

# FLEXURAL PERFORMANCE OF CONCRETE BEAMS INCORPORATING GRANITE WASTE

## DESEMPENHO À FLEXÃO DE VIGAS DE CONCRETO INCORPORANDO RESÍDUOS DE GRANITO

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### **Abstract**

This research examines the bending characteristics of a concrete beam reinforced with granite waste powder. The equilibrium equations are determined using an improved theory for deflection calculation, using the virtual work principle and the Navier solution technique. The Mori-Tanaka model is used to homogenize conventional concrete with different volumetric proportions of granite powder. This homogeneity enhances mechanical qualities like elastic modulus, shear resistance, and compressibility. The findings indicate that an augmentation in the volumetric percentage of granite powder reduces deflection and transverse displacement. The research delineates three principal advantages: improved mechanical performance of the beam, financial savings in construction via the use of granite waste, and

### **Resumo**

*Esta pesquisa examina as características de flexão de uma viga de concreto reforçada com pó de resíduo de granito. As equações de equilíbrio são determinadas utilizando uma teoria aprimorada para o cálculo da deflexão, utilizando o princípio do trabalho virtual e a técnica de solução de Navier. O modelo de Mori-Tanaka é utilizado para homogeneizar concreto convencional com diferentes proporções volumétricas de pó de granito. Essa homogeneidade aprimora qualidades mecânicas como módulo de elasticidade, resistência ao cisalhamento e compressibilidade. Os resultados indicam que um aumento na porcentagem volumétrica de pó de granito reduz a deflexão e o deslocamento transversal. A pesquisa delinea três vantagens principais: melhor desempenho mecânico da viga, economia financeira na*



ecological benefits via the mitigation of dangerous gas emissions.

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*construção com o uso de resíduo de granito e benefícios ecológicos com a mitigação de emissões de gases perigosos.*

**Palavras-chave:** Viga de Concreto. Resíduo de Granito. Comportamento à Flexão. Modelo de Mori-Tanaka. Homogeneização.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

Eco-friendly concretes are being increasingly used due to their reduced cost and capacity to diminish gas emissions. To improve concrete's mechanical qualities, this study investigates the use of granite debris as a partial cement replacement.

Initially, we will provide an overview of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions generated by cement manufacturing. Jieru Zhang et al. develop a CO<sub>2</sub> accounting framework in the cement industry using LCA and alternative raw materials. The study analyses CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of concrete with low-carbon substitutions and proposes a methodology to optimize design and reduce environmental impacts [1]. Robbie M. et al. Andrew examine les émissions mondiales de CO<sub>2</sub> associées à la fabrication de ciment, représentant environ 4 % des émissions mondiales de combustibles fossiles. In 2018, emissions from cement manufacturing processes amounted to 1.50 ± 0.12 Gt of CO<sub>2</sub>; 71% of these emissions have occurred since 1990 [2]. Song Nie et al. formulate a model to assess CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from low-carbon cement, demonstrating that calcium sufflaminat clinker (CSA) and HB-CSA produce lower CO<sub>2</sub> emissions than Portland cement. Utilizing supplemental cementitious materials (SCM) enhances emission reductions [3].

Studies have previously examined the reinforcement of concrete using granite. Sellaf Hamid and Hadj Mostafa Adda investigated using granite debris as a partial replacement for Portland cement. Owing to the effect of chloride ions on clinker hydration, hydrochloric acid influences the strength of concrete more significantly than sulfuric acid [4]. SURYA HADI investigates the impact of granite debris on the compressive strength of concrete. After 28 days, the compressive strength of standard concrete is 26.09 MPa, but the strengths of concrete, including 8%, 10%, and 12% granite waste, are 24.58 MPa, 22.69 MPa, and 21.28 MPa, respectively. This indicates that the inclusion of granite waste diminishes the compressive strength of concrete [5]. Debby Sinta Devi al investigate the use of rice husk ash and granite waste in concrete. The

optimal compressive strength findings (28.07 MPa) are achieved with 10% rice husk ash and 7.5% granite waste [6]. Bassel El Merabi et al. analyse dam foundation concrete-rock junction shear strength. The findings suggest a new roughness parameter since roughness factors do not directly affect shear strength [7]. Rahmani Farida et al. show that including granite powder as a partial substitute for Portland cement in self-compacting concrete preserves its qualities while reducing costs, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and valorizing waste [8]. B. Venkatesan et al. demonstrate that the correct incorporation of 15% granite powder and 30% glass powder enhances the performance of reactive powder concrete (RPC) performance, yielding superior chloride penetration resistance and delivering economic and ecological advantages [9]. Saravanan R et al. create resilient pavers by partly substituting cement with silica fume and sand with granite refuse. The findings indicate enhancements in strength and durability and a reduction in carbon emissions, offering a sustainable alternative for environmentally conscious buildings [10]. Alaa Mahmoud investigates using granite and marble waste powders as partial substitutes for cement in concrete. The findings indicate that 9% granite powder enhances compressive strength by as much as 33.2% at 800 °C, whilst 5% marble powder exhibits minor improvements. These tailored mixtures provide enhanced protection against gamma and neutron radiation; nevertheless, exposure to elevated temperatures diminishes shielding efficacy [11]. Hawraa Hasan Mousa demonstrates that recycled granite aggregates enhance compressive strength (from 33.6 to 43.9 MPa) and tensile strength, with a complete replacement elevating the strength to 36.9 MPa [12]. Sakthivel Rajendran investigates the use of granite waste and sea sand as substitutes for river sand in concrete production. Using 10% alccofine and 15% granite waste enhances the mechanical characteristics of concrete, resulting in substantial improvements in compressive, tensile, and flexural strength [13]. Adrien Chajec et al. examine the influence of granite powder waste on cementitious mixtures, emphasizing its beneficial effects on mechanical and functional characteristics. The report delineates research deficiencies, suggests future trajectories, and underscores the mitigation of costs and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by using these wastes, concurrently enhancing the density of cement composites [14]. Vinicius Rodrigues dos Santos investigates using granite and marble debris in sustainable building materials via their integration into epoxy resin granite specimens. The findings indicate enhanced flexural strength, with the material displaying anisotropic characteristics and less environmental effect. Further investigation on resin optimization is required [15]. Talat

A. Bayoumi et al. developed a cement-granite composite matrix for managing radioactive waste. After 180 days of freeze-thaw cycles, the composite shows improved characteristics and is presented as a potential solution for radioactive waste solidification, requiring large-scale testing [16].

Numerous investigations have been conducted within the framework of homogenization theory and structural analysis. Benkabou et al. formulate a multi-scale numerical homogenization technique to forecast the elastoviscoplastic characteristics of high-performance concrete using finite element simulations and nanoindentation experiments. The findings derived from this methodology align with experimental data, therefore validating the method's dependability [17]. Chatbi et al. investigate the impact of silica nanoparticles on concrete slabs. The appropriate incorporation of  $\text{SiO}_2$  enhances mechanical strength, whereas the elastic basis affects the bending behavior of the slabs [18]. Harrat et al. studied the static properties of concrete beams with nanosilica. The incorporation of  $\text{SiO}_2$  improves mechanical characteristics by altering the microstructure. An analytical model indicates a decrease in deformations and stresses, highlighting the foundation's substantial impact on bending behavior [19]. Benfrid et al. examine the effects of glass powder on concrete exposed to thermomechanical stresses. Using the Eshelby model, their investigation delineates problems related to this inclusion and suggests modifications to enhance its efficacy [20]. Kecir et al. analyze the influence of  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_2$  nanoparticles on the flexural behavior of concrete slabs with a non-local Eringen model. Their research indicates that a 30% concentration of  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_2$  enhances elastic characteristics by 60% and reduces the deflection of thin slabs, affirming the capability of  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_2$  nanoparticles to strengthen concrete constructions [21].

The predominant homogenization model referenced in the literature is the Mori-Tanaka model. Mori and Tanaka present a model to forecast the features of multilayer composite materials. This model correlates the microscopic attributes of the phases with their macroscopic qualities while considering their interconnections. This model is often used to examine multi-phase materials [22]. Mehmet Eker examines the elastic response of a functionally graded cylinder subjected to internal pressure using Mori-Tanaka homogenization. The boundary value issue is addressed using the Chebyshev technique, and the influence of the volume fraction index on stresses and displacements is analyzed [23]. Soheil Firooz determines a versatile interface model for heterogeneous materials, permitting alternative contact placements while preserving angular momentum

equilibrium. This model is included in the Mori-Tanaka approach for the analysis of reinforced composites, using FEM simulations to verify the analytical answers [24].

The computation algorithm for beam bending will be validated based on literature research concerning functionally graded beams (FGM). Khaled Meski et al. study the thermo-mechanical properties of a functionally graded beam using a higher-order shear deformation theory. The results are corroborated by traditional and advanced theories, with parametric analyses about the influence of geometries and mechanical characteristics [25]. Abdelbaki Chikh uses the Navier solution to examine the static characteristics of functionally graded beams (P-FGM). The numerical results from the novel shear models are juxtaposed with existing literature to evaluate the influence of geometry and the mixing rule [26]. Chitour Mourad et al. study the static behavior of functionally graded (FG) beams with simple supports using an advanced 2D shear deformation theory. The findings illustrate the theory's efficacy by comparing stresses and displacements across different parameters [27]. Bridjesh P examines the deformation of porous functionally graded beams (FGPB) by considering regular and irregular porosity distributions. The findings demonstrate the influence of porosity, volumetric fraction, and thickness ratios on the deflections and stresses of FGPB [28]. G. Chandra Mohana Reddy compares the deflection characteristics of bidirectional functionally graded porous beams, emphasizing both circular and straight configurations. The research examines these beams under various boundary conditions (SS, CC, CS) with mechanical loading, using a unified shear deformation theory to formulate deflection equations that include gradient material characteristics [29]. Geetha Narayanan Kannaiyan and Vivekanandam Balasubramaniam evaluate the bending characteristics of functionally graded porous beams (FGPB) with respect to both uniform and uneven porosity distributions. Numerical computations are conducted to ascertain maximal deflections, axial strains, and shear stresses, and the findings are compared to prior research for validation [30].

John A et al. study the variation in thickness in contact with reinforced concrete for a polymer reinforced with carbon nanotubes [31]. U.N. Wilson et al. study the bending of reinforced concrete structures in steel frameworks [32]. Charles Chinwuba Ike develops a model capable of studying beams in static bending, including shear deformation [33]. Charles Ike and Juliet Nneka Ugwu study buckling using a polygonal function to estimate the shear force [34]. Charles Ike examines the static bending of beams resting on strategic foundations using the theory that considers the effect of shear [35].

Turan, F. et al. study beams subjected to flexion-torsion with the HSDT method and introduce the effect of lateral shear with the beam-wall interaction [36]. Turan, F. et al. study the effect of buckling accompanied by torsion caused by a uniform load distribution with noticed orthotropy, including voids and shear deformation [37]. Albena Doicheva et al. study the force in beam-column connections [38]. Albena Doicheva et al. use finite elements to determine the interaction between beam and column in bending with detailed shear included in the operation [39]. Gao et al., in a detailed review of bending limits of beams [40], provide details on static bending and piezoelectric bending, with detailed comparisons [41]. MA Biot et al. were the first to use iterative methods in finite elements to study beam bending [42]. SP Xu adds the non-local effect to beam bending [43]. YM Yue et al. analyze microbeams based on Timoshenko's assumptions [44]. Liu, X. studies five-point bending for large beams using an analytical method [45]. To strengthen the idea of choosing the homogenization method, X. Wang et al. use the same Mori-Tanaka model to predict the elastic properties of concrete [46]. Y. Li et al. study the homogenization of concrete in a random medium [47]. Silva et al. examine high-performance concrete using Mori-Tanaka homogenization [48]. Zhou et al. [49] and Li, Y. [50] base their studies on Mori-Tanaka to determine the elasticity of concrete from various constituents and formulations.

This work investigates Mori-Tanaka homogenization to ascertain the mechanical characteristics of a concrete and granite powder combination, with volumetric percentages of cement ranging from 0% to 30% in increments of 10%. The validation of the calculation program is conducted using FGM parameters, and the improved theory is used to ascertain the deflection via the application of a high-order function, which represents the average of two functions to evaluate the shear effect. The findings indicate that marble powder enhances stiffness, thereby decreasing deflection.

## 2 MORI-TANAKA MODEL FOR HOMOGENIZATION

The composite material assumption that the sum of the volumes equals one.

$$V_m = 1 - V_c \quad (1)$$

The compressibility modulus, shear modulus, Young's modulus, and Poisson's ratio are correlated. These relationships are used to ascertain each material's compressibility and shear coefficients (concrete-granite powder).

$$K_m = \frac{E_m}{3(1-2\nu_m)}, \quad K_c = \frac{E_c}{3(1-2\nu_c)}, \quad G_m = \frac{E_m}{3(1+2\nu_m)}, \quad G_c = \frac{E_m}{2(1+\nu_c)} \quad (2)$$

The effective modulus of bulk (Compressibility) (k) and shear (G) are given by:

$$\frac{K - K_m}{K_c - K_m} = \frac{V_c}{1 + V_m \left( \frac{K_c - K_m}{K_m + \frac{4}{3}G_m} \right)} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{G - G_m}{G_c - G_m} = \frac{V_c}{1 + V_m \left( \frac{G_c - G_m}{G_m + f_1} \right)} \quad (4)$$

Where:

$$f_1 = \frac{G_m(9K_m + 8G_m)}{6(K_m + 2G_m)} \quad (5)$$

The effective modulus of elasticity E and Poisson's ratio  $\nu$  are determined using the relation:

$$E = \frac{9KG}{3K + G}, \quad \nu = \frac{3K - 2G}{2(3K + G)} \quad (6)$$

It is noted that:

**E**: Homogeneous Elasticity Modulus.

**K**: Homogeneous Compressibility Modulus.

**G**: Homogeneous Shear Modulus.

**Em**: Matrix Elasticity Modulus.

**Ec**: Composite Elasticity Modulus.

**Km**: Matrix Compressibility Modulus.

**Kc**: Composite Compressibility Modulus.

**Gm**: Matrix Shear Modulus.

**Gc**: Composite Shear Modulus.

**Vm**: Matrix Volume.

**Vc**: Composite Volume.

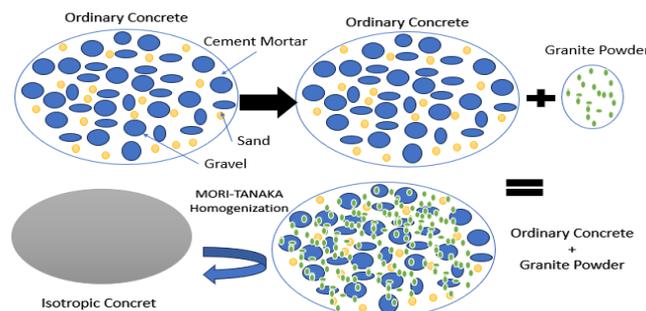
**vm**: Matrix Poisson's Ratio.

**vc**: Composite Poisson's Ratio.

This study assumes the incorporation of marble powder into standard concrete. Post-homogenization, the material is considered as isotropic (**Figure 1.**) shows the homogenization diagram

**Figure 1**

*The steps of homogenization between ordinary concrete and granite powder.*



### 3 MATHEMATICAL MODEL FOR CALCULATING BENDING

The displacement field is written in the form of the refined theory.

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$$u_1(x, z, t) = u(x, z, t) - z \frac{dw_b}{dx} - f(z) \frac{dw_s}{dx} \quad u_2(x, z, t) = 0, \quad u_3(x, y, z_{ns}, t) = w_b(x, t) + w_s(x, t)$$

(7)

The deformation and distortion are defined as: follows:

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{du}{dx} + z \frac{\partial^2 w_b}{\partial x^2} - f \frac{\partial^2 w_s}{\partial x^2}; \quad \gamma_{xz} = \left(1 - \frac{df}{dz}\right) \frac{dw_s}{dx} = g \frac{dw_s}{dx} \quad (8)$$

Noted that:

$$f = 0.67z^3 + 0.5z - 0.16\sin(\pi z) \quad (9)$$

Where:

$$g = 1 - \frac{df}{dz} \quad (10)$$

The equations of motion with virtual principal

$$\int_{-h/2}^{h/2} \int_{\Omega} [\sigma_x \delta\varepsilon_x + \tau_{xz} \delta\gamma_{xz}] d\Omega w dz - \int_{\Omega} q \delta w d\Omega = 0 \quad (11)$$

The variation of deformation is defined as follows:

$$\delta U = \int_0^L \int_A (\sigma_x \delta \varepsilon_x + \tau_{xz} \delta \gamma_{xz}) dA dx = \int_0^L \left( N \frac{d\delta u}{dx} - M_b \frac{d^2 \delta w_b}{dx^2} - M_s \frac{d^2 \delta w_s}{dx^2} + Q \frac{d\delta w_s}{dx} \right) dx \quad (12)$$

The variance of the potential

$$\delta V = - \int_0^L q \delta (w_b + w_s) dx \quad (13)$$

The resultant forces, moments, and shear forces are designated as follows:

$$N = \int_A \sigma_x dA \quad ; \quad N_b = \int_A z \sigma_x dA \quad ; \quad M_s = \int_A f(z) \sigma_x dA \quad ; \quad Q = \int_A g(z) \tau_{xz} dA \quad (14)$$

By replacing (13) in (11) the equilibrium equations are written:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta u : \frac{dN}{dx} &= 0 \\ \delta w_b : \frac{d^2 M_b}{dx^2} + q &= 0 \\ \delta w_s : \frac{d^2 M_s}{dx^2} + \frac{dQ}{dx} + q &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

The boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} w_b \text{ or } Q_b &= \frac{dM_b}{dx} \\ w_s \text{ or } Q_s &= \frac{dM_s}{dx} + Q \\ \frac{dM_b}{dx} &\text{ or } M_b \\ \frac{dM_s}{dx} &\text{ or } M_s \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

The relationship between constraint and deformation is defined as follows:

$$\sigma_x = Q_{11}\varepsilon_x; \tau_{xz} = Q_{55}\gamma_{xz} \quad (17)$$

Where:

$$Q_{11} = E$$

$$Q_{55} = \frac{E}{2}[1+\nu] \quad (18)$$

By substituting:

$$N = A \frac{du}{dx} - B \frac{d^2w_b}{dx^2} - B_s \frac{d^2w_s}{dx^2}; M_b = B \frac{du}{dx} - D \frac{d^2w_b}{dx^2} - D_s \frac{d^2w_s}{dx^2} \quad (19)$$

$$M_s = B_s \frac{du}{dx} - D_s \frac{d^2w_b}{dx^2} - H_s \frac{d^2w_s}{dx^2}; Q = A_s \frac{dw_s}{dx} \quad (20)$$

With:

$$A = \int_A Q_{11} dA; B = \int_A z Q_{11} dA; B_s = \int_A f(z) Q_{11} dA; D = \int_A z^2 f(z) Q_{11} dA \quad (21)$$

$$D_s = \int_A z f(z) Q_{11} dA; H_s = \int_A f^2(z) Q_{11} dA; A_s = \int_A g^2(z) Q_{55} dA \quad (22)$$

Equation of motion:

$$D_s = \int_A z f(z) Q_{11} dA; H_s = \int_A f^2(z) Q_{11} dA; A_s = \int_A g^2(z) Q_{55} dA \quad (23)$$

$$B \frac{d^3 u}{dx^3} - D_s \frac{d^4 w_b}{dx^4} - H_s \frac{d^4 w_s}{dx^4} + A_s \frac{d^2 w_s}{dx^2} + q = 0 \quad (24)$$

Analytical solution (Navier):

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n \cos(\alpha x) \quad ; \quad w_b(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} W_{bn} \sin(\alpha x) \quad ; \quad w_s(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} W_{sn} \sin(\alpha x) \quad (25)$$

Where:

$$\alpha = \frac{n\pi}{L}, (U_n, W_{bn}, W_{sn}) \quad (26)$$

Using Fourier series:

$$q(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_n \sin(\alpha x) \quad (27)$$

Where load amplitude noted by:

$$Q_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L q(x) \sin(\alpha x) dx \quad (28)$$

The coefficients  $Q_n$  are given calculated from:

$$Q_n = \frac{4q_0}{n\pi} (n = 1, 3, 5, \dots) \quad (29)$$

for a uniform load

By replacing (23) in (24) the stiffness matrix noted:

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{13} & S_{23} & S_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_n \\ W_{bn} \\ W_{sn} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ Q_n \\ Q_{sn} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (30)$$

$$S_{11} = A\alpha^2, S_{12} = B\alpha^3, S_{13} = B_s\alpha^3, S_{22} = D\alpha^4, S_{23} = D_s\alpha^4, S_{33} = H_s\alpha^4 + A_s\alpha^2 \quad (31)$$

The dimensional parameters are written in this formula:

$$w = 100 \frac{E_m h^3}{q_0 L^4} w \left( \frac{L}{2} \right), \quad u = 100 \frac{E_m h^3}{q_0 L^4} u \left( 0, -\frac{h}{2} \right), \quad \sigma_x = \frac{h}{q_0 L} \sigma_x \left( \frac{L}{2}, \frac{h}{2} \right)$$

$$\tau_{xz} = \frac{h}{q_0 L} \sigma_{xz} (0, 0) \quad (32)$$

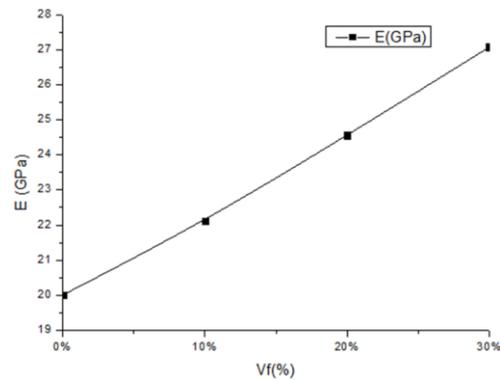
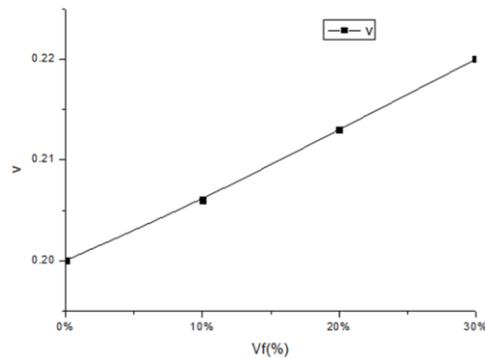
## 4 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

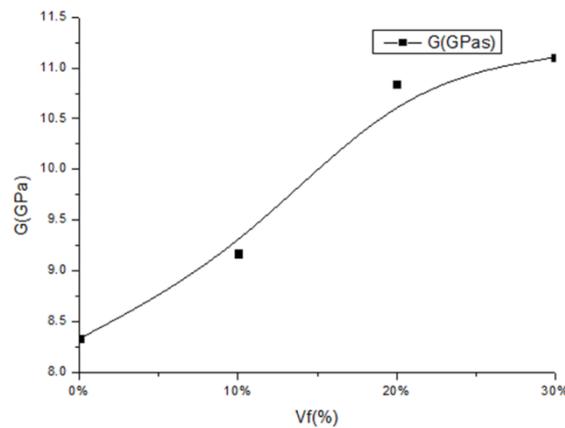
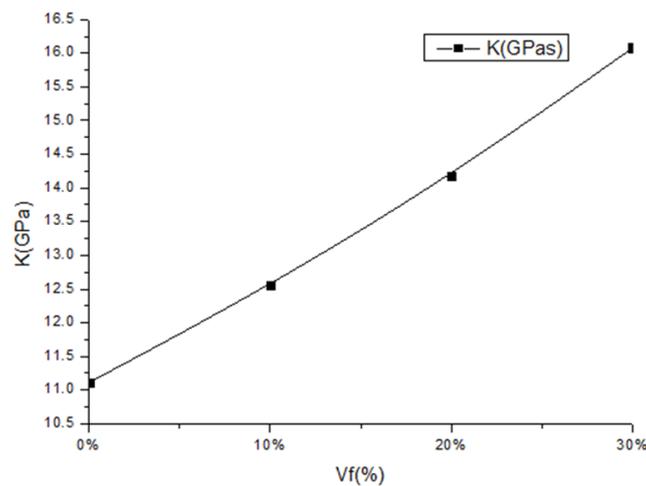
### 4.1 Mori-tanaka homogenization

The matrix comprises standard (ordinary) concrete, while the reinforcement consists of granite powder. The mechanical properties, including the modulus of elasticity (E) and Poisson's ratio (v), are evaluated. See (Table 1.) It is noted that all mechanical properties improve as the volume fraction increases, as shown in (Figure 2.) This evolution indicates that marble powder is a good addition to the ordinary concrete matrix. It results in a 15% increase in all mechanical properties, which automatically affects the rigidity of this new concrete.

**Table 1***The properties of the materials used.*

The mechanical properties	Ordinary Concrete [18]	Granite Powder [30]
Modulus of Elasticity ( $E$ ) [GPa]	20	0.2
Poisson's ratio ( $\nu$ )	0.2	0.28

**Figure 2***Elastic Modulus as a function of the volume fraction variation post-homogenization.***Figure 3***Post-Homogenization Poisson's Ratio as a Function of Volume Fraction.*

**Figure 4***Dependence of Shear Modulus on Volume Fraction Post-Homogenization***Figure 5***Variation of Bulk Modulus with Volume Fraction Following Homogenization.*

## 4.2 Validation of calculations

To validate the bending calculation software for the beam utilizing advanced theories, a comparison with a functionally graded material of power 0 was essential. The comparison between various analytical models is shown in **(Table 2.)**

This model is a close approximation and will be used to deduce the bending parameters for a beam of concrete reinforced with granite powder.

**Table 2**

*Validation of the model and the HSDT function used for the bending of FGM beams with power 0.*

The model	Transverse Displacement u	Deflection w	Normal Stress $\sigma$
Chitour Mourad et al [27]	0.9375	3.1643	3.7954
Present	0.9394	3.1686	3.7963

### 4.3 Flexural behavior of concrete beams reinforced with granite powder

Transverse displacement when  $l=5h$ , as shown in Fig 6, decreases as the granite powder content increases for ordinary concrete (approximately  $\pm 5.0075$ ). The displacement decreases by about 0.5 when 10% granite powder is added. As the volume fraction increases, the transverse displacement decreases, as shown in Fig 7 for a geometric ratio  $l=10h$ , with a reduction of 0.23 for each 10% increment of granite powder.

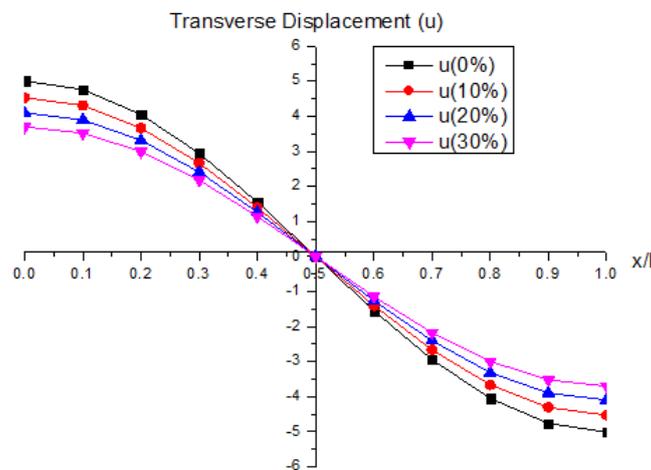
In Fig8, for the geometric variation  $l=15h$ . The transverse displacement diminishes. of 0.15 for each 10% increase in granite powder. For Fig 6, 7, and 8, The displacement passes through zero with a symmetric value on either side. The transverse displacement cancels at the center of the beam and becomes positive on one side and negative on the other. This results in the bending effect, where one side is in tension, and the other is in compression. As the geometric parameter of the concrete beam grows, the transverse displacement diminishes, and the rate of reduction owing to the incorporation of granite powder becomes less pronounced. This indicates that the shear effect, which causes transverse displacement, will be insignificant in slender beams, unlike the problem observed in short beams. Fig9 illustrates the deflection of a short beam. The deflection of standard concrete with the specified dimensions is 17.17, while the deflections for concrete reinforced with 10%, 20%, and 30% granite powder are 14.77, 14.06, and 12.7, respectively, at the middle of the beam, with zero deflection at the ends. The deflections diminish as the volume fraction declines, indicating that granite powder substantially enhances concrete reinforcing. A marginal rise in everyday stress, while negligible, concerns the fifth decimal place. Consequently, the graphs in Fig 10 have some overlap. With an accuracy of five decimal places, granite powder somewhat elevates the typical stress. This graphic exhibit symmetry as traction and compression occur during the transition through zero. The tangential stress depicted in Fig 11 reaches its maximum in the beam's center, while the values at the ends are zero. The alteration will be depicted

in the third decimal place, indicating a reduction as the granite powder content escalates. Fig 10 and 11 clearly depict the issue with concrete pieces' bending impact. The rigidity of the beams is shown to increase with the incorporation of granite powder. The enhancements are substantial owing to the augmentation of mechanical qualities resulting from the incorporation of granite powder. Fig 12 indicates that an increase in beam length correlates with an increase in stress for narrow beams. This is rational, given that the beam's fragility escalates with an increase in span.

In Fig13, it is shown that the shear deformation remains almost the same. However, in Fig 14, it is observed that the addition of granite powder significantly reduces the deflection

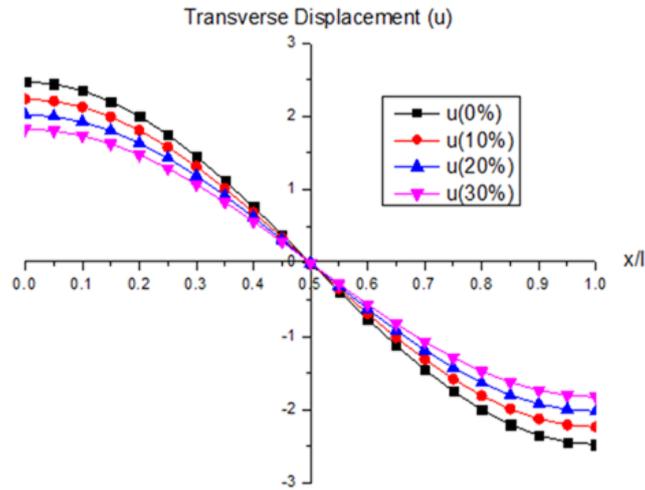
### Figure 6

*Transverse Displacement  $u$  for Uniform Loading with Geometric Parameters  $a=h$  and  $l=5h$  for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 10%, 20%, and 30% with Granite Powder, Compared to Ordinary Concrete*

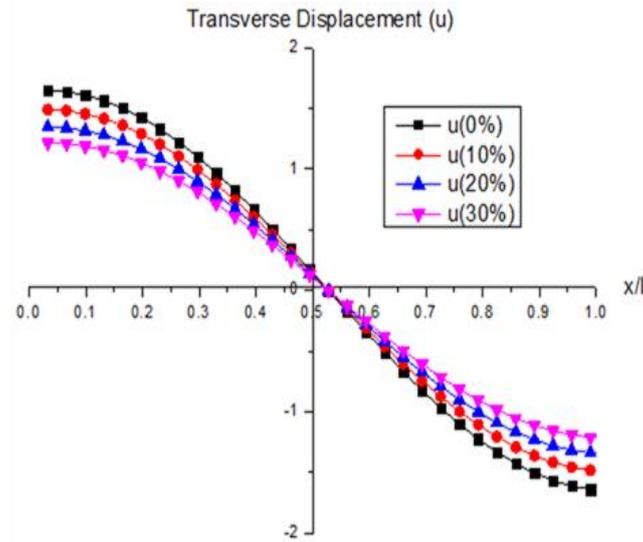


**Figure 7**

*Comparison of Transverse Displacement  $u$  under Uniform Loading for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 10%, 20%, and 30% with Granite Powder, with Ordinary Concrete, with Geometrical Parameters  $a=h$  and  $l=10h$ .*

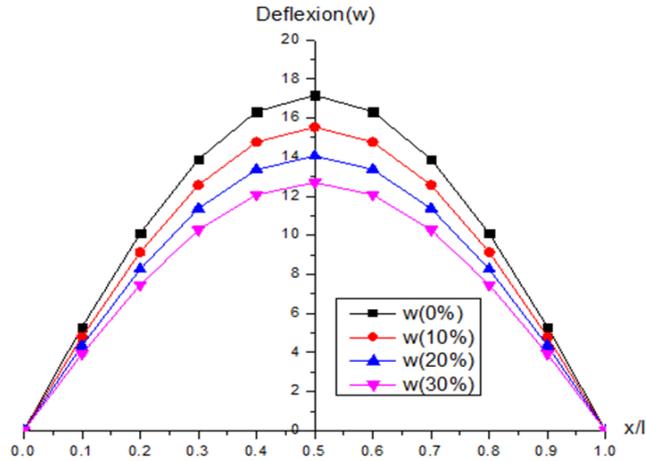
**Figure 8**

*Effect of Reinforcement Levels (10%, 20%, 30%) with Granite Powder on Transverse Displacement  $u$  in Eco-Concrete and Conventional Concrete, with Geometric Parameters.*

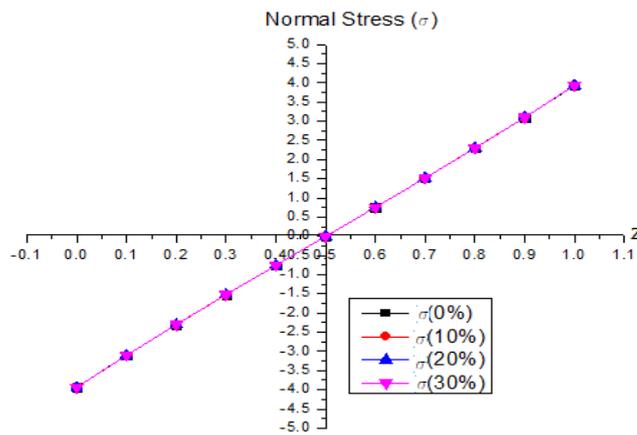


**Figure 9**

Deflection  $w$  under Uniform Loading with Geometric Parameters  $a=h$  and  $l=5h$  for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 10%, 20%, and 30% with Granite Powder, Compared to Ordinary concrete.

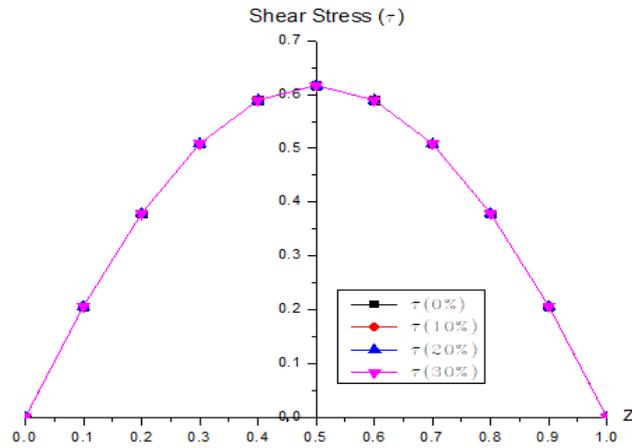
**Figure 10**

Normal Stress  $\tau$  under Uniform Loading with Geometric Parameters  $a=h$  and  $l=5h$  for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 10%, 20%, and 30% with Granite Powder, Compared to Ordinary concrete.

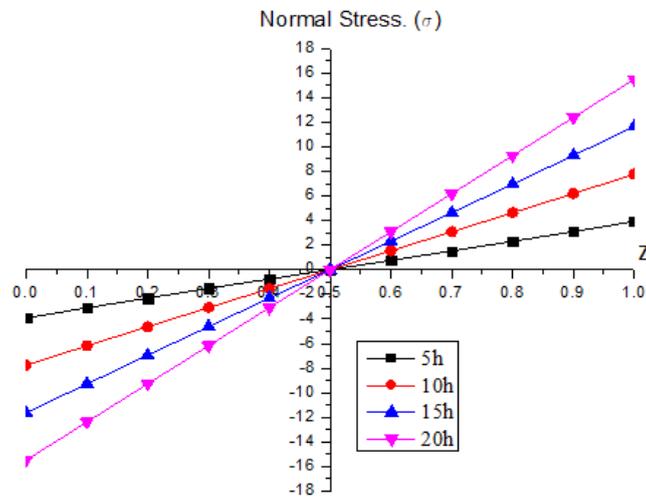


**Figure 11**

Shear Stress  $\tau$  under Uniform Loading with Geometric Parameters  $a=h$  and  $l=5h$  for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 10%, 20%, and 30% with Granite Powder, Compared to Ordinary concrete.

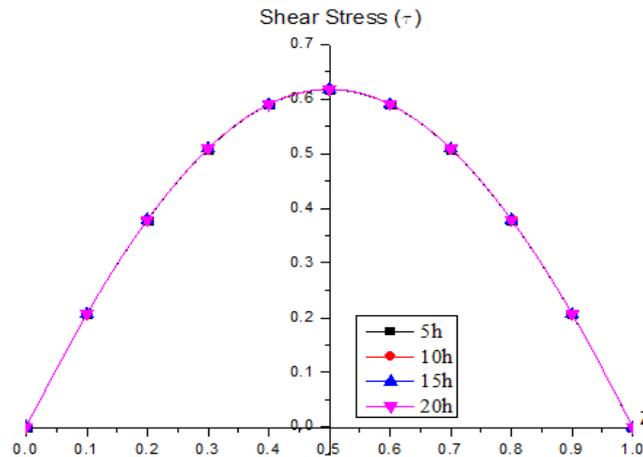
**Figure 12**

Normal Stress  $\sigma$  for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 30% with Granite Powder, with Geometries  $a=$  and  $l=5h, 10h, 15h$ .

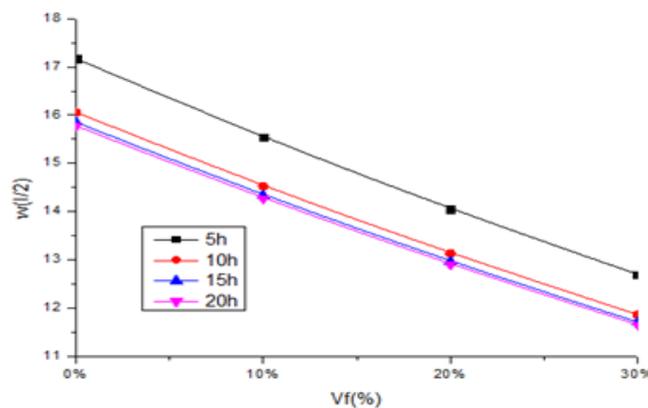


**Figure 13**

Normal Stress  $\sigma$  for Eco-Concrete Reinforced by 30% with Granite Powder, with Geometries  $a=$  and  $l=5h, 10h, 15h$ .

**Figure 14**

Maximum Deflection at Midspan of a Beam for Concrete Reinforced with Granite Powder and Ordinary Concrete.



## 5 CONCLUSION

The research indicates that using granite powder in conventional concrete markedly improves its mechanical properties, notably the modulus of elasticity and Poisson's ratio. The incorporation of granite powder, namely within the 10% to 30% range, significantly enhances the stiffness of concrete beams, evidenced by less transverse displacement and deflection. The results indicate that granite powder enhances mechanical characteristics by 15%, increasing the beam's resistance to bending.

With an increase in the volume fraction of granite powder, both transverse displacement and deflection diminish. This impact is more prominent in short beams but diminishes in slender beams. The symmetry of the transverse displacement signifies that the beam undergoes a bending action, with one side under tension and the opposite side under compression.

Granite powder marginally elevates normal and tangential stresses, particularly in finer decimal values. Moreover, it substantially diminishes the deflection of concrete beams, enhancing the material's overall strength and stability.

Granite powder is a sustainable and economical reinforcement, mitigating environmental impact while offering a cost-effective alternative to concrete. This method corresponds with contemporary trends in sustainable construction, rendering it a viable option for future applications.

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