

SOME PARAMETERS AFFECTING THE STATIC BEHAVIOR OF NORMAL AND HIGH STRENGTH CIRCULAR R.C. SHORT COLUMNS CONFINED BY CFRP

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ABSTRACT

Concrete columns have an important function in the structural concept of many structures. Often, these columns are vulnerable to exceptional loads (such as impact, explosion or seismic loads), load increase (increasing use or change of function of structures, etc.) and degradation (corrosion of steel reinforcement, alkali silica reaction, etc.). On the other hand, confinement of concrete is an efficient technique to enhance the structural behavior of concrete members primarily subjected to compression. Structural repair and rehabilitation of reinforced concrete structures is becoming an increasing important option for all deteriorated / damaged structures to restore, enhance the load bearing capacity and increase the life span of the structure. The strengthening of concrete structures with externally bonded reinforcement is generally done using either steel plates or FRP laminates. The main disadvantages of using steel plates are steel corrosion in the adhesion zone, heavy weight and excessive size of single plates. With the development of technology, the use of high-strength concrete members has proved most popular in terms of economy, superior strength, stiffness, and durability. With the increase of concrete strength, the ultimate strength of the columns increases, but a relatively more brittle failure occurs. The lack of ductility of high strength concrete results in sudden failure without warning, which is a serious drawback. [1]. The application of FRP in the construction industry can eliminate some unwanted properties of high strength concrete, such as its brittle behavior [2,3]. To study the behavior of normal and high strength circular R.C. columns confined with CFRP under statically load, tests on columns wrapped with FRP have been executed. The efficiency of externally bonded CFRP of circular R.C. columns is declared and evaluated.

Keywords: Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polymer (CFRP), strengthening, efficiency, reinforced short columns.

1. Introduction

Fiber reinforcement polymer (FRP) materials are composites which consist of organic or inorganic fibers embedded in matrix, the matrix sometimes referred to as binder, is a polymer resin, often with some fillers and additives of various natures. Externally bonded FRP reinforcement can be regarded as a system of FRP and a bonding agent to glue the FRP to the structure. Fiber reinforcement polymer (FRP), are used as Carbon Fiber (CF), Aramid Fiber (AF) and Glass Fiber (GF) [4].

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2. Previous works

2.1. Egyptian code for FRP (Code 208 version 2005):

Egyptian Code for FRP [4] presents the following equations for the strength of confined concrete columns:

The ultimate strength of section of concrete confined with FRP and subject to axially load .

$$** P_u = 0.35 f_{cuc} A_c + 0.67 f_y A_{sc} \quad \text{for columns having hoop stirrups} \quad (1)$$

$$** P_u = 0.4 f_{cuc} A_c + 0.76 f_y A_{sc} \quad \text{for columns having spiral stirrups} \quad (2)$$

A_c = the net area of cross- section A_{sc} = the total area of longitudinal reinforcement.

f_y = the specified yield strength of reinforcement. f_{cuc} = the compressive strength of confined concrete f_{cuc} is obtained according the following equation:

$$f_{cuc} = f_{cu} \left[2.25 \sqrt{1 + 9.875 \frac{f_l}{f_{cu}}} - 2.5 \frac{f_l}{f_{cu}} - 1.25 \right] \quad (3)$$

f_{cu} = characteristic strength of concrete , f_l = the lateral pressure is calculated according to the shape and strengthening system of cross- section as follow:

2.1.1. For circular columns

2.1.1.1 For full wrapping circular columns:

$$f_l = \frac{\mu_f E_f \varepsilon_{ef}}{2 \gamma_f} \quad (4)$$

E_f = the modulus of elasticity of FRP. μ_f = the percentage of confinement in full wrapping case where

$$\mu_f = \frac{4 n t_f}{D}$$

n = the number of layers of FRP, t_f = the thickness of the FRP for one layer .

D = diameter of circular column . γ_f the reduction strength factor for FRP and equals (1.3) . ε_{ef} = the effective strain of FRP = 1.6%.

2.1.1.2. For partial wrapping circular columns

$$\mu_f = \frac{4 b_f n t_f}{S D}$$

μ_f = the percentage of confinement in partial wrapping case

$k_{el} = \left(1 - \frac{(S - b_f)^2}{2D} \right)^2$ where k_{el} = confinement effectiveness coefficient in partial

wrapping case < 1.00 , b_f = width of the bounded CFRP, S = centre to centre spacing of the CFRP, D , n , t_f = as mentioned before.

3. Experimental program

The aim of this paper is to demonstrate the effect of grade of concrete and strengthening technique that affecting the efficiency of externally bonded (CFRP) strengthening circular reinforced concrete columns axially loaded.

3.1. Test specimens

Twelve normal and high strength reinforced concrete columns with circular shape of cross-sections were constructed to study the various parameters for short reinforced concrete columns under axial static centric load, as shown in **Table(1)**. All R.C. columns have constant percentage of longitudinal and lateral reinforcement, H/D ratio was kept constant and equals 6, where H is the height of columns and D is the diameter, grade of concrete was **C200, C400** and **C600**.

$$\mu = (A_s / A_c) \times 100 \quad \text{and} \quad \mu' = (V_{st} / V_c) \times 100 \quad \text{Where}$$

$$\mu_f = \frac{4 \times b_f \times n \times t_f}{S \times D} \quad \text{Where, } \mu = \text{percentage of longitudinal steel reinforcement,}$$

μ' = the percentage of lateral steel (stirrups), μ_f = the percentage of confinement, A_s = cross-sectional area of longitudinal steel reinforcement, A_c = cross-sectional area of concrete, V_{st} = volume of lateral steel reinforcement, V_c = volume of concrete, b_f = total width of the bounded CFRP, t_f = CFRP thickness, n = number of layer of CFRP, b, t = dimension of column cross-section and S = centre to centre spacing of the CFRP, see **Fig. (1)**.

Table1.
Details and data of tested columns

Col. designation	Constants	Parameter	Shape	Cross-section dim.	Longit. Steel (μ %)	Lateral steel (μ' %)	Strengthening system	% of confin. (μ_f %)	H cm	Grade of concrete kg/cm ³						
Ac 1-0							-	-								
Ac 1-1	Shape and size of cross - section, μ %, μ_f , μ' %, H/D ratio	Grade of concrete, strengthening system	Circular	D= 22.57 cm	6 Φ 12 (1.7 %)	14.18 cm (0.35 %)	1 layer, 5 strips b_f = 14 cm	0.14 %	135.42 cm	C 200						
Ac 1-2							2 layers, 5 strips b_f = 14 cm	0.28 %								
Ac 1-3							Full wrapping 1 layer	0.23 %								
Ac 2-0																
Ac 2-1																C 400
Ac 2-2																
Ac 2-3																
Ac 3-0																
Ac 3-1																C 600
Ac 3-2																
Ac3-3																

3.2. Materials and concrete mix proportion

3.2.1. Concrete

The columns were made from different types of concrete strength, therefore three concrete mix design were done to produce normal and high cube strength of about 200 , 400 and 600 kg / cm² after 28 days which are named C 200 , C 400 and C 600 respectively. The constituent materials were as follows:

- Ordinary Portland Cement (Assiut cement) was used throughout the program for making concrete, the cement content was 300 to 500 kg /m³ and water - cement ratio was defined to be ranged between 0.29 to 0.60 to have a slump of 60 to 100 mm.
- The fine aggregate used was natural siliceous sand with a fineness modulus of 2.60 , specific gravity of 2.55 and unit weight of 1.70 t/m³.
- The coarse aggregate was natural gravel of 20 mm maximum nominal size, fineness modulus of 6.61 , specific gravity of 2.65 and unit weight of 1.58 t/m³ for grade of concrete C 200 . Also, the coarse aggregate was crushed basalt of 20 mm maximum nominal size, fineness modulus of 6.43 , specific gravity of 2.60 and unit weight of 1.55 t/m³ for grade of strength C 400 and C 600 .
- No additives were incorporated in concrete for C 200 .
- Plasticizer and super Plasticizer admixture are used for C 400 , C 600 respectively . Silica fume[5] added for both C400 and C 600 . Drinking water used for mixing concrete.

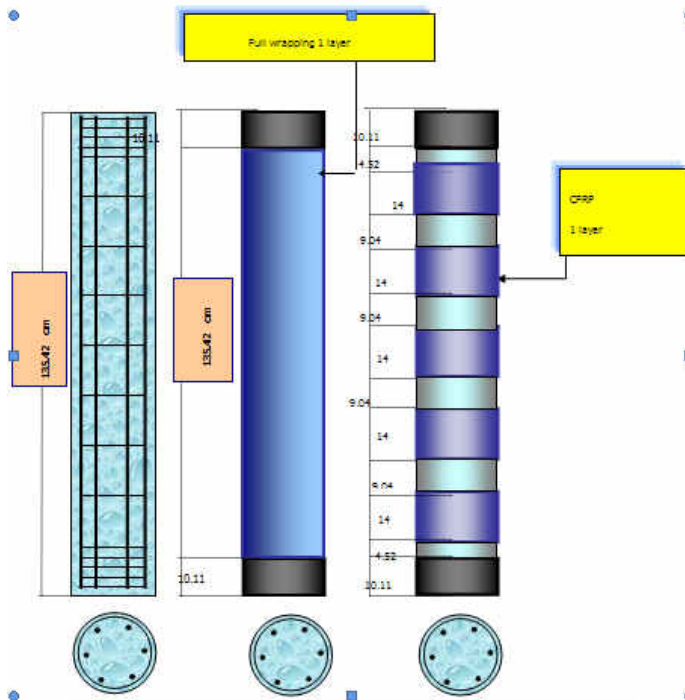


Fig. 1. R.C. columns - circular sections $D=22.57$ cm (C200,C400 and C600 kg/cm²)

3.2.2. Steel reinforcement

High tensile steel deformed bars of grade 36/52 and diameter 12 mm was used as longitudinal steel, while mild steel plain bars of grade 24/35 and diameter 6 mm was used as lateral steel in all RC columns.

Table 2.
Concrete mix proportions

Composition (kg / m ³)	C 200	C 400	C 600
Cement (type / weight)	OPC / 300	OPC / 400	OPC / 500
Coarse aggregate (type / weight)	R / 1174	C / 1144	C / 1050
Fine aggregate (type / weight)	R / 718	R / 671	R / 671
Silica fume	–	45	80
Plasticizer	–	7.00	12.5
Water	180	144	150
Ratio water/ cement (W/C)	0.60	0.36	0.30

The external reinforcement was a CFRP sheet [6], the mechanical properties of CFRP are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3.
Mechanical properties of CFRP [6]

Modulus of Elasticity (kg / cm ²)	Tensile strength (kg / cm ²)	Ultimate strain	Thickness (mm)	Weight of CFRP (g/m ²)
2380000	43000	1.8 %	0.131	230 ± 10

4. Test results

4.1. With respect to failure mode of tested columns:

During tests two failure mechanisms of failure were observed from the following Photos:
The first mechanism (FM 1):

This mechanism was due to shear failure, in non-strengthened columns which is referred as control concrete columns. The non-strengthened columns failed because of the combination of two brittle mechanisms; steel reinforcement compressive bars buckling and concrete cover spalling. Failure was governed by shear failure between the medium third to the upper or lower third for all columns. This mechanism was observed in case of reference columns (Ac1-0),(Ac 2-0)and (Ac 3-0)as shown in the following photos .

The second mechanism (FM 2):

This mechanism was observed in case of strengthened columns with a number of CFRP strips of one layer or two layers and one ply full wrapping (Ac1-1), (Ac 2-1)(Ac 3-1),(Ac 1-2), (Ac 2-2), (Ac 3-2) , (Ac1-3), (Ac2-3)and (Ac3-3)as shown in the following photos .



Failure mode, the first mechanism, (Ac 1-0), (Ac 2-0) and (Ac 3-0)
(unconfined circular R.C. columns)(FM 1)



Failure mode, the second mechanism, (Ac 1-1), (Ac 2-1) and (Ac 3-1)
(circular R.C. columns confined one layer) (FM 2)





Failure mode, The second mechanism, (Ac 1-2), (Ac 2-2) and (Ac 3-2)
(circular R.C. columns confined two layers)(FM 2)





Failure mode, The second mechanism, (Ac 1-3), (Ac 2-3) and (Ac 3-3)
(circular R.C. columns confined one ply full wrapping)(FM 2)

4.2. With respect to the axial nominal stress - axial nominal strain relationship of tested columns

The axial nominal stress defined by the applied load over the gross area = P/A (kg / cm^2), the axial nominal strain define by the change in height (deformation) over the overall height of the column $\epsilon = (\text{cm} / \text{cm})$ for all tested columns are evaluated during the testing of each column up to failure. *Fig. (2) to Fig. (4)* show the relationship between the axial nominal stress and axial nominal strain for all tested circular of R.C. columns. Based on these relationships the values of max.load, the max. nominal stress, the max. nominal strain, modulus of elasticity as well as the modulus of toughness for all tested columns are evaluated tabulated in *Table (4)*.

The values of the maximum axial nominal stress, maximum axial nominal strain, as well as the strength, ductility, stiffness and absorbed energy efficiencies are given in *Table (4)* for circular reinforced concrete columns sections unconfined and confined with one layer, two layers (partial wrapping) and confined with one lay full wrapping having grade of concrete (C 200, C 400 and C600). Also, the values of initial modulus of elasticity, as well as modulus of toughness of such columns are included.

Axial Nominal Stress (σ) Kg/cm²

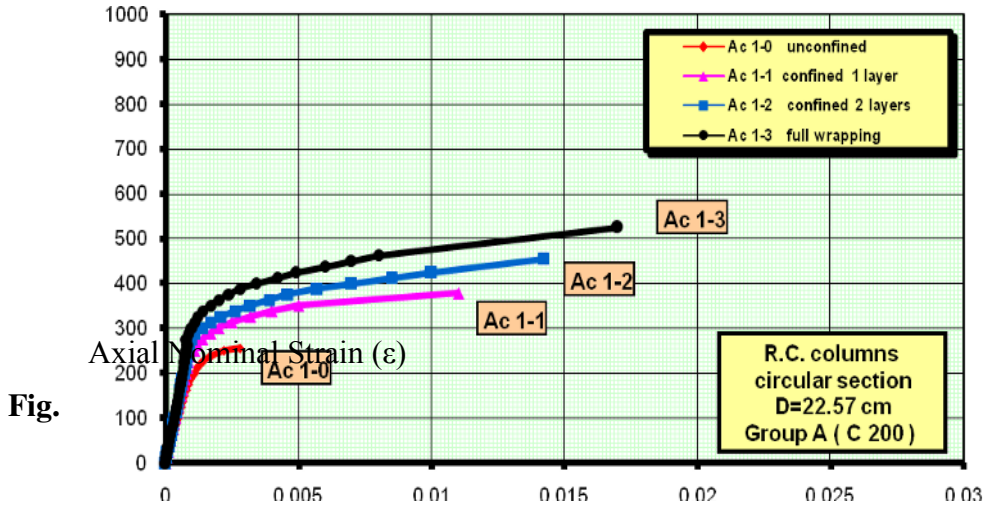


Fig.

2.

Relation between axial nominal stress and axial nominal strain for unconfined and confined circular R.C. columns (Group A - C 200)

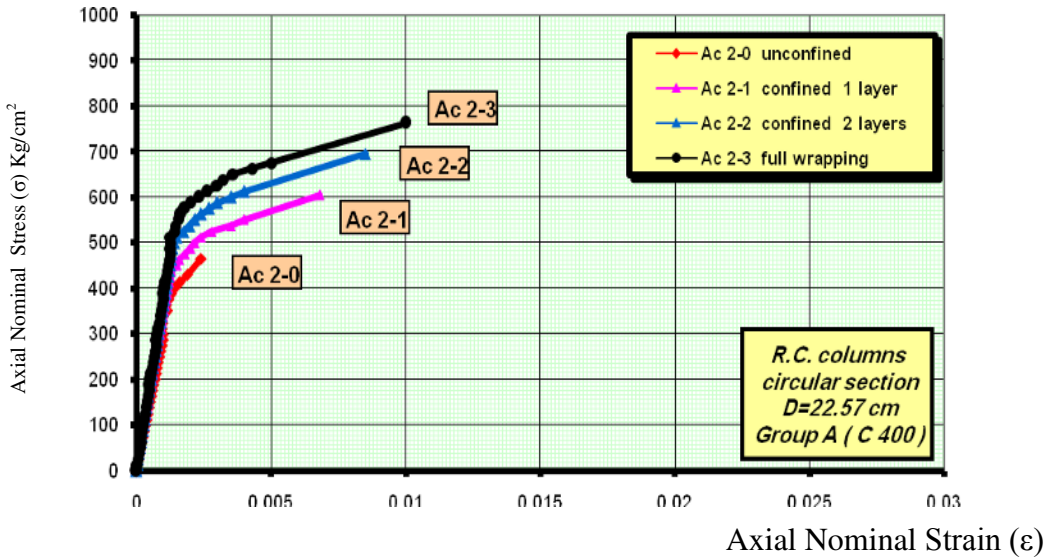
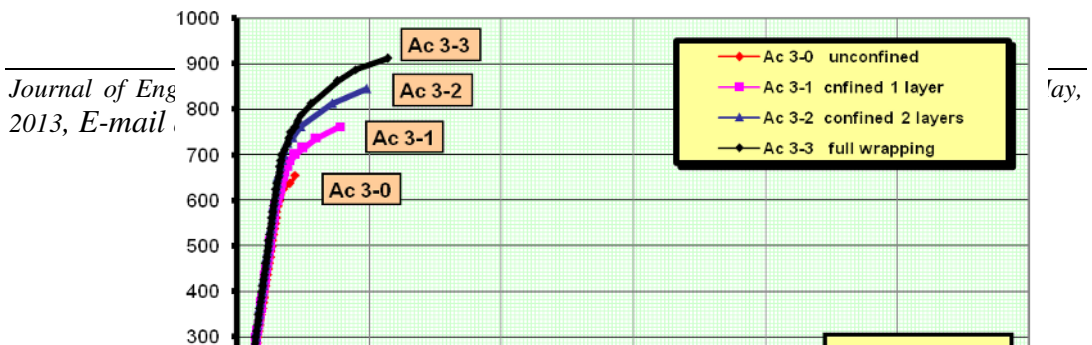


Fig. 3. Relation between axial nominal stress and axial nominal strain for unconfined and confined circular R.C. columns (Group A - C 400)



Axial Nominal Stress (σ) Kg/cm²

Axial Nominal Strain (ϵ)

Fig. 4. Relation between axial nominal stress and axial nominal strain for unconfined and confined circular R.C. columns (Group A - C 600)

Table 4.

The values of max.axial nominal stresses and max nominal strains, as well as the different values of efficiencies for circular reinforced concrete columns

column designation	Maximum axial load (Pu) ton	Max. axial nominal stress (σ) Kg / cm ²	Max. axial nominal strain (ϵ_c)	% Increase of max. axial nominal stress (ζ_1)	% Increase of max. axial nominal strain (ζ_2)	Initial modulus of Elasticity (E) Kg / cm ²	% Increase of modulus of elasticity (ζ_3)	Modulus of toughness (M. T) Kg / cm ²	% Increase of modulus of toughness (ζ_4)	Grade of concrete kg / cm ²
Ac 1-0	102	255	0.0028	-	-	2.20×10 ⁵	-	0.5105	-	
Ac 1-1	151	377.5	0.011	48.03	292.85	2.65×10 ⁵	20.45	3.5672	598.76	200
Ac 1-2	182	455	0.0142	78.43	407.14	3.10×10 ⁵	40.90	5.3742	952.73	
Ac 1-3	210	525	0.0170	105.88	507.14	3.35×10 ⁵	52.27	7.4686	1362.99	
Ac 2-0	186	465	0.0024	-	-	3.15×10 ⁵	-	0.7257	-	
Ac 2-1	242	605	0.0068	30.10	183.33	3.55×10 ⁵	12.69	3.2762	351.45	400
Ac 2-2	278	695	0.0085	49.46	254.16	3.92×10 ⁵	24.44	4.7738	557.82	
Ac 2-3	305	762.5	0.010	63.97	316.67	4.20 ×10 ⁵	33.33	6.6206	812.30	
Ac 3-0	262	655	0.0022	-	-	3.80×10 ⁵	-	0.8655	-	
Ac 3-1	305	762.5	0.0039	16.41	77.27	4.08×10 ⁵	7.36	2.1206	145.01	600
Ac 3-2	338	845	0.0049	29.00	122.72	4.32×10 ⁵	13.68	3.0527	252.70	

column designation	Maximum axial load (Pu) ton	Max. axial nominal stress (σ) Kg/cm ²	Max. axial nominal strain (ε _r)	% Increase of max. axial nominal stress (ζ ₁)	% Increase of max. axial nominal strain (ζ ₂)	Initial modulus of Elasticity (E) Kg/cm ²	% Increase of modulus of elasticity (ζ ₃)	Modulus of toughness (M.T) Kg/cm ²	% Increase of modulus of toughness (ζ ₄)	Grade of concrete kg/cm ²
Ac 3-3	365	912.5	0.0057	39.31	159.09	4.50 × 10 ⁵	18.42	4.2655	391.79	

5. Analysis and discussions of test results

The efficiencies are evaluated by calculating the following items for the strengthened columns compared with that without strengthening :

- Strength efficiency (ζ₁) which is represented by the percentage of increase of axial nominal stress .
- Ductility efficiency (ζ₂) which is represented by the percentage of increase of axial nominal strain .
- Stiffness efficiency (ζ₃) which is represented by the percentage of increase of modulus of elasticity.
- Absorbed energy efficiency(ζ₄) measured by the percentage of increase of the modulus of toughness.

The calculated values of different efficiencies ζ₁, ζ₂ , ζ₃ and ζ₄ are included also in Table 4.

Based on the obtained test results and data given in table (4), it is obvious that the strength and deformation capacities of short R.C. circular columns subjected to axial static loading depends on both grade of concrete as well as the system of the externally strengthening technique.The effect of these parameters is declared through the following items :

5.1 From point of view of strength

Fig. 5. shows the relations between the strength efficiency (ζ1) against grade of concrete of circular reinforce concrete columns (C).

These relations indicate that the efficiency (ζ1) decreases by the increase of grade of concrete of circular columns kg/cm² , the relations can be best represented as follow:

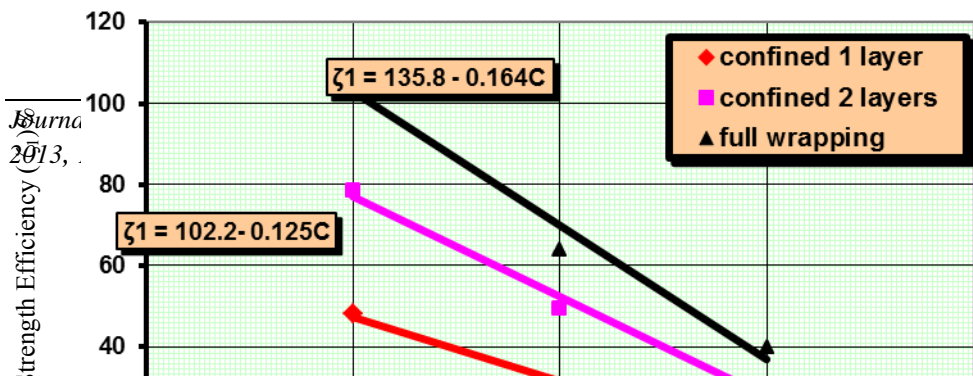
$$\zeta_1 = 63.13 - 0.079 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined 1 layer}) \quad (5)$$

$$\zeta_1 = 102.2 - 0.125 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined 2 layers}) \quad (6)$$

$$\zeta_1 = 135.80 - 0.164 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns full wrapping}) \quad (7)$$

The rate of decrease mainly depends on the technique used in wrapping.

From the above equations, it is seen that the value of (ζ1) vanishes when (C) equal ≅ 800, ≅ 820 kg/cm² and ≅ 820 kg/cm² for R.C. circular columns confined with one layer , two layers and full wrapping respectively . This means that confinement of R.C. columns is not beneficial for grades of concrete greater than 800 kg/cm² for circular R.C. columns.



Grade of Concrete (C) kg/cm²

Fig. 5. Relation between efficiency (ζ_1) and grade of concrete for circular R.C columns

5.2. From point of view of strain

Regarding the ductility coefficient (ζ_2), **Fig. 6** shows the relations between its value against grade of concrete for confined with one layer, two layers and full wrapping R.C. circular columns. The relations can best fitted by the following equations:

$$\zeta_2 = 400.00 - 0.539 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined 1 layer}) \quad (8)$$

$$\zeta_2 = 545.70 - 0.711 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined 2 layers}) \quad (9)$$

$$\zeta_2 = 675.60 - 0.870 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns full wrapping}) \quad (10)$$

From the above equations, it is obvious that the ductility coefficient (ζ_2) decreases with the increase of grade of concrete and vanishes when (C) equals $\cong 745$, $\cong 770$ and $\cong 780$ kg/cm² for circular R.C. columns confined with one layer, two layers and full wrapping respectively . Again the confinement is not beneficial for grades of concrete beyond (C) $\cong 750$ kg/cm² for circular R.C. columns.

5.3. From Point of View of Stiffness

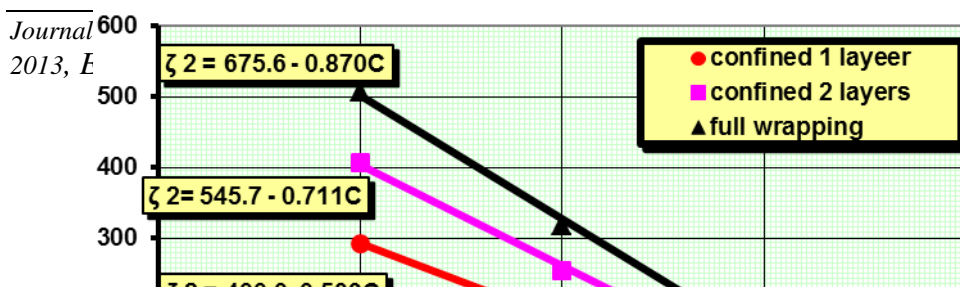
Concerning the stiffness efficiency, **Fig. 7** shows the relations between (ζ_3) values and the grade of concrete for confined R.C. circular columns. These relations can be written by the following equations:

$$\zeta_3 = 29.61 - 0.380 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. confined 1 layer}) \quad (11)$$

$$\zeta_3 = 53.56 - 0.068 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. confined 2 layers}) \quad (12)$$

$$\zeta_3 = 68.52 - 0.084 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. confined full wrapping}) \quad (13)$$

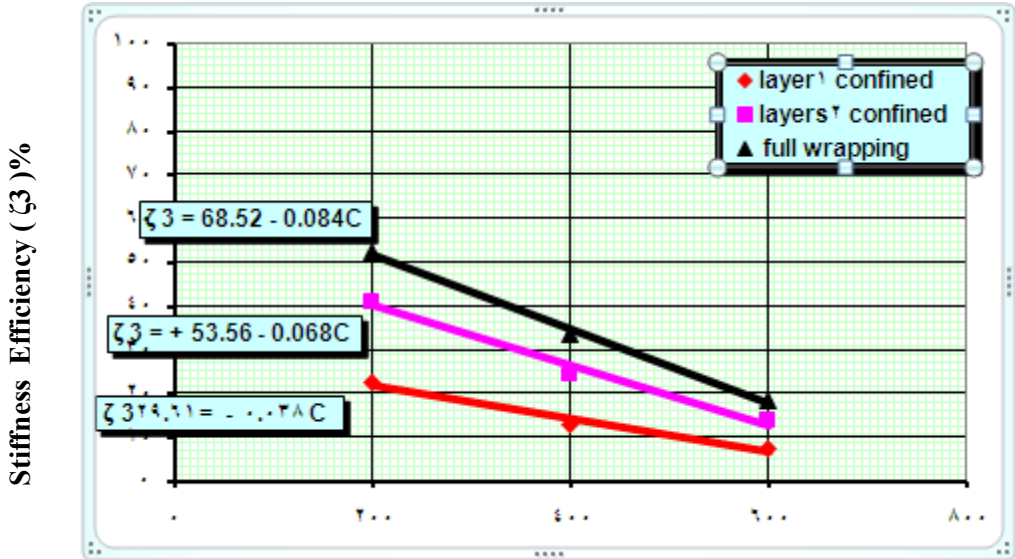
From the above equations, it is seen that the value of (ζ_3) vanishes when grade of concrete is equal $780 \cong 785$ and $\cong 815$ kg/cm² for circular R.C. concrete columns confined with one layer, two layers and full wrapping respectively . This means that



confinement of R.C. columns is not beneficial for grades of concrete greater than 800 kg/cm² for circular R.C. columns.

Ductility Efficiency

Grade of Concrete (C) kg/cm²
Fig. 6. Relation of efficiency (ζ_2) and grade of concrete for circular R.C columns



Grade of Concrete (C) kg/c m²
Fig. 7.Relation between efficiency (ζ_3) and grade of concrete for circular R.C columns

5.4. From point ofview of total absorbed energy

Fig. 8. shows how these efficiencies (ζ_4), decrease with the increase of grade of concrete (C), it can be represented by the following equations:

$$\zeta_4 = 818.8 - 1.134 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined 1 layer}) \quad (14)$$

$$\zeta_4 = 1278.0 - 1.750 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined 2 layers}) \quad (15)$$

$$\zeta_4 = 1821.0 - 2.418 C \quad (\text{for circular R.C. columns confined full wrapping}) \quad (16)$$

From the above equations, it is seen that the value of (ζ_4) vanishes when grade of concrete (C) is equal $\cong 725$, $\cong 730$ and $\cong 755$ kg/cm^2 for circular R.C. columns confined with one layer, two layers and full wrapping. Again the confinement is not beneficial beyond for grades of concrete (C) $\cong 725$ kg/cm^2 for circular R.C. columns.

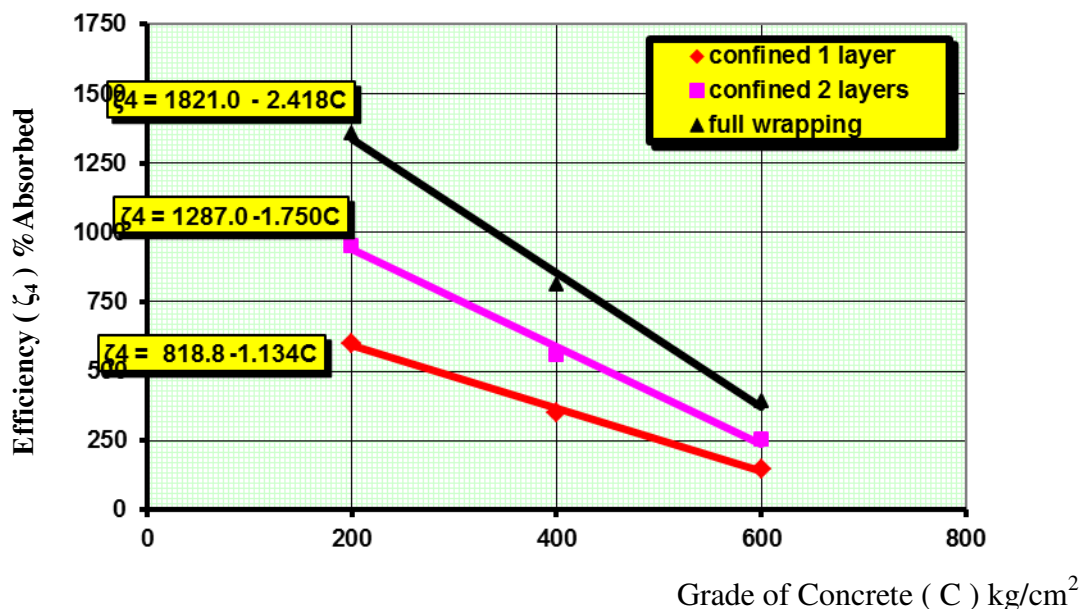


Fig. 8. Relation between efficiency (ζ_4) and grade of concrete for circular R.C. columns

Table 5 presents a summary for the evaluated values of strength efficiency, ductility efficiency, stiffness efficiency and absorbed energy efficiency for tested circular R.C. columns with different grades of concrete.

Table 6 shows the percent of average decrease of efficiencies for circular reinforced concrete columns confined with CFRP one layer (partial wrapping), two layers (partial wrapping) and full wrapping (one ply) for $C 400$ and $C 600$ comparing with that of $C 200$ for, see Figs (5) to (8).

6. Theoretical approach and mathematical modelling

6.1. Load carrying capacity of axial of R.C. strengthened short columns

The obtained experimental results showed that the load carrying capacity of R.C. columns confined with wrapped CFRP sheet improved considerably in comparison with the corresponding reference columns. So that the load carrying capacity of strengthened columns is affected by the confined concrete strength f_{cc} which it is affected by the degree of confinement and grade of concrete. As a result, and similar to the unstrengthened R.C. columns, the load carrying capacity of strengthened columns P_{max} can be obtained according to Eq.(18). Consequently, to predict the load carrying capacity of axial R.C. columns strengthened externally by means of wrapped CFRP sheets, it should predict both the confining pressure f_d due to externally wrapped sheets [7].

Table 5.

Comparison for all efficiencies of circular reinforced concrete columns with different grades of concrete and strengthening system.

(C) grade of concrete	Column designation	CFRP system	% strength efficiency (ζ_1)	% of decreases (ζ_1)	% ductility efficiency (ζ_2)	% of decreases (ζ_2)	% stiffness efficiency (ζ_3)	% of decreases (ζ_3)	% modulus of toughness (ζ_4)	% of decreases (ζ_4)	% of average decrease of efficiencies
200*	Ac 1-1	One layer	48.03	-	292.85	-	20.45	-	598.76	-	-
400	Ac 2-1		30.10	37.33	183.33	37.39	12.69	37.94	351.45	41.30	38.49
600	Ac 3-1		16.41	65.83	77.27	73.61	7.35	64.05	145.01	75.78	69.81
200*	Ac 1-2	Two layers	78.43	-	407.14	-	40.90	-	952.73	-	-
400	Ac 2-2		49.46	36.90	254.16	37.57	24.44	40.24	557.82	41.45	39.04
600	Ac 3-2		29.00	63.02	122.72	69.85	13.68	66.55	252.70	73.47	68.22
200*	Ac 1-3	Full wrapping	105.88	-	507.14	-	52.27	-	1362.99	-	-
400	Ac 2-3		63.97	39.58	316.67	37.55	33.33	36.23	812.30	40.42	36.45
600	Ac 3-3		39.31	62.87	159.09	68.62	18.42	64.75	391.79	71.26	66.87

* efficiencies for C 200 confined with CFRP as a control

Table 6.

The percent of average decrease of efficiencies for circular R.C. columns (C 200 as a control)

Grade of concrete (kg/cm ²)	% of decrease of efficiencies			% of average decrease of efficiencies
	Case of one layer (partially wrapping)	Case of two layers (partially wrapping)	Case of full wrapping (one ply)	
400	38.49	39.04	36.45	38
600	69.81	68.22	66.87	68

$$P_{max,s} \hat{=} f_{cc} A_c + f_s A_s \quad (17)$$

where A_c is area of concrete cross-section, f_{cc} is confined concrete strength, A_s is area of longitudinal reinforcement and f_s is the stress of longitudinal reinforcement corresponding to the maximum load of strengthened column $P_{max,s}$.

6.1.1. Equivalent Confinement Pressure

6.1.1.1. Case for a circular R.C. column confined with a fully wrapped

For a circular short column confined with a fully wrapped CFRP sheet, the lateral confining pressure f_l exerted on the concrete core is assumed a uniform one and calculated according to Eq.(19) by assuming uniform tension in the CFRP sheet, see Fig.(9).

$$f_l = \frac{2 f_f n t_f}{D} = 0.5 \rho_f f_f \quad (18)$$

where, in which $\rho_f = \frac{A_f}{A_c} = \frac{\pi D n t_f}{\pi D^2 / 4} = \frac{4 n t_f}{D}$ f_f is the stress in the CFRP sheet, ρ_f is the ratio of the volume of wrapped reinforcement A_f to the volume of confined concrete core A_c per unit length for a fully wrapped columns, n is the number of CFRP plies, t_f is the thickness of the CFRP sheet, and D is the diameter of the circular column.

6.1.1.2. Case for a circular r.c. column confined with a partly wrapped :

If the concrete is partially wrapped, less efficiency is obtained as both confined and unconfined zones existed. In this case, the effective lateral confining pressure is obtained according to Eq.(20) by introducing a confinement effectiveness coefficient $k_{e1} \leq 1.0$. The effectiveness coefficient is obtained by considering that the transverse pressure from the confining system is only effective on that part of the concrete where the confining pressure has fully developed due to arching action, which is assumed as a parabola with an initial slope of 45°[8], see (Fig. 9). As a result, at the midway between two successive wrapped CFRP strips, the area of effectively confined concrete core A_e is obtained through Eq.(21). Consequently, the confinement effectiveness coefficient k_e is obtained by considering the ratio (A_e / A_c) , where A_c is the difference between the gross cross-sectional area A_g and the area of longitudinal steel A_s : $(A_c = A_g - A_s)$.

$$f_l = 0.5 k_{e1} \rho_f f_f \quad (19)$$

$$k_{e1} = \frac{A_e}{A_c} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{4} \left(D - \frac{s'}{2} \right)^2}{A_g - A_s} = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{s'}{2D} \right)^2}{A_f \pi D^1 - \rho_{sg}} \quad (20)$$

where, $\rho_f = \frac{4b_f n t_f}{(\pi D^2 / 4) \times s} = \frac{4b_f n t_f}{D s}$

in which b_f is the width of the CFRP strips, s is spacing between center to center of the CFRP strips ($s = b_f$ in case of fully wrapping), ($s' = s - b_f$) is the clear spacing between two successive wrapped CFRP strips, ρ_{sg} is the reinforcement ratio of the longitudinal steel reinforcement with respect to the gross cross-sectional area ($= A_s / A_g$).

6.2. Confined concrete strength

Various models for confinement of concrete have been developed, primarily for steel wrapping reinforcement [10, 11]. These models basically provide an equivalent uniaxial stress-strain relationship for confined concrete, see (Fig. 10). These models assume a constant confining pressure, and in reality confinement action increases as the concrete expands. For steel transverse reinforcement, the assumption of the constant confining pressure is somewhat realistic when the stress level is in yielding stage. On the contrary, FRP reinforcement behaves linear elastically up to failure and the inward radial pressure (confining pressure) increases as the concrete expands laterally. Regardless of the complete stress-strain response of the FRP reinforcement, on the basis of both models assuming a constant confining pressure [10, 11] and the model of FRP confined concrete suggested by Saadatmanesh et al [12], the confined concrete strength f_{cc}' was derived directly from the maximum effective confining pressure f_l with,

$$f_{cc}' = f_{co} \left[2.254 \sqrt{1.0 + 7.94 \frac{f_l}{f_{co}}} - 2.0 \frac{f_l}{f_{co}} - 1.254 \right] \quad (21)$$

where f_{co} is unconfined concrete strength .

6.3 Analytical verification:

Saadatmanesh et al model , Eq. (21), presents the predict load carrying capacity of the tested columns (P_{pr}) according to Eq. (19) for circular reinforced concrete columns full wrapping and Eq. (20) for circular reinforced concrete columns partially wrapping , compared with the corresponding experimental results are tabulated in Table (7).

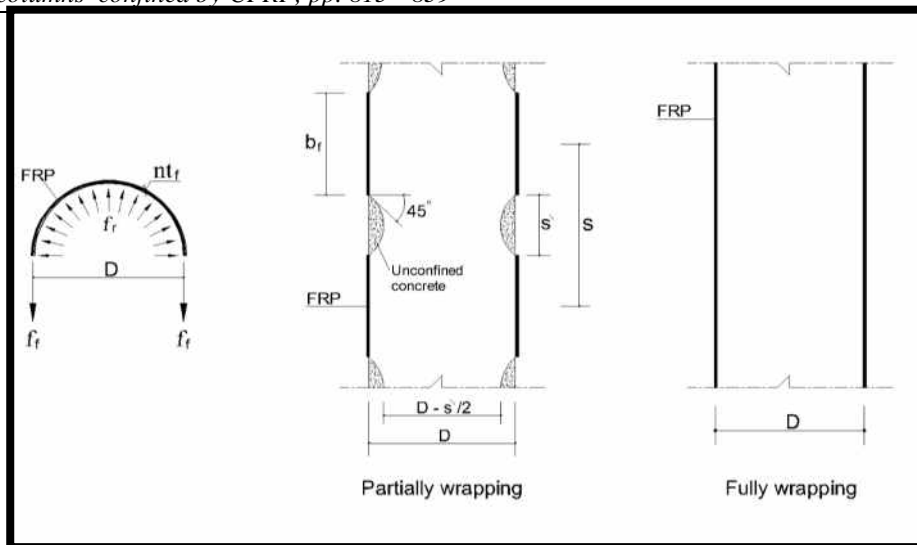


Fig. 9. Confining pressure exerted by wrapping FRP sheet on a circular column [9]

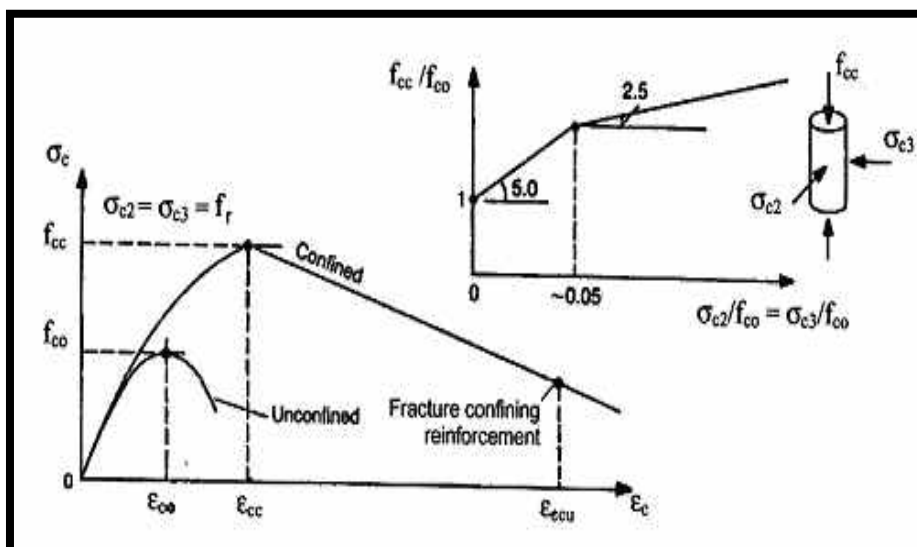


Fig. 10. Model for confined concrete (constant confining action) [11].

Table 7.

Experimental and predicted results for circular R.C. columns

Column No.	Experimental Results			Saadatmanesh Expression Results			$P_{max \cdot exp} / P_{pr.}$	Grade of concrete kg/ cm ²
	$P_{max \cdot exp}^p$ (ton)	f_{cc} (kg/c m ²)	$P_{max.c/} / P_{max.u}$	f_{cc}' (kg/cm ²)	$P_{pr.}$ (ton)	$P_{pr.c/} / P_{pr.u}$		
Ac 1-0	102	255	-	-	104.1	-	0.979	200
Ac 1-1	151	377.5	1.48	309.38	148.0	1.42	1.020	
Ac 1-2	182	455	1.78	398.57	179.9	1.72	1.011	
Ac 1-3	210	525	2.05	427.19	195.0	1.87	1.076	400
Ac 2-0	186	465	-	-	184.1	-	1.010	
Ac 2-1	242	605	1.30	520.28	232.2	1.26	1.042	
Ac 2-2	278	695	1.49	619.66	271.9	1.47	1.022	600
Ac 2-3	305	762.5	1.63	669.89	292.0	1.58	1.044	
Ac 3-0	262	655	-	-	264.1	-	0.992	
Ac 3-1	305	762.5	1.16	724.45	313.8	1.18	0.971	600
Ac 3-2	338	845	1.29	832.98	357.2	1.35	0.946	
Ac 3-3	365	912.5	1.39	889.58	379.9	1.43	0.960	

Throughout Fig. 11 and Table 7, it is obvious that the calculated results according to the proposed model concerning the load carrying capacity of the strengthened columns achieved a considerable approach to the actual values (experimental results) particularly for C 200 and C400 ,the ratio of obtained experimentally to that the predicted maximum load of the strengthened columns by Saadatmaneshexpression($P_{max \cdot exp} / P_{pr.}$) ranged between 1.011 and 1.076 , while it ranged between 0.946 and 0.971 for C 600.

7. Conclusions

Based on the obtained experimental results the following conclusions can be drawn out:

7.1 General conclusions

These items present general conclusions and remark concerning the CFRP technique for strengthening columns specially axial short circular columns as follows:

- 1.Using CFRP technique in strengthening is generally preferable due to the easy procedure to apply for the concrete columns with very high efficiency of adhesive material.
- 2.CFRP sheets can be used as an alternative solution for strengthening technique instead of steel bars dueto its outstanding advantages especially, the high resistance of corrosion, the very light weight and the negligible thickness.

3. Using CFRP sheets changes the mode of failure for the most of the tested columns due to the high increase in the shearing capacity of the cross section.
4. Behavior of concrete column is significantly improved due to confinement provided by CFRP.

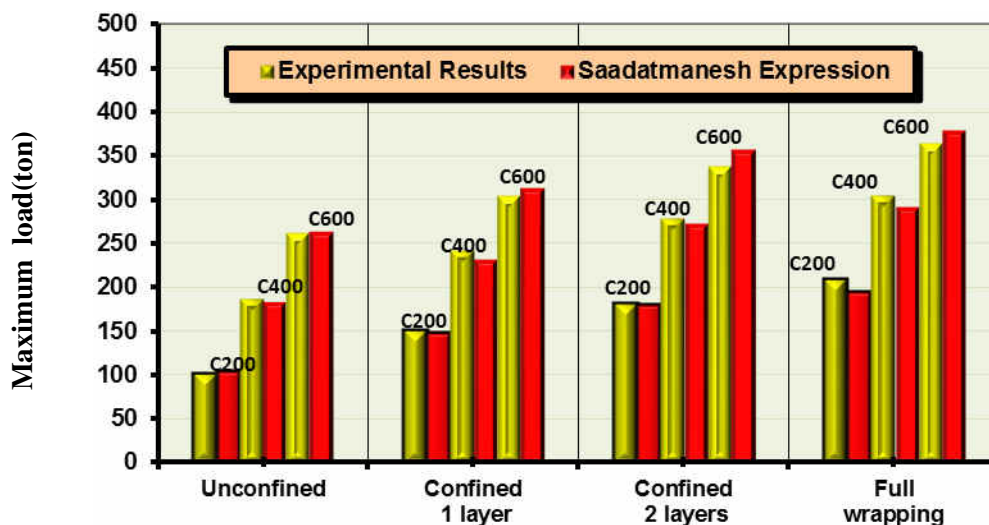


Fig. 11. Predicted maximum load in comparison with that obtained experimentally

7.2 With respect to grade of concrete and strengthening system:

1. As a general rule, as the strengthening system increases, the axial nominal stress, the axial nominal strain, the modulus of elasticity and the modulus of toughness are increased for confined one layer, two layers and full wrapping reinforced concrete columns than that for unconfined for both normal and high strength.
2. For reinforced concrete columns circular section confined with CFRP, the strength efficiency, ductility efficiency, stiffness efficiency and the absorbed energy efficiency are higher for normal strength concrete than that for high strength concrete at the same level of strengthening system.
3. For reinforced concrete columns of circular sections, the strength efficiency, the ductility efficiency, the stiffness efficiency and the absorbed energy efficiency are higher for confined full wrapping (one layer) than that confined two layers (partial wrapping), also all efficiencies of confined two layers (partial wrapping) are higher than that confined one layer (partial wrapping).
4. For circular reinforced concrete columns, the strength efficiency vanishes when grade of concrete (C) is higher than 800 kg / cm^2 disregarding the strengthening system.

5. For circular reinforced concrete columns, the ductility efficiency vanishes when grade of concrete (C) is higher than 750 kg / cm² disregarding the strengthening system.
6. For circular reinforced concrete columns, the stiffness efficiency vanishes when grade of concrete (C) is higher than 800 kg / cm² disregarding the strengthening system.
7. For circular reinforced concrete columns, the absorbed energy efficiency vanishes when grade of concrete (C) is higher than 725 kg / cm² disregarding the strengthening system.
8. For circular reinforced concrete columns confined with CFRP (one layer , two layers and full wrapping) , the efficiencies decrease with mean percent 38% for C400 and 68 % for C600 comparing with that C200.

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بعض العوامل التي تؤثر على السلوك الإستاتيكي للأعمدة الخرسانية المسلحة العادية
والعالية المقاومة والدائرية المقطعة والمحاظة بألياف الكربون

ملخص:

في هذا البحث تم عمل دراسة معملياً لبيان تأثير بعض العوامل على السلوك الإستاتيكي للأعمدة الخرسانية المسلحة الدائرية المقطع والمحاطة برفائق الألياف الكربونية البوليمرية Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polymer Sheets المصقوفة عرضياً وجزئياً (Partial Wrapping) سواء كانت طبقة واحدة ($\mu_f = 0.14\%$ أو طبقتين) ($\mu_f = 0.28\%$) على سطح الأعمدة الخرسانية في صورة كانات خارجية موزعة على طول العمود وكذلك إحاطة كلية (Full Wrapping) خارجية بكامل طول ومحيط العمود طبقة واحدة ($\mu_f = 0.23\%$) وذلك تحت تأثير حمل مركزي في ضوء تغير رتبة الخرسانة (C 200 و C 400 و C 600) . تم دراسة كفاءة رفائق الألياف الكربونية البوليمرية المستخدمة وذلك من وجهة نظر كل من (المقاومة - Strength - الممتولية - Ductility - الصلابة - Stiffness - المتانة - Absorbed energy) لعدد 12 عمود دائري قطر 22.57 سم . كذلك تم مقارنة نتائج أقصى حمل محوري تم الحصول عليه بالمعمل بالنموذج الرياضي Saadatmanesh Expression الذي يعتمد أساساً على التنبؤ بمقاومة الخرسانة تحت تأثير الإجهادات العرضية (Lateral Stresses) المتولدة عن شرائح الألياف الكربونية البوليمرية المحزومة للعمود . هذه الإجهادات العرضية تعتمد أساساً على الإجهاد الفعال المتولد في تلك الشرائح . هناك عدد قليل من النماذج الرياضية التجريبية المقترحة للتنبؤ بالإجهاد الفعال المتولد في التسليح العرضي الخارجي (شرائح ألياف الكربون البوليمرية) و لكن النتائج المتوقعة بتطبيق هذه النماذج التجريبية لا تتوافق كلية مع النتائج المنطقية التي أثبتتها النتائج المعملية التي تم الحصول عليها من خلال هذا العمل . و النتائج الغير دقيقة التي أمكن الحصول عليها باستخدام النماذج التجريبية المتاحة تعزى إلى أنه تم تجاهل بيانات معينة عند استنباط تلك المعادلات التجريبية (على سبيل المثال رتبة الخرسانة) ، وبتحليل النتائج التي تم الحصول عليها معملياً أمكن استنتاج الآتي :-

بصورة عامة في الأعمدة الخرسانية المسلحة الدائرية المقطع (المحاطة برفائق الألياف الكربونية) ساهمت رفائق الألياف الكربونية في زيادة كل من المقاومة و الممتولية و معايير المرونة و معايير المتانة بصورة ملحوظة وواضحة للأعمدة عن مثيلتها الغير محاطة .

1. في الأعمدة الخرسانية المسلحة الدائرية المقطع ساهمت رفائق الألياف الكربونية في زيادة كل من المقاومة و الممتولية و معايير المرونة و معايير المتانة بصورة ملحوظة وواضحة للأعمدة ذات رتبة خرسانة تقليدية (normal strength) عن مثيلتها ذات رتبة خرسانة عالية (high strength) و بمعنى آخر فإن كفاءة رفائق الألياف الكربونية تتناسب عكسياً مع زيادة رتبة الخرسانة .
2. مع زيادة عدد طبقات التقوية في حالة التقوية جزئياً (Partial wrapping) برفائق الألياف الكربونية للأعمدة الخرسانية المسلحة الدائرية تبين أن هناك زيادة ملحوظة لكل من المقاومة و الممتولية و معايير المتانة و زيادة طفيفة لمعايير المرونة .
3. في الأعمدة الخرسانية الدائرية المقطع ساهمت رفائق الألياف الكربونية للأعمدة المحاطة كلياً بطبقة واحدة (التي تغطي كامل مسطح العمود Full wrapping) في تحسين كل من المقاومة و الممتولية و معايير المتانة و معايير المرونة بصورة ملحوظة عن مثيلاتها في الأعمدة المحاطة جزئياً (Partial wrapping) سواء طبقة واحدة (One layer) من الألياف الكربونية أو طبقتين (Two layers) .
4. نظراً لزيادة معايير المتانة الواضح خصوصاً لرتبة الخرسانة التقليدية C 200 و (C 400 Normal strength) في الأعمدة الخرسانية الدائرية المقطع المحاطة فإن أسلوب التقويات باستخدام رفائق الألياف الكربونية يكون أكثر فائدة وتأثيراً في المنشآت المعرضة لأحمال ديناميكية مثل الزلازل و الرياح و الأحمال المتكررة .
5. النتائج التي تم الحصول عليها بتطبيق النموذج الرياضي Saadatmanesh Expression أثبتت تقارب كبير للنتائج المقابلة التي تم الحصول عليها معملياً لرتبة الخرسانة التقليدية C 200 و Normal (C 400 strength) و تراوحت هذه النتائج (Pmax .exp/ Ppr.) ما بين (107.6% : 101.0%) بينما قلت هذه النسبة لرتبة الخرسانة عالية المقاومة (C 600 high strength) و تراوحت ما بين (97.1% : 94.6%)