# Structural Discussion

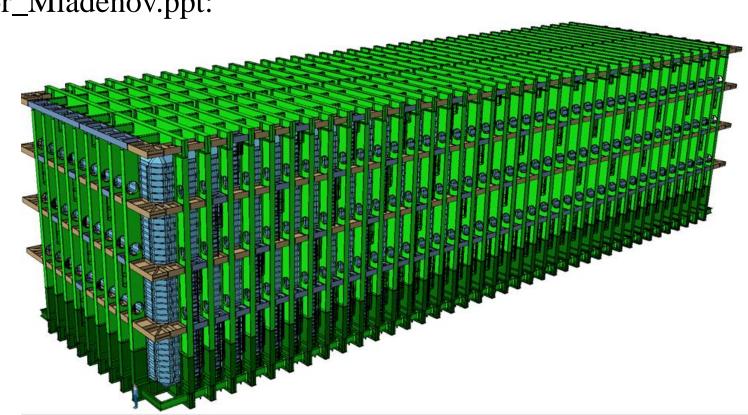


# **Topics for Discussion**

- Point Loadings from Detector on Slabs load spread requirements
- Non-Conductive Slabs
- Slab Flatness



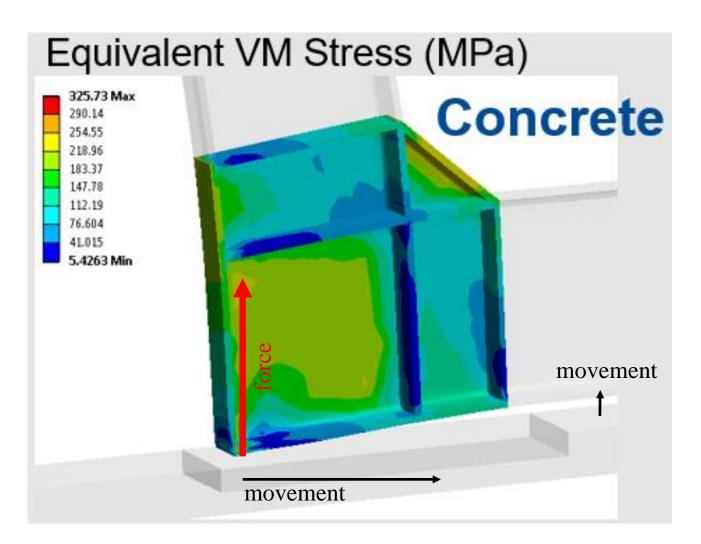
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Rotation of Frame:

Vertical Floor Reaction at the Corner ~1.86MN





#### Concentration of Load on Slab:

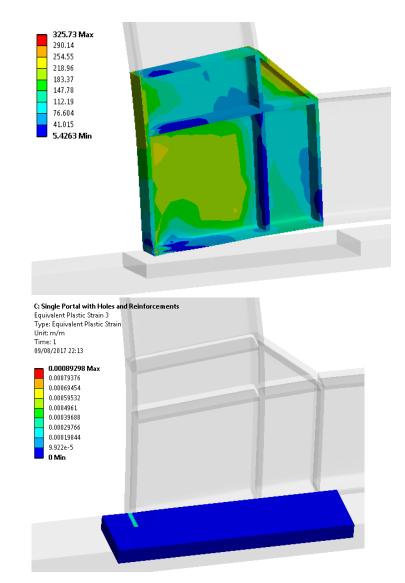
Estimated Concrete Stress

185N/mm<sup>2</sup> (27,000psi)

cf allowable approx. 4,000psi

We need approx. 200mm x 400mm contact area

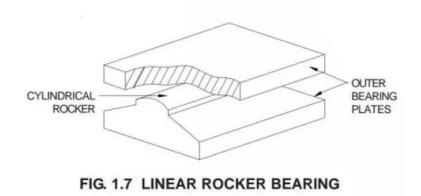
We need some effective way to reduce concentration of stress



Assumed 402mm x 25mm contact surface

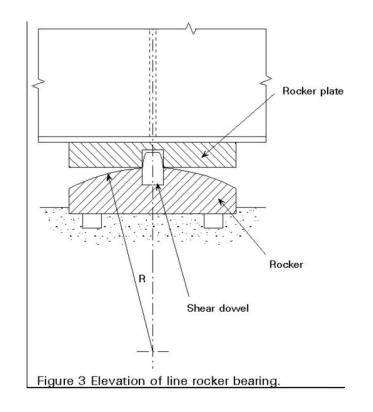
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#### Point Loading Support Details – Rocker Bearings



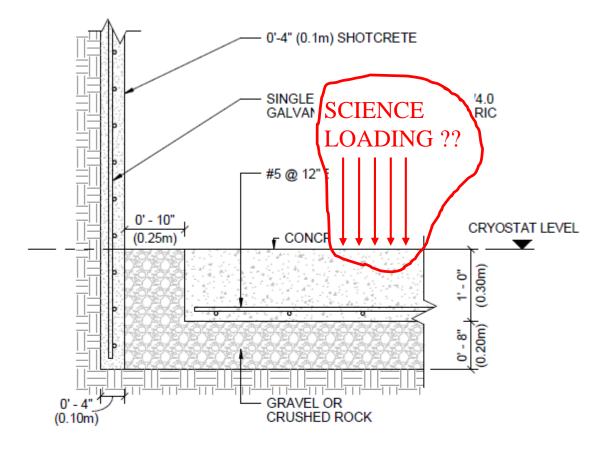


a) Linear rocker bearing



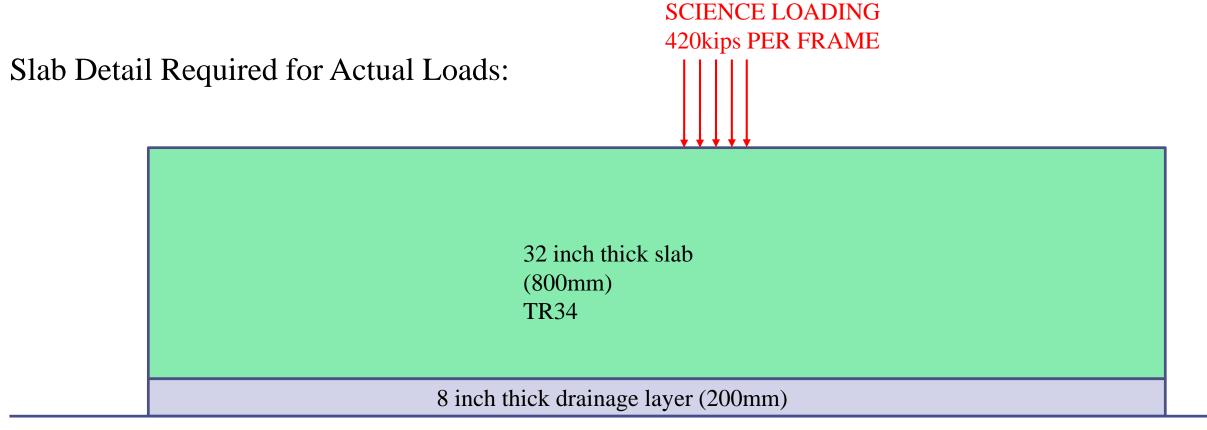


#### Slab Detail UG-PDR-C-502:





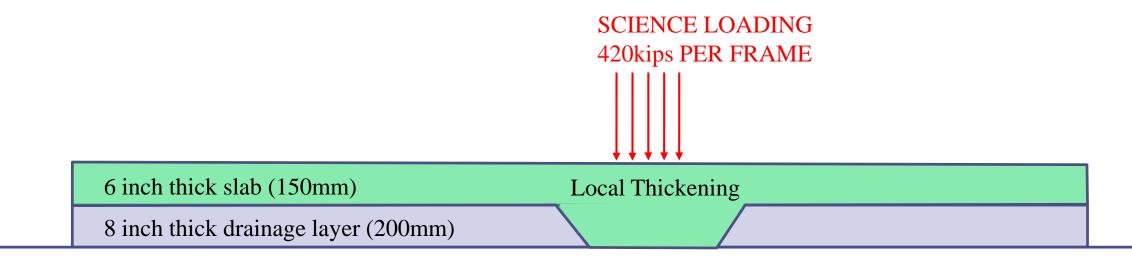




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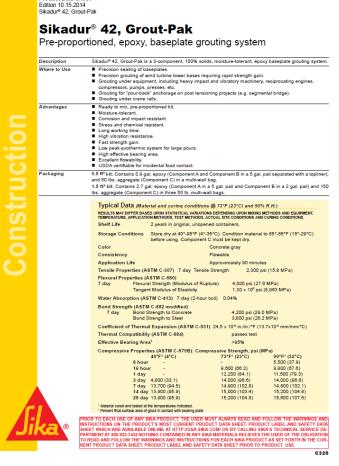


Slab Detail Required for Actual Loads:



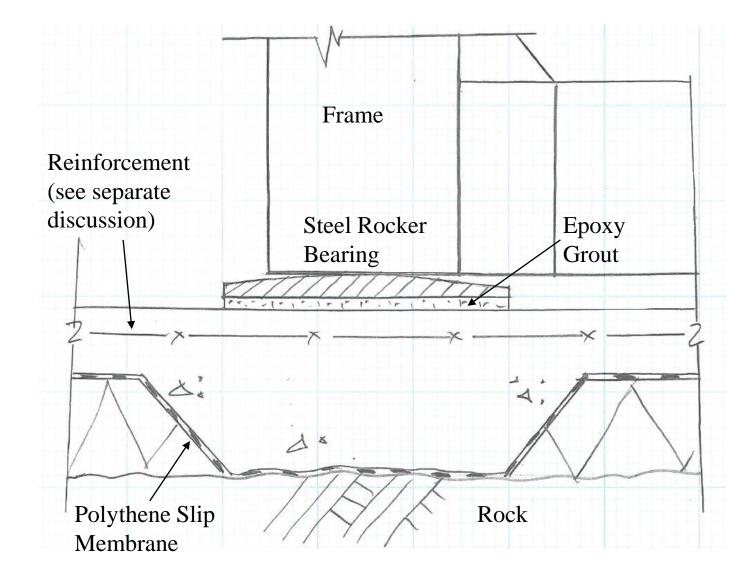
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Epoxy Grout

Product Data Shee





Issues impacting Conductivity:

$$ho_e=k_erac{U_x}{I_x}=rac{1}{\sigma}$$
 (Eq. 1)

Where,

- $ho_e$  is the electrolytic resistivity of concrete in [ $\Omega$ m]
- $k_e$  is a geometrical "cell" constant, which for two flat electrodes on either side of a rectangular specimen can be obtained by dividing the conducting concrete cross-section [m<sup>2</sup>] by the distance between the electrodes in [m]
- $U_x$  is the potential difference between the electrodes in [V],
- $I_x$  is the current flowing between the electrodes in [A]
- $\sigma$  is the conductivity in [ $\Omega$ -1·m-1].



Issues impacting Conductivity:

- the moisture content (higher resistivity for lower relative humidity)
- the water-to-cement ratio of the concrete (for higher w/c, resistivity value decreases)
- type of cement (plain portland cement vs slag-cements (>70% cement replacement using ground granulated blast furnace slag)

• curing time (due to the hydration process and densification of the pore solution, the resistivity value increases with time e.g. plain portland cement reach ultimate resistivity value at circa 1000 days, whereas the development continues with slag-cements)



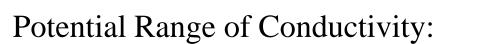
Issues impacting Conductivity:

- Space Relative Humidity has largest impact which we are controlling to 50%RH
- We should aim to use replacement cements Fly Ash Type F commonly available
- We should keep water cement ratios low (less than 0.45)
- Silica Fume will accelerate time to reach required conductivity (but beware impacts)
- Slab Reinforcement will contribute partially several options available (see later)

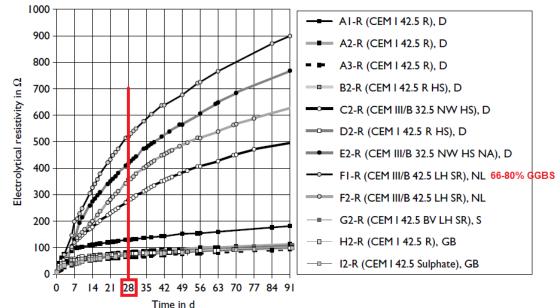


# Non-Conductive Slabs

Electrolytical resistance of different concretes (MRE)



Specify and test at 28 days



Type of cement	w/c-ratio	Relative Humidity, RH( %)	Resistivity [Ωm] measured at 10 mm depth	Resistivity [Ωm] measured at 50 mm depth
Portland Cement	0.45	50	1235	554
		65	573	356
		80	313	220
		Saturated	153	148
Slag-cement	0.45	50	3841	1756
		65	2430	1282
		80	1296	739
		Saturated	436	576



#### Non-ferrous slab reinforcement options:

<b>Reinforcement Type</b>	Positives	Negatives
Polypropylene Fibers	Cheap, readily available	Low strength impact, performance reduces >35deg C
Basalt Fibers	Strength, heat resistance	Not yet codified
Carbon Fiber Rebar	Strength	Slower placement or adaptability
GFRP Bars	Strength	Slower placement or adaptability
Basalt Rebar	Strength, heat resistance	Slow placement or adaptability, some limited codes only
Unreinforced	Cheap	Increased number of joints in slab



### Slab Flatness

- $F_F = 25 but locally F_F = 17$
- $F_L=20$  but locally  $F_L=15$

This is equivalent to a typical office or industrial floor. Not very stringent. Relaxation to lower numbers locally unlikely to add value or save money??

For quick reference: <u>http://www.iceline.com/estref/popular\_conversion\_files/concrete/slab\_flat.html</u>

