PRESTRESSED SLABS-DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE

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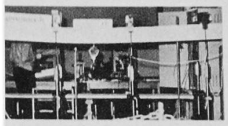
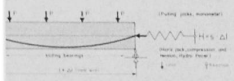


trip PS 4 – Test arrangement



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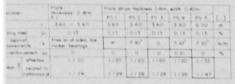

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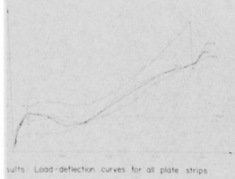
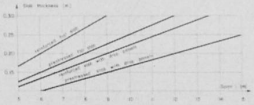


sults: Load-deflection curves for all plate strips

DESIGN

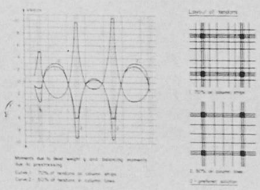
Scheme of load transfer by tendons

Slenderness of slabs



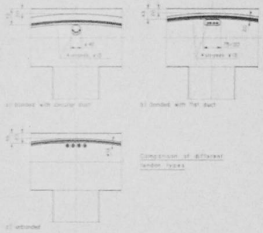
Punching mechanism

Distribution of tendons

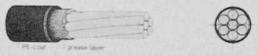


CONSTRUCTION

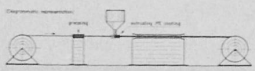
Excentricities



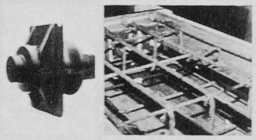
Unbonded monostrand



Extruding of unbonded monostrands



Monostrand stressing anchorage



EXAMPLES OF APPLICATION

Multi-Storey Car Park, Saas-Fee, Switzerland

POST-TENSIONING WITH UNBONDED MONOSTRANDS

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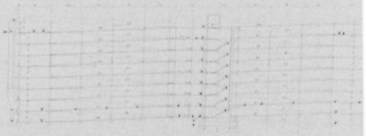
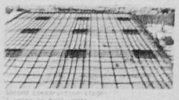
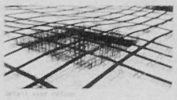


Underground Garage, Housing Complex Oed XII, Linz, Au

POST-TENSIONING WITH BONDED TENDONS IN FLAT DUCTS





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The development of prestressed slabs in Europe was delayed in comparison with the USA and Australia.

Main reason for that delay was the missing of suitable standards and simplified design methods. With the research done (specially in Germany and Switzerland), standards and design methods could be established.

Today, recommendations are available in the United Kingdom (1) and have also been published by FIP (2). In Germany (3), Switzerland (4) and the Netherlands these standards are under preparation and will be issued shortly.

Most of the questions during the poster-session at the congress did concerne bonded versus unbonded solution, e.g. protection against corrosion, fire and earthquake behaviour.

Following the advantages respectively of unbonded and bonded systems.

Unbonded

- Maximum possible tendon drape
- No grouting required
- Corrosion protection of tendons also during transport, handling and placing
- Simple and fast placing of tendons
- Small friction losses
- Considerable dissipation of energy

Bonded

- Increased ultimate moment
- Local failures of tendons have only localised effects (e.g. in the case of fire, explosion and earthquake)

Finally, a summary of advantages of prestressed slabs:

. Economical
. Increased span lengths and span/depth ratios
. Reduced dead weights and building heights
. Deflection and crack free under permanent loading
. Improved punching shear resistance
. Reduced construction time due to early stripping

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