

# IPHA AGM 2016

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## Report from the Technical Committee



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# Technical Seminar Oct 2015 „BIM“ & „Design“ Malmö with 86 participants from IPHA!

13:15	Architect's view on BIM	Thomas Graabæk	BIM Equity
14:00	Contractor's view on BIM: MalmöLive	Carl Jonsson	Skanska
15:00	Coffee Break		
15:30	Developers view in white paper session	Wim Jansze	IPHA
15:35	- i-Theses' view on BIM	Wouter Veelaert	i-Theses
16:00	- Nemetschek Engineering's view on BIM	Susanne Schachinger	Nemetschek Engineering
16:25	- StruSoft's view on BIM	Peter Karlsson	StruSoft
16:50	- Tekla's view on BIM	Tero Kautto	Tekla
17:15	Closing discussion „BIM“	Paul Rehn	StruSoft
17:30	MalmöLive building visit (optional)	Carl Jonsson	Skanska



08:30	Slim floor construction with hollowcore	Fredrik Lagerström	StruSoft
09:15	Skew-cut hollowcore slabs	Jesper Frøbert Jensen	Alectia
10:00	CE-marking	Stef Maas	FEBE
10:30	Coffee Break		
11:00	Shear of hollowcore slabs with topping	Ronald Klein-Holte	VBI
11:45	Seismic performance of hollowcore	Gabriel Tarța	CES Romania
12:30	Lunch		
13:30	Project Holcofire update	Wim Jansze	On behalf of BIMB
14:00	fib recommendations update	Stef Maas	On behalf of fib C6
14:30	EN 1168 new revision update	Ronald Klein-Holte	On behalf of CEN TC229
15:00	Closing discus		


**IPHA** @IPHA\_hollowcore · 22 okt. 2015  
 #IPHA2015 TS was very successful! We'd like to thank all attendees, presenters and especially the host @StruSoft.

# Plans for Technical Seminar 2017

## IPHA TECHNICAL SEMINAR 2017

### “Course on Hollowcore Design”

October 25-26 2017, Tallinn, Estonia

- The Technical Seminar in 2017 is a course and focuses on educating the young structural engineer
- Higher objective is to expand use of hollowcore
- 2017 newly released *fib* publication “hollowcore design recommendation” will be used as reader for the course
- IPHA in cooperation with:
  - *fib* commission COM6 (taskgroup T6.1)
  - Estonian Association of Civil Engineers
- Target audience triple-digits, with members from *fib* and EEL



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# Production Seminar 26-27 October 2016, Lleida/Mollerussa

Fill in your registration form today for your people

- Production directors
- Factory Managers
- Other senior personnel around production



Two big advantages of the IPHA Conference are that delegates can learn so much from a visit to the host company's factories and that they have quality time to network on new ideas and past experiences. This year, Generale Prefabbricati did not disappoint. Delegates had the opportunity to visit, not only a hollowcore factory, but also the associated precast factory of Edilbeton Perugia, producing glass reinforced cement cladding panels. Some overseas visitors enjoyed seeing the production of deep hollowcore slabs for the first time. There was general agreement amongst the delegates that the visits were most informative.



**Registration form**

IPHA Production Seminar 2016  
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Please return by August 15, 2016 to: [confer@ipha-hollowcore.org](mailto:confer@ipha-hollowcore.org)

I register for the IPHA Production Seminar 2016:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby request IPHA to make my hotel reservation as follows:

2 nights | October 25 and 26, 2016  
 3 nights | October 25, 26 and 27, 2016

Specific dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note the following:  
- Participation in the Production Seminar is for IPHA members only.  
- One person per registration form. It must show the names of the same company which is required, such one should be a team internally.  
- Registration is mandatory and must be received by August 15, 2016.  
- Registration number 7 days earlier programme with 3 slides and 1 dinner.  
- IPHA's registration is mandatory for IPHA. There is a standard for the national hotel side.  
- It must be shown the center of meeting and accommodation (hotel/restaurant).  
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Present fire situation two years after Holcofire



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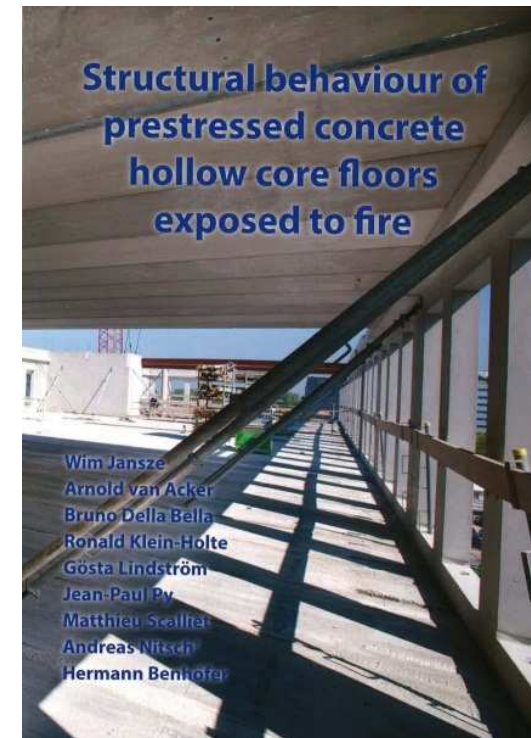


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# Holcofire Lessons learned



- The product meets regulations and requirements
  - The product performs well when exposed to fire
  - In specific cases fires in car parks are more severe than standard fires
- Recommendations are used by engineers
- Standards are implemented
- No mayor international accidents have happened these last years





- **The commission concluded that** “... in viewpoint of Dutch regulations ..... the total of all test results, real fires, model calculations, and track record show that on the basis of the recommendations with a sufficient degree of reliability, *the probability of disproportional damage is sufficiently small.* ”
- **The (to be published) recommendations contain an additional rule regarding the limitation of structural topping for new construction**

$$t \leq 0.25 \times \text{depth hollowcore}$$

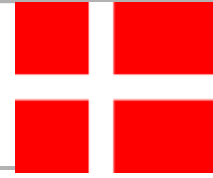
- **In case the thickness of structural topping is larger, then:**
  - Risk analysis
  - Alternative load path
  - Sprinkler installation
  - Fire protection

## Update France and UK



- No issues, but regulatory institutions in France and UK are looking very much to The Netherlands what will be decided and published by the Dutch commission for recommendations ( $t \leq 0.25 \times \text{depth hollowcore}$ )





- Fire issue was “smouldering” for 2 years but is out now
- Abeo A/S (and Prof. Hertz) raised “questions” on the fire resistance of hollow core slabs
  - 2 letters written to Ministry of Climate, Energy and Building
    - EN1168 can’t be used to document R120 for slabs without transversal reinforcement.
    - EN1168 is not used correctly by the Danish producers as due to spalling 500 °C rule should be used
  - Danish Standard S-EN1992 commented through its well-known chairman with help of Jesper Frobert Jensen
  - As Abeo is bankrupt, we expect that the situation normalizes
  - ... but Abeo is for sale: will new owner, if any, continue this strategy?



- No critical situation anymore, as the “Zulassung” (approval) has been extended by DIBt for 5 years.
- The German system with “Zulassung” is under discussion on a European level
- But DIBt had requested a fire test in Berlin at BAM research institut, and the way how to execute the test is under discussion.. Hollow core industry is involved and is asking now the difficult questions .... But fire tests have been carried out
- June 2016 a technical day will be organized in Germany with universitiy professors to bring formally the state-of-the-art in the industry on a higher level



# New PCI Manual [2015]

- **PCI Manual for the Design of Hollow Core Slabs and Walls**
- **3rd Edition, 2015, ePub + Hardcopy**
- This manual presents in detail design of hollow core slabs for gravity and lateral loads. A complete revision of the diaphragm chapter includes the latest design information.
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- The Third Edition of the Manual has added Hollow Core Wall Panels and is updated to ACI 318-11, PCI 7th Edition Design Handbook and 2012 IBC.
- 2015, 232 pages  
3 edition  
Product Format: ePub/Print  
Item #: MNL-126-15e+P



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Revision of EN 1168/A3



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Convenor of CEN TC229/WG1/TG1

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# Taskgroup 1 Hollow Core Slabs



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# Product Standard EN 1168



- **EU Product Standard for Hollow Core Slabs**
- **Not: a standard or code for design of Hollow Core Floors!**
- **Informative Annexes for design of HC Floors**
- **Harmonized standard with an Annex ZA for CE-marking**

- **Status**
  - Feasibility study
  - No TC229 Work Item (WI) yet

- **Punching shear (Finnish proposal)**
- **Minor changes in body tekst: skew slab ends, min. amount of strands, drainage hole aspects, sag of top flange.**
- **Max. concentrated loads with regard to load distribution from body text to informative Annex C**
- **Move chapter “Three supported edges” to Annex C**
- **Annex E “unintended fixing moments” in line with EC2: NDP with recommended value 15%**
- **Holcofire update to Annex G: flexible support, drainage holes and limitation thickness topping.**



## ■ Annex J Full Scale Test

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c) Detail of support in a) and b)

Figure J.1 — Testing arrangement

### J.4 Loading procedure

The load shall be applied as repeated loading in 2 cycles. The amplitude of the loading of the first cycle shall be equal to at least **35 %**, with a tolerance of  $-3 \%$  and  $+7 \%$ , of the **calculated ultimate load**. In the last cycle the load shall be increased up to the actual ultimate load at failure.

The required design ultimate load shall be evaluated using the design model for failure with the design values for material properties, nominal dimensions and with regard to the most unfavourable failure mode.

The speed of the loading of the element shall not exceed the following limits:

Minutes	Calculated ultimate load (%)
0	0
2	35
3	0
4	50
5	75
6	85
7	95
8	115
9	125

- for the first cycle:
  - 35% of the calculated ultimate load in two minutes and subsequent withdrawal of the load;
- for the second cycle:

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## ■ Informative Annex Flexible Supported HC

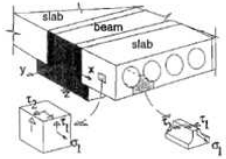
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**Annex L**  
(informative)  
**Flexible Supports**

*stresses in the web*

As shown in Figure 3.5, in the web act the following stresses:

- $\sigma_1$ , due to the effective prestressing force,
- $\tau_1$ , due to the vertical shear force and
- $\tau_2$ , due to the shear flow in transversal direction, caused by imposed load.



**Fig. 3.5** Stress components in the web

*failure criterion*

Failure will take place when the maximum principle tensile stress  $\sigma_{ps}$  becomes equal to the characteristic tensile strength  $f_{ctk}$  of the concrete. So the design criterion will be:

$$\sigma_{ps} \leq f_{ctk}, \text{ the design tensile strength of the concrete} \quad (1)$$

To simplify the calculations, a modified principle stress  $\sigma_{ps}$  is used:

$$\sigma_{ps} = \frac{\sigma_1}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_1}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2} \quad (2)$$

The magnitude of the additional shear stress  $\tau_2$  is depending on:

- type of beam
- type of slab
- continuous or free supported beam
- span of both beam and slab
- curvature profile of beam
- tie steel arrangement
- penetration of in situ infill concrete into the hollow cores
- presence of a composite reinforced concrete topping

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Based on *fib* Bulletin 6

Agreement on HC without topping

Cooperation with fibCOM6 TG 6.1

## ■ Informative Annex Lifting Clamps

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**ANNEX XX**  
(informative)  
**Testing to determine suitability between lifting clamp and hollow core slabs**

**XX.1. General**  
The aim of this test is to determine suitability of the combination between lifting clamps and hollow core slabs regarding to the following criteria:

- Lifting clamps and the way of using them
- Dimensional checks
- Lifting and suitability test

**XX.2. Lifting clamps**  
Lifting clamps are the responsibility of being provided by the pre-caster. Hollow core slabs can be lifted with a spreader beam and with two clamps or with a single device, unless a maximum length of the cantilevered part is respected (as shown in figure XX.1)

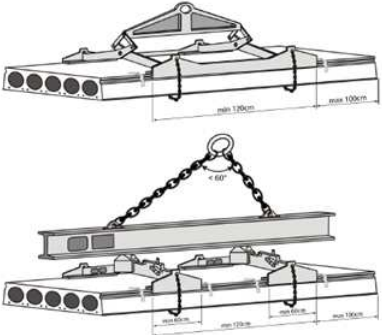
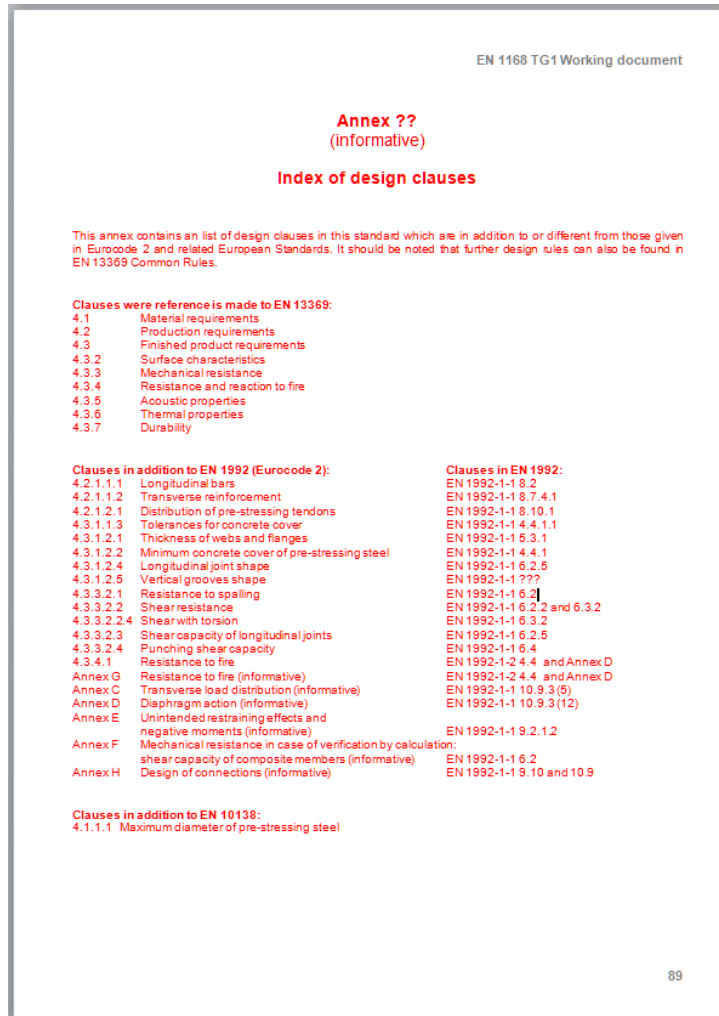


Figure XX.1 – Lifting for slab

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## ■ Informative Annex with design clauses



## ■ Shear capacity

Wish for only one formula for the shear tension capacity, and not loose for advantages of the simplified formula.

$$V_R(y, V) := \frac{b(y) \cdot I_{i2}}{S_{c2p}(y)} \cdot \left[ \sqrt{f_{ct}^2 - f_{ct} \cdot \sigma_c(y, V) - (\beta_f \tau_2(y, V))^2} - \tau_1(y) - \tau_{pt}(y) \right]$$

Extended: compute the governing position  $y$  with the functions of the normal and shear stresses described in the functions.

Simplified: with assumptions or tabulated values:

$Y$  = lowest point of the web with smallest thickness

Tabulated values...e:

Span of the beam Transverse Shearstress

0	0 MPa
1	0
2	0.5
4	1
8	3

Note: the span is the distance between the “momentzero” points.

Transmission shearstresses: = 1,0 MPa

Suggested values to be calibrated/validated.

This approach is in line with the basis formula of Eurocode 2 and is only more detailed referring to the remark of the Eurocode 2 formula.

# EN 1168 Revision topics

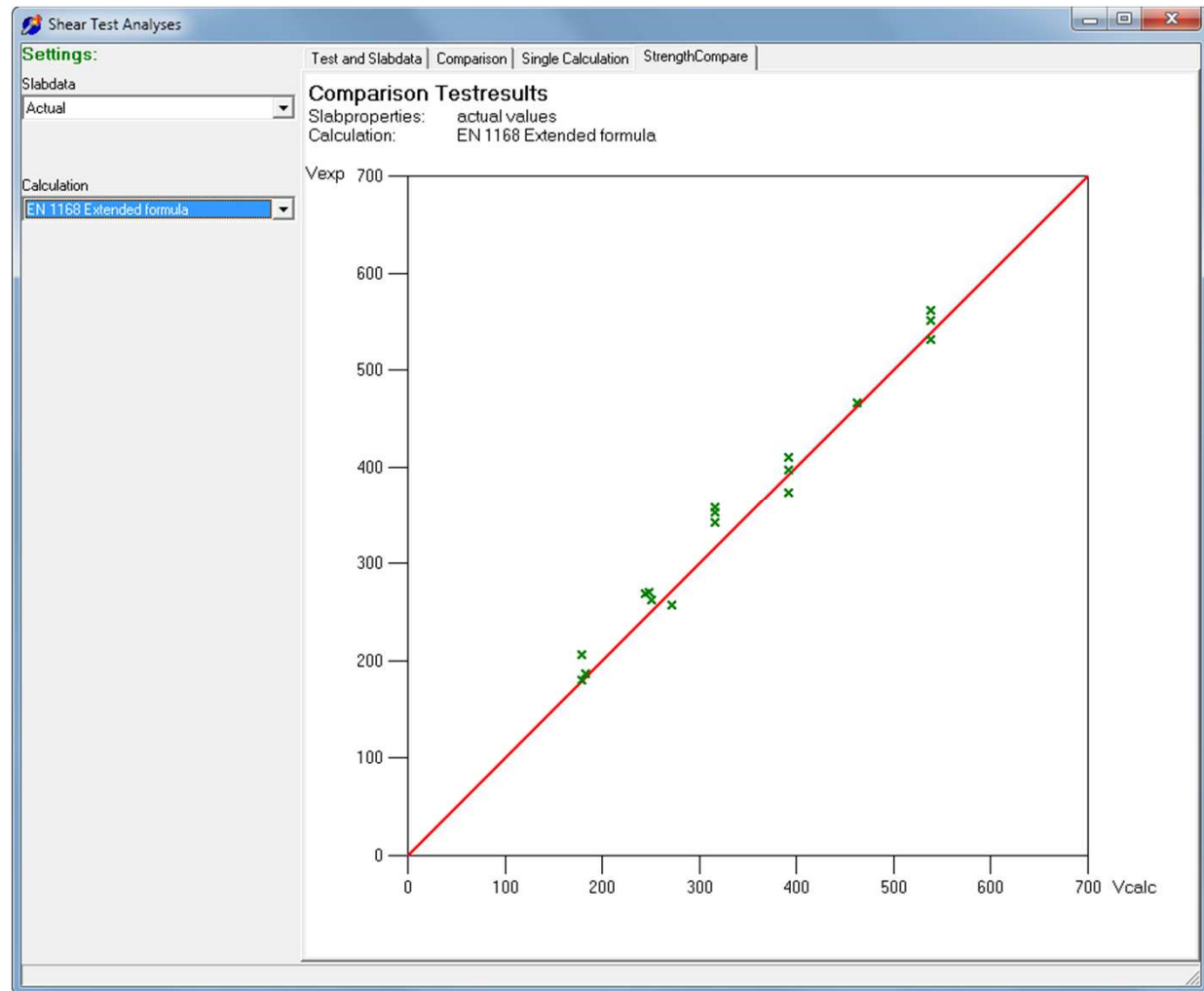


## ■ Shear capacity

Increasing the background information on shear force...

Collecting shear tests.

Test reports are welcome....



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Prestressed Hollowcore Floors  
New *fib* - recommendations  
- update -



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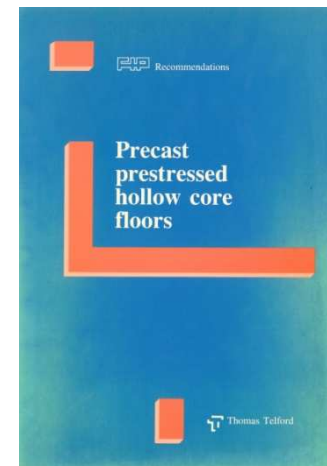
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- ....
- **1988 - Precast prestressed hollowcore floors (Thomas Telford),**
- **2000 - Special design recommendations for precast prestressed hollowcore floors**
- **2015 - New recommendations**  
**Main work item of TG 6.1**
  - Content accepted until 12/2015
  - 2016 editing + approval

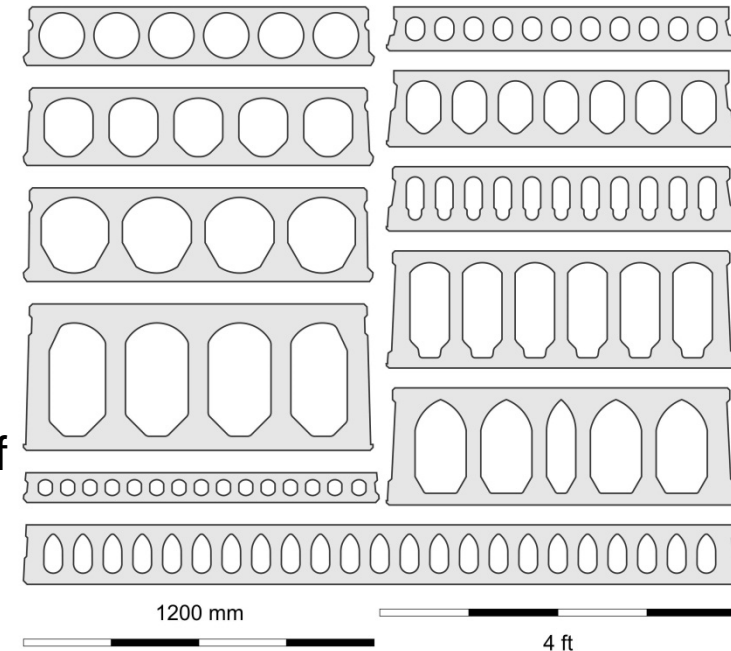


Have a look at <http://www.fibcom6.org>



# New recommendations: Why?

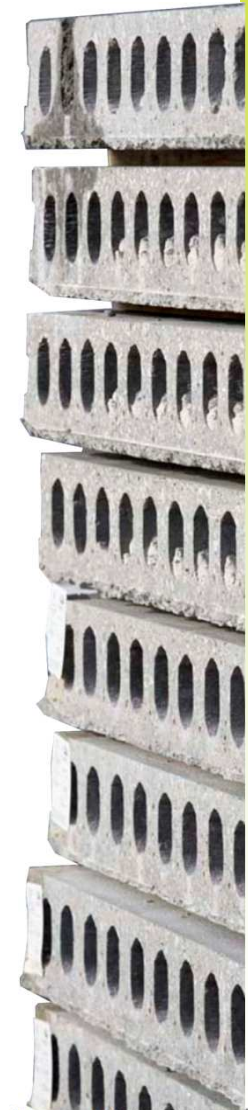
- **Why this update?**
  - 25 000 000 m<sup>2</sup>/y annual production
  - 40-60 % precast flooring
  - Evolutions over last decades
  - Partially covered in bulletin 6
  - Actual state of the art in this document
  - Experiences and gathered knowledge of last decade
  - Need for good **calculation examples**
- **Scope**
  - Prestressed elements
  - Depth ≤ 500 mm
  - Width ≤ 1200 mm



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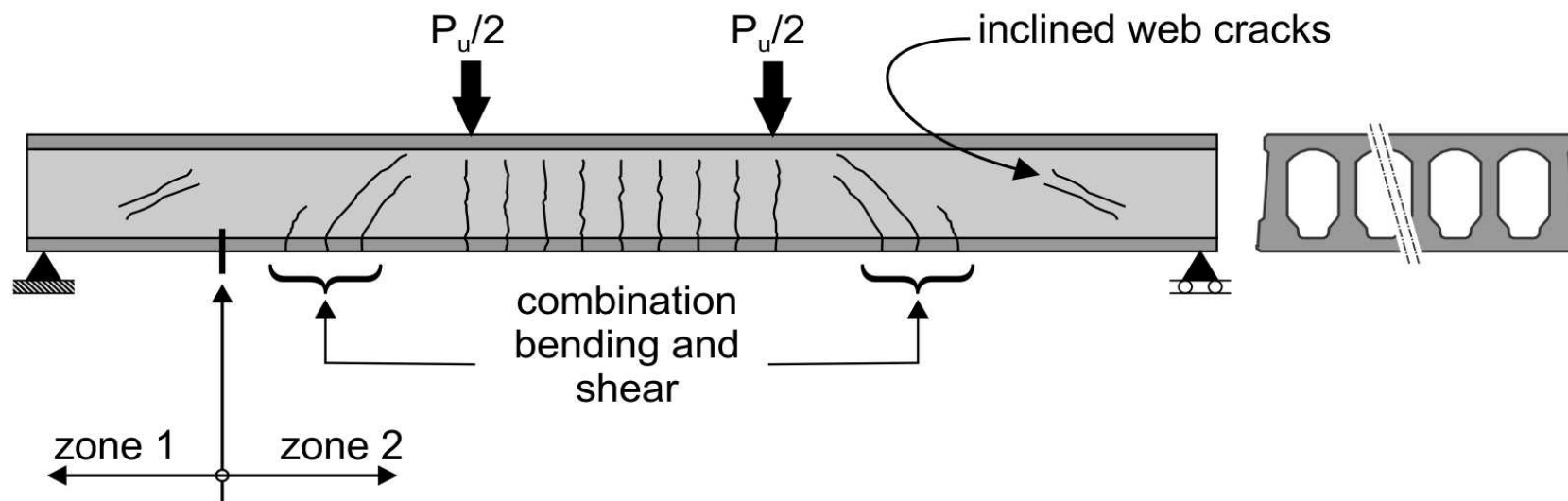
# Chapter 3: Design of the CSS



- 3.1 General design principles
- 3.2 Basic design principles
- 3.3 Stresses in the transmission zone
- 3.4 Flexural capacity
- 3.5 Shear capacity
- 3.6 Shear and bending interaction
- 3.7 Shear capacity of elements subjected to torsion
- 3.8 Shear and torsion interaction
- 3.9 Punching
- 3.10 Camber design and deflection
- 3.11 Protruding strands

## 3.5 Shear capacity

- Regions **cracked** in bending
- Regions **not cracked** in bending



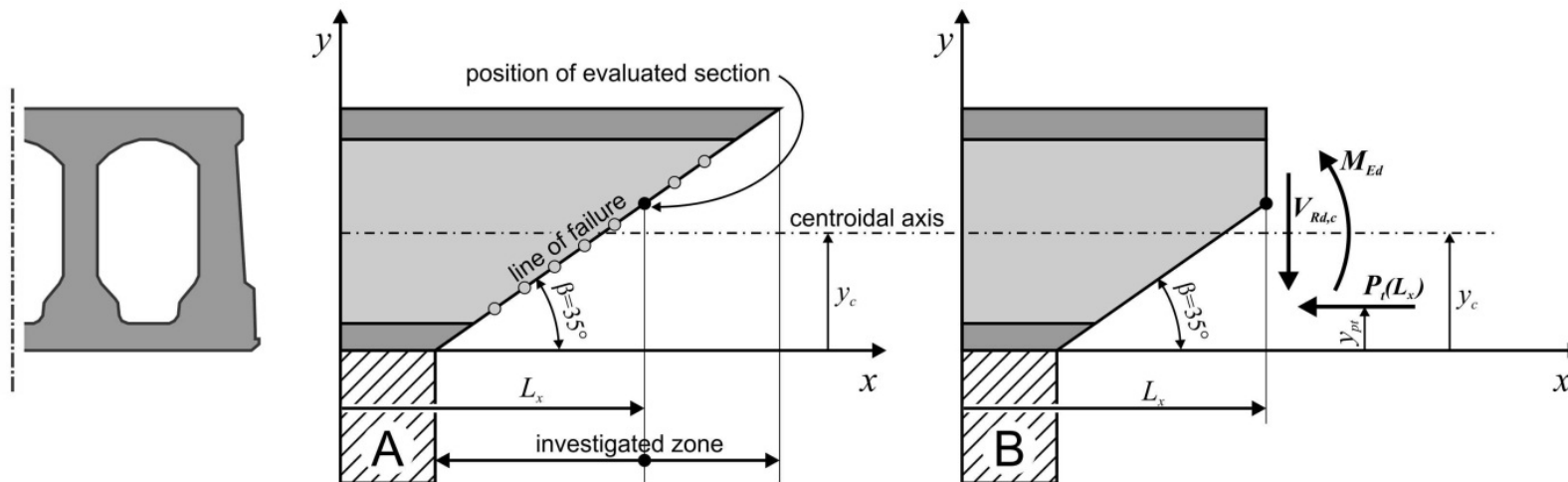
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## Regions **not cracked** in bending

$$V_{Rd,c} = \frac{l \cdot b_w}{S} \sqrt{f_{ctd}^2 + \alpha \sigma_{cp} f_{ctd}}$$

- More accurate method

$$V_{Rd,c} = \frac{l \cdot b_w(y)}{S_c(y)} \left( \sqrt{f_{ctd}^2 + \sigma_{cp}(y) \cdot f_{ctd}} - \tau_{cp}(y) \right)$$



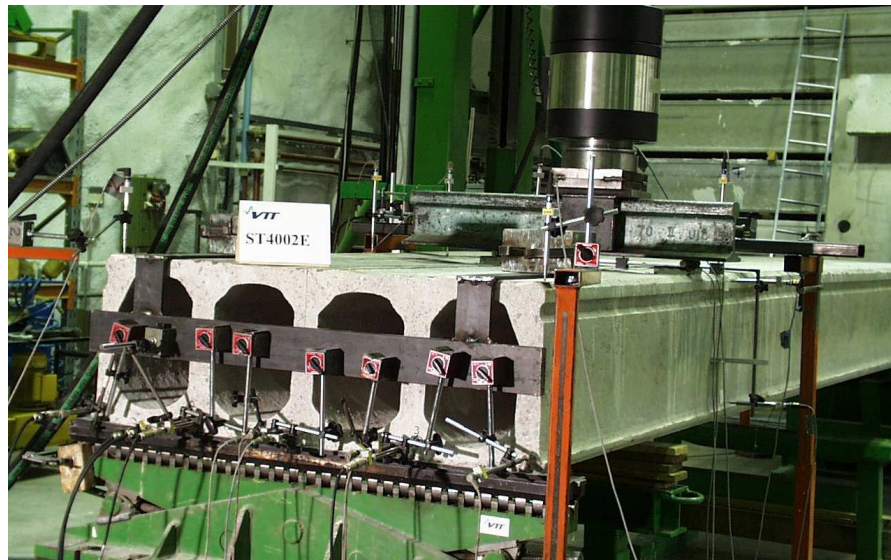
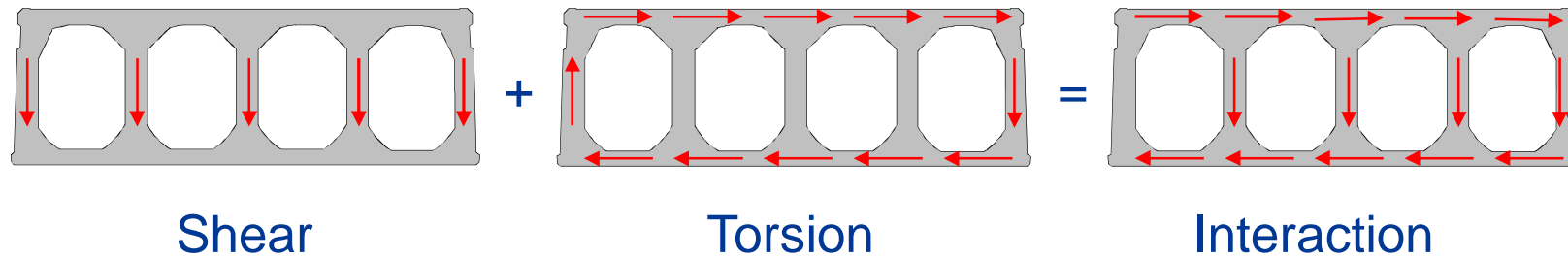
### 3.6 Shear and bending interaction

When both shear and bending is present both cannot be independently fully utilized in the same position and it is suggested that the combined action needs to fulfil the following interaction formula for each position in the region cracked in bending

$$U_{d,MV,Combined} = \left[ \left( \frac{M_{Ed}}{M_{Rd}} \right)^4 + \left( \frac{V_{Ed}}{V_{Rd,c}} \right)^4 \right]^{\frac{1}{4}} \leq 1$$

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## 3.8 Shear and torsion interaction

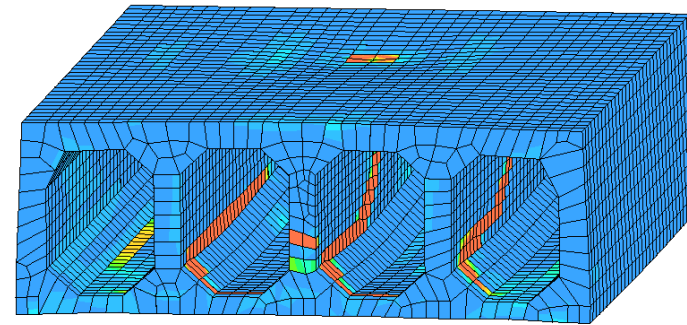
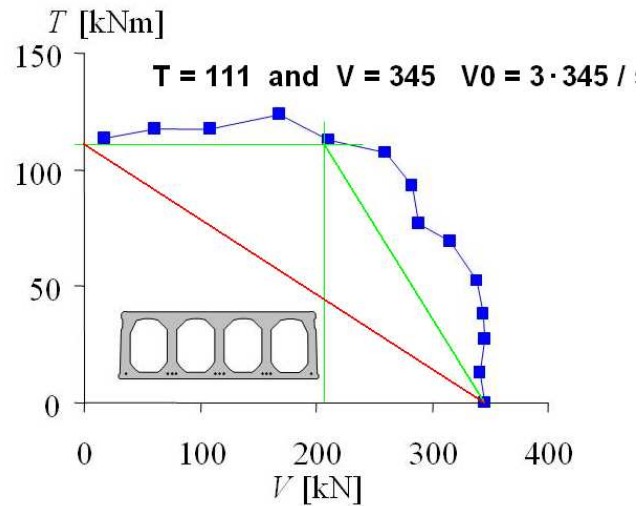


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## 3.8 Shear and torsion interaction

- **Sophisticated way (Holcotors)**

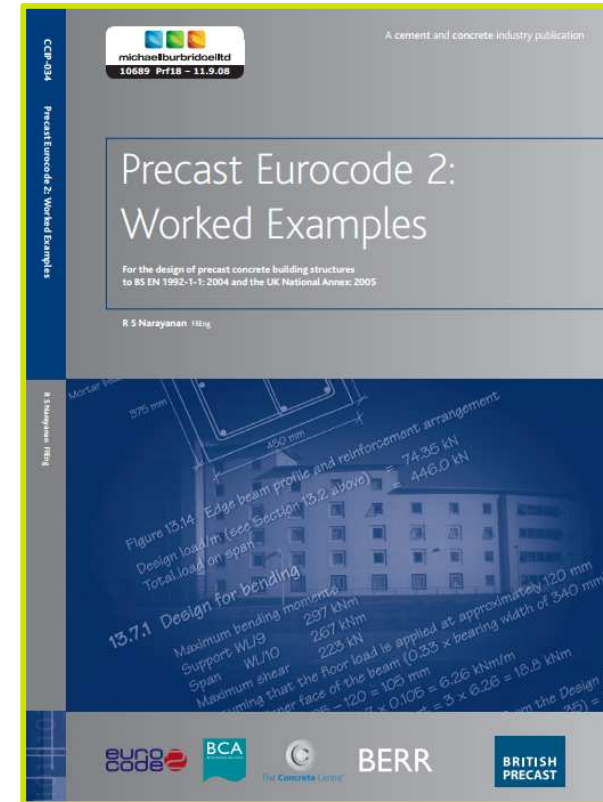


- **This bulletin: 5-step simplified method**

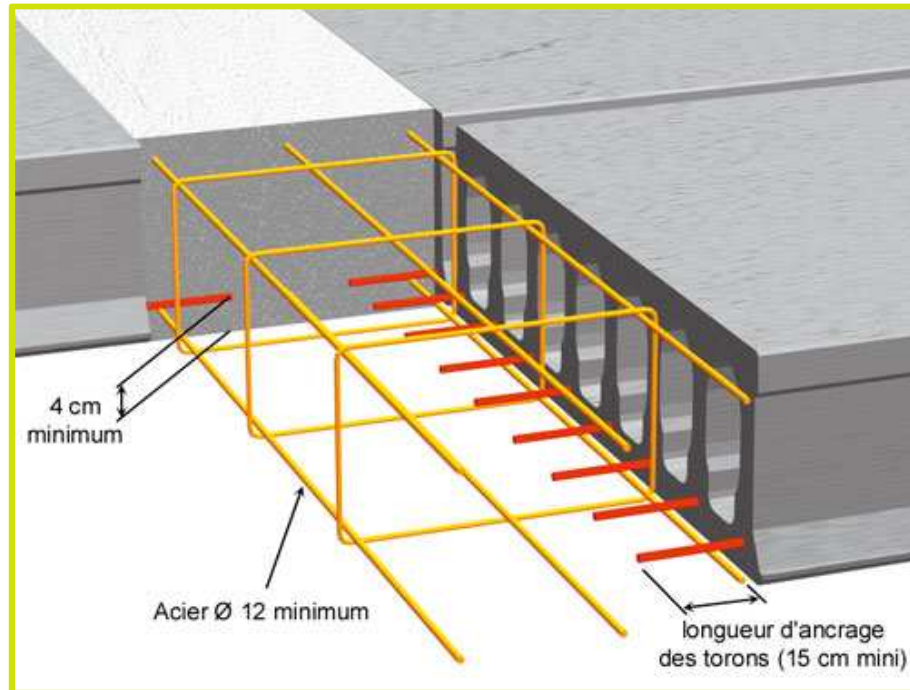
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## 3.10 Camber design and deflection

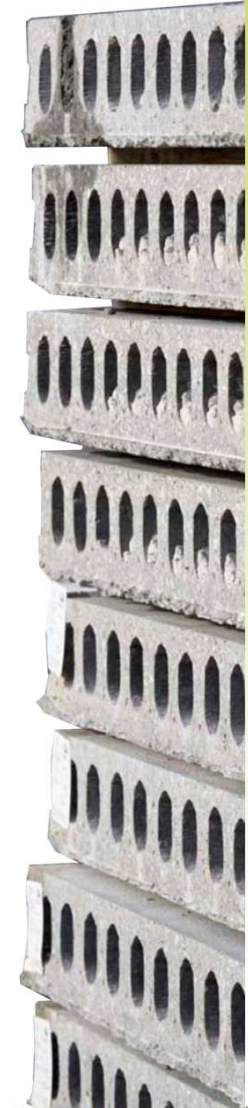
- **Simplified method ASSAP**
  - Camber
  - Deflections
- **Expected differences**



## 3.11 Protruding strands



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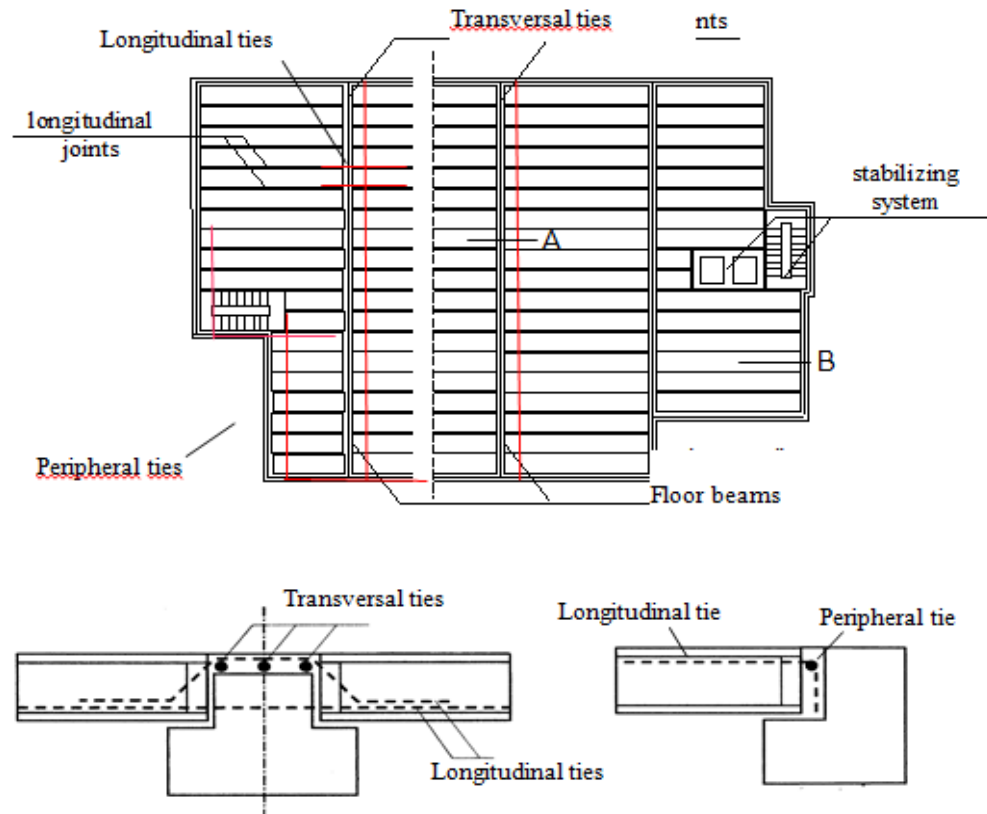


# Chapter 4: design of the floor

- 4.1 General
- 4.2 Structural integrity
- 4.3 In plane actions
- 4.4 **Transversal load distribution**
- 4.5 Structural topping and composite action
- 4.6 Non-rigid supports
- 4.7 Design of cantilevering slabs
- 4.8 Unintended support restraint
- 4.9 HC floors subjected to horizontal actions
- 4.10 **Dynamic actions and vibrations**
- 4.11 **Fire resistance**
- 4.12 Connections
- 4.13 Light load fixings
- 4.14 **Openings and block-outs**

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## 4.2.1 Tie systems

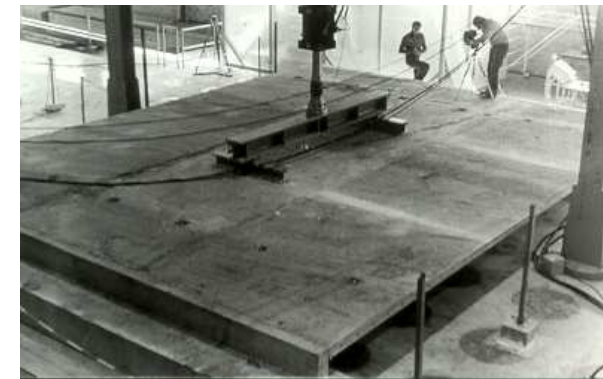
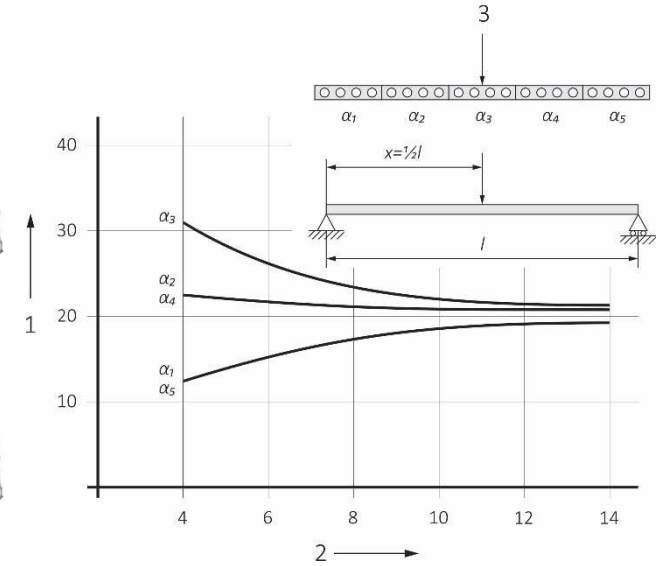
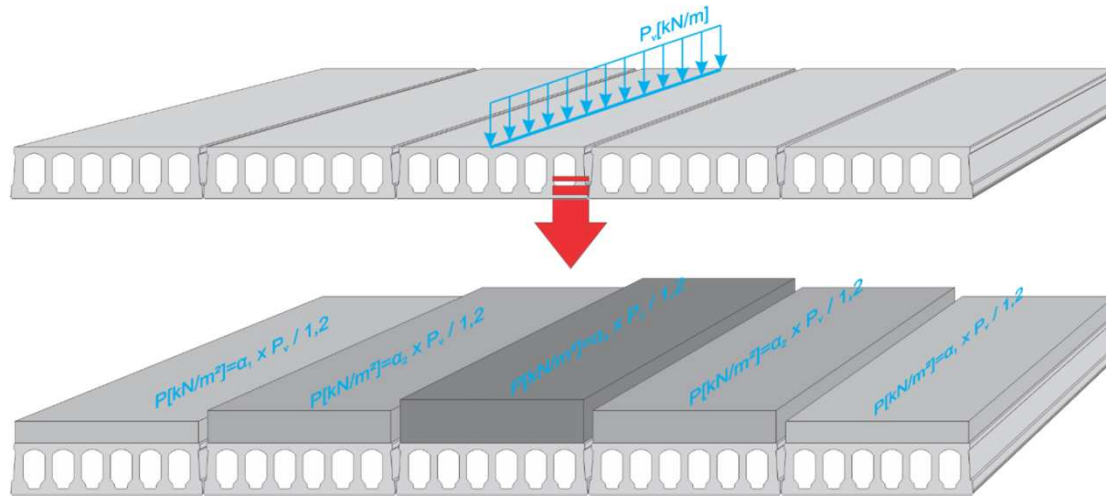


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## 4.4 Transversal load distribution

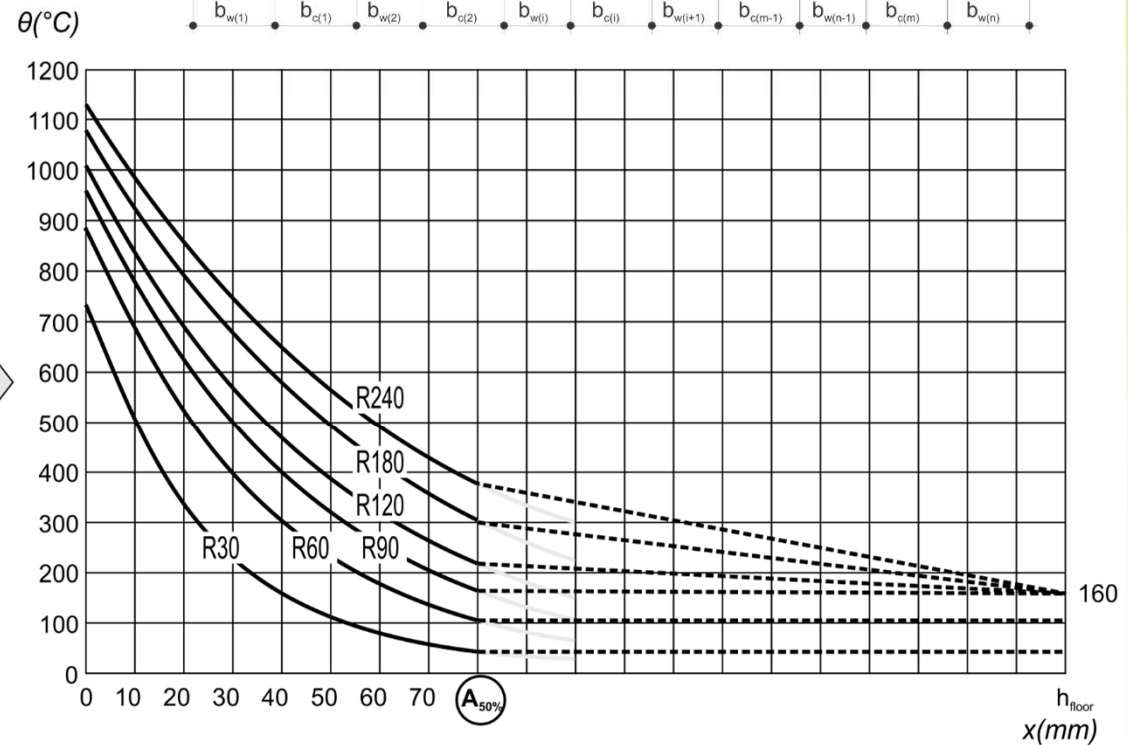
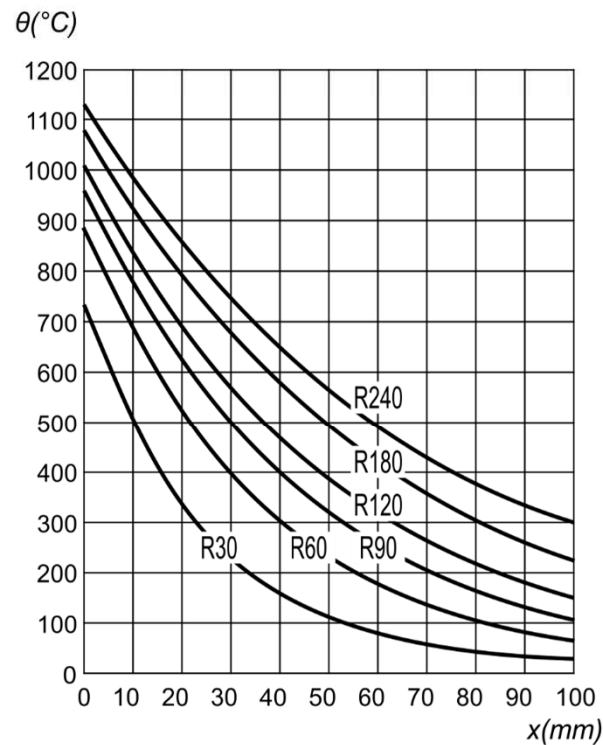
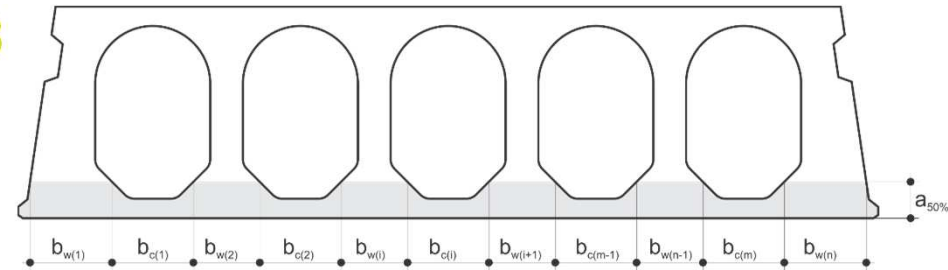




# Chapter 4: design of the floor

## 4.11 Fire resistance

- Approach of EN 1168



## 4.11 Fire resistance

- **Approach of EN 1168**

- R criterion

- Bending capacity

- Shear capacity

- Calculation method  
(calibrated empirical formula)

$$V_{Rdc,fi} = [C_{\theta,1} + \alpha_k \cdot C_{\theta,2}] \cdot b_w \cdot d$$

- Tabulated data

- **E and I**

- Minimum dimensions (tabulated data)

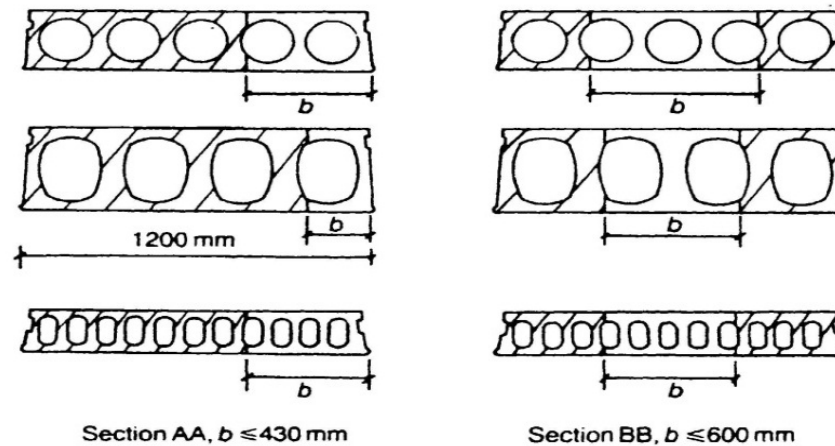
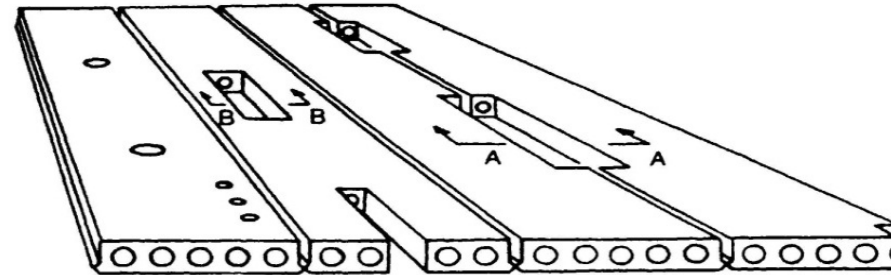
## Calculation shear capacity

$V_{Rd,c,fi}/V_{rd,c,cold}$ (%)	Slab thickness [mm]				
	160	200	240-280	320	360-400
<b>Fire resistance</b>	160	200	240-280	320	360-400
<b>REI 60</b>	70 %	65 %	60 %	60 %	55 %
<b>REI 90</b>	65 %	60 %	60 %	55 %	50 %
<b>REI 120</b>	60 %	60 %	55 %	50 %	50 %
<b>REI 180</b>	45 %	50 %	50 %	45 %	45 %

Example of the shear capacity under fire conditions ( $V_{Rd,c,fi}$ ) as a percentage of the shear capacity in ambient (cold) conditions ( $V_{Rd,c,cold}$ )

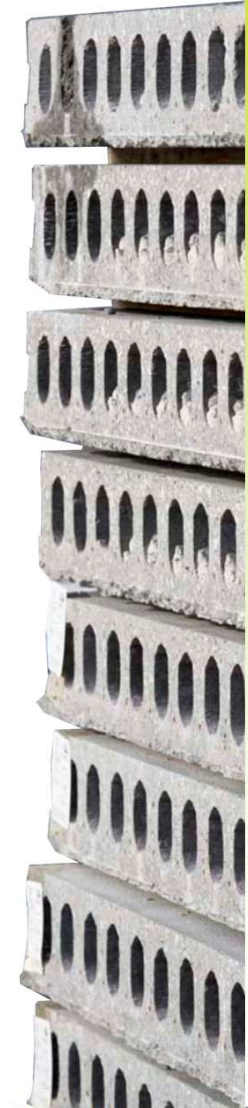
## 4.14 Openings and block-outs (WIP)

- Small openings
- Large openings
  - Design charts
- Considerations in case FEM is used



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# Chapter 5: Building physics

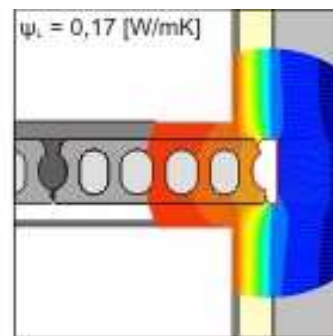
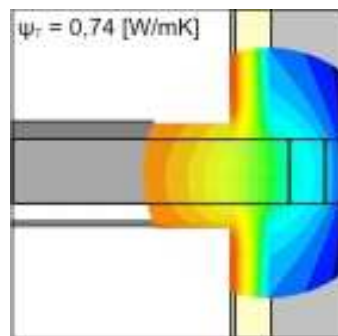
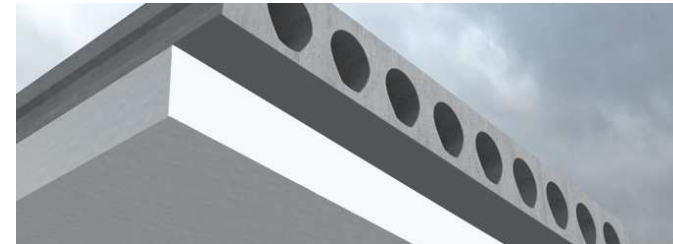
- 5.1 Thermal performances
- 5.2 Acoustic insulation
- 5.3 (Moisture content)



Office building with thermal activated floors – Hasselt - Belgium

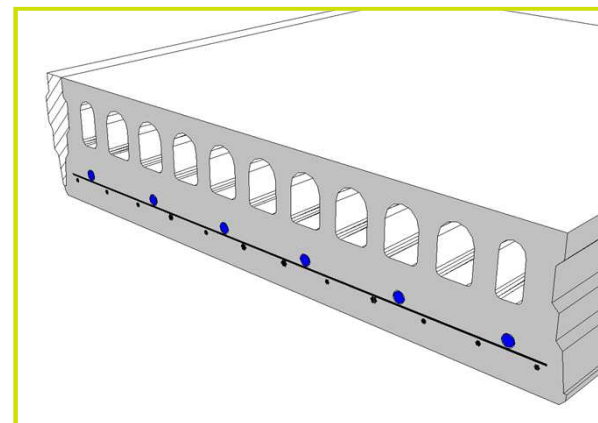
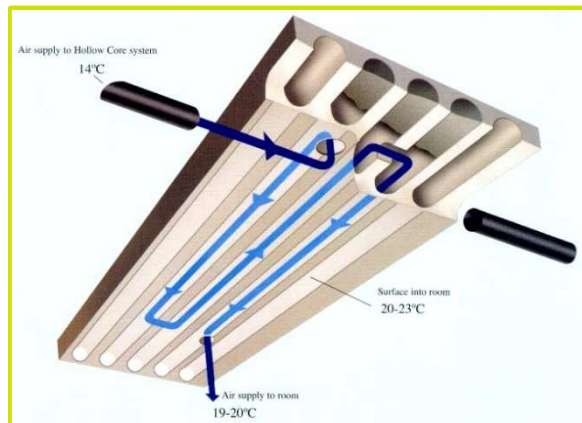
## 5.1.1 Thermal insulation

- **Insulated slabs;**
  - Mono
  - Duo
- **Reduction of thermal bridges;**
  - Lateral
  - Longitudinal



## 5.1.2 Thermal active floors

- Cooling and heating is integrated in the HC-slab
- Many examples :
  - Termodeck (SE)
  - ClimaDeck (BE)
  - Climate floor (NL)
  - Wingfloor (NL)
  - ...



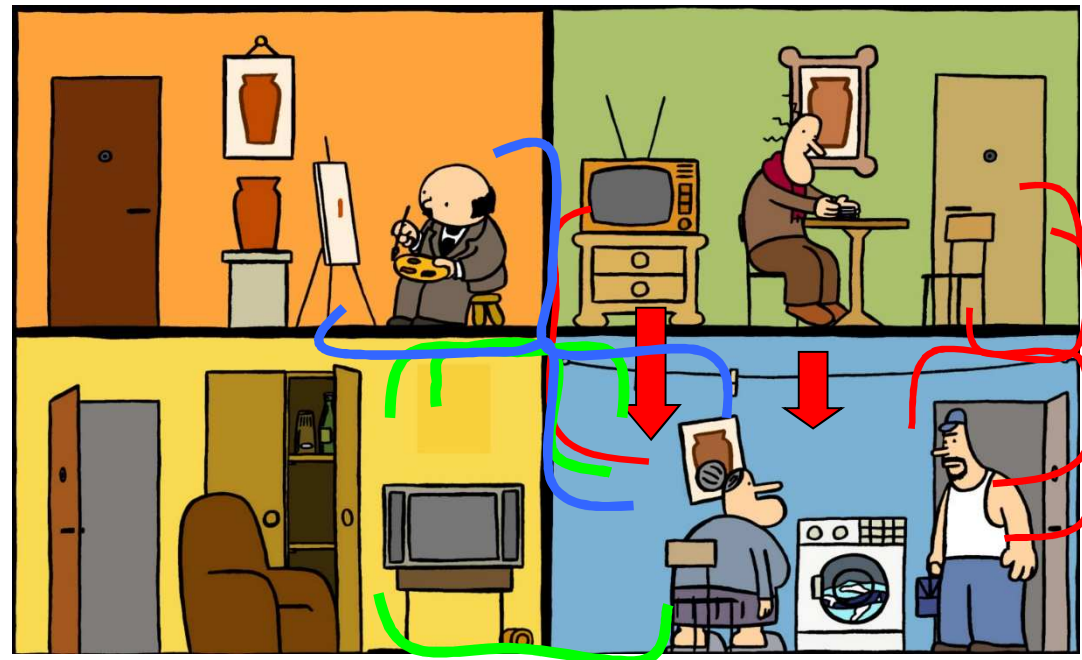


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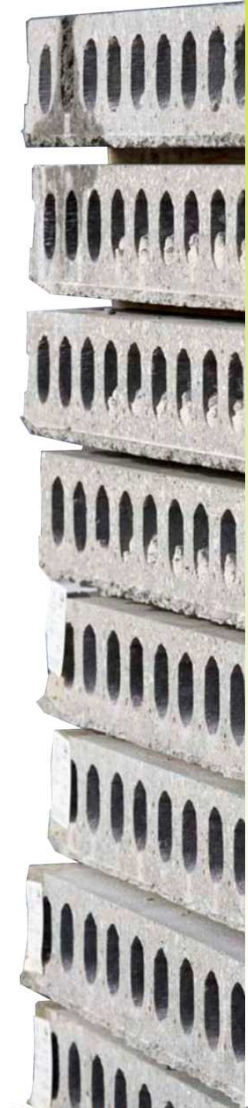


## 5.2 Acoustic insulation

- Airborne sound
- Impact sound
- Solutions with hollowcore
  - Results from tests
  - Different configurations
  - ...



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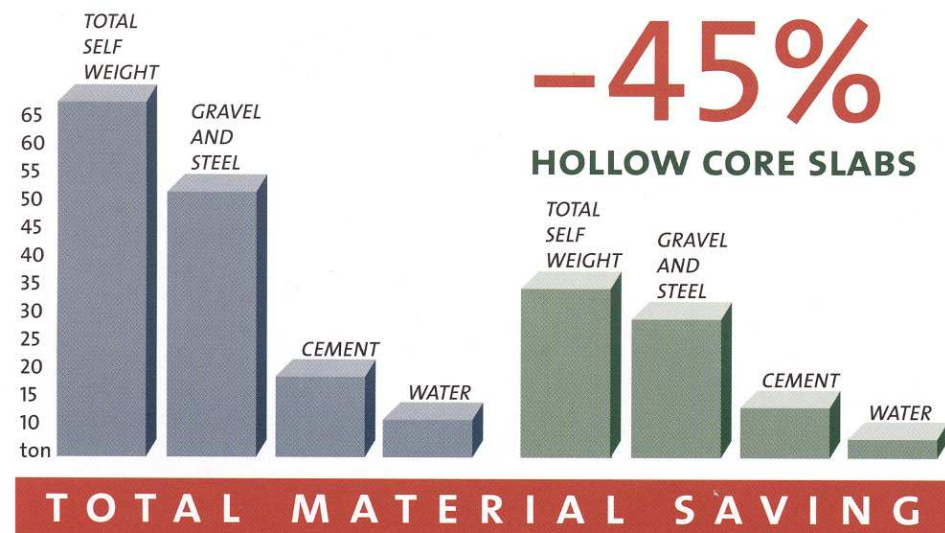


# Chapter 6: Environmental issues

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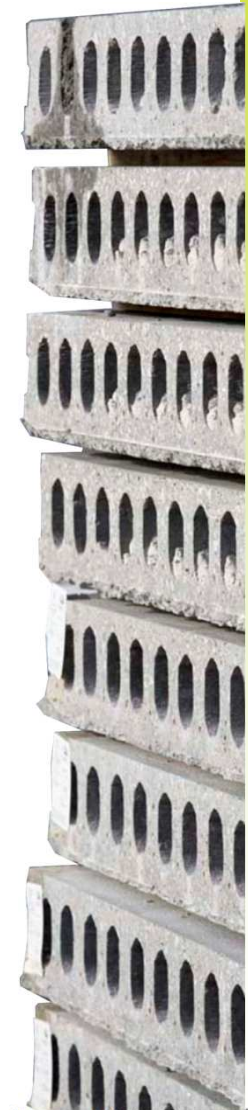
- “closed loop” factories
- 28% less primary energy consumption
- 40 to 50% less raw material
- 37,8% less generation of waste

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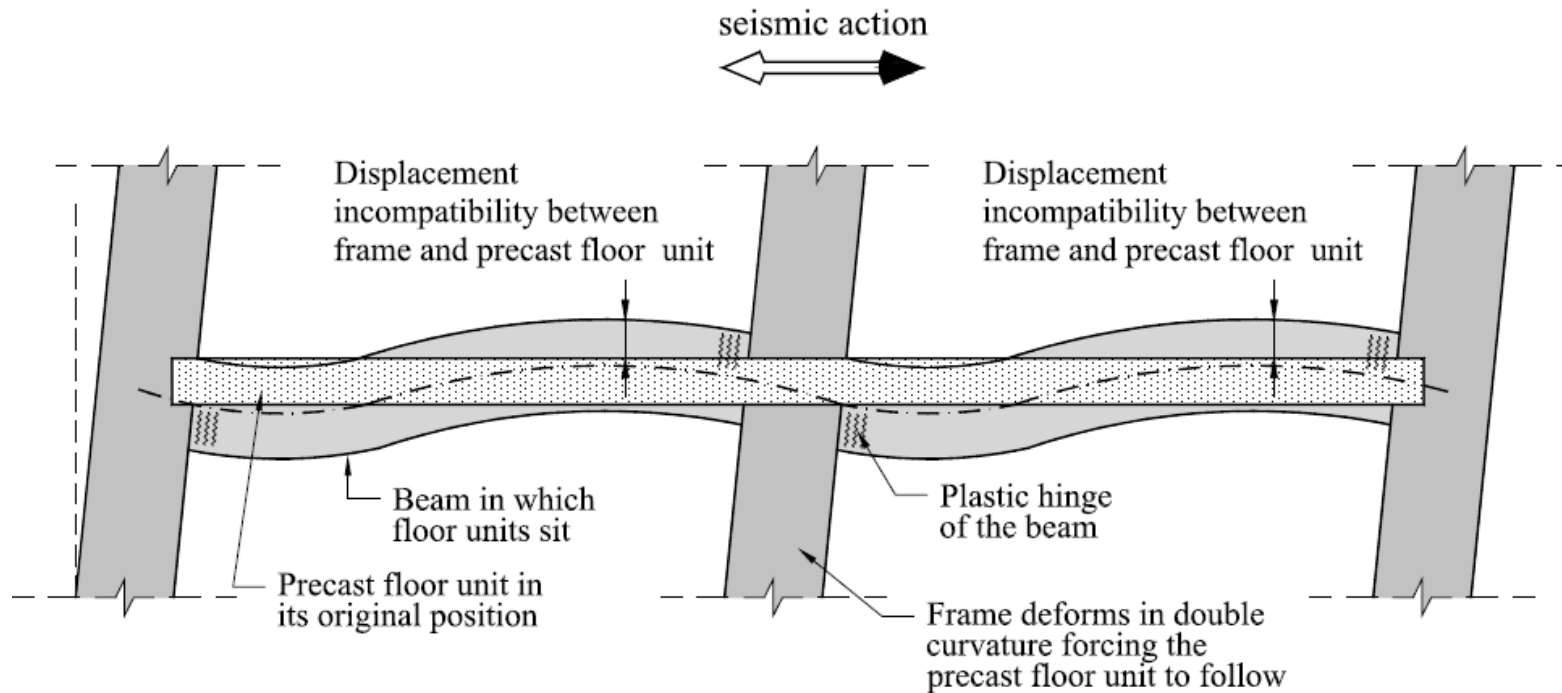
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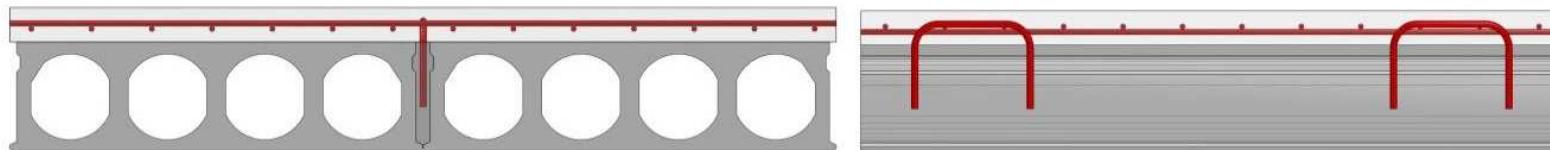
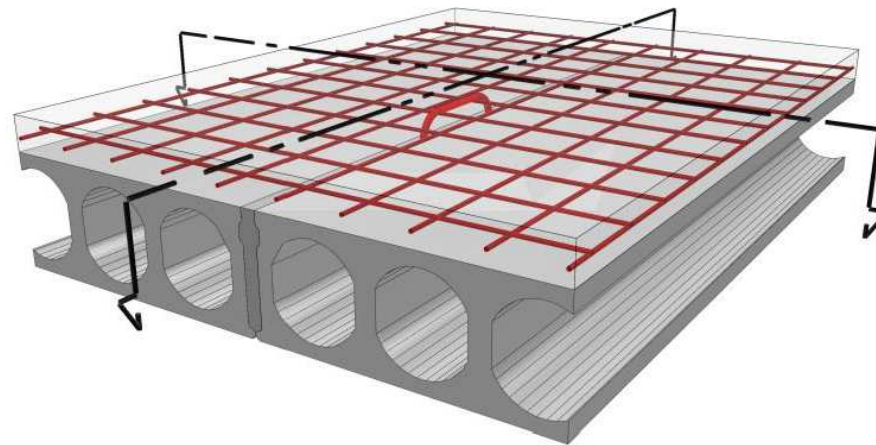
## 7.4 Potential failure modes



# Chapter 7: Hollow core in seismic regions

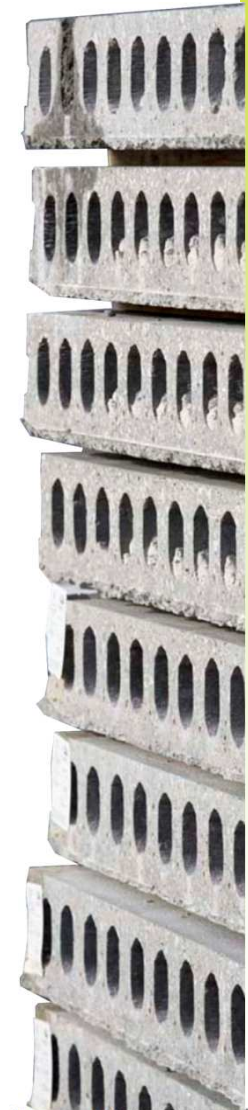


## 7.3 Diaphragm action of precast hollow-core floors in seismic actions



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## Chapter 8: Design considerations – Finished HG



- 8.1 Dimensional tolerances
- 8.2 Slippage of prestressing tendons
- 8.3 Imperfections
- 8.4 Drainage holes
- 8.5 (Repair and retrofitting)
- 8.6 **Test methods: shear and material tests**

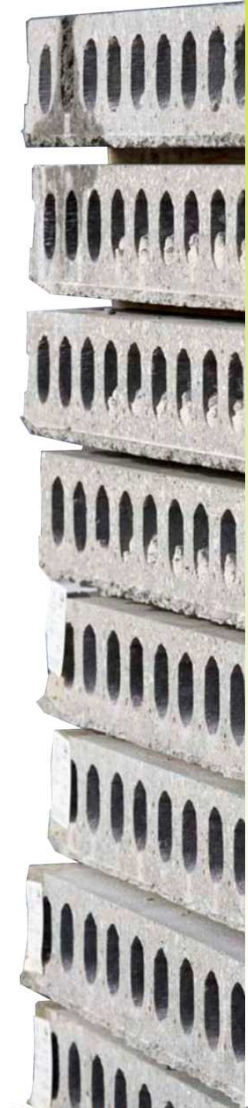
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## 8.6 Test methods



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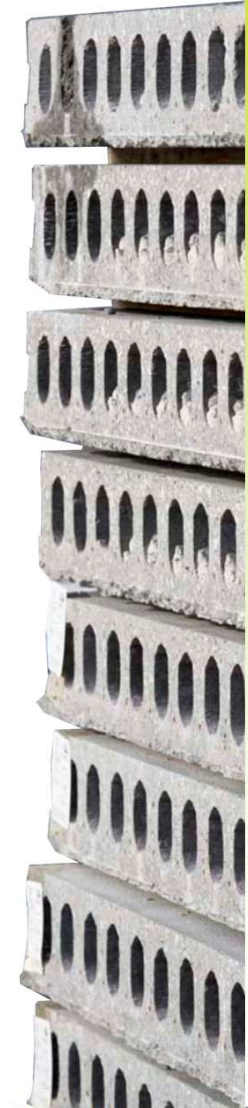


# Chapter 9: Design considerations – Manufacture

- 9.1 During casting
- 9.2 Immediately after casting
- 9.3 Sawing of slabs
- 9.4 **Lifting of slabs**
- 9.5 Storage



- **Input from IPHA is highly appreciated**
  - Best practices
    - Acoustic insulation
    - Fixings in HC
  - Results
    - Punching
  - Terminology
    - Chapter in new recommendations
    - *fib* terminology tool under development
  - High resolution pictures
    - Pictures owned by your company
    - Educational
    - References (project, architect,...)



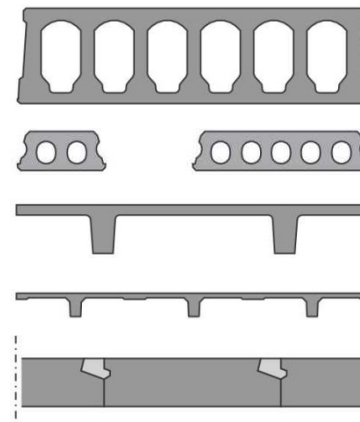
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- **Precast**

- Hollowcore floors
- prestressed
- reinforced
- Prestressed ribbed floors
- Light ribbed roof elements
- Solid slab floors



- **Semi-Precast**

- Composite floor-plate floors
- Beam and block floors

