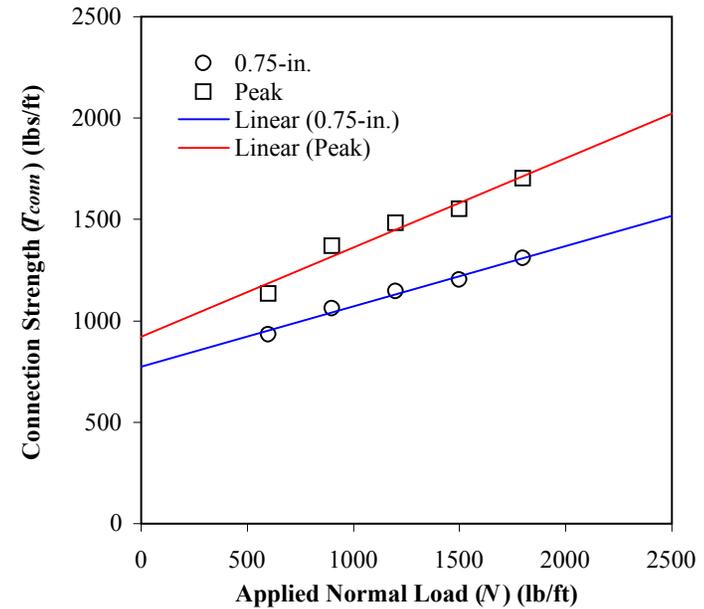
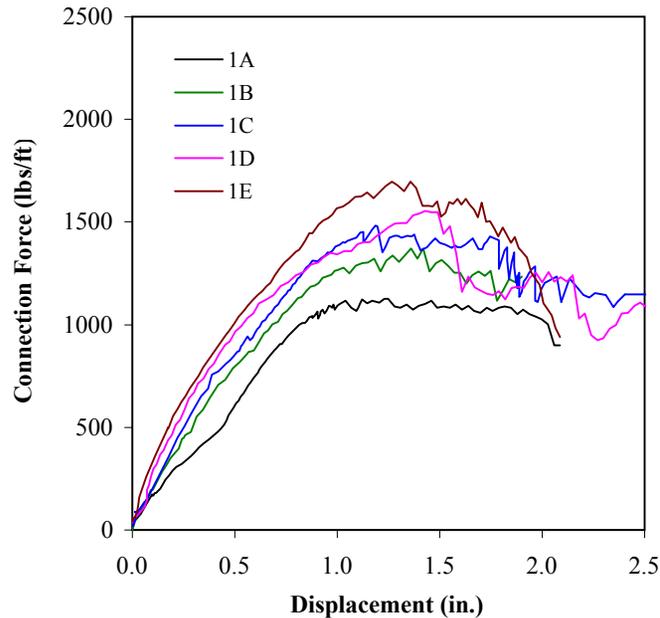


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CONNECTION STRENGTH TESTING (ASTM D 6638)

TEST SERIES NO. 1: Optima HP200 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of GeoStone Standard blocks (8" Thick) with compacted AASHTO #57 stone within block apertures and space between blocks



Test No.	Geogrid Specimen Nominal Width (in.)	Test Normal Stress (psi)	Equivalent Normal Load (lb/ft)	Approx. No. of Blocks	Approx. Wall Height (ft)	0.75-in. Strength (lb/ft)	Peak Strength (lb/ft)	Connection Strength Equations
								(T_{conn})
1A	32.0	4.2	600	8	5.0	932	1134	$T_{0.75-in.} = 775 (N) \tan (17^\circ)$ $T_{peak} = 920 (N) \tan (24^\circ)$
1B	32.0	6.3	900	11	7.5	1062	1370	
1C	32.0	8.3	1200	15	10.0	1148	1483	
1D	32.0	10.4	1500	19	12.5	1202	1553	
1E	32.0	12.5	1800	23	15.0	1308	1703	

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block: 18 in. wide by 12 in. long and 8 in. high.
 Weight of Full-Size Block: 70 lbs
 Unit Weight of Facing (Block and Gravel): 120 pcf
 Failure Mode: Abrasion and rupture of geogrid ribs in each test.

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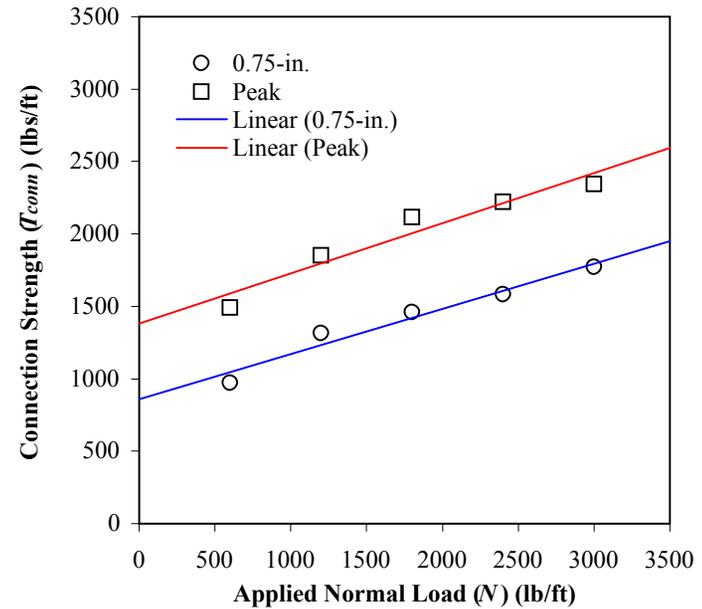
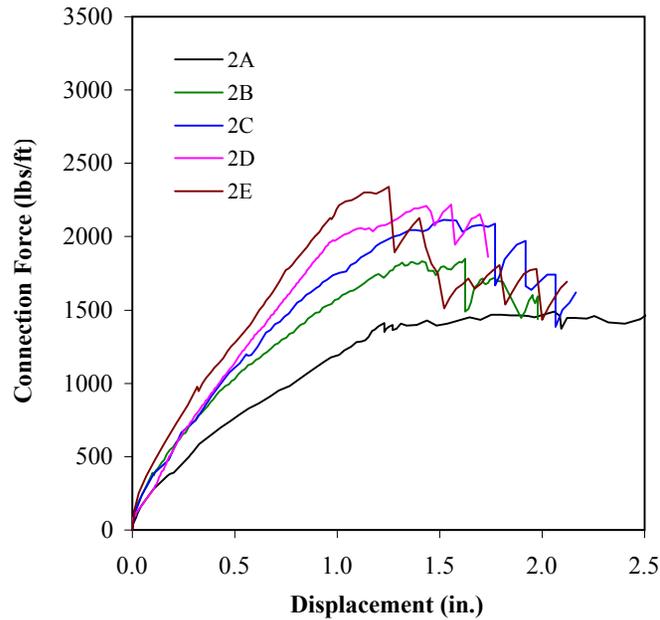


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TEST SERIES NO. 2: Optima HP300 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of GeoStone Standard blocks (8" Thick) with compacted AASHTO #57 stone within block apertures and space between blocks



Test No.	Geogrid Specimen Nominal Width (in.)	Test Normal Stress (psi)	Equivalent Normal Load (lb/ft)	Approx. No. of Blocks	Approx. Wall Height (ft)	0.75-in. Strength (lb/ft)	Peak Strength (lb/ft)	Connection Strength Equations
								(T_{conn})
2A	32.0	4.2	600	8	5.0	971	1491	$T_{0.75-in.} = 860 (N) \tan (17^\circ)$ $T_{peak} = 1380 (N) \tan (19^\circ)$
2B	32.0	8.3	1200	15	10.0	1313	1851	
2C	32.0	12.5	1800	23	15.0	1462	2114	
2D	32.0	16.7	2400	30	20.0	1585	2220	
2E	32.0	20.8	3000	38	25.0	1772	2346	

NOTES:
 Dimensions of Block: 18 in. wide by 12 in. long and 8 in. high.
 Weight of Full-Size Block: 70 lbs
 Unit Weight of Facing (Block and Gravel): 120 pcf
 Failure Mode: Abrasion and rupture of geogrid ribs in each test.

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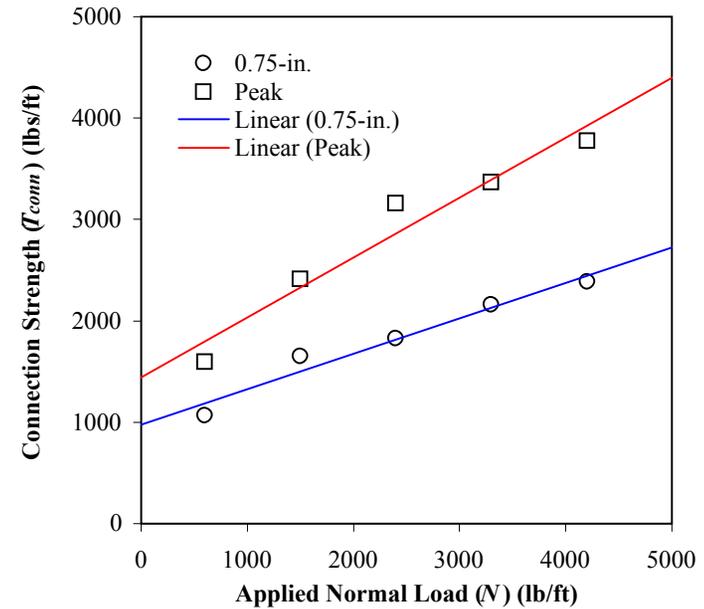
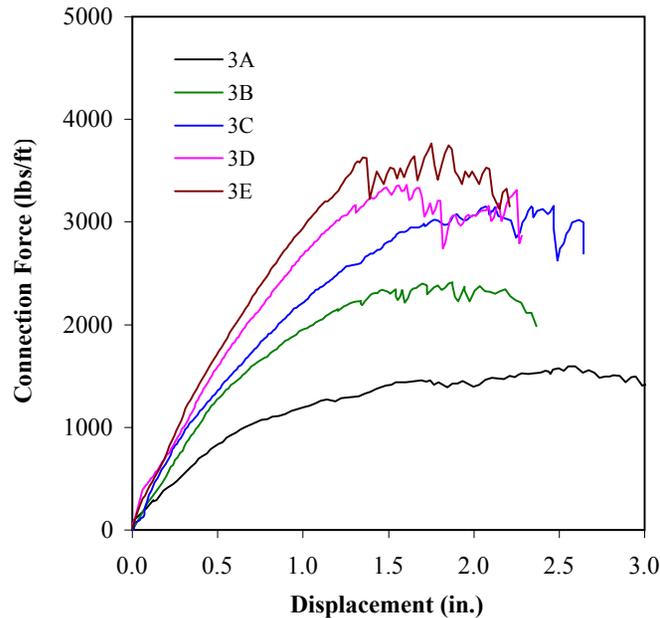


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TEST SERIES NO. 3: Optima HP500 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of GeoStone Standard blocks (8" Thick) with compacted AASHTO #57 stone within block apertures and space between blocks



Test No.	Geogrid Specimen Nominal Width (in.)	Test Normal Stress (psi)	Equivalent Normal Load (lb/ft)	Approx. No. of Blocks	Approx. Wall Height (ft)	0.75-in. Strength (lb/ft)	Peak Strength (lb/ft)	Connection Strength Equations
								(T_{conn})
3A	32.0	4.2	600	8	5.0	1066	1593	$T_{0.75-in.} = 980 (N) \tan (19 ^\circ)$ $T_{peak} = 1445 (N) \tan (31 ^\circ)$
3B	32.0	10.4	1500	19	12.5	1652	2412	
3C	32.0	16.7	2400	30	20.0	1827	3159	
3D	32.0	22.9	3300	41	27.5	2159	3365	
3E	32.0	29.2	4200	53	35.0	2385	3776	

NOTES:
 Dimensions of Block: 18 in. wide by 12 in. long and 8 in. high.
 Weight of Full-Size Block: 70 lbs
 Unit Weight of Facing (Block and Gravel): 120 pcf
 Failure Mode: Abrasion and rupture of geogrid ribs in each test.

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