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1 **Failure mode classification and deformability evaluation for concrete beams** 2 **reinforced with FRP bars**

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14 **Abstract**

15 The flexural failure mode of fiber-reinforced polymers (FRP) reinforced concrete (FRP-RC)
16 beams is a key concern in the design and capacity evaluation. Therefore, developing a robust
17 method to identify the failure mode of FRP-RC beams is warranted. This paper presents a support
18 vector machine (SVM) algorithm, together with comprehensive compiled experimental databases
19 and a verified analytical model, to identify and classify the failure mode of FRP-RC beams. The
20 SVM analysis yields “data-driven classification rules” that not only achieved superior performance
21 over ACI 440 guidelines but are also valid for a large range of design parameters. The proposed
22 classification rules are a function of the balanced reinforcement ratio (ρ_{fb}) and height to depth ratio
23 (h/b) of FRP-RC beams. In addition, the verified classification rules recommend increasing the
24 transition zone defined by ACI 440 from $1.4\rho_{fb}$ to $1.55\rho_{fb}$. The study also utilized the verified
25 analytical model to conduct a comprehensive deformability evaluation of FRP-RC members for
26 different failure modes. The results indicate that FRP-RC beams will have sufficient deformability
27 before failure regardless of the failure mode. In addition, to ensure minimum deformability
28 requirements for FRP-RC beams, a limit should be specified on the modulus of elasticity -to-the
29 ultimate tensile strength of FRP ratio. Based on the analysis, a proposed limit of 200 is
30 recommended.

31 Keywords: Fiber-reinforced polymers, Machine learning, Classification, Failure type,
32 Deformability

33 **1. Introduction**

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34 Reinforced concrete (RC) structural elements in harsh corrosive environments, such as coastal
35 construction, suffer from deterioration and concrete spalling due to the imposed stresses by the
36 expanded corroded steel bars [1-3]. In addition, corrosion causes loss in steel reinforcing bars
37 cross-sectional area which adversely affect the safety of RC members. The cost of replacing or
38 repairing deteriorated RC elements can be considerably high or impractical, thereby requiring
39 demolition. Consequently, fiber-reinforced polymer (FRP) bars have emerged as a promising
40 alternative to conventional steel reinforcing bars for their advantageous properties, primarily
41 relating to corrosion resistance.

42 Following the origins of the research conducted in the 1990s, extensive experimental and
43 analytical research works have been conducted to investigate the flexural behavior of FRP-
44 reinforced concrete beams [4-7]. Based on these experimental studies, two possible failure modes
45 for FRP reinforced concrete (FRP-RC) beams have been identified: concrete crushing and FRP
46 bars rupture [8], and associate analytical expressions were formulated to approximate their flexural
47 capacity based on these likely modes of failure. ACI 440.1R-15 design guideline [7] uses the ratio
48 of FRP reinforcement to a balanced reinforcement ratio value (ρ_f/ρ_b) parameter and thresholds
49 of (1.0) and (1.4) to predict whether FRP bar rupture or concrete crushing will occur. When ρ_f/ρ_b
50 exceeds the balanced reinforcement ratio (i.e., $\rho_f/\rho_b \geq 1.4$), concrete crushing is the predicted
51 failure mode while when $\rho_f/\rho_b \leq 1.0$, FRP rupture is the predicted failure mode. For beams with
52 $1.0 \leq \rho_f/\rho_b \leq 1.4$, observations from a large number of studies [8,10-28] indicated that many
53 beams in this range have experienced either concrete crushing or FRP rupture mode of failure;
54 thus, to be compatible with experimental results and to ensure a safe design, the Japanese guideline,
55 the ACI 440 guideline, and other researchers [9-29] suggested classifying these beams to be
56 located in a transition zone that should be designed based on concrete crushing limit state and with
57 a strength reduction factors ϕ linearly interpolated between FRP rupture and concrete crushing ϕ
58 factors (see **Fig. 1**). ACI 440.1R-15 justifies the lower ϕ factor for the transition zone by the fact
59 that a member in the transition zone is controlled by the concrete crushing limit state, however,
60 the member may not fail accordingly. The margin width of the transition region was selected based
61 on a limited number of observations of beams that failed in FRP rupture with $\rho_f/\rho_b \geq 1$ [8, 27,28].
62 However, different assessment studies of FRP-RC beams databases indicated that beams with
63 ρ_f/ρ_b greater than 1.4 failed by FRP rupture [8]. Therefore, classifying the mode of failure based
64 on ρ_f/ρ_b value of 1 and 1.4 only may not be robust enough and calls for a better classifier.

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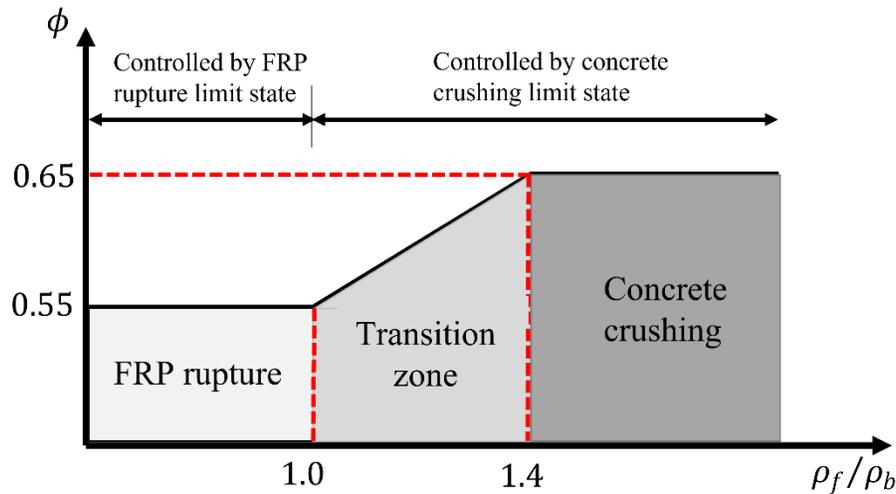


Fig. 1. Flexural strength reduction factor for FRP-reinforced members according to ACI 440.1R-1

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66 In this study, the objective is to formulate a data-driven classifier to predict the likely failure
67 mode of FRP-RC beams by utilizing machine learning (ML) methods. ML has been successfully
68 used in various sectors of civil engineering. Examples of such applications involve load capacity
69 prediction and mode of failure classification of beam-column joints [30], FRP-strengthened
70 reinforced concrete members [31], FRP retrofitted slabs subjected to blast loading [32], masonry
71 shear wall [33], and reinforced concrete columns [34-37]; prediction of the interfacial bond
72 strength between concrete and FRPs [38]; risk assessment [39,40]; damage detection and
73 classification [41,42,43]; prediction of plastic hinge length of reinforced concrete columns [44].
74 These studies demonstrated that ML is a valuable tool that can outperform existing empirical and
75 numerical methods to solve many complex problems in civil engineering. Nevertheless, to the
76 authors' knowledge, none of the available literature that utilized ML have solved a classification
77 problem in a similar manner to the one explored herein in which the available data only provide
78 two class labels (Class 1: the beam failed in concrete crushing failure mode; Class 2: the beam
79 failed due to FRP rupture); however, the beams that result in any possibility (or class probability)
80 of concrete crushing and FRP rupture that are greater than zero (i.e., class probability > 0 for both
81 classes; both classes are possible) should be classified to belong to a transition zone; thus, the
82 dataset has only two classes that need to be classified into three.

83 To solve this classification problem, the study employs a comprehensive and up-to-date
84 database of 164 experimental tests of FRP-RC beams and uses 8 input variables that may affect
85 the beam response. To overcome the limited number of tested FRP-RC beams necessary for the
86 classification study, an analytical model based on section analysis (i.e., moment-curvature
87 analysis), is introduced. The objective of the model is to predict the ultimate load and the mode of
88 failure of the FRP-RC beam. Once the analytical model is verified with available experimental

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89 results, a large parametric campaign of FRP-RC beams having different combinations of specified
90 properties is designed. The simulated beams combined with actual data of tested FRP-RC beams
91 will be used in the classification study. Support Vector Machines (SVM) with a soft margin is
92 employed for classifying the FRP-RC failure modes using features related to material and
93 geometric properties. The SVM with a soft margin classifier was selected because it provides a
94 clear margin between classes that can be considered as the transition zone. This study also aims to
95 shed more light on this transition zone range and to propose a margin width of the transition zone
96 based on the beam properties or features (e.g., geometric dimension, FRP reinforcement ratio, FRP
97 elastic modulus...etc.).

98 The second part of the paper investigates the deformability capacity of FRP-RC beams to check
99 whether certain limits in design should be defined to ensure that minimum deformability is
100 provided by design for a full range of FRP-RC beams properties. This minimum deformability
101 requirement is essential to ensure that FRP-RC beams will have sufficient deformability to show
102 a warning before failure. The investigation is conducted by simulating a large number of beams
103 with different specified properties and then evaluating their deformability behavior. To the
104 authors' best knowledge, no explicit minimum deformability criterion was found in ACI 440 [7]
105 or CSA S806 guidelines [45,46]; therefore, this study aims to establish such a criterion.

106 2. FRP-RC Database

107 2.1. Experimental dataset description

108 The experimental database used in this study consists of 164 test specimens of FRP-RC beams
109 from experimental investigations carried out by several researchers [9-29]. The 164 tests covered
110 three different reinforcing fiber materials: glass (GFRP), aramid (AFRP), and carbon (CFRP)
111 material with different elastic modulus, tensile strength, and bar diameters. The differences in FRP
112 bars material come down to differences in elastic modulus and tensile strength. The beams in the
113 dataset also varied in their depth, width, FRP reinforcement ratio, and depth-to-width ratio. **Table**
114 **1** summarizes the range of the parameters in the dataset and **Fig. 2** shows the distribution of each
115 parameter in the dataset. As observed in **Fig. 2**, ρ_f/ρ_b provides a good predictor of the failure
116 mode (see the distribution of ρ_f/ρ_b). However, this does not mean that ρ_f/ρ_b alone is a robust
117 predictor of the failure mode as this experimental database is of limited size; thus, the optimal
118 decision boundary or the optimal predictors for classification cannot be fully defined. For example,
119 in-depth assessment of **Fig. 2**, one would notice what looks like a linear decision boundary in
120 ρ_f/ρ_b and b space or ρ_f/ρ_b and h space. Thus, to identify the optimal decision boundary or
121 optimal predictors for classification, the database needs to be expanded. To do this, a verified
122 analytical model is used to simulate more data to be used in the classification study.

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126 **Table 1** Summary of the range of parameters in the collected dataset

f_{fu} MPa	E_f GPa	f'_c MPa	ρ_f/ρ_b		b mm	h mm	h/b
			FRP Rupture	Concrete crushing			
[513- 2070]	[36-200]	[24-97]	[0.73-2]	[0.93- 16.36]	[130- 381]	[152-550]	[0.29-2.5]

f_{fu} = FRP tensile strength; E_f =FRP elastic modulus; f'_c = compressive strength of concrete; ϕ = diameter of FRP bar; b = Beam width; h =Beam depth; $\rho_f = A_s/bd$ =FRP reinforcement ratio; d =beam effective depth; A_s = area of bottom FRP reinforcement; $\rho_b = 0.85\beta_1(f'_c/f_{fu})(E_f \varepsilon_{cu}/(E_f \varepsilon_{cu} + f_{fu}))$ = balanced reinforcement ratio; β_1 is a factor relating the compressive stress block to the neutral axis depth; ε_{cu} is the maximum concrete compressive stain (0.003 according to ACI 318).

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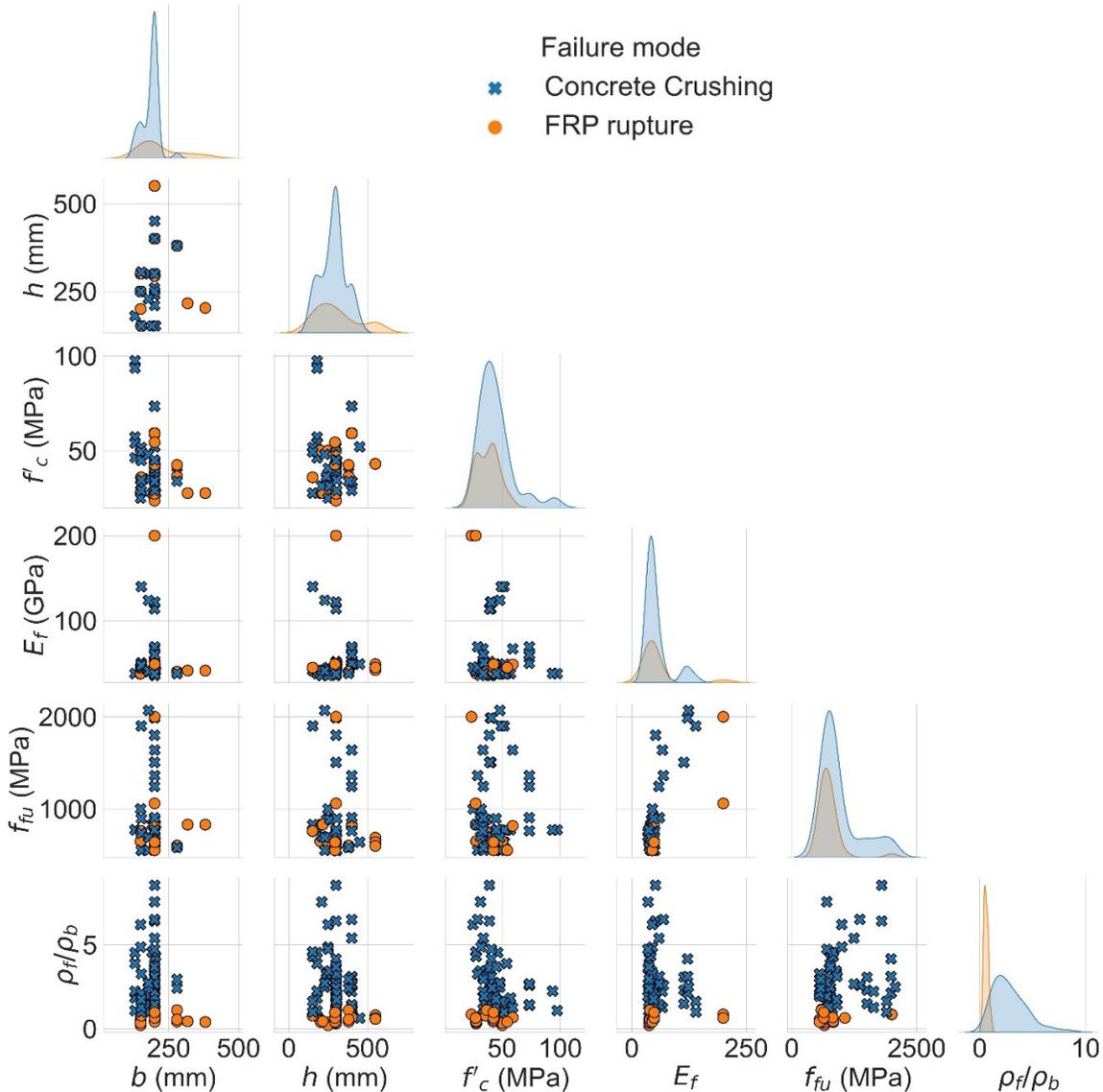


Fig. 2. Distribution of variables in the experimental database.

128 *2.2. Analytical modeling and simulations*

129 The Moment-curvature ($M - \Phi$) analysis is an accurate approach to determine the maximum
 130 flexural capacity of structural members that are primarily subjected to flexural failure mode using
 131 nonlinear stress-strain material relationships. The Moment-curvature diagrams can also be used to
 132 assess the ductility of structural members and the amount of plastic energy the member can absorb
 133 before failure.

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Fig. 3. The FRP-RC beam cross-section fiber model. The parameters of concrete models were determined based on the available data from [49].

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152 The steps for calculating the $M - \Phi$ curve and identifying the failure mode using the fiber model
153 are as follows:

- 154
- 155 • A value of the extreme compression fiber strain is assumed (starting with a small value).
 - 156 • The compressive force at each patch in the compression region is estimated as the product of
157 the area of the patch and the average stress that is determined based on the strain in the patch
158 (assuming linear strain distribution, this strain can be determined using the extreme
159 compression fiber strain) and the stress-strain relationship assumed for concrete in
160 compression.
 - 161 • The tensile force at each patch in the tensile region is estimated as the product of the area of
162 the patch and the average stress that is determined based on the strain in the patch and the
163 stress-strain relationship assumed for concrete in tension.
 - 164 • The tensile force at the FRP layer is determined as the product of the area of FRP reinforcement
165 and the FRP stress that is determined based on the strain value at the FRP location and the
166 stress-strain relationship assumed for FRP in tension.
 - 167 • The location of the neutral axis (c) is varied until equilibrium of the forces (zero) in the cross-
168 section, for the assumed extreme compression fiber strain, is achieved.
 - 169 • The moment is calculated by summing the moments of the forces about the neutral axis (N.A.).
 - 170 • $M - \Phi$ curve is generated by iteratively increasing the extreme compression fiber strain and
171 repeating the above steps to obtain a range of $M - \Phi$ values.
 - 172 • If the extreme compression fiber strain reaches its ultimate value (ϵ_{cu}) before the FRP bars
173 reach their tensile strain limit ($\epsilon_{tu} = f_{fu}/E_f$), the beam is assigned to concrete crushing failure
mode otherwise, it is assigned to the FRP rupture failure mode.

174 2.2.1. Validation of the analytical model

175 A correlation study between the experimental results and the analytical model shows the ability
176 of the model to describe the behavior of the FRP-RC beam (see **Fig. 4** and **Table 1A** in the
177 Appendix) with high accuracy. This correlation study results in an average experimental-to-
178 predicted moment capacity M_{exp}/M_{pred} of 1.04 and a coefficient of variation of 0.07. In addition,
179 the analytical model was able to predict the failure mode perfectly for all the experimental results
180 (see **Table 1A**). Further, **Fig. 5** shows the ability of the analytical model to predict the moment-
181 curvature relationship of the FRP reinforced beam by comparing predictions with experimental
182 data.

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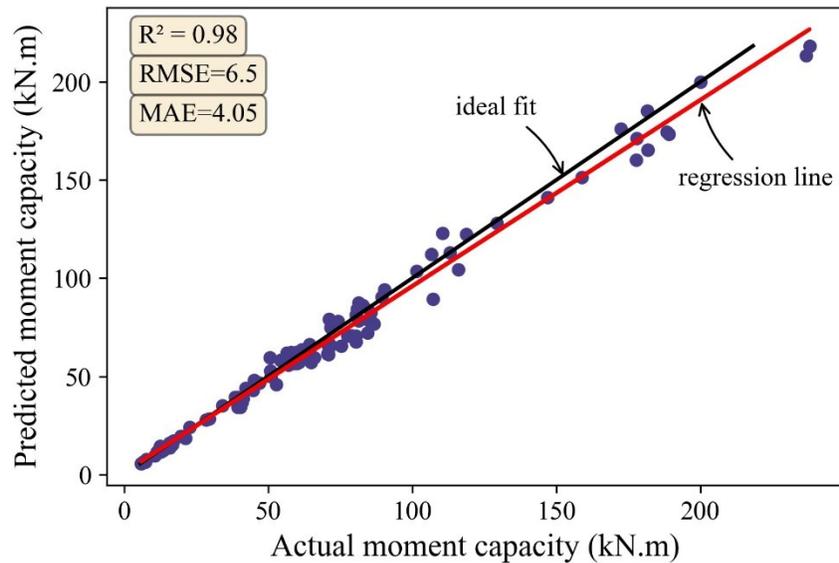
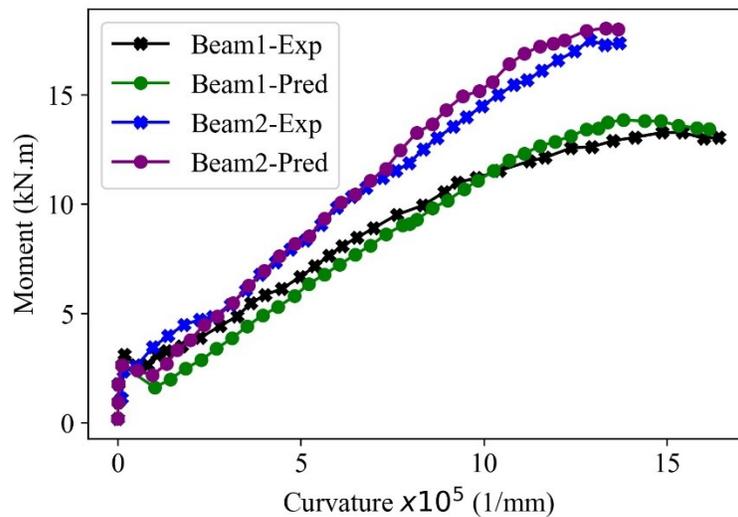


Fig. 4. Correlation curve between the predicted vs actual moment capacity of the beams in the dataset. (RMSE= root mean square error, MAE =maximum absolute error)

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185 **Fig. 5.** Comparison between predicted (Pred) and experimental (Exp) moment-curvature
186 relationship of FRP reinforced beam (Experimental data from [1])

187 *2.2.3. Simulations using the developed analytical model.*

188 Over 100,000 FRP-RC beams were simulated using the validated analytical model, each
189 having a different combination of specified parameters that include: the longitudinal reinforcing
190 FRP ratio ρ_f , the concrete cross-section dimension (b and h), the specified concrete strength f'_c ,

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191 the stress at the FRP bars at failure f_{fu} and FRP modulus of elasticity E_f . The range of these
192 parameters was selected considering the common and applicable ranges of these properties in the
193 construction industry and the collected database.

194 **Figure 6** shows the simulated data points and their associated mode of failure for different
195 variables. From **Fig. 6**, it is apparent as before that ρ_f/ρ_b the ratio is a good classifier of the
196 failure mode of FRP-RC beams, which can be seen by the separation between the density
197 distributions associated with each failure mode concerning ρ_f/ρ_b . However, this will be checked
198 against a robust classification method. In addition, even if ρ_f/ρ_b is enough as a classification
199 parameter for the failure mode, investigating the cut-off value for classification and the optimal
200 width of the margin of the transition zone is equally important. It should be noted that the
201 discrepancy between simulated and experimental data is because the simulated data covers ranges
202 of properties (material and cross-sectional properties) that experimental data does not cover.

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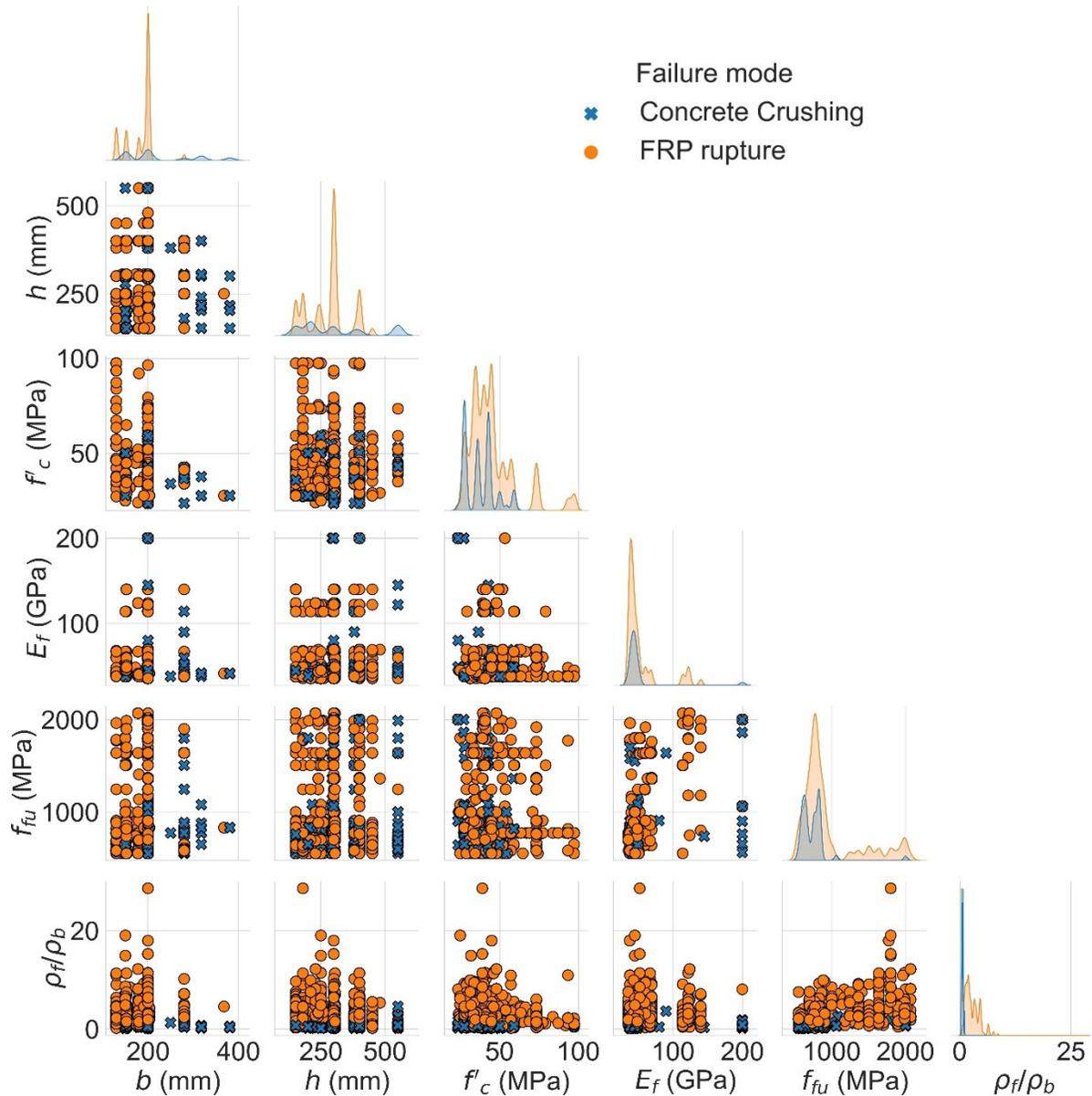


Fig. 6. The simulated FRP-RC beams and their associated mode of failure.

203 3. Classification study

204 In a classical classification problem, a training dataset consists of a set of features (predictor
205 variables), and the response variable which is a categorical variable is utilized to learn a
206 classification rule from the training dataset. After learning the classification rule, any new data
207 point with a set of features can be classified and a class label will be assigned to it.

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208 A support vector machine (SVM) has been a popular tool for classification tasks in the data
209 modeling field [50]. SVM employs the principle of optimal separation hyperplane. This principle
210 selects the hyperplane with the maximum margin as well as the one that minimizes the number of
211 misclassifications errors [51]. When the data is linearly separable, SVM achieves an optimal
212 classification rule. However, for non-linearly separable data, the kernel function can be utilized
213 for transforming the data to a different dimension space where the data can be linearly separable
214 [52]. SVM, given a training set, tries to construct a classifier of the form

$$215 \quad y(x) = \text{sign}[\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i k(x, x_i) + b] \quad \text{Eq. (1)}$$

216 Where α_i 's and b are positive real constants; $k(x, x_i)$ is the kernel function, for linear SVM it
217 takes the form $k(x, x_i) = x_i^T x$; x is the vector of predictors. Given an arbitrary training dataset,
218 one cannot typically know the best kernel to be used in the classification. It is recommended to
219 start the analysis by assuming the simplest hypothesis space (e.g., linear kernel) then working the
220 way up toward the more complex kernels. If, for example, both RBF and linear kernels work
221 equally well for a certain dataset, the simplest kernel is preferred (linear kernel) as it is less prone
222 to overfitting. A comprehensive review of the literature on SVM and its applications in structural
223 engineering can be found in [50,53].

224 In this study, the aim is to find an efficient and reliable classification rule for the failure mode
225 of FRP-RC beams. The predictive variables represent the features that characterize FRP-RC beams
226 which include: $E_f, f_{fu}, f'_c, \rho_f/\rho_b$, and h/b . The training dataset used in the training of the SVM
227 algorithm is from the simulated and experimental datasets discussed in the previous section.

228 3.1. Feature selection

229 Before classification, feature selection is preferred to be performed to remove all the trivial
230 features that are not helpful in the classification [54]. In addition, it is desirable to reduce the
231 number of features (or predictors) to make the model more interpretable and reduce its
232 computational cost. Feature selection methods can be categorized, based on the mechanism of
233 ranking and selecting the features, into three types: wrapper, filter, and embedded methods [54,55].
234 Here, the filter method will be employed for feature selection as it provides robustness against
235 overfitting as opposed to the other feature selection methods [54,55]. Filter approaches, as the
236 name implies, will first estimate the feature importance ranking and then use a filtering rule, such
237 as a specified cut-off threshold, to remove all unnecessary features. The most common filter-based
238 feature selection methods for numerical input features and categorical output (i.e., classification
239 problems) are the mutual information statistics and ANOVA F-test [55]. Mutual information is a
240 measure that quantifies the information gained for one variable given a known value of another
241 variable while the ANOVA F-test measures the degree of the variability in one variable that can
242 explain the variability in another variable. The process of using these methods for feature selection
243 follow the below steps

- 244 • Calculate the mutual information or ANOVA measure between each input feature and the
245 output feature (class label).

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- 246 • Select the desired number of input features based on their mutual information or ANOVA
247 measure (select the top-ranking features).
248 • Fit the model using the selected features.
249 • Test different numbers of input features to fit the model and discover the optimal number that
250 results in the best performing model (tune the number of selected inputs).

251 As shown in **Fig. 7**, performing ANOVA and mutual information tests clearly show that ρ_f/ρ_b
252 are the most relevant input feature to predict the failure mode. It can be also observed that E_f has
253 a modestly low feature importance score, suggesting perhaps it can be removed. It should be noted
254 that the feature h/b was selected instead of h or b because it is more practical to use at the
255 beginning of the design process to check the failure mode.

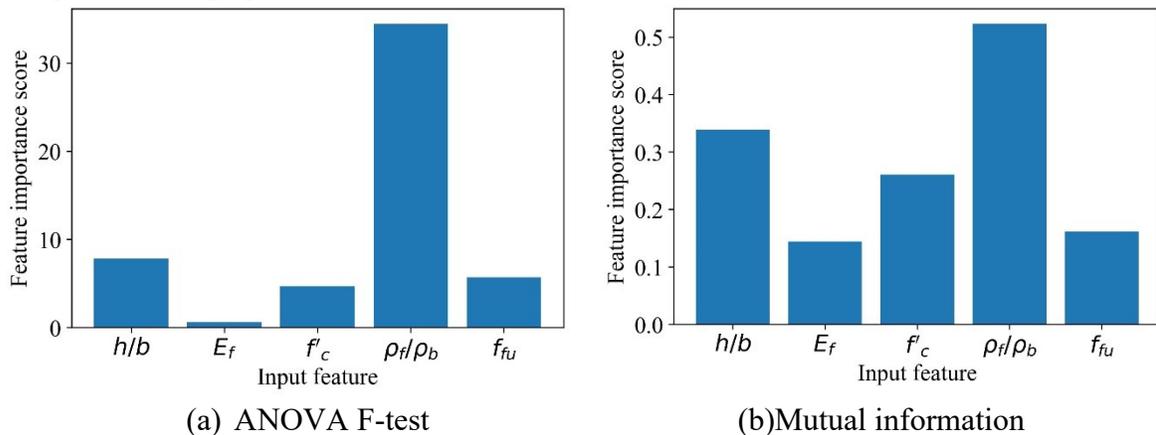


Fig. 7. Feature importance score of each input feature based on (a) ANOVA F-test (b) Mutual information measure.

256 Rather than guessing the best number of features, we can systematically perform a grid
257 search to tune the number of selected features. This is done by evaluating the model (SVM
258 classifier) using 10-fold cross-validation for different numbers of features. For tuning the
259 number of selected features, a linear SVM classifier is considered (this choice will be verified
260 later) while the performance of the models is measured using the average accuracy of 10-fold
261 cross-validation. **Figure 8** shows the Box and whisker plots that are created for repeated 10-
262 fold cross-validation results (i.e., for different splits of the data into training and testing sets).
263 These Box and whisker plots show a trend of increasing mean average accuracy with the
264 number of input features to two features (top two based on the importance score: ρ_f/ρ_b and
265 h/b), after which the average accuracy becomes less stable. Thus, two features may be an
266 appropriate choice for this classifier and dataset.
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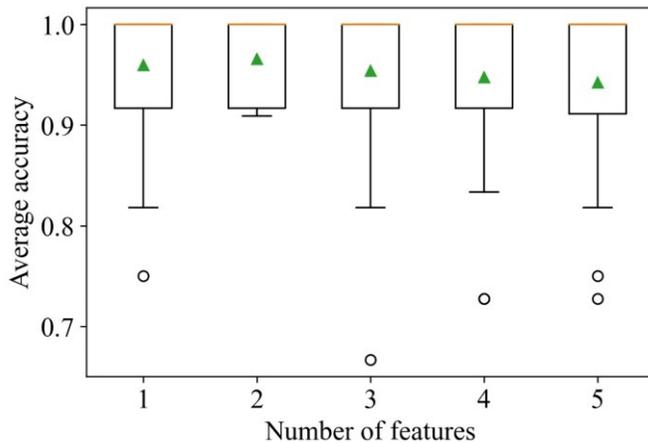


Fig. 8. Box and whisker plots show the relationship between the number of selected features and the average accuracy of the model. (Green markers represent the mean values).

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269 To achieve the best performance SVM classifier, another parameter should be tuned is the
270 kernel type [50]. **Table 2** shows that the linear kernel performed the best in classifying the failure
271 mode with an average accuracy of 10-fold cross-validation of 97%; thus, will be employed here.

Table 2 Tuning of the SVM kernel

Kernel	Classification accuracy %
Linear	97%
Radial basis function (RBF)	95%
Polynomial	95.5%
Sigmoid	86%

272 3.2. Training the SVM classifier

273 The linear SVM classifier with a soft margin has only one parameter, a regularization
274 parameter (C) that controls the width of the margin that separates the classes (i.e., failure modes).
275 If C is small, a small penalty is added for the misclassified cases so a decision boundary will have
276 a large margin while at large C , the classifier will try to minimize the number of misclassified
277 cases which results in a decision boundary with a small margin. To choose an optimum C value
278 that results in the best performing model, a 10-fold cross-validation procedure is performed as
279 illustrated in **Fig. 9**. This procedure starts by splitting the data into a training set and testing set,
280 then splitting the training set into 10 folds. Then the model is fitted using 9 folds and the remaining
281 fold is used to validate the model (record the performance score of this fold). This process is
282 repeated until every fold serves as the test set then the performance of the model is measured as
283 the average performance of the test fold from all the iterations. This process is performed for
284 different values of C to search for the optimal value (grid search). Once the optimal

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285 hyperparameter (i.e., C) is obtained (i.e., C that results in the best performing model), the test set
 286 is used to assess the performance of the final model.

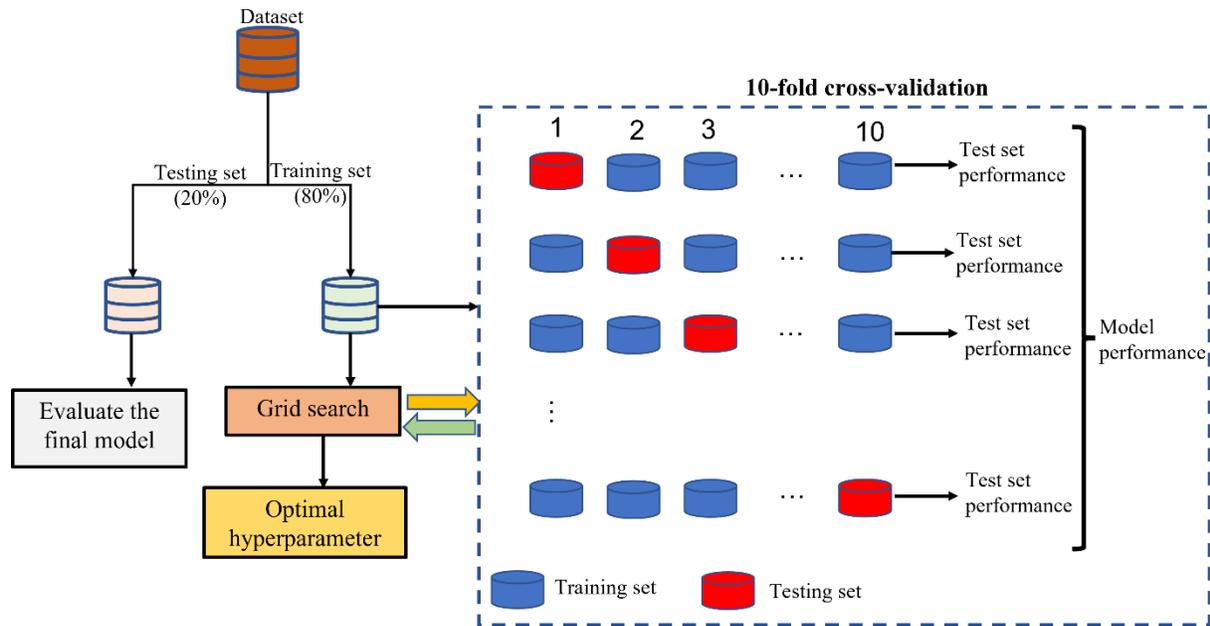


Fig. 9. Tuning of the hyperparameter

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288 The final model obtained using the 10-fold cross-validation described above is illustrated in
 289 **Fig. 10.** From **Fig. 10**, it is obvious, that there is a dependence of the classification rule on the h/b
 290 ratio and ρ_f/ρ_b . Consequently, the failure mode of the FRP-RC beam can be classified as follows:

291 Failure mode classification
$$\begin{cases} 3.85 \rho_f/\rho_b - h/b - 3 \leq -1, & \text{FRP rupture} \\ -1 < 3.85 \rho_f/\rho_b - h/b - 3 \leq 1 & \text{Transition Zone} \\ 3.85 \rho_f/\rho_b - h/b - 3 \geq 1, & \text{Concrete crushing} \end{cases} \quad \text{Eq. (2)}$$

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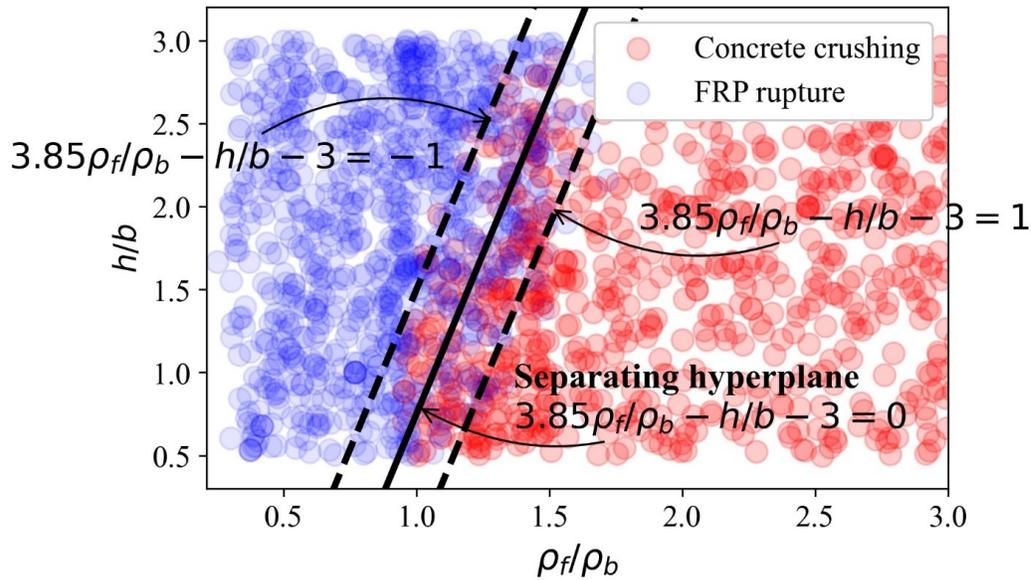


Fig. 10. Results of the classification using SVM. The figure also shows the hyperplane with a maximal margin of separation between the two different failure modes.

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293 3.3. SVM performance

294 The performance of our SVM classifier cannot be directly evaluated as classical classifiers
 295 (e.g., based on the accuracy of the prediction) as the dataset only contains two failure modes while
 296 the data were classified, based on the developed SVM classifier, into three classes (i.e., concrete
 297 crushing, transition zone, and FRP rupture). To solve this, for performance evaluation, the data
 298 points inside the margin were excluded from the performance assessment.

299 The performance of the classifier is assessed based on the confusion matrix. The confusion
 300 matrix is a table that illustrates the actual failure modes versus the predicted failure modes by a
 301 certain classifier. The diagonal parts in the confusion matrix represent the number of correctly
 302 classified data points while the off-diagonal parts represent the number of incorrectly classified
 303 failure modes. For example, **Fig. 11a** shows the confusion matrix by the SVM classifier for the
 304 test set. The confusion matrix consists of two rows and two columns corresponding to the possible
 305 failure modes. The labels R and CC in the confusion matrix corresponds to the FRP rupture and
 306 concrete crushing failure mode, respectively. It is seen from **Fig. 11a** that 4782 FRP rupture failure
 307 modes and 14228 concrete crushing failure modes are predicted correctly by the SVM. The
 308 efficiency of the SVM classifier can be evaluated by the recall, precision, and accuracy of the
 309 confusion matrix. The recall is the percentile of correct prediction of a certain failure mode out of
 310 the actual data of this failure mode in the test set, and it is provided in the third row of the confusion
 311 matrix. Precision is the percentile of correct predictions for each failure mode, and it is shown in
 312 the third column of the confusion matrix. The total number of correct predictions of the failure

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313 mode in the test set (i.e., the accuracy of the classifier) is shown at the last diagonal element in the
 314 confusion matrix. High recall, precision, and accuracy indicate the effectiveness of the classifier
 315 in identifying the correct failure mode. In **Fig. 11a**, the SVM classifier shows 95.8% and 97.8%
 316 precision in classifying the FRP rupture, and concrete crushing failure mode, respectively, and
 317 recalls of 93.6% and 98.6% in classifying the FRP rupture, and concrete crushing failure mode,
 318 respectively while the accuracy of the SVM classifier is 97%.

319 To compare the developed SVM classifier with existing classification rules, this study selects
 320 the ACI 440 classification method that is based only on ρ_f/ρ_b ratio (see **Fig. 1**). The classification
 321 results of this method for the test set are shown in **Fig. 11b** via the confusion matrix. It should be
 322 noted that the same test set is used to evaluate this rule and the SVM classifier. The overall
 323 accuracy of the ACI 440 classification rule is 87% with a precision of 94.7% for the FRP rupture
 324 failure mode. However, it shows a low recall of 64.3% for the FRP rupture failure mode, i.e., the
 325 ACI 440 method predicts only 4863 out of 7759 cases in the complete test set that exhibited FRP
 326 rupture failure mode as correct. A comparison of the SVM classifier and the ACI 440 clearly shows
 327 that the SVM classifier outperforms the ACI 440 classification rule in predicting the actual failure
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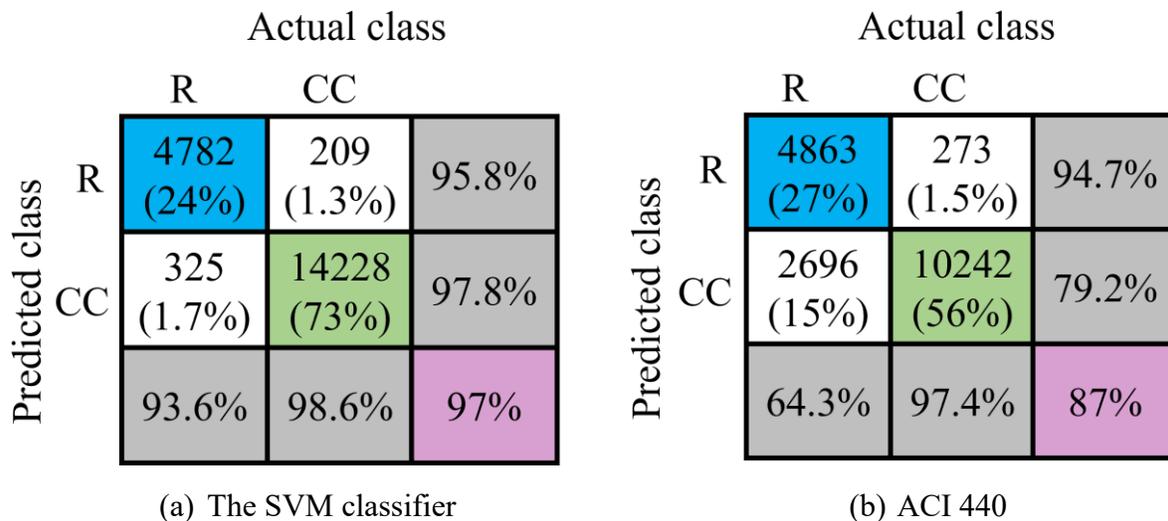


Fig. 11. Performance evaluation of the (a) SVM classifier and (b) ACI 440 classification rule using the test set.

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330 3.4. Sensitivity of the classification rule to random variations of parameters

331 At the beginning of the design, nominal values of parameters will be used in evaluating the
 332 strength capacity. However, these nominal values are subjected to random variations during
 333 construction due to several sources of uncertainty. To ensure that the specified reliability is

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334 obtained in the design of FRP-RC beams, it is necessary to include possible variations in the design
 335 parameters when choosing the appropriate width of the transition region of classification, that
 336 characterizes by a greater factor of safety or smaller strength reduction factor than the concrete
 337 crushing region (see **Fig. 1**). Thus, we conducted a sensitivity analysis of the developed
 338 classification rule to random variations of design parameters. The sensitivity analysis process
 339 followed the flow chart depicted in **Fig. 12**.

340 In the sensitivity analysis, first, a range of nominal design parameters of the FRP-RC beams
 341 was selected then random variations to these parameters were included by multiplying the nominal
 342 value of each parameter by a random variable sampled from the associated distribution described
 343 in **Table 3**. These random variables represent the bias expected in the parameter value. Then, the
 344 actual failure mode from the analytical model was evaluated (true classification based on the actual
 345 properties of the FRP-RC beam). The SVM algorithm considering the nominal values of the
 346 features and actual prediction of the failure mode can then be used. Finally, the confidence interval
 347 of the margin width is estimated.

348 **Table 3** Statistical properties of design parameters

Variable	Mean value	Coefficient of variation	Probability distribution	Reference
Cross section (b, h, d)	1.00	0.04	Normal	[56]
Concrete strength	$\lambda_{f'_c}$	0.10	Normal	[56]
Ultimate concrete compressive strain	1.00	0.15	Lognormal	[57]
FRP strength	1.18	0.12	Weibull	[8]
FRP modulus of elasticity in tension	1.04	0.08	Lognormal	[8]
Area of FRP	1.00	0.03	Normal	[8]

$$\lambda_{f'_c} = -2.47 \times 10^{-5}(f'_c)^3 + 3.17 \times 10^{-3}(f'_c)^2 - 1.35 \times 10^{-1}f'_c + 3.0649 \geq 1.15 \quad (f'_c \text{ MPa})^*$$

$\lambda_{f'_c}$: Bias in concrete compressive strength

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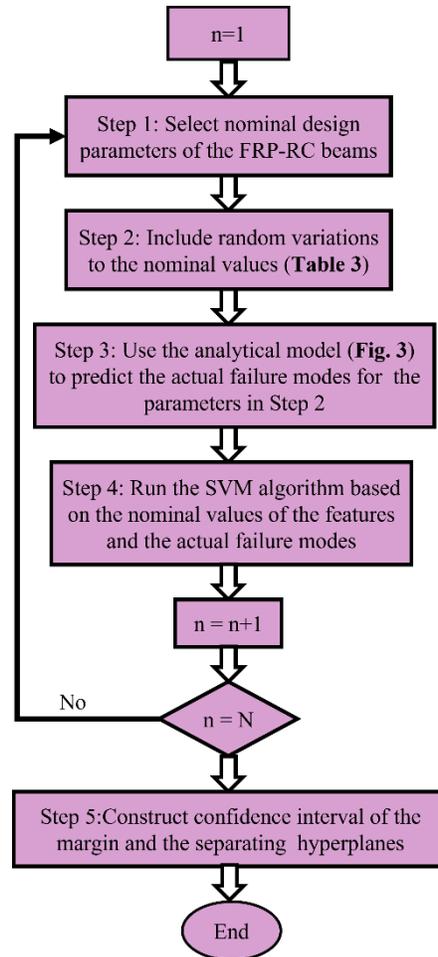


Fig. 12. Flow chart of the sensitivity analysis process. N = the predefined total number of simulations decided to construct the confidence interval.

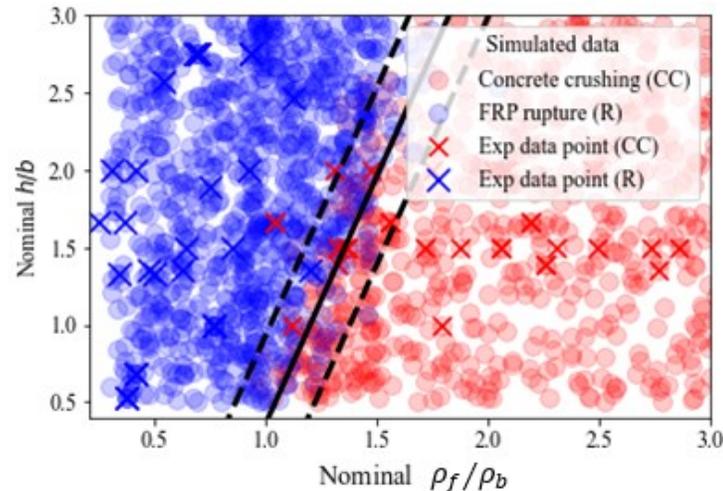
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351 From the sensitivity analysis, different classification rules for each simulation of beams
352 (herein, step 1 consists of 10,000 beams for each simulation) were able to be defined. **Figure 13**
353 shows the result of one of the simulations. It is evident from **Fig. 13** that randomness has an impact
354 on the width of the margin, but the slope approximately remains unaffected by the original
355 classification rule.

356 It should be noted that the experimental data points in **Fig. 13** were not used in the SVM
357 algorithm since its features are assumed to belong to different probability distributions than what
358 is listed in **Table 3** as they were constructed under high-quality control compared to the
359 construction sites. It is depicted in the figure for demonstration purposes only.

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361 **Fig. 13.** Classification rule of one of the random simulations. Exp= Experimental

362 3.5. Final model

363 The results of the classification study are summarized in **Fig. 14**. The figure shows the
364 proposed and ACI 440 classification intervals. Under the common h/b ratio of beams (i.e., most
365 h/b of beams falls in the interval [1.5 – 2]) the margin does not deviate significantly from the
366 defined margin in the ACI guideline. In addition, the classification rule was not affected
367 significantly by the random variations of parameters. Based on the classification results, it is
368 recommended to use the proposed classification equation or to shift the upper limit of the transition
369 zone proposed by ACI 440 to be $1.55\rho_b$. A similar conclusion was reported in reference [8]. From
370 **Fig. 14**, one could notice that this value corresponds to $h/b = 2$, within the common range of
371 h/b for beams.

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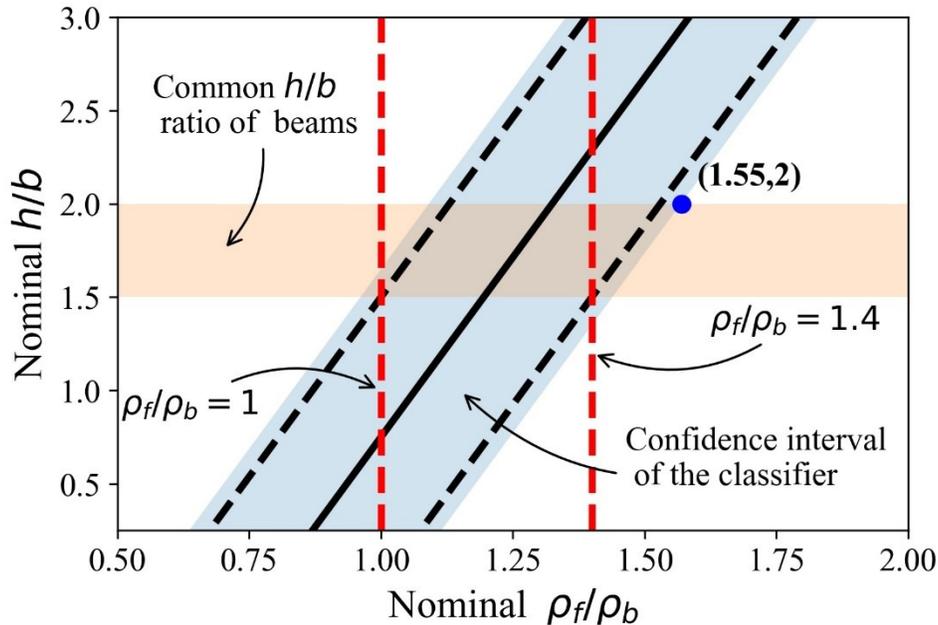


Fig. 14. Summary of the classification study results.

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373 4. Deformability of FRP-RC flexural members

374 In steel reinforced concrete members, the determination of deformability is based on the strain
 375 in steel tension reinforcement at the ultimate stage [58]. A higher strain in steel reinforcement is
 376 associated with increased curvature and deflection which yields more warning to the public [8,
 377 59]. ACI 318-19 classify members with a reinforcement strain of at least 0.005 as tension-
 378 controlled sections, and a higher resistance factor is specified. Assuming a concrete strain ϵ_{cu} of
 379 0.003 at the ultimate stage and a reinforcement strain limit ϵ_t of 0.005 as commonly accepted by
 380 ACI, the curvature limit Φ can be determined by dividing the sum of strains by the depth to the
 381 extreme layer of reinforcement d ,

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$$\Phi = \frac{\epsilon_{cu} + \epsilon_t}{d} = \frac{0.008}{d} \quad \text{Eq. (3)}$$

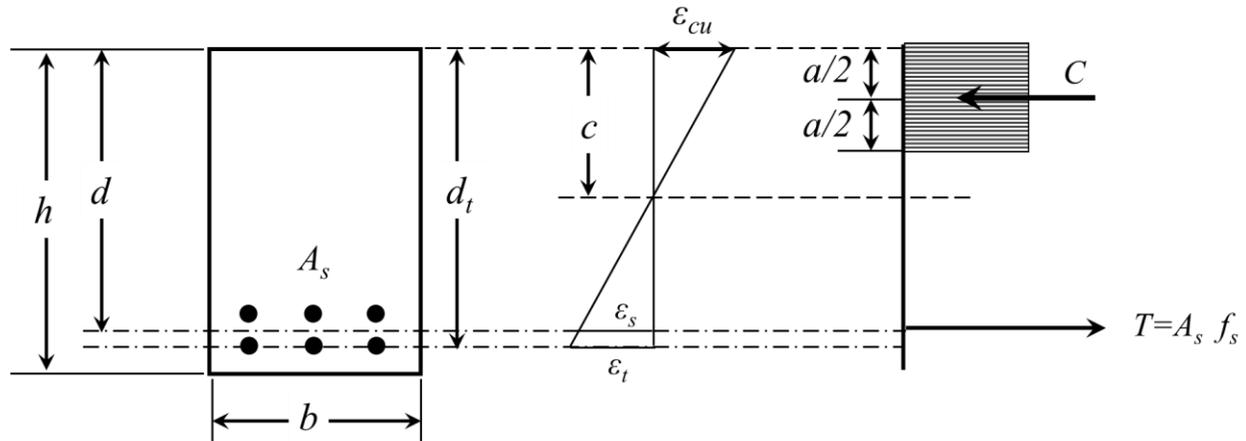
383 Therefore, if $\Phi \times d \geq 0.008$, the strain limit of reinforcement will meet the criteria of tension-
 384 controlled members [8]. According to Gulbrandsen 2005 [59], the values of $\Phi \times d$ at the ultimate
 385 of FRP-RC beams exceeds 0.008 for both modes of failure (tensile rupture and concrete crushing)
 386 which is the limit at which steel reinforcement concrete members are deemed as tension-controlled
 387 members. However, this conclusion was based on the analysis of a small number of beams (20
 388 beams) and did not consider a wide range of parameters. This study is providing a comprehensive
 389 evaluation of the deformability behavior of FRP-RC beams to ensure that minimum deformability
 390 is implicitly provided by the design, and if an additional restriction on the FRP reinforcement strain

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391 or reinforcement ratio is required, similar to ACI 318 strain requirement for steel-RC members
 392 (i.e., Based on ACI 318-19 code, flexural must be tension controlled $\epsilon_s \geq 0.005$).

393 To evaluate the deformability of FRP-RC beams, a reference for comparison purposes needs
 394 to be set, herein a tension-controlled limit for steel-RC members is chosen. To define the maximum
 395 steel reinforcement ratio necessary to reach a tension-controlled state, the stress and strain
 396 distribution of a typical reinforced concrete member is considered. **Figure 15** shows the common
 397 representation of stresses and strains for a typical reinforced concrete beam. Where c represents
 398 the neutral axis depth; A_s representing the area of reinforcement; d is the distance from the top of
 399 the section to the centroid of the reinforcement (effective depth); d_t is the distance from the top of
 400 the section to the extreme layer of reinforcement, and f_s is the stress in the tension reinforcement.



401
 402 **Fig. 15.** Stress and strain distribution of a typical reinforced concrete section.

403 From **Fig. 15** the following relation can be obtained:

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$$\frac{c}{d_t} = \frac{\epsilon_{cu}}{\epsilon_{cu} + \epsilon_t} \quad \text{Eq. (4)}$$

405 and the depth of the compression block a : can be obtained using equilibrium

406
$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} \quad \text{Eq. (5)}$$

407 Recalling that $a = \beta_1 c$ and the steel reinforcement ratio is defined as $\rho_s = \frac{A_s}{bd}$. Using Eq. (4) and
 408 (5), the reinforcement ratio can be obtained as follows:

409
$$\rho_s = \frac{0.85 \beta_1 f'_c b}{f_s} \frac{\epsilon_{cu}}{\epsilon_{cu} + \epsilon_t} \left(\frac{d}{d_t} \right) \quad \text{Eq. (6)}$$

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410 Now, substituting $\varepsilon_{cu} = 0.003$, $\varepsilon_t = 0.005$, $f_s = f_y$, and assuming one layer of reinforcement
 411 (i.e., $d = d_t$) in Eq. (13), one obtains the maximum level to obtain tension-controlled failure in
 412 the steel-reinforced concrete section ρ_{TCL} [58]:

$$413 \quad \rho_{TCL} = \frac{2.55\beta_1 f'_c}{8f_y} \quad \text{Eq. (7)}$$

414 Following, more than 10,000 FRP-RC beams were simulated using the verified analytical
 415 model. Each beam has a different combination of specified parameters that include: the
 416 longitudinal reinforcing FRP ratio ρ_f , the concrete cross-section dimension (b and h), the
 417 specified concrete strength f'_c , the stress at the FRP bars at failure f_{fu} and FRP modulus of
 418 elasticity E_f . The selection was based on the common ranges of these properties in the construction
 419 industry. The ranges of these parameters are shown in **Table 4**. The deformability of the simulated
 420 beams was determined using the relation $\Phi \times d$ (curvature \times effective depth), resulting from the
 421 analysis of these FRP-RC beams specified in **Table 4** and the steel-reinforced concrete beams
 422 specified in **Table 5**. The Code limitation on strain for steel-reinforced concrete beams was based
 423 on the yield strain of grade 60 ksi (G420 MPa) steel. Thus, FRP-RC beams deformability were
 424 only compared to steel reinforced concrete beams with a grade 60 steel, where the baseline for
 425 comparison was the limit of deformability of tension-controlled steel reinforced concrete members
 426 was set (i.e., $\rho_s = \rho_{TCL}$).

427 **Table 4** Specified properties of FRP-RC beams studied.

Parameter	Specified range	Number of specified values
f_{fu} MPa (psi)	300, 500, 700, 800, 1000, 1200	6
E_f^* GPa	45; 80; 150**	3
f'_c MPa (psi)	24; 27.6; 34.5; 41.4; 55.2 (3000; 4000; 5000; 6000; 8000)	5
ρ/ρ_b	0.8; 0.9; 1; 1.1; 1.2; 1.3; 1.4; 1.5; 2; 3; 4; 5	12
h mm	180 ; 300; 550	3
h/b	1.5, 1.75, 2	3

The total number of simulated beams is about 10,000 with each beam having a different combination of specified properties.

* High E_f is usually correlated with high f_{fu}

** 45, 80, and 150 GPa corresponds to GFRP, AFRP, and CFRP, respectively.

428

429 **Table 5** Specified properties of steel-reinforced concrete beams that are used as a reference.

Parameter	Specified range	Number of specified values
f_y	Gr. 60 steel, $f_y = 420 \text{ Mpa (60 ksi)}$	1
E_s	200 GPa (29000 ksi)	1

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f'_c MPa (psi)	24; 27.6;34.5;41.4;55.2 (3000;4000;5000;6000;8000)	5
ρ_{TCL}	$2.55\beta_1 f'_c / 8f_y$	--
h mm	180; 300;550	3
h/b	1.5,1.75,2	3

The total number of simulated steel-reinforced concrete beams equals $(1 \times 1 \times 5 \times 3 \times 3 = 45)$ with each beam having a different combination of specified properties.

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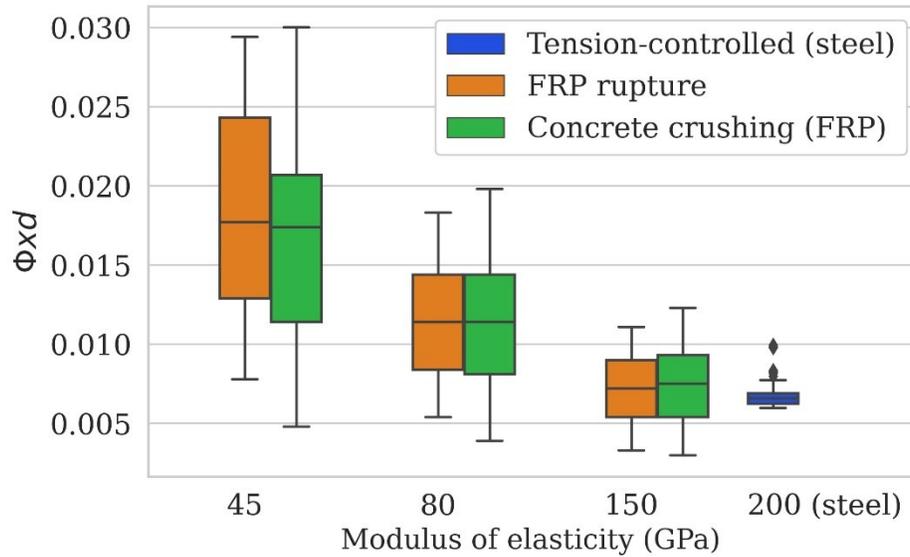
431 4.1. Results of the Deformability Analysis

432 The results of the deformability analysis are summarized in **Fig. 16** and **17**. As can be seen in
 433 **Fig. 16**, FRP-RC beams exhibit deformability values that are closely similar for both failure
 434 modes: concrete crushing and FRP rupture. In addition, results showed that FRP-RC beams that
 435 failed in concrete crushing mode exhibit a marginally larger variability in $\Phi \times d$ (curvature \times
 436 effective depth) values. This leads to the conclusion that the FRP reinforcement ratio has an
 437 insignificant impact on the deformability of FRP-RC beams. The significant contributing factors
 438 to the deformability of FRP-RC beams, identified from conducted sensitivity analysis, are: E_f and
 439 f_{fu} , and their interaction. **Figure 17** shows deformability levels across these two variables: E_f
 440 and f_{fu} . Thus, to ensure minimum deformability requirements, a limit should be specified on
 441 (E_f/f_{fu}) ratio (the larger this factor the smaller the deformability expected in the member) rather
 442 than a limit on the FRP reinforcement ratio as the case in steel-reinforced beams (i.e., $\rho \leq \rho_{max}$).

443 Based on the analysis, it is proposed to limit the ratio (E_f/f_{fu}) to 200 to ensure sufficient
 444 deformability of FRP-RC beams (i.e., $E_f/f_{fu} \leq 200$) that need to be checked within the design
 445 process. Comparing FRP-RC beams to tension-controlled steel reinforced concrete members (**Fig.**
 446 **16**), $\Phi \times d$ resulted in FRP-RC beams are higher deformability than what is required by the ACI
 447 code to classify as tension-controlled members indicating that FRP-RC beams will have sufficient
 448 deformability to show a warning before failure. Finally, from **Fig. 16** it is noted that beams with
 449 higher elastic modulus $\Phi \times d$ seem to exhibit lower variability.

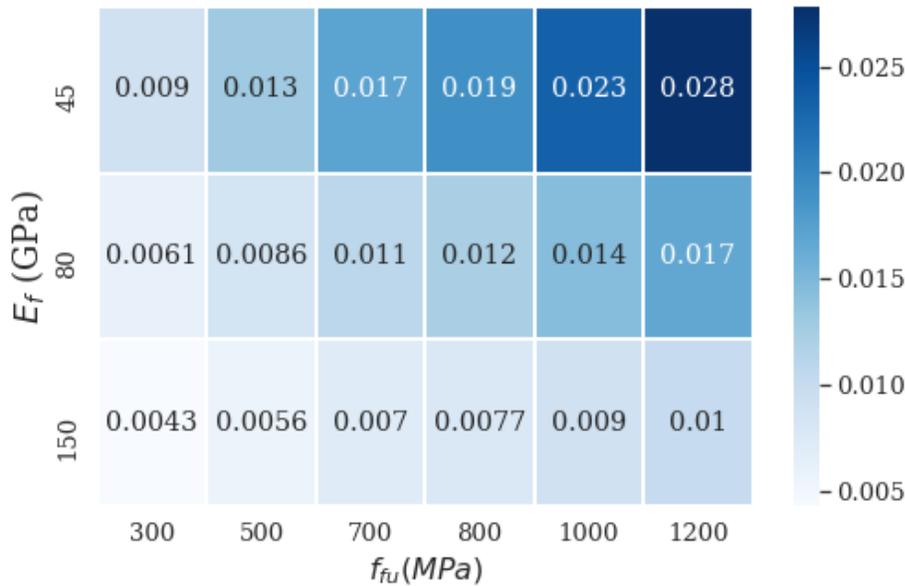
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451 **Fig. 16.** Deformability levels are represented by $\Phi \times d$ at different modulus of elasticity and failure
452 modes.



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454 **Fig. 17.** Heat map displaying the average deformability levels represented by $\Phi \times d$ across the
455 two-axis variables: E_f and f_{cu} .

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457 **5. Conclusions**

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458 This paper presents the SVM technique to classify the failure mode of FRP-RC beams. To train
459 the algorithm, first, 164 tests of FRP-RC beams tested for flexure failure were collected then used
460 to verify an analytical model based on a sectional analysis of the FRP-RC section. The verified
461 analytical model was used to simulate more than 100,000 FRP-RC beams data for classification
462 development. The simulated beams combined with actual data of tested FRP-RC beams were used
463 in the classification study. The study also provides a comprehensive deformability evaluation for
464 FRP-RC beams. According to the results, the following conclusions can be drawn:

- 465 - The SVM algorithm demonstrates good accuracy for the classification of the failure mode of
466 FRP-RC beams. The accuracy for the failure mode classification is 97% while the ACI
467 guideline specification has an accuracy of 87%.
- 468 - Feature selection method identified ρ_f/ρ_b and h/b as the highest importance features among
469 the available features for predicting the failure mode of FRP-RC beams. The following
470 classification criterion is proposed

$$471 \quad \text{Failure mode classification} \begin{cases} 3.85 \rho_f/\rho_b - h/b - 3 \leq -1, & \text{FRP rupture} \\ -1 < 3.85 \rho_f/\rho_b - h/b - 3 \leq 1 & \text{Transition Zone} \\ 3.85 \rho_f/\rho_b - h/b - 3 \geq 1, & \text{Concrete crushing} \end{cases}$$

- 472 - Under the common h/b ratio of beams (i.e., most h/b of beams falls in the interval [1.5 – 2])
473 the margin does not deviate a lot from the defined margin in the ACI guideline. However, it is
474 recommended to increase the upper limit for the transition zone to 1.55 compared to 1.4
475 specified in ACI 440.1R or to use the proposed classification criteria.
- 476 - The classification rule, learned using the SVM algorithm, was not affected significantly by the
477 random variations of parameters.
- 478 - FRP-RC beams exhibit deformability values that are closely similar for both failure modes:
479 concrete crushing and FRP rupture failure.
- 480 - Comparing FRP-RC beams to tension-controlled steel reinforced concrete members the
481 available deformability resulted in FRP-RC beams are mostly larger than what is required by
482 the ACI 318 guidelines to classify as tension-controlled members indicating that FRP-RC
483 beams will have sufficient deformability to show a warning before failure.
- 484 - FRP reinforcement ratio has an insignificant impact on the deformability of FRP-RC beams.
485 The top contributing factors to the deformability of FRP-RC beams, identified from conducted
486 sensitivity analysis, are: E_f and f_{fu} , and their interaction.
- 487 - To ensure minimum deformability requirements for FRP-RC beams, a limit should be specified
488 on (E_f/f_{fu}) ratio. Based on the analysis, a proposed limit of 200 (i.e., $E_f/f_{fu} \leq 200$) to ensure
489 that a minimum (curvature) \times (effective depth) is greater than 0.008 which is the limit that
490 classifies steel-reinforced concrete members as tension-controlled members.

491 **Data availability**

492 Row data are available upon request to the authors.

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APPENDIX A1

Table 1A Collected experimental database. The last column shows the validation of the failure mode predicted by the analytical model

Reference	Beam notation	Width (mm)	Overall depth (mm)	fc' MPa	As bottom (mm ²)	E (Gpa)	f _{ult} MPa	M _{exp} kN.m	Experimental mode of failure	M _{exp} / M _{pred} kN.m	Predicted failure mode
[7]	COMP-00	200	240	35.3	508.06	43.37	885	41.37	Concrete Crushing	1.07	Concrete Crushing
	COMP-25	200	240	35.3	508.06	43.37	885	39.06	Concrete Crushing	1.01	Concrete Crushing
	COMP-50	200	240	36.4	508.06	43.37	885	39.35	Concrete Crushing	1.00	Concrete Crushing
	COMP-75	200	240	36.4	508.06	43.37	885	40.6	Concrete Crushing	1.03	Concrete Crushing
[8]	BC2HA	130	180	57.2	237.65	38	773	19.7	Concrete Crushing	1.01	Concrete Crushing
	BC2HB	130	180	57.2	237.65	38	773	20.6	Concrete Crushing	1.05	Concrete Crushing
	BC2VA	130	180	97.4	237.65	38	773	22.7	Concrete Crushing	0.94	Concrete Crushing
	BC4NB	130	180	46.2	475.29	38	773	20.6	Concrete Crushing	1.07	Concrete Crushing
	BC4HA	130	180	53.9	475.29	38	773	21	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing
	BC4HB	130	180	53.9	475.29	38	773	21.4	Concrete Crushing	1.16	Concrete Crushing
	BC4VA	130	180	93.5	475.29	38	773	28.4	Concrete Crushing	1.02	Concrete Crushing
[9]	GB1-1	180	300	35	253.35	40	695	60	Concrete Crushing	1.06	Concrete Crushing
	GB1-2	180	300	35	253.35	40	695	59	Concrete Crushing	1.04	Concrete Crushing
	GB2-1	180	300	35	380.03	40	695	65	Concrete Crushing	1.14	Concrete Crushing
	GB2-2	180	300	35	380.03	40	695	64.3	Concrete Crushing	0.97	Concrete Crushing
	GB3-1	180	300	35	506.71	40	695	71	Concrete Crushing	1.16	Concrete Crushing
	GB3-2	180	300	35	506.71	40	695	70.5	Concrete Crushing	1.15	Concrete Crushing
[10]	C1-4	200	300	40.4	283.52 8	114	1506	71.2	Concrete Crushing	0.90	Concrete Crushing
	C1-6	200	300	39.3	425.29	114	1506	83.13	Concrete Crushing	0.97	Concrete Crushing
	C1-8	200	300	39.3	567.05	114	1506	90.39	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
	C2-4	200	300	39.9	254.46	122	1988	78.75	Concrete Crushing	1.11	Concrete Crushing
	C2-6	200	300	40.8	381.70 3	122	1988	80.89	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
	C2-8	200	300	40.8	508.93	122	1988	89.39	Concrete Crushing	0.99	Concrete Crushing
	G1-6	200	300	39.0 5	760.06	40	617	77.47	Concrete Crushing	1.10	Concrete Crushing
	G1-8	200	300	39.0 5	1013.4	40	617	86.76	Concrete Crushing	1.13	Concrete Crushing

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	G2-6	200	300	39.0 5	678.58	36	747	71	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing
	G2-8	200	300	39.0 5	904.77	36	747	84.54	Concrete Crushing	1.17	Concrete Crushing
	AR-6	200	300	39.0 5	425.29	52	1800	70.85	Concrete Crushing	1.05	Concrete Crushing
	AR-8	200	300	39.0 5	567.05	52	1800	71.75	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
[11]	ISO30-2	200	300	44	573.04	42	689	80.4	Concrete Crushing	0.99	Concrete Crushing
	KD30-1	200	300	44	573.04	49	641	50.6	Concrete Crushing	0.85	Concrete Crushing
	KD30-2	200	300	44	573.04	49	641	63.8	Concrete Crushing	1.08	Concrete Crushing
	KD45-1	200	450	52	573.04	49	641	106.6	Concrete Crushing	0.95	Concrete Crushing
	KD45-2	200	450	52	573.04	49	641	113	Concrete Crushing	1.00	Concrete Crushing
	ISO55-1	200	550	43	573.04	42	689	181.5	FRP rupture	0.98	FRP rupture
	ISO55-2	200	550	43	573.04	42	689	181.5	FRP rupture	0.98	FRP rupture
	KD55-1	200	550	43	573.04	49	641	146.9	FRP rupture	1.04	FRP rupture
[12]	Beam2	150	200	50.0 9	113.10	38	650	16.75	FRP rupture	1.10	FRP rupture
	Beam4	150	250	27.6 8	56.55	38	650	5.886	FRP rupture	1.04	FRP rupture
	Beam6	150	300	27.6 8	56.55	38	650	7.848	FRP rupture	1.00	FRP rupture
	beam8	150	200	27.6 8	56.55	38	650	10.79 1	FRP rupture	1.13	FRP rupture
	beam10	150	250	50.0 9	56.55	38	650	5.886	FRP rupture	1.04	FRP rupture
	beam12	150	300	50.0 9	113.10	38	650	16.75	FRP rupture	1.10	FRP rupture
[13]	ISO2	200	300	43	573.04	45	600	80.4	Concrete Crushing	1.14	Concrete Crushing
	ISO3	200	550	43	573.04	45	600	181.7	FRP rupture	1.10	FRP rupture
	ISO4	200	550	43	573.04	45	600	181.7	FRP rupture	1.10	FRP rupture
[14]	1FRP1	381	203	27.6	80.00	41.4	830	11.49	FRP rupture	1.00	FRP rupture
	1FRP2	381	203	27.6	80.00	41.4	830	12.67	FRP rupture	1.11	FRP rupture
	1FRP3	381	203	27.6	80.00	41.4	830	11.49	FRP rupture	1.00	FRP rupture
	2FRP1	318	216	27.6	80.00	41.4	830	13.62	FRP rupture	1.11	FRP rupture
	2FRP2	318	216	27.6	80.00	41.4	830	13.26	FRP rupture	1.08	FRP rupture
	2FRP3	318	216	27.6	80.00	41.4	830	13.06	FRP rupture	1.06	FRP rupture
	4FRP1	203	152	27.6	320.00	41.4	830	15.78	Concrete Crushing	1.16	Concrete Crushing
	4FRP2	203	152	27.6	320.00	41.4	830	15.58	Concrete Crushing	0.98	Concrete Crushing

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	4FRP3	203	152	27.6	320.00	41.4	830	16.29	Concrete Crushing	1.02	Concrete Crushing
	5FRP1	191	152	27.6	320.00	41.4	830	16.37	Concrete Crushing	1.03	Concrete Crushing
	5FRP2	191	152	27.6	320.00	41.4	830	16.65	Concrete Crushing	1.05	Concrete Crushing
	5FRP3	191	152	27.6	320.00	41.4	830	15.78	Concrete Crushing	0.99	Concrete Crushing
[15]	CB2B-1	200	300	52	348.73	37.6	773	57.9	Concrete Crushing	0.93	Concrete Crushing
	CB2B-2	200	300	52	348.73	37.6	773	59.8	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
	CB3B-1	200	300	52	523.10	37.6	773	66	Concrete Crushing	1.11	Concrete Crushing
	CB3B-2	200	300	52	523.10	37.6	773	64.8	Concrete Crushing	1.08	Concrete Crushing
	CB4B-1	200	300	45	697.46	37.6	773	75.4	Concrete Crushing	1.15	Concrete Crushing
	CB4B-2	200	300	45	697.46	37.6	773	71.7	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing
	CB6B-1	200	300	45	1046.20	37.6	773	84.8	Concrete Crushing	1.08	Concrete Crushing
	CB6B-2	200	300	45	1046.20	37.6	773	85.4	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing
[16]	1	152	152	35.9	70.88218	44.8	760	7.04	FRP rupture	1.09	FRP rupture
	2	152	152	35.9	70.88218	44.8	760	6.64	FRP rupture	1.03	FRP rupture
	4	152	152	35.9	70.88218	44.8	760	7.23	FRP rupture	1.12	FRP rupture
	5	152	152	35.9	70.88218	44.8	760	7.35	FRP rupture	1.13	FRP rupture
	6	152	152	35.9	70.88	44.8	760	6.75	FRP rupture	1.05	FRP rupture
[17]	GB5	150	250	24.96	429.42	45	1000	40.3	Concrete Crushing	1.17	Concrete Crushing
	GB9	150	250	31.84	429.42	45	1000	39.73	Concrete Crushing	1.15	Concrete Crushing
	GB10	150	250	31.84	429.42	45	1000	39.5	Concrete Crushing	1.15	Concrete Crushing
[18]	II	200	210	31.3	1134.11	35.63	700	34.1875	Concrete Crushing	0.97	Concrete Crushing
	III	200	260	31.3	506.71	43.37	886	45.125	Concrete Crushing	0.94	Concrete Crushing
	IV	200	300	40.7	567.06	35.63	700	59.1875	Concrete Crushing	0.99	Concrete Crushing
	V	200	250	40.7	1134.11	35.63	700	57	Concrete Crushing	1.02	Concrete Crushing
[19]	C-C-3 ^a	200	300	23.6	88.36	200	2000	44.76	FRP rupture	1.04	FRP rupture
	C-C-4 ^a	200	300	27.2	226.19	200	1061	60.66	FRP rupture	1.06	FRP rupture
[20]	B4	152.4	152.4	51.73	63.34	140	1900	12.603	Concrete Crushing	0.87	Concrete Crushing
	B7	152.4	152.4	49.3	99.03	140	1900	17.104	Concrete Crushing	1.00	Concrete Crushing
[21]	N2#13G2	200	400	33.5	261.17	67	1639	82.78	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
	N3#13G1	200	400	33.5	384.89	48.7	817	81.34	Concrete Crushing	0.93	Concrete Crushing

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	H3#13G 1	200	400	59.1	384.89	48.7	817	85.58	FRP rupture	1.04	FRP rupture
	N5#15G 2	200	400	29	970.37	69.3	1362	129.3 2	Concrete Crushing	1.01	Concrete Crushing
	N6#15G 1	200	400	33.5	1161.8 9	50	762	118.7 3	Concrete Crushing	0.97	Concrete Crushing
	H5#15G 2	200	400	73.4	970.37	69.3	1362	178	Concrete Crushing	1.04	Concrete Crushing
	H6#15G 1	200	400	73.4	1161.8 9	50	762	177.7 3	Concrete Crushing	1.11	Concrete Crushing
	N5#15G 3	200	400	33.8	970.37	59.5	1245	110.5 8	Concrete Crushing	0.90	Concrete Crushing
	N2#25G 3	200	400	33.8	1019.2 5	60.3	906	115.9 3	Concrete Crushing	1.11	Concrete Crushing
	H5#15G 3	200	400	73.4	1039.9 8	59.5	1245	188.3 7	Concrete Crushing	1.08	Concrete Crushing
	H2#25G 3	200	400	73.4	1019.2 5	60.3	906	189.0 6	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing
[22]	C4	152.4	304.8	28.9 5799	1012.9 0	45.5	551.5808	54.24	Concrete Crushing	0.93	Concrete Crushing
	C8	152.4	304.8	34.4 738	774.19	50.6	551.5808	56.45 028	Concrete Crushing	0.91	Concrete Crushing
	C-H5	152.4	304.8	44.8 1594	1006.4 5	45.5	551.5808	74.24 1	Concrete Crushing	0.95	Concrete Crushing
	CC	152.4	304.8	44.8 1594	1006.4 5	45.5	551.5808	81.36	Concrete Crushing	1.04	Concrete Crushing
	EH2	152.4	304.8	44.8 1594	380.64	48.3	737.73932	42.21 228	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
	EH4	152.4	304.8	44.8 1594	354.84	47.7	896.3188	50.85	Concrete Crushing	0.96	Concrete Crushing
[23]	P4G	178	229	48	219.00	124	2069	51	Concrete Crushing	1.00	Concrete Crushing
	P8G	178	229	48	723.00	41	690	47	Concrete Crushing	1.01	Concrete Crushing
	P4C	178	229	48	1077.0 0	41	552	51	Concrete Crushing	1.02	Concrete Crushing
[24]	G0.8- A90	280	380	36.6	804.20	40	593	158.8	FRP rupture	1.05	FRP rupture
	G2.1- A90	280	380	41.3	1963.5 0	38	582	237.9 3	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing
	G0.4- A135	280	380	42.3	339.30	40.2	603	80.4	FRP rupture	1.19	FRP rupture
	G0.5- A135	280	380	42.5	452.40	40.2	603	107.3	FRP rupture	1.20	FRP rupture
	G2.1- A135	280	380	33.9	1963.5 0	38	582	236.7 8	Concrete Crushing	1.11	Concrete Crushing
[25]	IS2B-1	200	293.5	42.6 6667	299.13	45	552	38.5	FRP rupture	0.98	FRP rupture
	IS2B-2	200	293.5	54.4	299.13	45	552	41	FRP rupture	1.12	FRP rupture
	KD2B-1	200	293.5	42.6 6667	299.13	49	641	52.8	FRP rupture	1.15	FRP rupture
	KD2B-2	200	293.5	42.6 6667	449.20	49	641	61.6	FRP rupture	0.97	FRP rupture
	CB6B-2	200	300	45	1046.2 0	37.6	773	85.4	Concrete Crushing	1.09	Concrete Crushing