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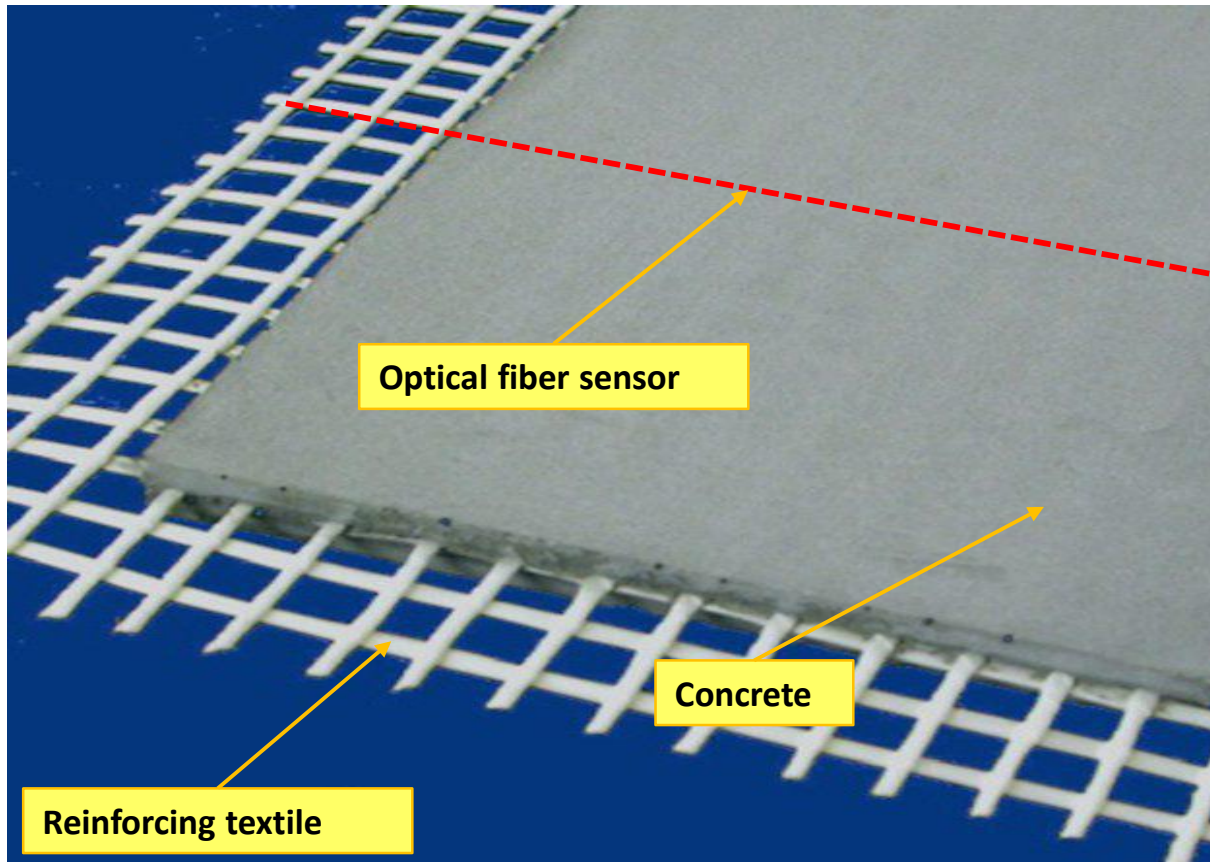
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Sviluppo di pannelli in calcestruzzo rinforzati con tessuto tecnico sensorizzato



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CONCEPT



Textile Reinforced Concrete (TRC)

- High corrosion resistance of non-metallic fibres
- Enhanced crack control
- Low self-weight of textile fabrics



High durability
Lightweight, thinwalled elements

Possibility to align the yarns in the direction of expected tensile stresses



Increase in effectiveness and load-carrying capacity

Textile formability



Complex freeform geometries

Textile sensorization



Structural monitoring capability



PILOT APPLICATIONS (not sensorized)



Footbridge in Oschatz, Saxony, Germany (2005)

Overall dimensions: 2.5 m in width × 8.6 m in span.

Components: 10 equal, 0.9 m long and only **3 cm thick** “U”-shaped units reinforced with textiles

Selfweight: 5 tons (5 times less in comparison to similar RC-bridge)

Bearing capacity: 3 times exceeded design values according to the German Codes

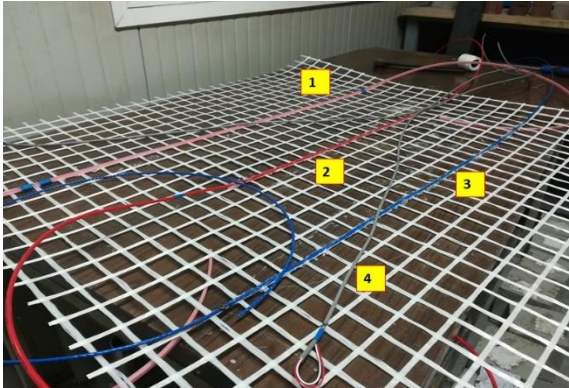
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Ventilated facade of the Leiden Community College (2011)

10,000 m²
30 mm thick, textile-
reinforced concrete panels
0.6x1.8 m each

STEPS OF THE WORK

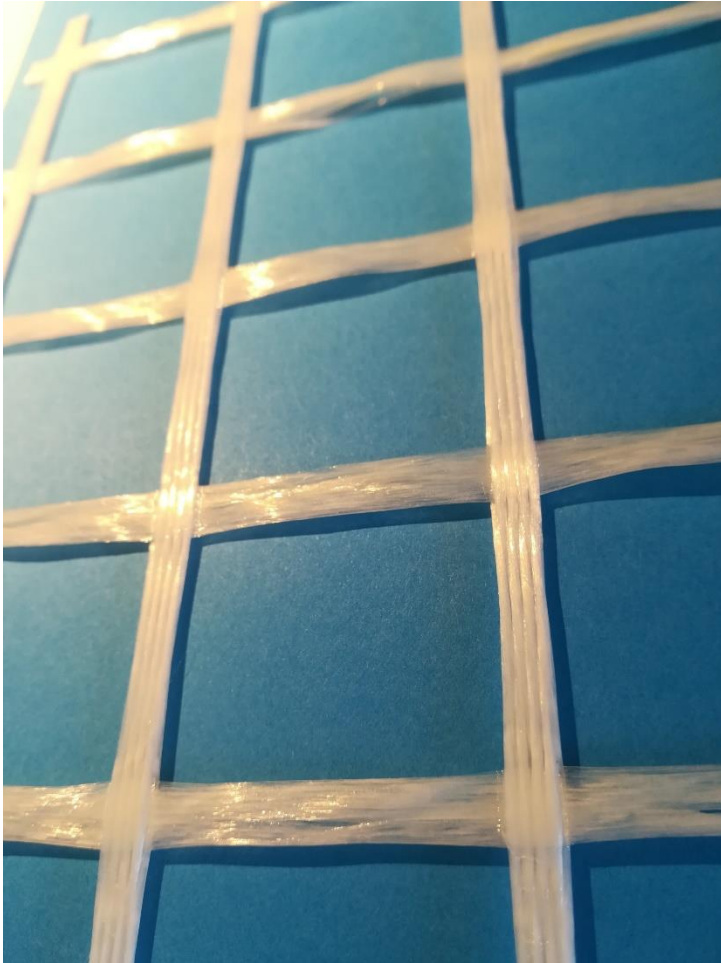


1) Design and development of the multifunctional reinforcing system



2) Integration of the multifunctional reinforcing system into the concrete component

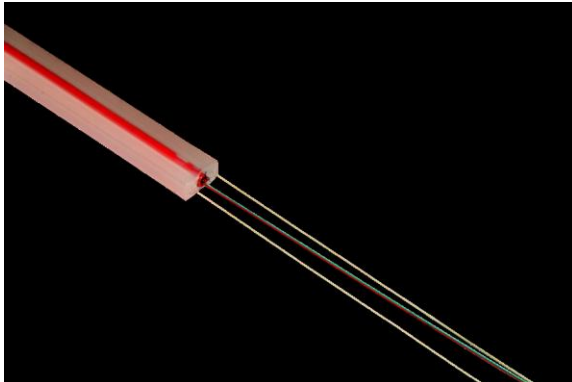
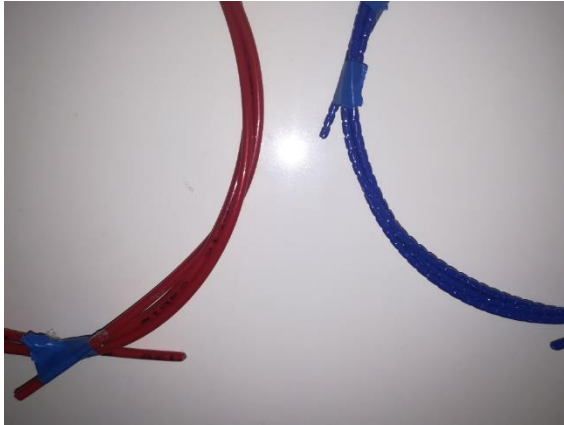
DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE MULTIFUNCTIONAL REINFORCING SYSTEM



Textile specifications

- Fibers material: AR-glass
- Textile structure:
 - Leno woven fabrics, weft insertion warp-knitted
 - Mesh opening 3cm x 3cm
 - Polymeric coating

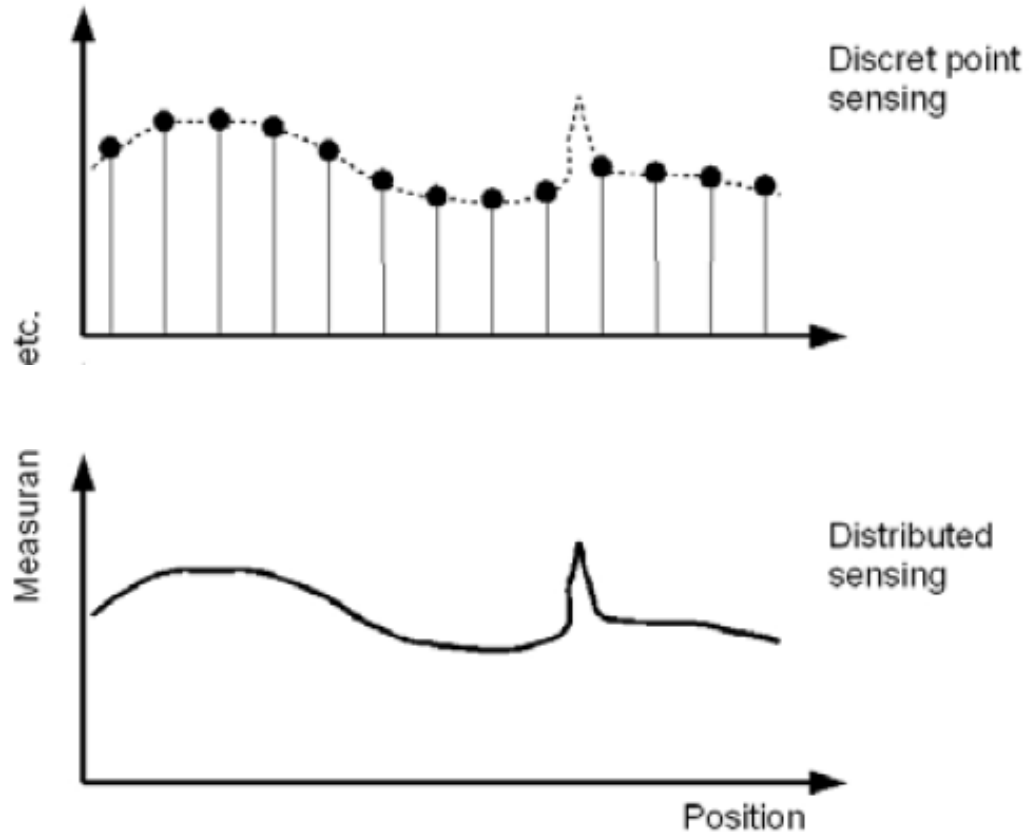
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Sensors specifications

- Fiber Optics Sensor
- gage length: truly distributed
- working principle: Brillouin scattering
- metrological performances (accuracy, resolution, sensitivity, interrogation frequency),
- dimensions and robustness
- Thermal compensation

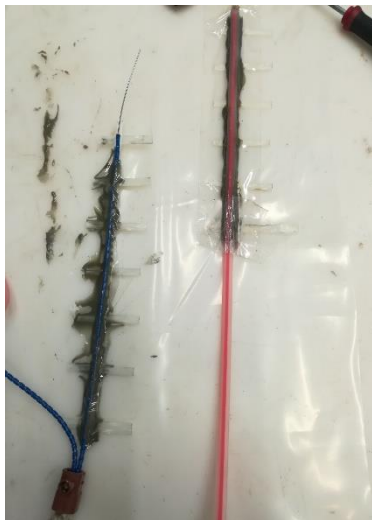
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post-production stitching



post-production gluing

Integration strategies

~~Insertion during grid production
(unfeasible!)~~

INTEGRATION OF THE MULTIFUNCTIONAL REINFORCING SYSTEM INTO THE CONCRETE COMPONENT

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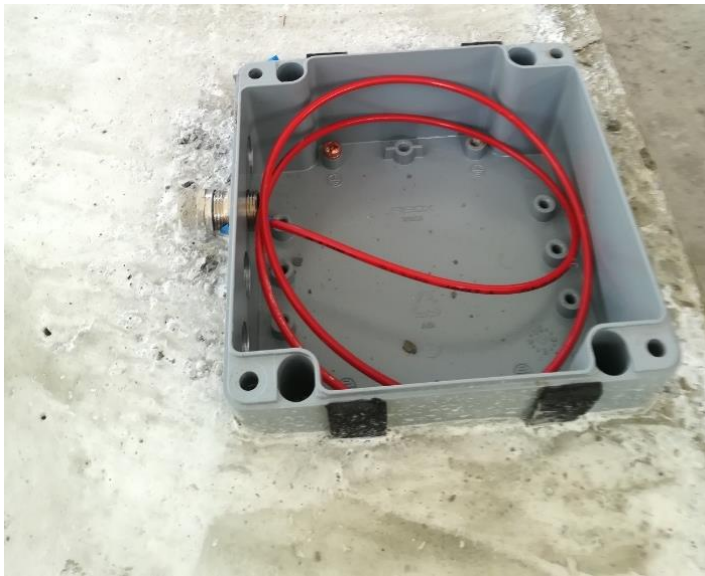


Sensors fixing

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Sensor cables protection



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Mould preparation



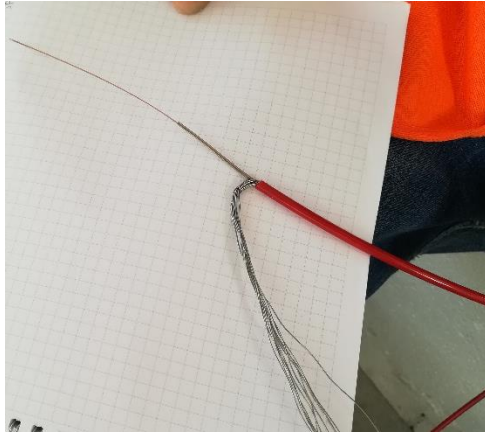
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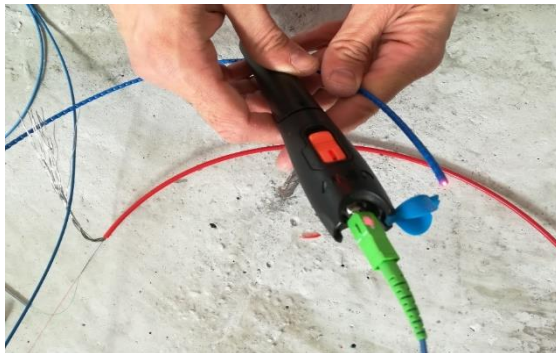
Concrete casting, vibration and demoulding



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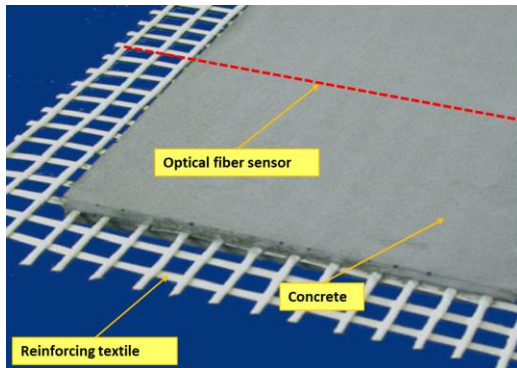
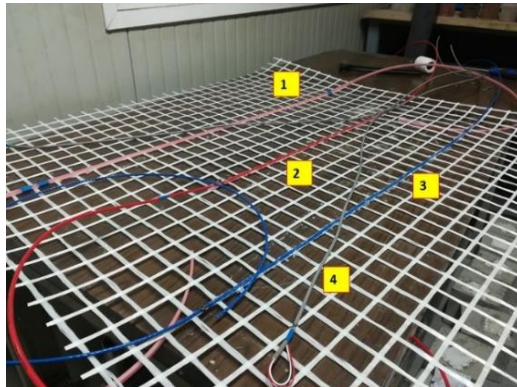
Sensors connection and testing



All connections successfully tested!



CONCLUSIONS AND NEXT STEPS



- ✓ Development of an innovative precast solution, based on the replacement of steel rebars with sensorized textile reinforcement
- ✓ High durability, lightweight, thinwalled elements
- ✓ Increase in effectiveness and load-carrying capacity
- ✓ Complex freeform geometries
- ✓ **Structural monitoring capability**

Next step: calibration testing

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Padiglione 10

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GRAZIE PER L'ATTENZIONE

