

# NUMERICAL EVALUATION OF BEAM COLUMN JOINT REINFORCED WITH **GFRP BARS AND STIRRUPS**

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Abstract - Reinforced concrete beam column ioins are often used in buildings such as parking areas and viaducts which may be visible to extreme weather conditions. The objective of this project is to assess the seismic behavior of concrete beam column joints reinforced by glass GFRP and stirrups. In this paper GFRP and steel are mainly used. The main objectives of the projects are, to analyse the effect of corner beam- column joints using steel and GFRP rebar under cyclic loading, to analyse the effect of interior beam- column joints using steel and GFRP rebar under cyclic loading. From the analysis, the beam column joint with GFRP main bars and steel stirrups have the extreme energy absorption capacity and have great vield strength as compared to other models. This indicates the feasibility of using GFRP and stirrups as reinforcement on the beam column joints subjected to seismic type loading.

Keywords: Beam column joint, GFRP, Energy absorption capacity, Reinforcement.

# **1. INTRODUCTION**

Fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) reinforcement was currently being used as a viable temporary to steel in new concrete structures especially those in harsh environments. The main driving force behind this effort is the greater performance of FRP in destructive environments attributable to its non-corrodible nature. The beam column joint in the critical zone in a reinforced concrete (RC) frame exposed to large forces during several ground pulsating events, and its behavior has a significant influence on the response of the structure. Beam column joints are the bond between horizontal and vertical structural elements, and therefore, the joints are directly involved in the transfer of seismic forces.

#### **1.1 NUMERICAL INVESTIGATION USING ANSYS** WORKBENCH 2021 R2

Modelling of 4 different types of beam column joints are examined. The main objectives of the projects are, to analyse the consequence of corner beam column joint using steel and GFRP rebar under cyclic loading, to analyse the consequence of interior beam column joint using steel and GFRP rebar in repeated loading. This project was used to assess the seismic behaviour of concrete beam column joints reinforced with

glass GFRP bars and stirrups. In this paper GFRP and steel are mainly used. The material properties of different ingredients are shown Table 1 and Table 2.

#### Table -1: Material Property.

	Concrete	Steel
Mix/Grade	M20	Fe 415
Density	2500 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	7850 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Young's modulus (GPa)	22360.679 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	2x10 <sup>5</sup>
Poisson's ratio (v)	0.2	0.3
Bulk modulus	12422.56 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	1.6667x10 <sup>5</sup> N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Shear modulus	9316.95 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	7.6923x10 <sup>4</sup> N/mm <sup>2</sup>

#### Table -2: Material Property of GFRP

Material properties	Diameter of bar		
	8mm	12mm	16mm
Young's modulus	42000	45400	46400
	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Tensile strength	489.30	7465.54	715
	N/mm <sup>2</sup>		
Poisson's ratio	0.26	0.26	0.26
Density	2500	2500	2500
	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Bulk modulus	29166.67	31527.78	32222.22
	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Shear modulus	16666.67	181015.87	18412.69
	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	N/mm <sup>2</sup>



Fig -1: Geometry of interior beam column joint



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Fig -2: Reinforcement details

Figure 1 shows a Geometry of interior beam column joint, Figure 2 shows the reinforcement details and figure three shows the meshing of beam column joints.



Fig -3: Meshing

# 2. Loading and boundary conditions

The boundary conditions are provided such that translation, one side z direction free, other side – axial displacement. Direction in which the force is acting can be clearly visible from the figure 4. Fixed support and remote displacement is also provided.



Fig-4: Boundary condition

### **3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

When various materials such as steel and GFRP are mainly used. In first case steel is used as main bar, in second case GFRP was used as main bar, In third case\_beam column joint with GFRP main bars and steel-stirrups were used and last example beam-column joint by steel main bars and GFRP stirrups were used. Figure 5 to Figure 8 shows the equivalent stress in various beam column joint.



Fig -5: Equivalent stress of steel main bars and stirrups







Fig -7: Equivalent stress of steel main bars and GFRP stirrups



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Fig -8: Equivalent stress of GFRP main bars and steel stirrups



**Chart-1**: Behavior of corner beam column joint and interior beam column joint under cyclic loading

Table -3: Energy absorption capacity

Name of model	Energy absorption
Full GFRP	194640805.1
Full steel	61000280
GFRP main bars and steel	253703981.7
stirrups	
Steel main bars and GFRP	203137251.3
stirrups	



# **Chart-2**: Hysteries loop of beam column joint with different materials.

# **4. CONCLUSIONS**

This study mainly used to compare different types of material that are used in beam column joint. From these we can conclude that,

- When we are providing full steel, maximum force is obtained.
- The force value is on the range of 200 to 250kN.
- And the corresponding displacement is about 50mm.
- Beam- column joint with GFRP main bars and steel stirrups have high deformation 328.6mm.
- Beam column joint by GFRP main bars and steel stirrups have the maximum energy absorption capacity and high yield strength.

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