X-ray tomography to study the mechanical behaviour of structural materials

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Abstract

The increasing popularity and capability of X-ray tomography to image cracks and damage in three dimensions in a non destructive fashion brings forward a new way to validate the mechanical behaviour of structural materials including deformation and failure. Several examples, covering a wide range of materials, inspected by laboratory X-ray tomography and conducted at Laboratoire Navier, will be presented. The development of an original tension machine adapted to the tomograph will also be described and the first results discussed.

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