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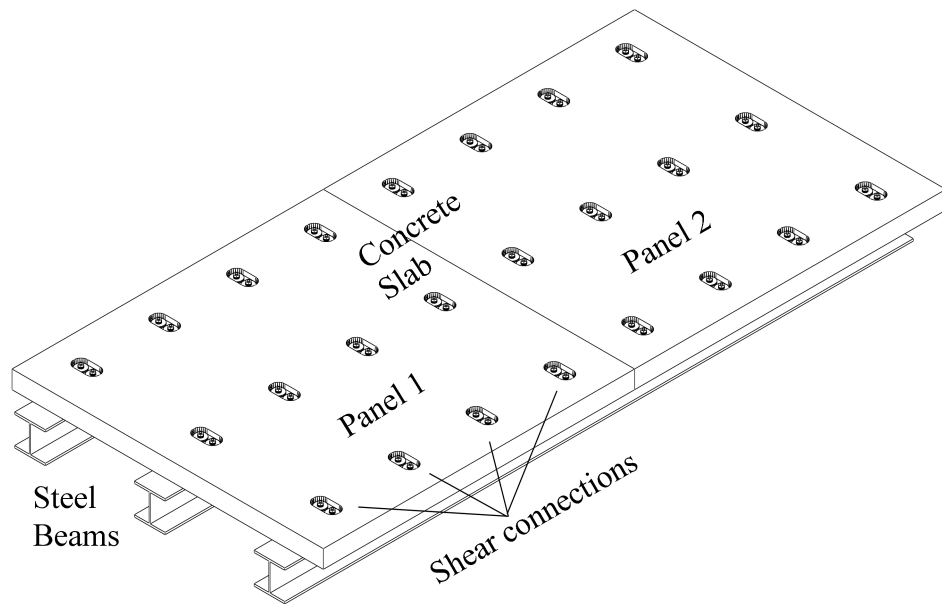


Fig. 1. Precast steel-concrete composite bridge using the novel shear connector

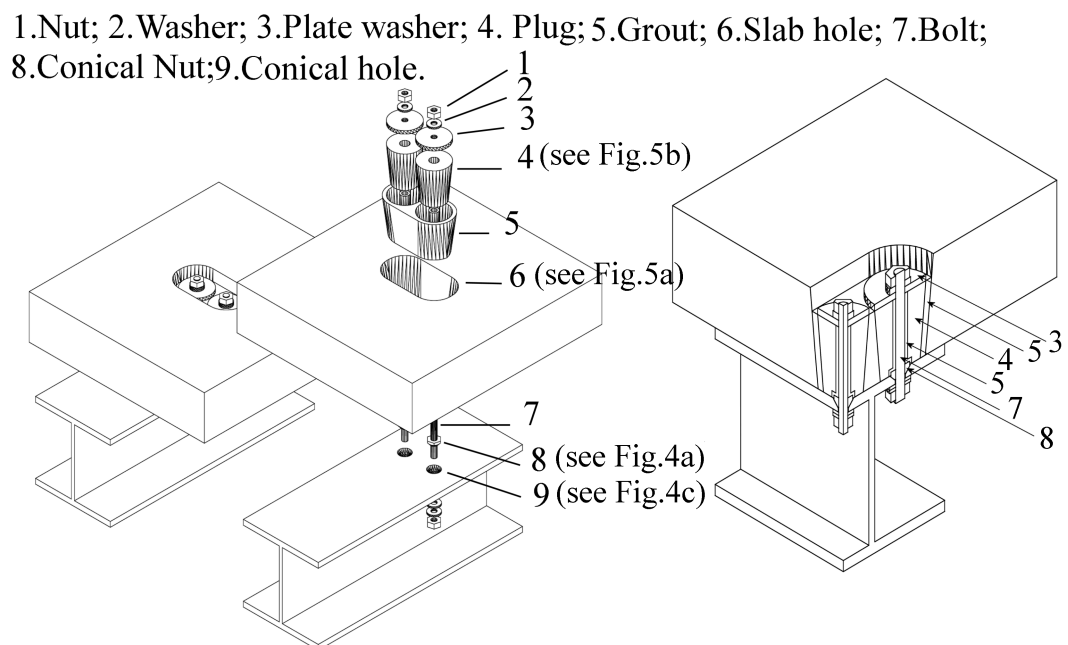
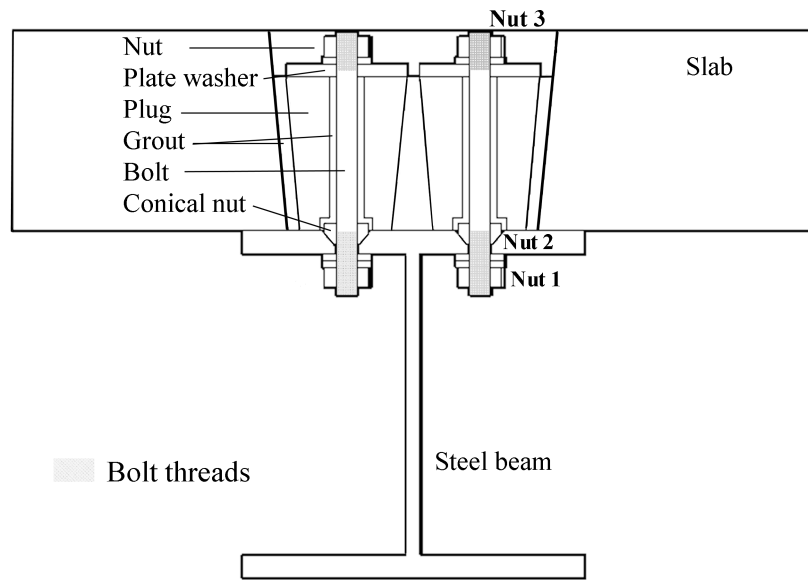


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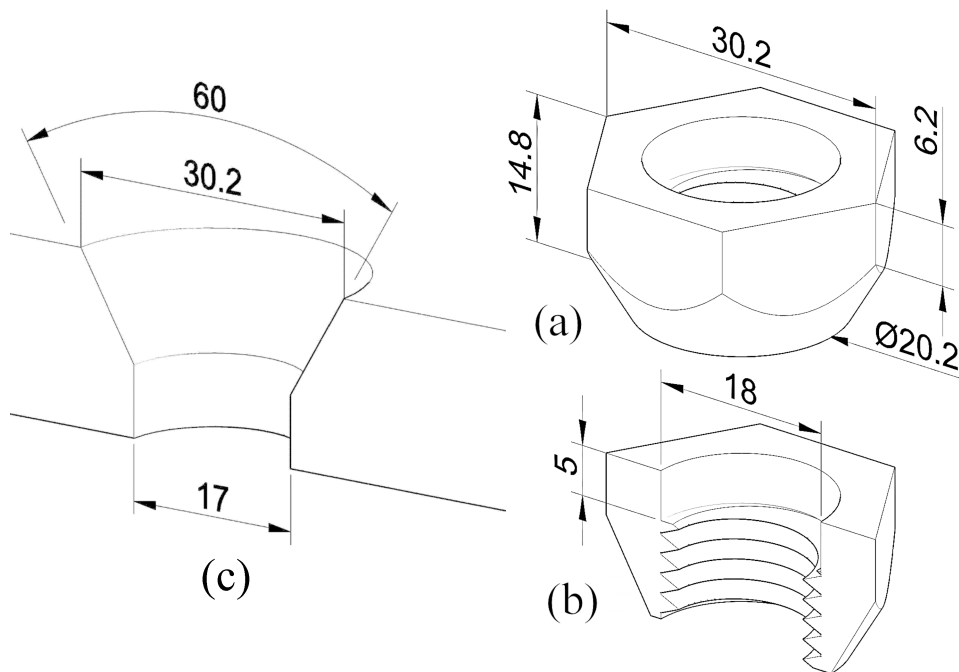
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Fig. 3. Cross-section of a steel-concrete composite beam using the shear connector



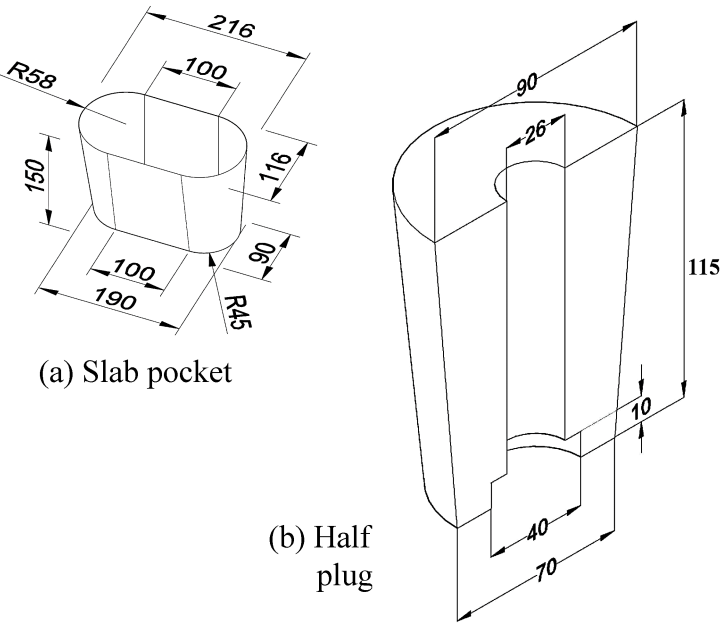
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Fig. 4. Geometry of the locking connection. (a) full nut (b) half nut (c) half countersunk hole

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Fig. 5. Dimensions of (a) slab pocket and (b) half plug

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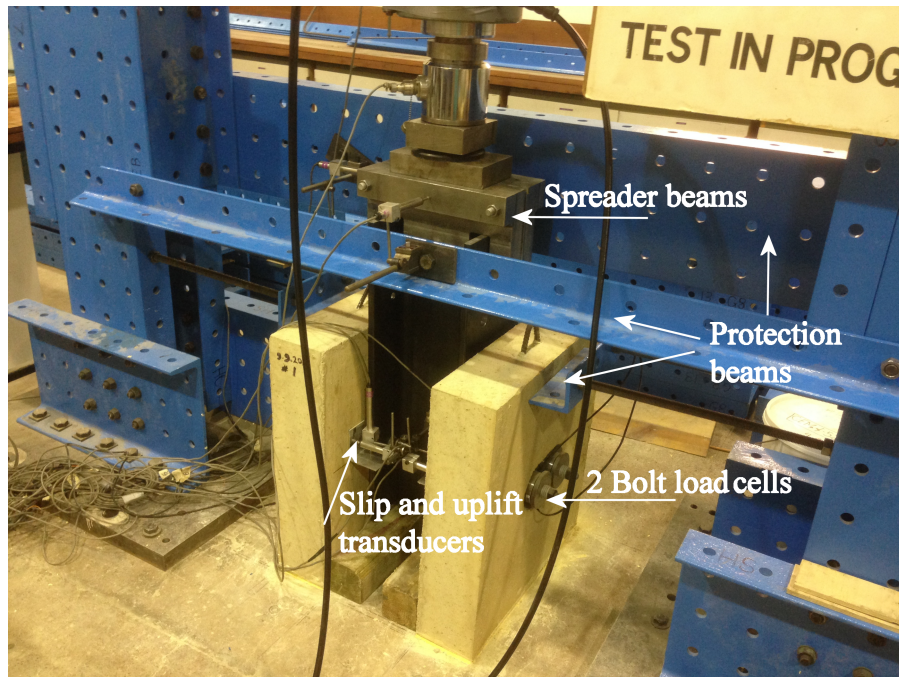


Fig. 7. Setup for push-out tests and instrumentation



Fig. 8. Bolts and conical nuts securely locked within the chamfered holes of the beam flange

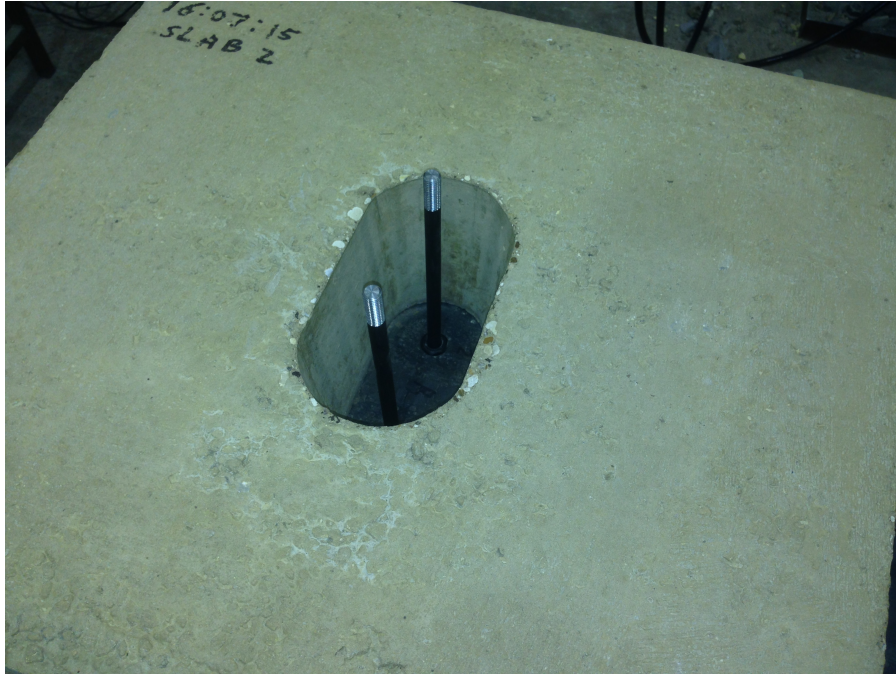
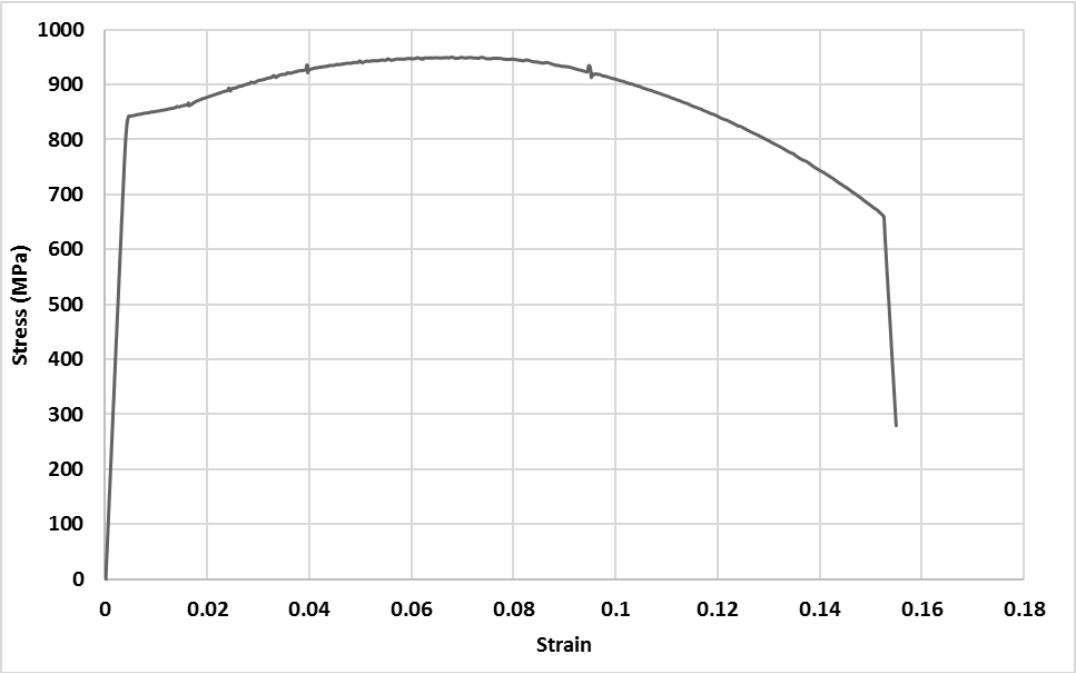


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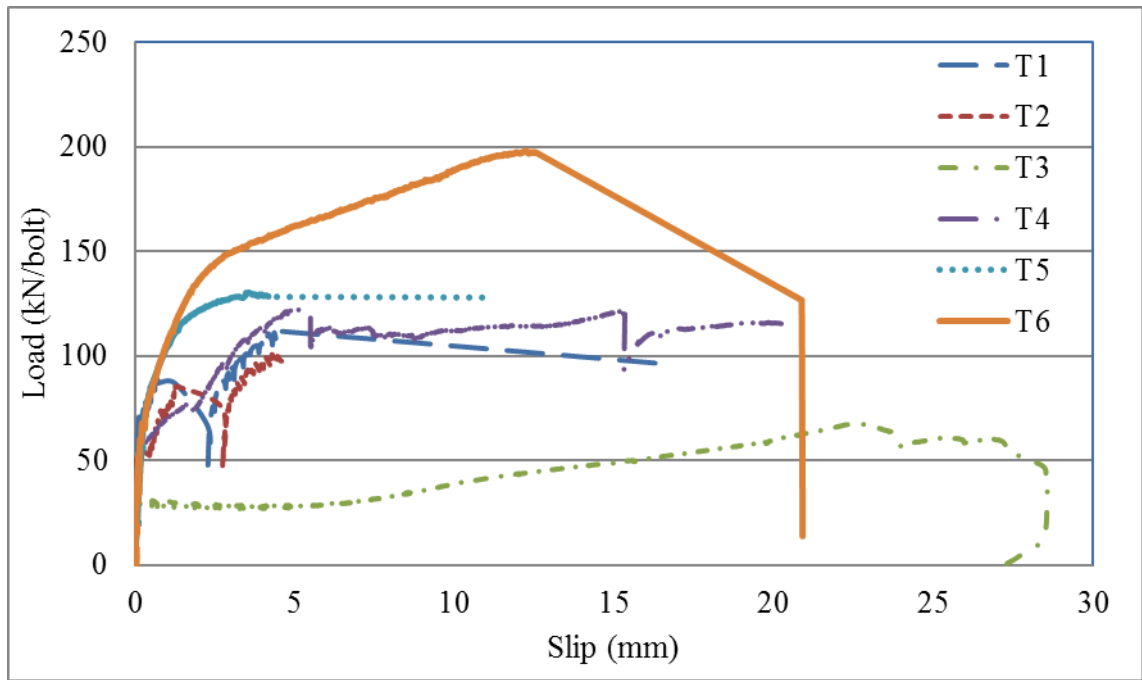


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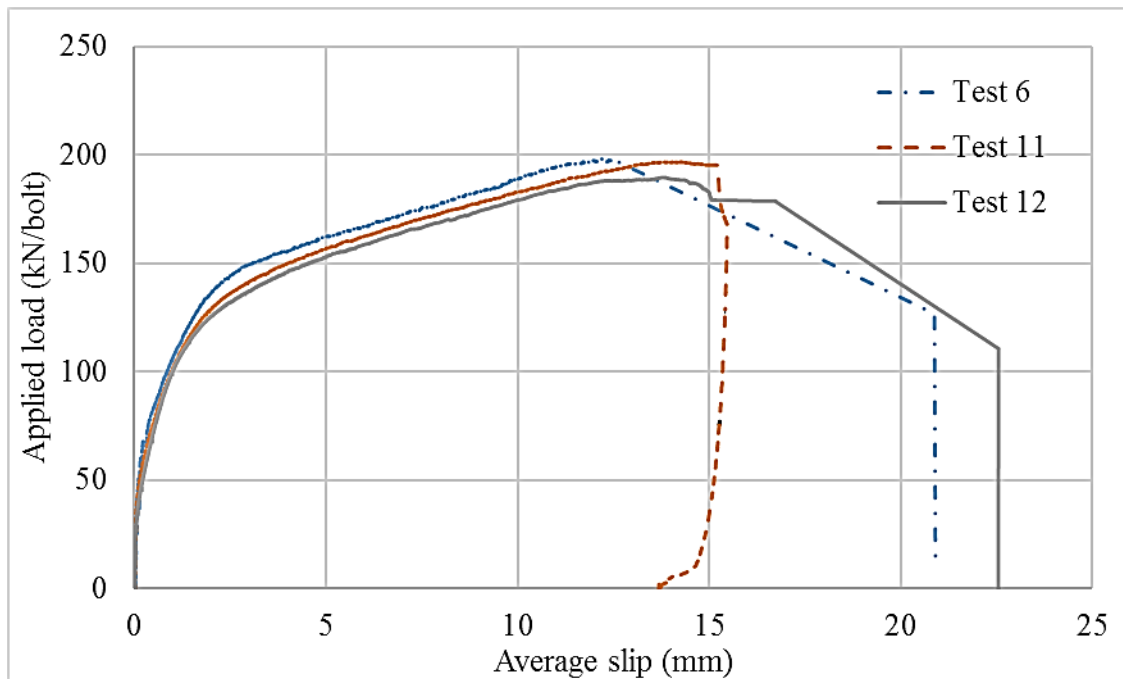
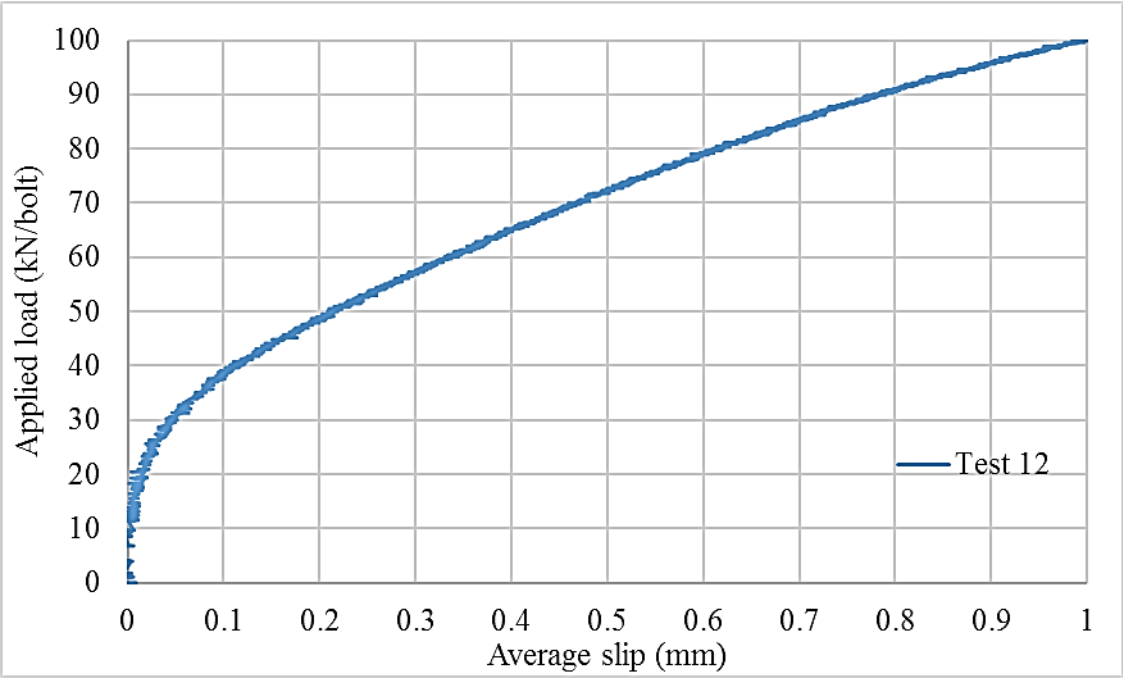


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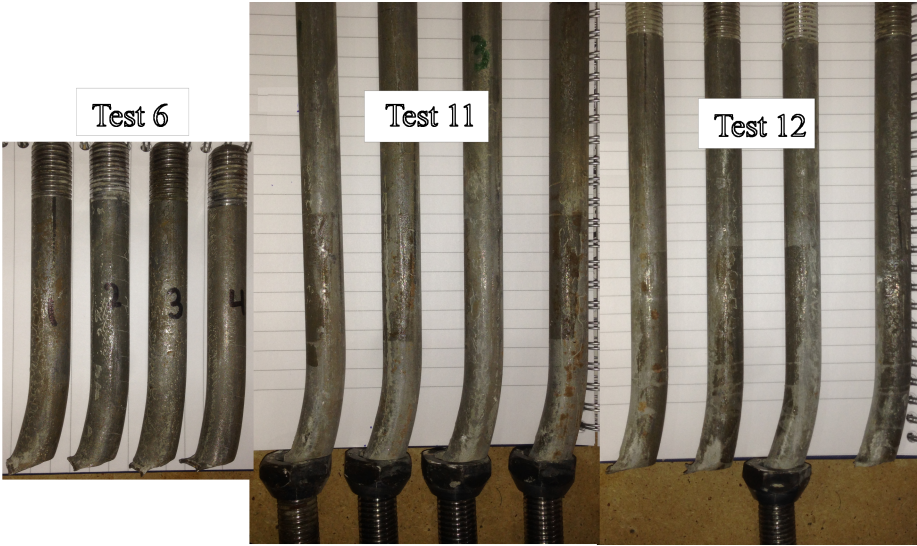


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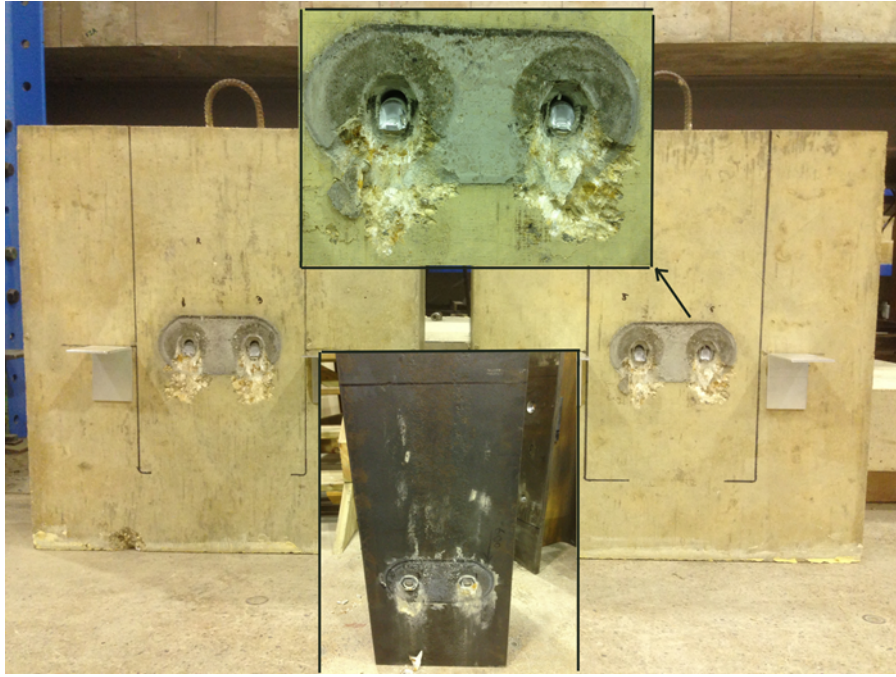


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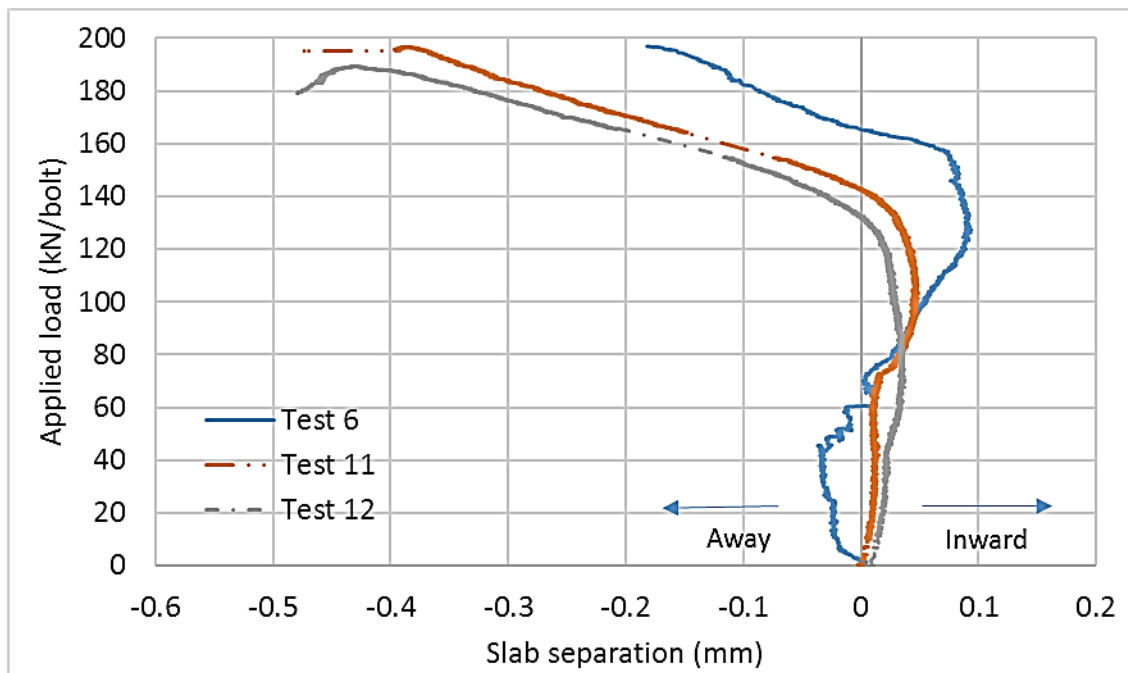


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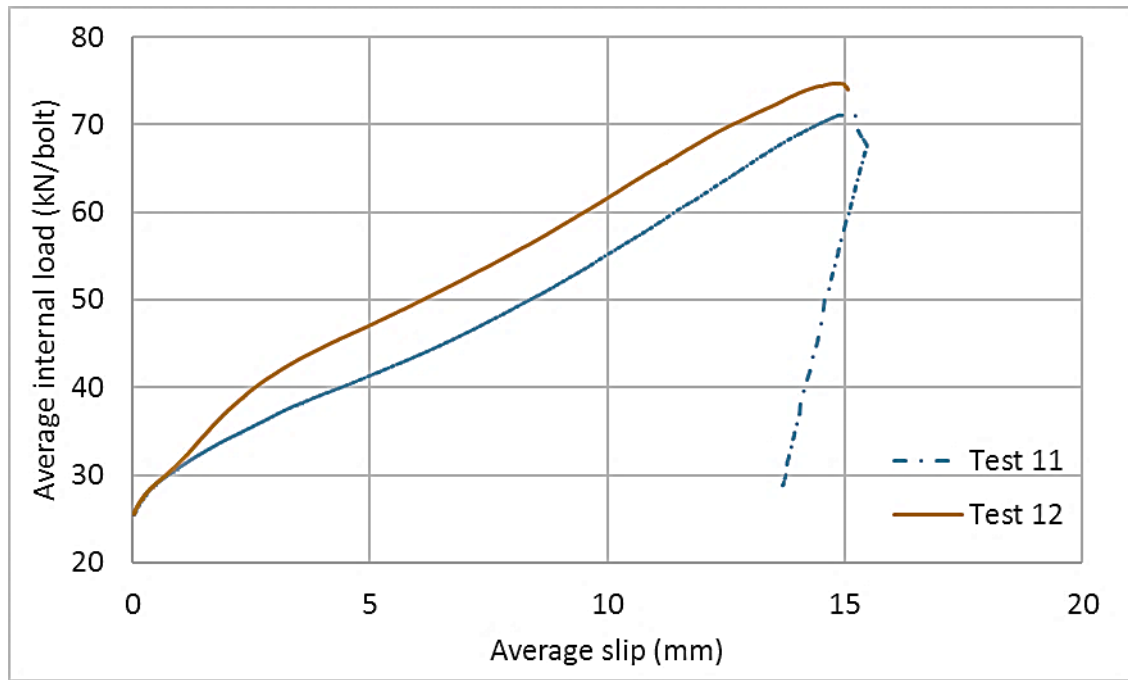


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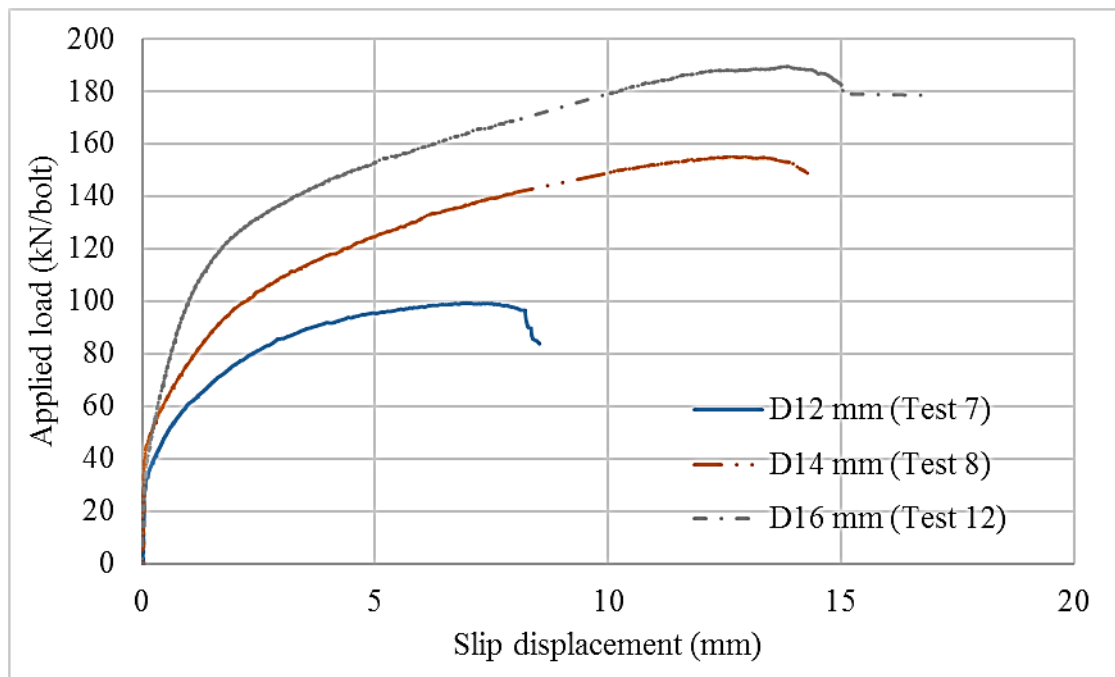
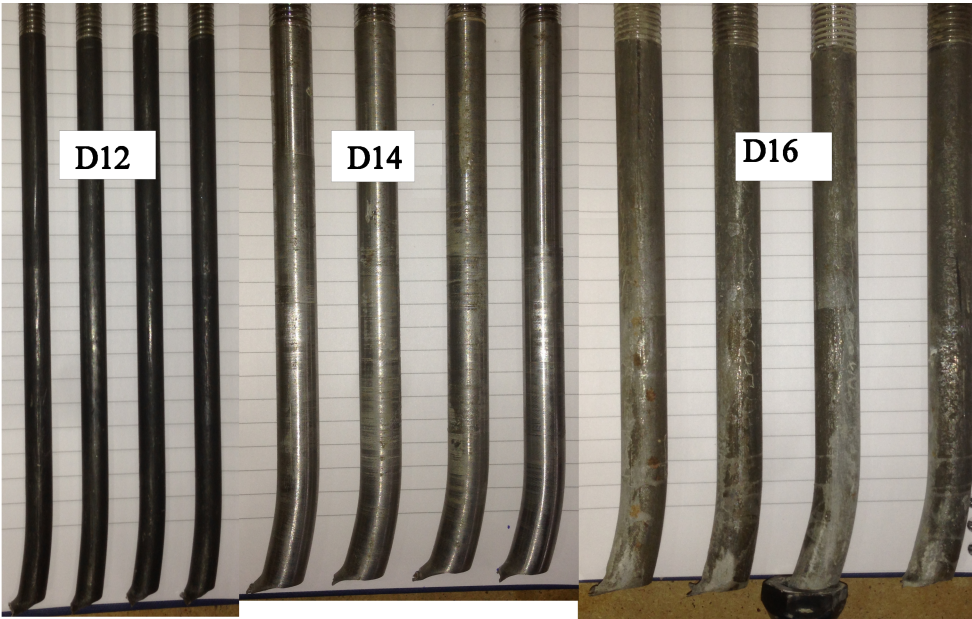


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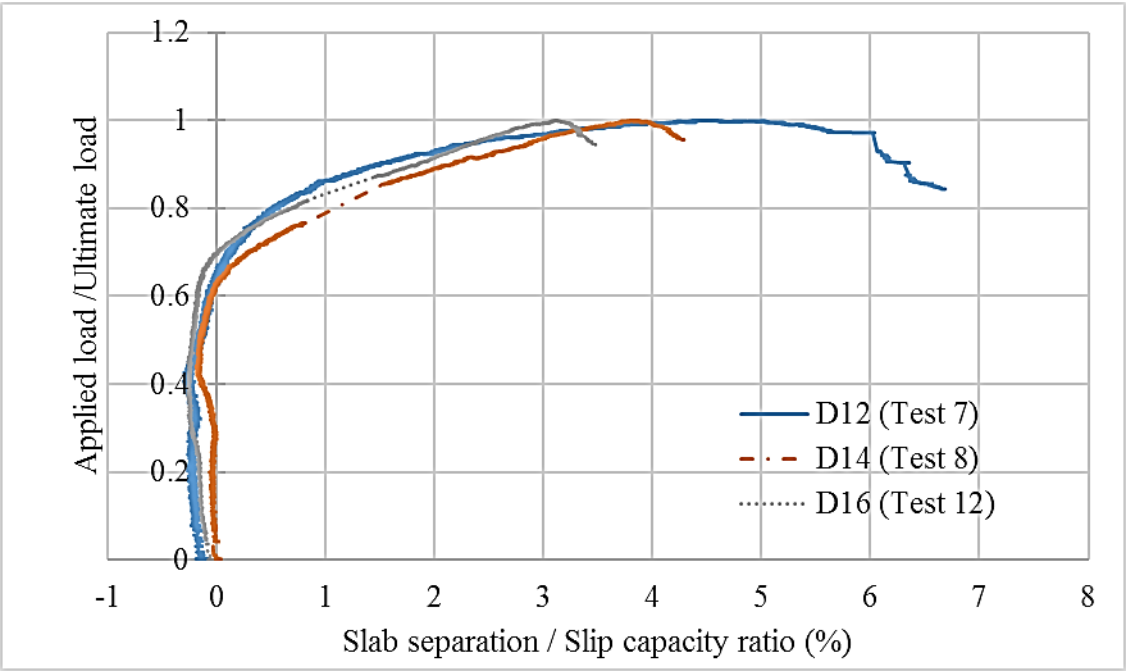
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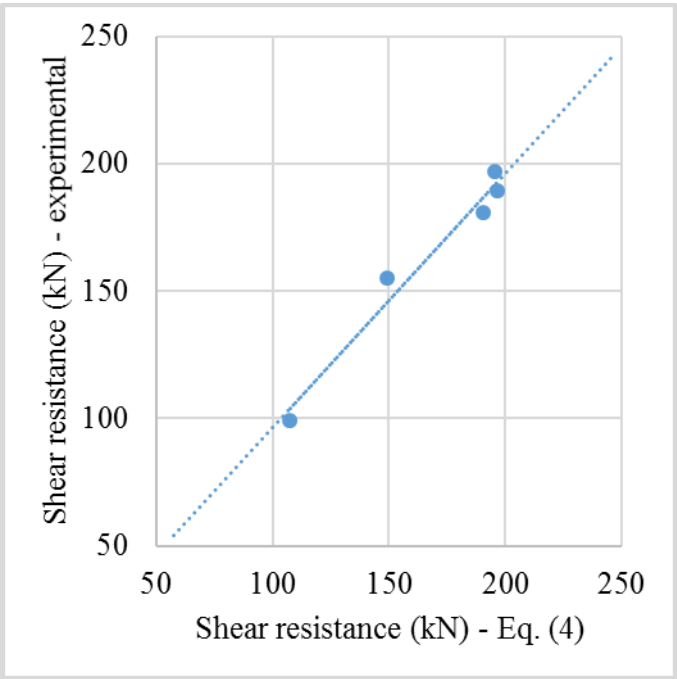
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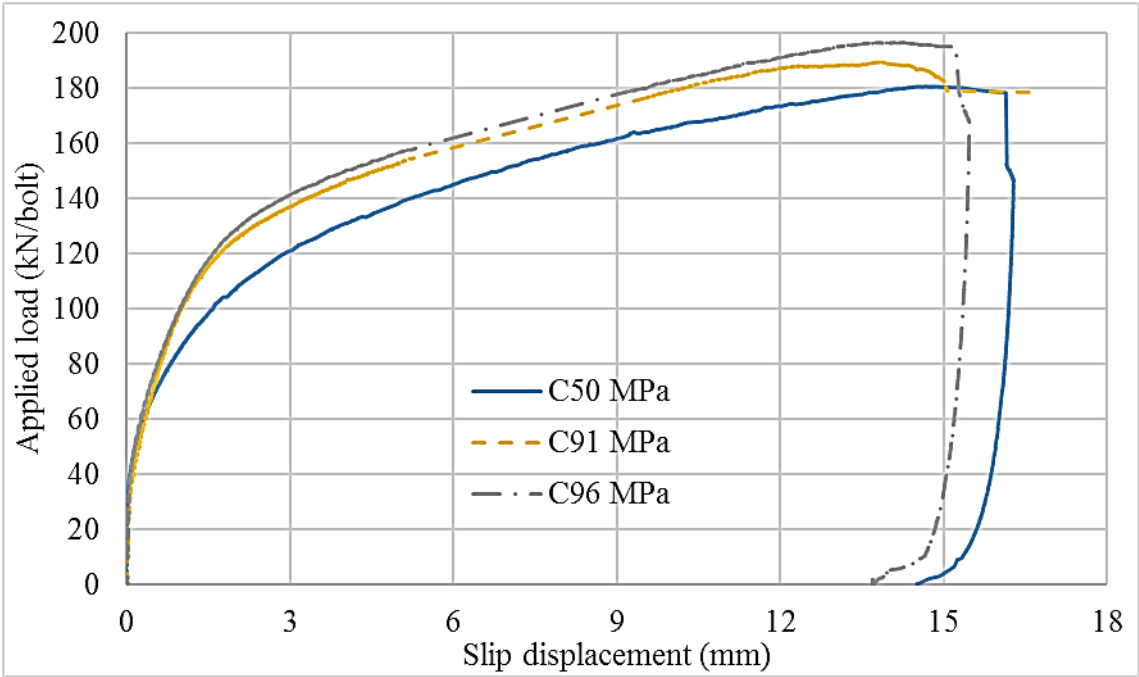
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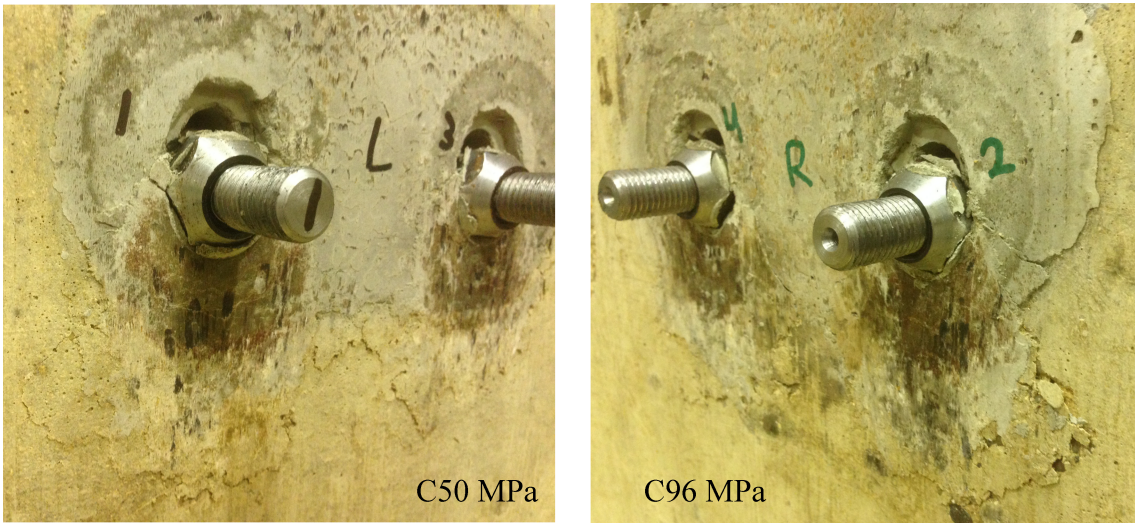
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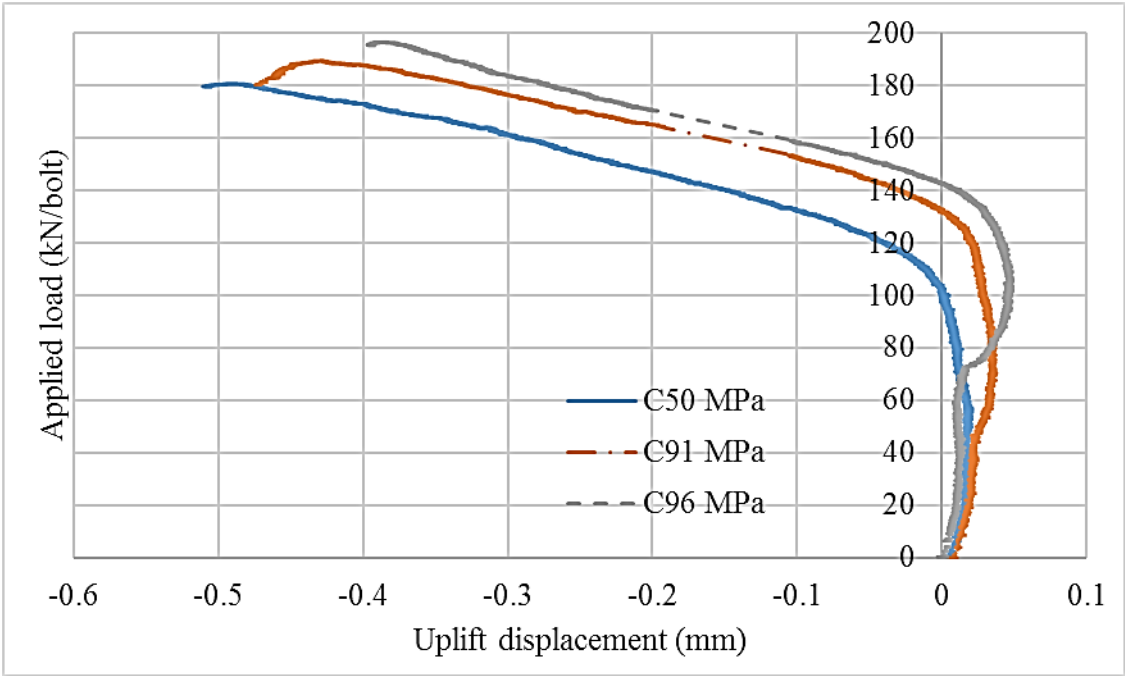
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Fig. 27. Deflected shapes of M16 bolts for different plug concrete strengths