# **Embedded FRP reinforcement**

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#### **1. OBJECTIVES**

#### SUMMARY OF MAIN ASPECTS INTRODUCED IN (INFORMATIVE) ANNEX R OF EC2

- Includes a brief summary of the contens of the paper:
  - E. Oller, L. Torres, A. De Diego. Embedded Fibre Reinforced Polymer (FRP) Reinforcement in Concrete Structures According to the New Version of Eurocode 2. Hormigón y Acero 2023; 74 (299-300): 199-210. <u>https://doi.org/10.33586/hya.2022.3098</u>
  - All references supporting the contents can be found in the indicated paper.



# 2. INTRODUCTION

## FIBRE REINFORCED POLYMER (FRP)

- Formed by a polymeric matrix (resin) reinforced with continuous fibres
- Fibres mostly provide the mech. props.: Glass (G), Carbon (C) Aramid (A), Basalt (B).
- **Matrix** acts as a binder, transfers shear stresses, provides integrity and protection: Vinylester, Polyester, Epoxi, ...



• Surface treatment for bond: sand coating, indentations, undulations, etc.



# 2. INTRODUCTION

# APPLICATIONS

• Some examples in which FRP may be an alternative





# Corrosion in aggressive environments:

- Marine environments, Salts, Bridge decks
- Industrial facilities
- Sewage treatment, ...



# 2. INTRODUCTION **APPLICATIONS**



Soft eyes



Panels



Medical/Research facilities



**Electrical facilities** 

Tramway

Cutability: Temporary appl.

**Thermal** isolation

**Electromagnetic** fields



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## 2. INTRODUCTION

# SOME CODES, GUIDELINES

- ACI 440.11-22 GFRP (USA)
- CAN/CSA S806-12 R17 Buildings (CAN)
- CAN/CSA S6:19 (CAN) Highway bridges (CAN)
- CNR DT 203-2006 (IT)
- AFGC 2021 (FR)
- JSCE 1997 (JP)
- BRI-Building Research Institute 1997 (JP)
- fib Bulletin 40 2007
- fib MC 2010, fib MC 2020 (in progress)

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 New EC 2 (Informative Annex R): covers bars or mesh of GFRP and CFRP; does not cover prestressing



# **3. BASIS OF DESIGN AND MATERIALS**

· Linear elastic behaviour up to failure



Design situation	$\gamma_{\sf FRP}$
ULS (Persistent and	1,50
transient)	
Accidental	1,10
Serviceability	1,00

Based on reliability index  $\beta$  = 3.8,  $ff_{tk,100a}$  and  $f_{ftk0}$ . Reduction can be applied if supplier can prove required reliability [20].

- · Mechanical props. depend on fibre/volume fraction
- Modulus of elasticity lower than that of steel ( $E_{fR} \ge 40000$  MPa)
- Strenght can vary with the diameter ( $\downarrow$  if  $\emptyset^{\uparrow}$ )
- Design should be based on the nominal cross sectional area



#### **3. BASIS OF DESIGN AND MATERIALS**

- **FRP** materials experience creep rupture under sustained loading (reduction in  $f_{ftk0}$ )
- The design tensile strength is defined from the long-term strenght:  $f_{ftd} = \frac{f_{ftk,100a}}{\gamma_{FRP}}$
- When not provided by the supplier, a formula based on conservative coefficients is proposed:

 $f_{ftk,100a} = C_t \cdot C_c \cdot C_e \cdot f_{ftk0}$ 

*C<sub>t</sub>*: Temperature effects (1,0 indoor; 0,8 outdoor)

C<sub>c</sub>: Sustained vs. short-term load (0,35 GFRP; 0,8 CFRP)

*C*<sub>e</sub>: Ageing effects (0,70) See procedures in Background Document of EC2 [20]

It is seen that a **conservative value** might be obtained for  $f_{ftd}$ :

$$f_{ftd} = \frac{f_{ftk,100a}}{\gamma_{FRP}} = \frac{C_t \cdot C_c \cdot C_e \cdot f_{ftk0}}{\gamma_{FRP}} = \frac{0.8 \cdot 0.35 \cdot 0.7}{1.5} f_{ftk0} = 0.13 \cdot f_{ftk0}$$



# 4. STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS – DURABILITY (CONCRETE COVER)

# STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS:

- Linear analysis with redistribution and plastic analysis are not allowed.
- Design by strut and tie models and stress fields is not covered.

# **CONCRETE COVER:**

- The same phylosophie as for steel RC:  $c_{nom} = c_{min} + \Delta c_{dev}$ ;  $c_{min} = max\{c_{min,dur} + \sum \Delta c; c_{min,b}; 10 mm\}$
- For FRP,  $c_{min,dur} = 0$
- In absence of more accurate information  $c_{min,b} \ge 2\emptyset$ , but at least  $c_{min,b} \ge 1,5\phi$  and  $c_{min,b} \ge 10$  mm.



#### **5. ULTIMATE LIMIT STATES**

#### BENDING

- Usual assumptions for calculation (equilibium, compatibility, material properties)
- Concrete crushing and FRP tensile failure are allowed





- Main differences: absence of yielding, large variety of products/properties
- Compression reinforcement is not considered for the resistance (high scatter in results, lack of reliability)



#### **5. ULTIMATE LIMIT STATES**

#### SHEAR

- Based on the same formulation as in the main text (CSCT), introducing some modifications
- Members w/o shear reinforcement: factor  $E_{fR}/E_s$  is introduced in eqs. for the shear stress resistance to consider the effect of lower stiffness of longitudinal reinforcement

$$\tau_{Rdc,min} = \frac{11}{\gamma_{v}} \sqrt{\frac{f_{ck}}{f_{ftk0}} \left(\frac{E_{fR}}{E_{s}}\right)^{\frac{d_{dg}}{d}}} \qquad \qquad \tau_{Rd,c} = \frac{0.66}{\gamma_{v}} \cdot \left(100 \cdot \rho_{lf} \left(\frac{E_{fR}}{E_{s}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} f_{ck} \cdot \frac{d_{dg}}{d}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \ge \tau_{Rdc,min}$$

Members requiring shear reinforcement an additive equation includes concrete contribution

$$\tau_{Rd,f} = \tau_{Rd,c} + \rho_w \cdot f_{fwRd} \cdot \cot\theta \le 0.17 \cdot f_{cd}$$

$$\begin{split} f_{fwRd} &= f_{fwk,100a} / \gamma_{FRP} \leq \varepsilon_{fwRd} \cdot E_{fwR} \\ \varepsilon_{fwRd} &= 0,0023 + 1/15 \cdot E_{fR} \cdot A_{fl} \cdot (0,8 \cdot d)^2 \cdot 10^{-15} \leq 0,007 \\ cot\theta &= 0,8 \end{split}$$

Use of additive approach leads to  $\cot \theta = 0.8$  chosen for ease of use on the side of safety; FRP strain limited to avoid shear compression failure; capacity of struts modified with v = 0.35 due to larger deformations [20].



## 6. SERVICEABILITY LIMIT STATES

## STRESS LIMITATION AND CRACK CONTROL

- The general equations in the main text apply (9.2.2, 9.2.3.), provided that FRP properties are used.
- Similar bond as steel reinforcement is assumed.
- Simplified procedures in Annex S do not apply.
- Annex R includes specific tables for stress and crack widht limits for FRP reinforcement, in which
  - Crack widhts are limited for **appearance to** *w*<sub>*lim,cal*</sub> = **0.4 mm** (implies no need for durability reasons)
  - In absence of appearance and other specific conditions this limit may be relaxed to 0.7 mm.



# 6. SERVICEABILITY LIMIT STATES

# DEFLECTIONS

- General equations in 9.3.4 apply, both for short and long-term.
- Limits of *L/d* in 9.3.2 and simplified approach in 9.3.3 do not apply (calibrated for steel RC).







#### 7. DETAILING OF FRP REINFORCEMENT

# **GENERAL ASPECTS**

- In general, the main text can be applied except for specific rules given in Annex R.
- Bending or rebending on site is usually not possible (for thermosetting bars). Thermosetting bars must be manufactured with final requited configurations. Lap splices are allowed.

#### ANCHORAGE

• Only methods in Fig. 11.2 a), b), c) of the main text may be used for FRP reinforcement



a) Anchorage of straight bars 11.4.2



b) Anchorage of bends and hooks 11.4.4



c) U-bar loops 11.4.6



### 7. DETAILING OF FRP REINFORCEMENT

# ANCHORAGE

 $k_{cp} =$  $k_{lb} =$ 

• The anchorage lenght is given by the eq. in the main text with some modifications related to  $\eta_{\sigma}$   $c_{d}$ and minimum values

$$l_{bd} = k_{lb} \cdot k_{cp} \cdot \phi \cdot \left(\frac{\sigma_{ftd}}{217}\right)^{\eta_{\sigma}} \cdot \left(\frac{25}{f_{ck}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{\phi}{20}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \left(\frac{1.5 \cdot \phi}{c_d}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \ge \begin{cases} 10 \cdot \phi \\ \frac{\phi}{4} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{ftd}}{f_{bd,100a}} \\ \frac{\sigma_{ftd}}{4} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{ftd}}{f_{bd,100a}} \\ \frac{\sigma_{ftd}}{100} \\ \frac{\sigma_{ft$$

# MEMBERS AND PARTICULAR RULES

 Annex R gives some specific rules for beams, slabs, walls or deep beams. No specific rules are provided for columns and foundations.



#### 8. CONCLUSIONS

- **FRP embedded reinforcement** has been incorporated for the **first time** in **EC2** in the informative Annex R.
- FRP reinforcement has been **already applied in many projects**, where profit can be taken from its behaviour in front of corrosion, electromagnetic fields or cuttability.
- Main differences in design between FRP and steel reinforcement arise from the linear elastic behaviour up to failure, lower modulus of elasticity and the long-term strength of FRP under sustained stresses.
- Due to the lower modulus of elasticity, SLS often govern the design.



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