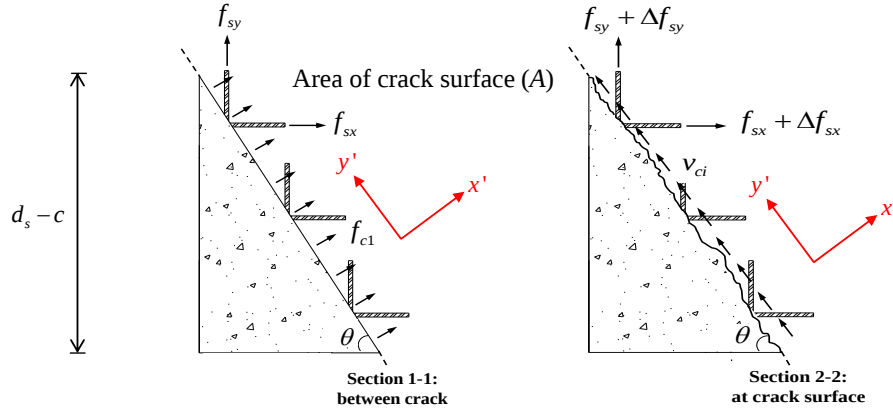


APPENDIX

➤ Detailed calculation procedures for estimating local tensile stress increase (Δf_{sx})



Equilibrium condition (y' direction)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{sx} A_s \cos \theta + f_{sy} A_v \sin \theta &= v_{ci} A - (f_{sx} + \Delta f_{sx}) A_s \cos \theta + (f_{sy} + \Delta f_{sy}) A_v \sin \theta \\
 \rightarrow v_{ci} A &= \Delta f_{sx} A_s \cos \theta - \Delta f_{sy} A_v \sin \theta \\
 \rightarrow v_{ci} &= \left(\Delta f_{sx} \frac{A_s}{A \sin \theta} - \Delta f_{sy} \frac{A_v}{A \cos \theta} \right) \sin \theta \cos \theta \\
 &= \left(\Delta f_{sx} \frac{A_s}{b_w (d - c)} - \Delta f_{sy} \rho_{sv} \right) \sin \theta \cos \theta \\
 &= (\Delta f_{sx} \rho_{sx, eff} - \Delta f_{sy} \rho_{sv}) \sin \theta \cos \theta \\
 &= (\rho_{sx, eff} \Delta f_{sx} - \rho_{sv} f_{vy}) \sin \theta \cos \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

Fig. A1 – Stress distribution between adjacent cracks and corresponding local stresses at crack

Fig. A1 shows a detailed derivation process of Eq. (2), and the similar results of the equilibrium conditions can be found in previous researches (Vecchio and Collins, 1986; Vecchio, 2010; Pang and Hsu, 1996; Hsu and Mo, 2010). In addition, as shown in Fig. A2, the local tensile stress increase in steel reinforcement (Δf_{sx}) should be equilibrated by the bond stress, as follows:

$$\Delta f_{sx} = f_{sx, \max} - f_{sx, \min} = 2\tau_x S_{mx} / d_b \quad (A1)$$

where τ_x is the bond stress, S_{mx} is the flexural crack spacing, d_b is the diameter of the longitudinal reinforcement.

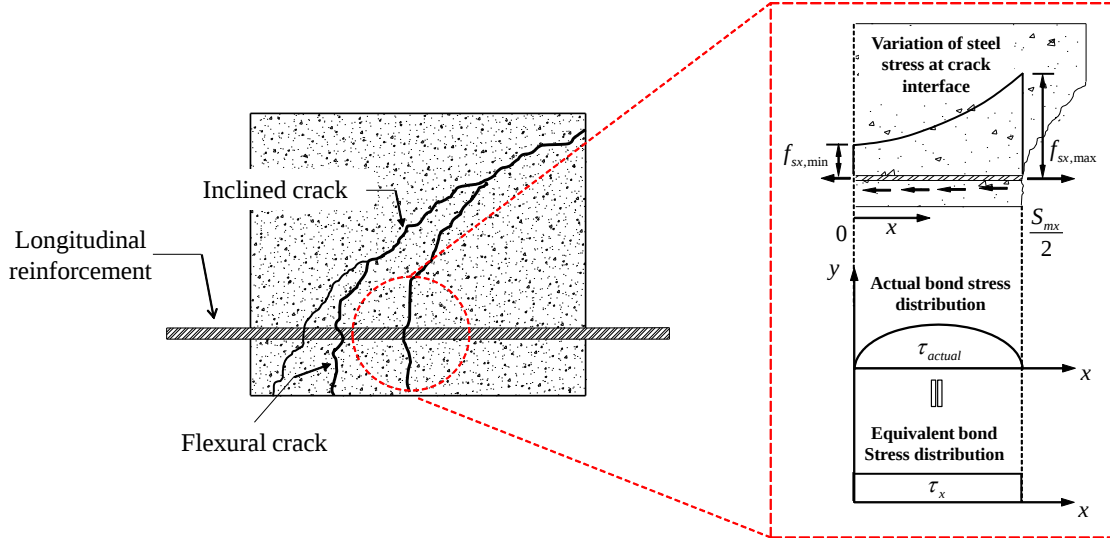


Fig. A2 – Bond stress distribution between adjacent cracks

If the concrete compressive strain at the extreme top fiber of the section (ε_t) is selected, the tensile stress ($f_{sx,max}$) at the crack surface can be obtained by performing a non-linear flexural analysis at the considered critical section, as shown in Fig. A3. In the flexural analysis, Collins model shown in Fig. A4(a) was used for the stress-strain relationship of concrete in compression, and the elastic-linear work-hardening model shown in Fig. A4(b) was used for the constitutive laws of steel reinforcement. For the bond-slip relationship between the steel bar and surrounding concrete, the CEB-FIP model code was adopted, as shown in Fig. A4(c).

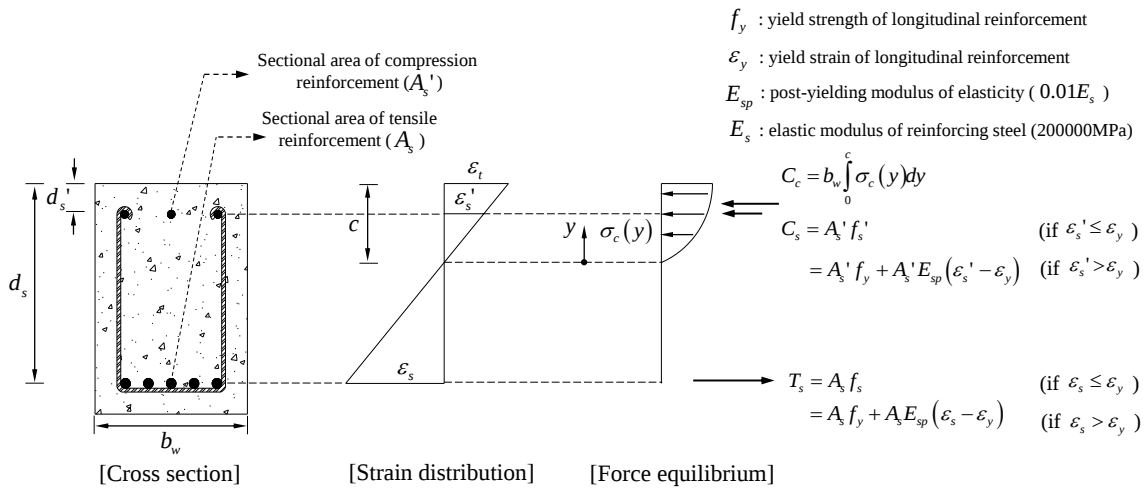


Fig. A3 – Non-linear flexural analysis model

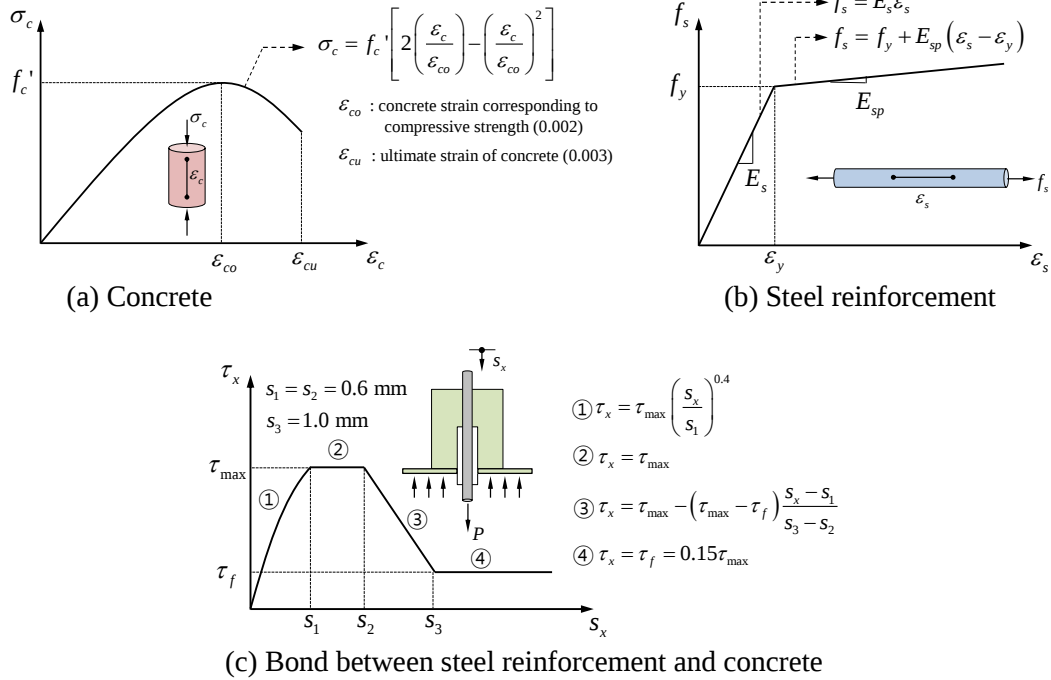


Fig. A4 – Constitutive models used in flexural analysis

From Eq. (3) and Fig. A2, the elongation of steel reinforcement (e_s) can be calculated, as follows:

$$e_s = \frac{S_{mx}}{E_s} \left(f_{sx, \max} - \frac{\tau_x S_{mx}}{d_b} \right) \quad (\text{when } f_{sx, \max} \leq f_y) \quad (\text{A2-a})$$

$$e_s = \frac{S_{mx}}{E_s} \left(f_{sx, \max} - \frac{\tau_x S_{mx}}{d_b} \right) + \frac{S_{mx}}{E_{sp}} (f_{sx, \max} - f_y) \quad (\text{when } f_{sx, \max} > f_y) \quad (\text{A2-b})$$

If the slip (s_x) is assumed, the bond stresses τ_{x1} and τ_{x2} can be obtained from the bond stress-slip relationship shown in Fig. A4 and Eqs. (3) and (A2), respectively. Consequently, the local tensile stress increase in steel reinforcement (Δf_{sx}) can be estimated by iterating previous calculation process mentioned above until the τ_{x1} and τ_{x2} are converged. In Fig. A5, the analysis flow to estimate Δf_{sx} is summarized.

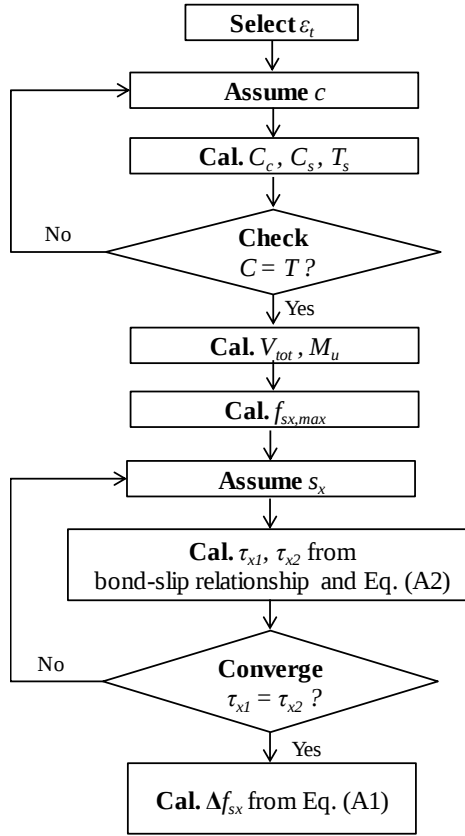


Fig. A5 – Analysis flow chart for estimating Δf_{sx}