

Summer School

Thermo-mechanical experiments

of RC structures correlated to

distributed coda signals

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CONCRETE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT BY CODA WAVES





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Figure 1: Transparent infrastructure; internal strains made visible by coda waves

- Monitoring the health status of RC and prestressed concrete structures with coda waves
- Detect deficiencies already when forming, *far before* they become *visible* and reach critical levels

Suitable Method for Heat Induction into RC Members





Qualification of Measuring Methods for Strains







Figure 5: Strain fields derived from FOS strain measurements (10 kN)

2D strain distributions from line-like

- **Figure 3:** FOS guided in capillaries
- Juxtaposition of methods for heat induction
- Optimized cooling by combining water cooling and Peltier elements

Figure 6: Comparison of repeatability and accuracy of DIC, FOS and strain gauges

FOS measurements

Evaluation of the accuracy of strain measurement techniques (FOS > DIC)



Figure 7: Photos of beams during mechanical and thermo-mechanical testing



- Mechanical strains impair temperature measurements with fiber optic sensors significantly
 - Vice versa, mechanical strains are less affected by temperature



Striking similarity of force vs. relative velocity change and moment-curvature relationships

- Correlation covers 90 % of the complex loadbearing behavior of RC members
- Generalizability is currently being tested

Figure 9: Strong correlation of the average steel strain and the relative velocity change

$$c_{sm} = c \cdot \frac{dv}{v}$$
 with: $c = const$.

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Figure 8: Sound separation of coupled effects in fiber optic measurements

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