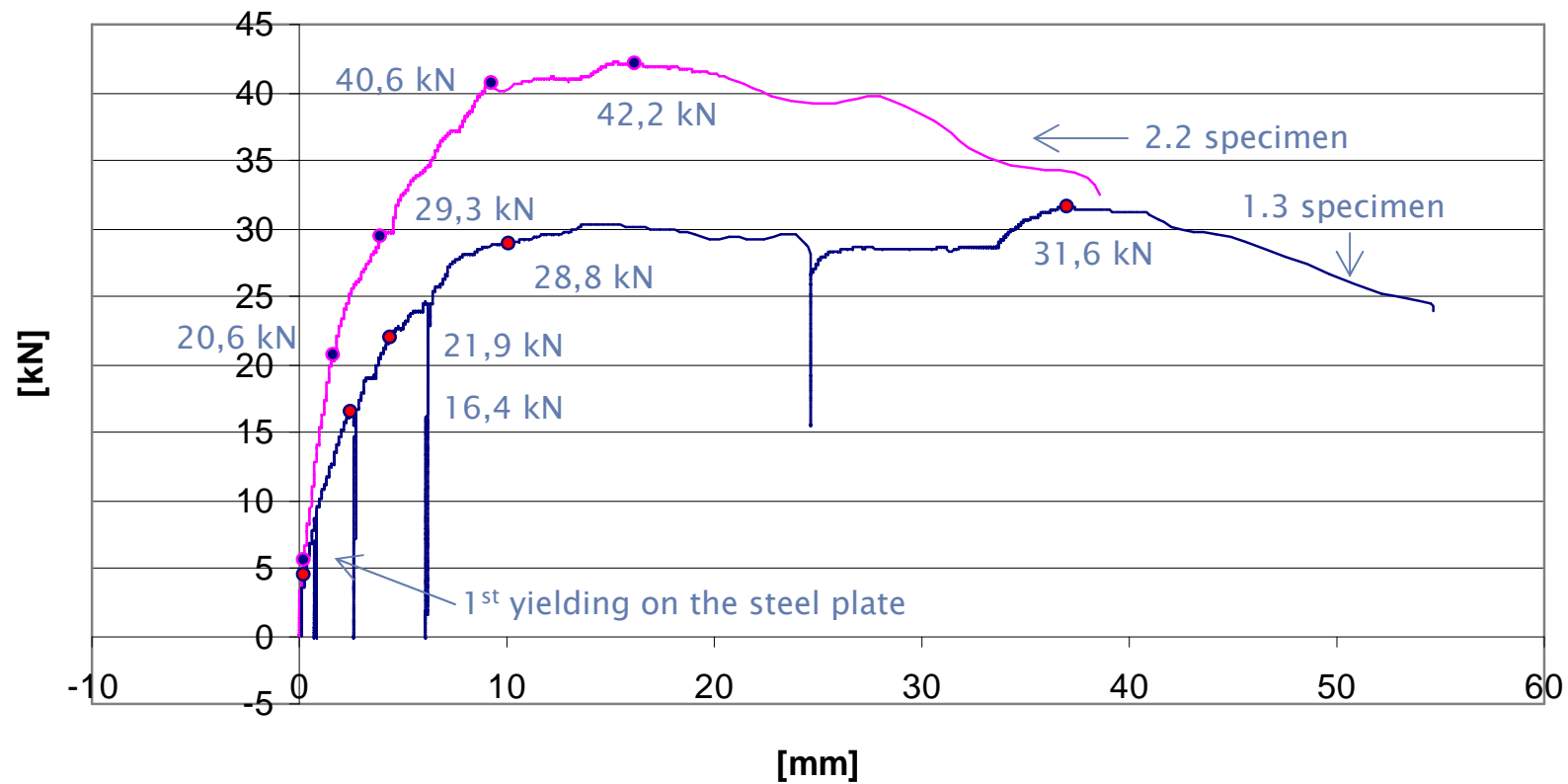
Concrete failure: (a) crack type #1 (b) crack type #2



Embossment's failure

Test results

- Force – displacement



Test results

- Results

Sign	End of linear phase [kN]	1 st crack [kN]	Slip of plate [kN]	Ultimate load [kN]	1 st yielding on steel plate [kN]
1.3	16,4	21,9	28,8	31,6	4,39
2.2	20,6	29,3	40,6	42,2	5,62

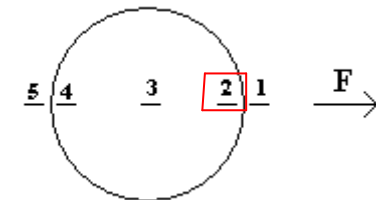
- Design characteristics

Plate thickness [mm]	Initial stiffness [N/mm]	Load carrying capacity [kN]
1,5	5 722	34,33
2,0	11 637	42,2

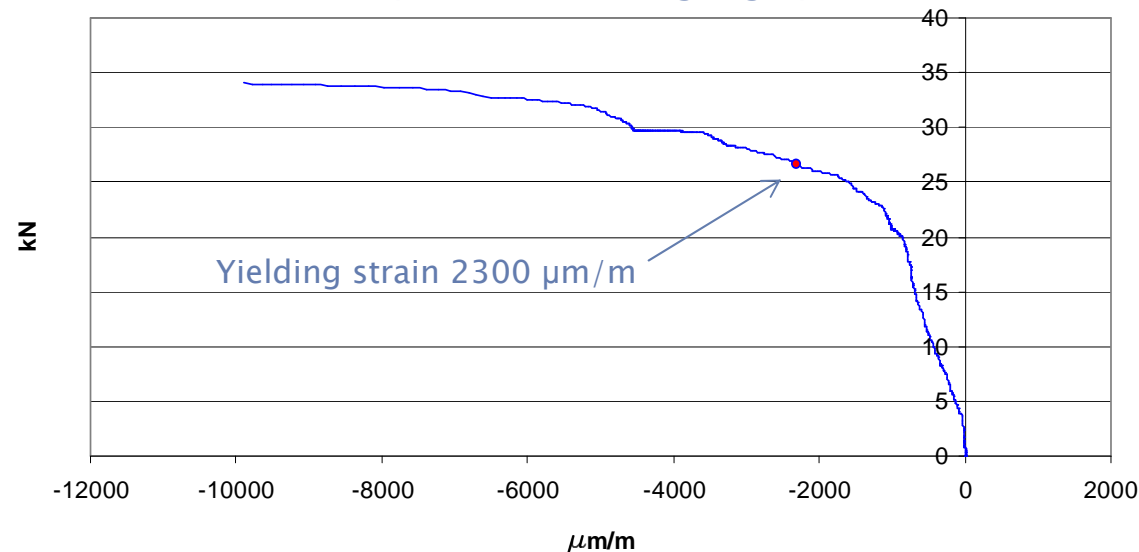
Test results

- Strain measurement

- same behaviour by position and by specimen type
- yielding at very low load level (5–10 kN)
- yielding at #2 gauge position



Strains on specimen 2.2 at gauge position #3

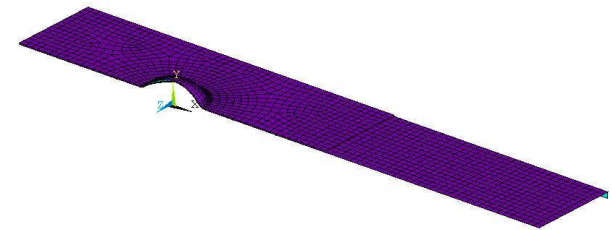


Concluding remarks

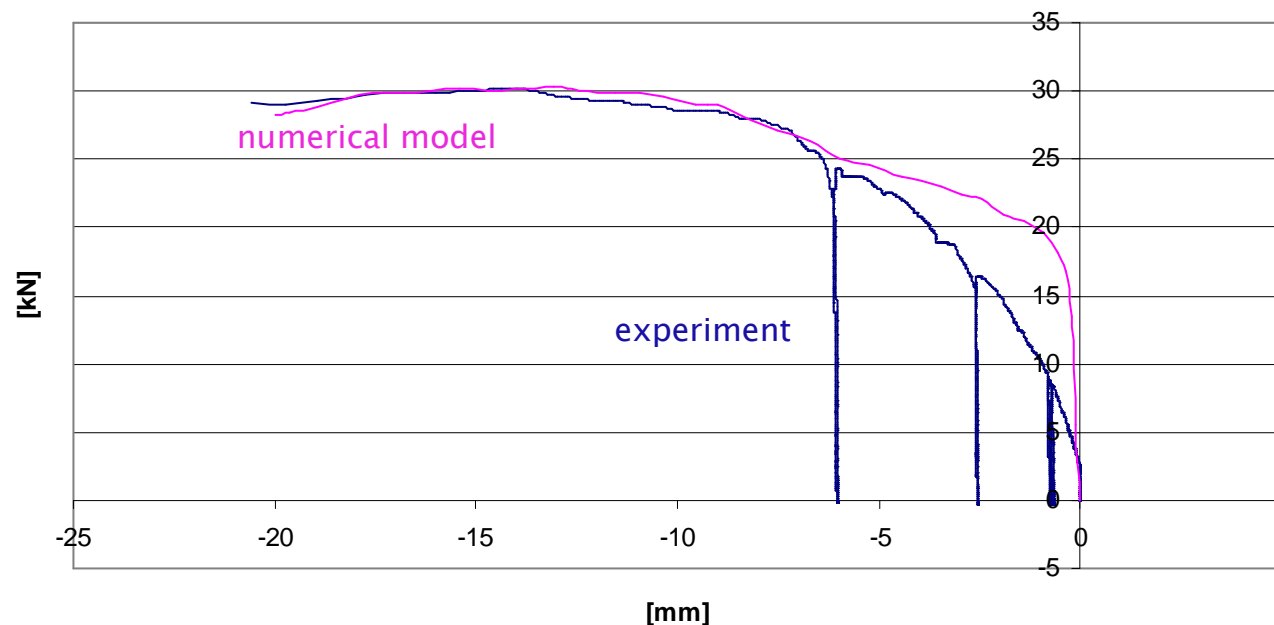
- Experimental investigation of an individual embossment
 - New test specimen is introduced → local analysis
 - Basic behaviour modes are observed
 - Quantitative evaluation of the results
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- Validation of the developed advanced numerical model for the embossment's behaviour
 - Embossments interaction

Next step of the research

- Numerical modelling



Force – displacement





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