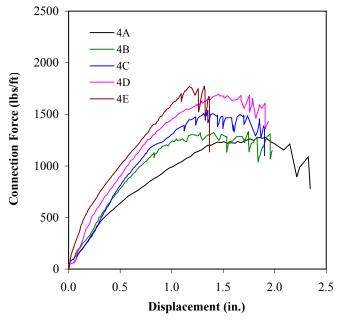
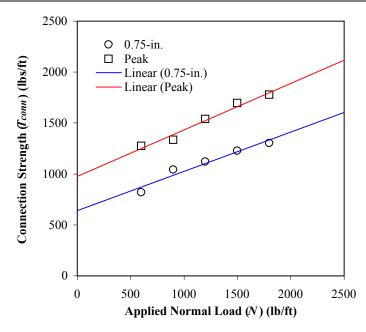
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TEST SERIES NO. 4: Optima HP200 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of GeoStone Landscape blocks (4" Thick) with compacted AASHTO #57 stone within block apertures and space between blocks





Test	Geogrid	Test	Equivalent	Approx.	Approx.	0.75-in.	Peak	Connection Strength Equations
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No.	Specimen	Normal	Normal	No. of	Wall	Strength	Strength	
	Nominal Width	Stress	Load	Blocks	Height			
	(in.)	(psi)	(lb/ft)		(ft)	(lb/ft)	(lb/ft)	(T_{conn})
4A	32.0	4.2	600	15	5.0	819	1275	
4B	32.0	6.3	900	23	7.5	1044	1333	$T_{0.75-in.} = 640$ (N) $tan (21^{\circ})$
4C	32.0	8.3	1200	30	10.0	1120	1538	
4D	32.0	10.4	1500	38	12.5	1229	1696	$T_{peak} = 975$ (N) $tan (25^{\circ})$
4E	32.0	12.5	1800	45	15.0	1305	1779	

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block: 18 in. wide by 12 in. long and 4 in. high.

Weight of Full-Size Block: 36 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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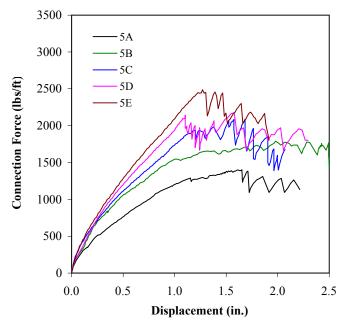
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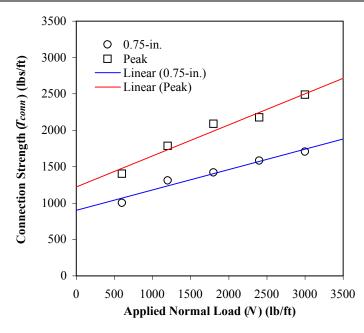
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GEOSTAR TECHNOLOGIES, LLC CONNECTION STRENGTH TESTING (ASTM D 6638)

TEST SERIES NO. 5: Optima HP300 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of GeoStone Landscape blocks (4" Thick) with compacted AASHTO #57 stone within block apertures and space between blocks





Test	Geogrid	Test	Equivalent	Approx.	Approx.	0.75-in.	Peak	Connection Strength Equations
No.	Specimen	Normal	Normal	No. of	Wall	Strength	Strength	
	Nominal Width	Stress	Load	Blocks	Height			
	(in.)	(psi)	(lb/ft)		(ft)	(lb/ft)	(lb/ft)	(T_{conn})
5A	32.0	4.2	600	15	5.0	1002	1404	
5B	32.0	8.3	1200	30	10.0	1310	1787	$T_{0.75-in.} = 900$ (N) $tan (16^{\circ})$
5C	32.0	12.5	1800	45	15.0	1420	2088	
5D	32.0	16.7	2400	60	20.0	1583	2177	$T_{peak} = 1220$ (N) $tan (23^{\circ})$
5E	32.0	20.8	3000	75	25.0	1706	2490	

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block: 18 in. wide by 12 in. long and 4 in. high.

Weight of Full-Size Block: 36 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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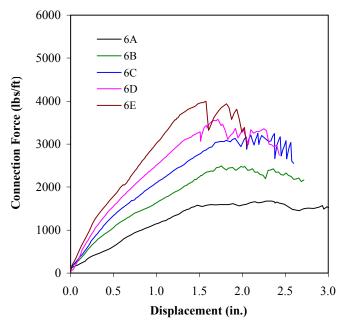
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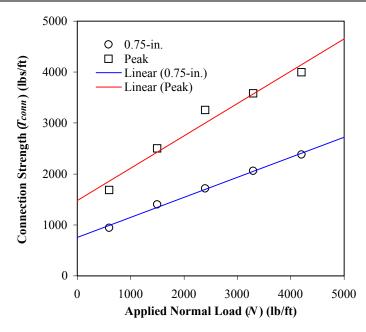
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GEOSTAR TECHNOLOGIES, LLC CONNECTION STRENGTH TESTING (ASTM D 6638)

TEST SERIES NO. 6: Optima HP500 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of GeoStone Landscape blocks (4" Thick) with compacted AASHTO #57 stone within block apertures and space between blocks





Test	Geogrid	Test	Equivalent	Approx.	Approx.	0.75-in.	Peak	Connection Strength Equations
No.	Specimen	Normal	Normal	No. of	Wall	Strength	Strength	
	Nominal Width	Stress	Load	Blocks	Height			
	(in.)	(psi)	(lb/ft)		(ft)	(lb/ft)	(lb/ft)	(T_{conn})
6A	32.0	4.2	600	15	5.0	943	1682	
6B	32.0	10.4	1500	38	12.5	1398	2502	$T_{0.75-in.} = 755$ (N) tan (21°)
6C	32.0	16.7	2400	60	20.0	1716	3252	
6D	32.0	22.9	3300	83	27.5	2063	3583	$T_{peak} = 1480$ (N) tan (32°)
6E	32.0	29.2	4200	105	35.0	2382	3997	

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block: 18 in. wide by 12 in. long and 4 in. high.

Weight of Full-Size Block: 36 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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