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**Test methods for fibre-reinforced  
cementitious composites — Bending  
moment — Curvature curve by four-  
point bending test**

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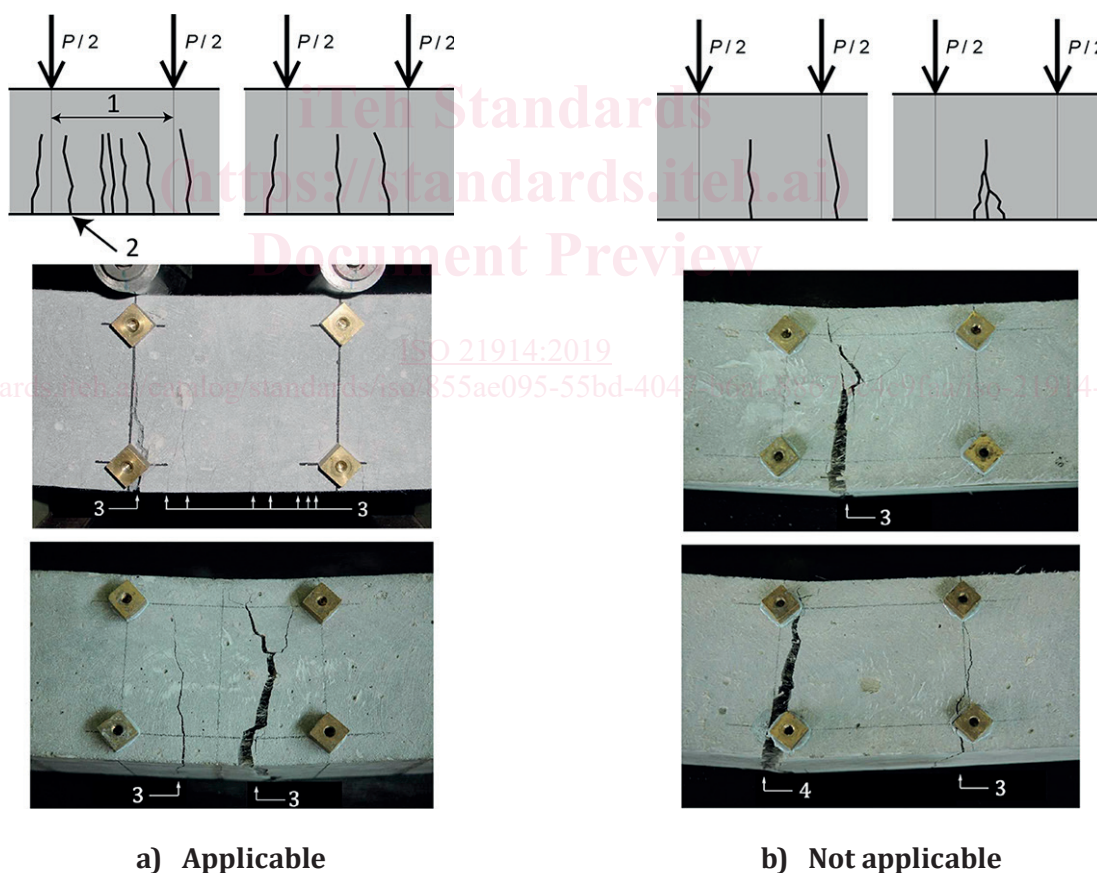
# Test methods for fibre-reinforced cementitious composites — Bending moment — Curvature curve by four-point bending test

## 1 Scope

This document specifies the test method for obtaining bending moment-curvature curves of fibre-reinforced cementitious composites (FRCCs) through four-point bending test of prism specimens.

It is applicable to FRCCs that show separated multiple cracks under pure bending before maximum load.

**NOTE** Separated multiple cracks means two or more independent cracks visible to the eye occurring in the constant moment span from the bottom side over half depth of the specimen before maximum load is observed, as shown in Figure 1. For the purpose of confirmation of cracks, spraying up the specimen surface using an alcohol solution or acetone makes observations easier. The formation of multiple cracks is associated with deflection hardening behaviour. For FRCCs that do not show separated multiple cracks, see ISO 19044.



### Key

- 1 constant moment span
- 2 crack visible to the eye
- 3 crack
- 4 crack (out of constant moment span)
- $P$  applied load

Figure 1 — Cracking in FRCCs covered by this document

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1920-3:—<sup>1)</sup>, *Testing of concrete — Part 3: Making and curing test specimens*

ISO 1920-4:—<sup>2)</sup>, *Testing of concrete — Part 4: Strength of hardened concrete*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1 fibre-reinforced cementitious composite FRCC

concrete or mortar containing short discrete fibres distributed throughout matrix

Note 1 to entry: Fibres include man-made fibres (e.g., metallic fibres, inorganic fibres, synthetic fibres) and natural fibres.

### 3.2 average strain

ratio of axial deformation to gauge length

### 3.3 average curvature

gradient of *average strains* (3.2) in constant moment span

## 4 Symbols

See [Table 1](#).

**Table 1 — Symbols**

Symbol	Unit	Description	Subclause
$b$	mm	width of cross-section of specimen	<a href="#">5.1</a>
$D$	mm	depth of cross-section of specimen	<a href="#">5.1</a>
$d_0$	mm	distance between two LVDTs	6.4
$L$	mm	overall length of specimen	<a href="#">5.1</a>
$M$	N·mm	bending moment	<a href="#">8</a>
$P$	N	applied load	<a href="#">8</a>
$S$	mm	specimen span	<a href="#">6.2</a>
$\varepsilon_1$	—	average strain calculated by measured displacement of upper LVDT	<a href="#">8</a>
$\varepsilon_2$	—	average strain calculated by measured displacement of lower LVDT	<a href="#">8</a>

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