

Collapse of Older RC Frames during Earthquakes

- Ongoing Project and Joint Strength Estimation

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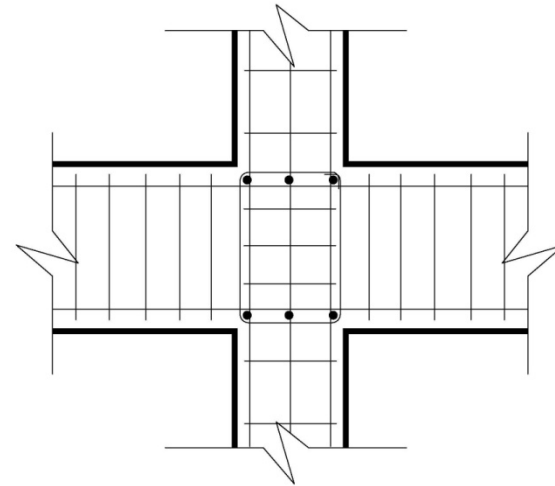
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Ongoing Project

- **Scheduling**
- **Proof Tests**
- **Constant Axial Load
Applying System**
- **Lead Weight Fixture**

Scheduling

Activity	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Construction of RC frame specimen		■	■	■		
Construction of steel supporting frame				■	■	
Proof tests for high axial load applying system					■	
Shake table tests						■

Proof Tests

- (1) Cross-sectional area of column: 20cmx40cm
- (2) 100cm clear column height
- (3) Flexure, and flexure-shear failures

embedded PVC sleeves for bolting lead packets



4 embedded bolts for connecting axial load applying system to the column

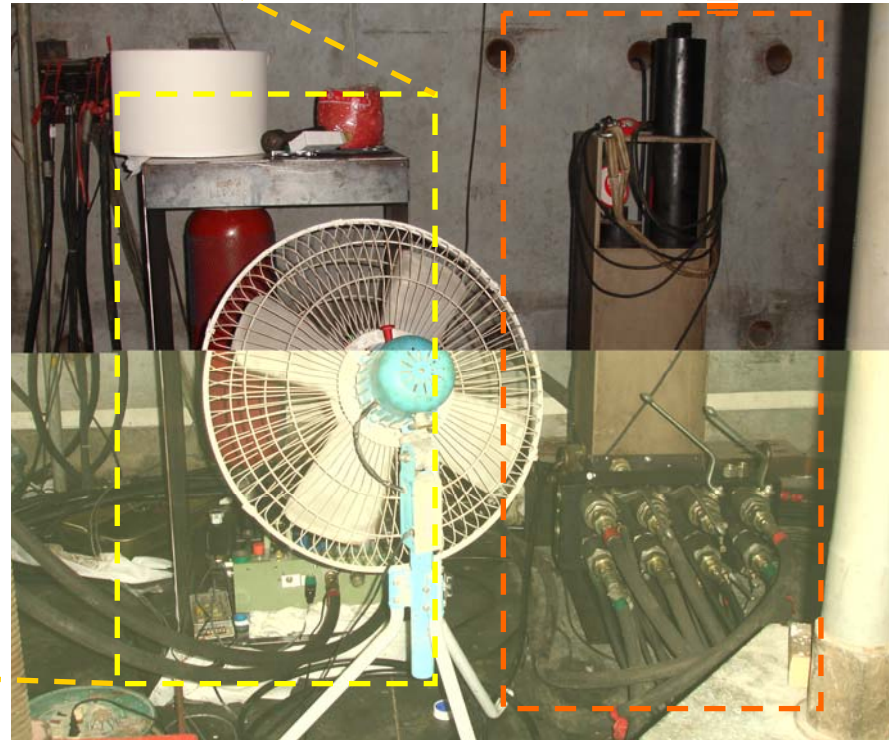
Purposes of single column tests:

- (1) Performance verification of high axial load applying system
- (2) Performance verification of lead weight fixture mechanism

Constant Axial Load Applying System



MTS Pumping System
(e.g., 200kgf/cm²)



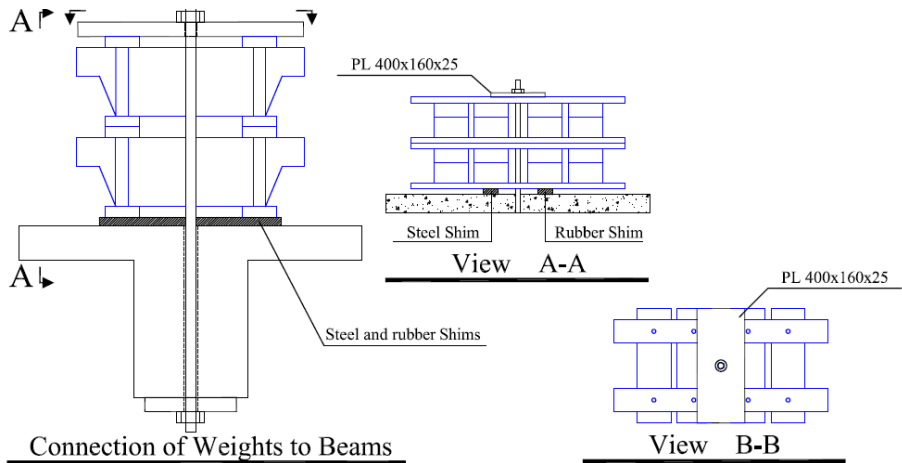
Pressure reducing valve

Pressure reducing and relieving valve
(fine tuning to keep a constant pressure at 150kg/cm² level to minimize the influence from column lengthening/shortening)

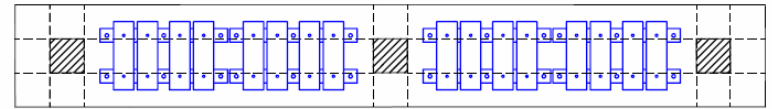
Performance requirements:

- ✓ No more than 10% pressure loss in cylinder under a vertical setback of 25mm
- ✓ Synchronizing valves to ensure simultaneous axial load applications

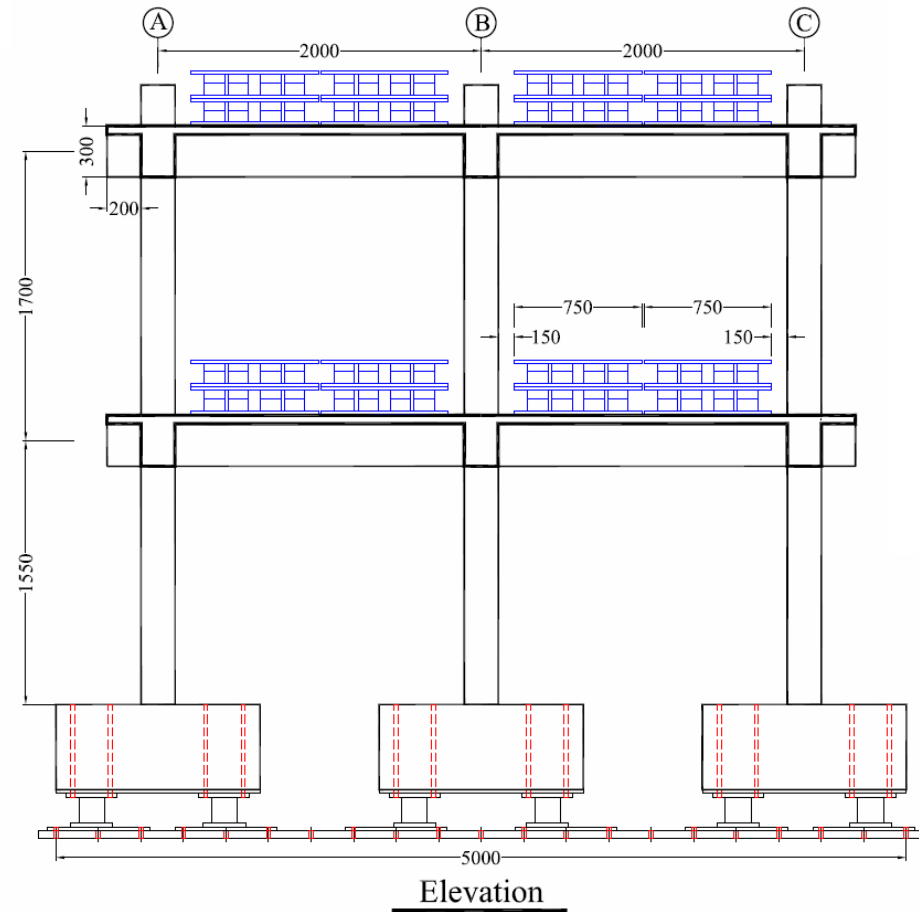
Lead Weight Fixture



prestressing rod + steel shim + rubber shim



Top View



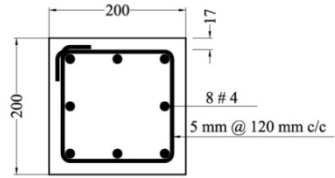
Joint Strength Estimation

- Demand Analysis
- Strength Analysis
- Strength-to-Demand Ratio
- Discussion

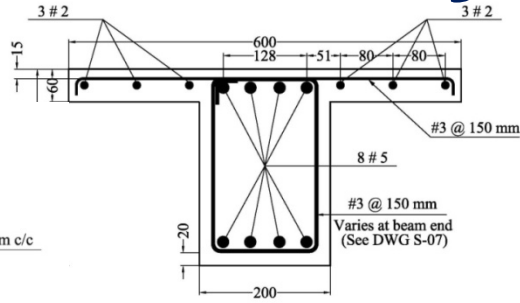


Demand Analysis

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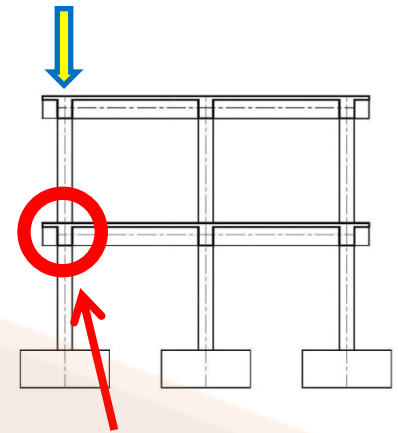
Column Section C-C



Beam Section A-A (First Level)

Beam
← Analysis

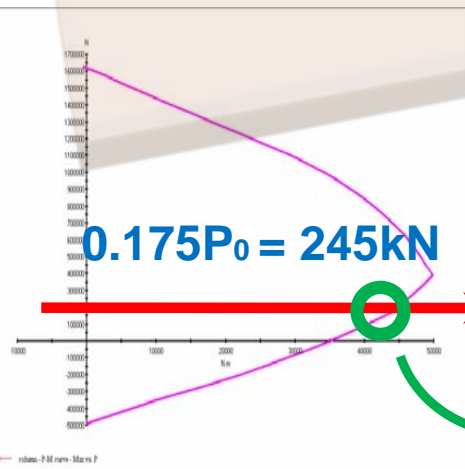
$0.175P_0$



Joint A1

$M_{nb} = 135 \text{ kN-m}$

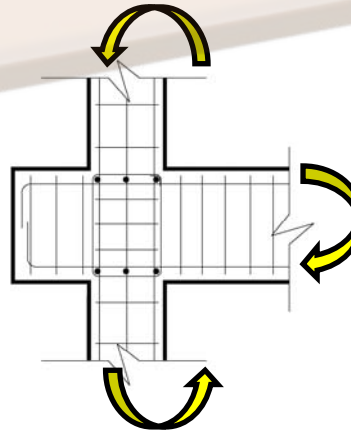
P-M curve
Analysis



$0.175P_0 = 245 \text{ kN}$

M_{nc}

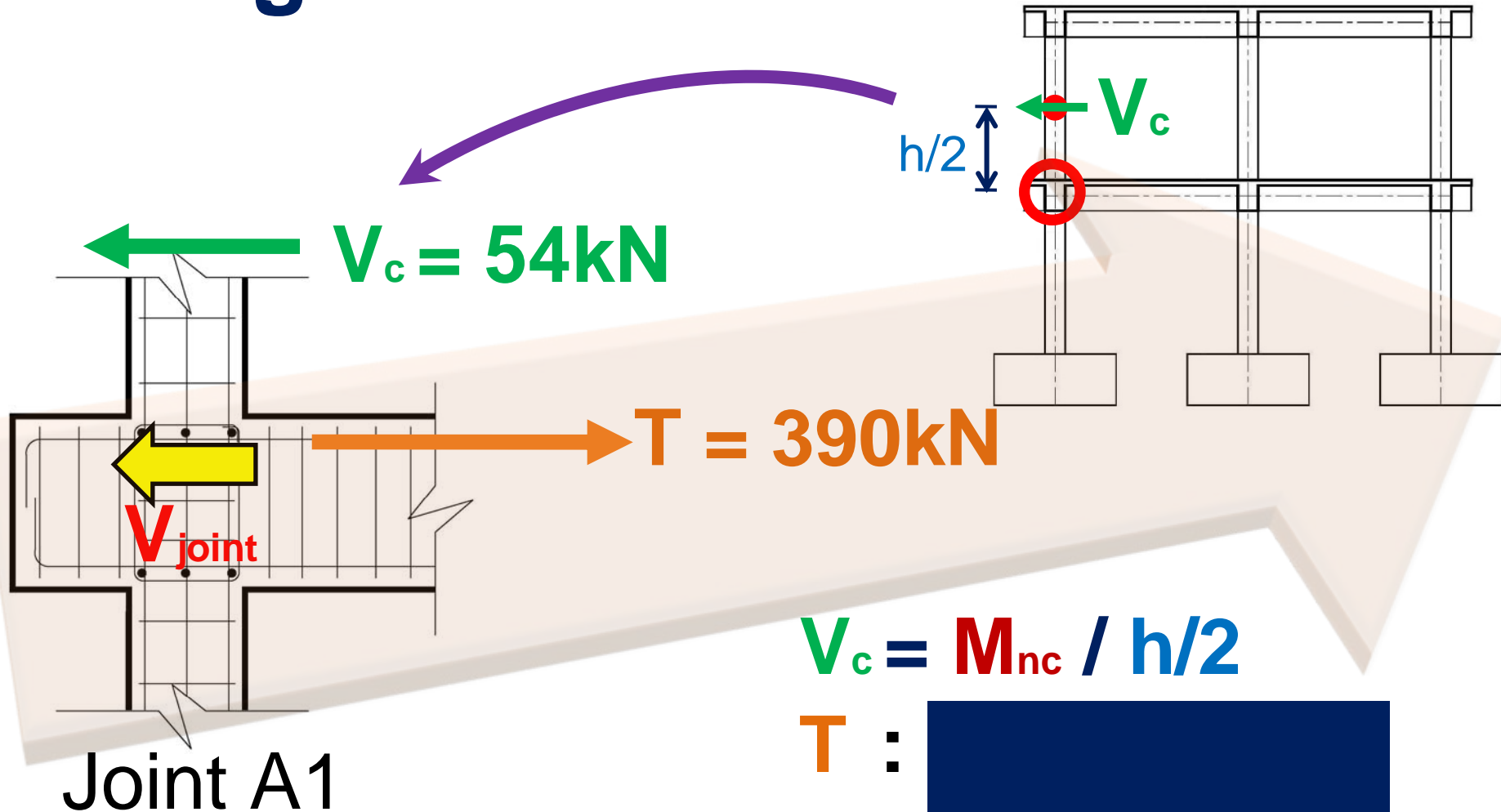
$M_{nc} = 46 \text{ kN-m}$



$M_b = 0.68 M_{nb}$

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Acting Horizontal Shear Force



$$V_c = M_{nc} / h/2$$

T :

$$V_{\text{joint}} = T - V_c = 3$$

Strength Analysis

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Four faces confined

$$V_n = 1.67\sqrt{f'_c}A_j$$

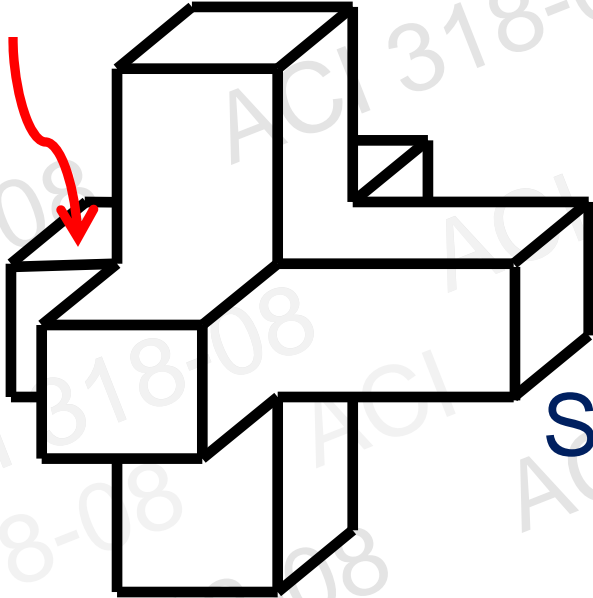
Three faces confined

$$V_n = 1.25\sqrt{f'_c}A_j$$

Others

$$V_n = 1.00\sqrt{f'_c}A_j$$

beam stub



Joint A1

We choose :

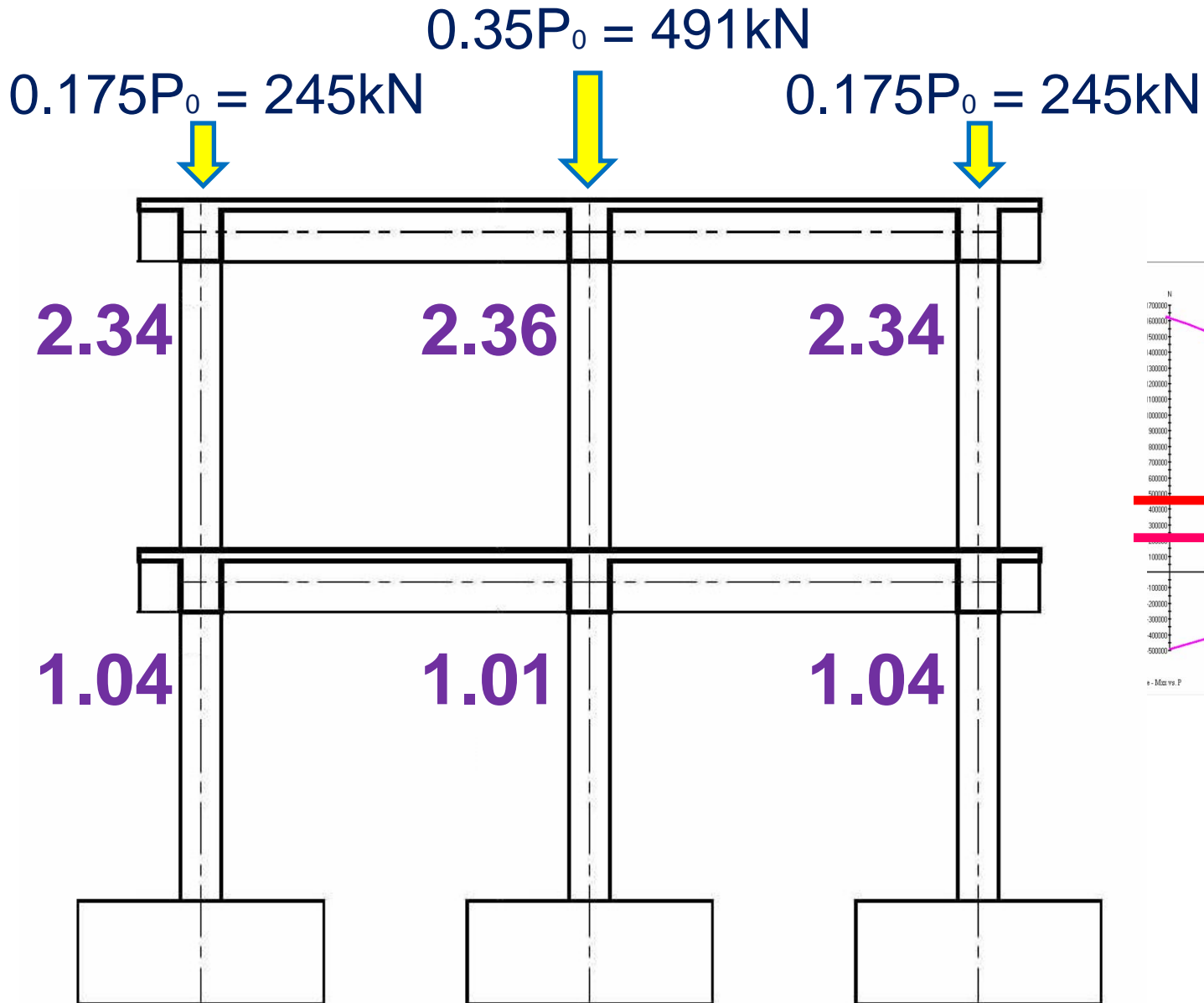
$$V_n = 1.67\sqrt{f'_c}A_j = 350\text{kN}$$

Strength-to-Demand Ratio (β)

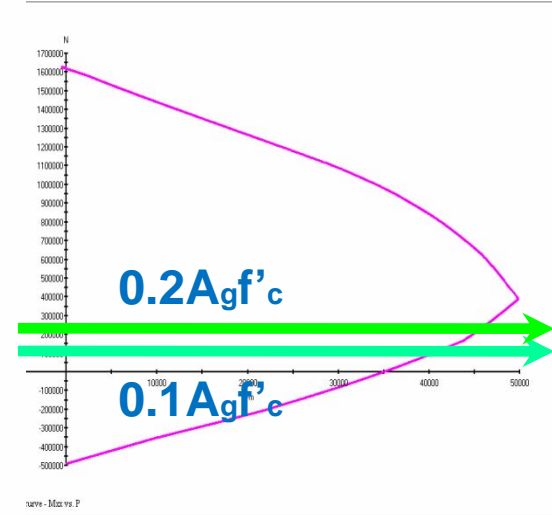
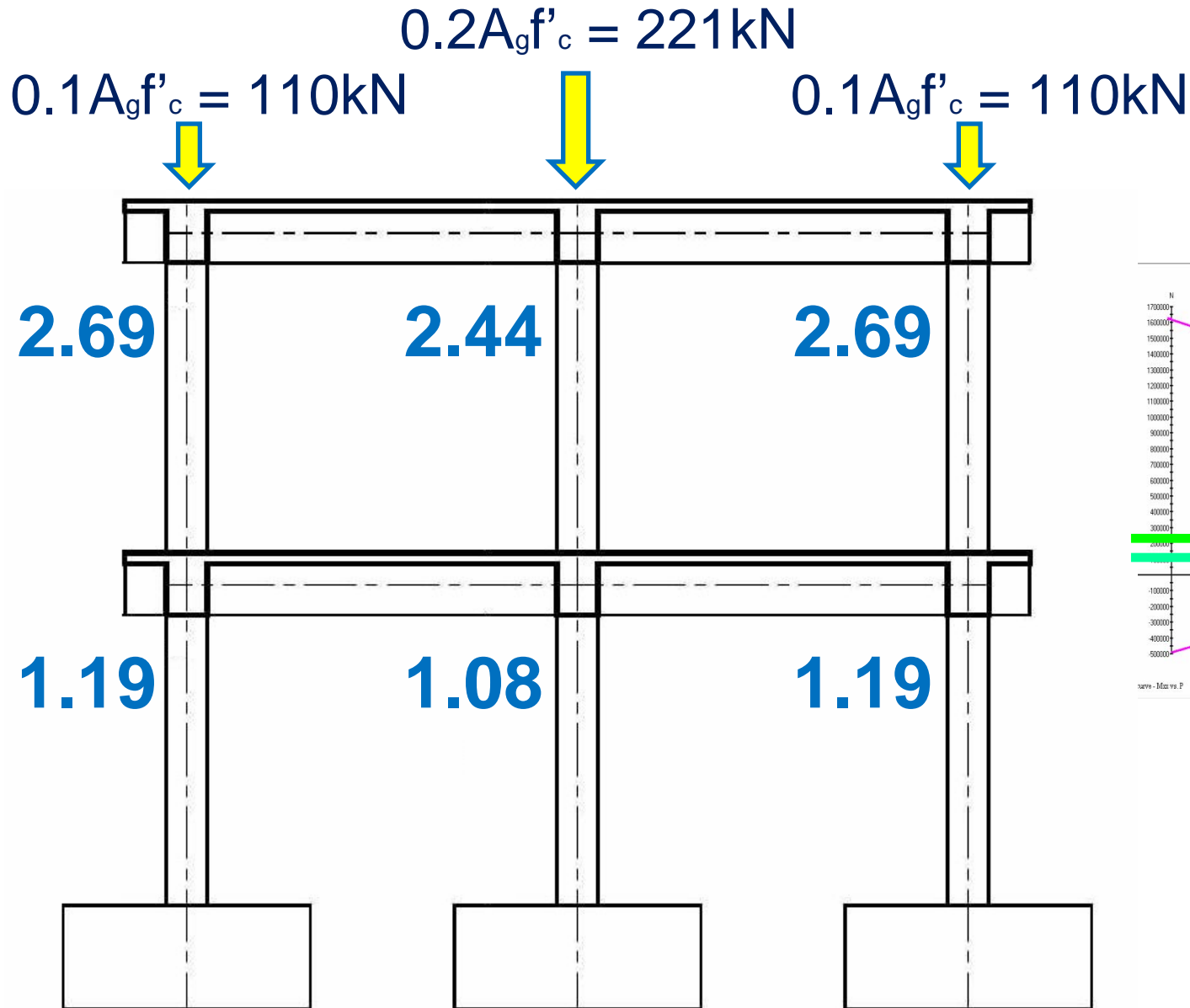
$$\beta = 1.04$$

Strength-to-Demand Ratio

High Axial Load



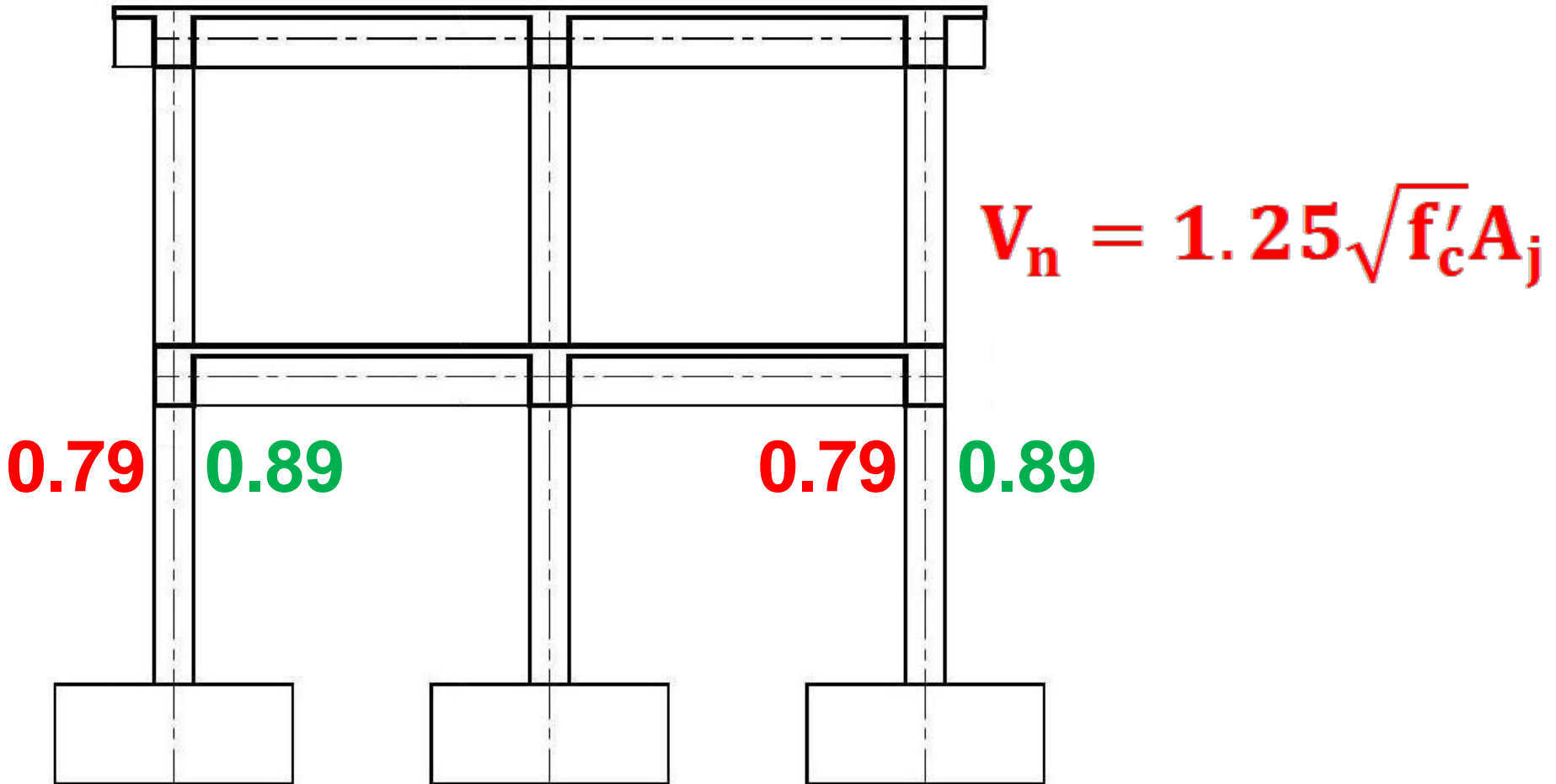
Low Axial Load



W/O beam stub

● High Axial Load

● Low Axial Load

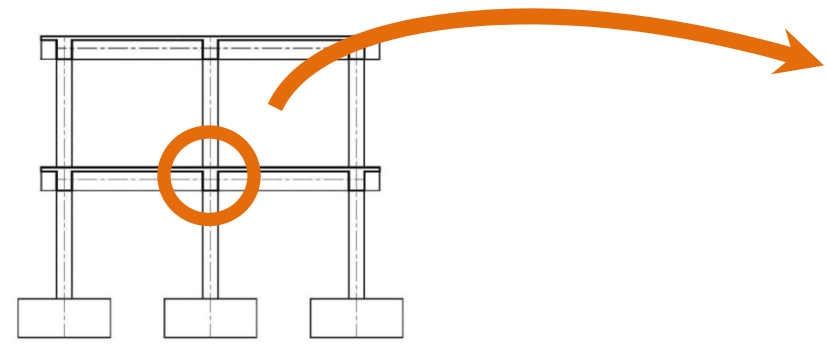


Discussion

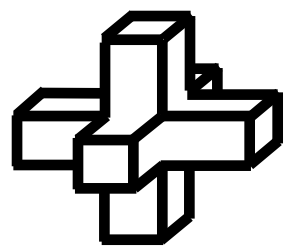
Compare with the specimens tested by :

Kitayama, Kojima, Otani and Aoyama (1989; in Japan)

**TAIWAN
(2008)**

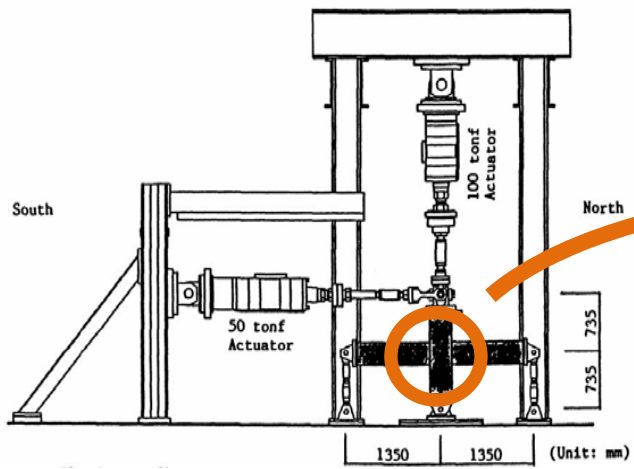


Column Failed

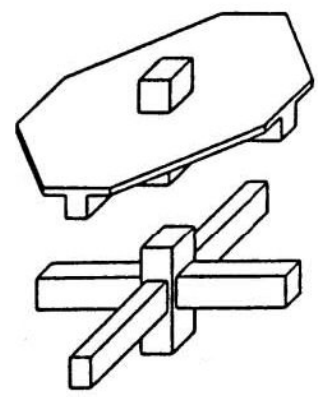


Joint B1

**JAPAN
(1989)**



Beam Failed



Interior joint

Compare with the specimens tested by :

Kitayama, Kojima, Otani and Aoyama (1989; in Japan)

For Interior Joint

	BEAM	COLUMN	h_c / d_b	JOINT SHEAR STRESS
TAIWAN	200×300 (mm)	200×200 (mm)	23.6	0.27 ~ 0.31 f'_c
JAPAN	200×300 (mm)	300×300 (mm)	23.6	0.35 ~ 0.40 f'_c

Specimens A1, A2, A3, A4

tested by Kitayama, Kojima, Otani and Aoyama (1989; in Japanese)

- **Beam:**
200x300
mm
- **Column:**
300x300
mm
- **Slab:**
70 mm

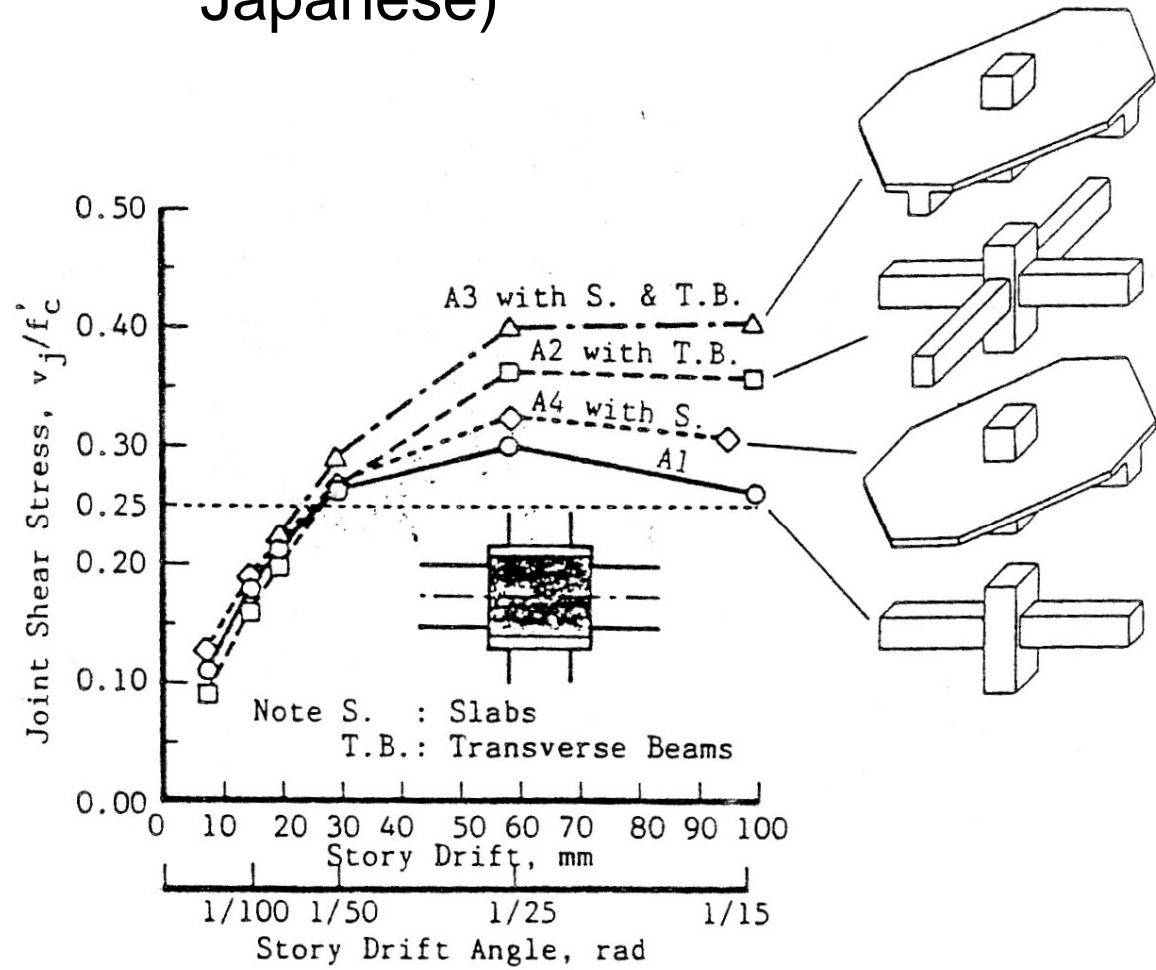


Fig. 15--Story drift -- joint shear stress relations

Thank you !!