

# US-Japan Collaborative Study on Seismic Damage of Buildings and their Mechanism

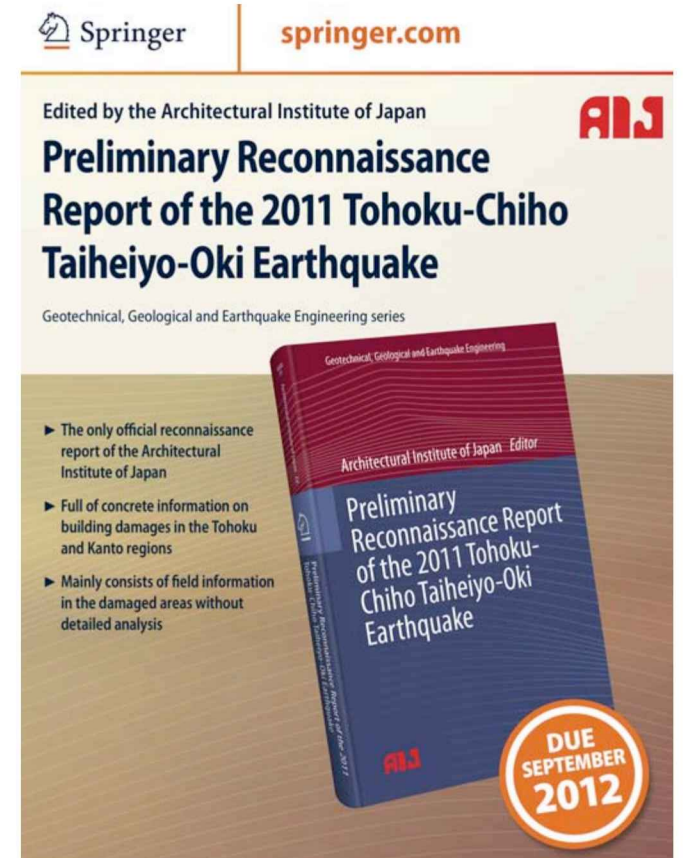
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Objective: To collect and recording of the the data on structural damage of engineered buildings as well as to investigate the factor which caused each structural damage, carried out as a joint effort of Japan (AIJ) and US (EERI).



## Major Outcomes

- 1) Joint reconnaissance efforts of building damage by Japanese and US researchers
- 2) Jointly participated and presented at International Symposium of JAEE in March 2012, Tokyo
- 3) Presentation at special session of 11WCEE
- 4) Contribution to the publication of reconnaissance report from AIJ in 2013



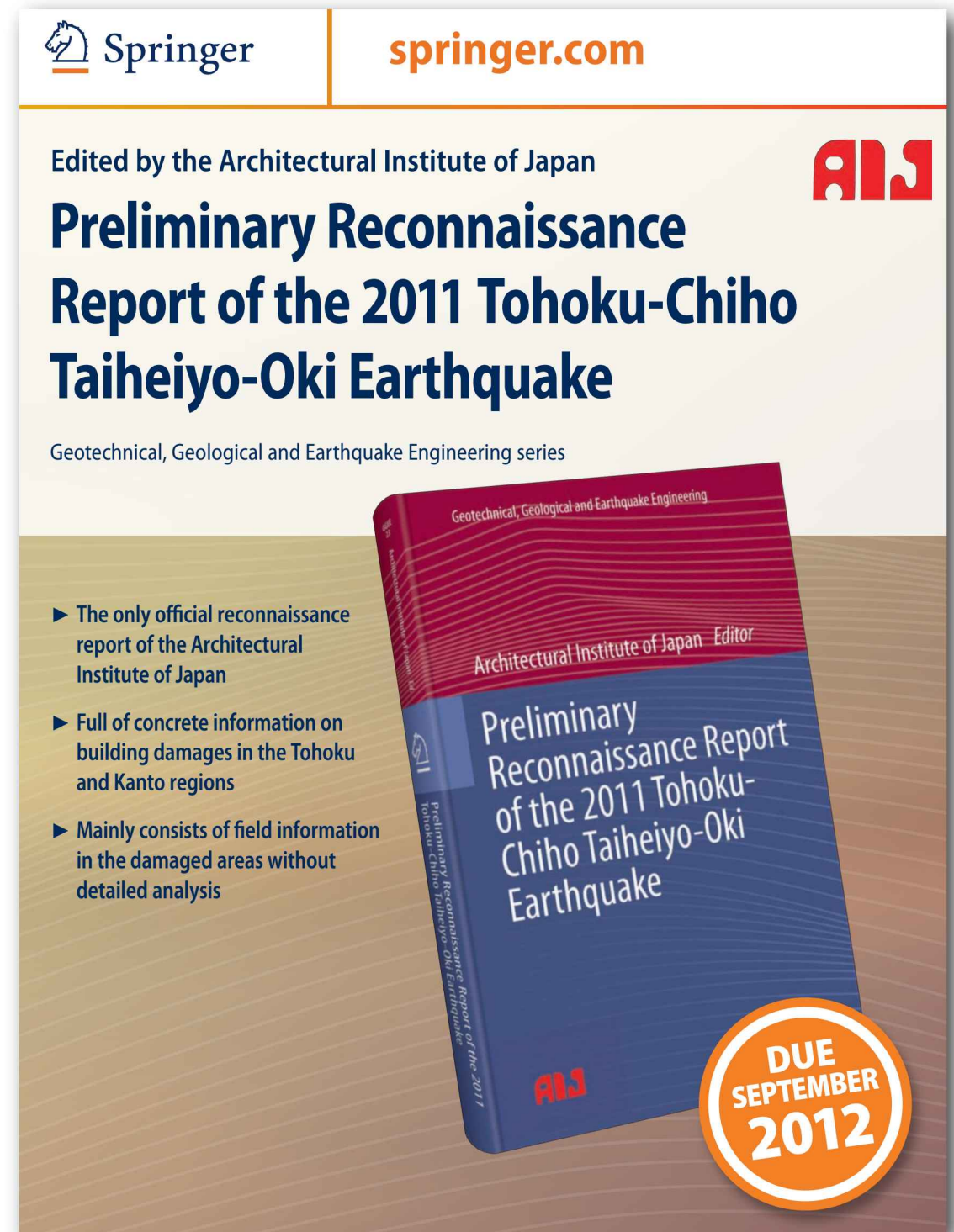


# Publication: Reconnaissance Report (by AIJ)

## PREFACE

Devastating damage in the Tohoku region of Japan occurred during and after the earthquake off the Pacific coast of Tohoku earthquake on March 11, 2011.

The report summarizes damage associated with **ground failures** including landslide and liquefaction as well as **non-structural damages** such as to equipment and facilities, partitioning walls and ceilings, and **functional failures in skyscrapers**. Also brief description of the Japanese Seismic Design Code will be provided in the Appendix. A proposed scheme of **anti-tsunami design for buildings** is also included.





# **NEES/E-Defense Collaboration Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

**MEXT & NSF (National Science Foundation) :  
Research Collaboration on Disaster Mitigation  
NIED & NEES (J. Brown Jr. Network for Earthquake  
Engineering Simulation) :  
Collaboration on Joint Research Using NEES/E-Defense**



**NIED-NEES, August 3, 2005**



**MEXT-NSF, Sept 13, 2005**



**Resolutions Adopted in First Joint Planning Meeting for  
Second Phase of NEES/E-Defense Collaborative Research  
Washington DC, USA  
January 11 to 12, 2009**

**Resilient City as a Common Meta-Theme**

The three meta-themes discussed in the meeting, i.e., **"Disaster Resilient Communities"**, **"Preparing for the Big One"**, and **"Low-Probability, High-Consequence Events"** are linked in many ways. The fundamentals of the first meta-theme are the damage reduction and quick recovery. These require developments of new materials and technologies that would enhance the performance of various components that form the urban area. Methods to detect the damage quickly and systems that can be repaired (or re-built) with minimal interruption of life and business are also the important topics to consider. In the second meta-theme, developments of new materials and technologies are the key to the prevention of a downward spiral of deterioration. The third meta-theme has much in common with the preceding two in light of the specific scientific challenges to be pursued. Thus, it was agreed that the 'Resilient City' provided a mutually important goal upon which members of the US and Japanese earthquake engineering communities could work and that US-Japan collaboration would accelerate realization of this goal and leverage the resources available in both countries.



# Introduction of NIED Earthquake Engineering Project

Second Phase: 2010~

**A**

High Performance  
R/C Structures

**C**

Geotechnical  
Engineering

**B**

Base Isolation &  
Vibration Control

**D**

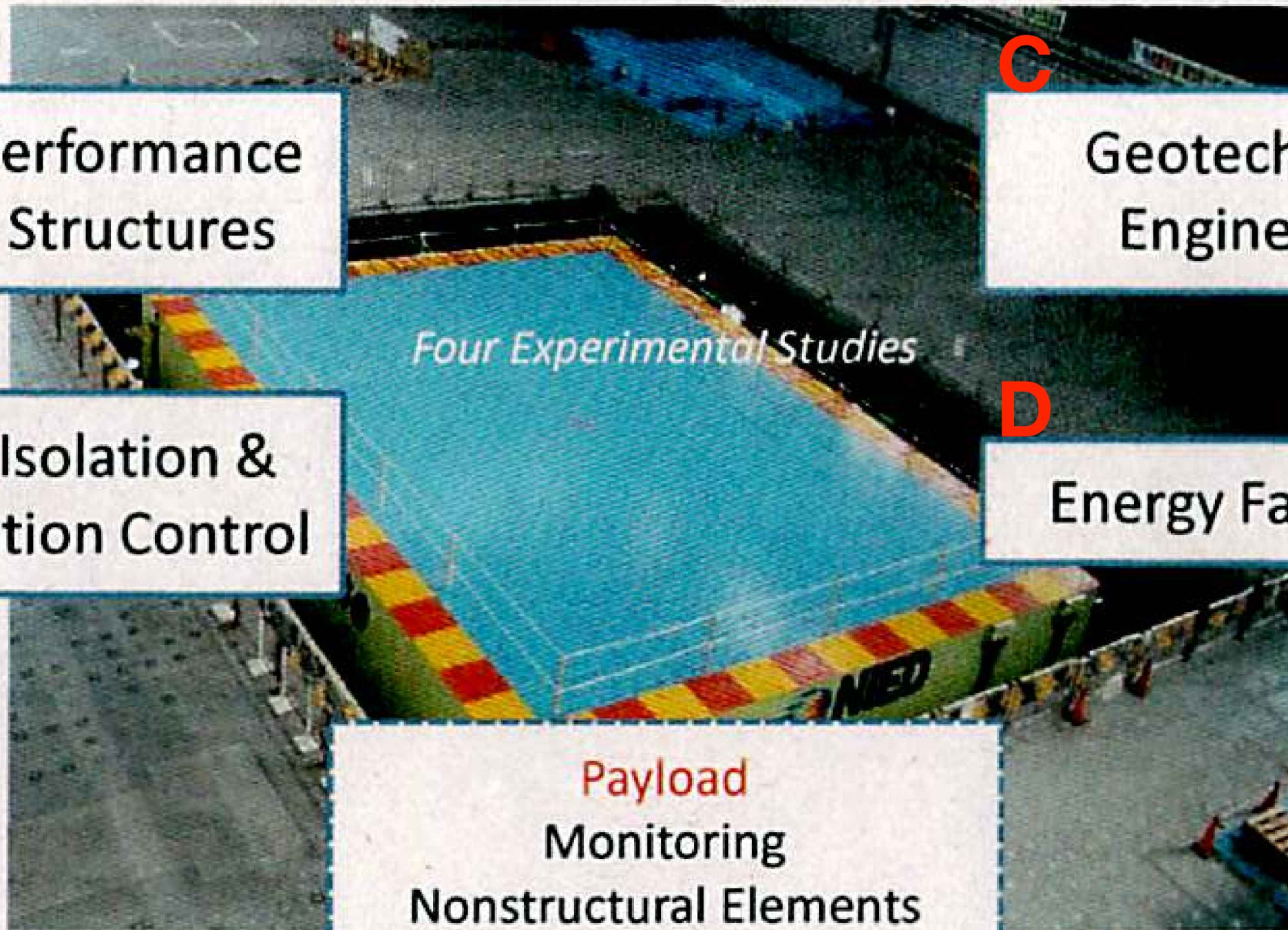
Energy Facilities

*Four Experimental Studies*

Payload  
Monitoring  
Nonstructural Elements

Data Archival System

Numerical Simulation



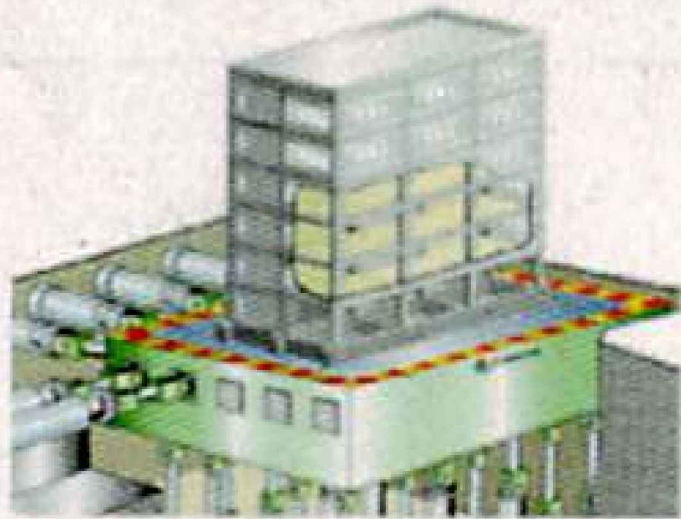


# Four Experimental Studies

A

## High Performance R/C Structures

Takuya Nagae  
Kenichi Tahara



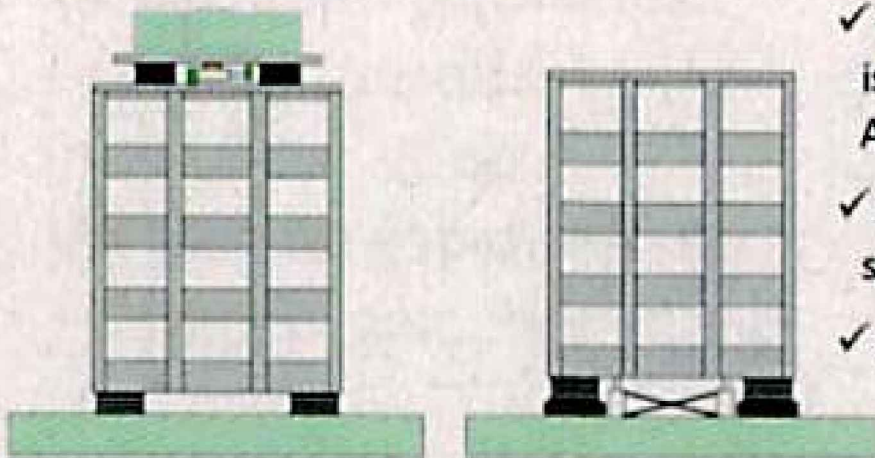
- ✓ High-strength concrete and steel
- ✓ High-performance walls
- ✓ Self-centering systems

- Verify seismic performance of reinforced concrete building structures in which new materials, new elements, and new systems are incorporated.

B

## Base Isolation & Vibration Control

Eiji Sato  
Taichiro Okazaki



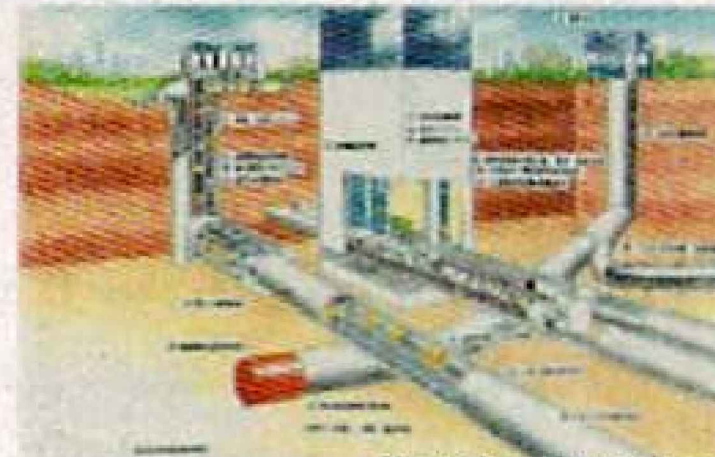
- ✓ Hybrid seismic isolation with TMD or AMD
- ✓ Active or Semi-Active seismic isolation
- ✓ 3D seismic isolation

- Develop next generation seismic isolation and vibration control systems that mitigates both long period and short period earthquake motions.

C

## Geotechnical Engineering

Kentaro Tabata  
Yousuke Kawamata



shear soil container

Targets = transportation systems in an urban area (subways, railroads, expressways...)

- Investigate behavior of underground structures such as shielded/cut-and-cover tunnels, curves, complicated sections, traversing heterogeneous layers.

D

## Energy Facilities

Izumi Nakamura  
Manabu Nakayama

- Electric generating facilities
- High-pressure gas facilities, ...



- ✓ Piping systems
- ✓ Supports
- ✓ Containers
- ✓ Tanks, ...

- Clarify the seismic safety margins and structural integrity of energy facilities and their components under large seismic motions exceeding the design level.



# Timetable of E-Defense Large-Scale Shaking Table Tests

Plan as of September 2009

	Fiscal year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>A</b>	High performance R/C structures	0		0			
<b>B</b>	Base isolation & vibration control		0		0		
<b>C</b>	Geotechnical engineering		0		0		
<b>D</b>	Energy facilities	0		0			



Plan as of September 2010

Japanese fiscal year begins on April 1.

	Fiscal year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>A</b>	<u>High performance R/C structures</u>	0			0		
<b>B</b>	Base isolation & vibration control		NEES	0			0
<b>C</b>	Geotechnical engineering		0			0	
<b>D</b>	Energy facilities		0			0	
	Equipments, Nonstructural elements	0		0	0		0

Pending budget approval



## **Beam-column joint:**

Full Scale Shaking Table Test at E-Defense in 2010



# ***E-Defense test on RC Building in December 2010***

X ←  
↘ Y

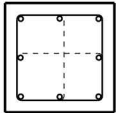
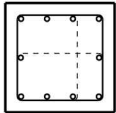
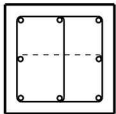
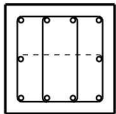
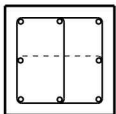
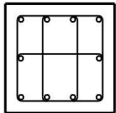
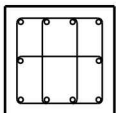
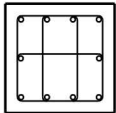


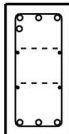
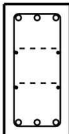
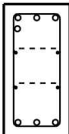
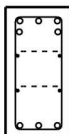
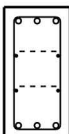
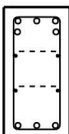
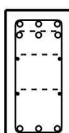
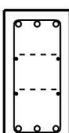
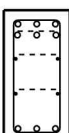
E-Defense 3D Shaking Table

Four Storied Wall-Frame  
RC Structure



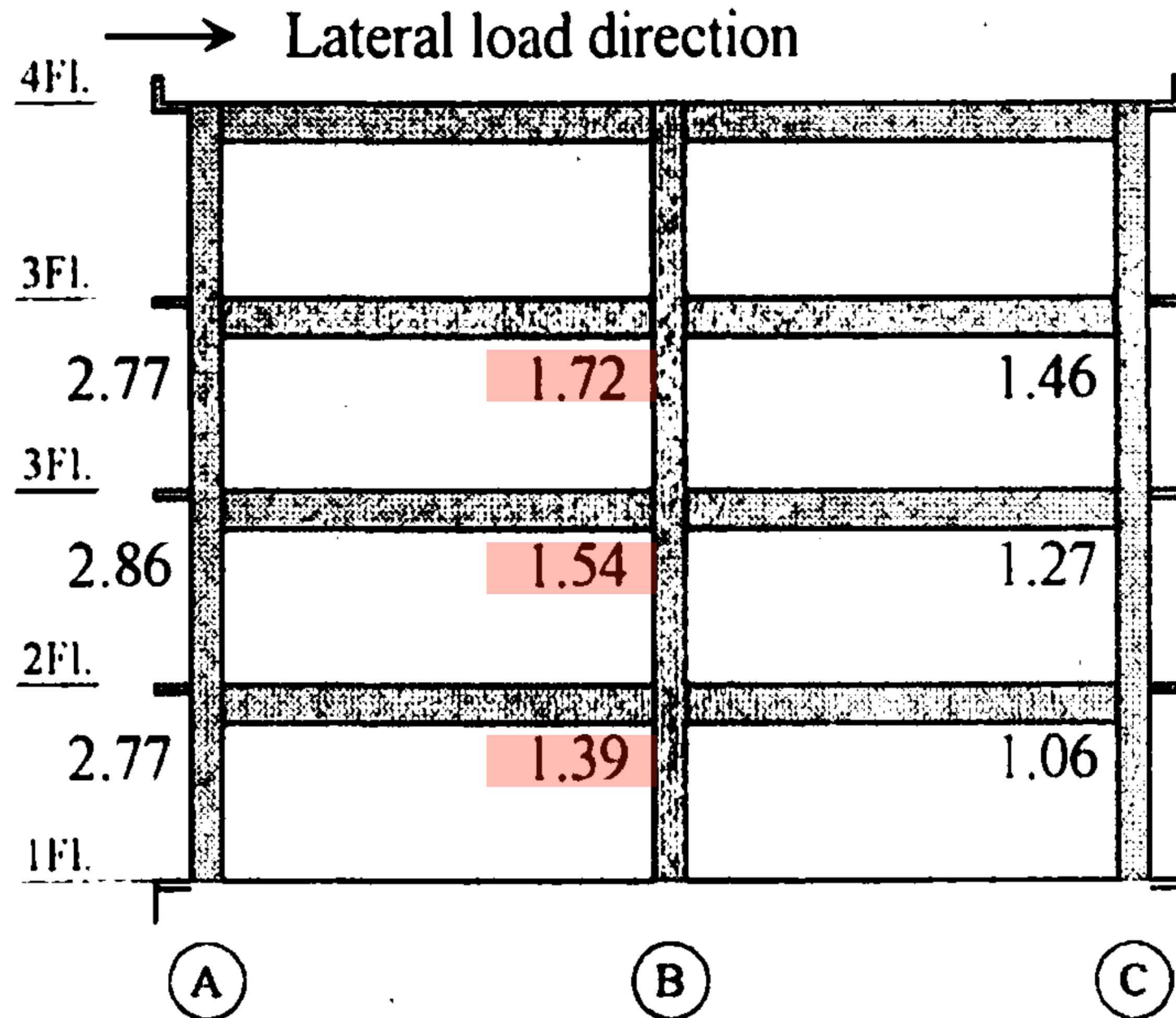


List of Column			
		C1	C2
4Fl. 3Fl.	Section		
	B x D	500 x 500	500 x 500
	Rebar	8-D22	10-D22
	Hoop	2,2-D10@100	2,2-D10@100
	Joint	2,2-D10@140	2,2-D10@140
2Fl.	Section		
	B x D	500 x 500	500 x 500
	Rebar	8-D22	10-D22
	Hoop	2,3-D10@100	2,4-D10@100
	Joint	2,2-D10@140	2,2-D10@140
1Fl.	Top Section		
	B x D	500 x 500	
	Rebar	8-D22	
	Hoop	2,3-D10@100	
	Joint	2,2-D10@140	
	Bottom Section		
	B x D	500 x 500	
	Rebar	10-D22	
	Hoop	3,4-D10@100	
	Joint	2,2-D10@140	

List of Girder				
		G1		
	Location	End	Center	End
RF1. 4Fl.	Section			
	B x D	300 x 600		
	Top	4-D22	3-D22	4-D22
	Bottom	3-D22	3-D22	3-D22
	Web	4-D10		
	Stirrup	2-D10@200		
3Fl.	Section			
	B x D	300 x 600		
	Top	5-D22	3-D22	5-D22
	Bottom	3-D22	3-D22	3-D22
	Web	4-D10		
	Stirrup	2-D10@200		
2Fl.	Section			
	B x D	300 x 600		
	Top	6-D22	3-D22	6-D22
	Bottom	3-D22	3-D22	3-D22
	Web	4-D10		
	Stirrup	2-D10@200		



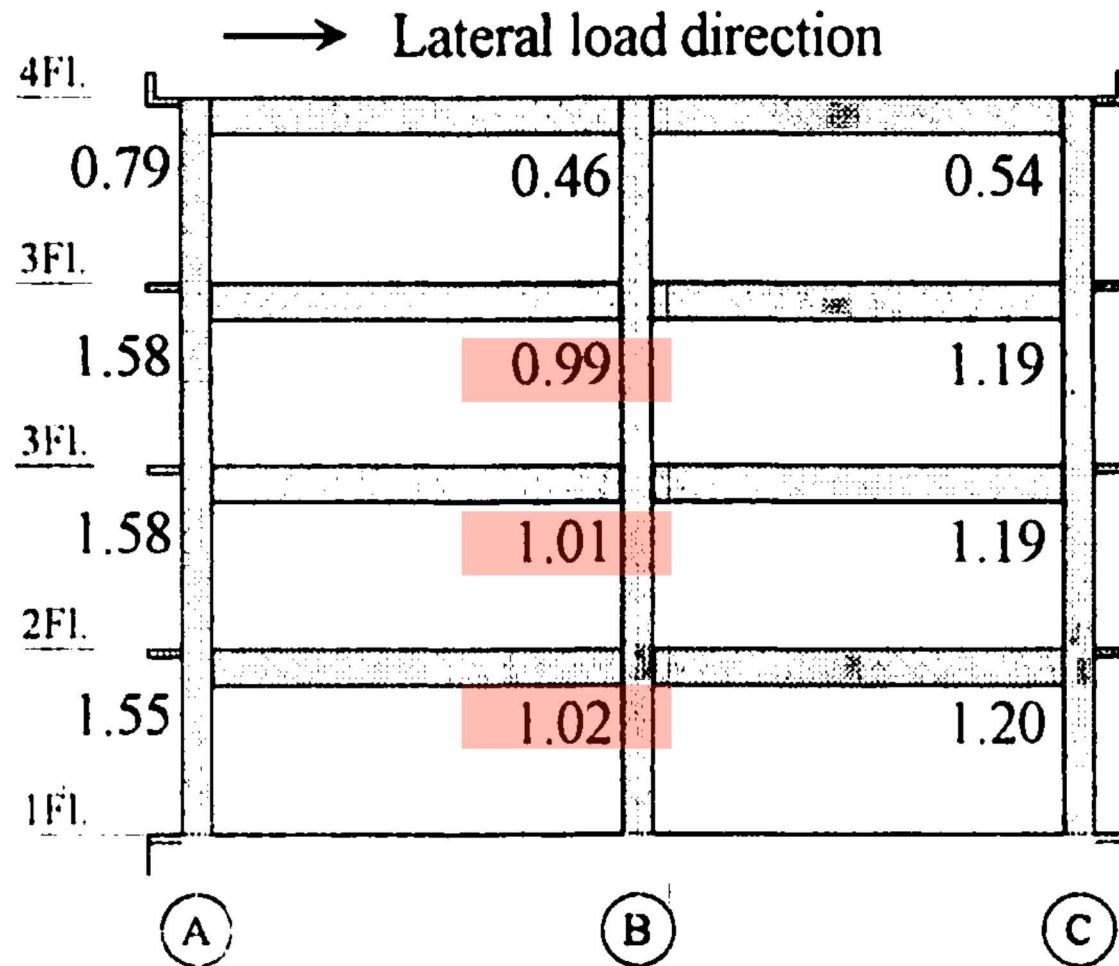
# Margin of joint shear capacity



Joint shear / Nominal joint shear capacity

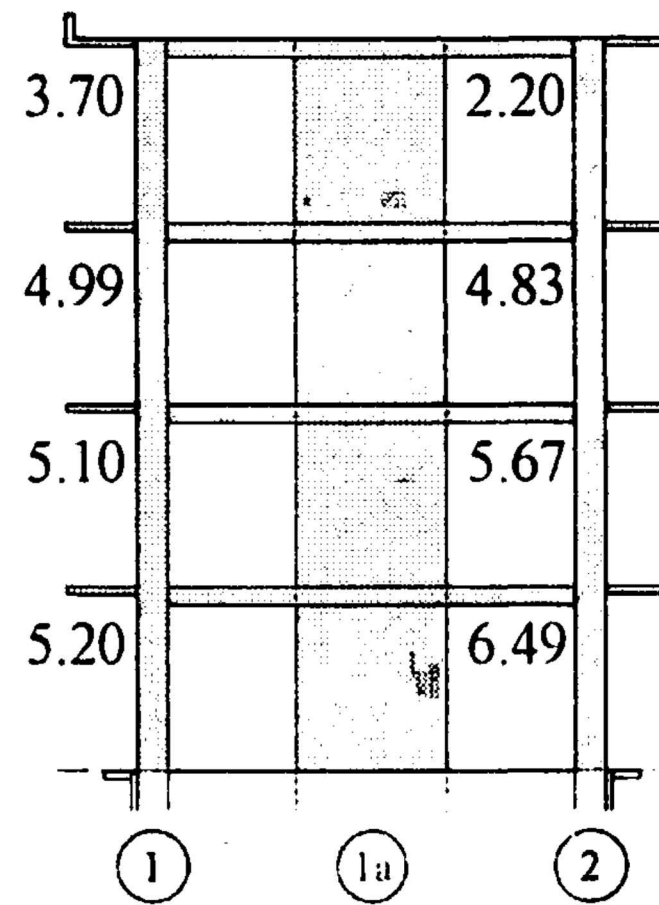


# Column-to-beam strength ratio



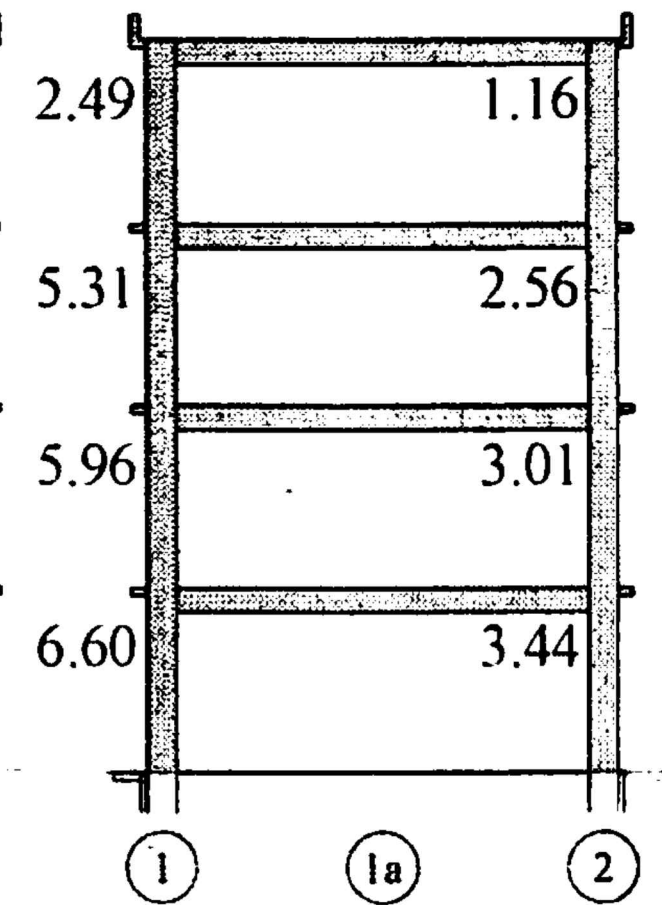
1 axis and 2 axis

(a) X direction



A axis and C axis

(b) Y direction



B axis

Column-to-beam strength ratios



JMA Kobe 50%







E-Defense

JMA Kobe 50%





JMA Kobe 100%







JMA Kobe 100%





# 3D Full Scale RC Frame Structure Shaking Table Test at E-Defense in 2010

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- *Four-story full scale RC frame structures were tested,*
  - The building structure was designed and constructed such that it conforms to current seismic provisions in Japan and the US.
- *Shear failure of lightly reinforced beam-column joints were confirmed,*
  - BC joints with column-to-beam strength ratio between 1.0 showed joint shear failure.
  - Vulnerabilities of frame structure with lightly BC joint has been demonstrated.



# **SEISMIC DAMAGE OF A NINE-STORY RC RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN SENDAI DESIGNED BY OLD SEISMIC CODES**

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# *Nagamachi - Dwelling Complex*





# Brief History of RC buildings and Seismic Codes in Japan

1968 1971

## ● 1968 Tokachi-oki Earthquake

\*BSL : Building Standard Law

## ● Amendment of BSL Enforcement Order

( Prevention of column shear failure )



1978 1981

## ● 1978 Miyagiken-oki Earthquake

## ● Amendment of BSL Enforcement Order

( The “shin-taishin”, new standard )



1995

## ● 1995 Hyogo-ken Nambu Earthquake

( Effectiveness of the 1981 revision was confirmed )

## ● Act on Promotion of Seismic Retrofitting of Existing Buildings

( To urge building owners to retrofit existing vulnerable buildings )

## ● Amendment of BSL Enforcement Order

( Performance based criteria introduced )

2000

2011



I  
~ 1971

II  
~ 1981

III  
1981 ~

## ● 2011 Tohoku-chiho Taiheiyo-oki Earthquake



# ***Nagamachi - Dwelling Complex***

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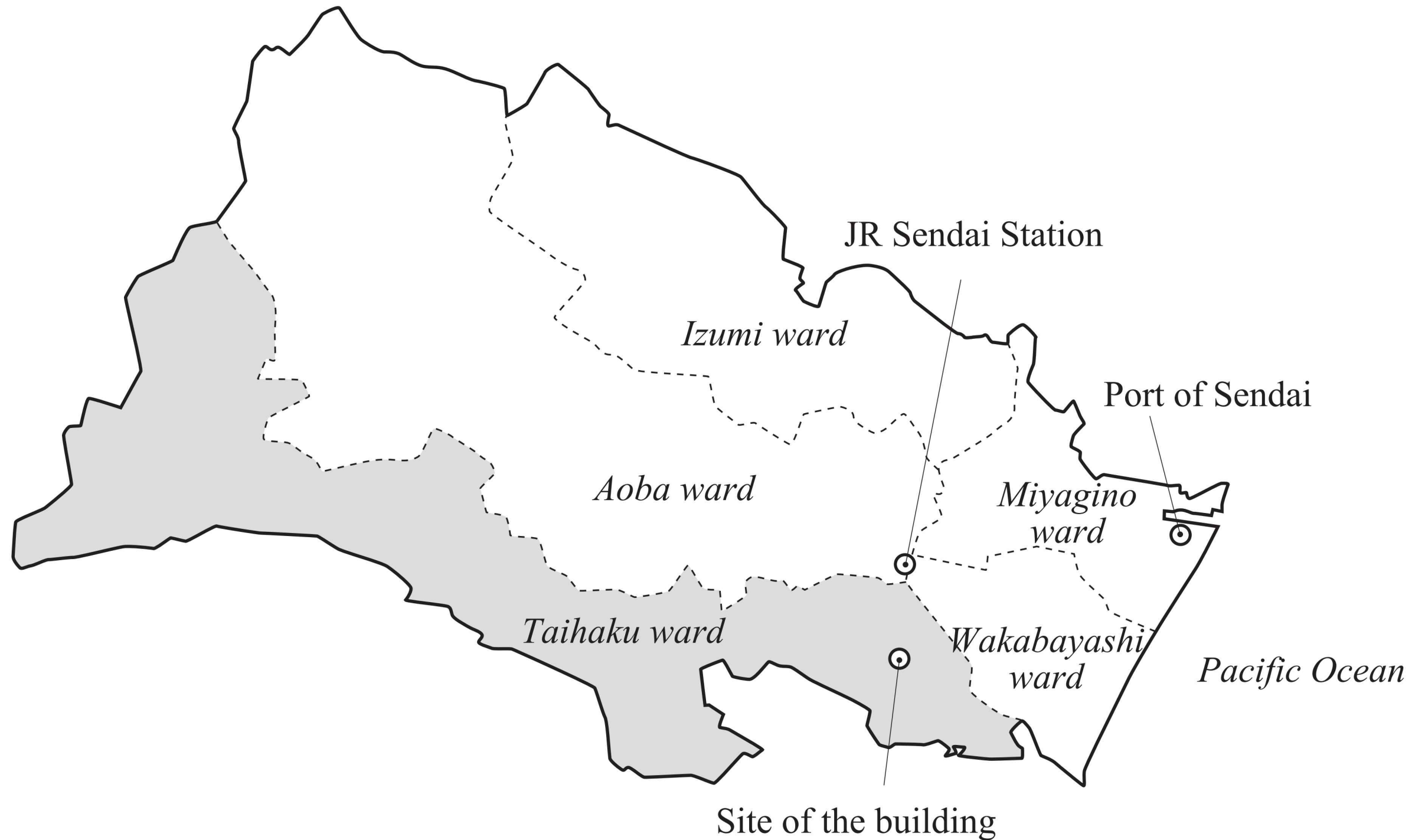
- RC/SRC 9 floors.
- Completed in 1969
- No seismic retrofit
- Survived major earthquakes in 1978, 2003 and 2005.
- Fc 210 & 180
- Grade SD35 rebars





# ***Taihaku ward, Sendai City***

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**City of Sendai**

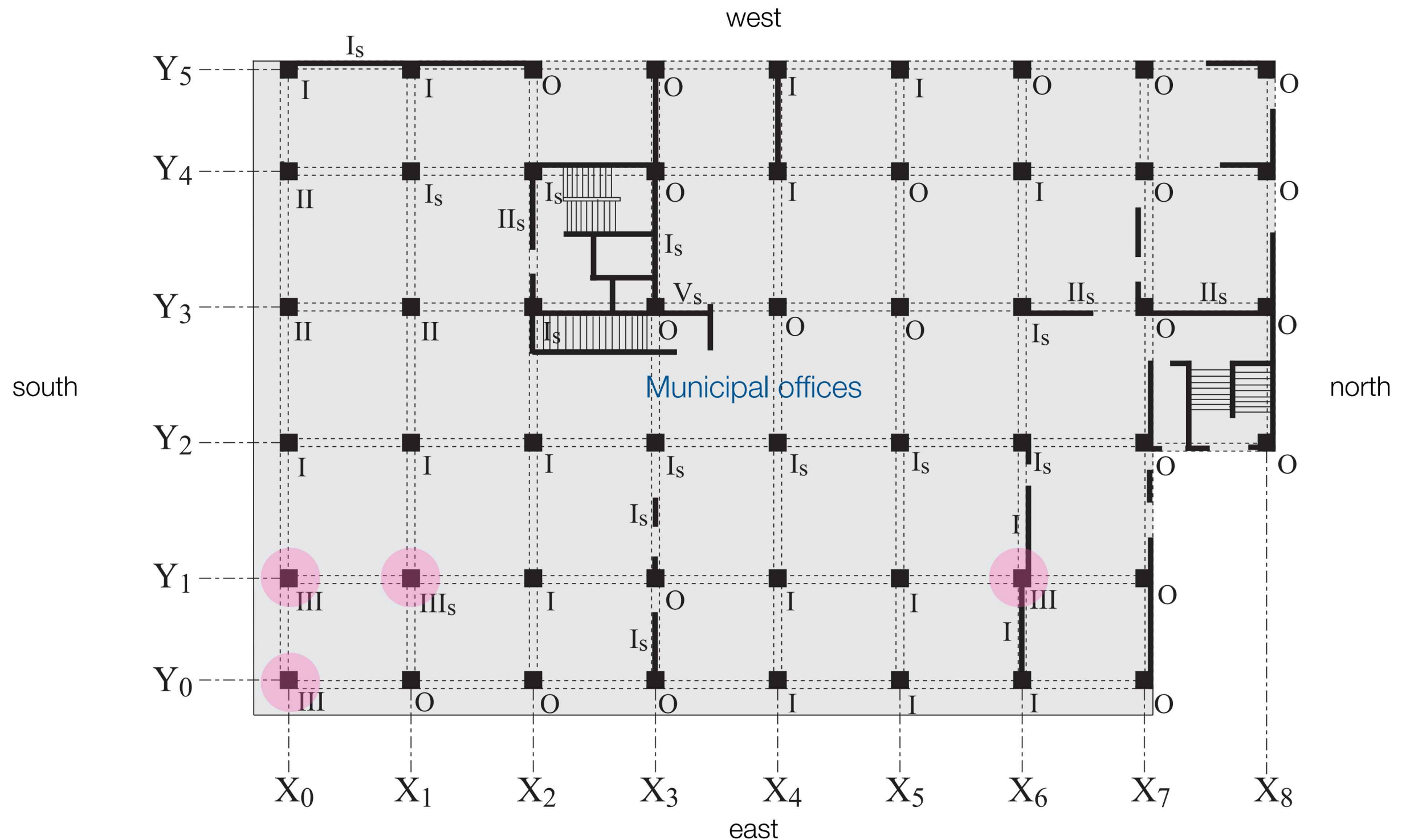


# 1st floor plan and damage rate



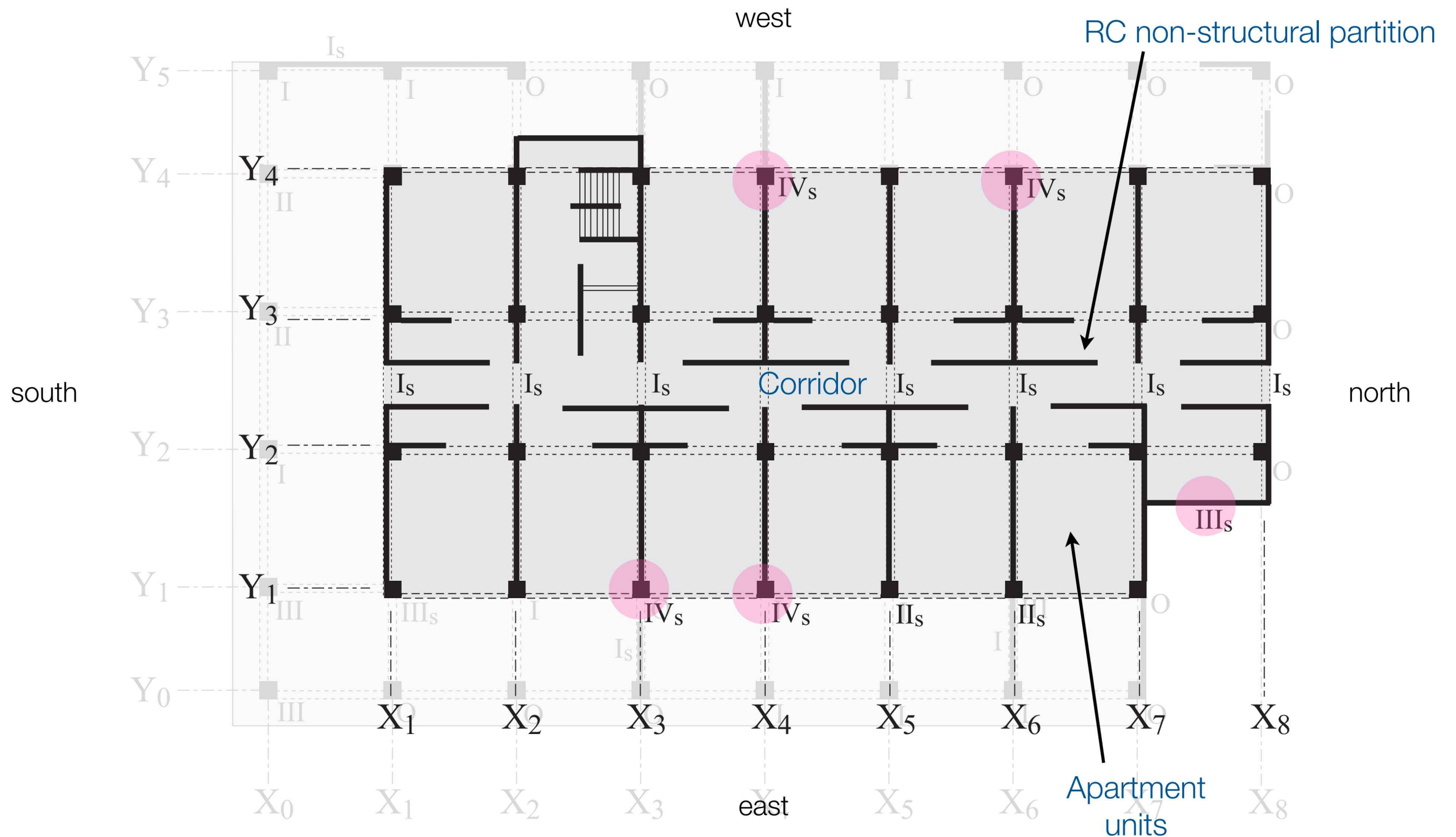


# 2nd floor plan and damage rate





# 3rd floor plan and damage rate





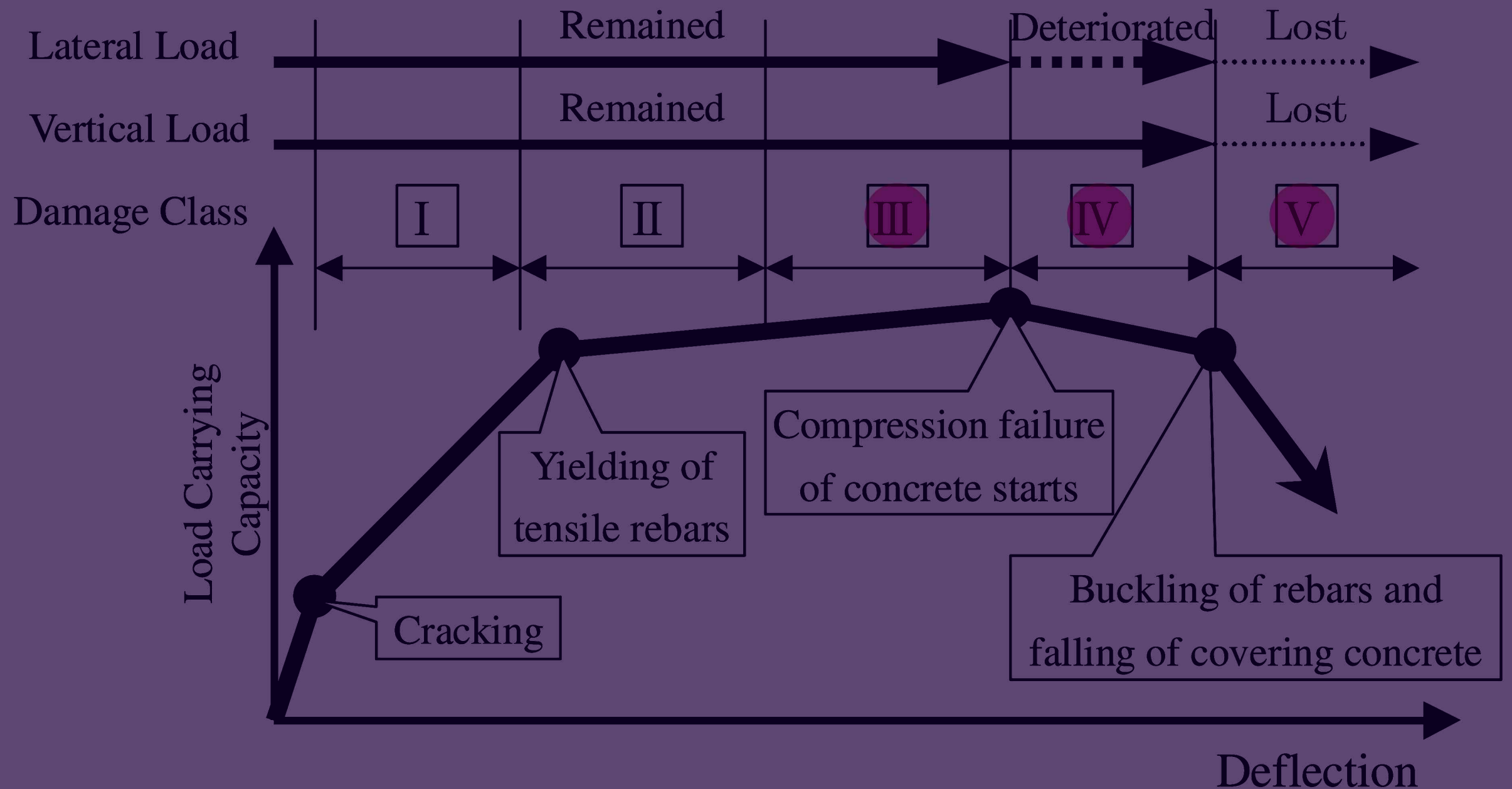
# ***Damage Grading Criteria of RC Members***

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Damage grade		Criteria
0	No damage	No damage
I	Slight	Structural concrete cracking of width less than 0.2mm
II	Minor	Structural concrete cracking of width larger than 0.2mm and less than 1.0mm.
III	Moderate	Structural concrete cracking of width larger than 1.0mm and less than 2.0mm.
IV	Major	Structural concrete cracking of width larger than 2.0mm, with cover concrete spalling and visible reinforcement
V	Severe	Cover concrete spalling off, with some concrete crushes and longitudinal reinforcement buckling



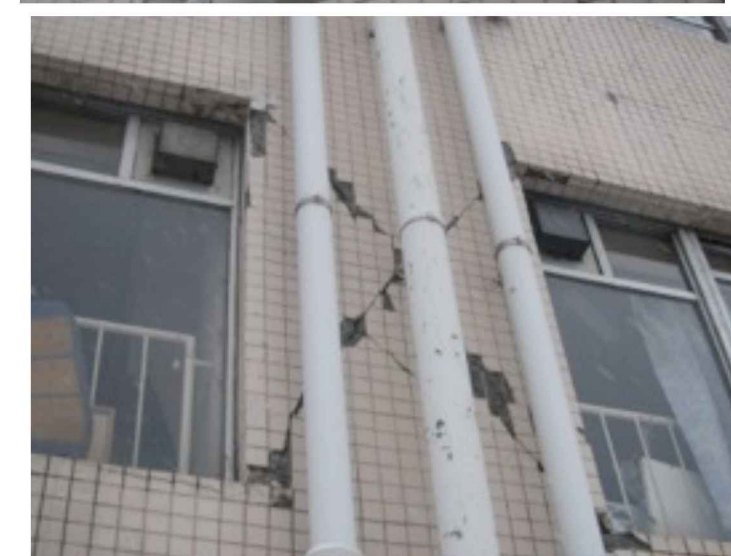
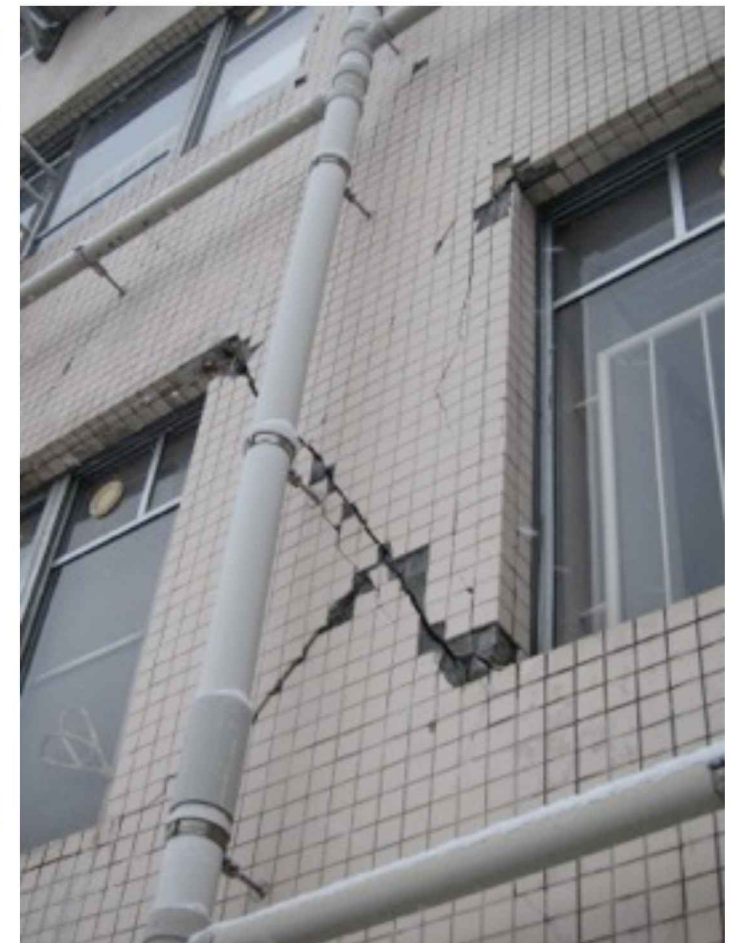
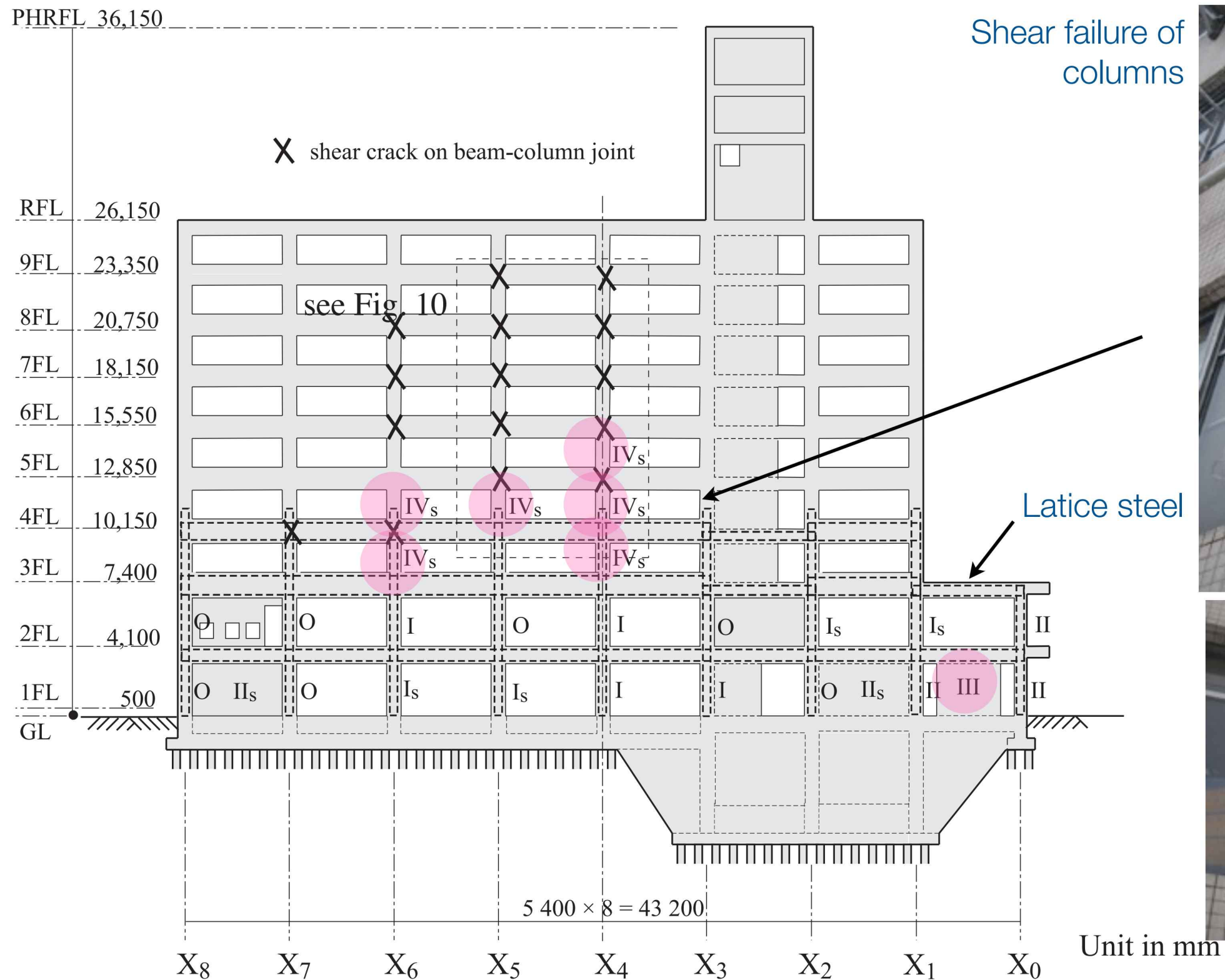
# Residual Lateral Capacity of RC Structural Member



(a) Ductile member



## ***Elevation of $Y_4$ frame in longitudinal direction***







***Failure of Beam-column Joints***

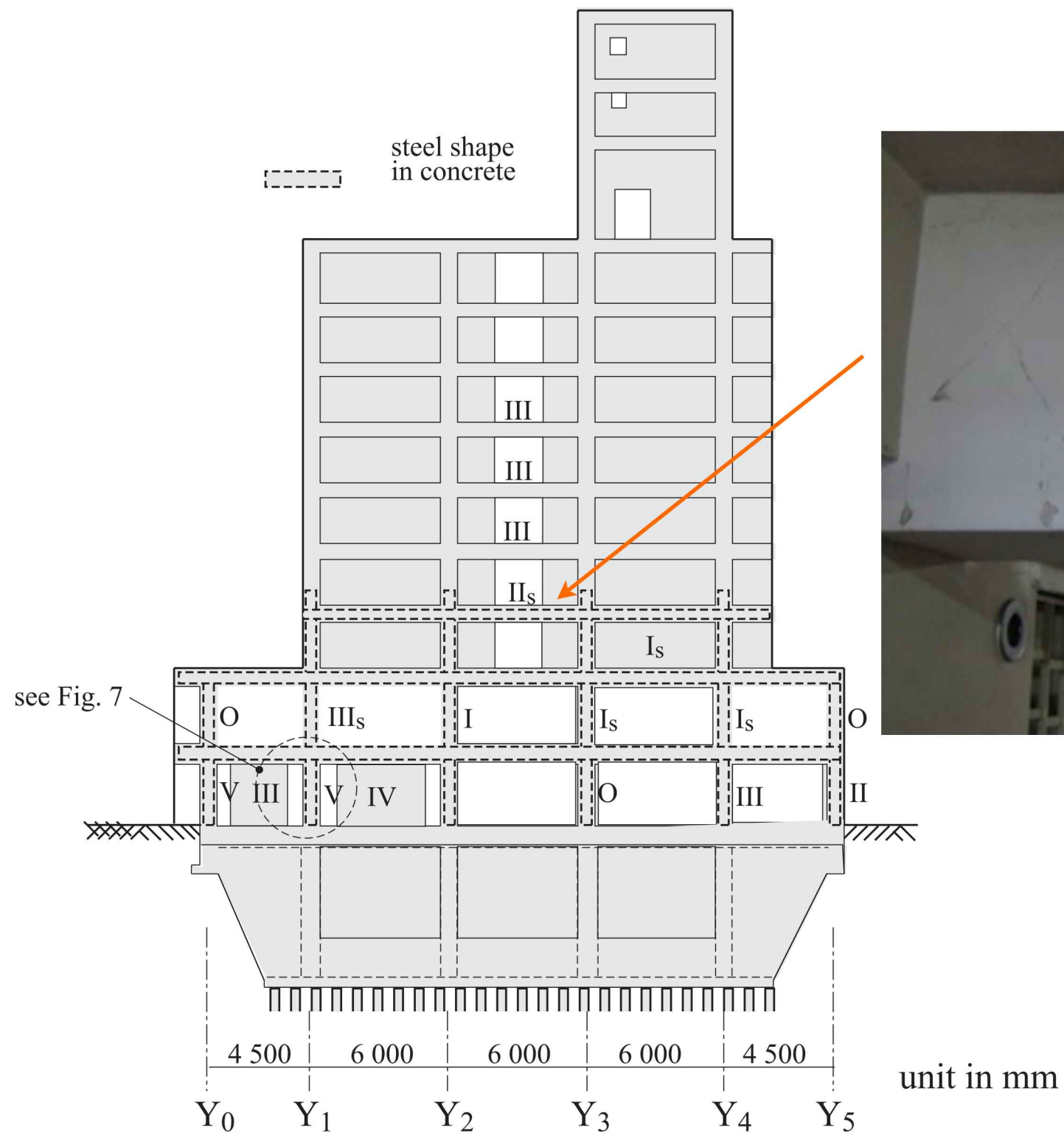




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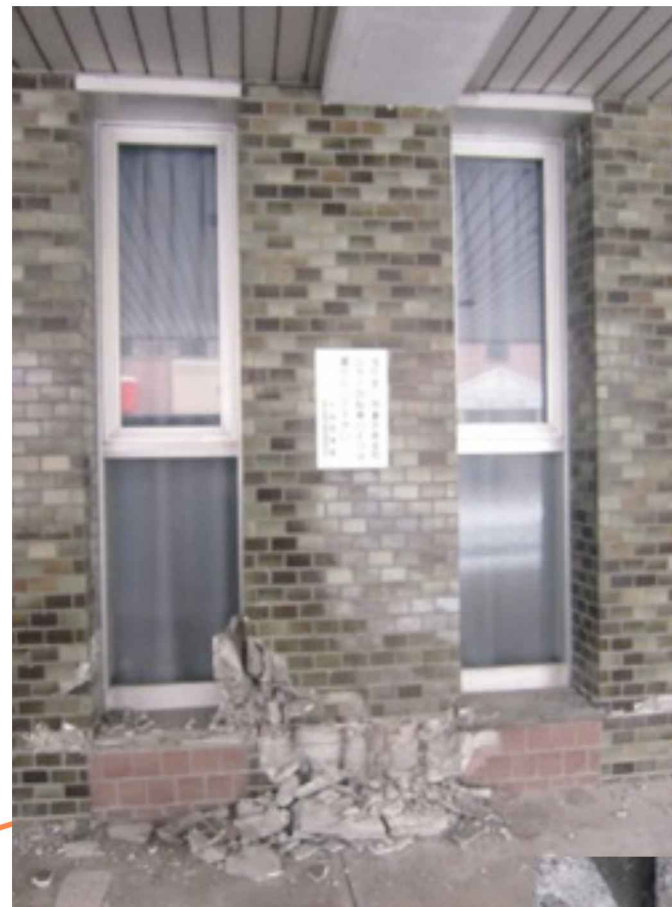
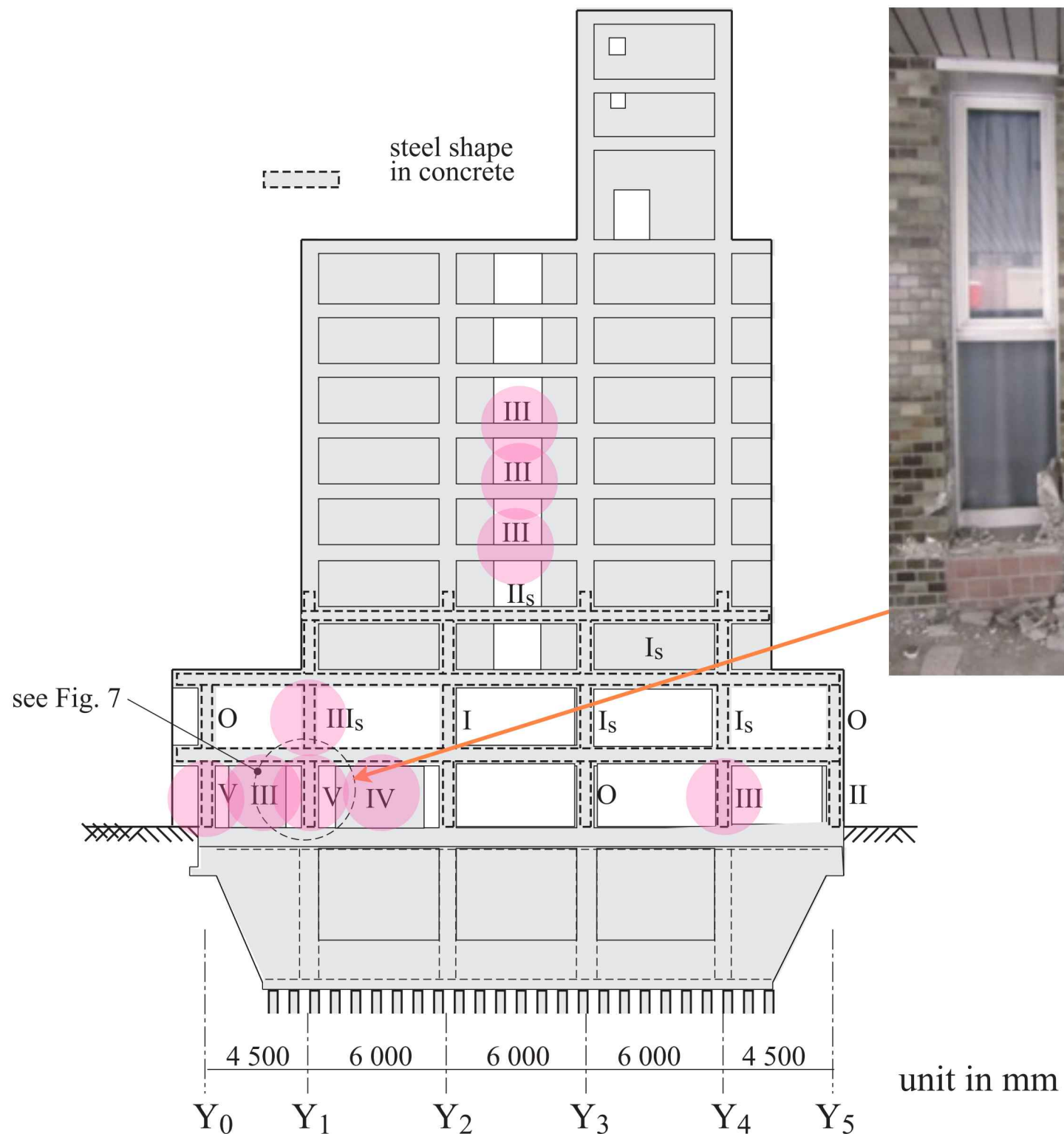
# ***Elevation of $X_1$ frame in longitudinal direction***



shear cracks on coupling beams



# ***Elevation of $X_1$ frame in longitudinal direction***



flexural failure and buckling of rebar at the bottom of column



## Values of Seismic Index $I_s$

Story	Longitudinal direction	Transverse direction
9	0.37	1.49
8	0.27	1.04
7	0.23	0.82
6	0.20	0.70
5	0.21	0.62
4	0.19	0.51
3	0.20	0.71
2	0.44	0.44
1	0.62	0.39

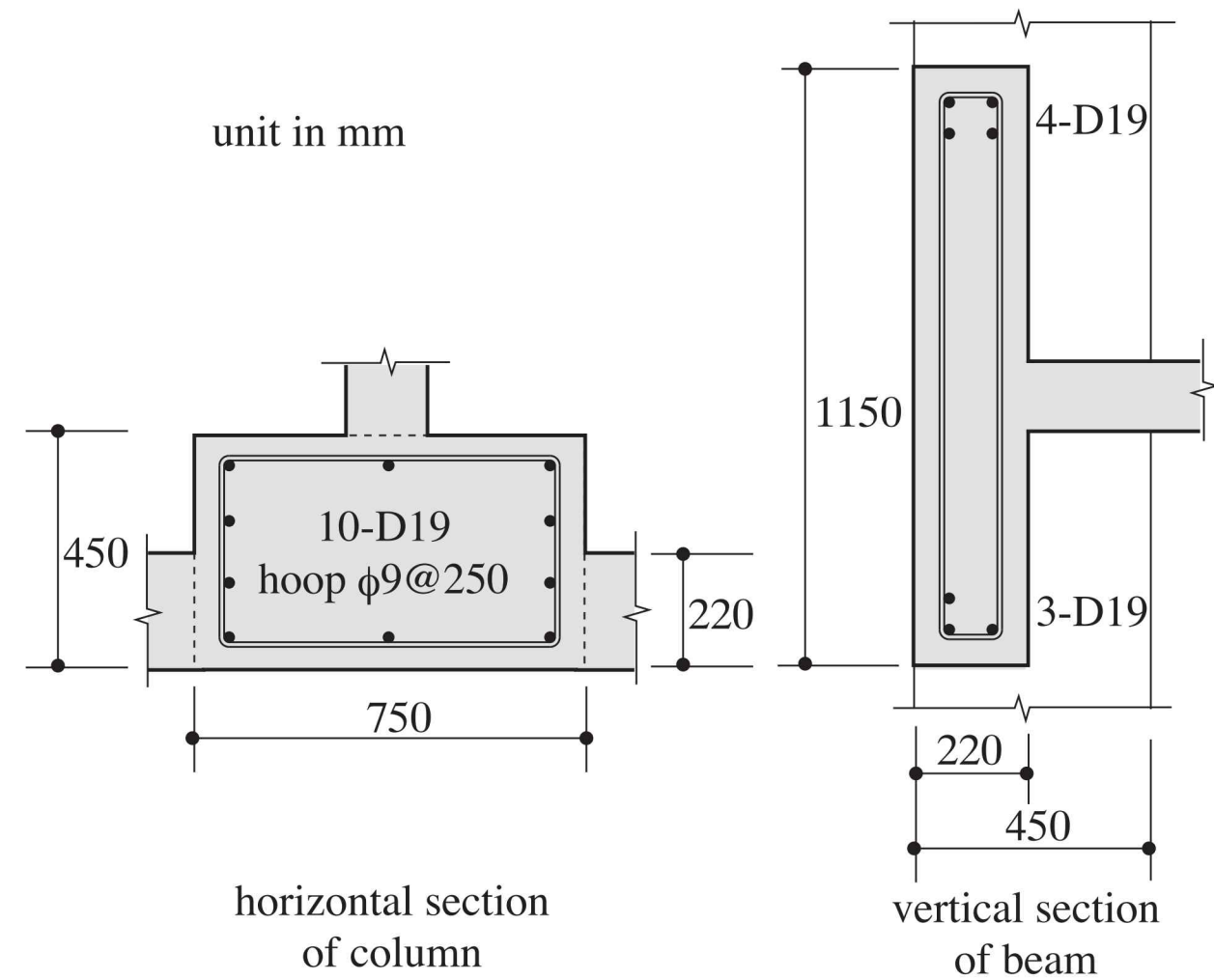
no good correlation

good correlation

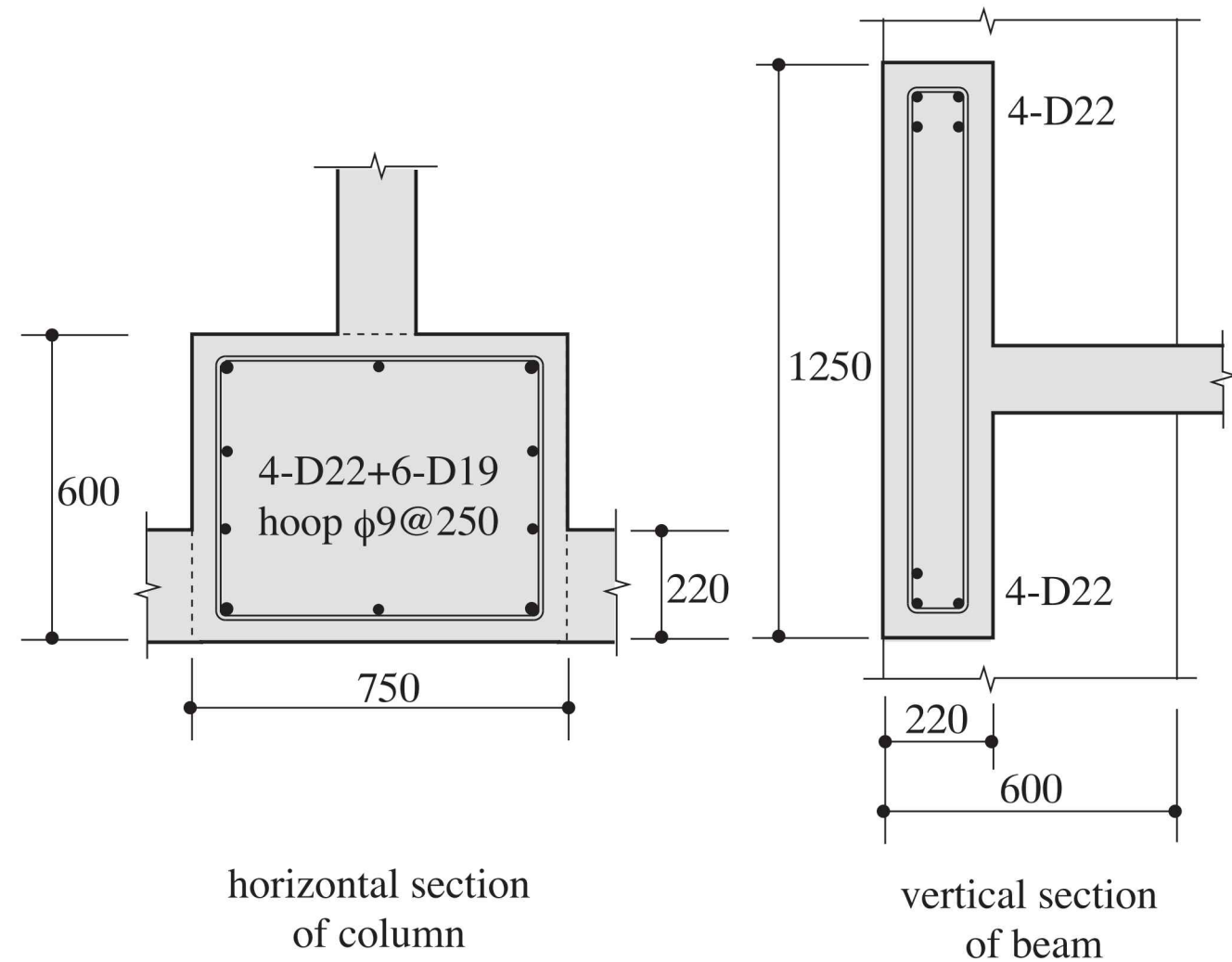


# Beam-column Joints in $Y_4$ frame

unit in mm

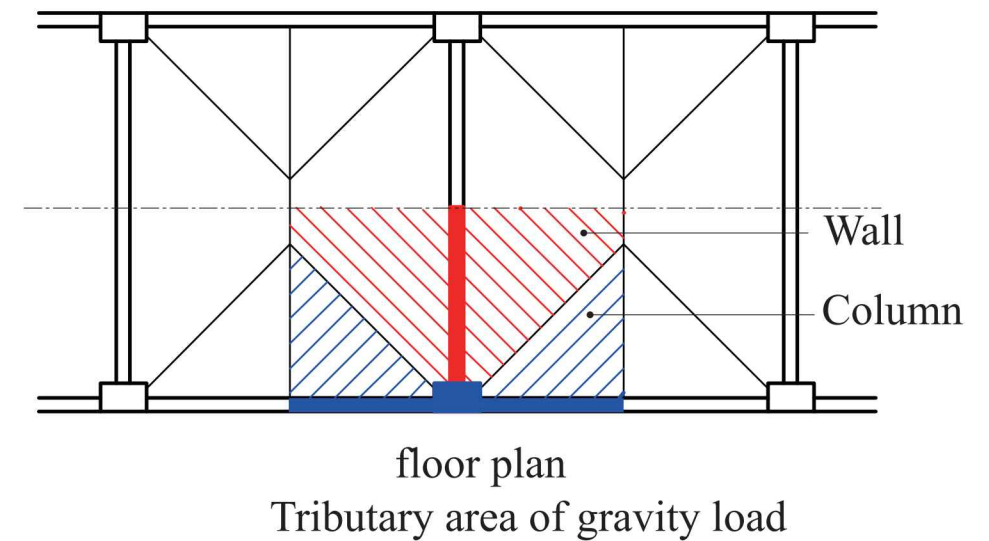


(a) Beam-column joint at 7F (X<sub>5</sub>-Y<sub>4</sub>)



(b) Beam-column joint at 5F (X<sub>5</sub>-Y<sub>4</sub>)

# Calculated story shear



	Shear failure in kN			Flexural hinge in kN			Column-to-beam strength ratio		Joint shear strength margin*
	column	beam	joint	column case 1*	column case 2*	beam	case 1	case 2	
9FL	544.4	858.7	863.4	522.5	396.7	231.7	2.25	1.71	3.73
8FL	555.0	929.1	984.0	650.8	454.0	320.2	2.03	1.42	3.07
7FL	589.2	1043.2	1112.3	751.5	496.7	335.0	2.24	1.48	3.32
6FL	799.7	1148.5	1150.1	906.6	574.8	432.2	2.10	1.33	2.66
5FL	907.8	1162.5	1624.0	1082.9	664.0	528.3	2.05	1.26	3.07



# ***Concluding Remarks***

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- Nagamachi Dwelling Complex Building
- Flexural failure of the first story SRC column
  - deficiency of steel lattice not embedded into the foundation which just ends at the first floor level.
  - abrupt change of section caused the damage.
- Shear failure of lightly reinforced beam-column joints.
  - calculated margin of joint shear strength is 2.0 or more.
  - column-to-beam strength ratio is in the range of 1.26 to 1.48.
  - vulnerability of column-to-beam strength ratio between 1.0 and 1.5 are to joint shear failure.
  - problem in failure mode prediction

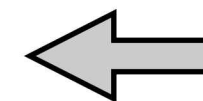
**New beam-column joint **macro element** and  
nonlinear dynamic analysis on 4 story frame  
RC structure**



# Life Safety Requirements to Beam-Column Joint

- *Members; beams or columns framing into the joints*

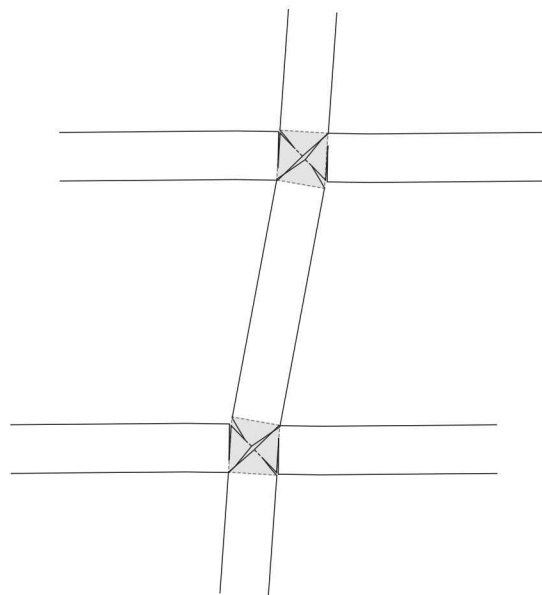
- Full flexural capacity of the members to be achieved



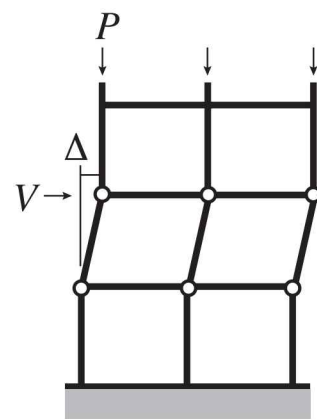
**Not easy to meet  
in practice**

- *Control Joint hinging in seismic Design*

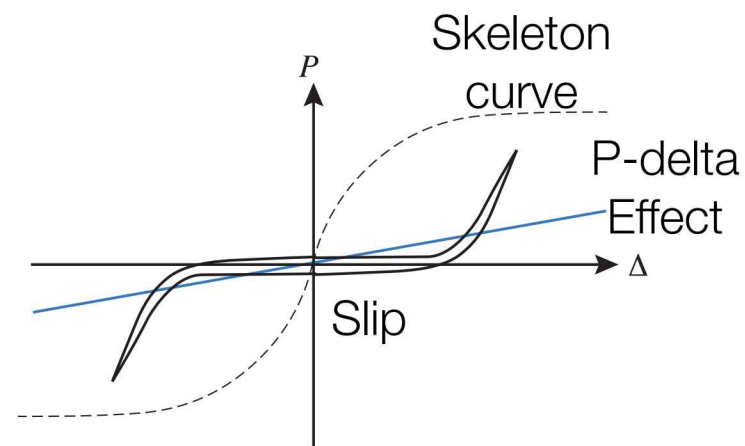
- Performance to prevent collapse and instability of lateral resisting frame due to subsequent repetitions of earthquake loading needs to be evaluated.



**Joint hinging**



Collapse mechanism  
by Joint hinging



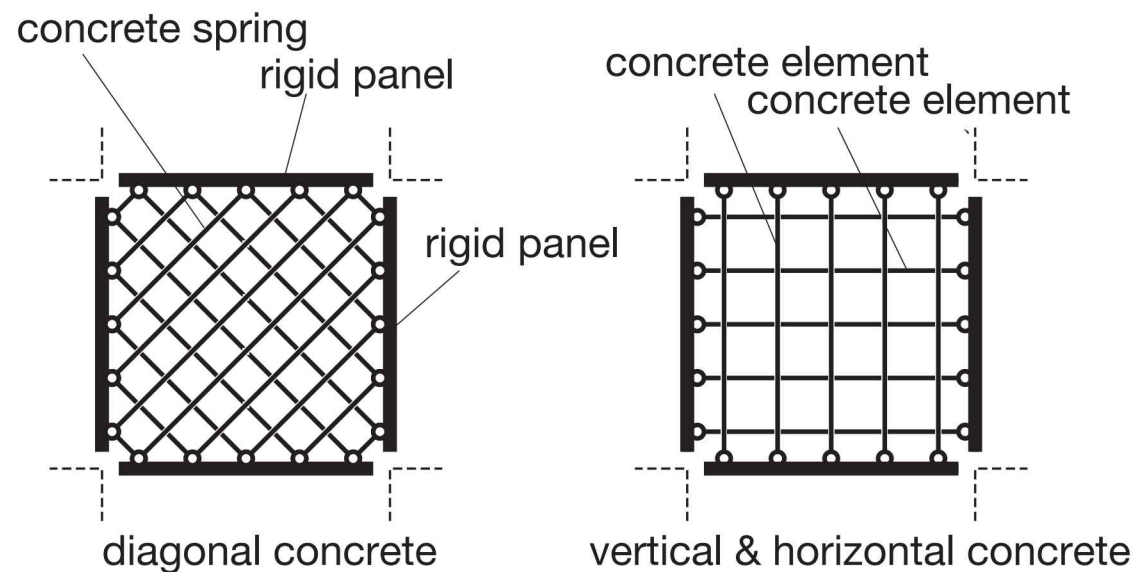
Subsequent repetition due to  
Cyclic loading



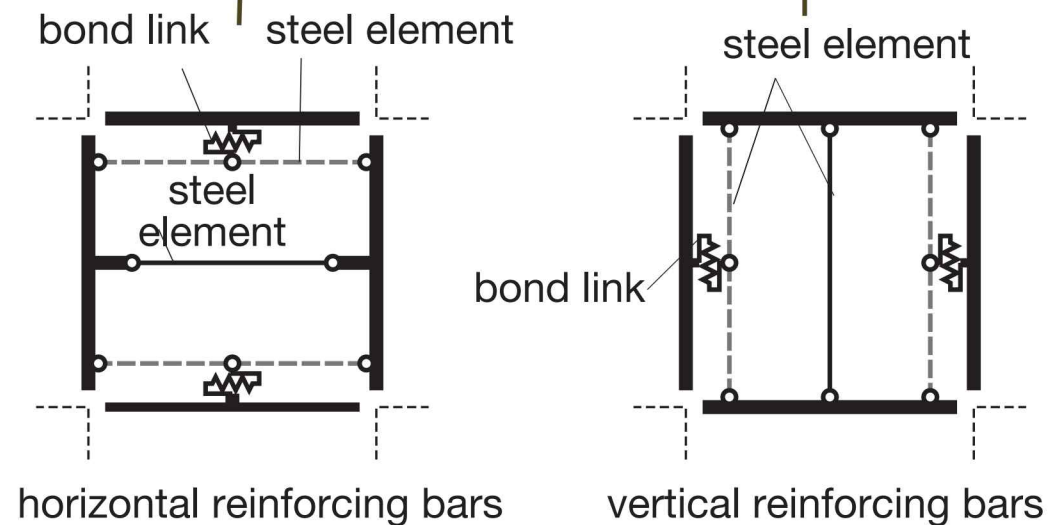
Collapsed Structure :  
Wenchuan Earthquake (2008)

- *No suitable model has been developed before.*

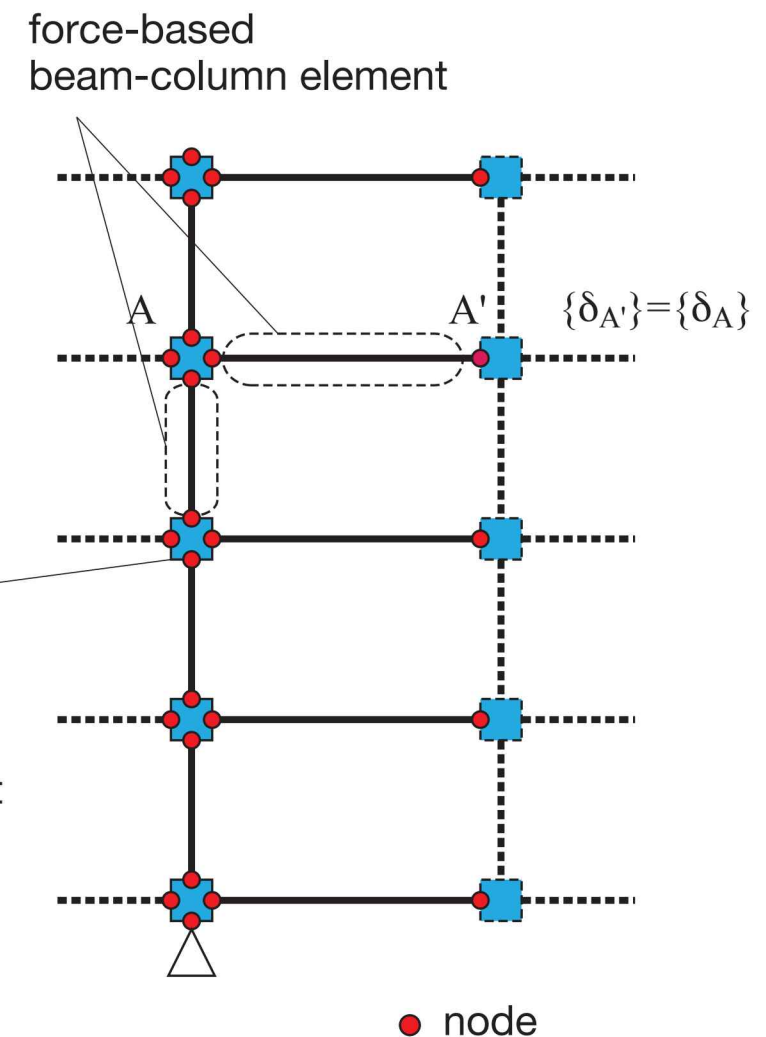
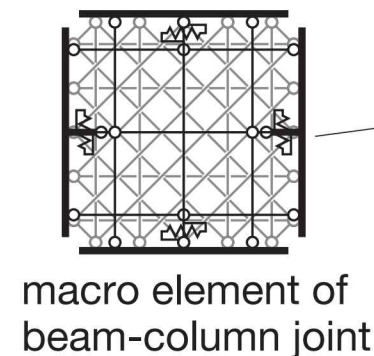
# New Macro Element for Interior BC Joint



**superimpose**



---- steel element axial stiffness is factored considering pull-out of bars from member end

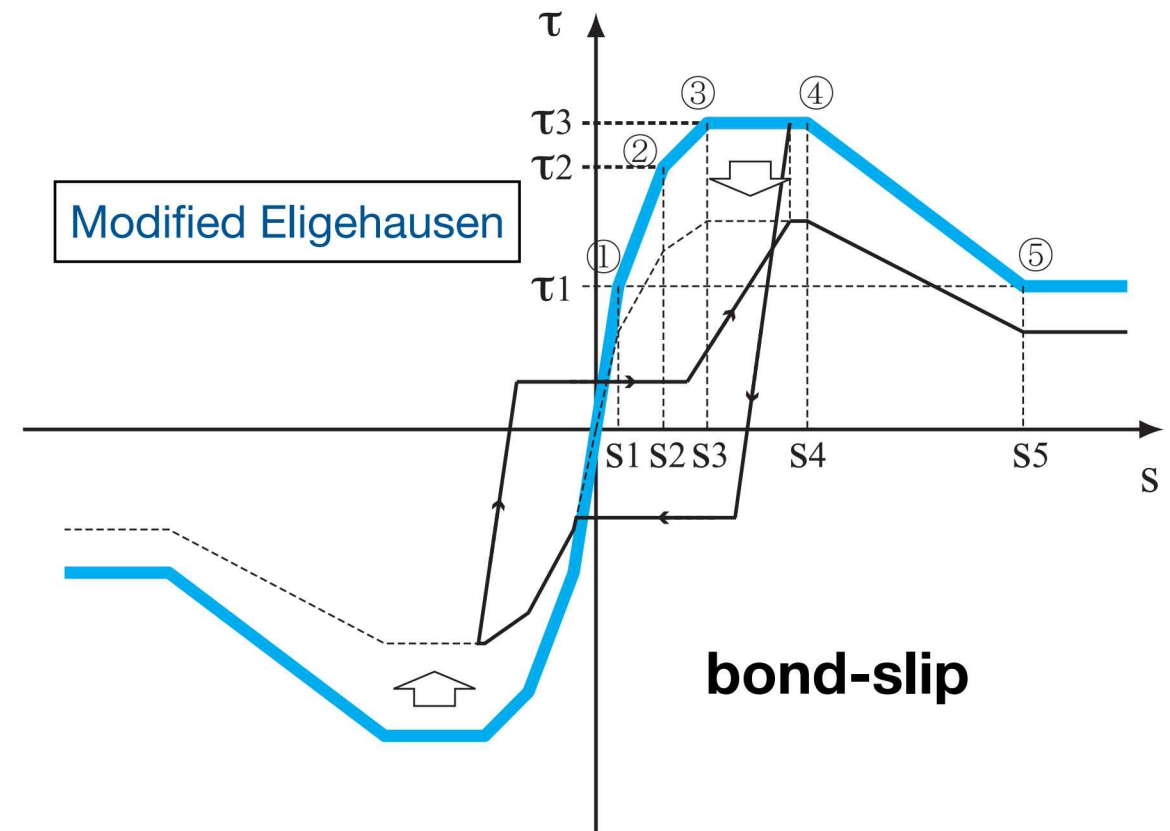
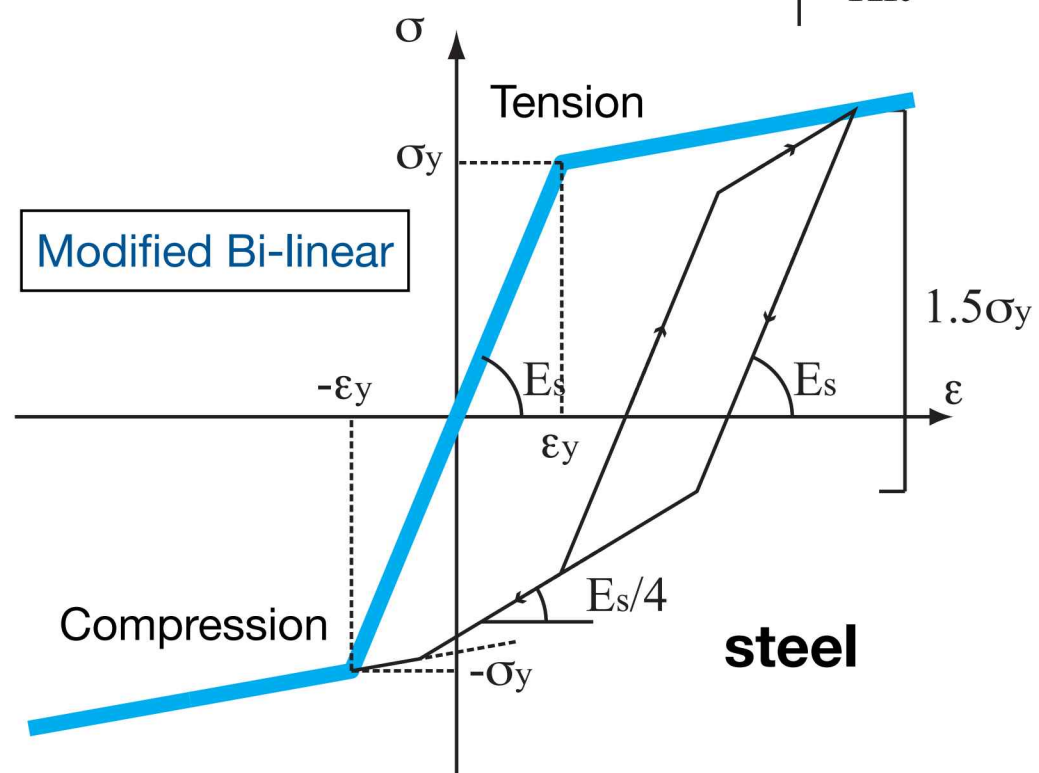
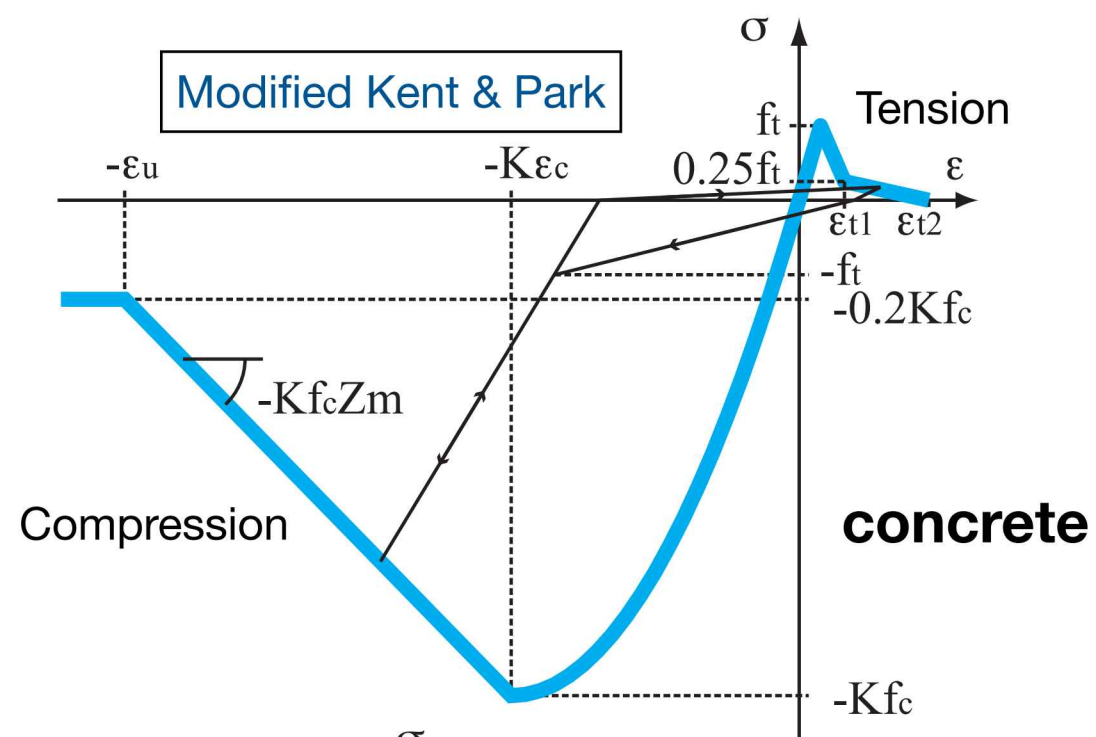


**Frame Structure**

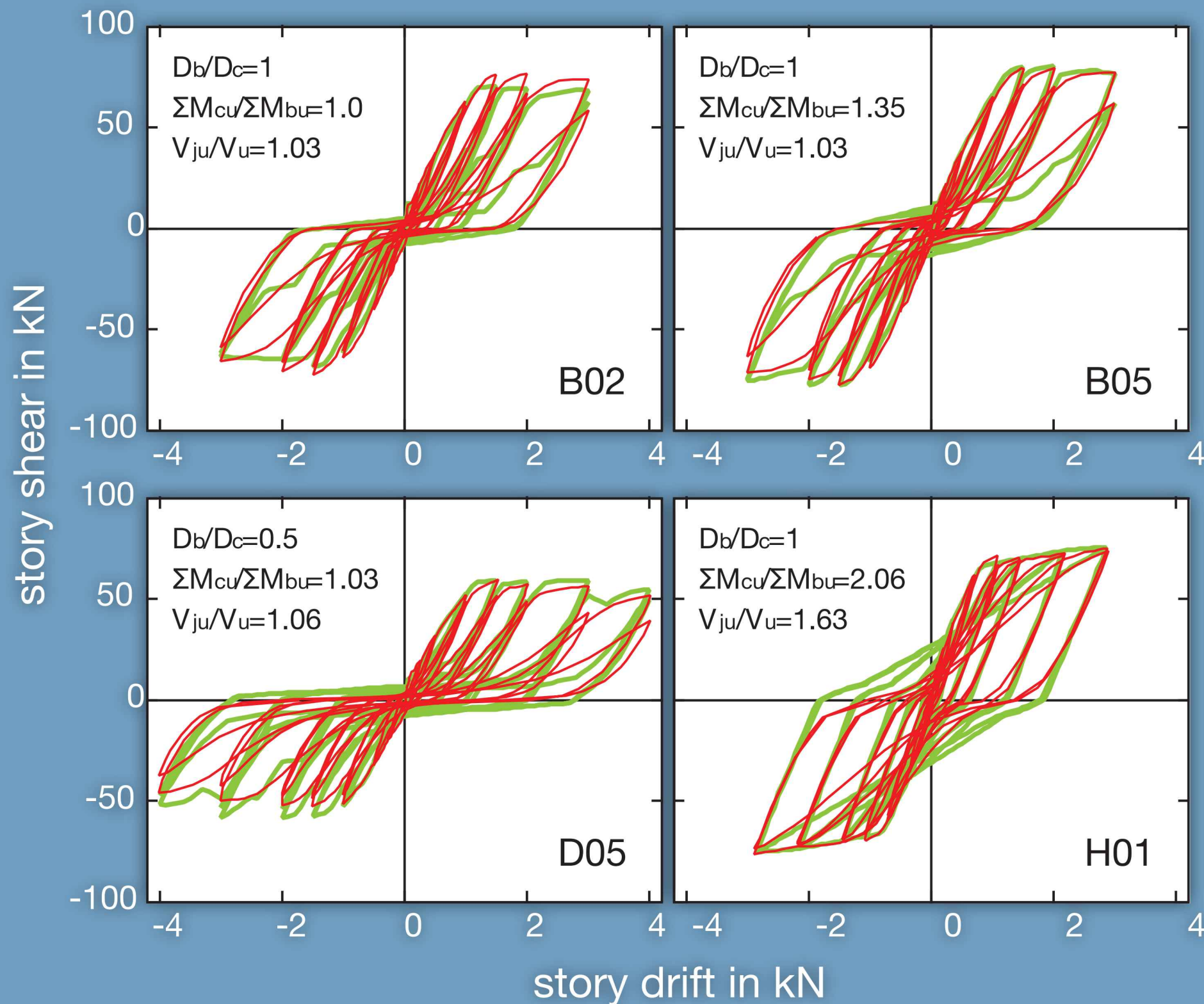
P-Delta effect is incorporated to stiffness matrix



# Uniaxial Constitutive Models for Elements



# Validation of the Macro Element by the Tests

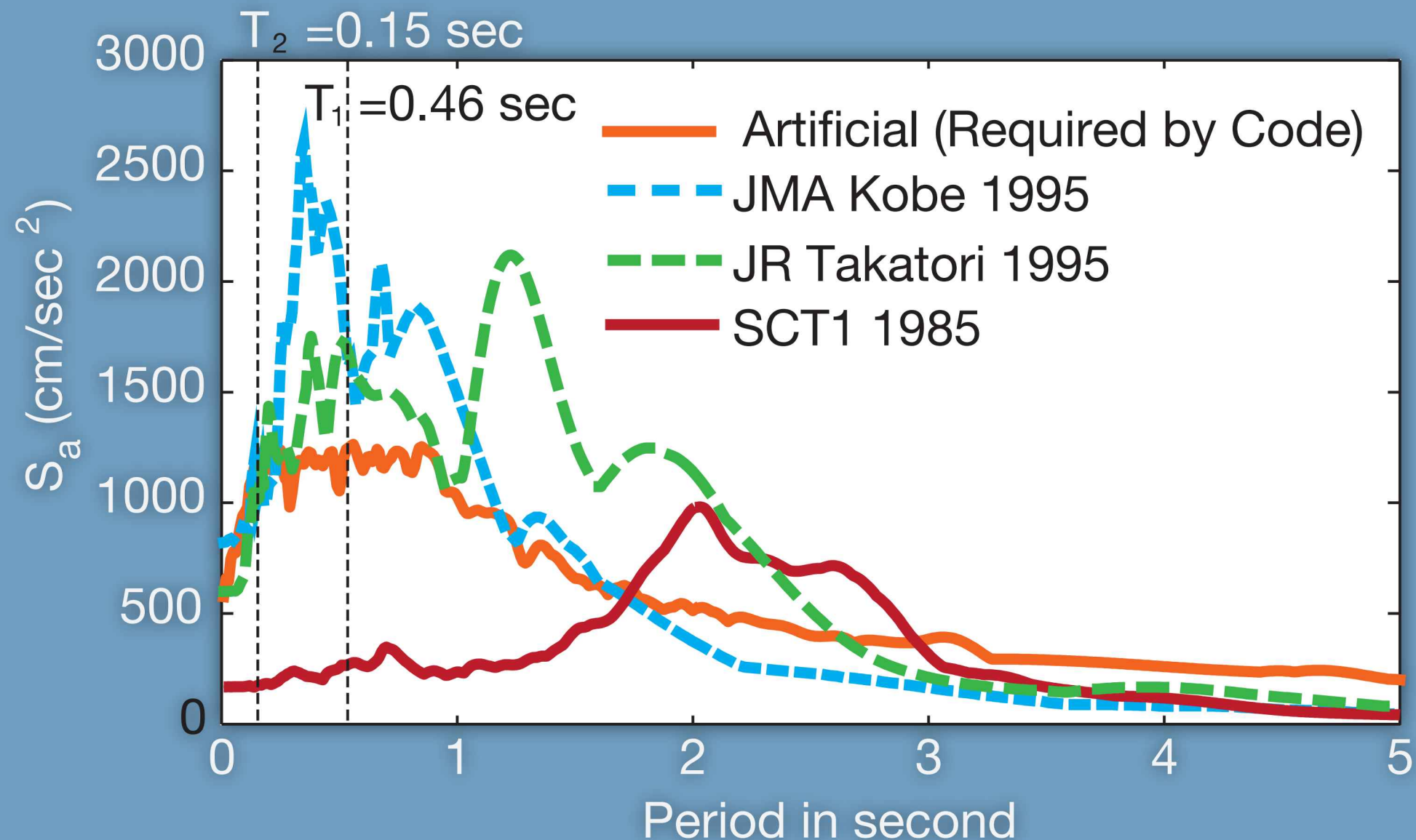


- Analysis  
— Test
- The new model is suitable to simulate strength and hysteresis behavior of sub structure with BC joints



# Input Ground Acceleration Record

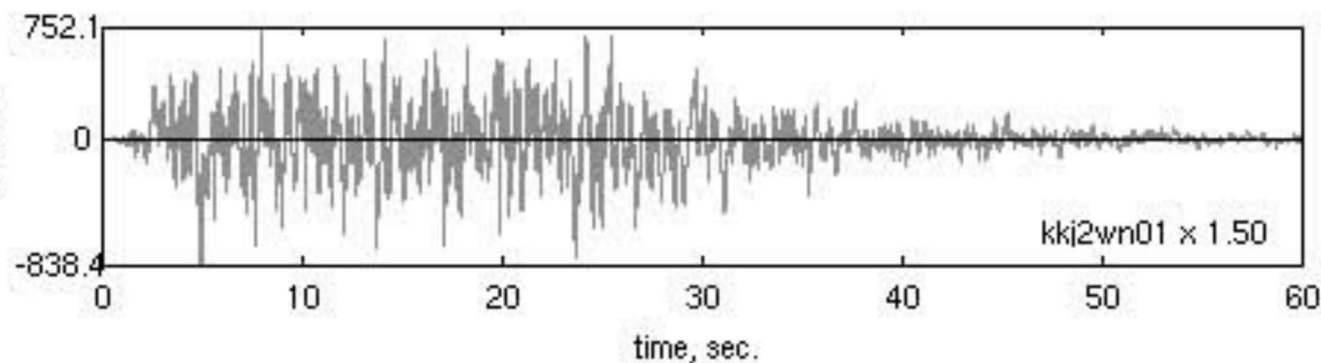
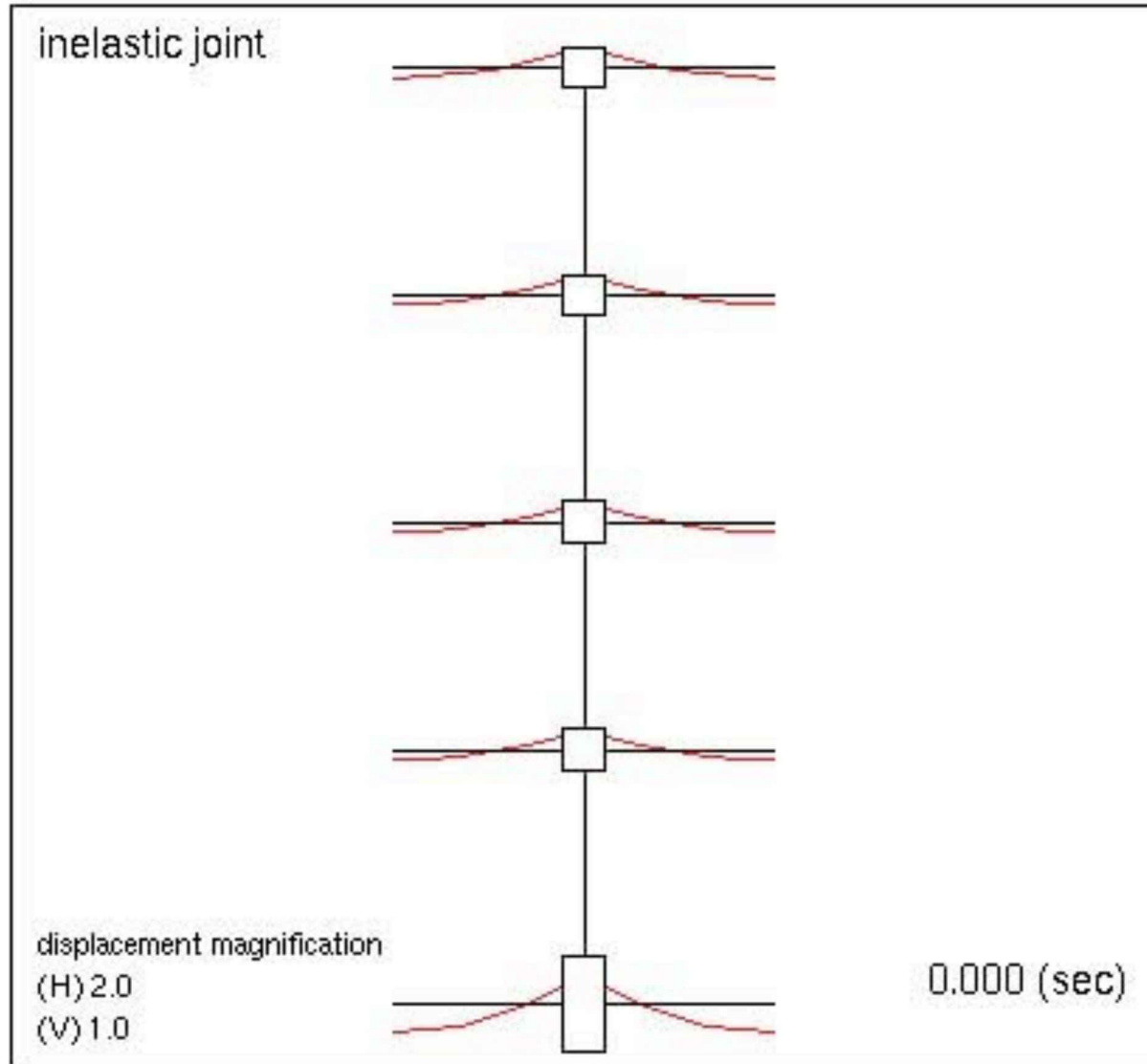
Spectra of Max. Response Acc. Damping = 5%



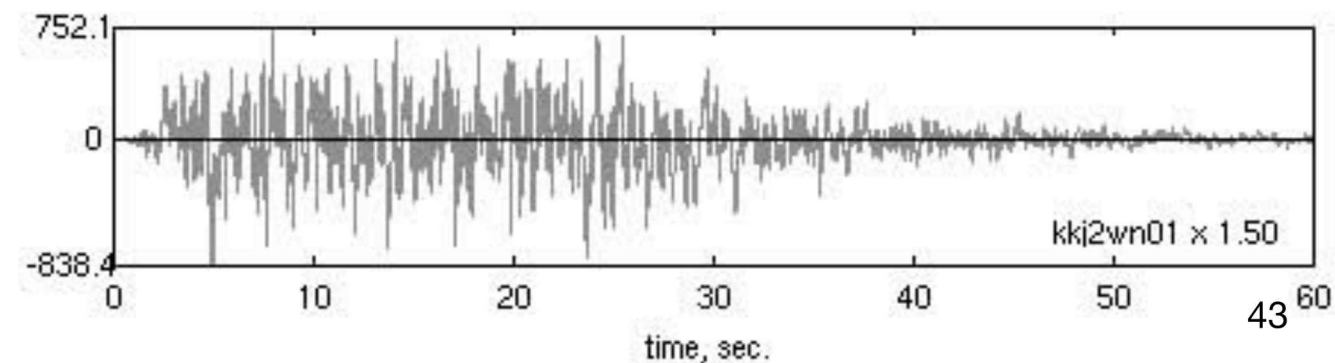
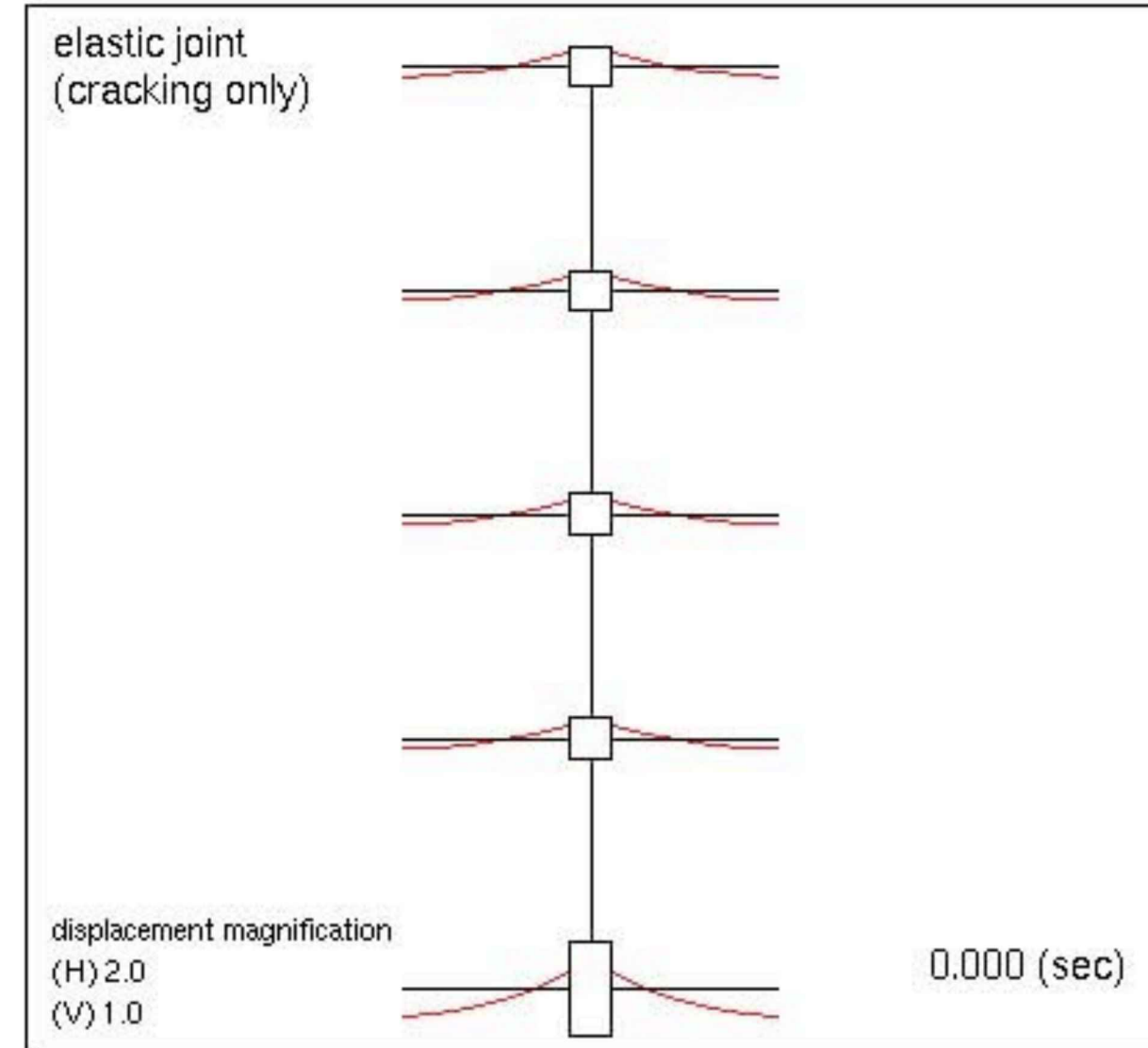
- Four input ground motions are selected for dynamic analysis

# Four Story Building Collapse Simulation

with non-linear BC Joint model

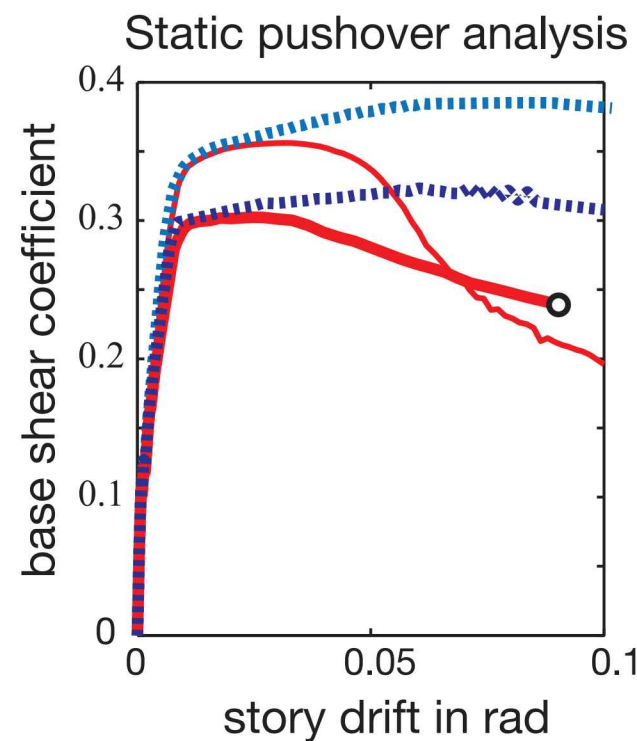


with elastic BC Joint model





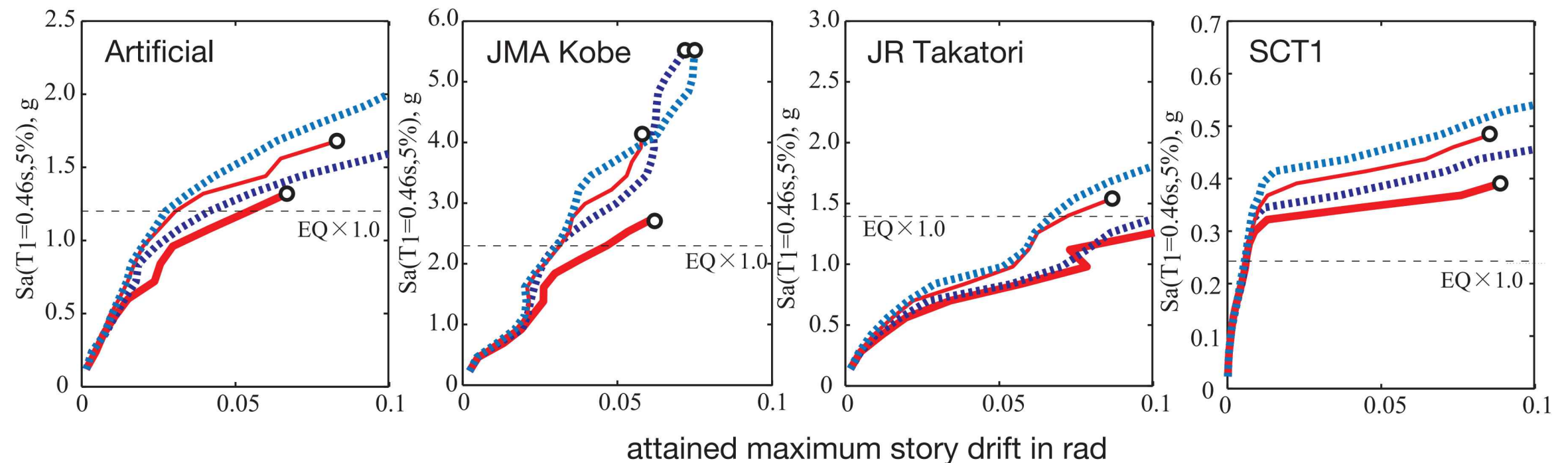
# Unstable Limit ; beyond Ultimate Limit



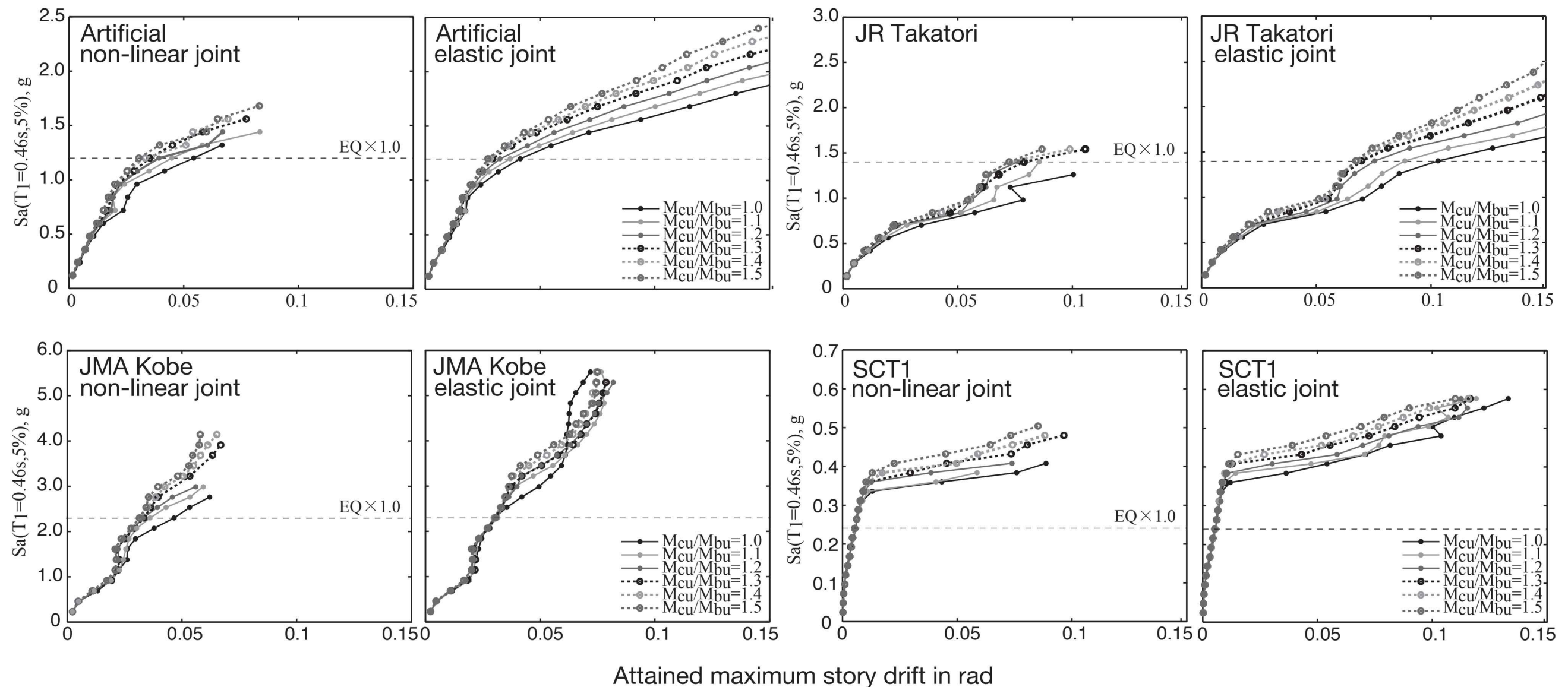
○ unstable limit = collapse limit

- Mcu/Mbu=1.0 non-linear joint
- Mcu/Mbu=1.0 elastic joint
- Mcu/Mbu=1.5 non-linear joint
- Mcu/Mbu=1.5 elastic joint

Dynamic pushover analysis (IDA)



# Column-to-beam Strength Ratio and Unstable Limit



- Frame with beam-column joint of C-to-B ratio of 1.0 become unstable at smaller ground motion amplification factor
- The difference is due to concentration of story drift at particular story



# New beam-column joint macro model and nonlinear dynamic analysis on RC frames

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- *Instability of moment resisting frame occurs at extremely large excitation*
  - Inappropriateness of non-linear frame model without consideration of non-linear beam-column joint is demonstrated,
  - Performance of beam-column joint is essential to attain stable seismic response at large displacement response level of ductility factor of 5 or more,
  - Joint hinging causes local concentration of story drift at particular story,
  - Then the frame becomes vulnerable to collapse due to P-Delta effect.
  - Large column-to-beam strength ratio is necessary to avoid collapse due to instability
  - Safety margin for extremely large earthquake is smaller if small column-to-beam strength ratio is used for seismic design