EFFECT OF DYNAMIC LOADING ON COMPRESSIONAL BEHAVIOR OF DAMPING CONCRETE



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III.4 Safety of Storage Containers / III.3 Safety of Transport Containers

outline

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material properties & applications

concrete mixture using expanded polystyrene balls as filler

density ~800 kg/m³

(standard concrete ~ 2400kg/m³)

compressive strength ~ $6N/mm^2$





used as foundation in reception hall of German interim storage facilities (e.g. Lingen) two layers damping concrete plates (2*h=50cm) + steel-fibre-screed X

characteristic values

standard material properties from producer HOCHTIEF exemplary drop tests (licensing pilot conditiong facility Gorleben, Germany) data from generalized impact test (drop height 3.3 m, drop weight 212kg)

penetration depth



objectives ENREA*

development of numerical methods for analyzing impact limiters subjected to impact or drop scenarios

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 improving the reliability of safety assessments
optimize dimensions and material selections for impact limiters



experimental investigations

wood (spruce) polyurethane foam (FR3718/3730) damping concrete

parameters:

dimensions temperature loading course and rate specimen orientation support conditions

numerical simulations

selection of appropriate material models

precalculations / sensitivity analysis selection / development of methods for parameter identification

simulations of experiments

enhancements / implementation of appropriate material models

project stages

stage 1

servo hydraulic testing facility

cube specimen

displacement-driven compression tests

constant deformation rates [0.02 – 3000mm/s] technical strain up to 70% ∑ 556 experiments

stage 2

drop test facility

cube specimens

impact tests with different compression rates falling weight:

- cross section corresponding to specimen
- different drop heights / weights

∑ 486 experiment

stage 3

drop test facility

component tests

falling weights with different shapes for penetrations tests

15 experiments

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test series

first project stage (displacement-driven experiments)

	D1= 0.02mm/s	D2= 200mm/s	D3= 3000mm/s
unconstrained	U_D1		U_D3
constrained	R_D1	R_D2	R_D3

- test series: 1 preliminary + 5 regular tests
- nominal technical strain 70% (max)
- additional quasi-static test to determine scale effect

second / third project stage

cubes 0.1x0.1x0.1m³

concrete plates: 1x1x0.5m³

drop tests

different drop weights

different drop shapes





experimental set up

holding jig (10x10x10 cm³)



measuring system

displacement: triangulation based sensor load parallel to stamp direction:

- straing gauge instrumented pressure stamp
- load cell

load transversal:

• bolts equipped with cylindrical strain gauge temperature measurements during loading



unconstrained tests



elastic range up to 1% strain softening after elastic peak failure at approx. 1.5% strain rate dependent



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test results

constrained tests – 0.02 mm/s





four zone stress-strain relation:

- elastic
- softening
- plateau
- densification

considerable scattering

nearly constant ratio lateral / axial stress at high strain levels



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constrained tests – 3000 mm/s



dynamic stress-strain relations similar to quasi-static response (elastic / softening / plateau / densification)

elastic and softening zones are partly merged together

mean ratio lateral / axial stress slightly lower , but likewise constant

significant dynamic hardening





strain rate sensitivity



test results





1.25

strain [-]

adaption of material models



FE model



solver Abaqus explicit

rigid foundation / walls

no thermal coupling

8-node solid elements

reduced integration

validated by simulating experiments with reference materials

studies on mesh size / friction coefficients

isotropic plasticity models (Abaqus library)

crushable foam

nonassociated plasticity model for cellular materials based on monotonic yield curve

Deshpande / Fleck Isotropic constitutive models for metallic foams, J.Mech.Phys.Solids 1989

concrete damaged plasticity

combination of nonassociated tensile and compressive plasticity and damaged elasticity

Lubliner et al. A plastic damage model for concrete Int J. Solids Struct. 1989

failed in reproducing densification at high strains

results



summary

constrained and unconstrained displacement-driven test series with different deformation rates completed

identification of a 4-zone stress-strain relation and significant dynamic hardening

evaluation of applicable numerical material models

simulations based on *crushable foam* yield good agreement with experimental results

further work needed to sucessfully simulate softening behavior



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