

Characterization and Modelling of SHCC-Concrete Interface

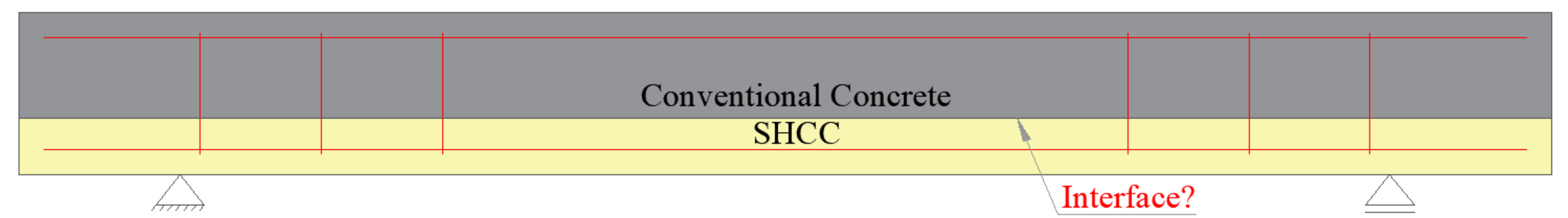
Introduction



Conventional concrete has low tensile strength and durability



SHCC is a concrete with better performance and durability but is expensive



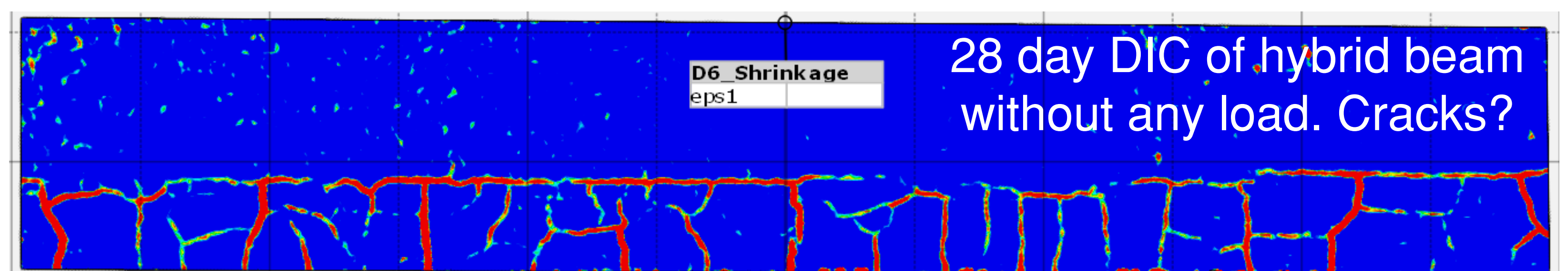
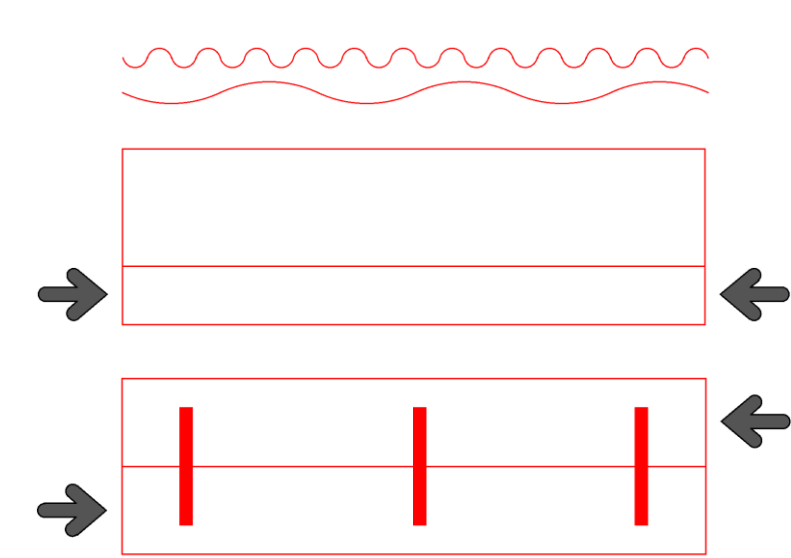
IDEA: Using SHCC and Conventional Concrete in combination with each other with SHCC only where required.

BENEFIT: Cost effective approach allowing optimal material utilization.

PROBLEM: The role of interface on the behavior of the hybrid beam is unclear. No standard test to characterize interface.

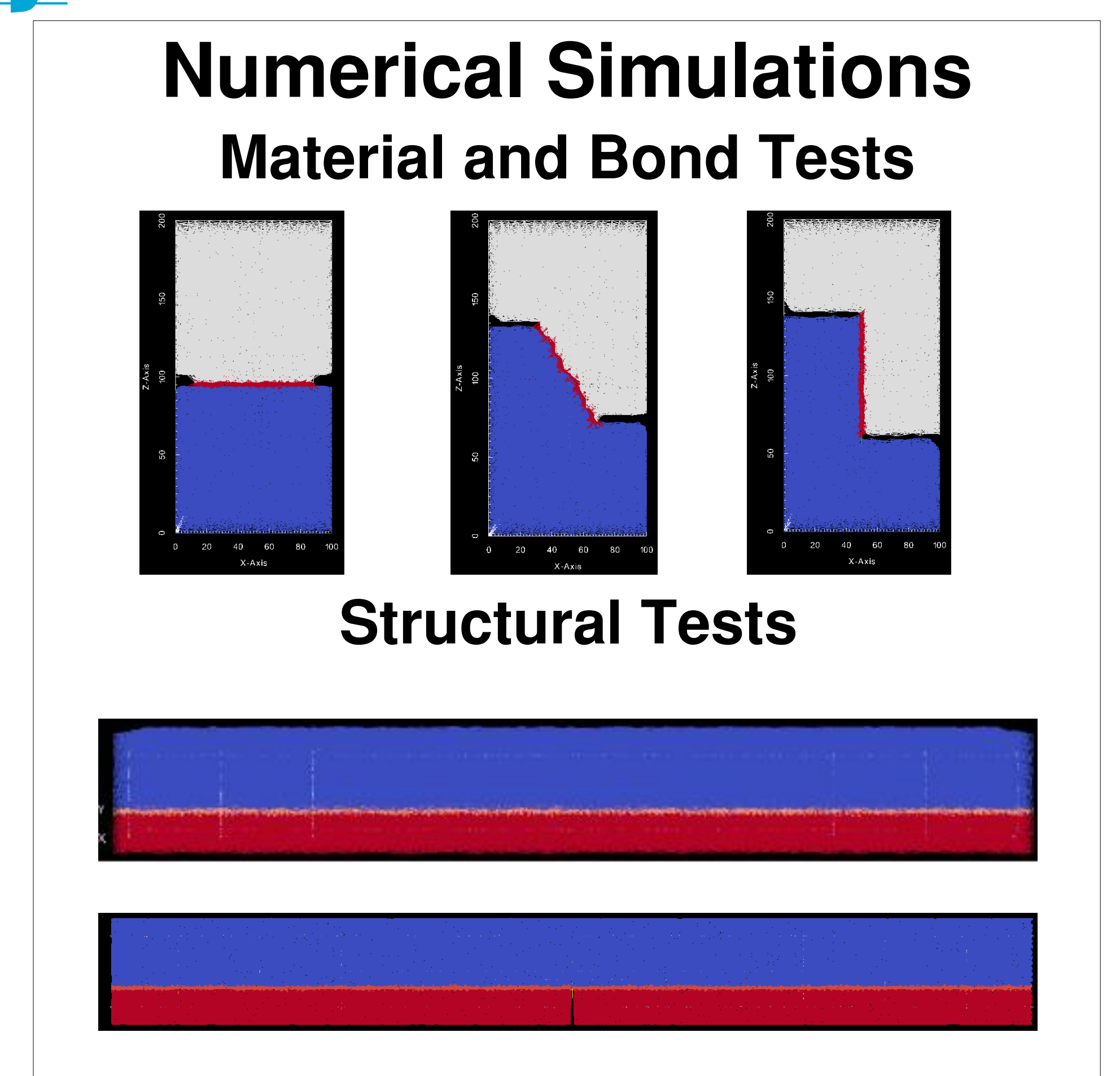
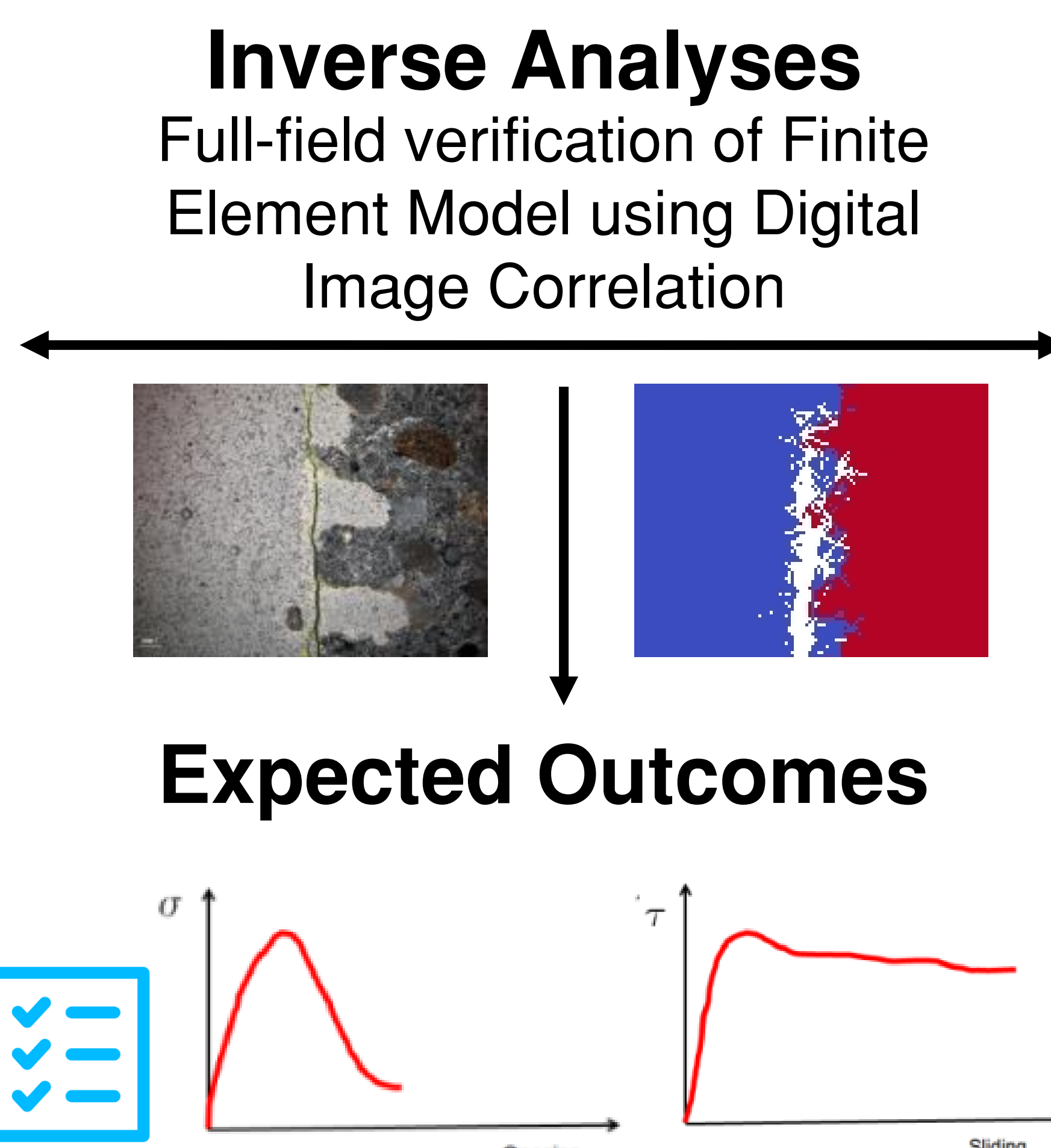
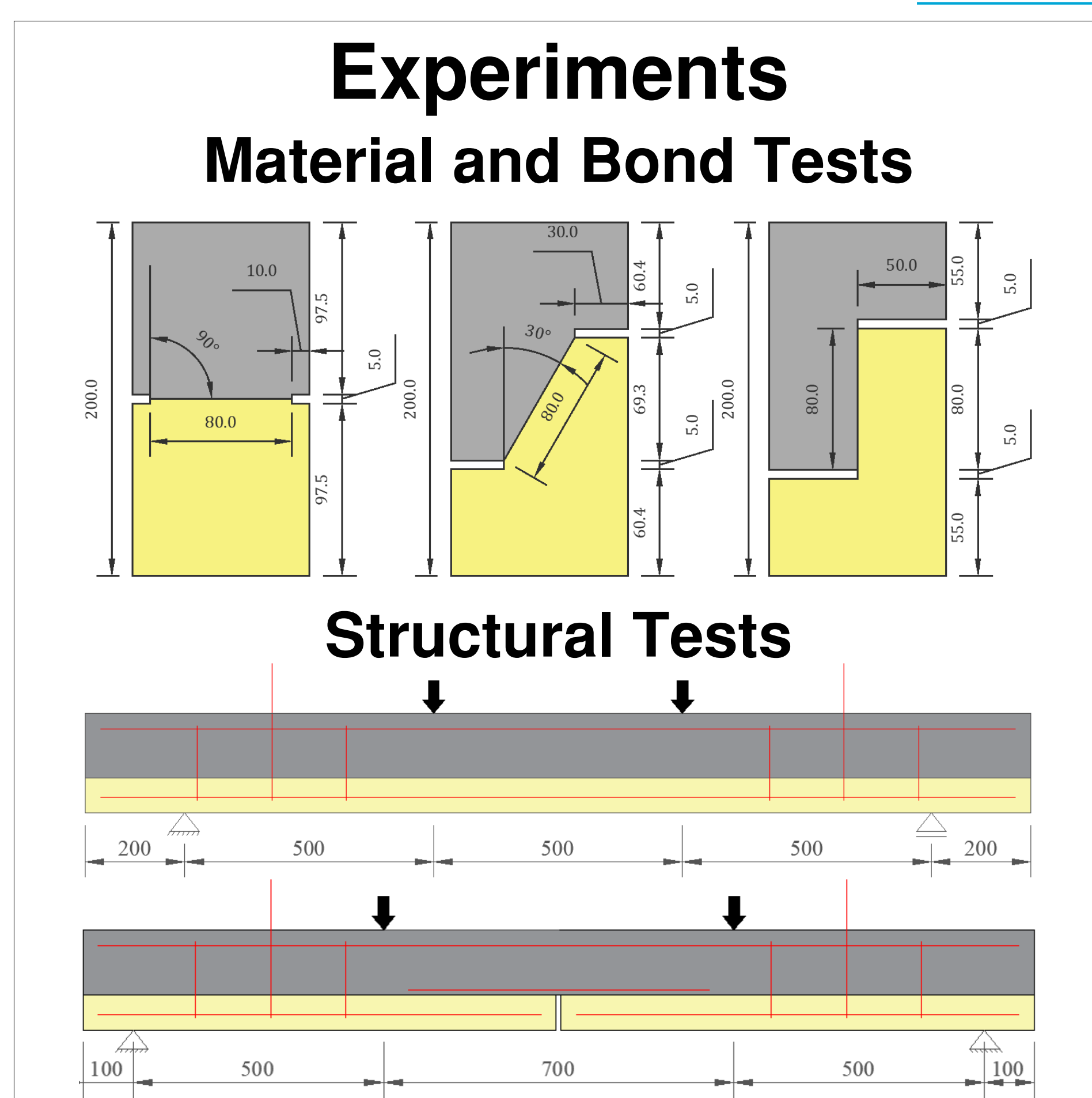
Parameters Considered

1. Interface Roughness
2. Differential Shrinkage
3. Reinforcement



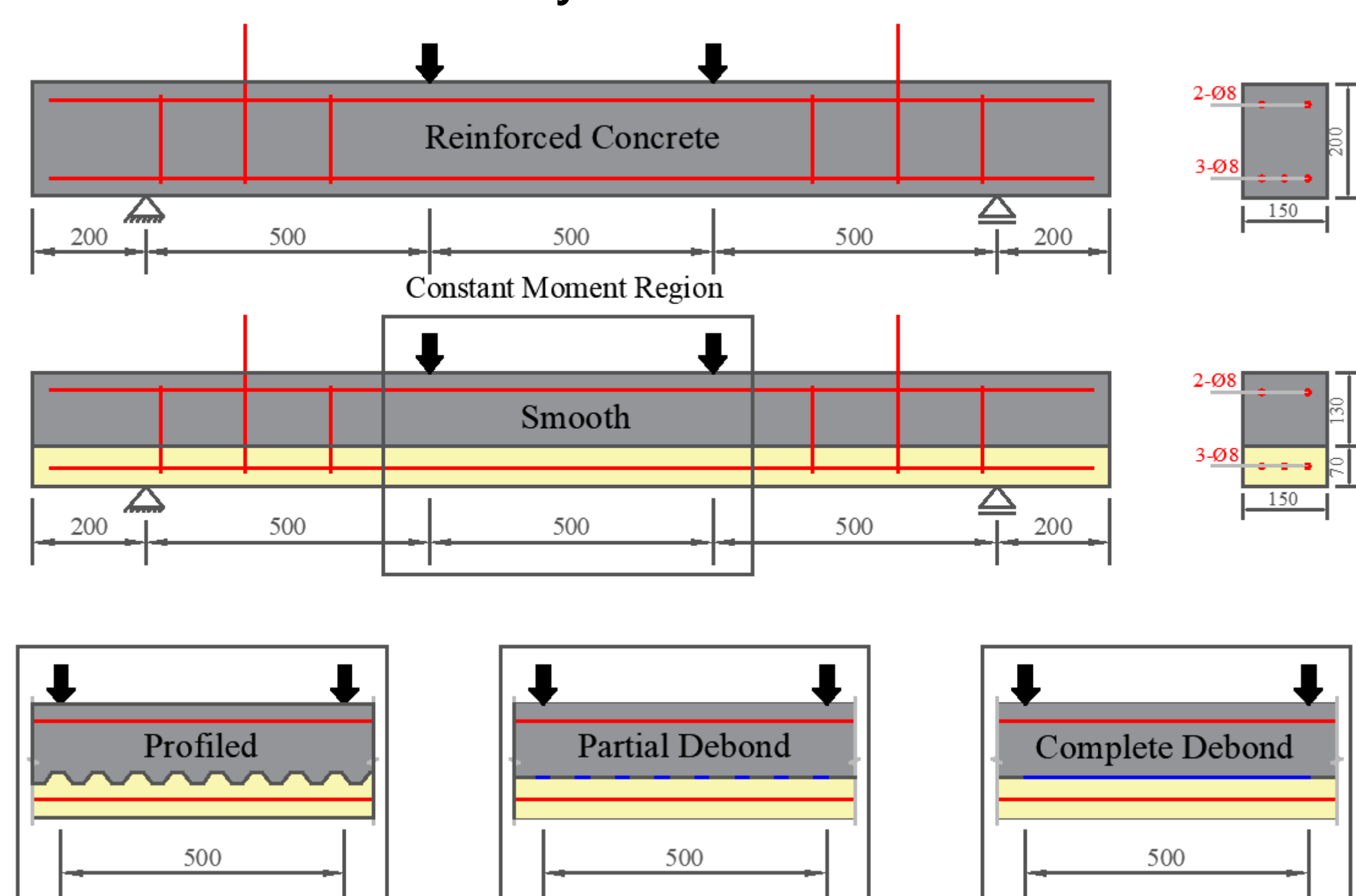
Differential shrinkage causes damage prior to mechanical loading.

Research Methodology

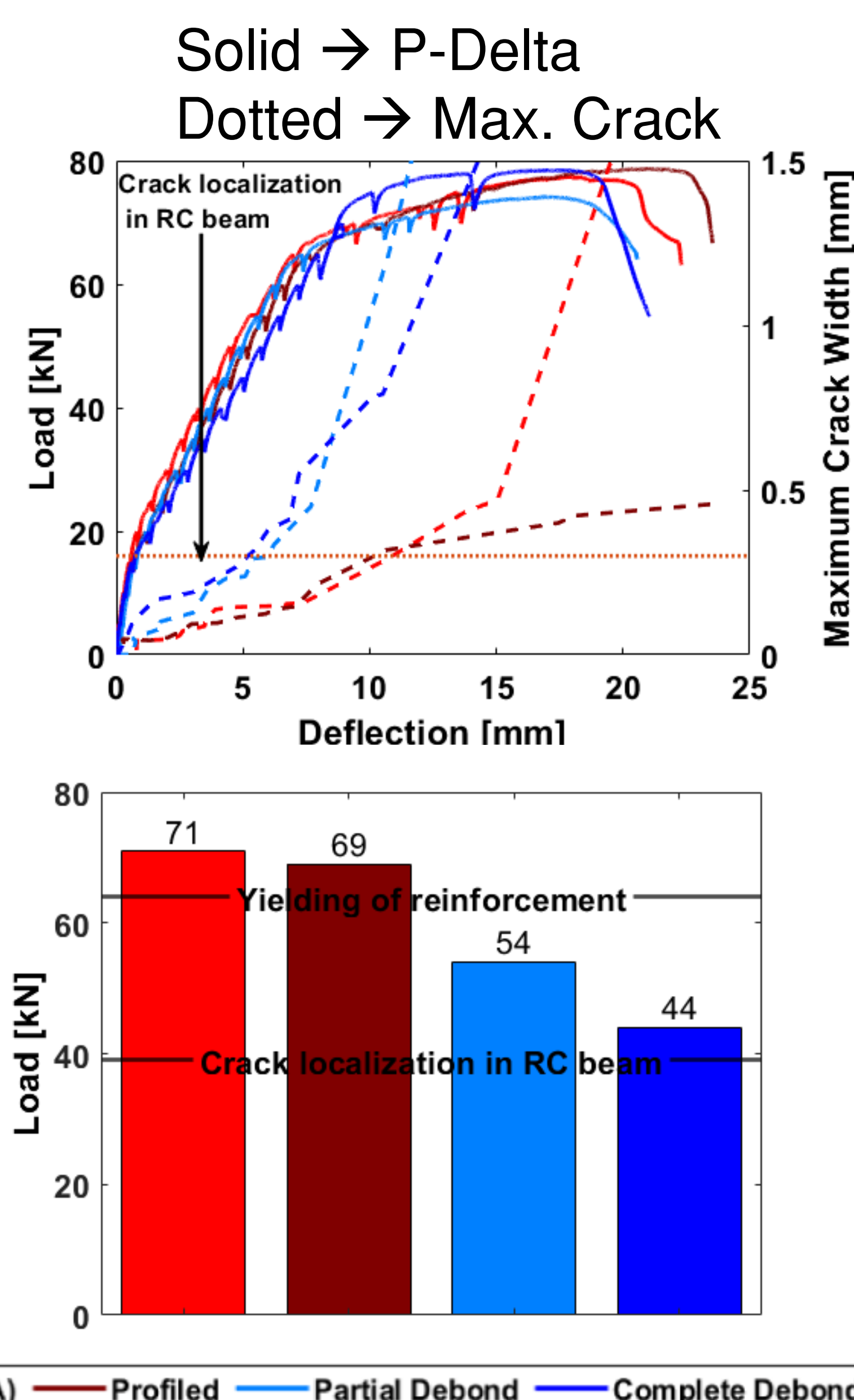


Results - Interface Treatment on Crack-Width Control

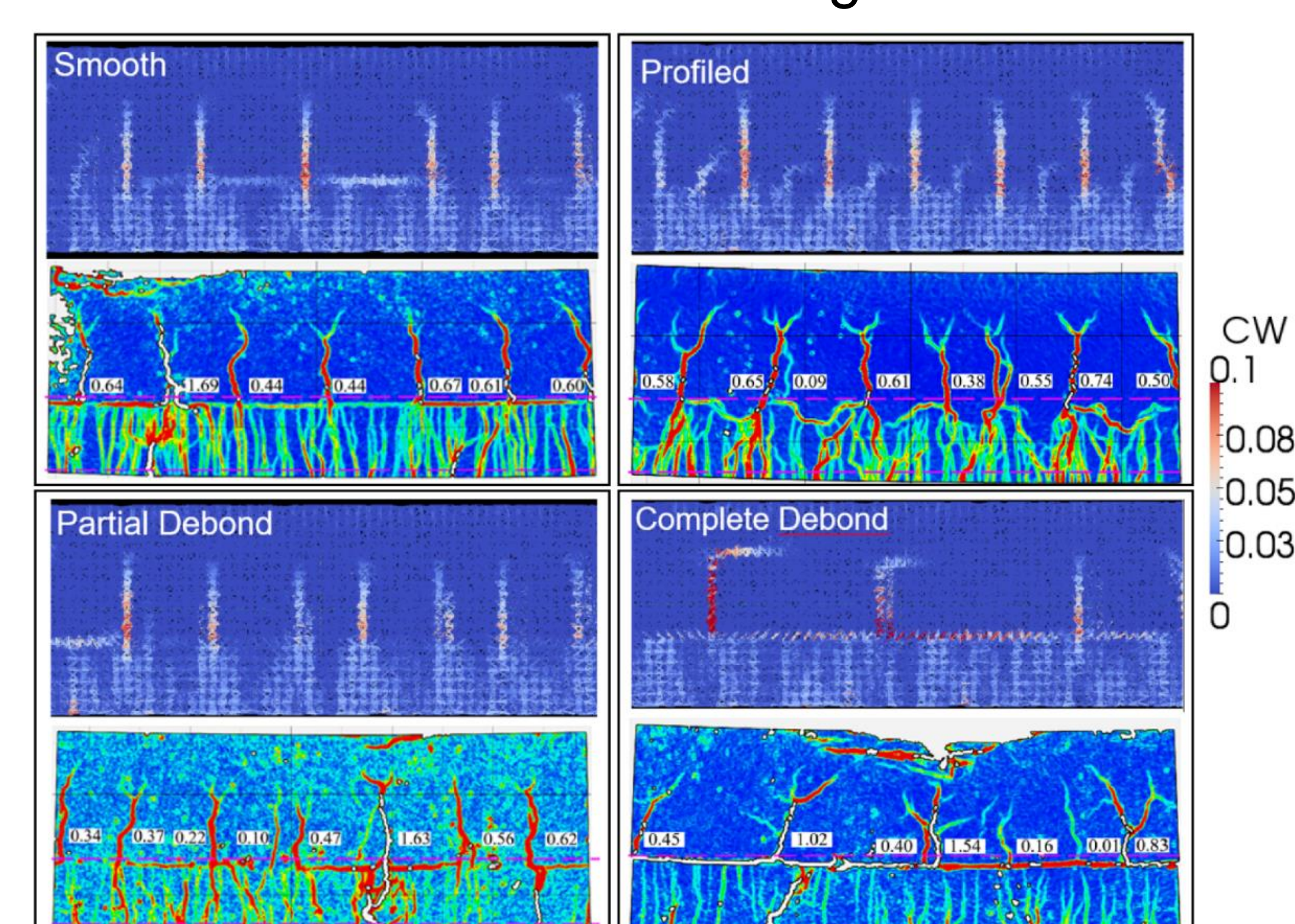
1. Can a better crack control be achieved by replacing bottom concrete with SHCC?
2. How is the crack response of hybrid beam influenced by interface treatment?



Tested Beams - Yellow is SHCC, Red is Reinforcement, Blue is Artificial Debonding



Comparison of experimental and numerical crack pattern at ultimate load in constant moment region



Hybrid beams with smooth and rough interface limit cracks below 0.3mm until yielding of reinforcement!!!