

The measurement of early age concrete strength before demolding

Enable on-site, nondestructive, simple and accurate measurement of early age concrete strength

Overview

There is a guideline that concrete structure should not be demolded (removal of the mold) until the initial strength reach at a sufficient level. A simple and accurate strength measurement method is required before demolding in order to shorten the construction time. Conventionally, specimens should be prepared to measure the strength so it is timeconsuming and costly. The some pin penetration methods are available, e.g. for shotcrete in tunnels, but they are not easy to introduce because of expensive specialized equipment requirements.

The strength measurement on BOSS specimen which is extraconstructed on a structure is also known for its high accuracy, but it requires time for separating the specimen from the structure and does not allow the compressive test on-site. Other non-destructive test methods also exist, but there is no method applicable before demolding.

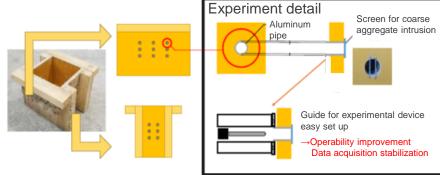
This invention is about a simple technique for measuring the concrete strength on-site, from the pre-demolding stage, using a pin penetration device. The configuration of the measuring section and equipment enables high accurate measurement with reduced influence of coarse aggregate in a non-destructive manner.

Product Application

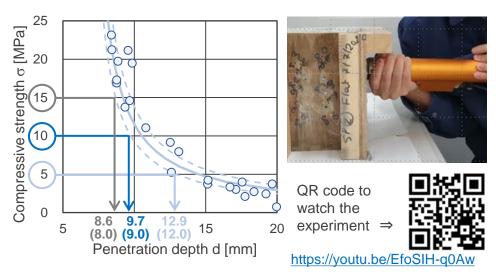
 Determination of whether concrete structure can be demolded or not

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Able to estimate the compressive strength from the pin penetration depth



Related Works

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