

# Collapse of Older RC Frames during Earthquakes

- Ongoing Project and Joint Strength Estimation

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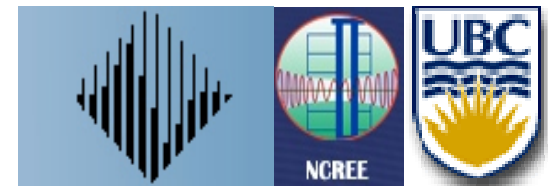
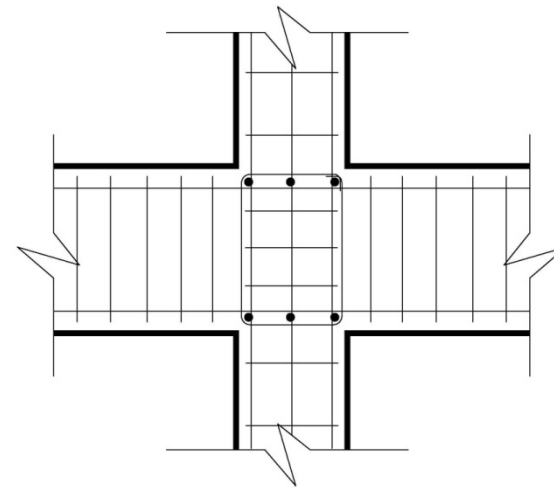
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# Ongoing Project

- **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

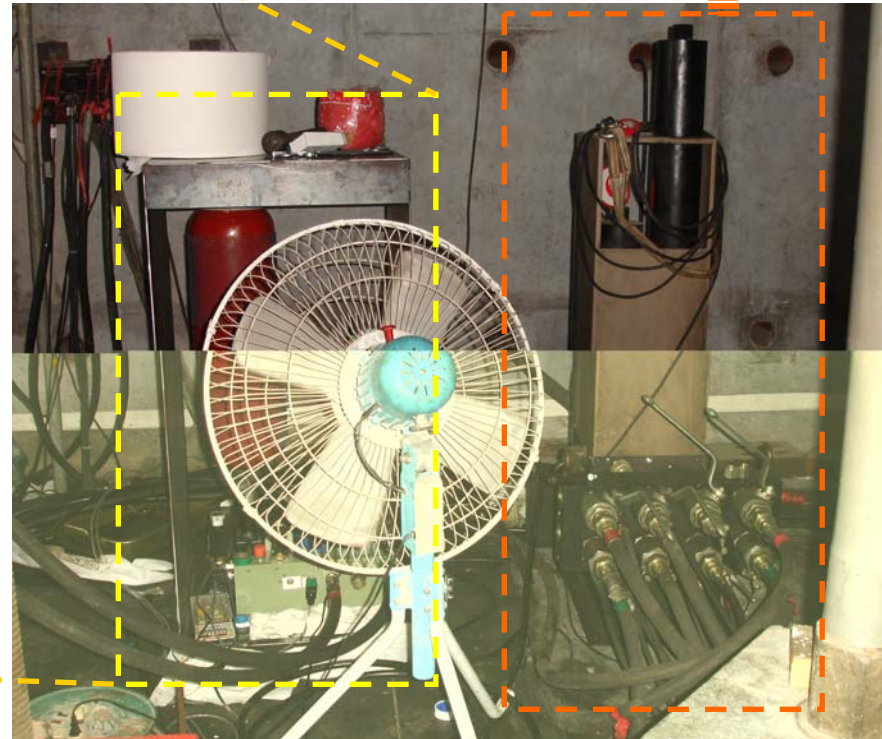
Purposes of single column tests:

- (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/cm<sup>2</sup>)



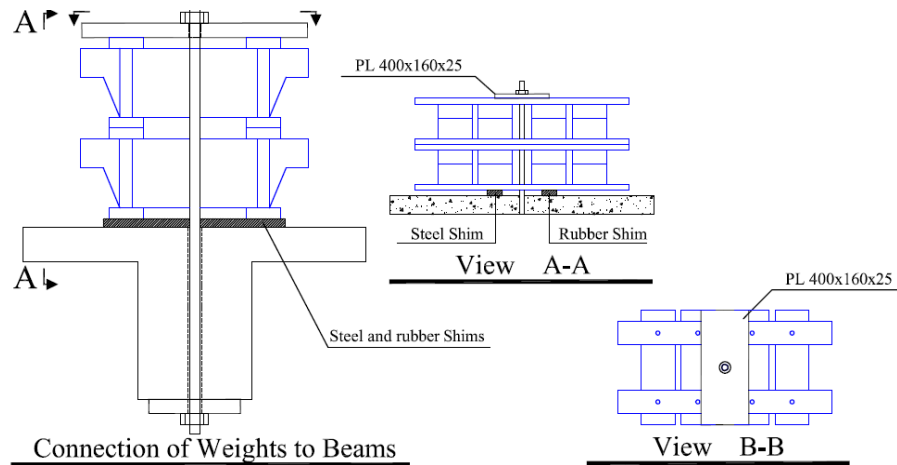
Pressure reducing valve

Pressure reducing and relieving valve  
(fine tuning to keep a constant pressure at 150kg/cm<sup>2</sup> level to minimize the influence from column lengthening/shortening)

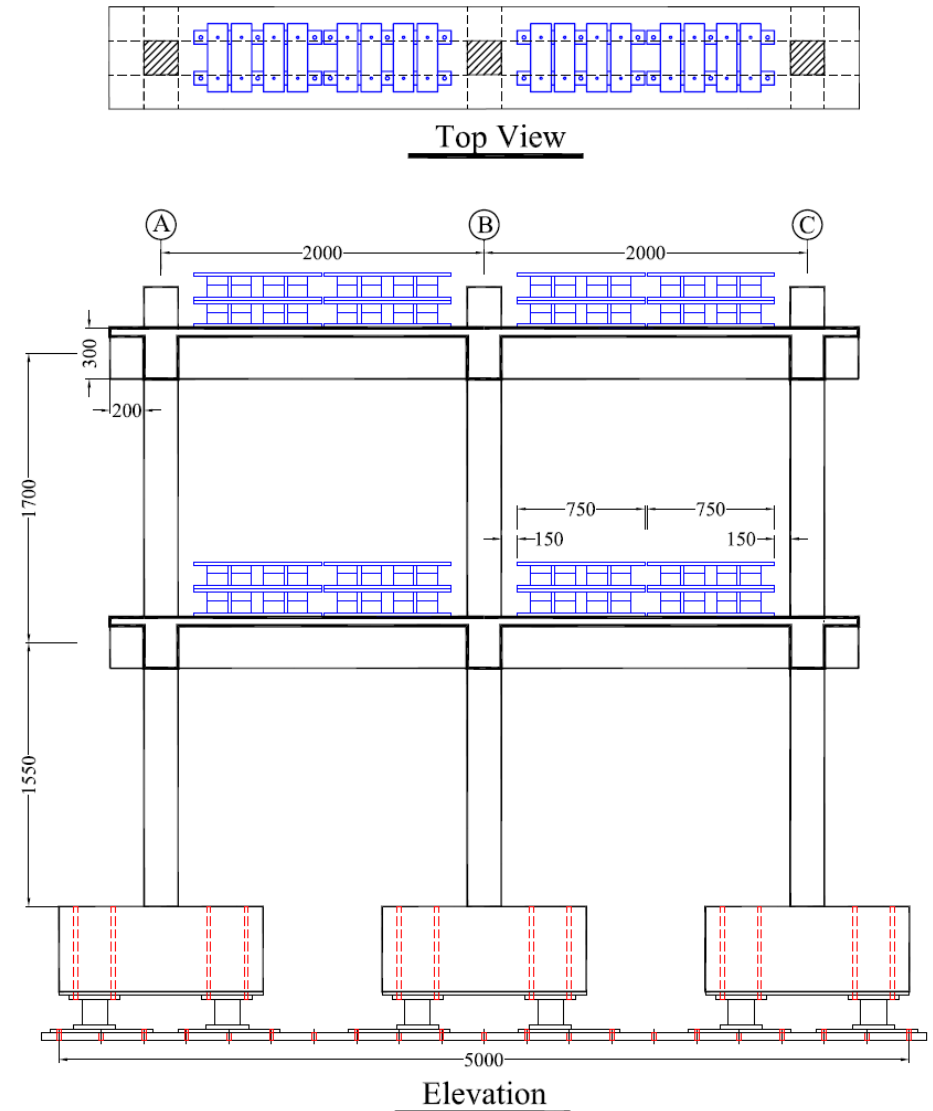
Performance requirements:

- ✓ 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



# Joint Strength Estimation

- Demand Analysis
- Strength Analysis (ACI 318)
- Strength Analysis (SST)
- Discussion

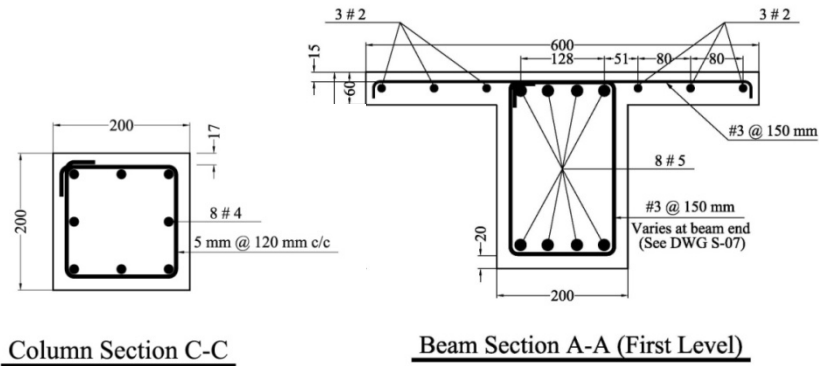




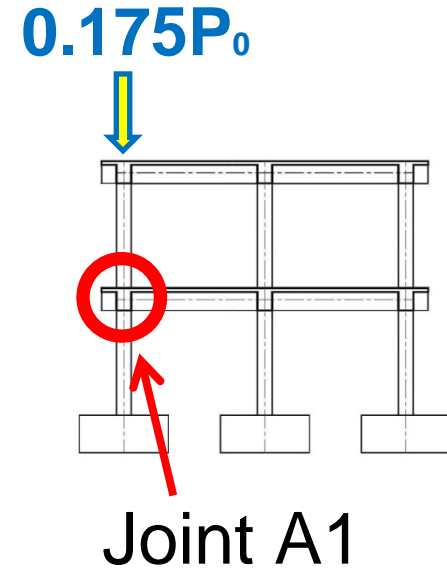
***Demand Analysis***



# Demand Analysis

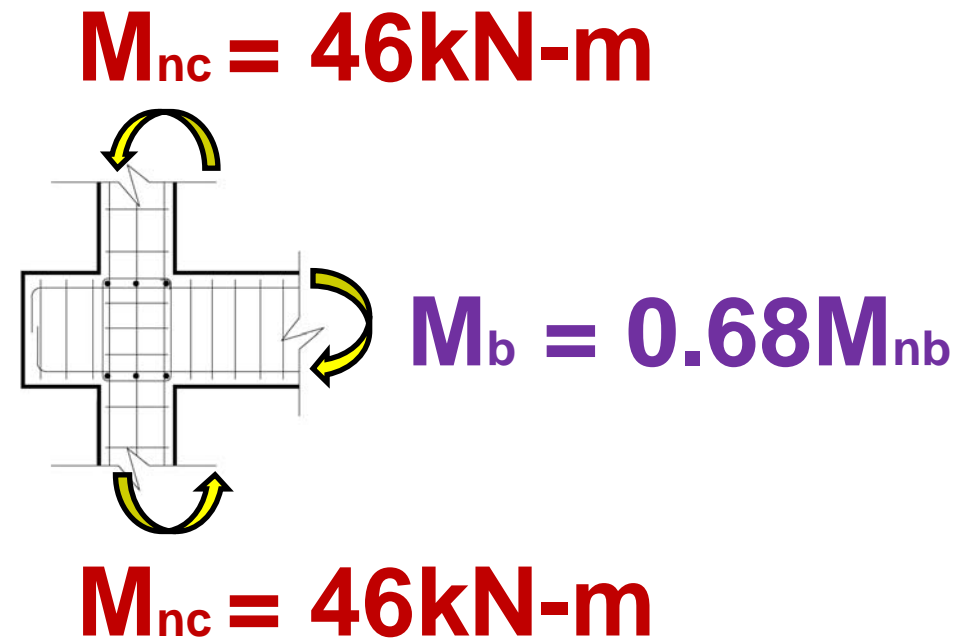
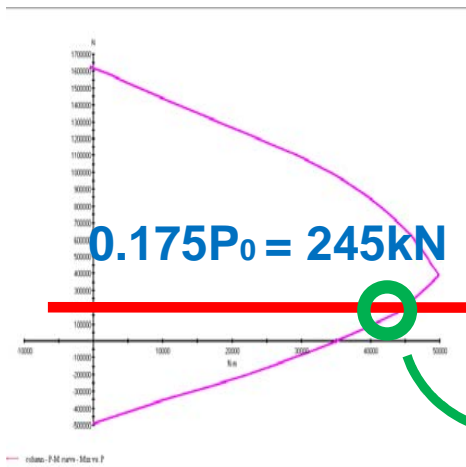


**Beam**  
← Analysis

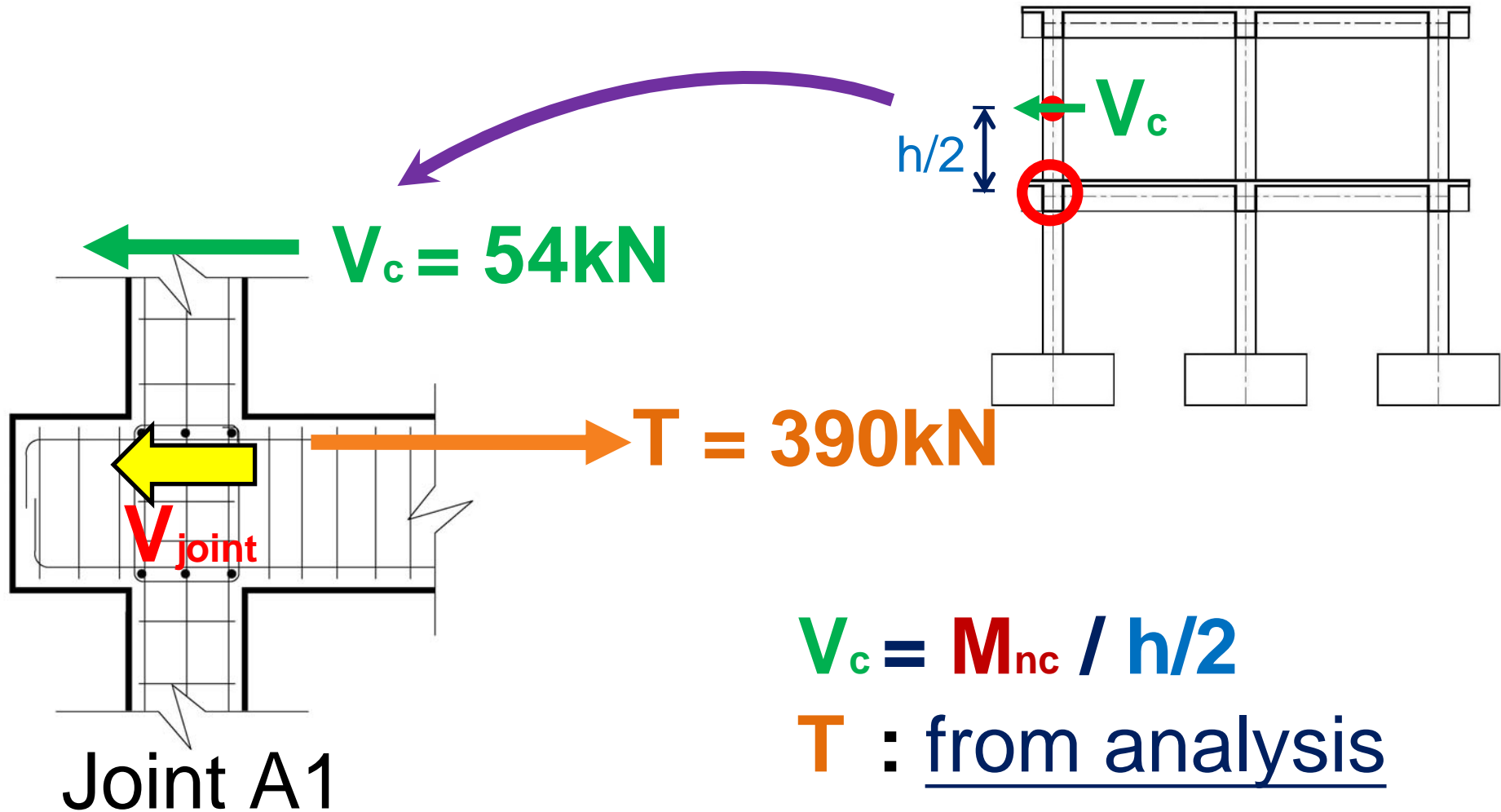


**M<sub>nb</sub> = 135kN-m**

↓ **P-M curve**  
Analysis



# Acting Horizontal Shear Force



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

$T$  : from analysis

$$V_{\text{joint}} = T - V_c = 336\text{kN}$$

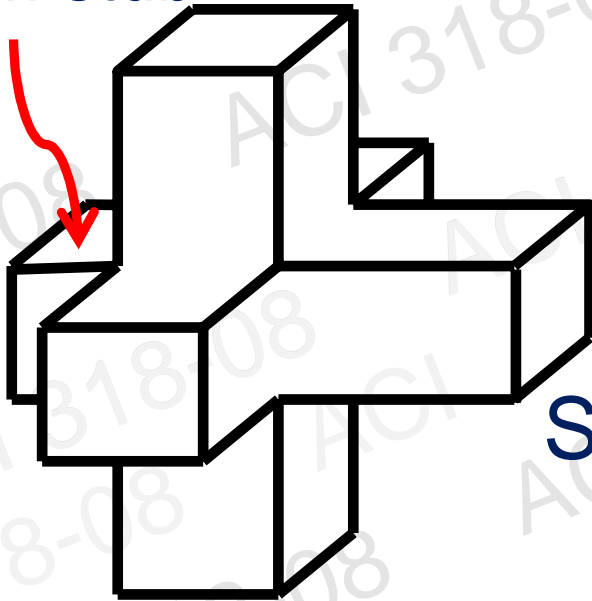
# ***Strength Analysis (ACI 318)***

# Strength Analysis

## ACI 318-08 Seismic Provisions

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 :

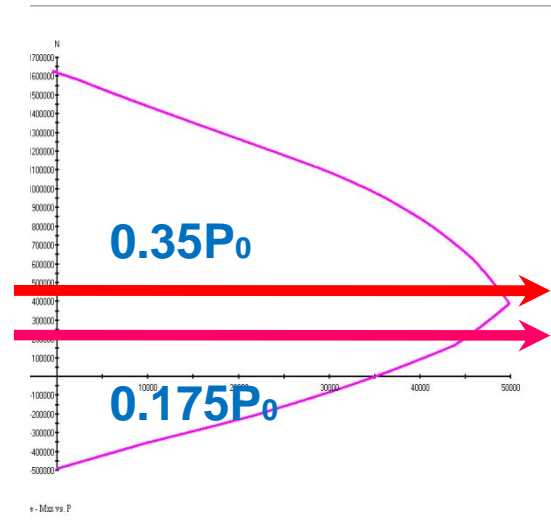
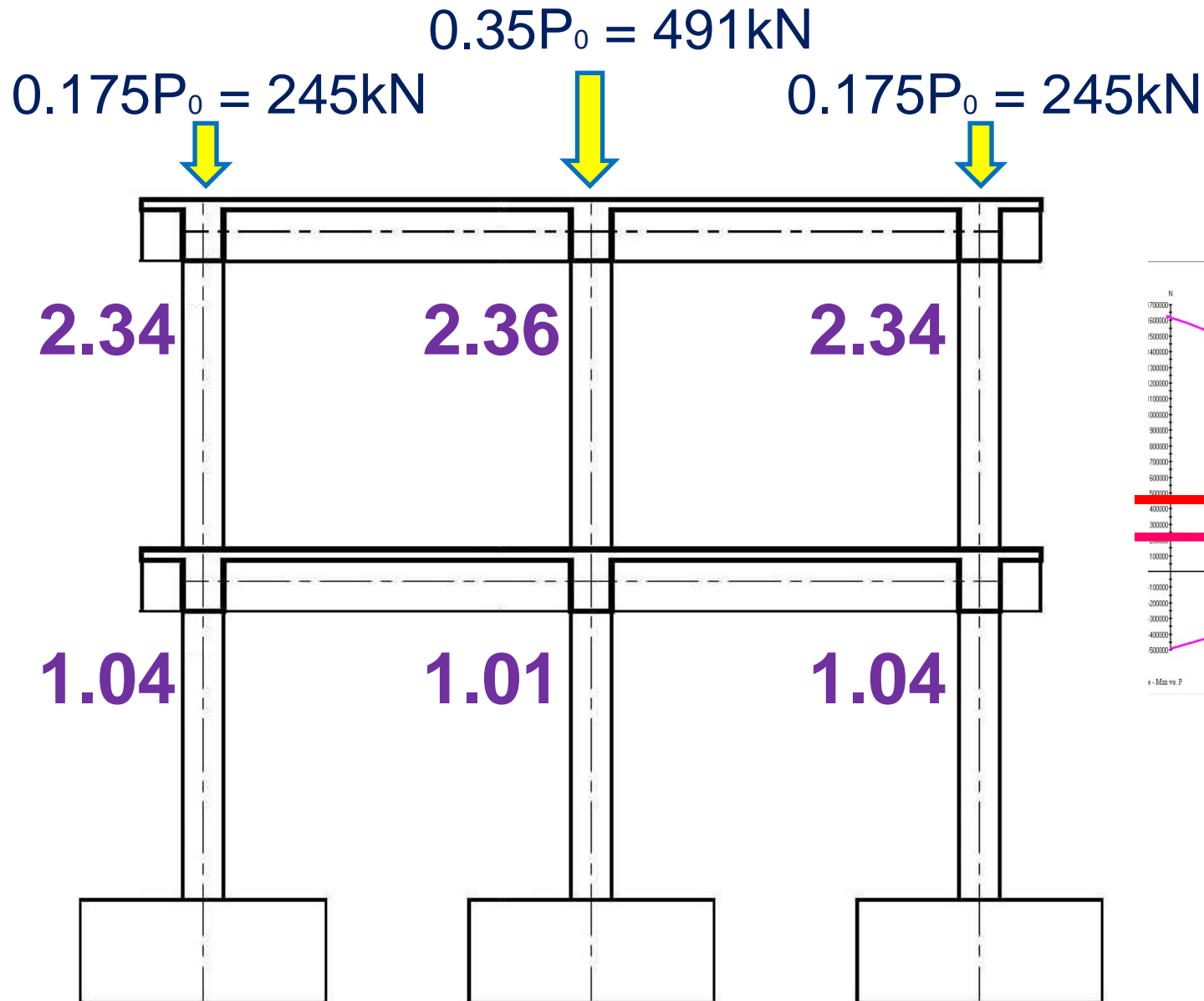
$$V_n = 1.67\sqrt{f'_c}A_j = 350\text{kN}$$

Strength-to-Demand Ratio ( $\beta$ )

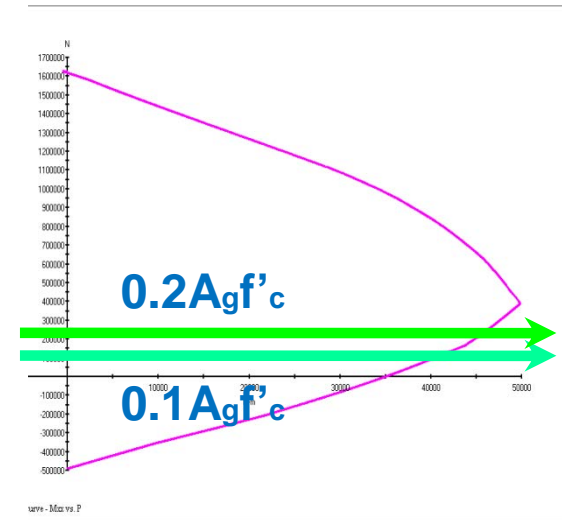
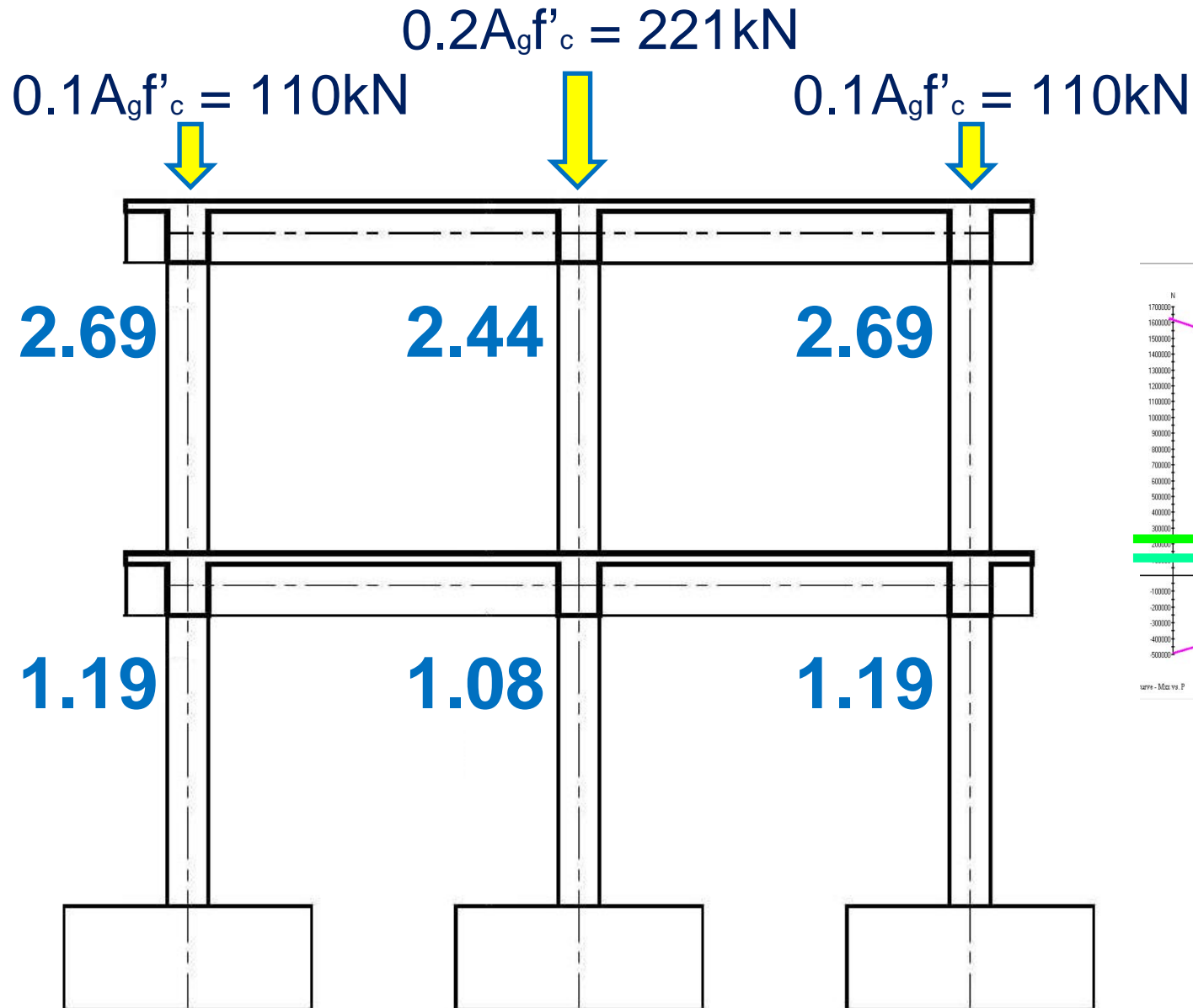
$$\underline{\beta = 1.04}$$

# ***Strength-to-Demand Ratio***

# High Axial Load



# Low Axial Load

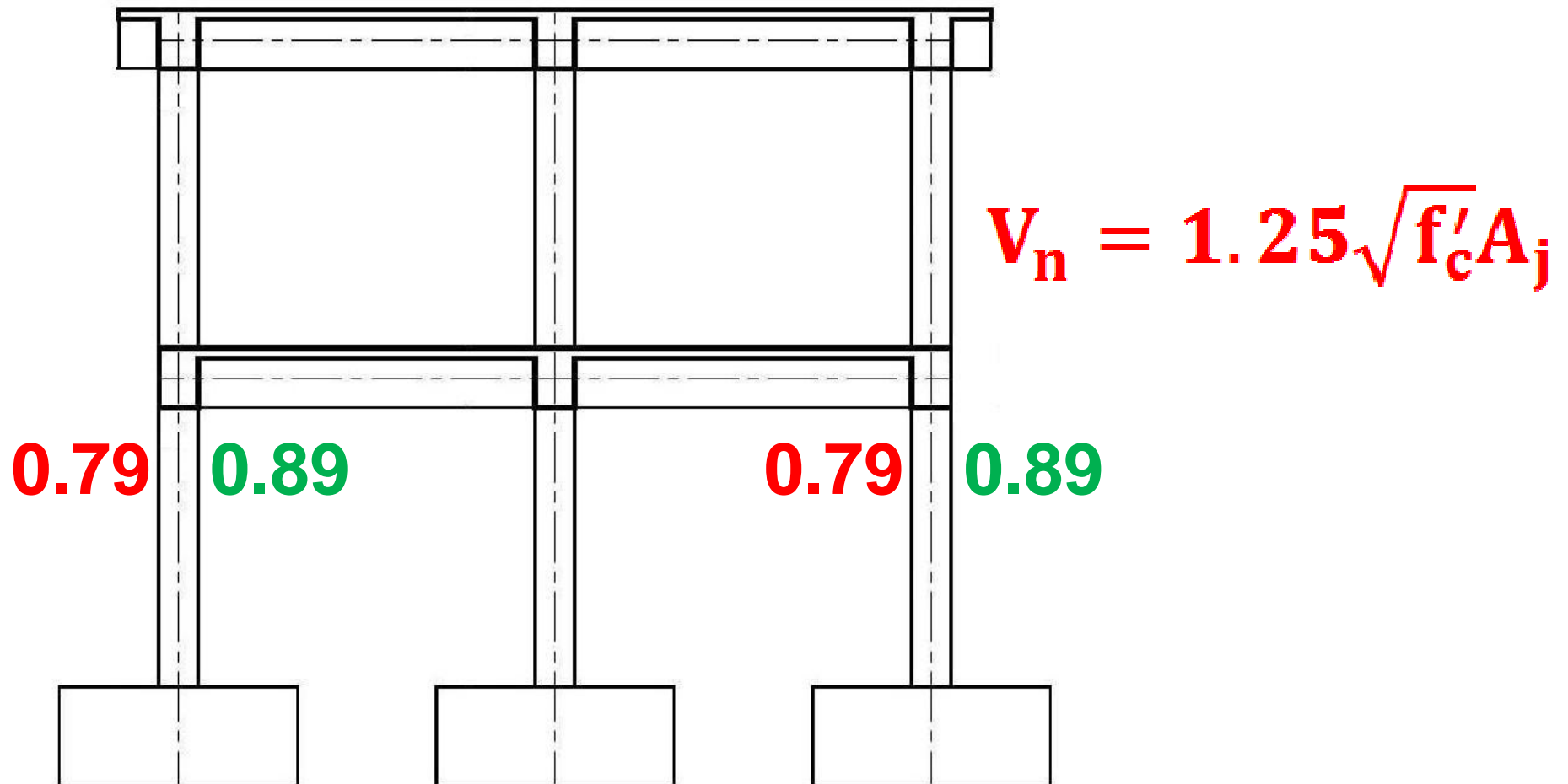




# *W/O beam stub*

● High Axial Load

● Low Axial Load



***Strength Analysis  
(Softened Strut-and-Tie)***

# Strength Analysis

## Strut-and-Tie Model

$$\rightarrow V_{\text{joint}} = C_{d,n} \cos\theta = K \zeta f'_c A_{\text{str}} \cos\theta$$

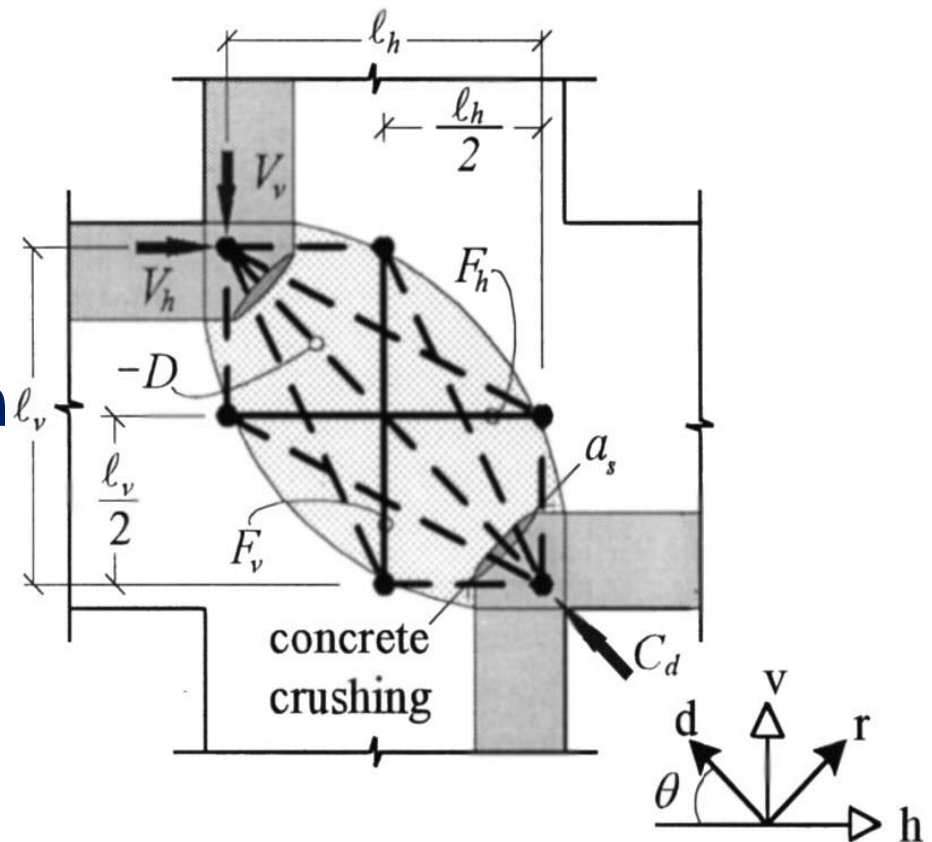
$C_{d,n}$ : the nominal diagonal compressive strength

$K$ : strut-and-tie index

$\zeta$ : the softening coefficient

$A_{\text{str}}$ : The effective area of the diagonal strut

$\theta$ : the diagonal angle



# Strength Analysis

## Strut-and-Tie Model

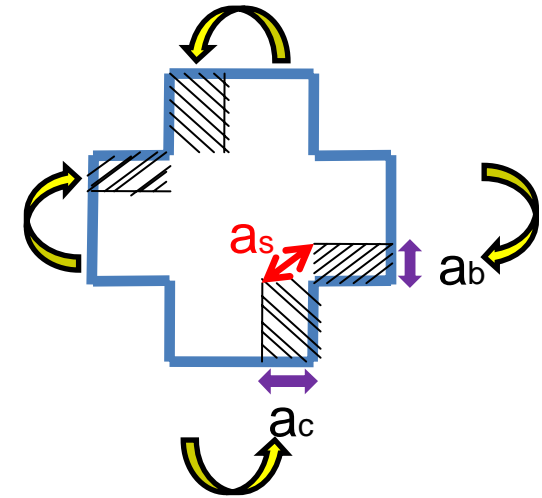
  $A_{str} : a_s \times b_s$

$a_s$ : depth of the diagonal strut

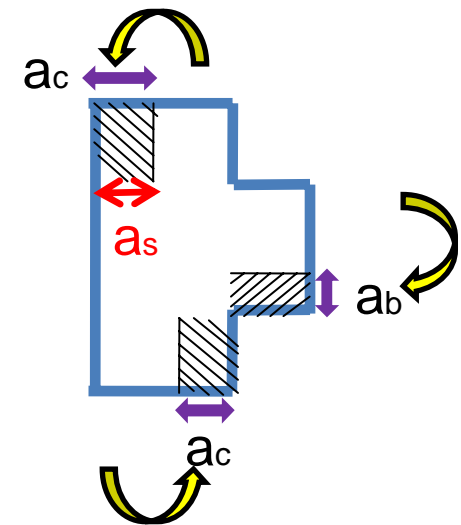
→ interior joint  $a_s := \sqrt{a_b^2 + a_c^2}$

→ exterior joint  $a_s = a_c$

$b_s$ : width of the diagonal strut

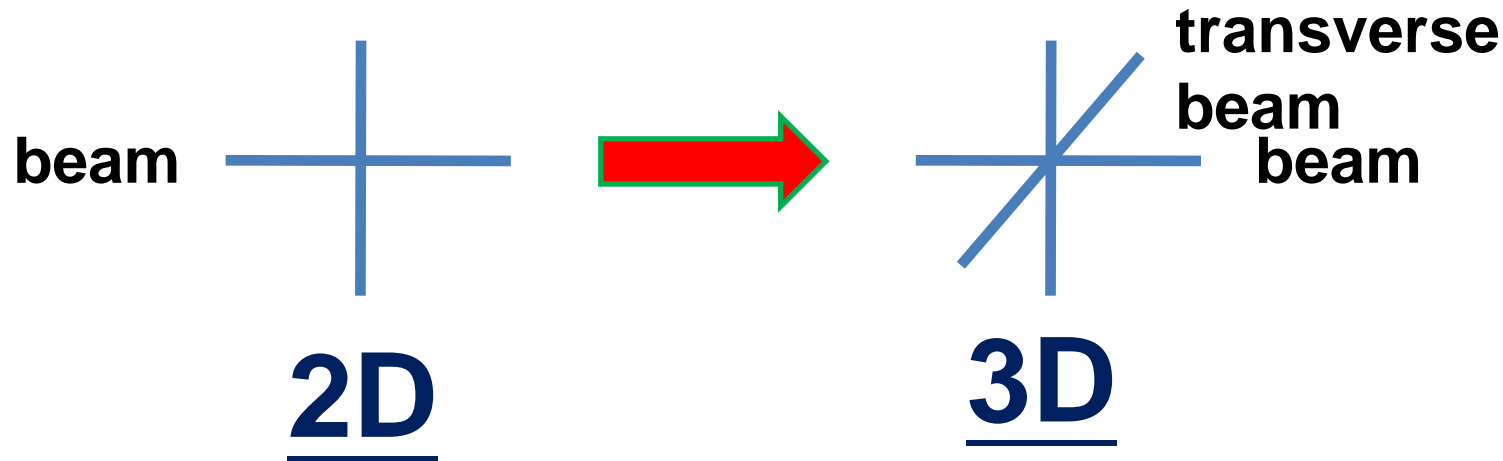


interior



exterior

# Strength Analysis    Strut-and-Tie Model



$$Ratio = \frac{20\sqrt{f'_c}}{15\sqrt{f'_c}} = 1.33$$

Strength-to-Demand Ratio ( $\beta$ )

$$V_n = 220 \text{ kN}$$

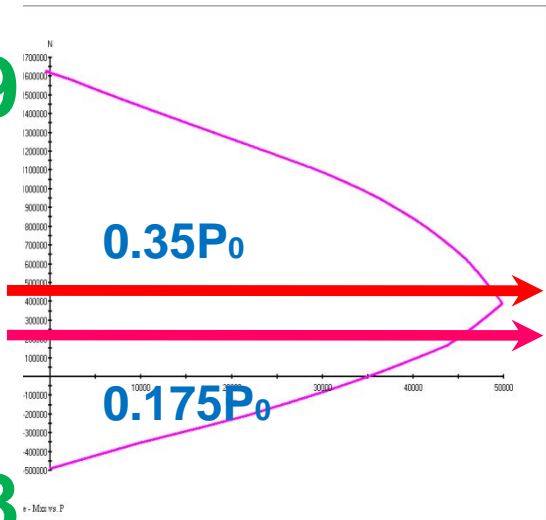
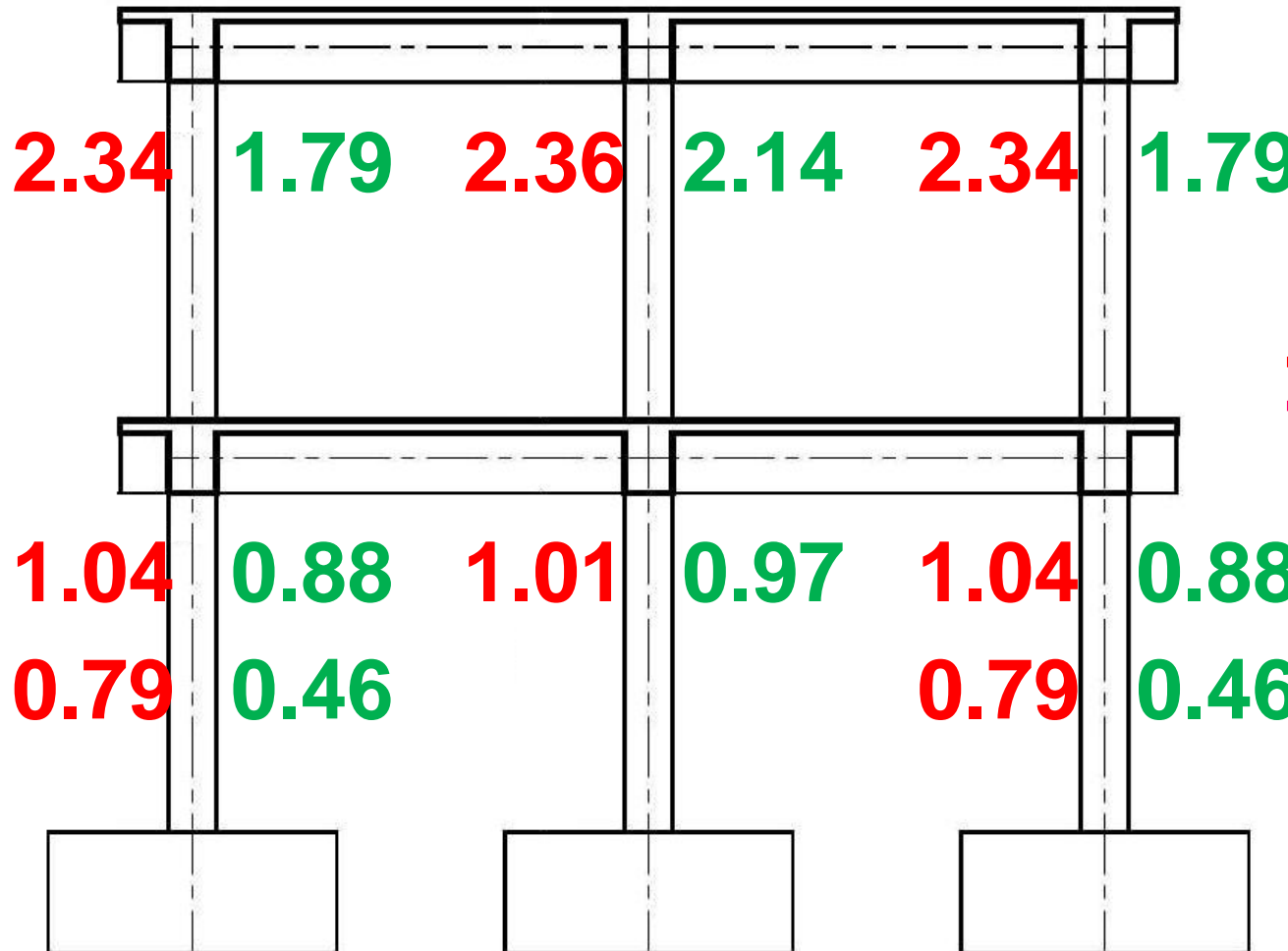
$$\underline{\beta = 0.88}$$

# ***Strength-to-Demand Ratio***

# High Axial Load

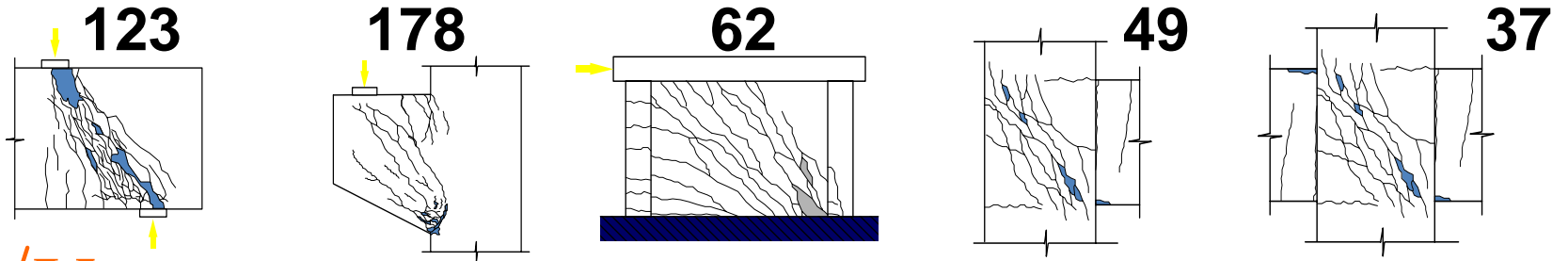
$0.175P_0 = 245\text{kN}$        $0.35P_0 = 491\text{kN}$        $0.175P_0 = 245\text{kN}$

- ACI
- SST
- ACI w/o stub
- SST w/o stub

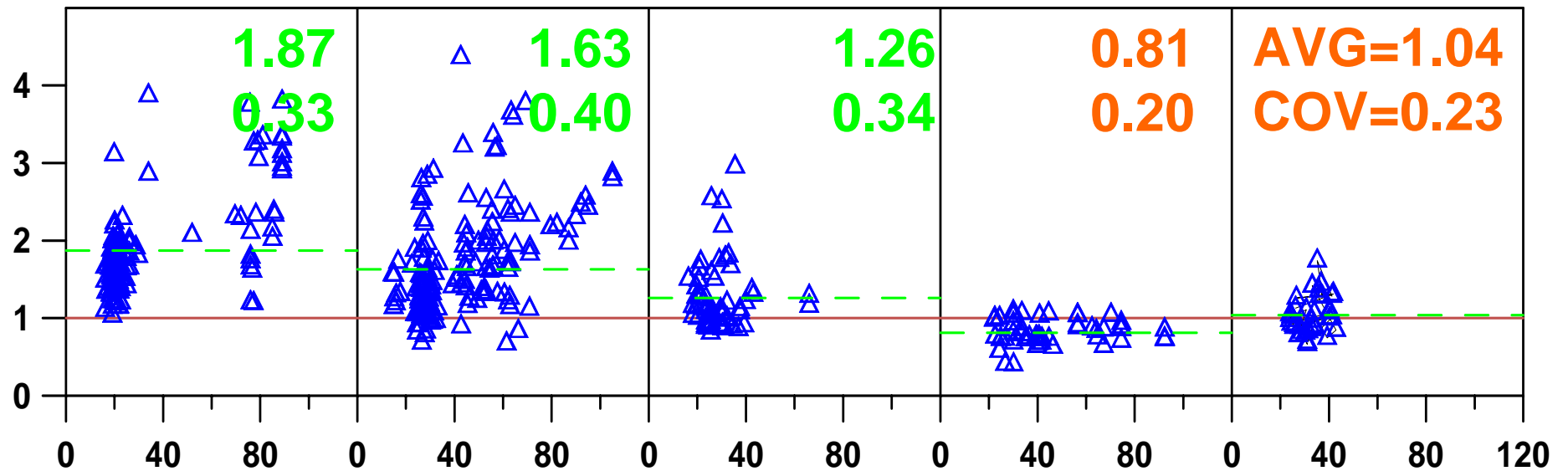




# Shear Strength Analysis - ACI 318-95

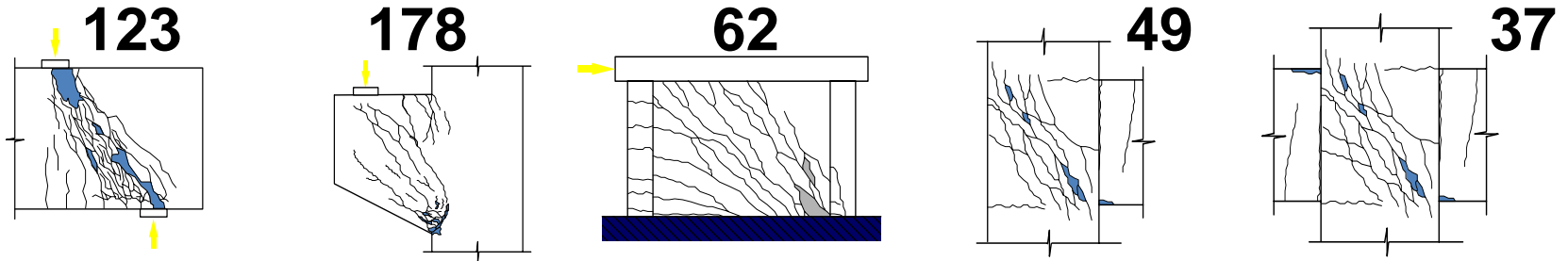


$$V_{test} / V_n$$

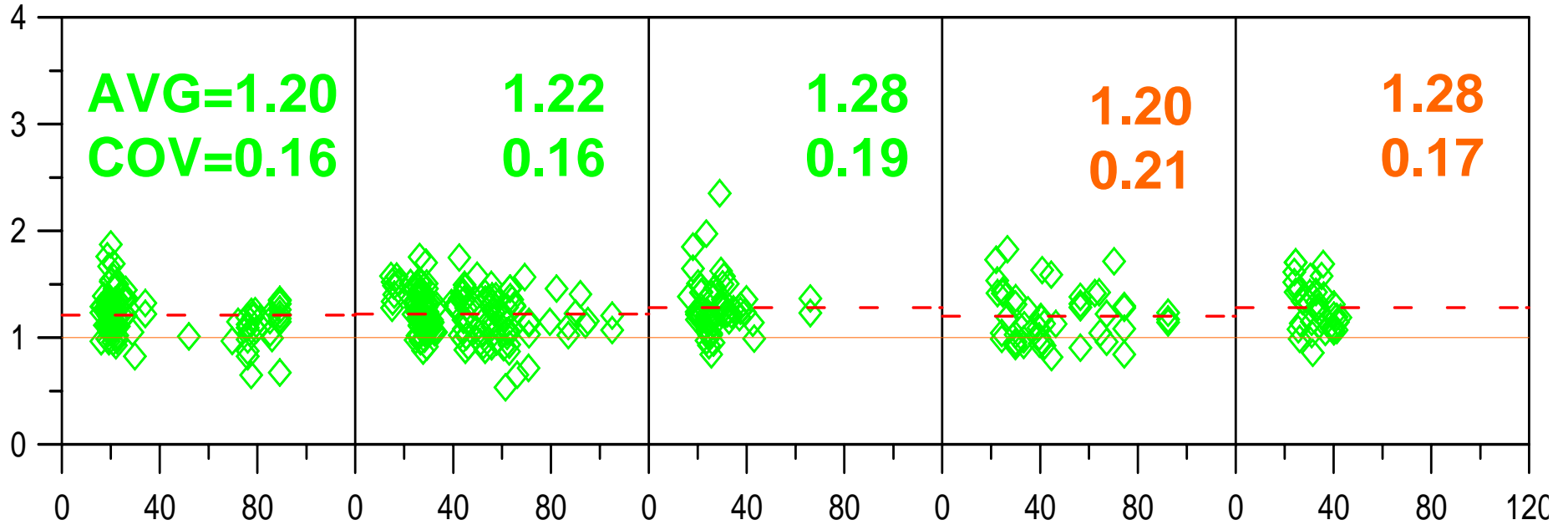


$f'_c$  (MPa)

# Shear Strength Analysis - SST



$C_{d,test} / C_{d,n}$



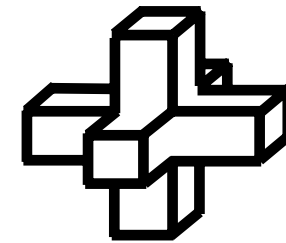
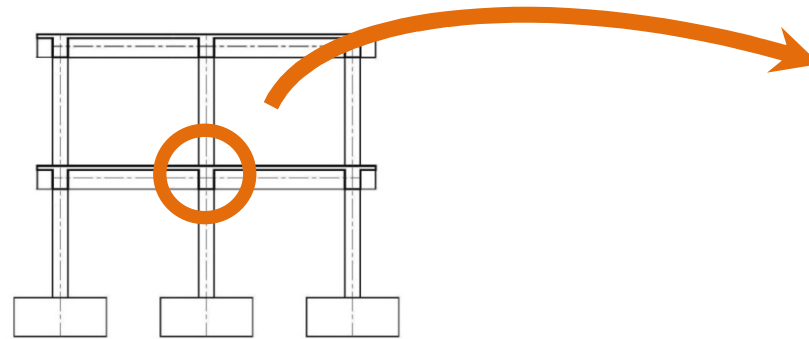
$f'_c$  (MPa) SST/ACI=1.04/1.28=0.81

# ***Discussion***

# Compare with the specimens tested by :

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

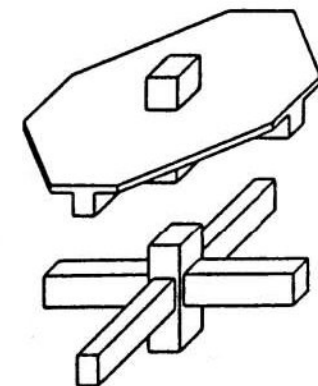
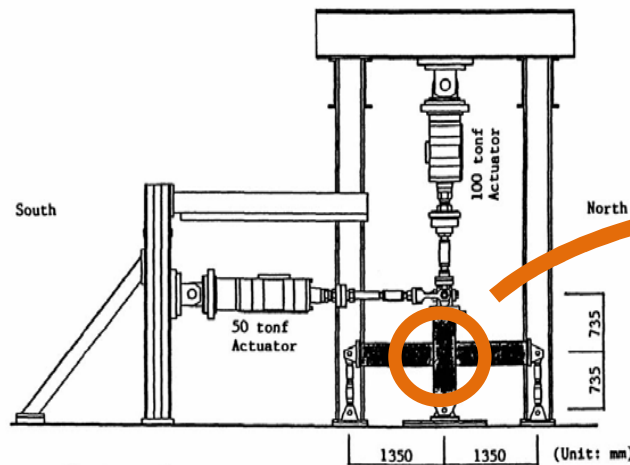
**TAIWAN  
(2008)**



Joint B1

**Column Failed**

**JAPAN  
(1989)**



Interior joint

**Beam Failed**

# Specimens A1, A2, A3, A4

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

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

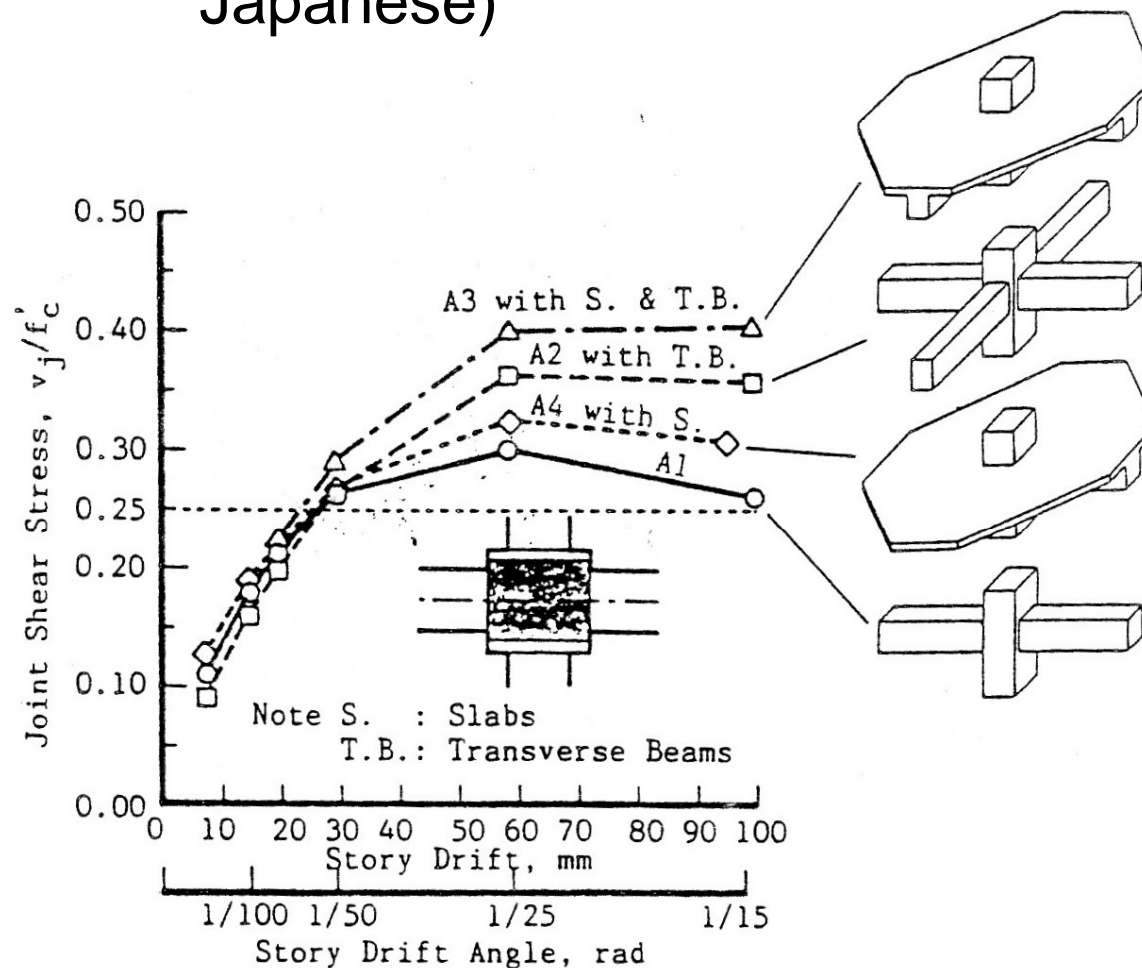


Fig. 15--Story drift -- joint shear stress relations

# 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
<b>TAIWAN</b>	200×300 (mm)	200×200 (mm)	<b>23.6</b>	<b>0.27 ~ 0.31 <math>f'_c</math></b>
<b>JAPAN</b>	200×300 (mm)	300×300 (mm)	<b>23.6</b>	<b>0.35 ~ 0.40 <math>f'_c</math></b>

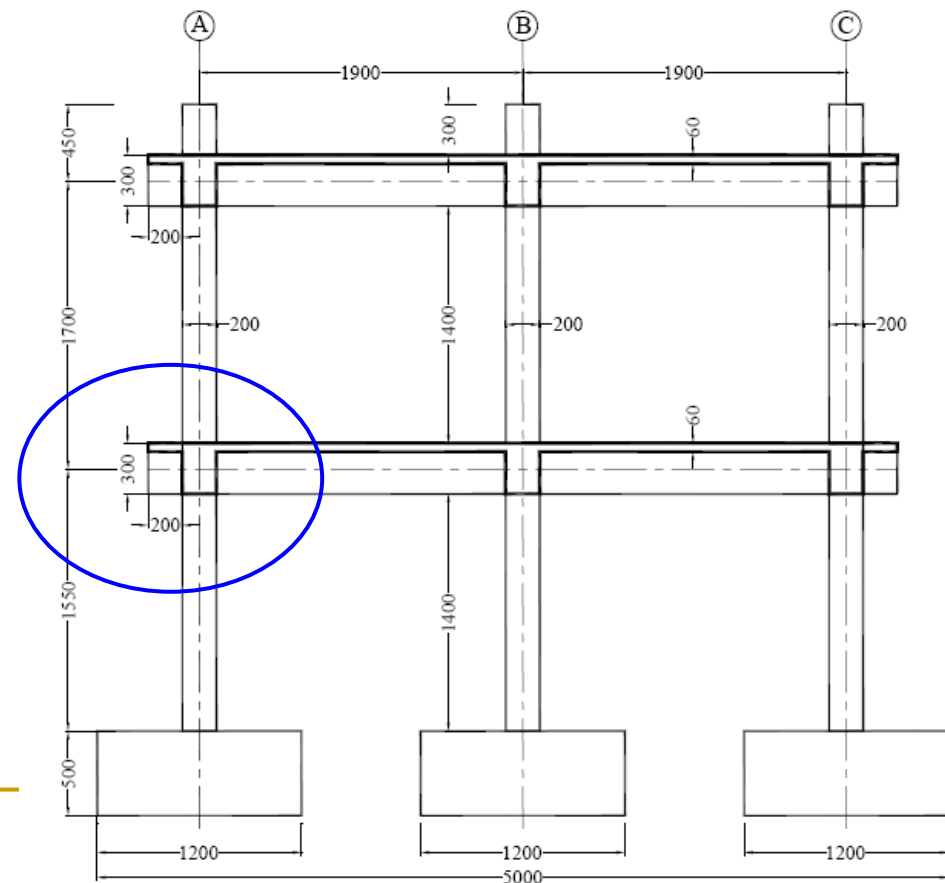
# Similar size to our shaking table specimen with weaker columns

- At 2% drift, joint shear stresses were **0.25**  $f'_c$
- At 4% drift, joint shear stresses between **0.30~0.40**  $f'_c$
- The target joint shear stress in the shake table specimen is **0.315**  $f'_c$  (1260/4000 psi;  $20\sqrt{f'_c}$  ).
- Hopefully we are fine.



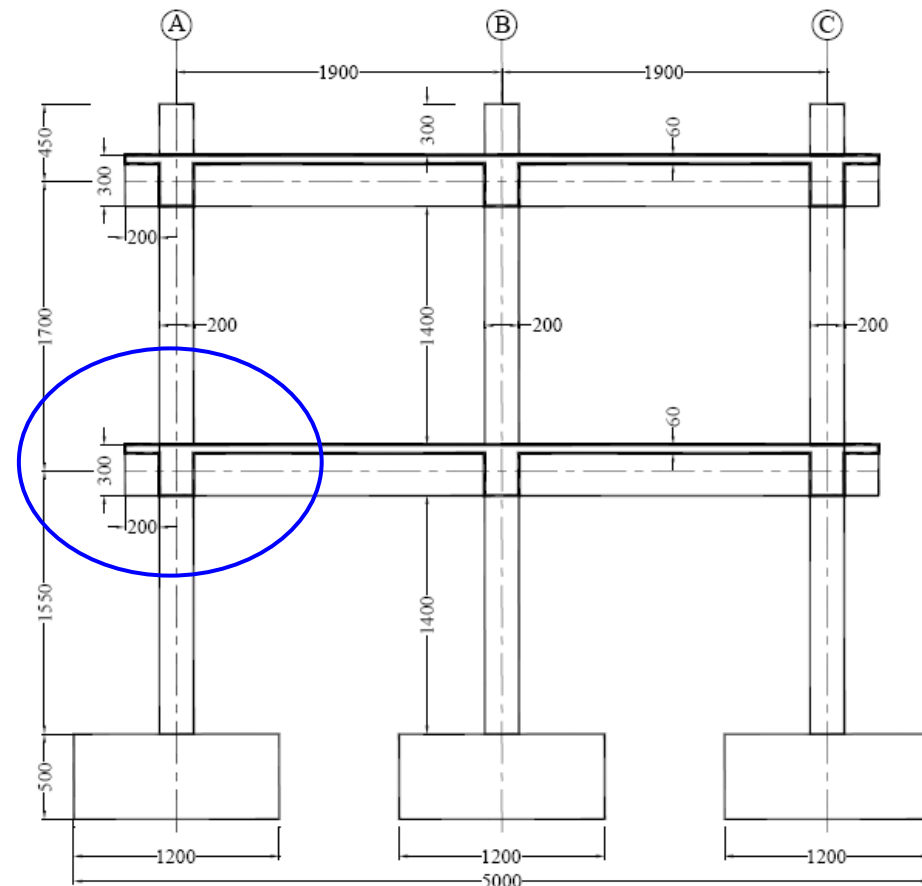
## For the shake table specimen

- The joint is confined on all four vertical faces
- Column hinging rather beam hinging
- Type 1 or Type 2 ?



# Comments

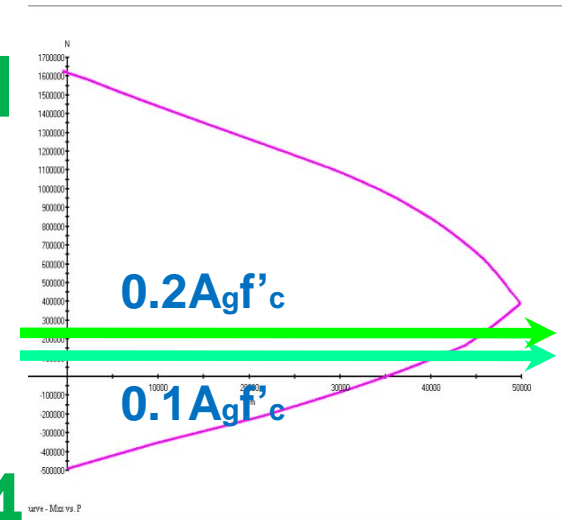
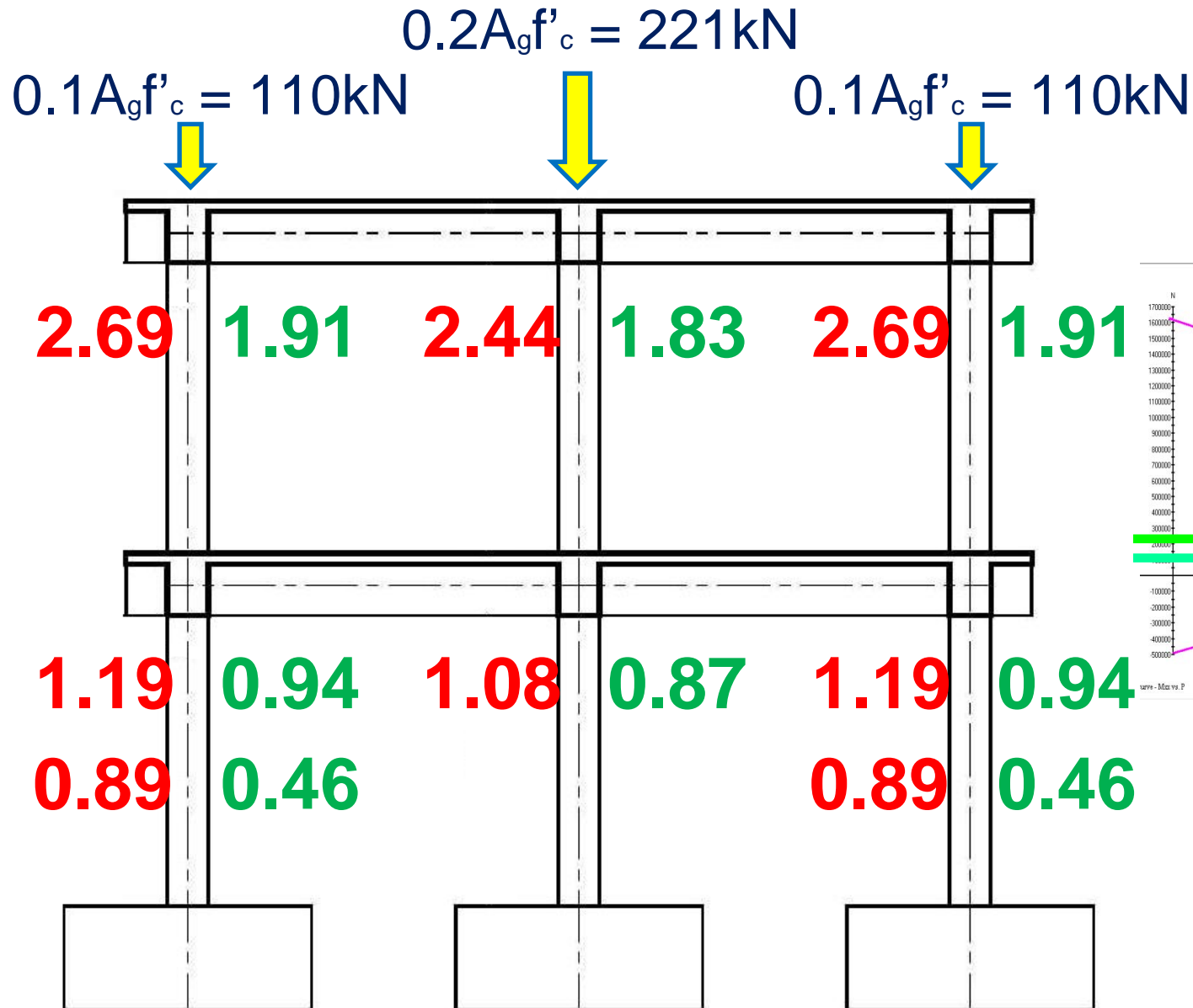
- We anticipated column hinging with limited joint damage, due to confinement of framing members and slabs.



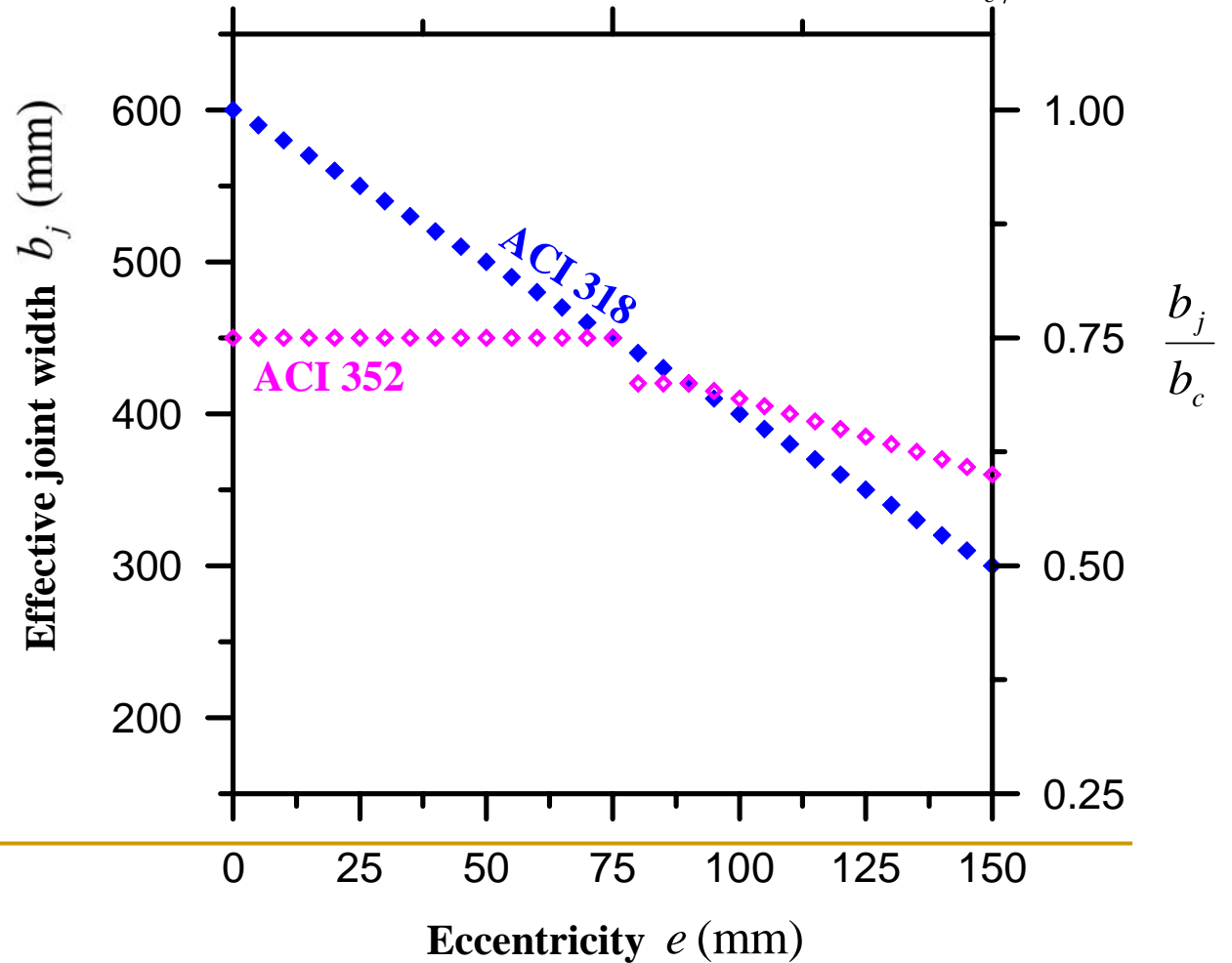
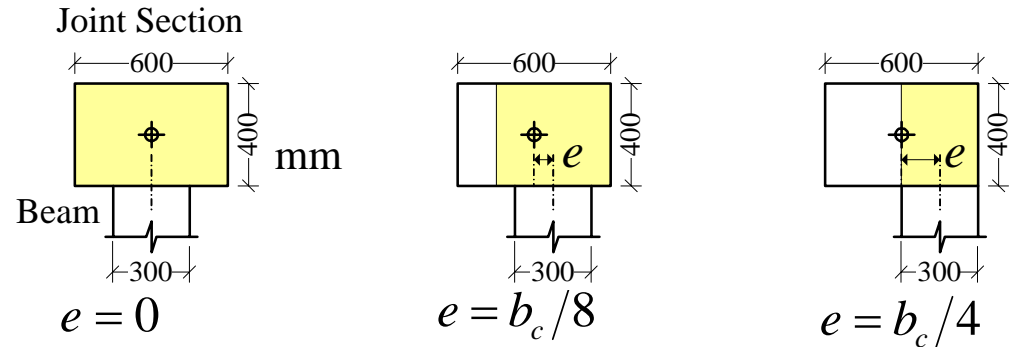
***Thank you !!***

# Low Axial Load

- ACI
- SST
- ACI w/o stub
- SST w/o stub



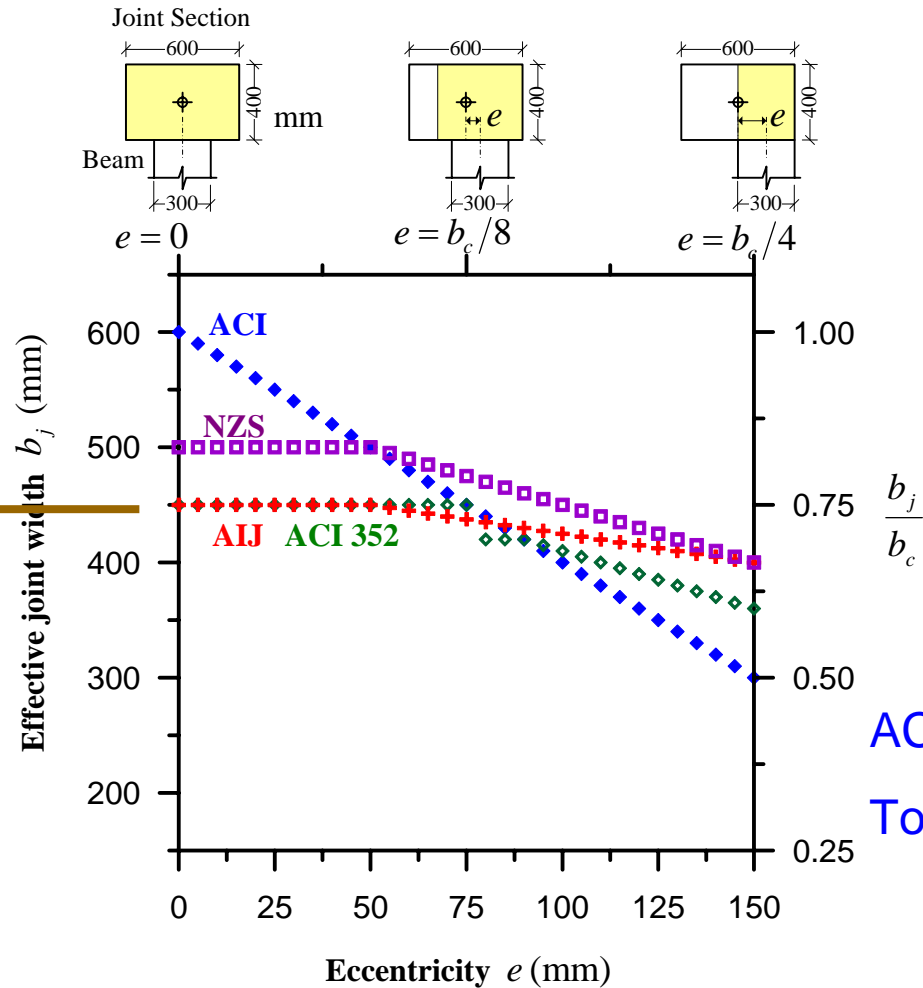
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# Comparison of bj formulas

ACI 318  
Unconservative

$$\frac{b_b + b_c}{2}$$



ACI 318  
Too conservative