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## Modern Trends in the Repair Industry

# "Use of Balloon-Pod Surface-Mounted System for Structural Pressure Injection of Distressed Concrete"

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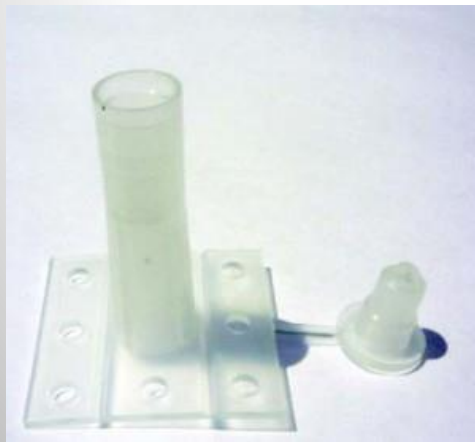
This presentation demonstrates a “balloon-pod surface-mounted system” that addresses common challenges experienced during concrete crack repair by resin injection. This system technology utilizes a constant-pressure application, allowing for simultaneous port injection without need for drilling. In addition, an observation window allows for verification of resin flow.

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# Traditional injection ports



# Traditional surface ports



# Challenges of current systems [Surface port injection]



- No visual gauge
- Difficult to control pressure
- Ports can detach
- Waste of capping material
- Ports need to be monitored
- Prone to dripping
- Difficult to verify epoxy flow



# Challenges of current systems [Surface port injection]



- No visual gauge
- Difficult to control pressure
- Difficult to verify epoxy flow
- Multiple injection sites
- Can be complex to set up

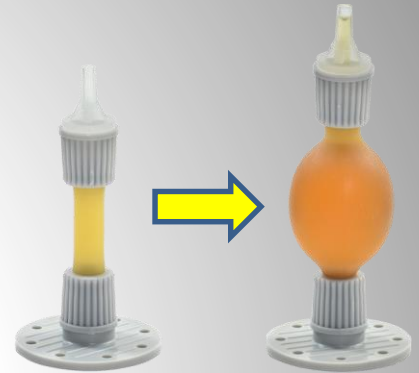
# Challenges of current systems [Surface port injection]

- Tight spacing often required
- Waste of capping material
- Difficult to control pressure



# Function [Pressure]

- Injects resin at a constant pressure of 45-65 PSI
- Can accept 1.5 ounces of resin and be filled and refilled as necessary
- Can fill multiple ports to produce one-directional pressure
- Designed to absorb movement created during the injection process
- Keeps resin in but lets air and water out
- Non invasive, no drilling required, surface-mounted



# Verifiable Results



Observation windows allow engineers and inspectors to validate the flow of resin during the actual injection.



# Application Methods



Hand-applied



Machine-applied

# Application Process



Assess



Seal



Install (Ports)



Install (Observation Window)



Inject



Flow Validation

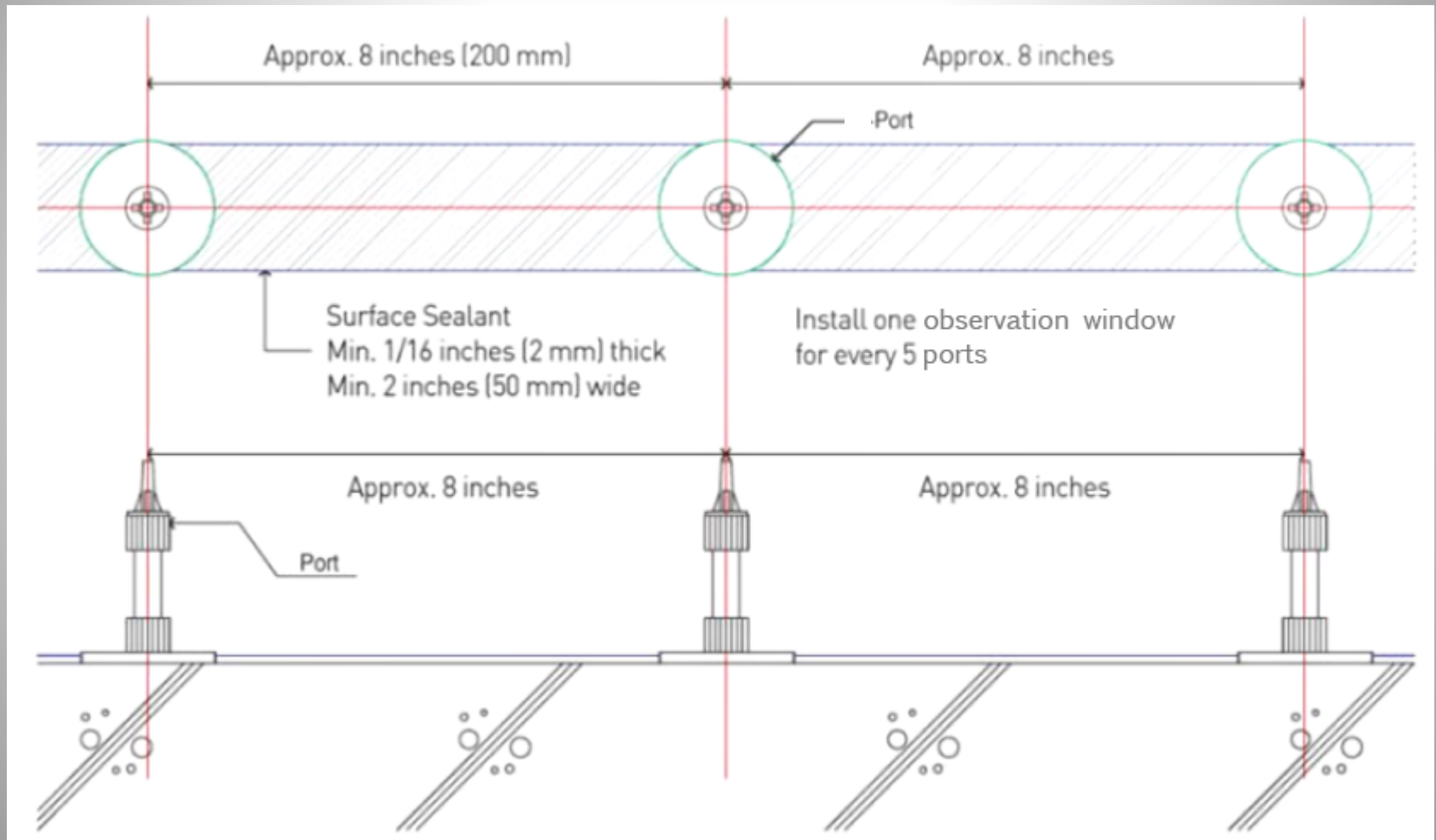


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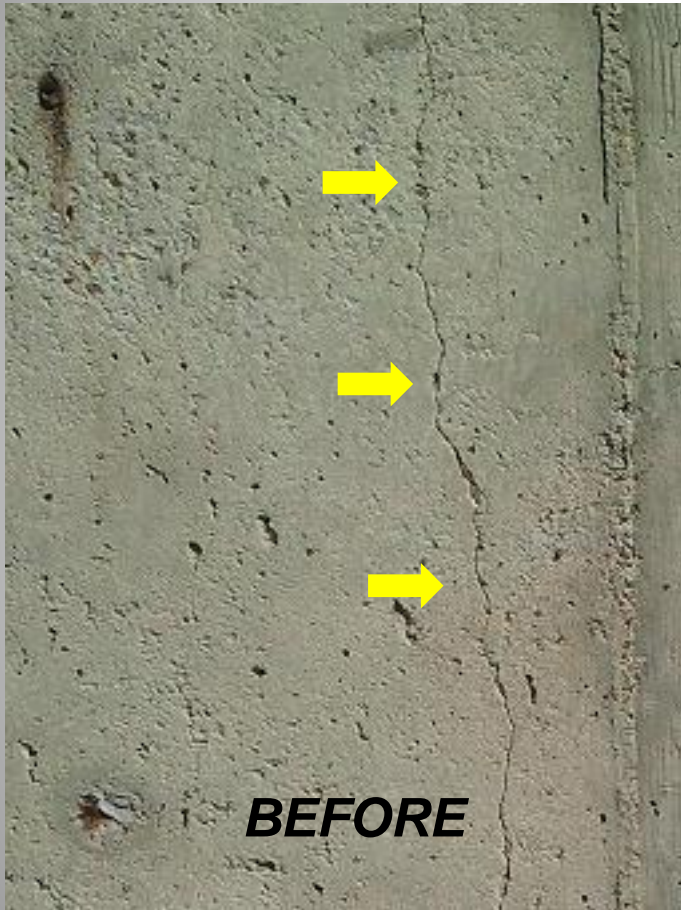
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# Installation Spacing Requirements





# “Simple and Effective” Application



**Basketball Arena (outside retaining wall)**

# Laboratory & Field Validation

[Balloon-Pod Surface-Mounted System]  
for Pressure Injection Crack Fill of Concrete Structures



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# Laboratory & Field Validation



Horizontal crack in a retaining wall with typical crack opening of 0.5-1mm

# Laboratory & Field Validation

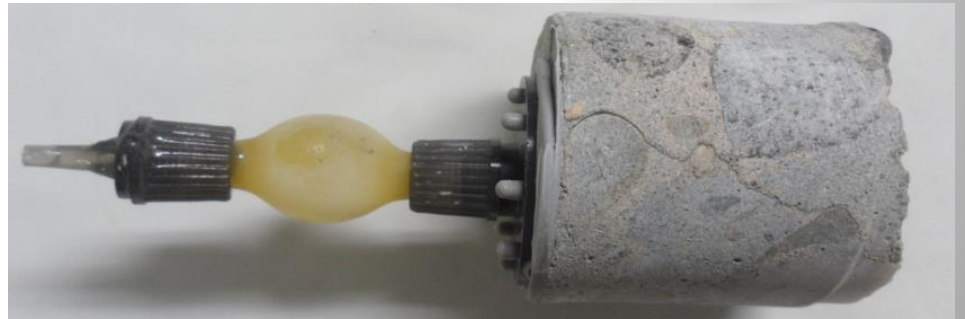


Overhead cracks in concrete beams or suspended slabs as a result of overload. Reinforced concrete beam (2' high, 1' wide) with severe flexural cracks (0.5mm opening)

# Laboratory & Field Validation



Ultrasonic Pulse Velocity measurement on fractured concrete slab



Splitting tensile test on core sample



# Laboratory & Field Validation



# Petrographic Analysis







1.0 mm/div





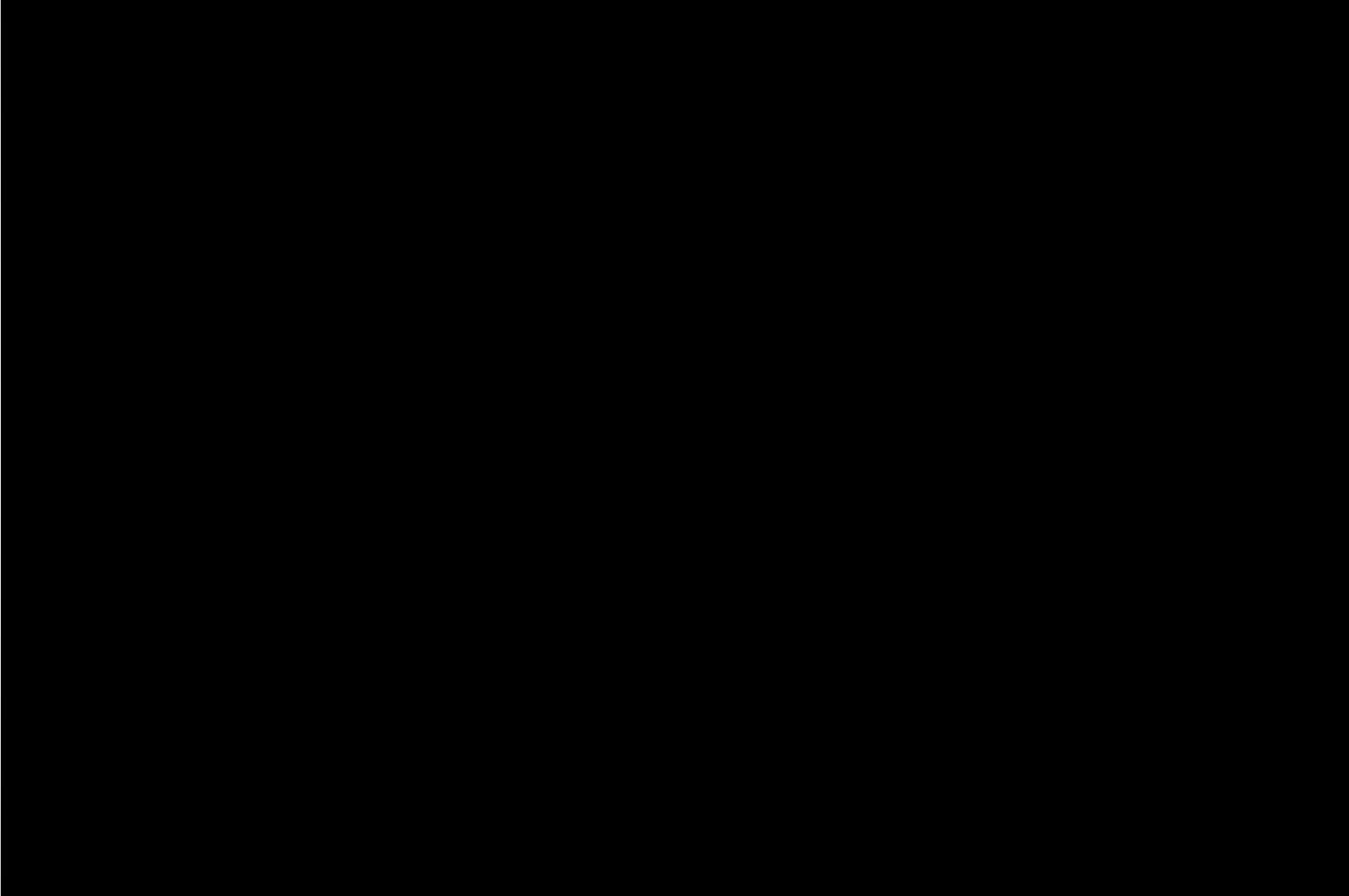
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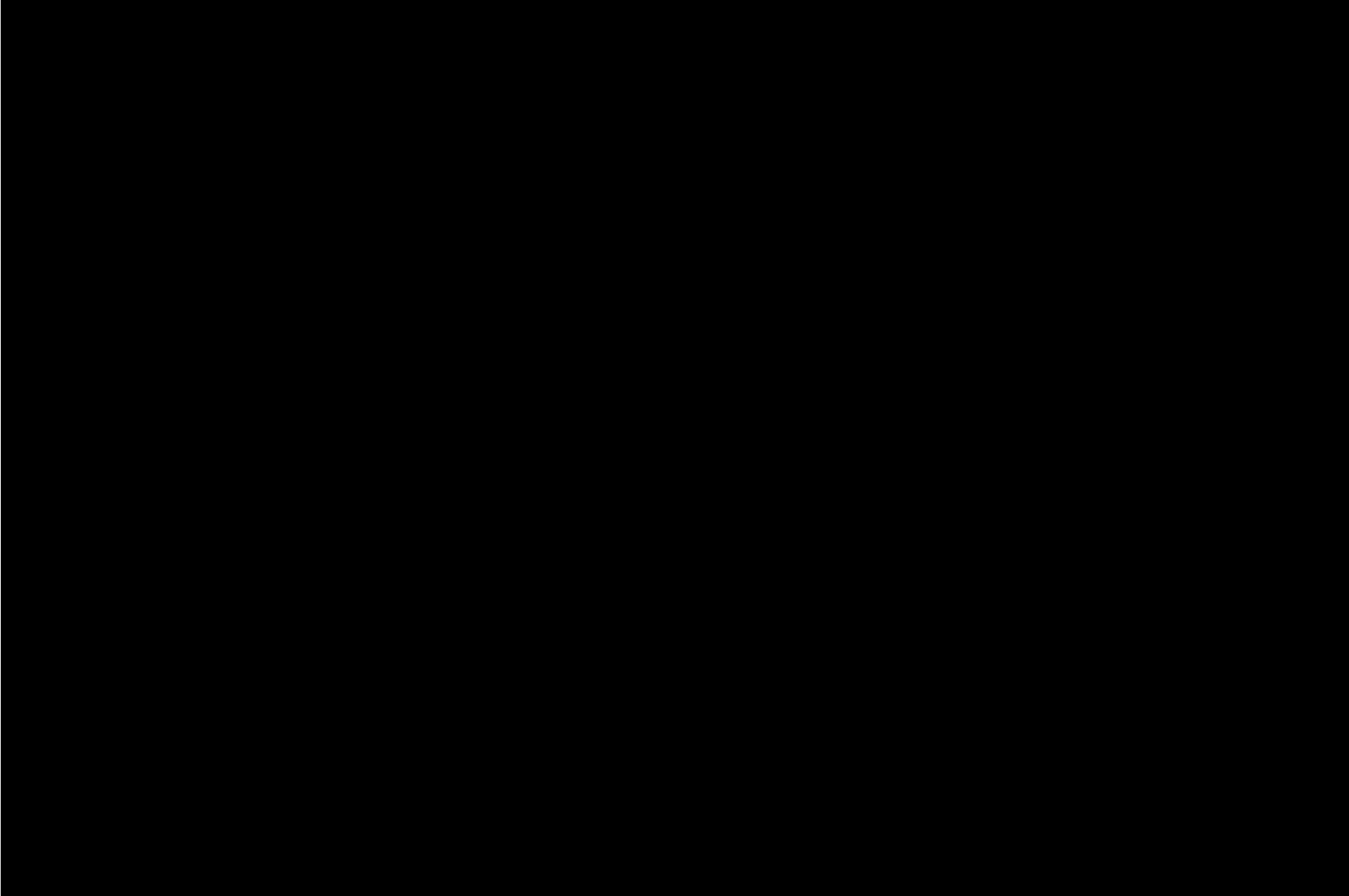


No.	Measure	Result
2	2 Points	0.008 mm
3	2 Points	0.017 mm
4	2 Points	0.005 mm



0.250 mm/div







# Completed Projects



***Parking Deck (Double Tee Stem)***  
*Atlanta, Georgia*

# Completed Projects



***Double Tee Stem Repair***  
*Atlanta, Georgia*

# Completed Projects



***Bridge Deck Repair (US-231)***  
*Kentucky Transportation Cabinet*



# Completed Projects



***SR-22***

*Macon, Georgia*



# Completed Projects

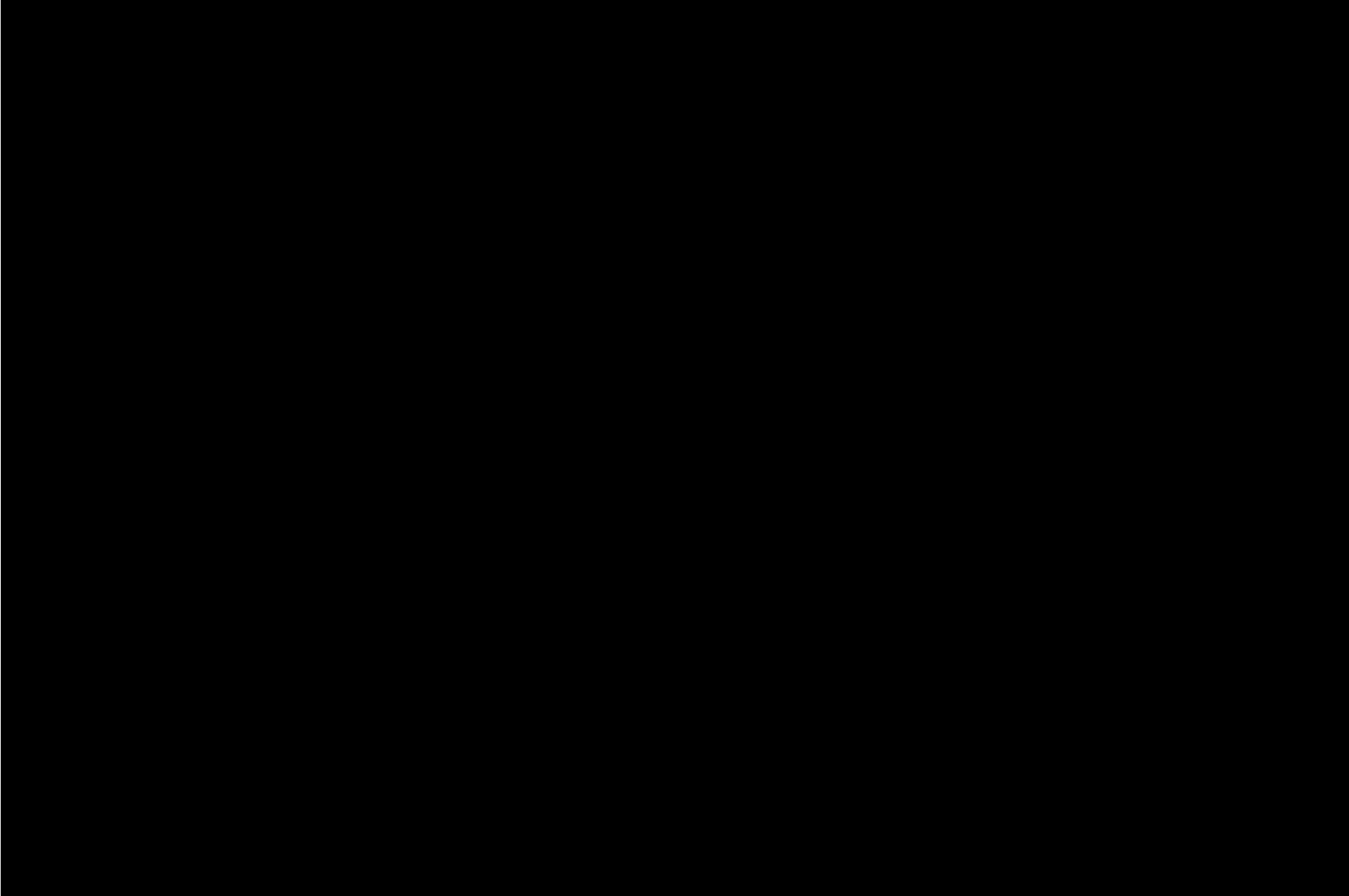


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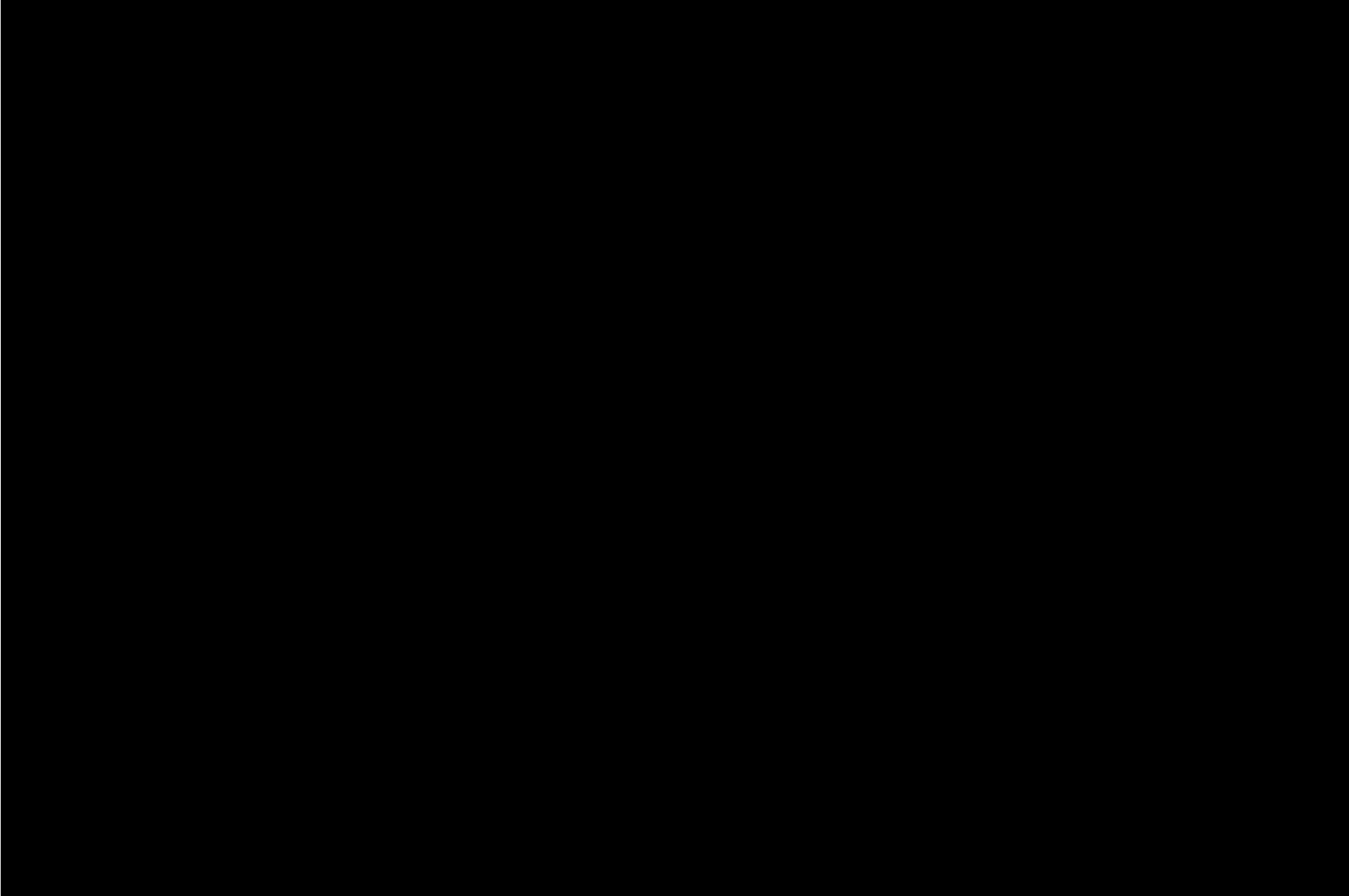
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***Parking Deck Overhead Crack Repair***







# Conclusion

Laboratory results, as well as field validation, have shown very conclusively that balloon-pod surface port injection is a better system of delivering adhesives into fractures of concrete.

- Balloon pod acts as visual gauge
- Fast injection results in early completion, saving time and cost
- Process is automatic, which leads to minimal labor demand
- Consistent, verifiable results lead to high-quality crack repair
- Simple and effective; no need for expensive, high-pressure equipment
- Especially advantageous for large areas of cracked concrete where it is not economical to repair by conventional pressure injection methods (port to port).



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