



SOFTWARE FOR ANALYSIS + DESIGN OF GFRP RC – STRUCTURES

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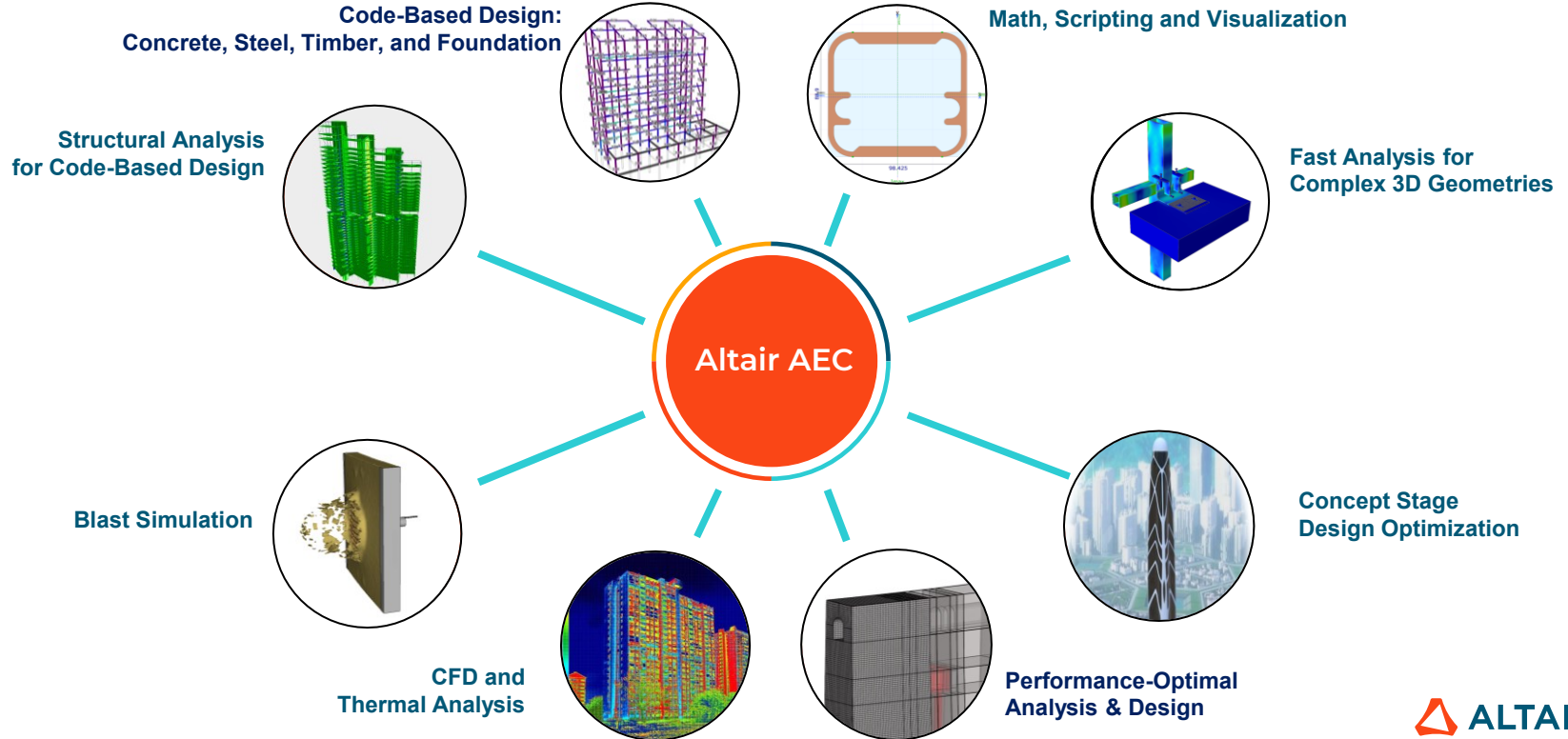
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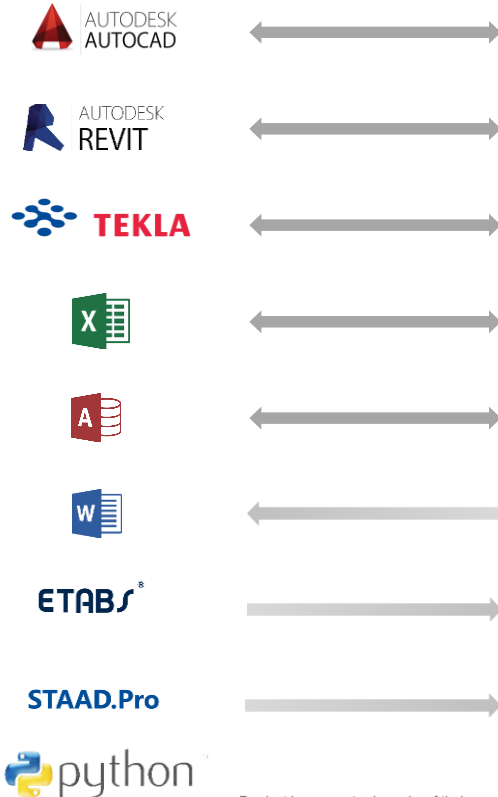
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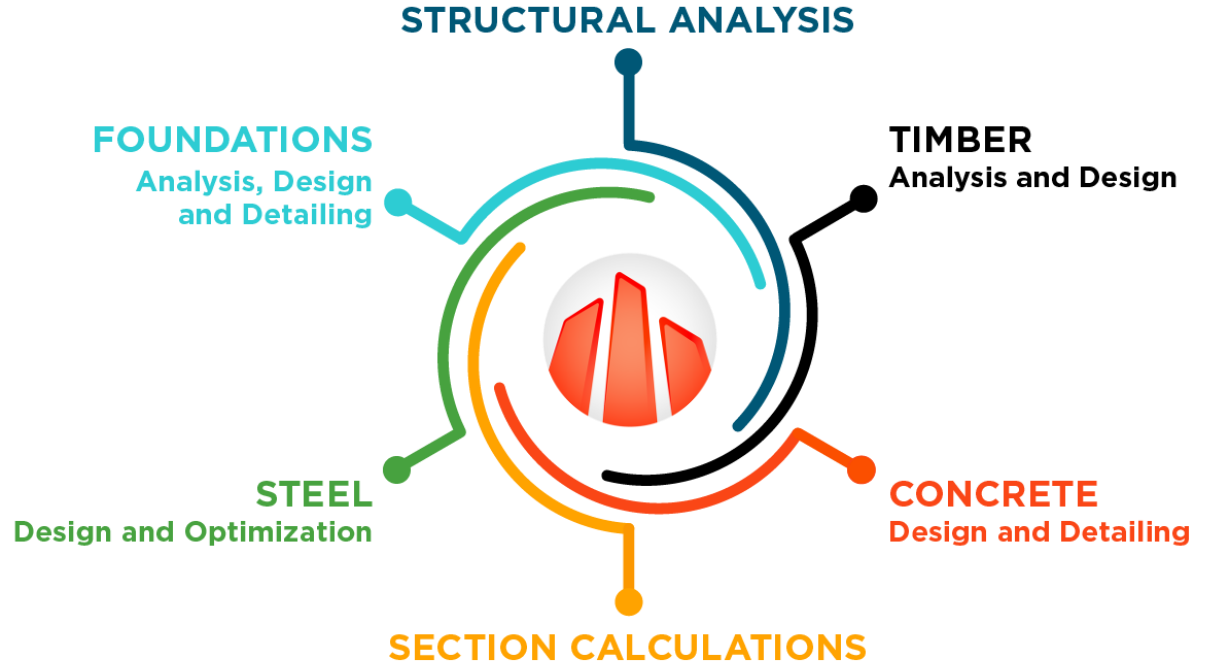
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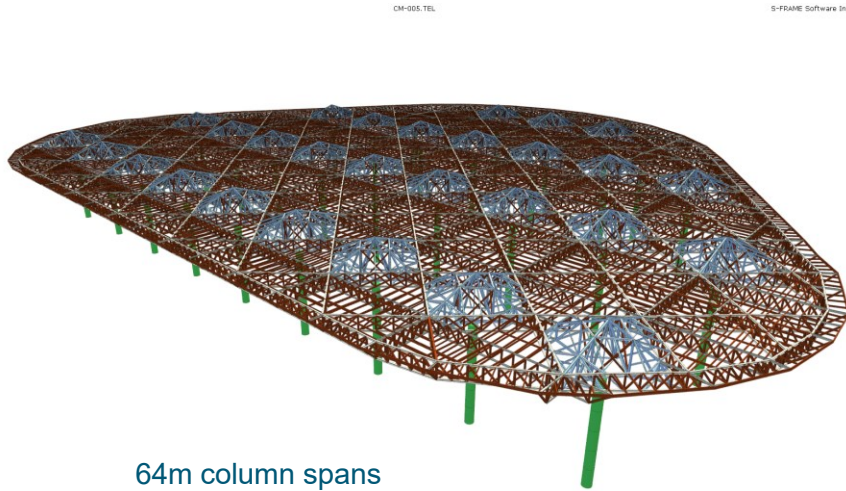
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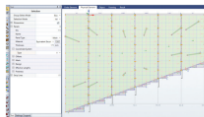


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Timber Structures – BCIT Walkway – Bush Bohlman & Partners

CUSTOMER STORY



Their Challenge

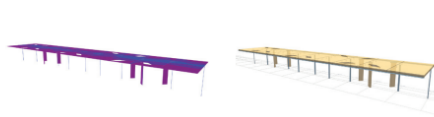
Bush Bohlman was required to perform the structural analysis and timber design for the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT), student plaza, a pedestrian and public transport user gateway for the institute. The structure needed to establish a strong campus identity with a biophilic design and demonstrable support for sustainable building practices while ensuring structural safety according to local design codes. The hybrid mass timber structure consists of a Cross-Laminated Timber (CLT) canopy, CLT columns, and steel columns.

The pedestrian comfort walkway needed to meet sustainability, reliability, and structural design requirements. For the structural engineering design team, these projects are unique and fluid. New structural models must be developed and modified for the project's life as the requirements are updated by project stakeholders. This structure involved a pitched roof, skylight openings in the roof CLT panels, and supporting columns constructed from CLT and hollow structural steel. In addition to maintaining a current structural model, the engineers needed to apply local timber design codes to analyze the complex two-way bending behaviour of the cantilevering roof panels and irregular column layout.

Our Solution

The engineer opted to use S-TIMBER to model and analyze the 3D structure. Altair collaborated with Bush Bohlman to ensure the correct modeling parameters were applied while simulating the structure.

S-TIMBER was able to perform a hybrid analysis of the timber and steel elements in one operation and code-check the timber elements for code compliance. Using S-TIMBER's built-in and customizable material databases allowed for a quick definition of the materials conforming to the proprietary CLT required. Modeling automation allowed for easier responses to structural changes resulting from design revisions.



LEFT: Top view of CLT panels with grids and strip line view.
CENTER: CLT stress contour results from S-TIMBER.
RIGHT: Final model view in S-TIMBER.

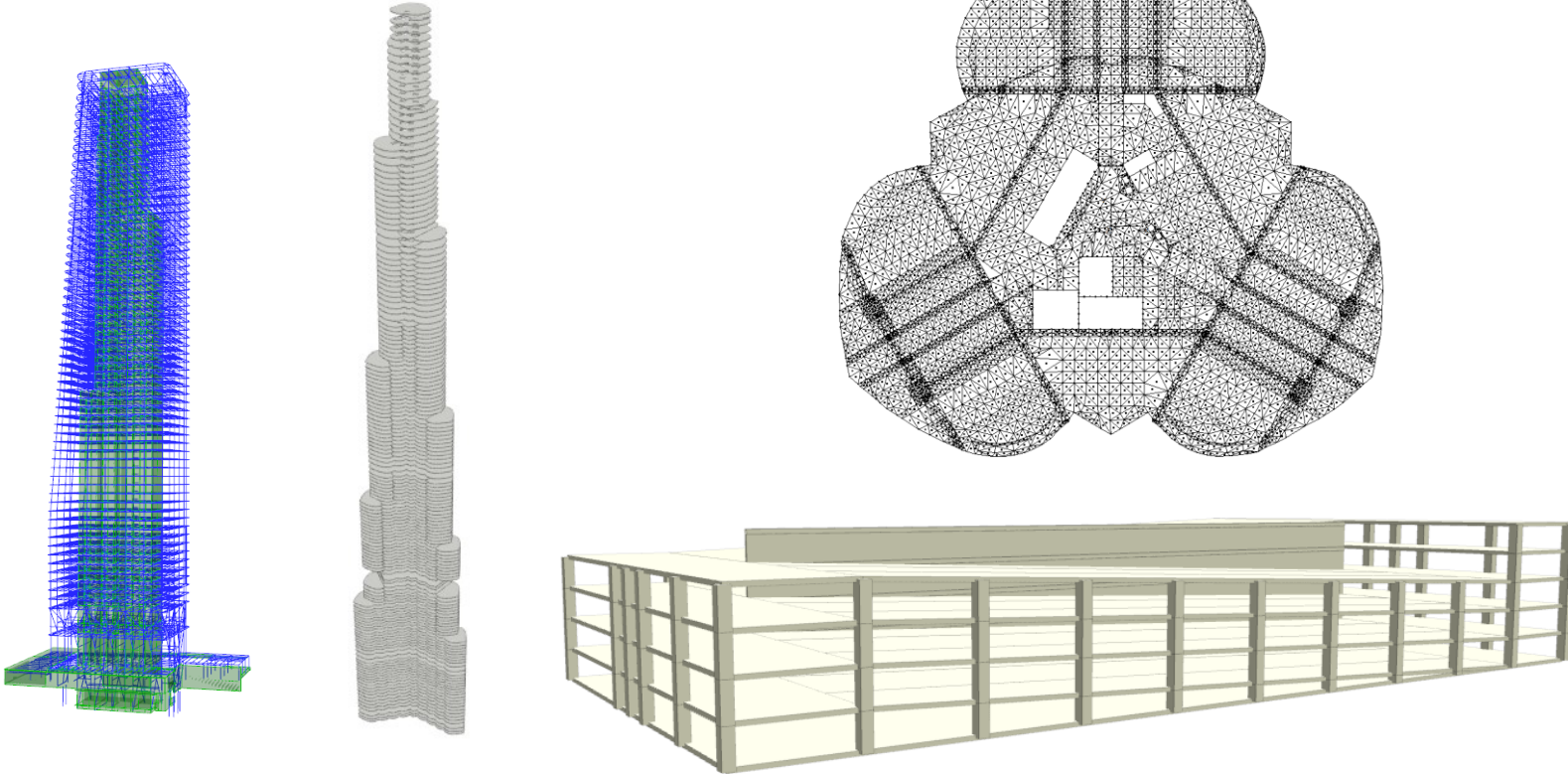
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Structures can account for up to 80% of a building's embodied carbon footprint; our early collaborative design approach helps us develop options that reduce this footprint and even lead

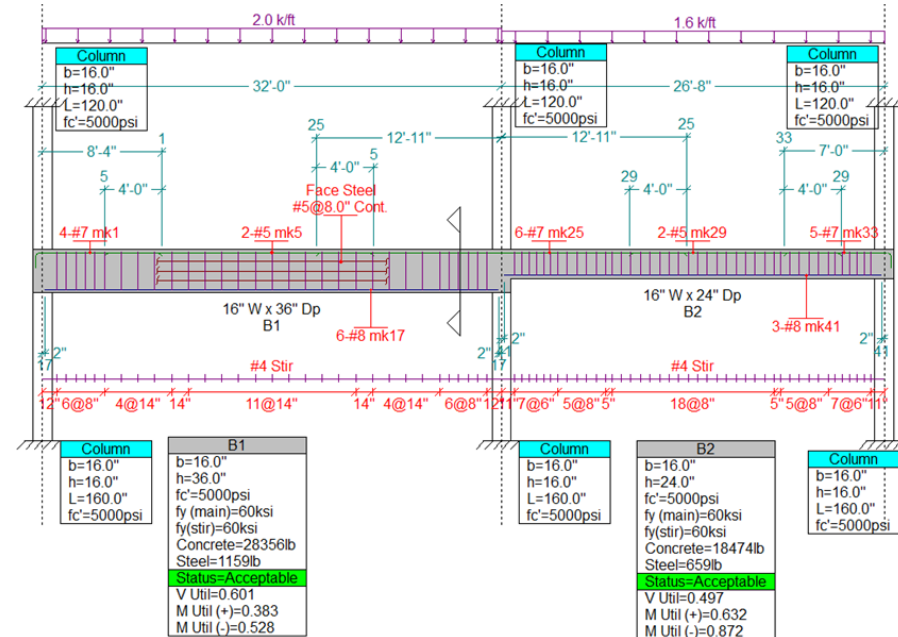
Concrete Structures...



Continuous Concrete Beam Design

Simple/Continuous Concrete Beam Analysis, Design + Reinforcement Layout

- Member Design
- Reinforcement Layout
- Detailed Engineer Design Reports
- Complete design/code check along span
- Deflection checks (short/long)
- ACI 318, CSA A23, **ACI 440 (GFRP)**, BS, CP65

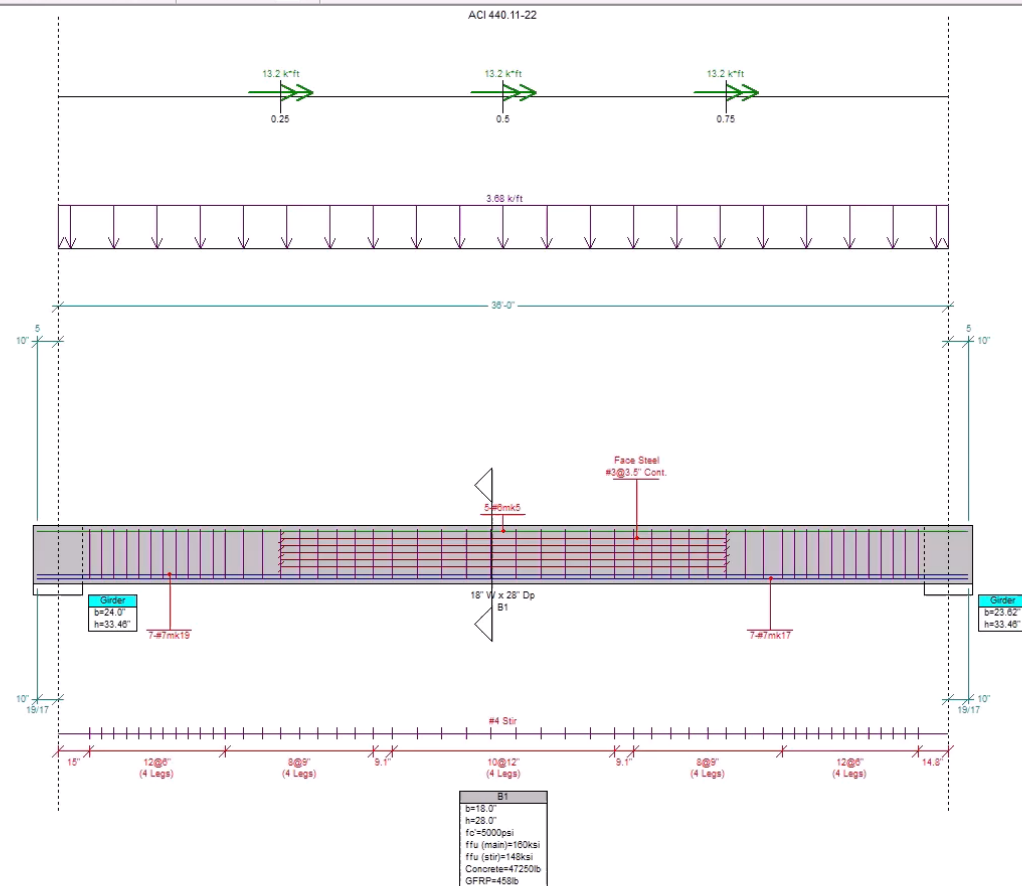




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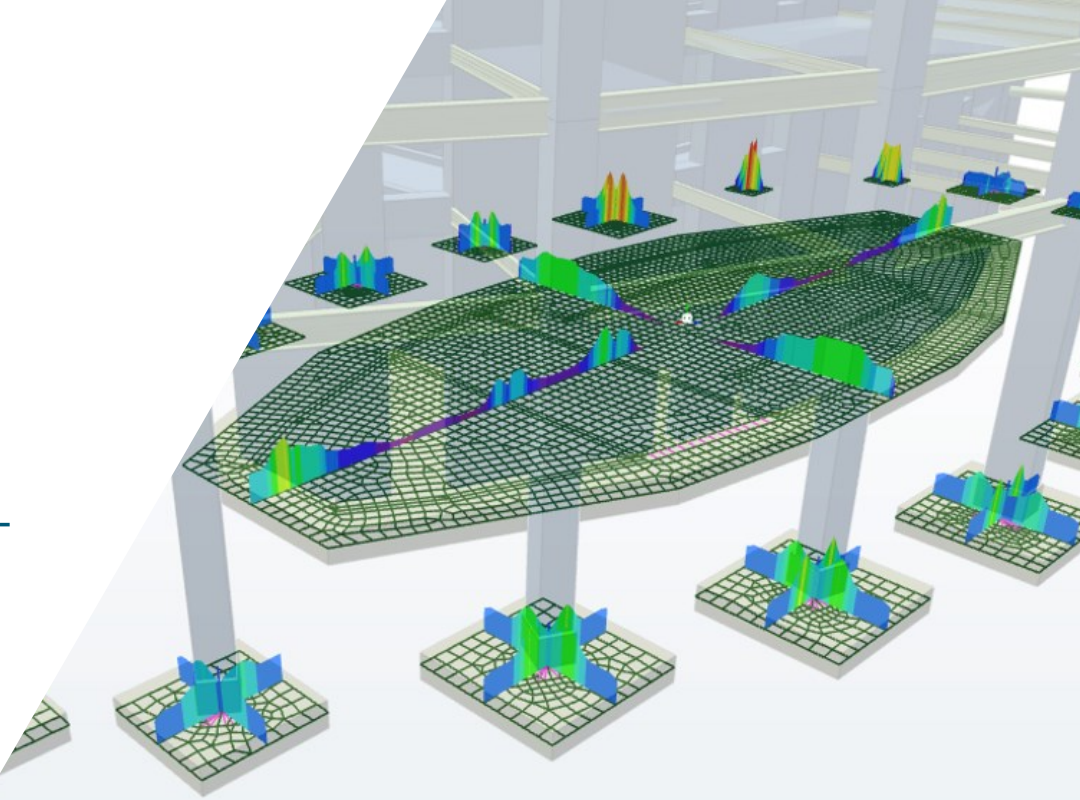
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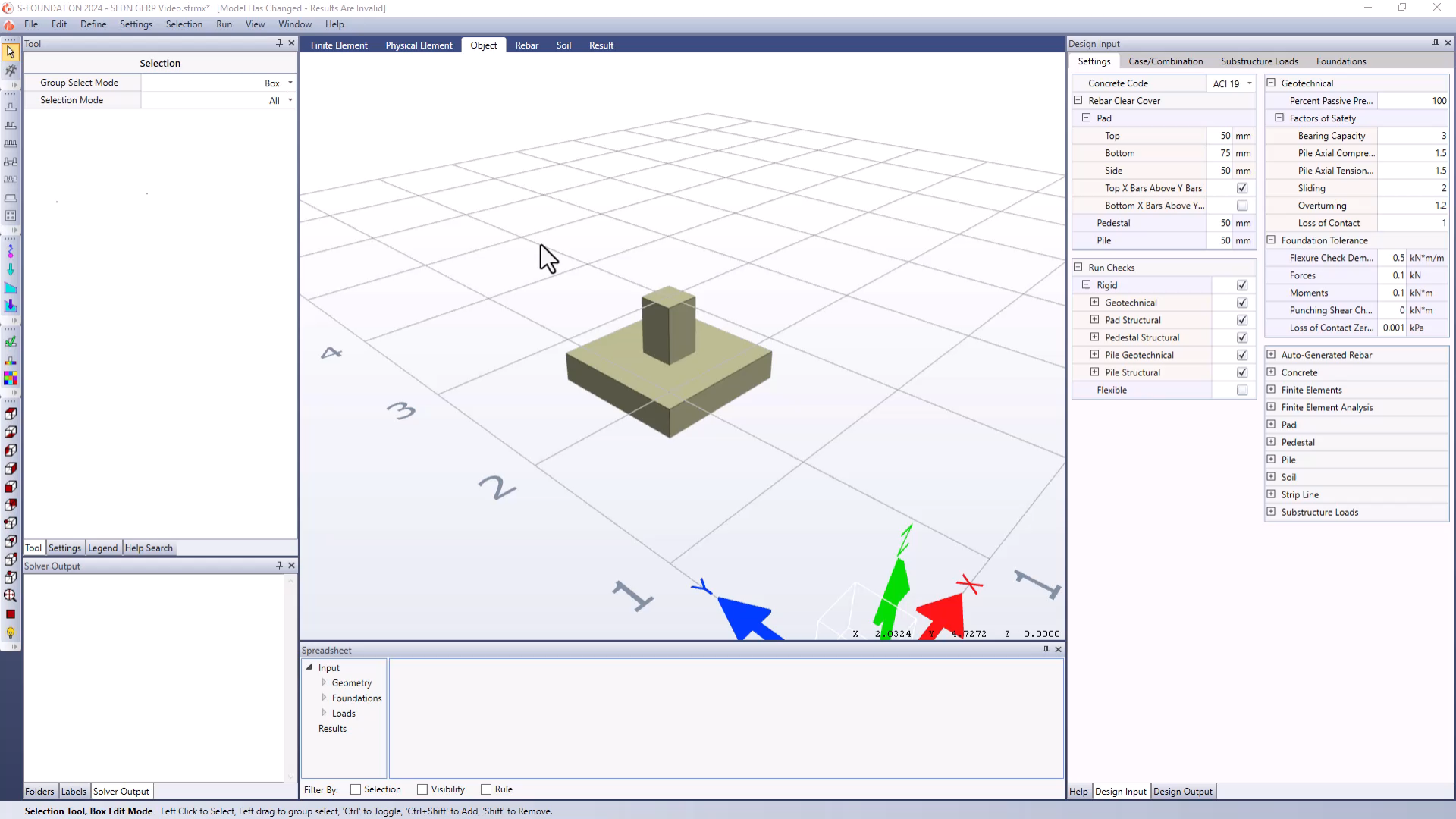
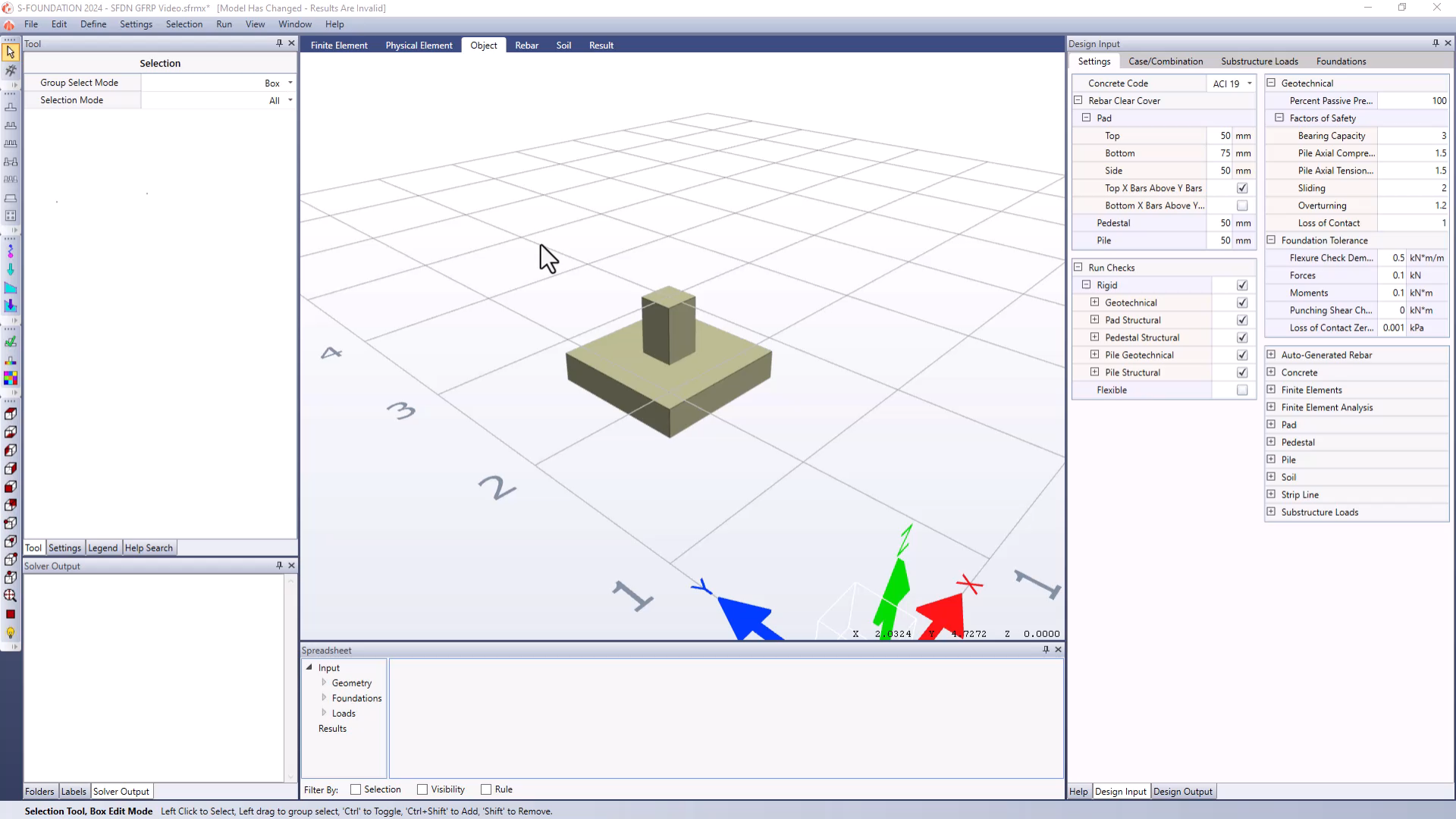


FOUNDATION DESIGN

Parametric Modeling, Analysis + Design

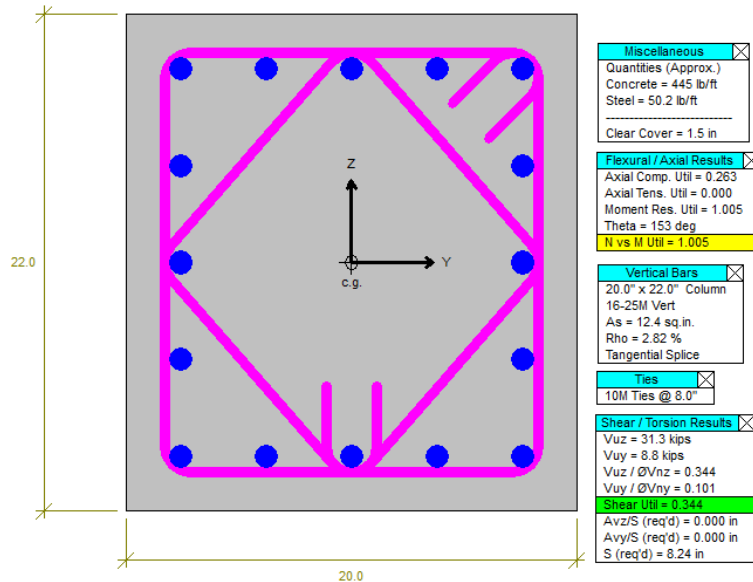
- Deep and Shallow Foundations
- Import from ETABS, STAAD, S-FRAME, and more via CSV files
- Structural and Geotechnical Checks (ACI 318-19, **ACI 440-11.22**, CSA A23.3-19, EC2)
- Automated Design
- Integrated Python Scripting Interface
 - Automation
 - Customization



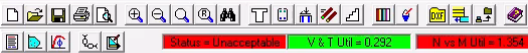


Concrete Section Design

Beam, Column and Wall Section Code Checks and Design



- Code checking, and design reinforced concrete **sections**
- ACI 318-19, CSA 19, EC2
- Support for GFRP Design to **ACI 440.11-22**
- Integrated with ETABS, S-FRAME and more...
- Batch Processing



Status = Unacceptable Y & T Util = 0.292 N vs M Util = 1.354

Rectangular Beam Project Name Concrete Section Job # A123.45 Visual Editor

Beam



Column



VWall



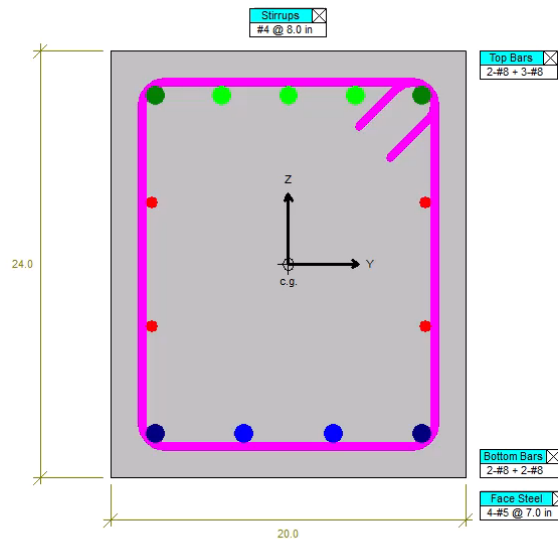
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Ybar = 0.0 in
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Ig (y-y) = 23040 in4
Ig (z-z) = 16000 in4
Ashear (Y) = 400.0 sq.in.
Ashear (Z) = 400.0 sq.in.
Jg = 31895 in4

Ae = 480.0 sq.in.
Ie (y-y) = 23040 in4
Ie (z-z) = 16000 in4
Ase (Y) = 400.0 sq.in.
Ase (Z) = 400.0 sq.in.
Je = 31895 in4

Summary
Concrete Section
Job # A123.45
ACI 318-19 Standard

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Status = Unacceptable



Miscellaneous
Quantities (Approx.)
Concrete = 491 lb/ft
Steel = 35.4 lb/ft

Top Bars
d = 2.5 in
As' = 3.95 sq.in.
As/bh = 0.00823
dz = ** N/A **

Bottom Bars
d = 21.5 in
As = 3.16 sq.in.
As/bh = 0.00658
dz = ** N/A **

Face Steel
As = 1.24 sq.in.

Clear Cover
Top = 1.5 in
Bottom = 1.5 in
Side = 1.5 in

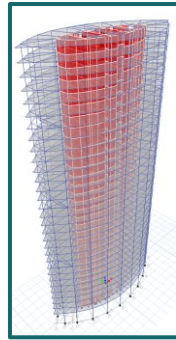
Shear / Torsion Results
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Vuy = 25.0 kips
Vuz / (ØVnz) = 0.122
Vuy / (ØVny) = 0.292

Shear Util = 0.292

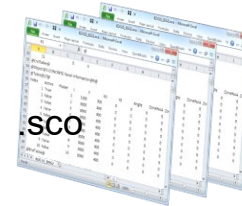
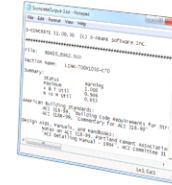
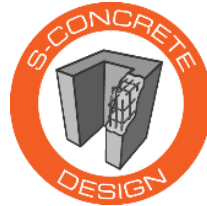
Avz/S (req'd) = 0.000 in
Avy/S (req'd) = 0.000 in
S (req'd) = 8.13 in

Flexural / Axial Results
Axial Comp. Util = 0.268
Axial Tens. Util = 0.000
Moment Res. Util = 1.354
Theta = 75 deg
My(+ve) Util = 1.145
My(-ve) Util = 0.990
N vs M Util = 1.354

Structural Analysis to Concrete Design without hassle



ETABS Model



Concrete Verification and
Design in S-CONCRETE

S-CONCRETE Multistory Designer

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Import Selected Elements from ETABS Model - Specify Initial Reinforcement by Section Type

Choose items to import into your project.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Columns, Beams and Braces:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Piers:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spandrels:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Load Combinations:
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Fy Vertical Steel: 60 ksi
Fy Horizontal Steel: 60 ksi
Rho Vertical Steel: 1.5 %
Min Vertical Bar Diameter: #8
Tie Bar Diameter: #3
Tie Bar Spacing: 6 in
Minimum Cover: 1.5 in
☒ Apply Min Moments
☒ Include Slenderness

Columns

Fy Primary Steel: 60 ksi
Fy Stirrup Steel: 60 ksi
Min Primary Bar Diameter: #8
Min Stirrup Bar Diameter: #3
Min Side Bar Diameter: #5
Rho Top Steel: 0.75 %
Rho Bot Steel: 0.75 %
Minimum Cover: 1.5 in
Stirrup Bar Spacing: 6 in
Num Stirrup Legs: 4
☒ Closed Stirrups
Side Bar Spacing: 8 in

Beams

Fy Vertical Steel: 60 ksi
Fy Horizontal Steel: 60 ksi
Minimum Cover (to Horiz Bars): 1 in
Target Rho Vertical Steel: 0.3 %
Min Vertical Bar Diameter: #6
Max Vertical Bar Spacing: 12 in
Target Rho Horizontal Steel: 0.25 %
Min Horizontal Bar Diameter: #5
Max Horizontal Bar Spacing: 10 in
Curtains: Two
☐ Vert Bars Outside
☒ Zone Active
Zone Tie Bar Diameter: #4
Zone Fy Vertical Steel: 60 ksi
Zone Fy Horizontal Steel: 60 ksi
☐ Fill With Bars

Walls

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Refine Reinforcement for each Section/Group – Run Preliminary or Full Design Checks

Columns Beams Walls

☒ Delete Previous Design Data ☐ Include Stories

Column Sections:

- 1000-ExtColZ1 [ALL] - DCRC: 0.88, DCRT: 0.00
- 2000-ExtColZ1A [ALL] - DCRC: 0.89, DCRT: 0.00
- 3000-ExtColZ2 [ALL] - DCRC: 0.71, DCRT: 0.24
- 4000-OutRigBraceHigh [ALL] - DCRC: 0.44, DCRT: 1.31**
- 5000-OutRigBraceLow [ALL] - DCRC: 0.30, DCRT: 1.19

Design Summary

Vertical R/F: **18-#8** DCR-Comp: **0.44** DCR-Tens: **1.31**

Column Form... Column Table...

☒ Apply Min Moments ☒ Include Slenderness

Column Data Update: All Fields

Fy Vertical Steel: 60 ksi

Fy Horizontal Steel: 60 ksi

Rho Vertical Steel: 1.5 %

Min Vertical Bar Diameter: #8

Tie Bar Diameter: #3

Tie Bar Spacing: 6 in

Minimum Cover: 1.5 in

Design ID: 4000-OutRigBraceHigh [ALL] Name: OutRigBraceHigh ☒ Active

User Label: OutRigBraceHigh_Rho226% Axial Cap. (Comp): -3745 Axial Cap. (Tens): 1097

Group: None Axial Load (Comp): -1555.6 Axial Load (Tens): 1007.9

Story List: ALL DCR: 0.42 DCR: 0.92

Fy Vert Bars: 60 ksi 16 - #10 2.26 % Length: 456.9 in

Fy Ties: 60 ksi Min Cover: 1.5 in

Width-Y: 30 in Target Rho: 2.3 %

Depth-Z: 30 in Conc Fcu: 8000 psi

Num Layers: 1 Vertical Bar Dia: #10

Bars Face Y: 5 Tie Bar Dia: #3

Bars Face Z: 5 Tie Bar Spacing: 6 in

Tie Hook: 135 deg

Single Hook: 135 deg

☒ Apply Diamond (if applicable) Horizontal Bar Config: Rectangular ☒ Apply Min Moments

Vertical Bar Splice Type: Tangential ☒ Include Slenderness

Code Check Results

Status: **Unacceptable** Total Concrete: 916 lb/ft Messages:

V Ratio: 0.563 Total Steel: 82.1 lb/ft

N + M Ratio: 1.975 Vertical Steel: 70.6 lb/ft

Last Update: 1:50 PM 11/28/2022 Horizontal Steel: 11.5 lb/ft

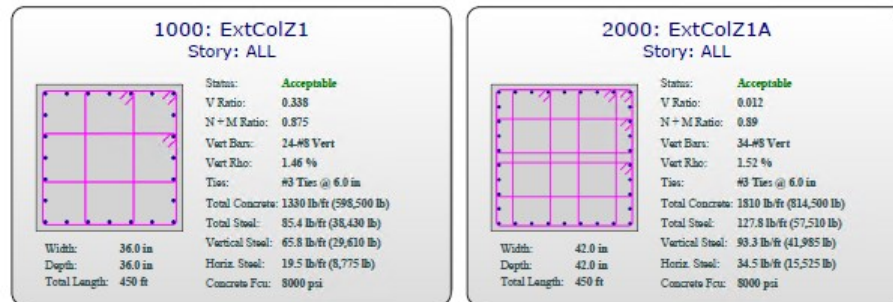
Message 1 (Unacceptable): Axial Load and Moment Utilization equals or exceeds Maximum.

Run Code Check Run S-CONCRETE OK Cancel Apply

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Generate Input Files, Batch Run, and Generate Result Reports



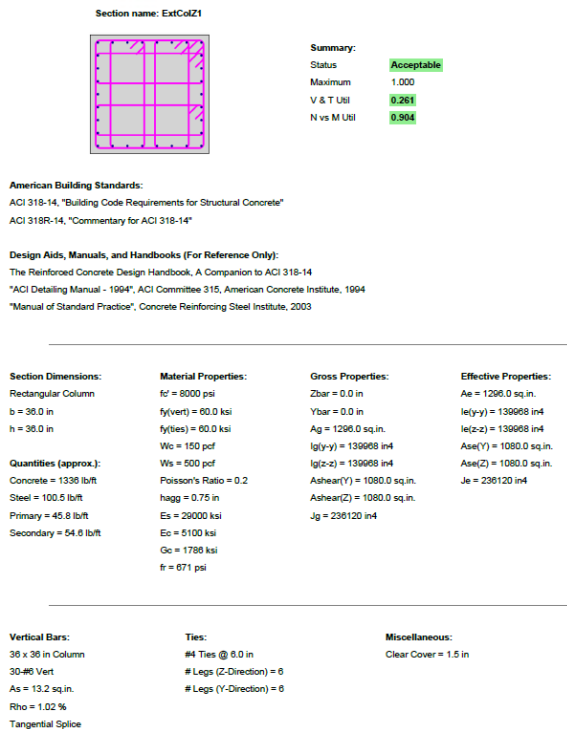
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3000	3000-ExtColZ2_8000[ALL]	ExtColZ2	ALL	Borderline	1.053	0.76	Circular Column		36.0 in	8000 psi	20-#8 Vert	1.55 %	#3 Ties @ 6.0 in
4000	4000-OutRigBraceHigh_8000[ALL]	OutRigBraceHigh	ALL	Unacceptable	0.563	1.975	Rectangular Column	30.0 in	30.0 in	8000 psi	16-#10 Vert	2.26 %	#3 Ties @ 6.0 in
5000	5000-OutRigBraceLow_8000[ALL]	OutRigBraceLow	ALL	Acceptable	0.341	0.738	Rectangular Column	30.0 in	30.0 in	8000 psi	18-#10 Vert	2.54 %	#3 Ties @ 6.0 in

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










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Create Design Groups, and Detailed Code Check Reports for Final Documentation

Filename: 1000-ExtColZ1_8000[ALL].sco



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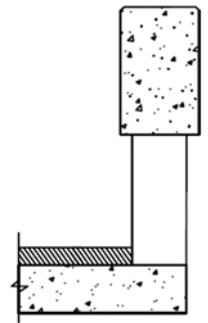
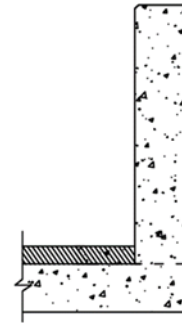
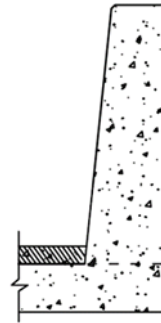
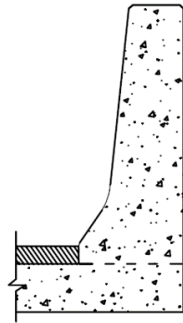
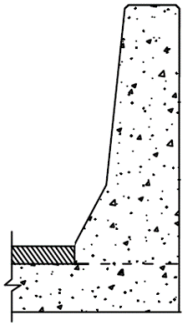
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Concrete barrier types and loads



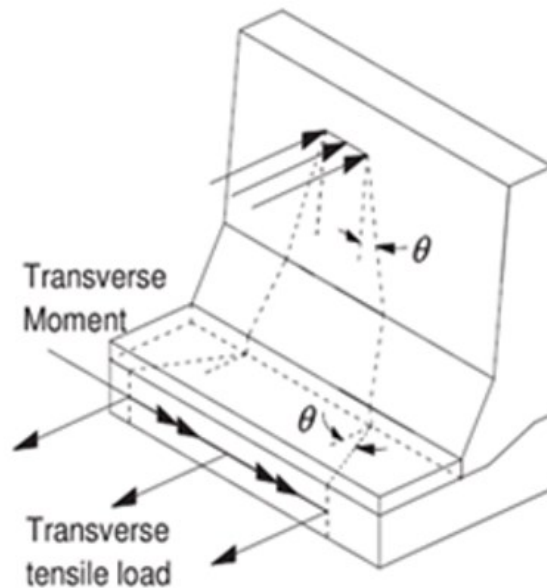
Jersey barrier

F-shape barrier

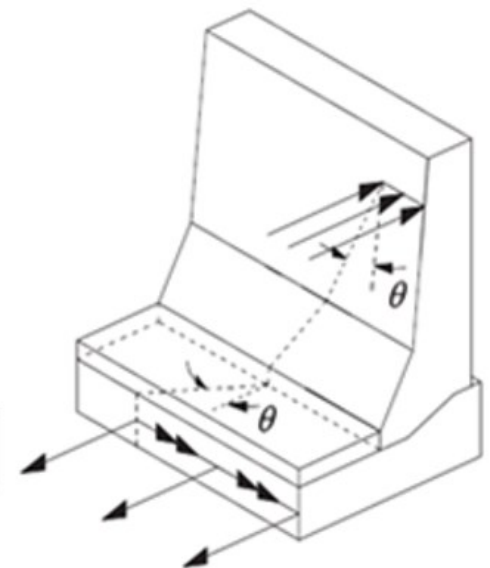
Single-slope barrier

Parapet

Parapet with opening



(a) At the internal location



(b) At the end location

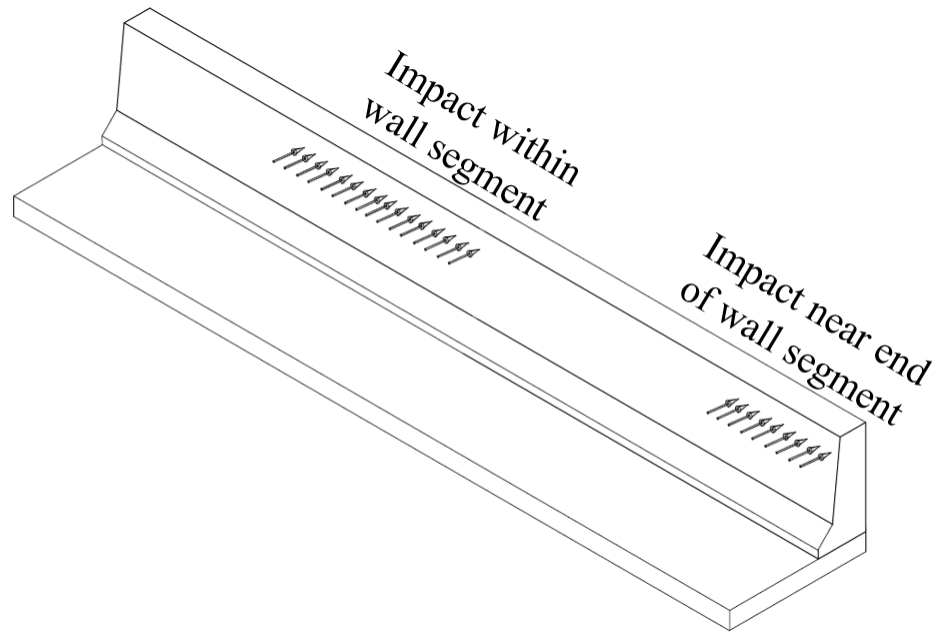
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“Advances in concrete reinforcement”

AASHTO LRFD design forces for traffic barriers

Design Forces and Designations	Railing Test Levels					
	TL-1	TL-2	TL-3	TL-4	TL-5	TL-6
F_t Transverse (kips)	13.5	27.0	54.0	54.0	124.0	175.0
F_L Longitudinal (kips)	4.5	9.0	18.0	18.0	41.0	58.0
F_v Vertical (kips) Down	4.5	4.5	4.5	18.0	80.0	80.0
L_t and L_L (ft)	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.5	8.0	8.0
L_v (ft)	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	40.0	40.0
H_e (min) (in.)	18.0	20.0	24.0	32.0	42.0	56.0
Minimum H Height of Rail (in.)	27.0	27.0	27.0	32.0	42.0	90.0

TL: Test Level



Vehicle Class	
Small car	
Pickup Truck	
Single Unit Truck	
Tractor Trailer	

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Traffic load changes for new MASH TL-4 barrier

Test Level 4 Criteria	Test Vehicle – Designation and Type	Test Conditions	
		Speed – km/h (mph)	Angle – Degrees
NCHRP Report 350	<u>8000S</u> (Single-Unit Van Truck)	<u>80.0</u> (50)	15
MASH	<u>10000S</u> (Single-Unit Truck)	<u>90.0</u> (56)	15

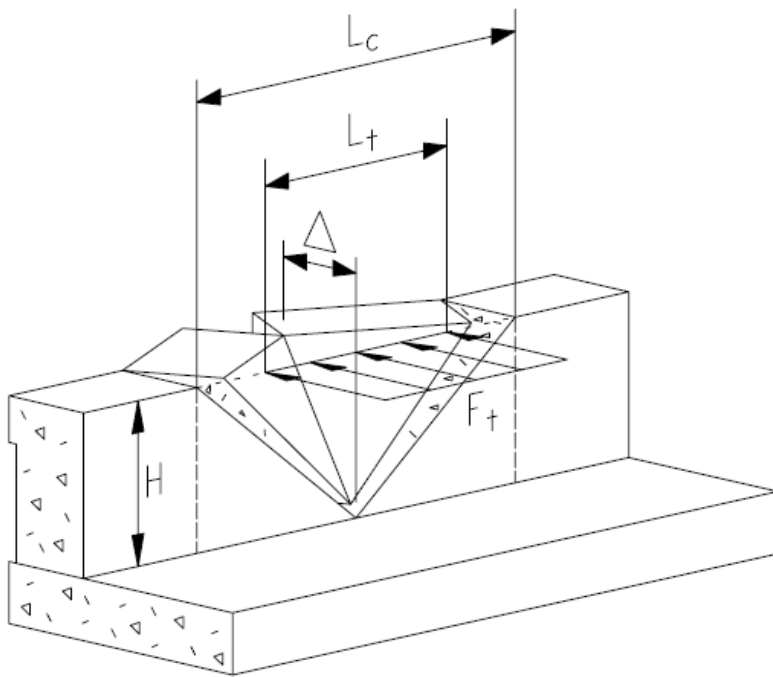
Single Unit Truck



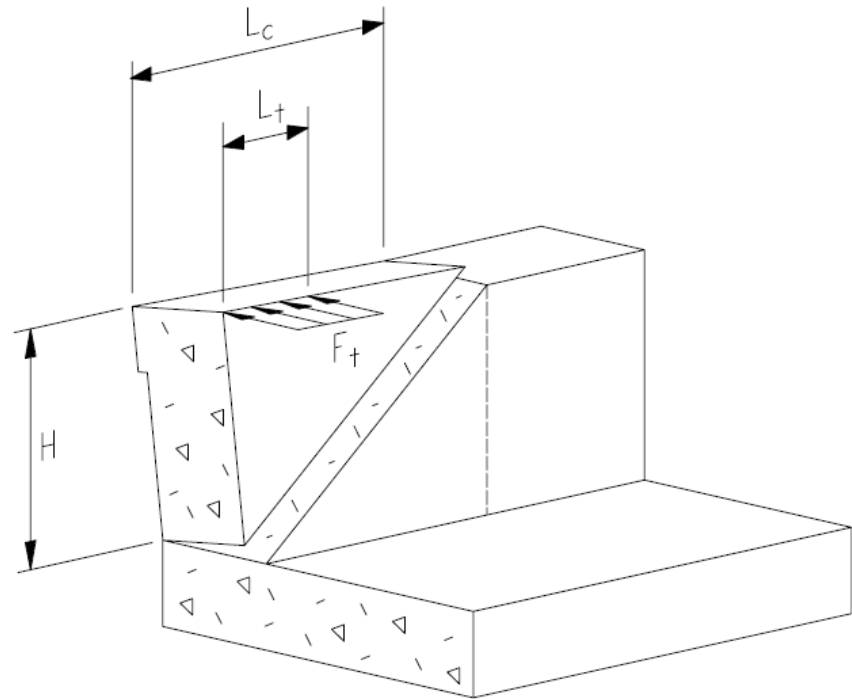
Barrier test level	F _t , kN (kips)	F _L , kN (kips)	F _V , kN (kips)	L _t & L _L , mm (ft)	L _v , mm (ft)	H _e , mm (ft)	H _{min} , mm (ft)
TL-1	60 (13.5)	20 (4.5)	20 (4.5)	1219 (4.0)	5500 (18.0)	457 (18.0)	686 (27.0)
TL-2	120 (27.0)	40 (9.0)	20 (4.5)	1219 (4.0)	5500 (18.0)	508 (20.0)	686 (27.0)
TL-3	240 (54.0)	80 (18.0)	20 (4.5)	1219 (4.0)	5500 (18.0)	607 (24.0)	686 (27.0)
TL-4	240 (54.0)	80 (18.0)	80 (18.0)	1067 (3.5)	5500 (18.0)	813 (32.0)	813 (32.0)
TL-5	551 (124)	182 (41.0)	356 (80.0)	2438 (8.0)	12000 (40)	1067 (42)	1067 (42)
TL-4 (MASH)	360 (81)			1219 (4.0)		835 (32.9)	

AASHTO LRFD design of steel-reinforced barrier

- Triangular yield line failure equations



(a) At the internal location



(b) At the end location

CSA-S6:19 design of steel-reinforced barrier

Flexural resistance for the trapezoidal yield line pattern

- a) For barrier loads applied within a wall segment:

$$R_w = \left\{ \frac{2}{2L_c - L_t - n^2 L_t} \right\} \left\{ 8M_b + 8M_w H + \frac{A}{H} \right\}$$

where the critical yield line length, L_c , is taken as:

$$L_c = 0.5L_t(1 + n^2) + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} L_t^2(1 + n^2)^2 + \frac{8M_b H + 8M_w H^2 - B}{M_c}}$$

- b) For barrier loads applied at barrier ends:

$$R_w = \left\{ \frac{2}{2L_c - L_t - n^2 L_t} \right\} \left\{ M_b + M_w H + \frac{A}{H} \right\}$$

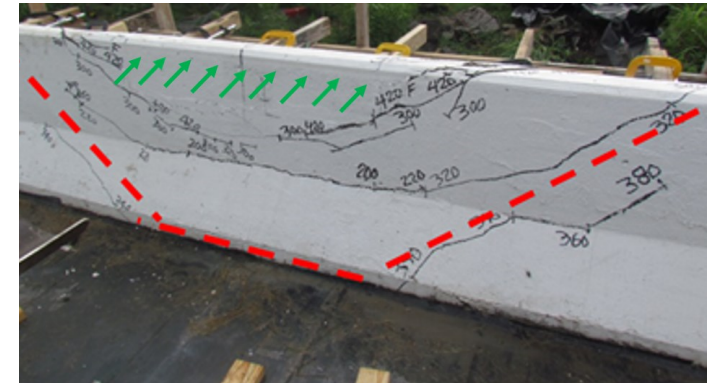
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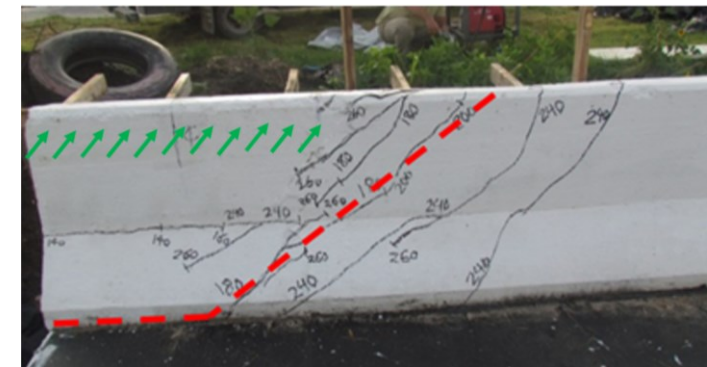
Where:

$$A = M_c (L_c - n L_t)^2 + M_{c,base} (n L_t L_c - n^2 L_t^2)$$

$$B = L_t^2 \{ M_c (n - n^2 + n^3) + M_{c,base} (-0.5n + n^2 - 0.5n^3) \}$$



Interior segment

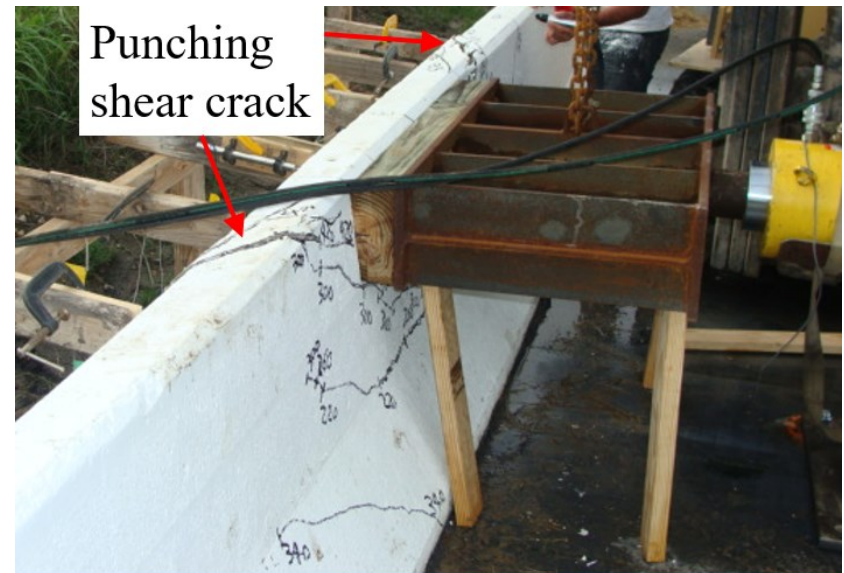
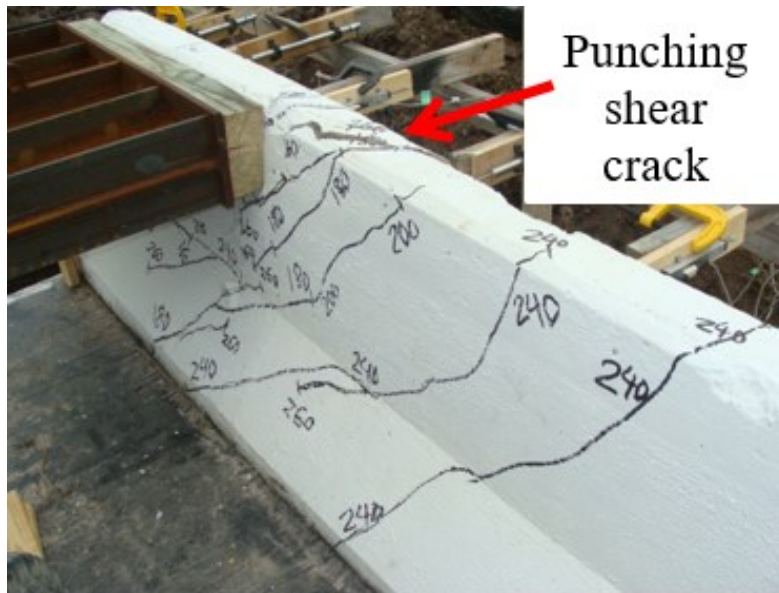


End segment

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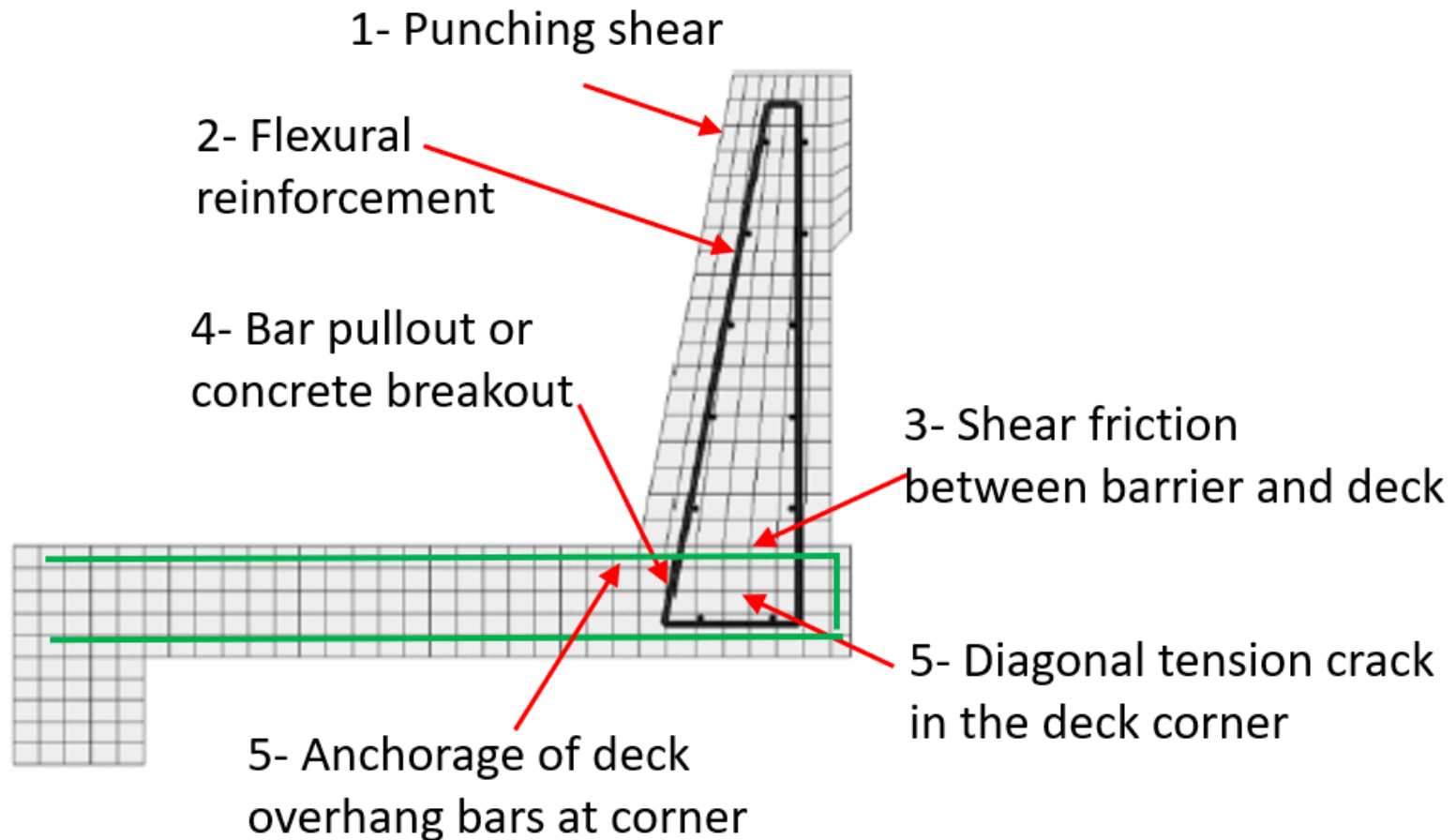
Factored punching shear resistance:

$$V_c = (1 + 2 / \beta_c) 0.15 \lambda \phi_c \sqrt{f'_c} b_o . d$$



Design of GFRP-reinforced barrier

Design Considerations:



Design of GFRP-reinforced barrier

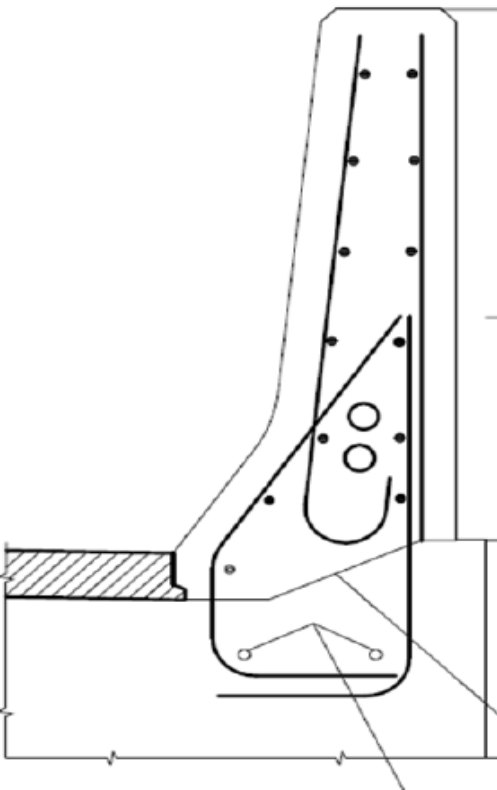
Design methods:

- 1- Vehicle crash testing
- 2- Manual calculations using design equations
- 3- Experimental testing on actual-size specimens to verify design

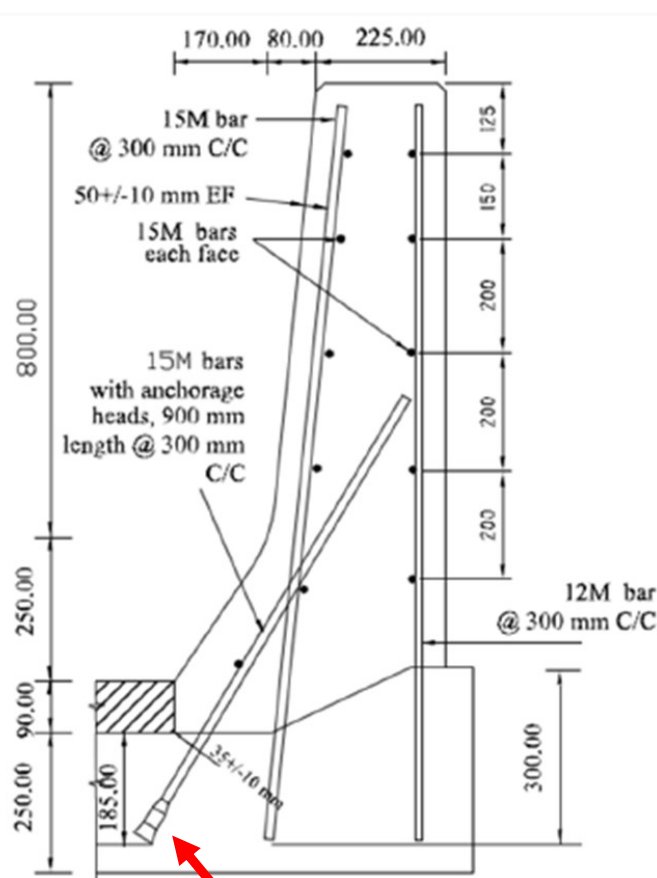
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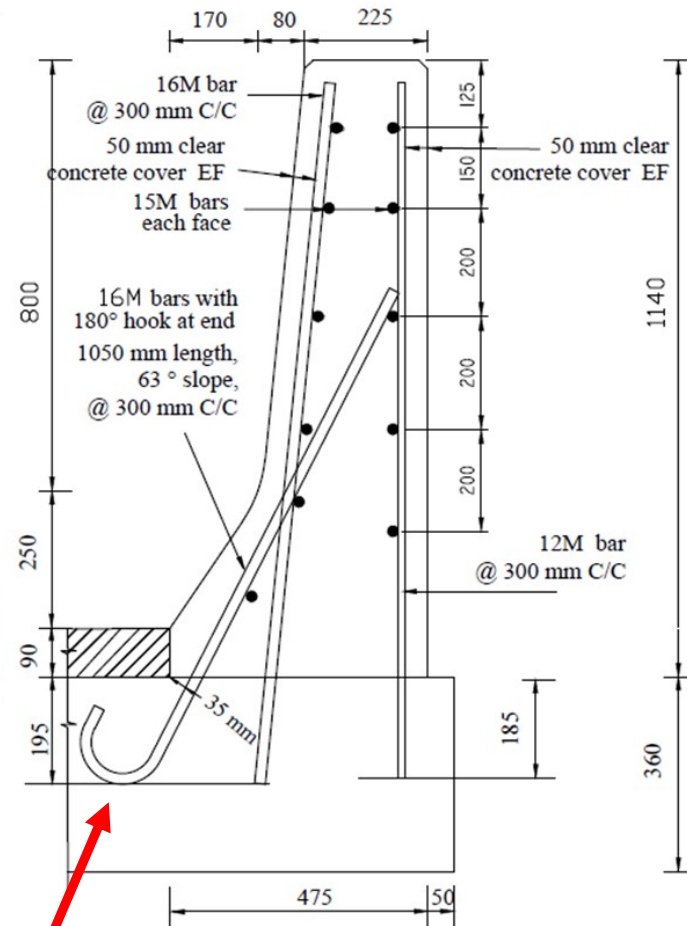
Design of GFRP-reinforced barrier



First generation with
Grade I GFRP bars



Headed-end



Hooked-end

Crash-tested barrier with Grade III GFRP bars

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1- Vehicle crash testing



Manufacturer # 1:
Ribbed-surface GFRP bars



Manufacturer # 2:
Sand-coated GFRP bars



Manufacturer # 3:
Braided-surface GFRP bars



Crash test in 2010

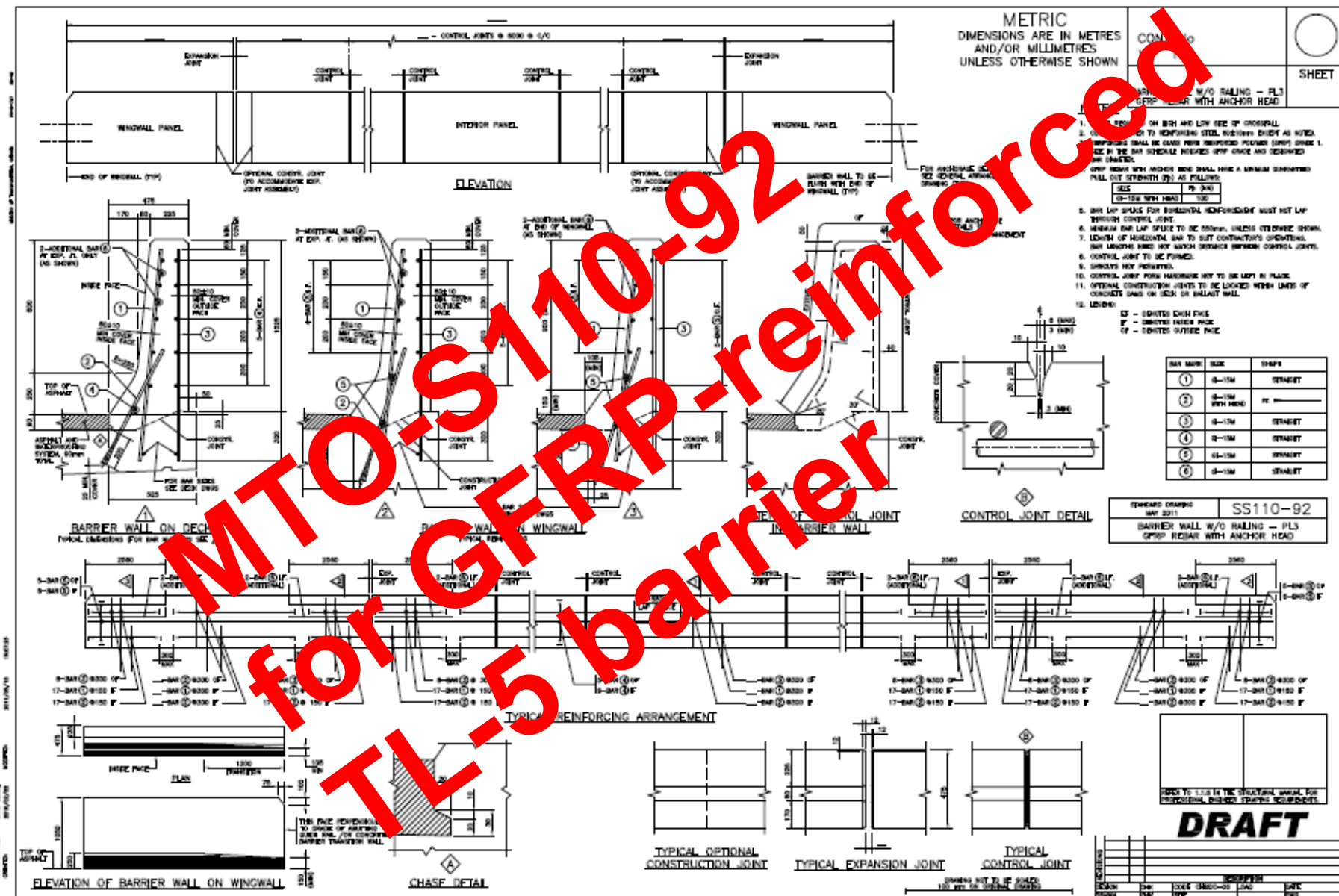


Crash test in 2011



Crash test in 2016

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The modified design of the TL-5 barrier-deck system in addition to the identical design for the TL-4 barrier-deck system, was included in the MTQ Structures Manual in 2018.

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MANUEL DE CONCEPTION DES STRUCTURES



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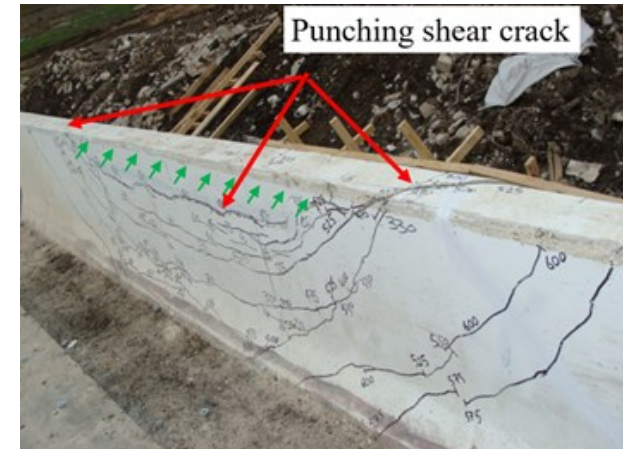
2- Manual calculations using design equations



Test at interior segment



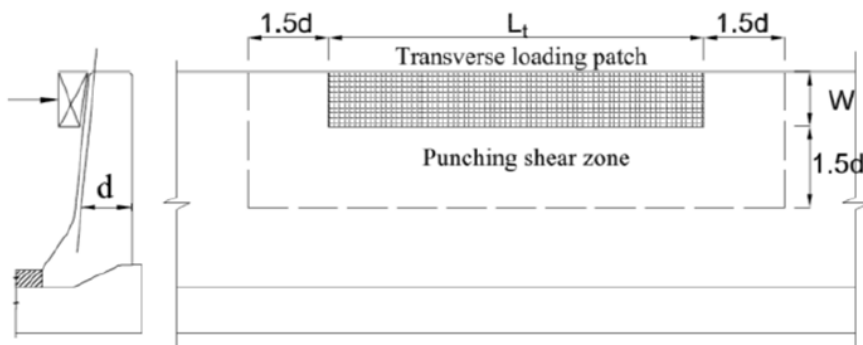
Test at end segment



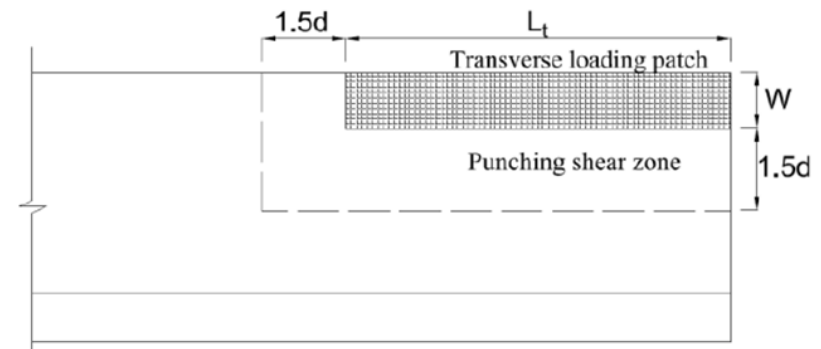
Punching shear failure

Punching shear capacity:

$$V_c = (1 + 2 / \beta_c) 0.13 \lambda \phi_c \frac{\sqrt[3]{\rho_f \cdot E_f \cdot f'_c}}{\sqrt[4]{d}} b_{o,1.5d} \cdot d$$



(a) For Impact within a wall segment



(b) For impact at end of wall or at joint

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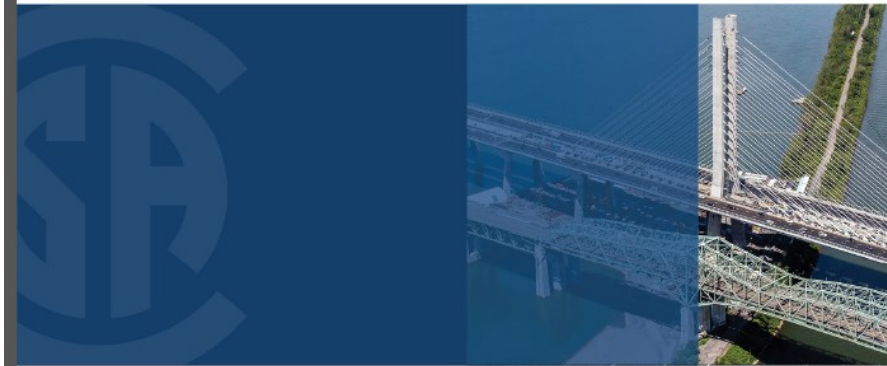
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CSA S6:19

Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code



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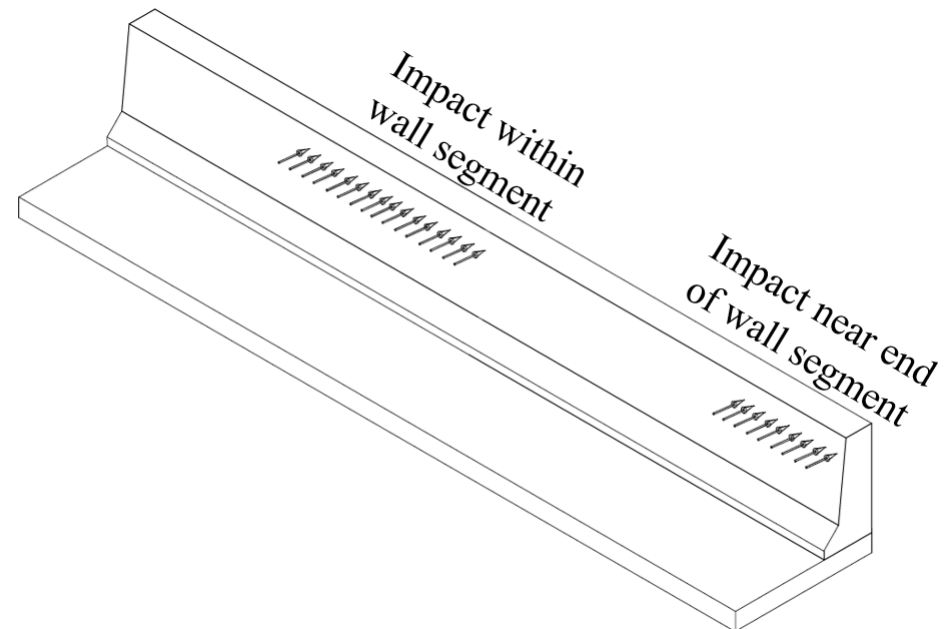
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Barrier end requirement in CSA-S6:19:

Doubling vertical bars at the traffic side of the barrier end

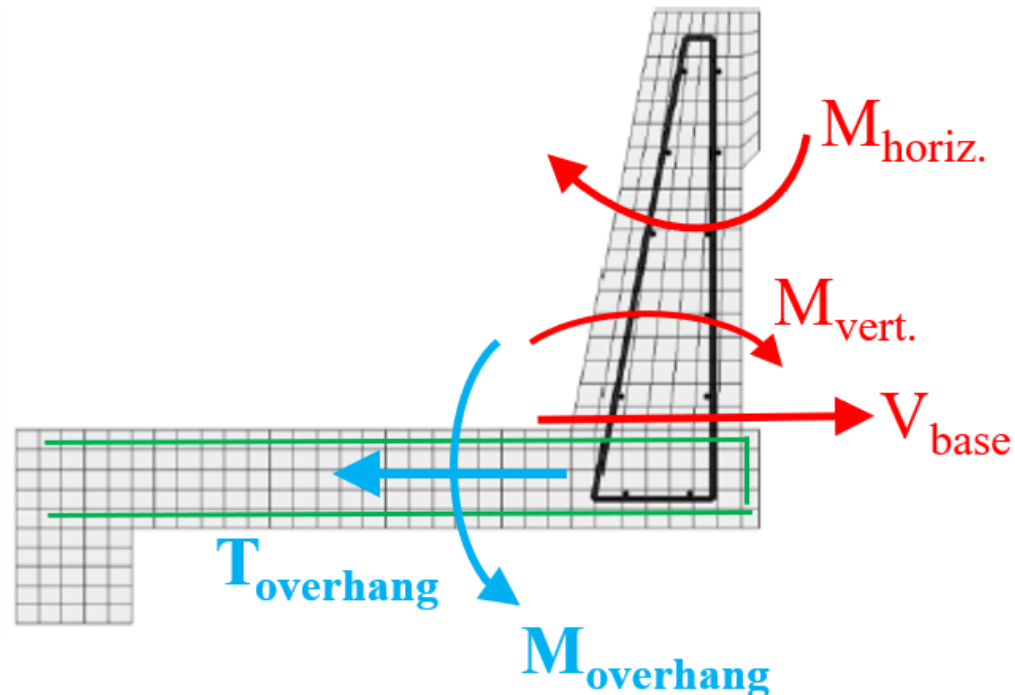
The spacing of the vertical bars and anchors on the traffic side shall be reduced by half on

- a) each side of a joint in the wall;
- b) each side of a luminaire embedded in the wall; and
- c) from the free vertical edges of the wall for the following lengths of the wall, 1.2 m for barriers meeting crash test requirements for Test Levels 1, 2, and 4; 2.5 m for barriers meeting crash test requirements for Test Level 5.



2- Manual calculations using design equations

- 1- Shear friction resistance at the base (see Clause 16.8.7.3 of CSA-S6:25)
- 2- Design of vertical and horizontal reinforcement for flexure
- 3- Design of barrier thickness due to shear force
- 4- Design of deck overhang under combined moment and tensile force

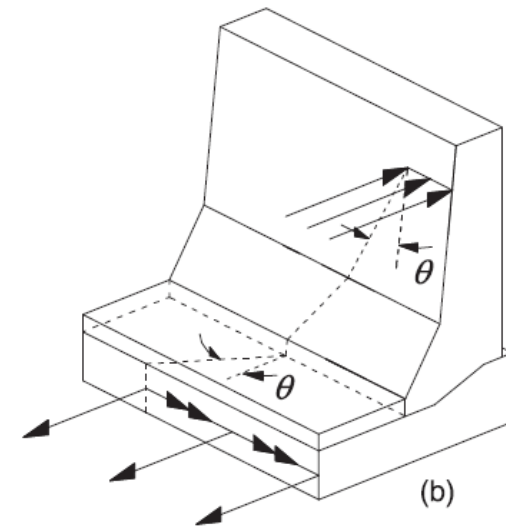
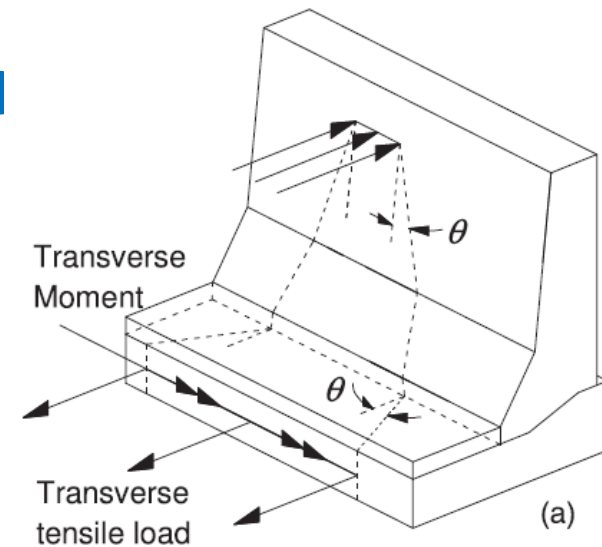
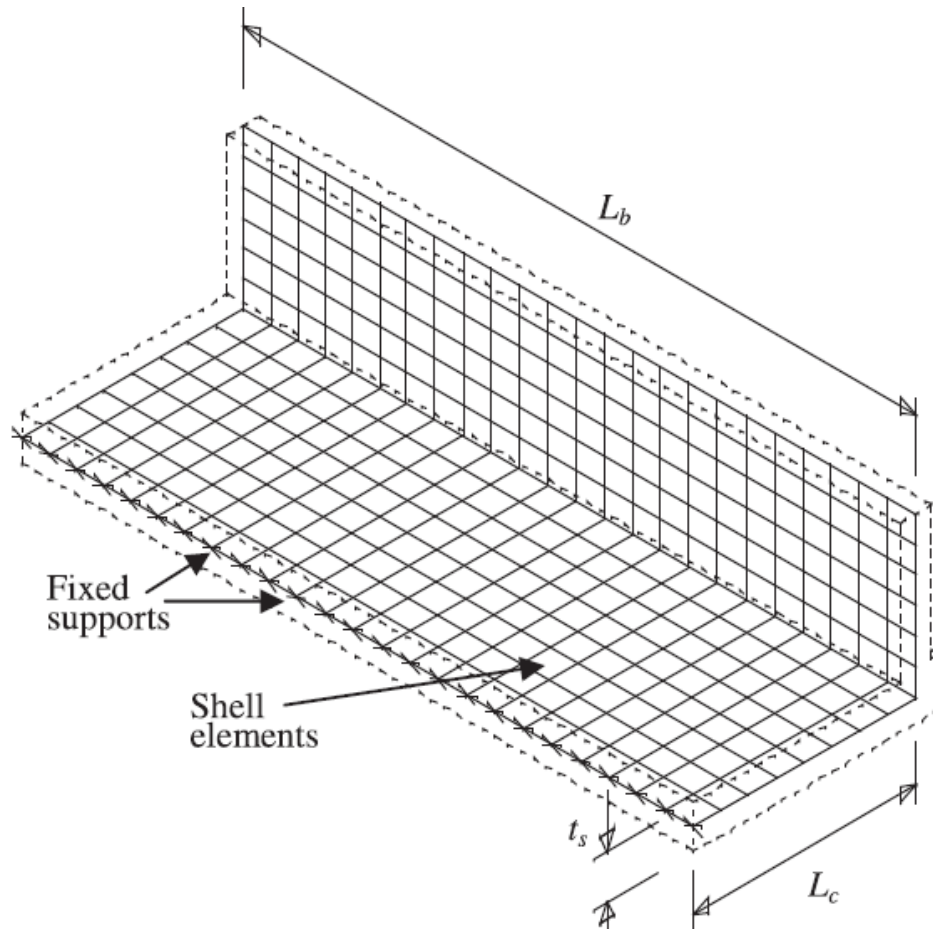


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How to obtain applied moment, shear, and tensile forces:

- Finite element analysis of barrier-deck overhang under transverse vehicle impact load



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Empirical equations moment and tensile forces for deck overhang design for CSA-S6:25

Barrier type		Equations	Limitation of use
TL-2 parapet (constant thickness)	M _{f,inner}	$4 S_p^{-0.1} I_b^{-0.43} I_s^{0.06}$	5 m ≤ L _b
	T _{f,inner}	$9 S_p^{-0.09} I_b^{-0.38} I_s^{0.04}$	
	M _{f,end}	$9 S_p^{-0.15} I_b^{-0.36} I_s^{0.08}$	
	T _{f,end}	$15 S_p^{-0.1} I_b^{-0.33} I_s^{0.04}$	
TL-4 (MASH) parapet (constant thickness)	M _{f,inner}	$38 S_p^{-0.21} I_b^{-0.41} I_s^{0.14}$	5 m ≤ L _b
	T _{f,inner}	$100 S_p^{-0.08} I_b^{-0.15} I_s^{0.04}$	
	M _{f,end}	$51 S_p^{-0.25} I_b^{-0.47} I_s^{0.16}$	
	T _{f,end}	165	
TL-4 (NCHRP 350) parapet (constant thickness)	M _{f,inner}	$18 S_p^{-0.21} I_b^{-0.49} I_s^{0.15}$	5 m ≤ L _b
	T _{f,inner}	$52 S_p^{-0.06} I_b^{-0.16}$	
	M _{f,end}	$30 S_p^{-0.24} I_b^{-0.47} I_s^{0.15}$	
	T _{f,end}	110	
TL-4 (MASH) tapered-face barrier	M _{f,inner}	$45 S_p^{-0.27} L_b^{-0.18} I_b^{-0.47} I_s^{0.15}$	5 m ≤ L _b ≤ 8 m
	T _{f,inner}	$110 S_p^{-0.18} I_b^{-0.21} I_s^{0.07}$	
	M _{f,end}	$54 S_p^{-0.49} I_b^{-0.64} I_s^{0.28}$	
	T _{f,end}	$155 S_p^{-0.07}$	
TL-4 (NCHRP 350) tapered-face barrier	M _{f,inner}	$8 S_p^{-0.29} L_b^{-0.16} I_b^{-0.74} I_s^{0.17}$	5 m ≤ L _b ≤ 12 m
	T _{f,inner}	$43 S_p^{-0.08} I_b^{-0.25} I_s^{0.03}$	
	M _{f,end}	$18 S_p^{-0.45} I_b^{-0.71} I_s^{0.27}$	
	T _{f,end}	110	
TL-5 tapered-face barrier	M _{f,inner}	$60 S_p^{-0.2} L_b^{-0.19} I_b^{-0.53} I_s^{0.12}$	5 m ≤ L _b ≤ 12 m
	T _{f,inner}	$83 S_p^{-0.05} I_b^{-0.17}$	
	M _{f,end}	$125 L_b^{-0.09} S_p^{-0.35} I_b^{-0.41} I_s^{0.18}$	
	T _{f,end}	160	

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Empirical equations moment and tensile forces for deck overhang design for CSA-S6:25

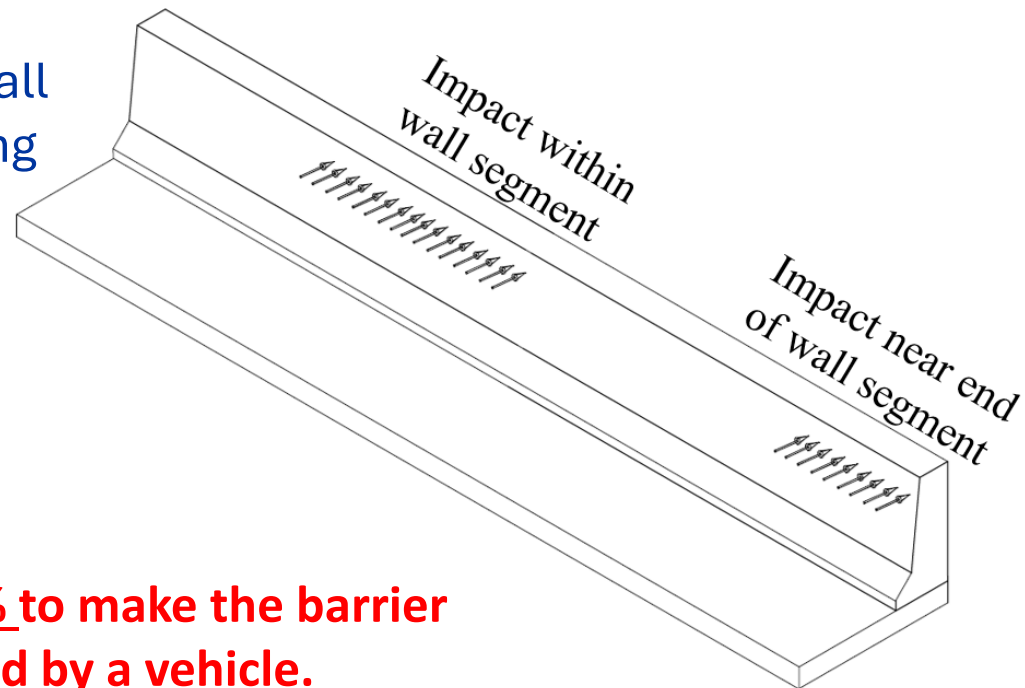
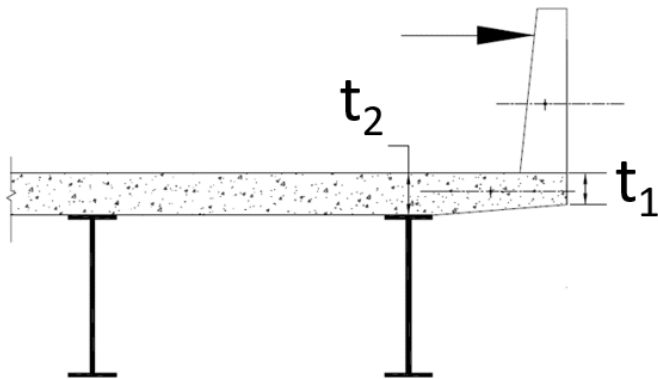
TL-5 tapered-face barrier	$M_{f,inner}$	$60 S_p^{-0.2} L_b^{-0.19} I_b^{-0.53} I_s^{0.12}$	$5 \text{ m} \leq L_b \leq 12 \text{ m}$
	$T_{f,inner}$	$83 S_p^{-0.05} I_b^{-0.17}$	
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S_p = Overhang length

L_b = Barrier length

I_b = Moment of inertia of the barrier wall

I_s = Moment of inertia of deck overhang

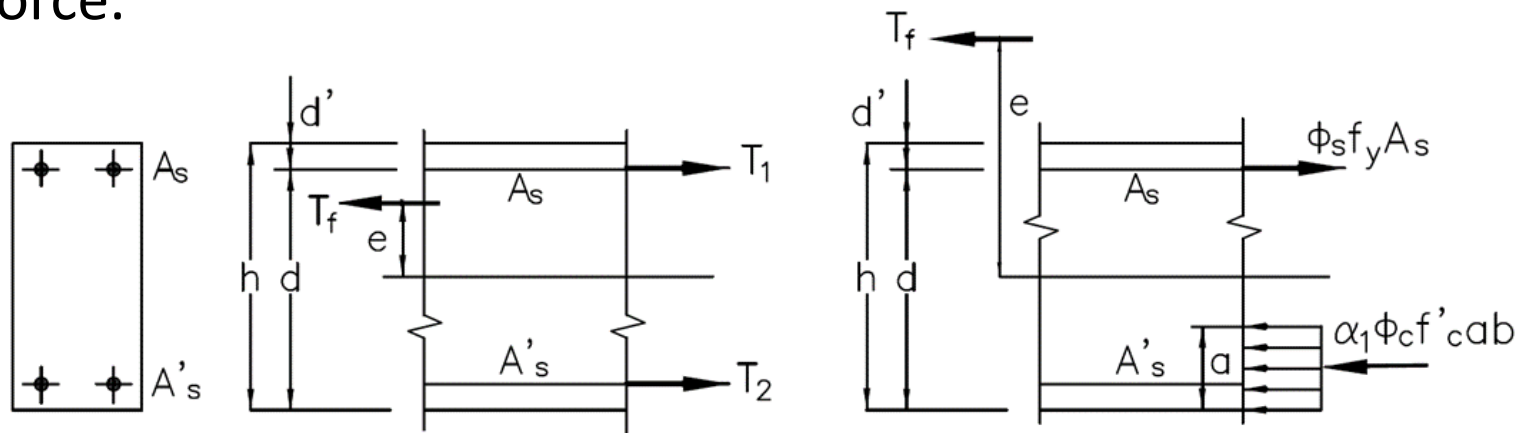


Note: Increase the above values by 20% to make the barrier fail before the overhang when impacted by a vehicle.

ACI Foundation Research Fund (2024-2026)

To develop simplified equations for the design of GFRP-reinforced concrete section under a combined moment and tensile force

- **ACI-313-16: Design Specification for Concrete Silos and Stacking Tubes for Storing Granular Materials** specifies design procedure for steel-reinforced sections with small or large eccentricity of the tensile force.



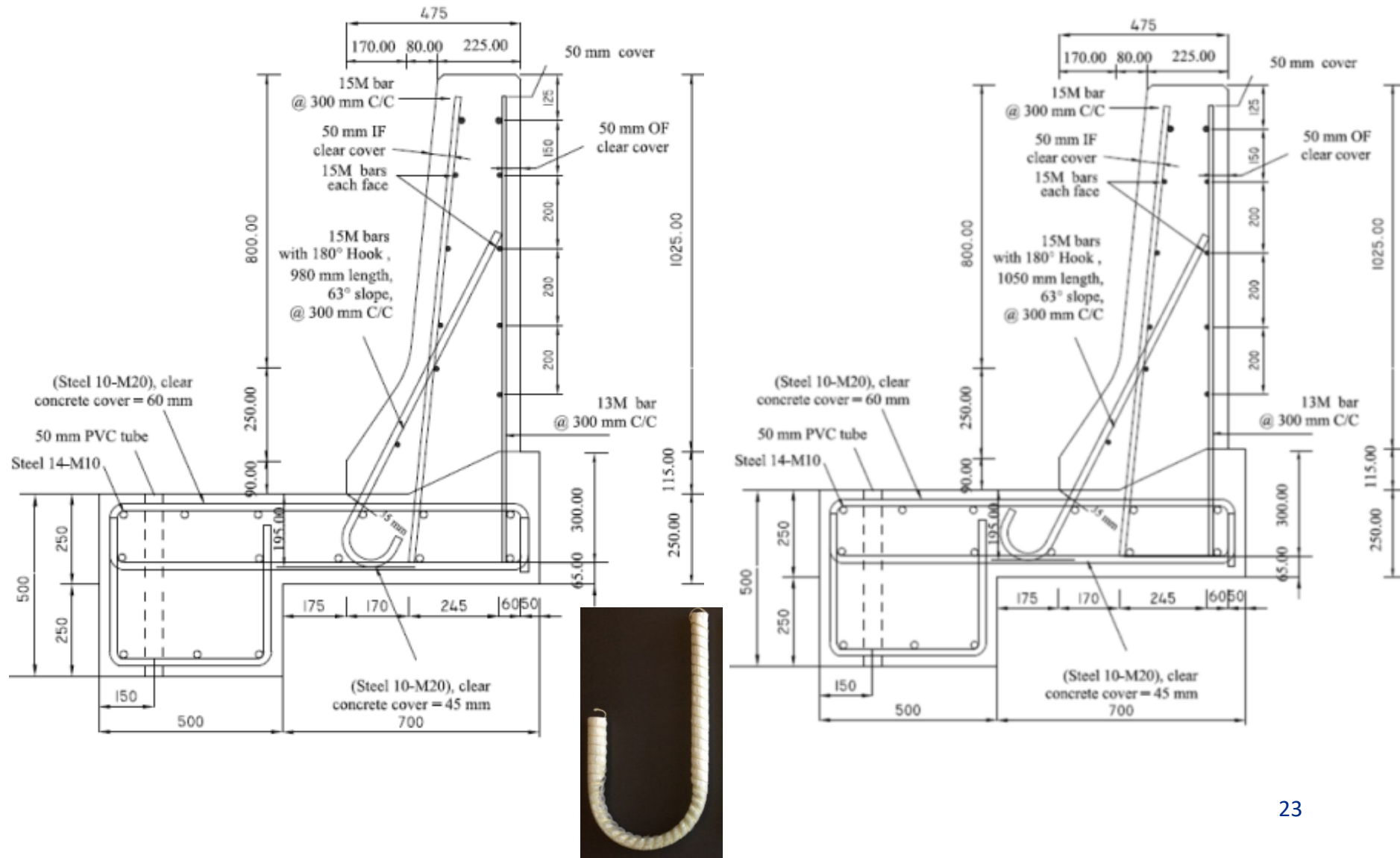
Case 1: Small eccentricity, $e \leq (h/2 - d')$

Case 2: Large eccentricity, $e > (h/2 - d')$

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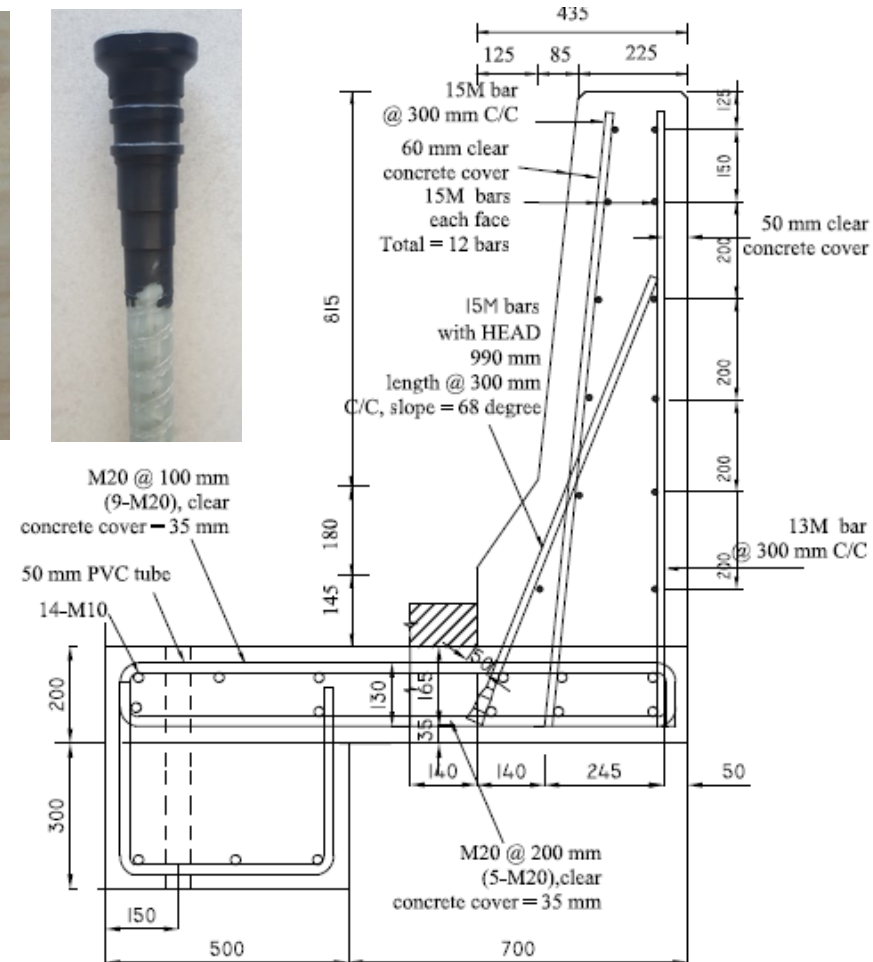
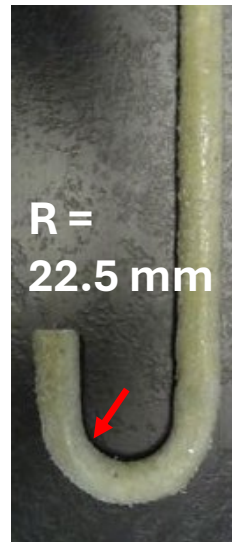
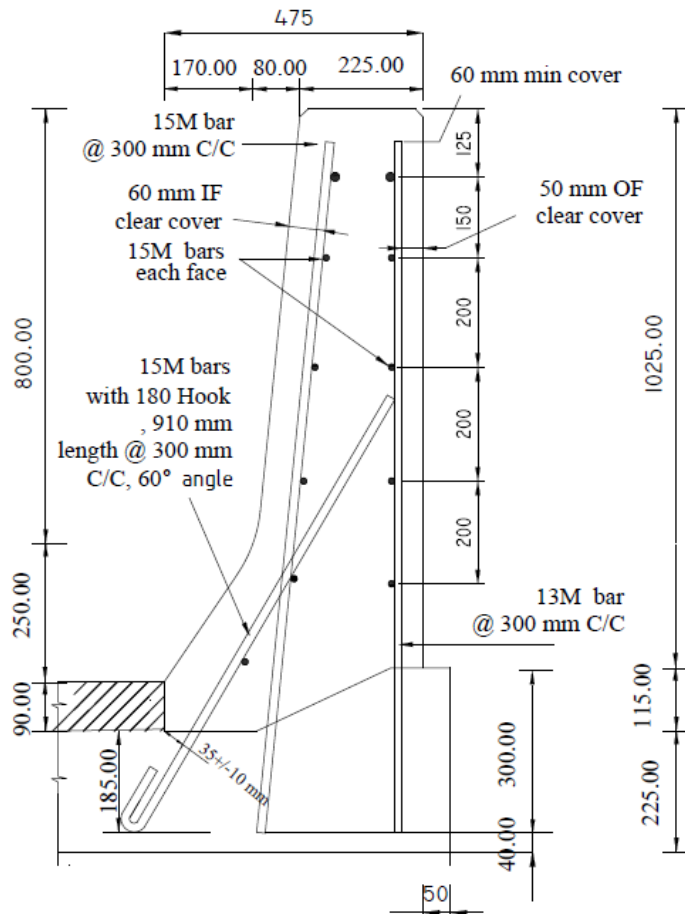
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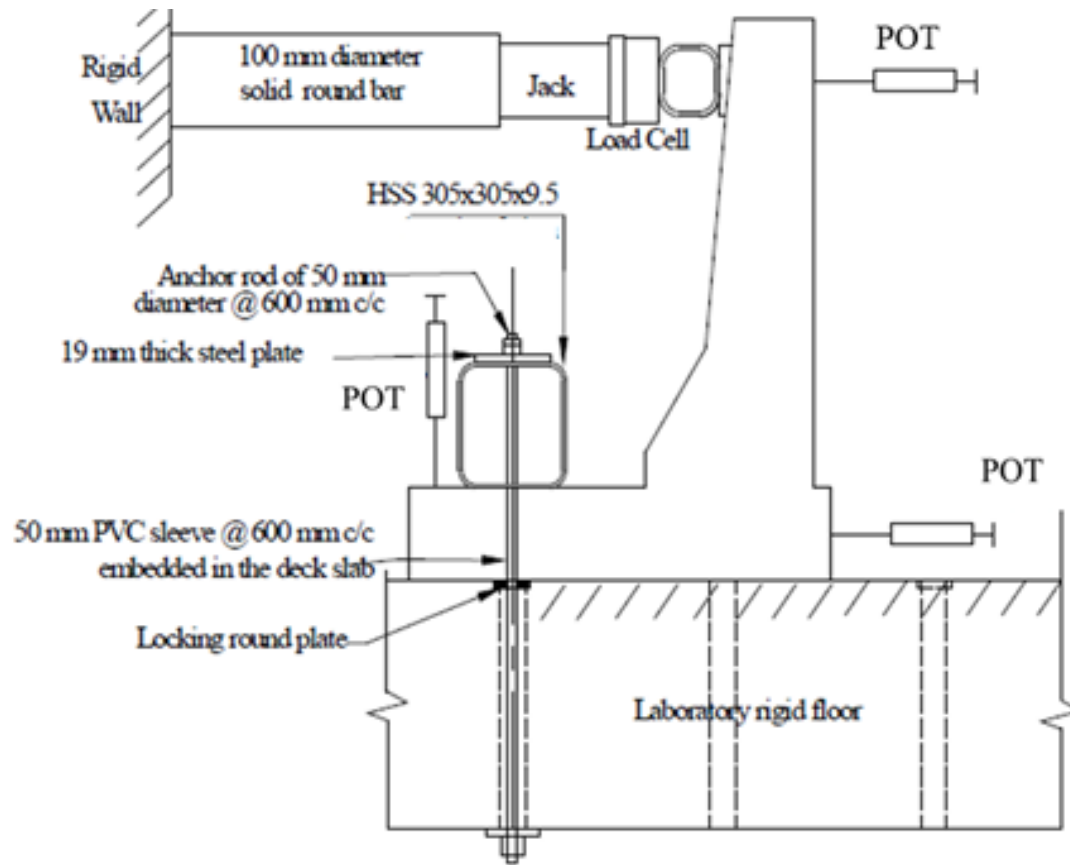
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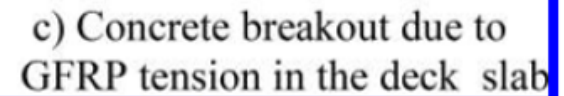
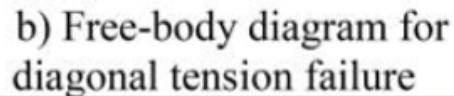
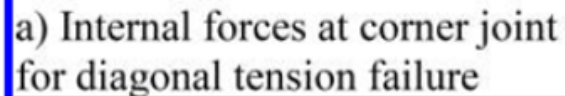
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Test setup

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Deteriorated steel-reinforced barrier



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Damaged steel-reinforced barrier due to vehicle collision



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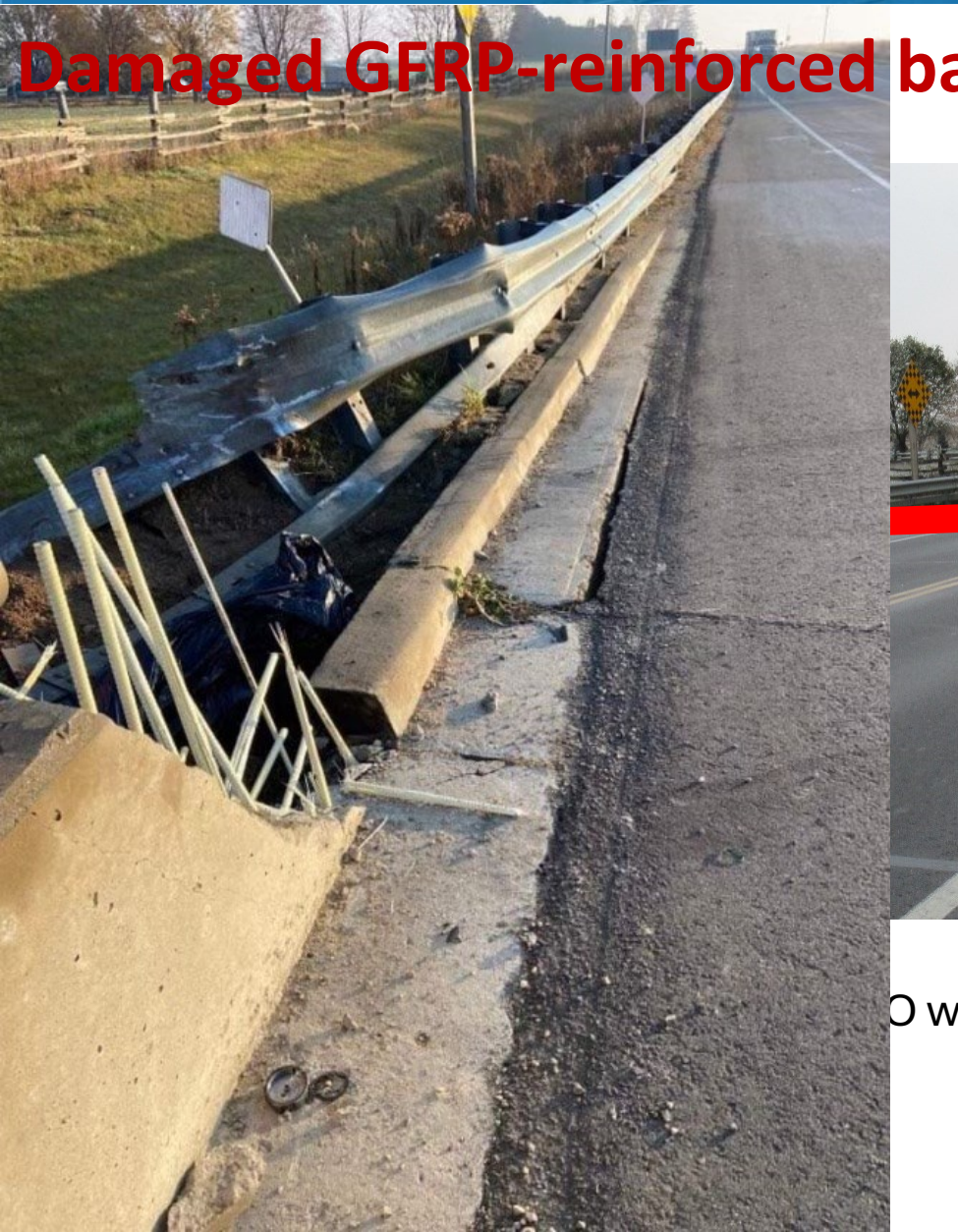


Florida Bridge Railing Failure

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Damaged GFRP-reinforced barrier due to vehicle collision



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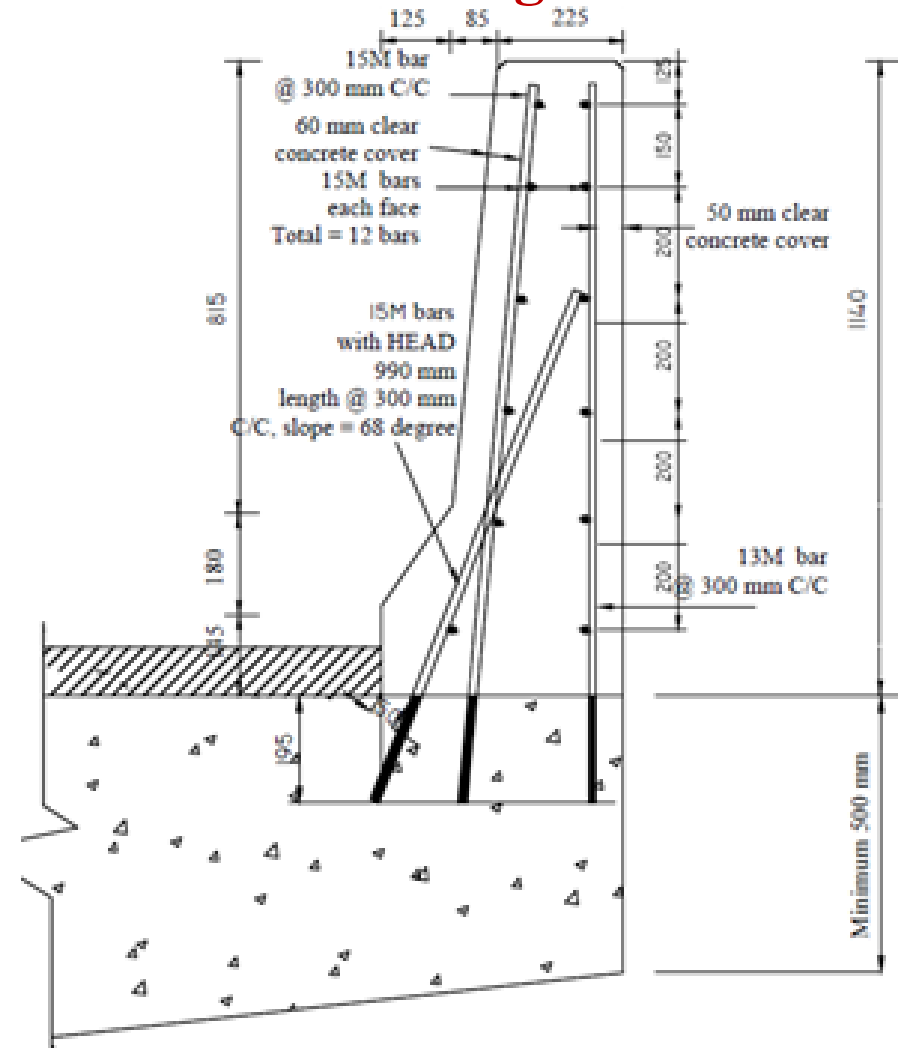
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Post-installed GFRP bars between barrier and existing deck



Saw-cut the defected segment



Installation of post-installed GFRP bars

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Post-installed GFRP bar testing to collapse



At barrier end



At barrier interior segment



GFRP bar planting

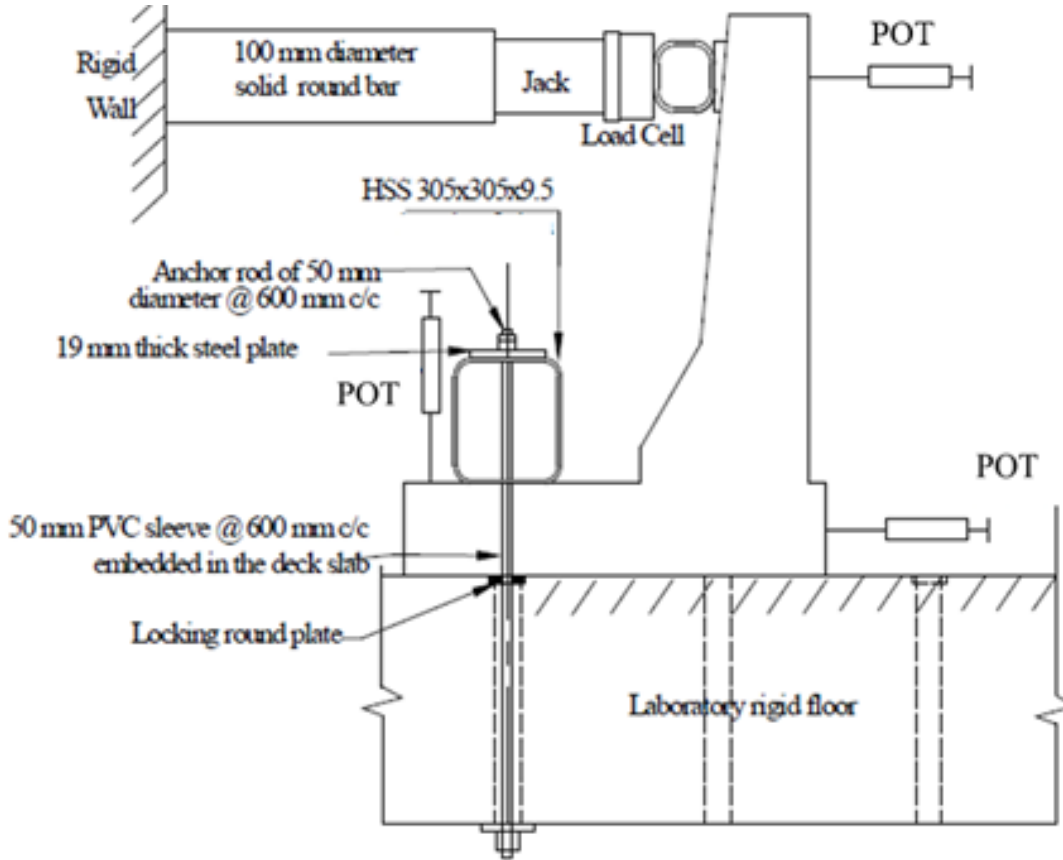


Close-up view

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Post-installed GFRP bar testing



Test setup



Concrete breakout in thick deck slab

Post-installed GFRP bars exposed to freeze-thaw cycles

Types of adhesives:

- Type I:



HIT-RE 500-SD Epoxy Adhesive

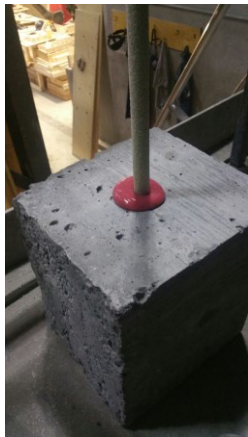


- Type II & III:

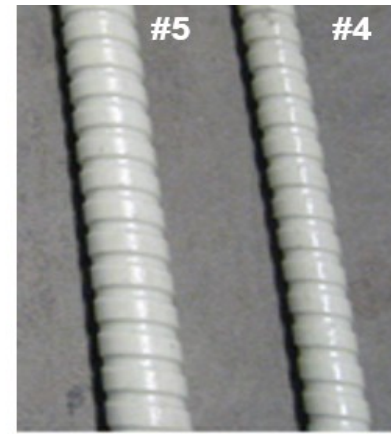
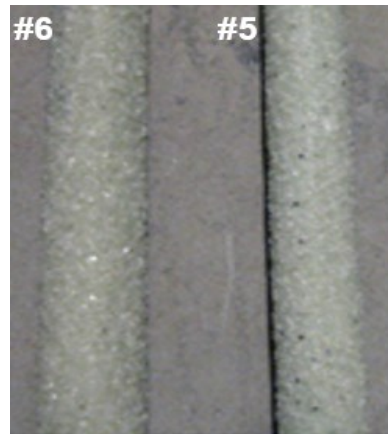


Sika AnchorFix-2001

Sika AnchorFix-3001



GFRP bar post-installed 200 mm
deep in a concrete block



GFRP bars used in this study

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Post-installed GFRP bars exposed to freeze-thaw cycles



Concrete block in the
environmental chamber



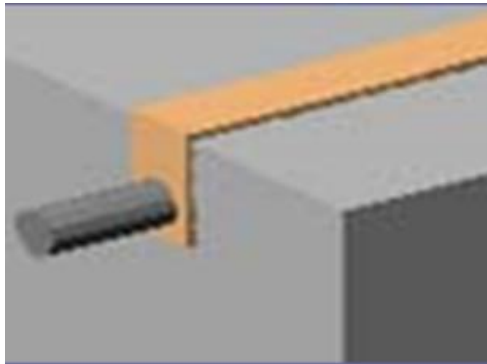
Pullout test

- ← Grip
- ← Jack
- ← Load cell
- ← Concrete block

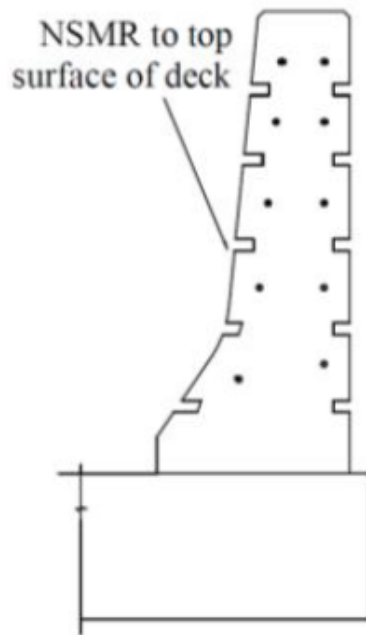


Bar pull-out

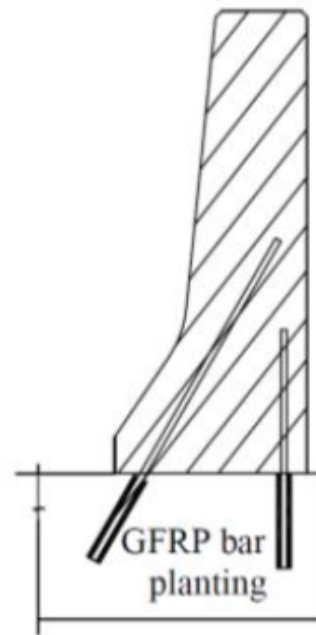
Post-installed GFRP bars between old and new barrier segments and barrier-to-side of existing deck overhang



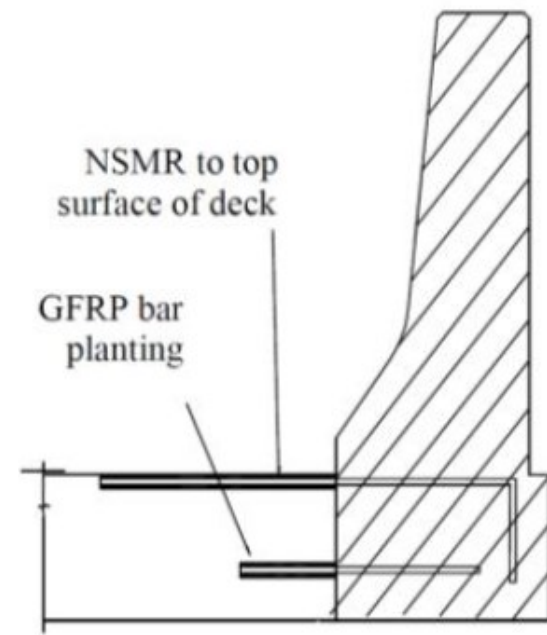
NSMR



NSMR in wall

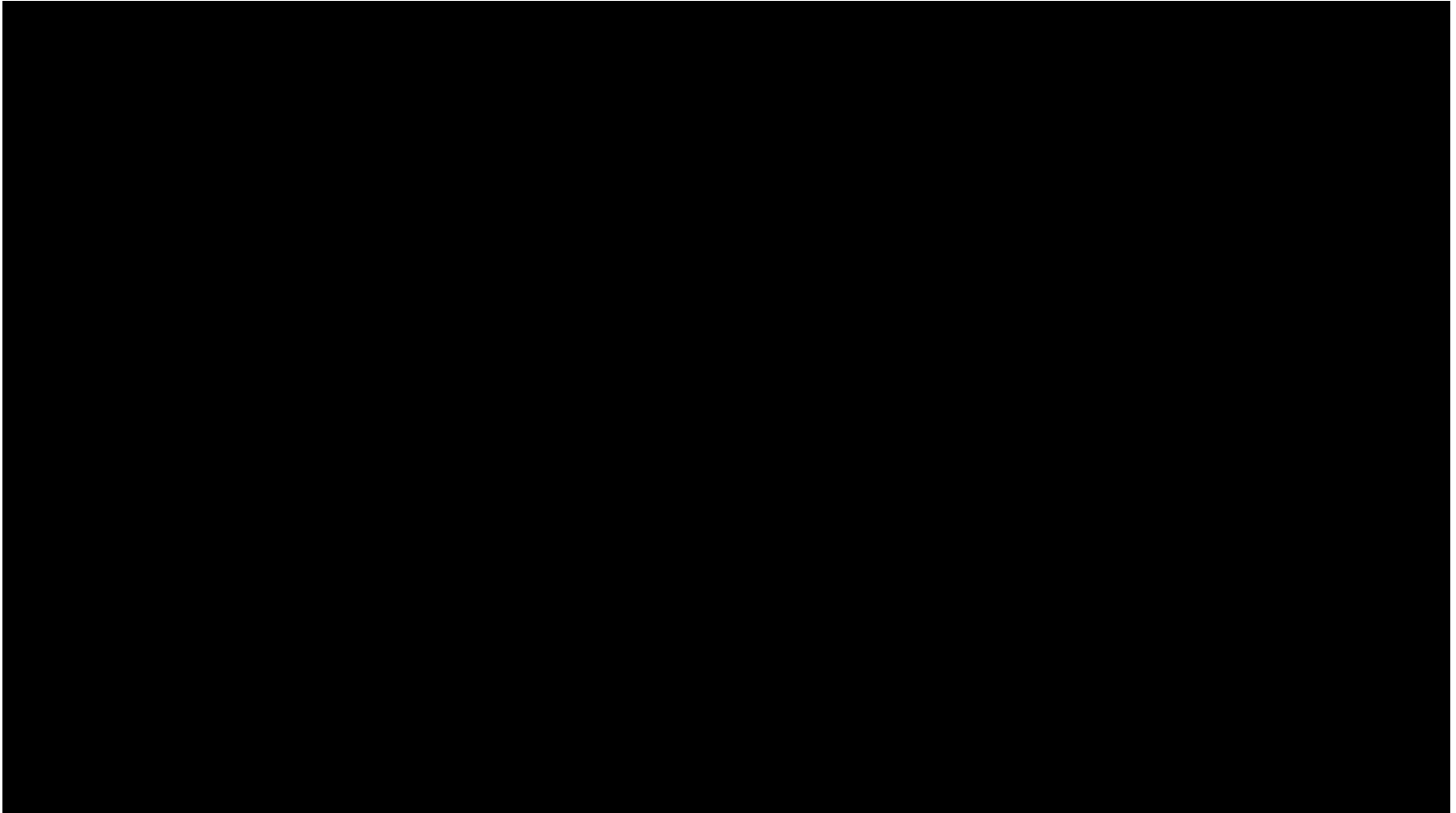


**GFRP Planting
on deck**

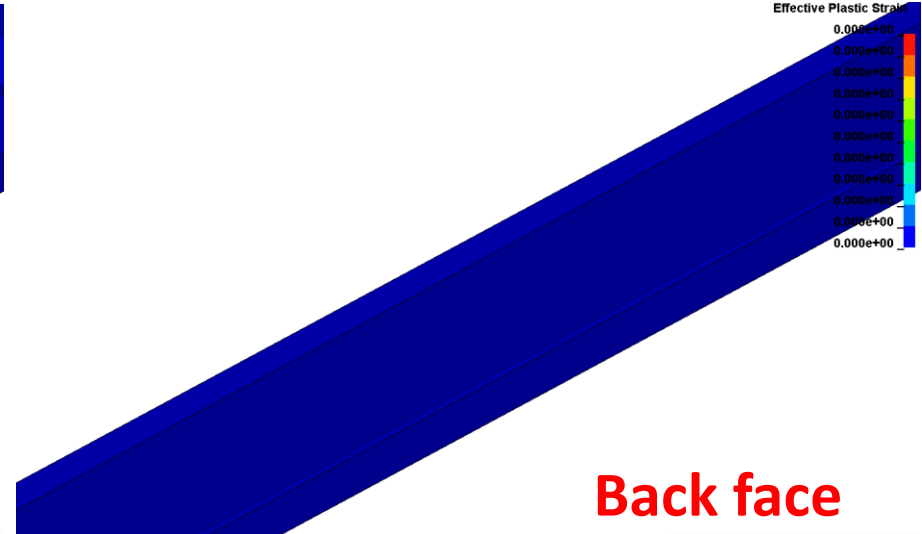
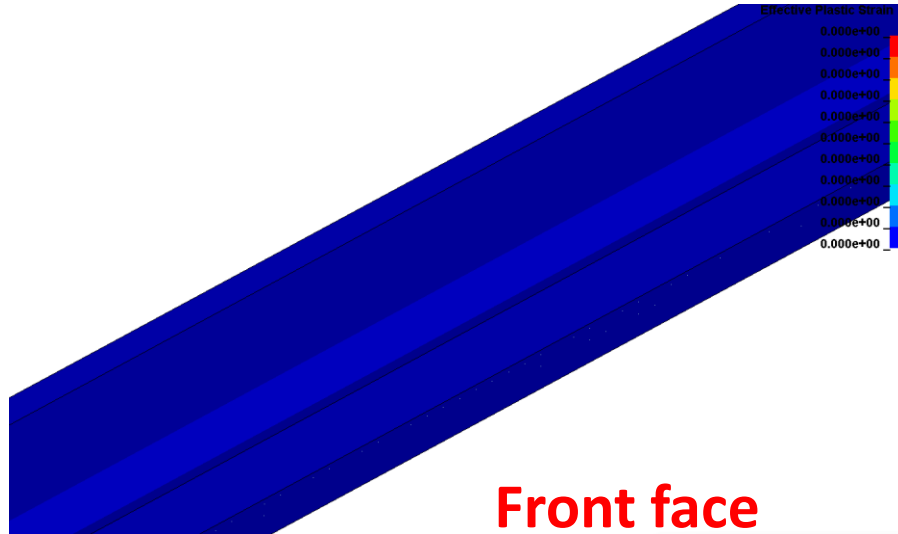


**NSMR and planting
On side of overhang**

LS-DYNA finite element modeling validation



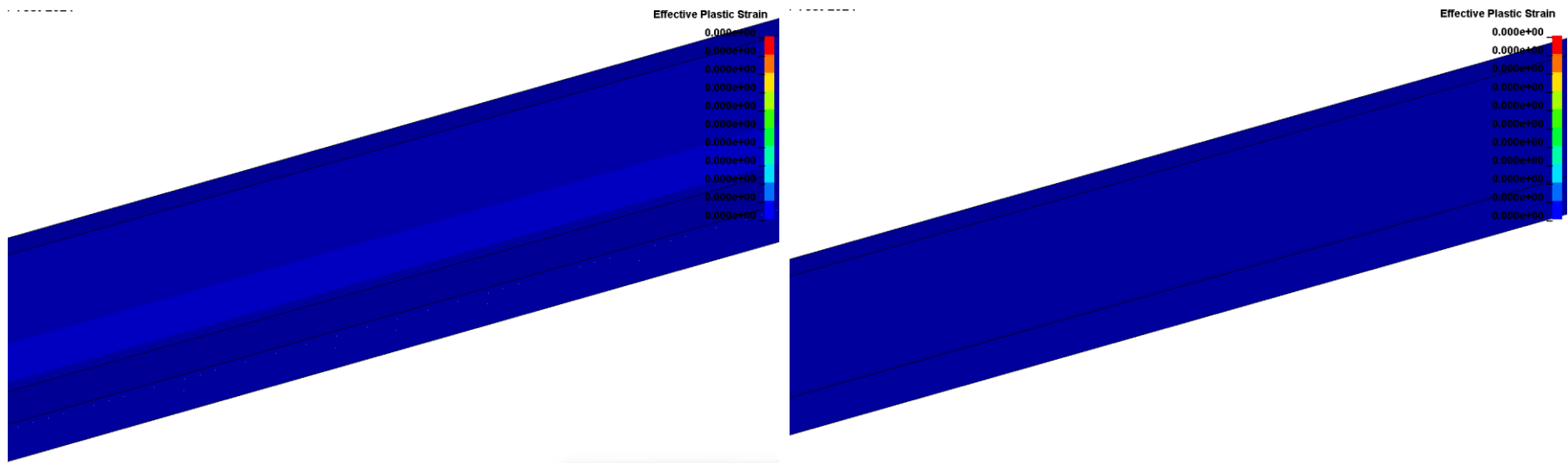
LS-DYNA modelling – static loading to collapse



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Columns



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Highway Bridges



Railway Bridges

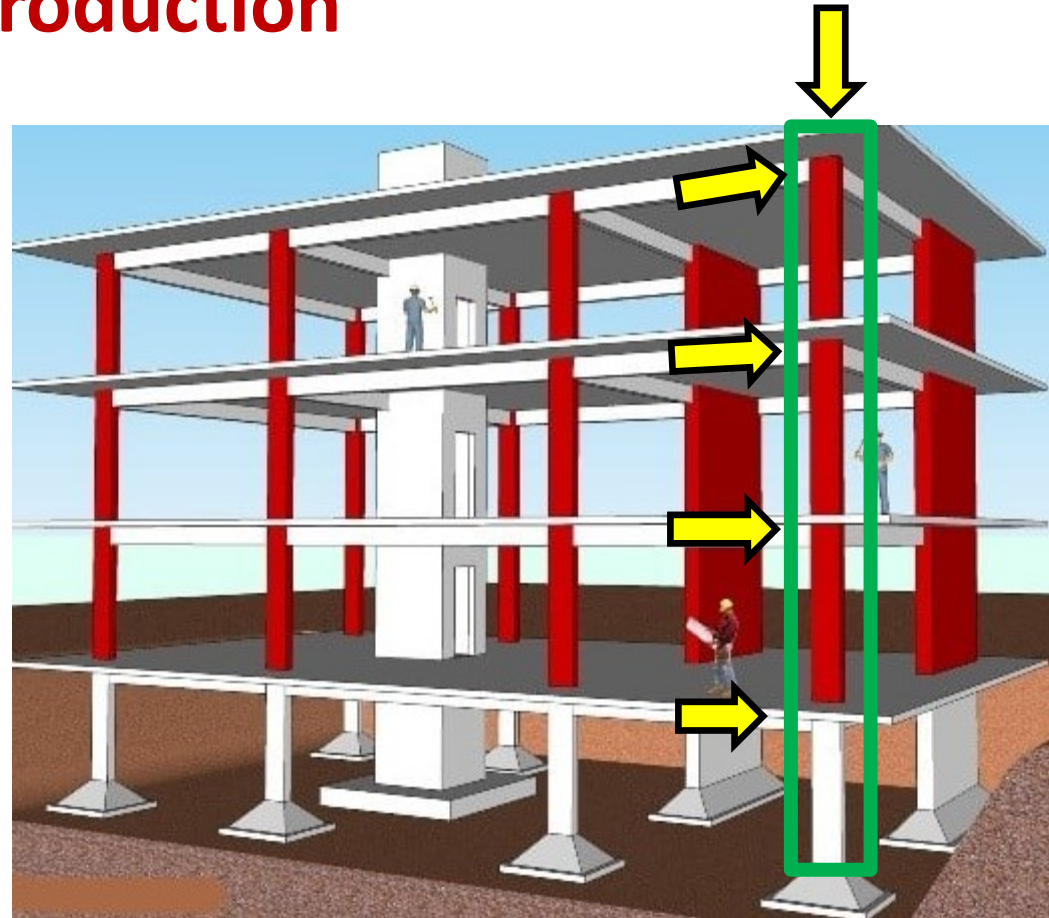


Parking Facilities

Introduction

Columns

- Vertical load
- Lateral load
- Provide lateral stiffness to frame
- Control frame lateral drift
- Prevent structural collapse



Introduction

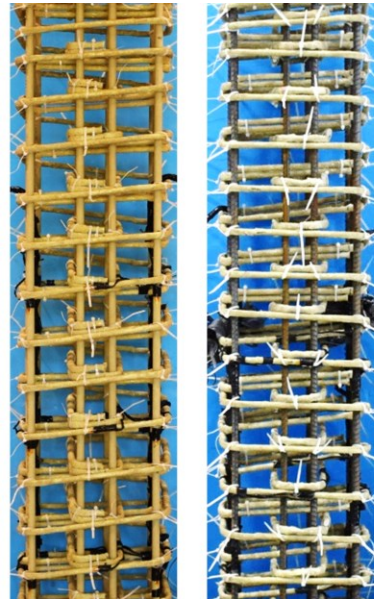
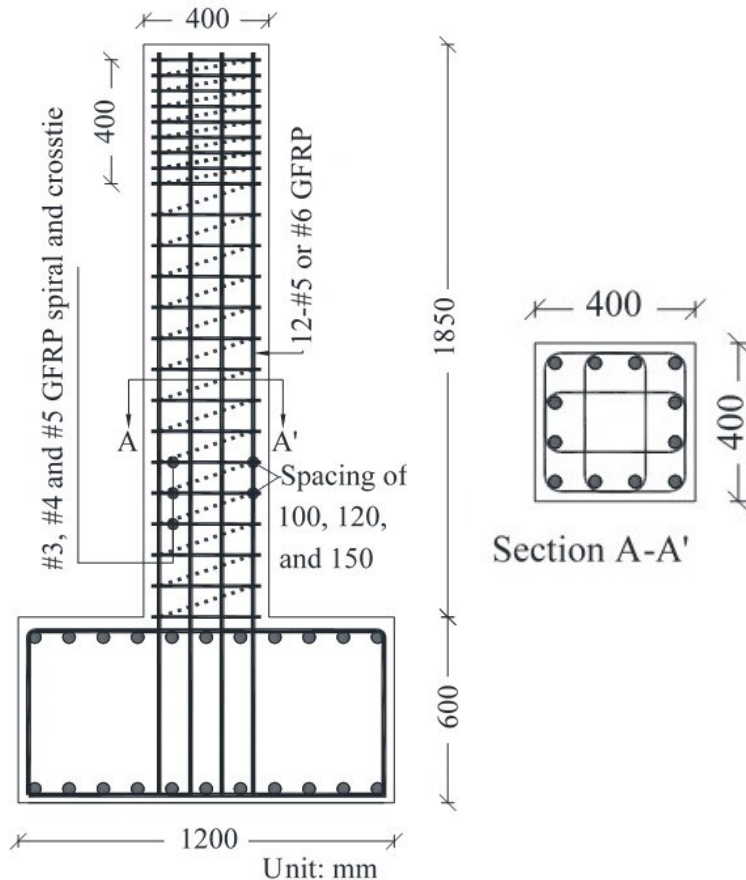
Problem: Corrosion in steel reinforced members



Corrosion Damage to RC Columns

GFRP as lateral reinforcement

GFRP and hybrid-RC columns



Reinforcement cage



GFRP spiral



GFRP crosstie



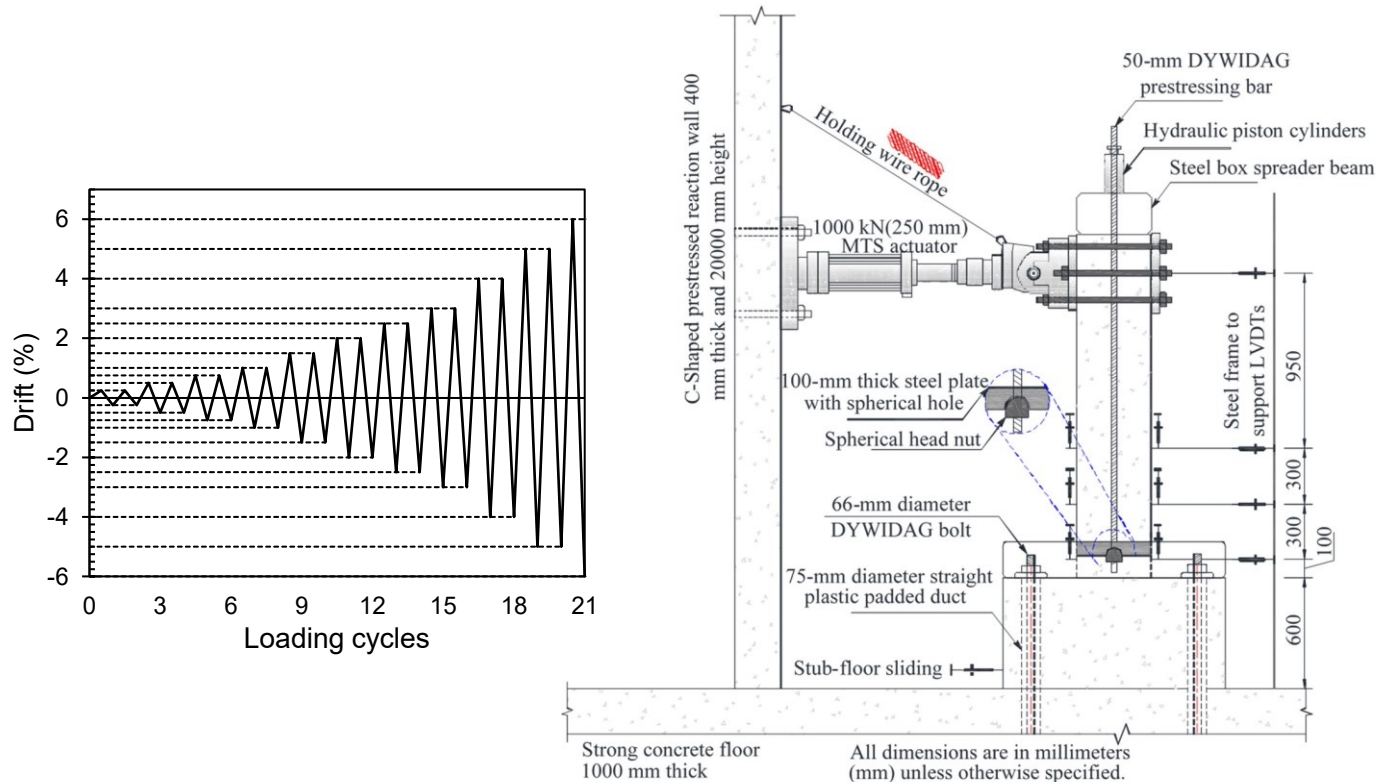
GFRP bar



Steel bar

GFRP as lateral reinforcement

GFRP and hybrid-RC columns

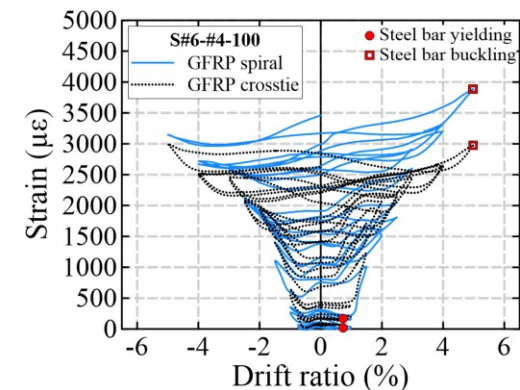
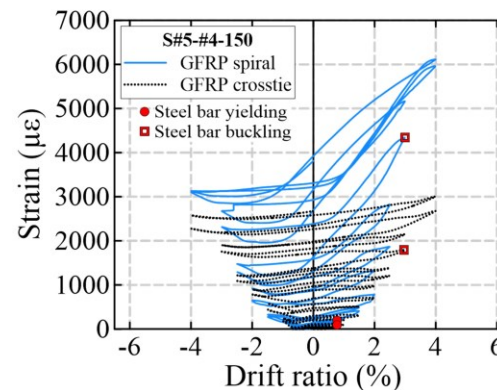
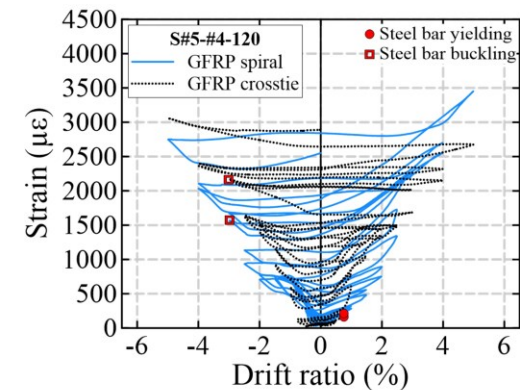
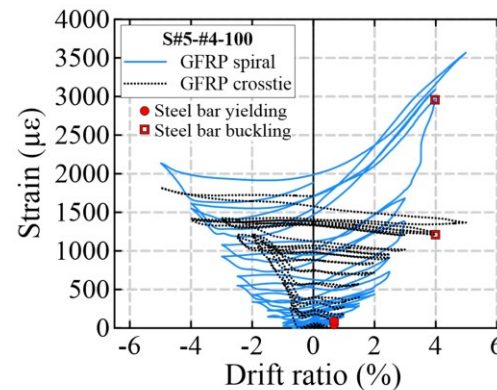


GFRP as lateral reinforcement

GFRP spiral and crossties strain

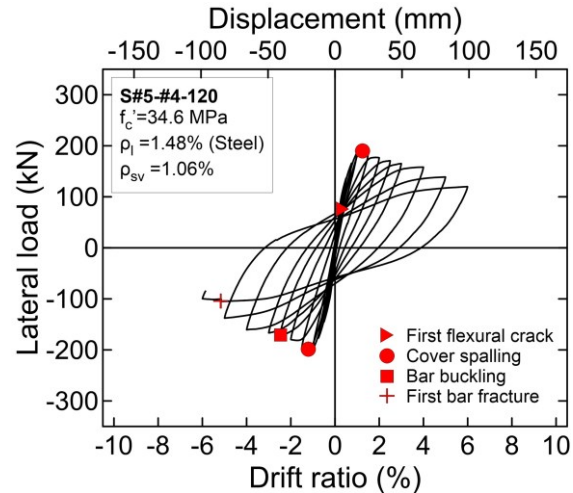
- GFRP spiral and crossties effectively confined the concrete column

- GFRP Strain was higher than steel tie yield strain (0.002), provide continuous confinement until the specimen failure



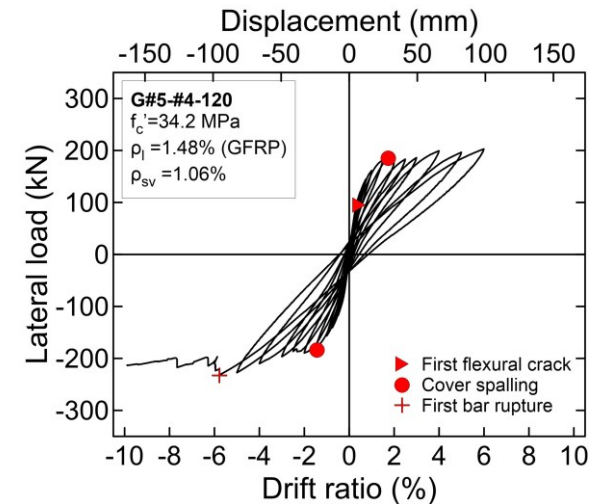
GFRP as longitudinal reinforcement

Hysteresis response



Hybrid-RC column

- The lateral load continues to increase in GFRP-RC column compared with hybrid-RC column

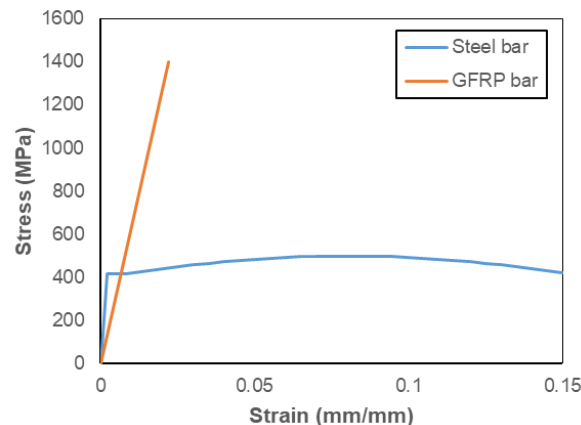
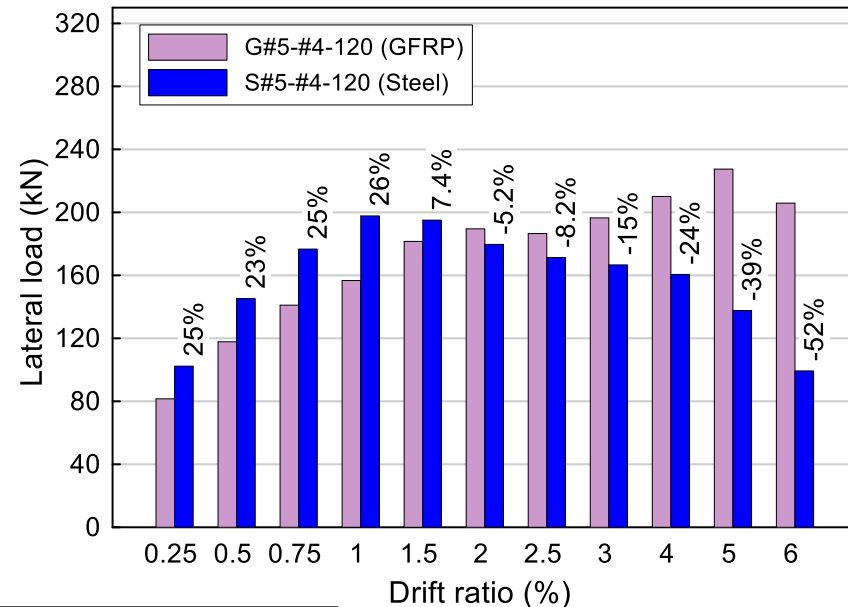


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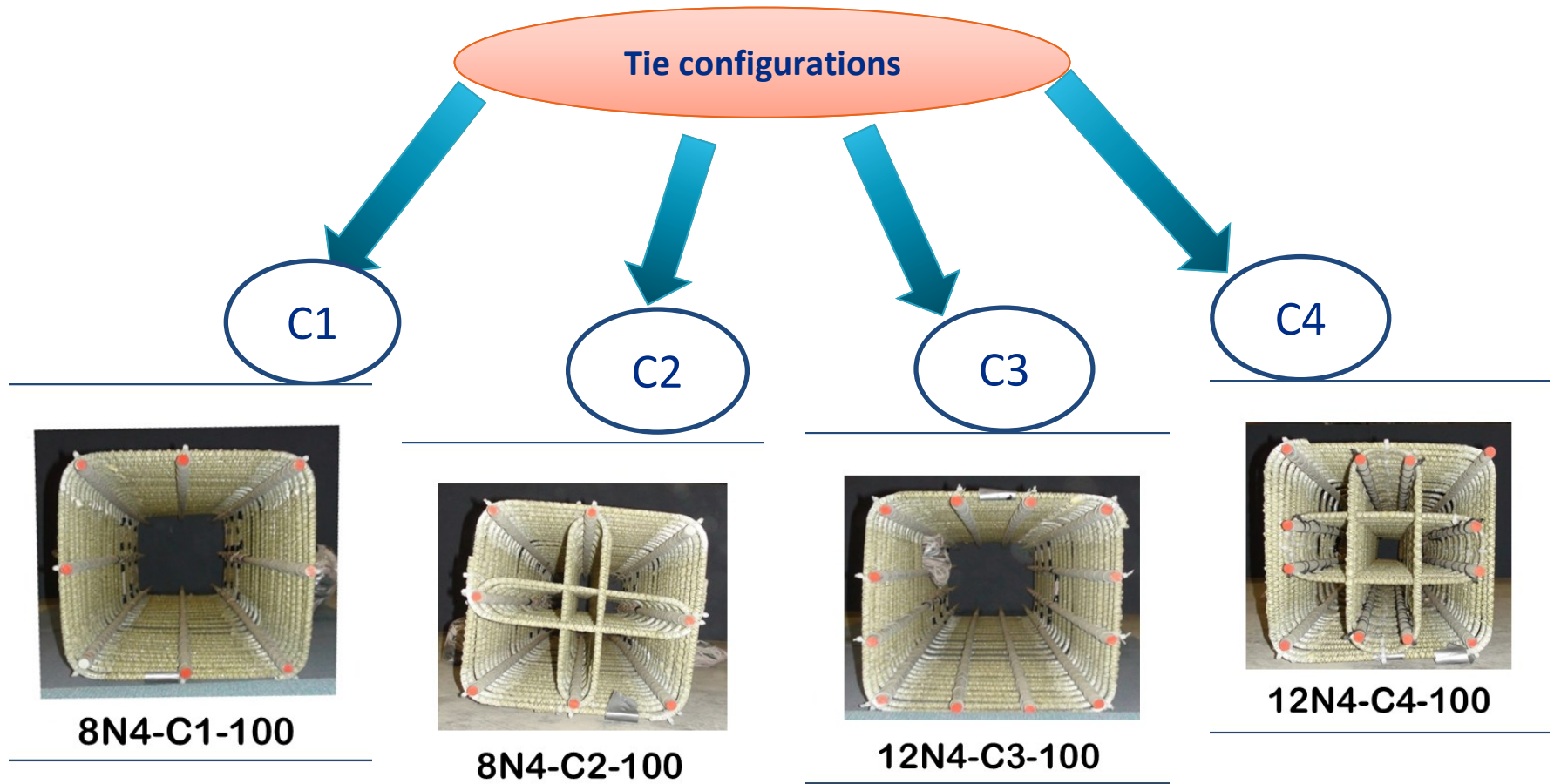
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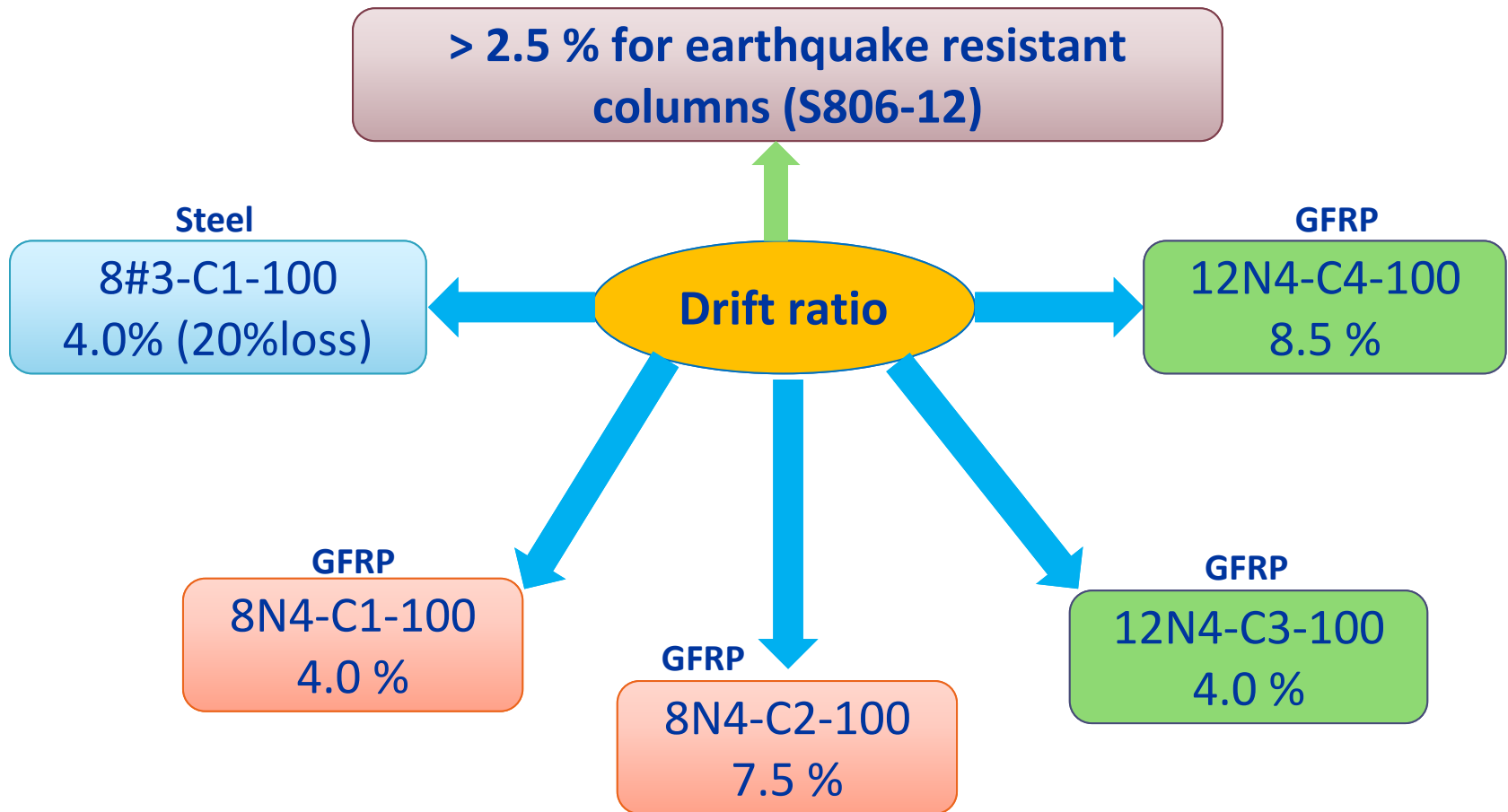
- Due to high stiffness of steel bar than GFRP bar, lateral load was more in initial drift cycles in hybrid-RC column.
- However, after 1.5% drift ratio, it was reversed, and more lateral load was observed in GFRP-RC column.



GFRP as longitudinal reinforcement



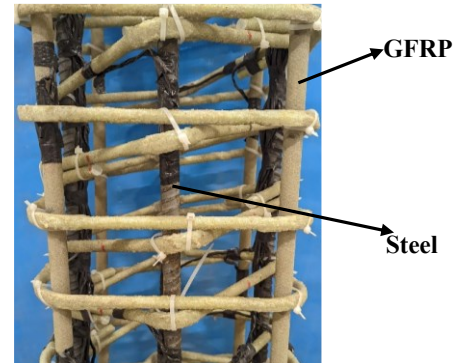
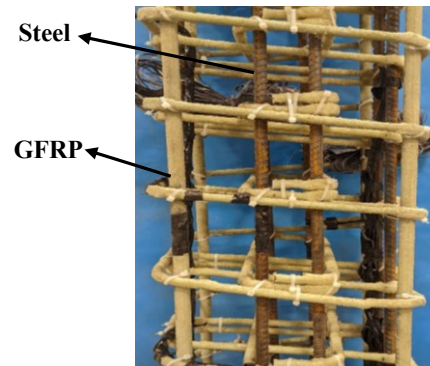
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Hybrid GFRP-steel vertical reinforcement

Hybrid (GFRP-steel) longitudinal reinforcement

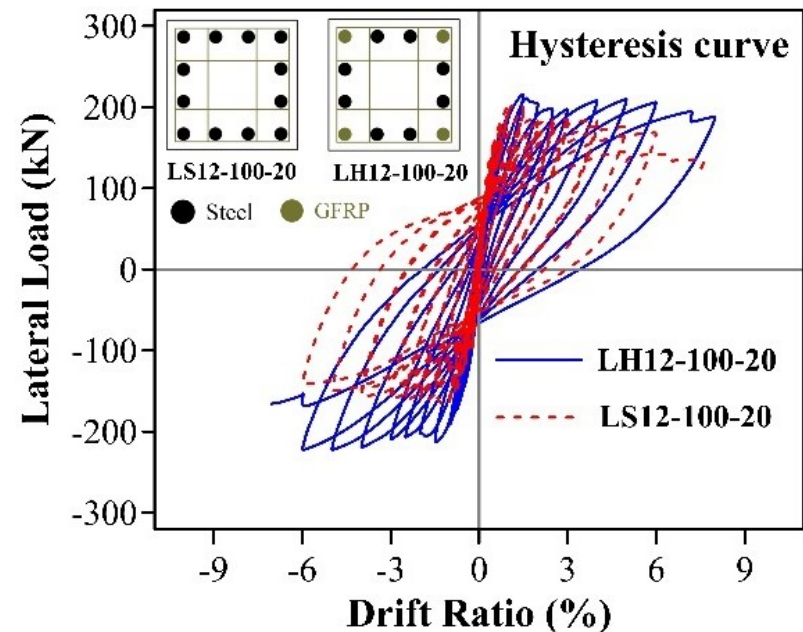
- To provide a better column with corrosion resistance and improved seismic performance
- Replacing some steel longitudinal bars with GFRP bars to improve self-centering capacity of the column



Hybrid GFRP-steel vertical reinforcement

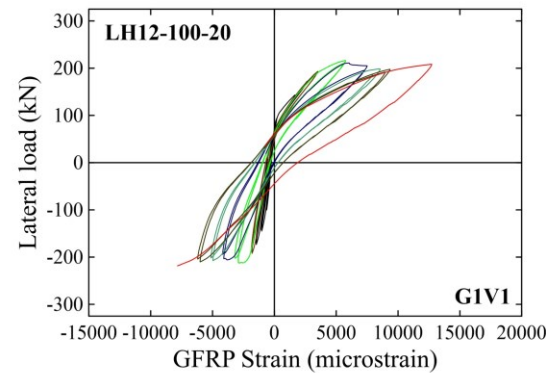
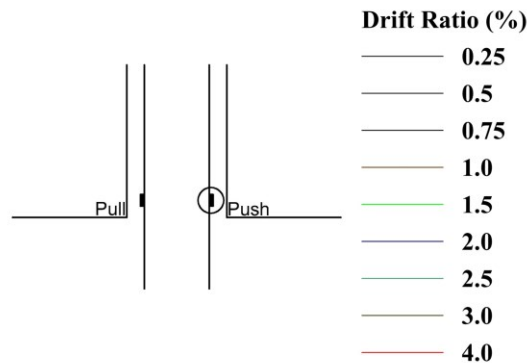
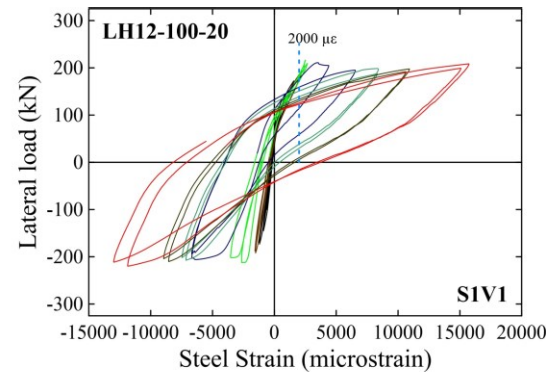
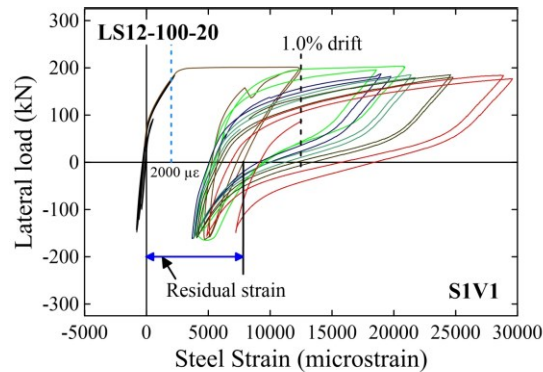
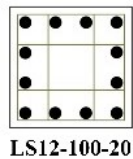
Comparison to steel-RC column

- Concrete column with hybrid longitudinal reinforcement maintained a higher lateral load in contrast to RC column with longitudinal steel bar
- Moreover, the contribution of GFRP longitudinal bars show a narrower response after loading



Hybrid GFRP-steel vertical reinforcement

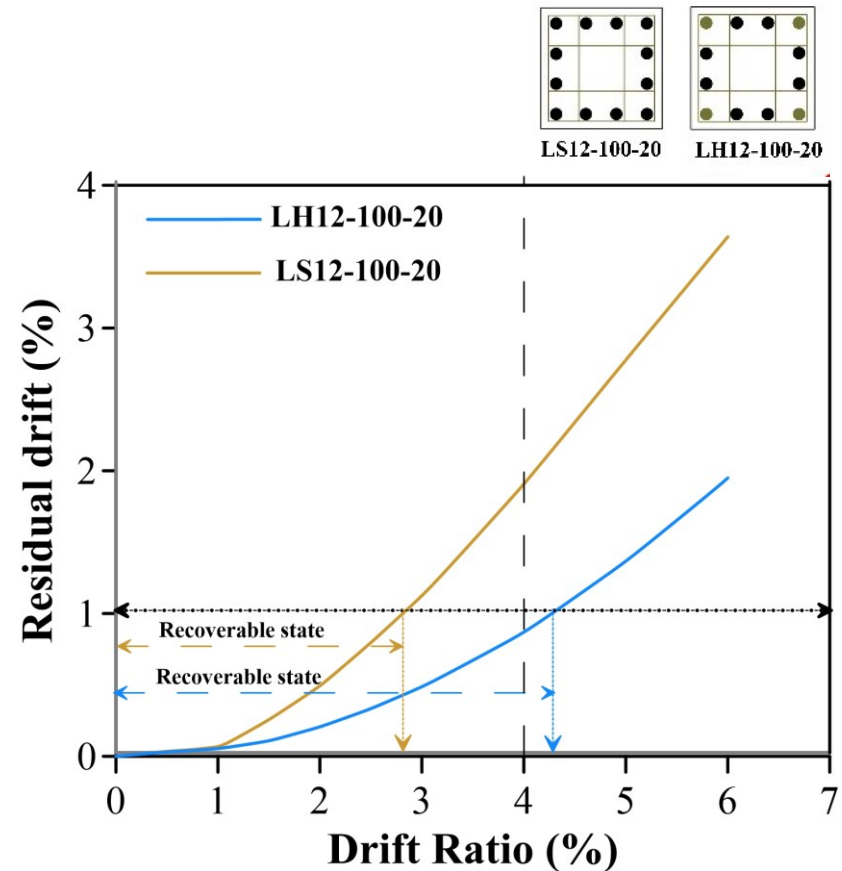
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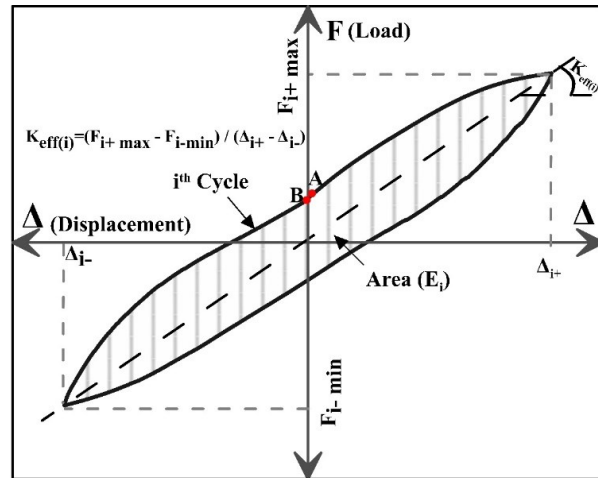
Self-centering ability

- Residual drift ratio is influenced by concrete deterioration and yield of steel bars
- Incorporation of longitudinal GFRP bars led to reduction in residual drift ratio
- Japan's design specification (JRA-2019) recommend recoverable state below 1% residual drift

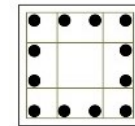


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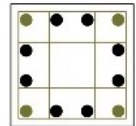
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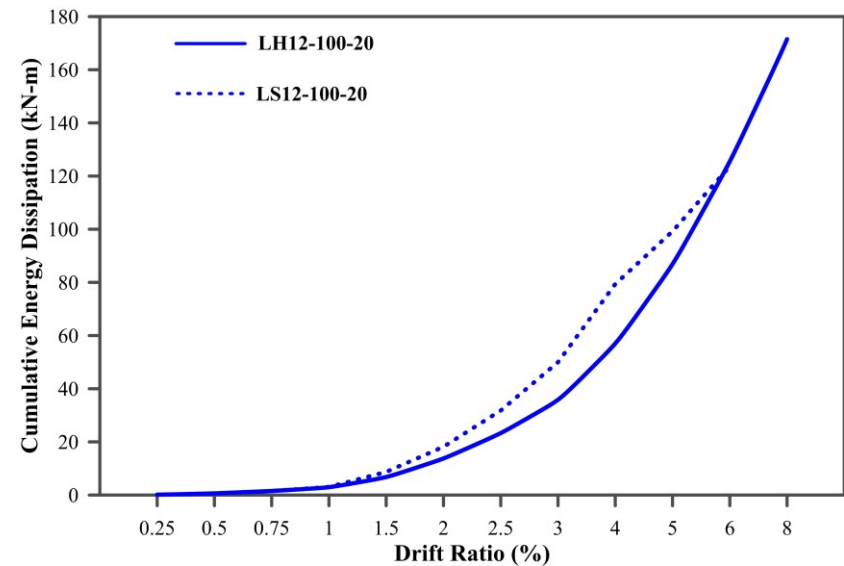
$$E_t = \sum_{i=1}^n E_i$$



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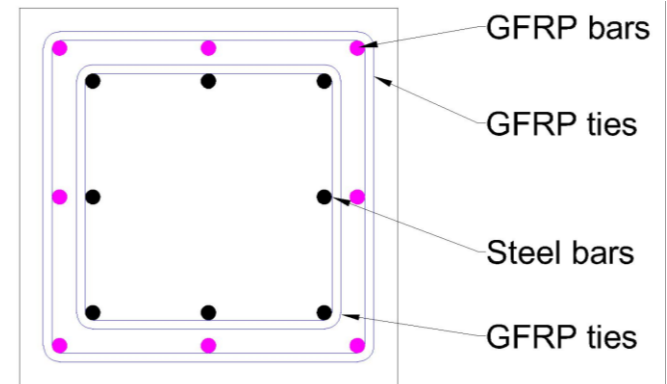
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Hybrid GFRP-steel vertical reinforcement

Why hybrid (GFRP-steel) longitudinal reinforcement?

- FRP bars have better resistance against corrosion; however, they have a linear elastic stress-strain relationship until the failure
- Steel has good plasticity; however, steel bars corrode under extreme environmental conditions
- Two layers of reinforcement, with outer GFRP and inner longitudinal steel bars, will improve the ductility and service life of concrete columns; they can also be used in high seismic zones



Conclusion

- GFRP-RC column with **adequate confinement** provided by **GFRP ties** exhibited stable behavior, achieving **drift more than 4.0%**
- **Strain developed in lateral GFRP reinforcement** indicates **effective confinement** provided by GFRP ties after the steel longitudinal bar yielded
- Incorporation of **longitudinal GFRP bars** in steel-RC columns demonstrates resilience, **enhances** their self-centering ability and improves **lateral load and drift capacity**
- A concrete column **entirely reinforced with GFRP** could be suitable for **low-to-moderate** seismic zones, whereas **longitudinal steel** reinforcement would be required in **high** seismic zones to achieve energy dissipation

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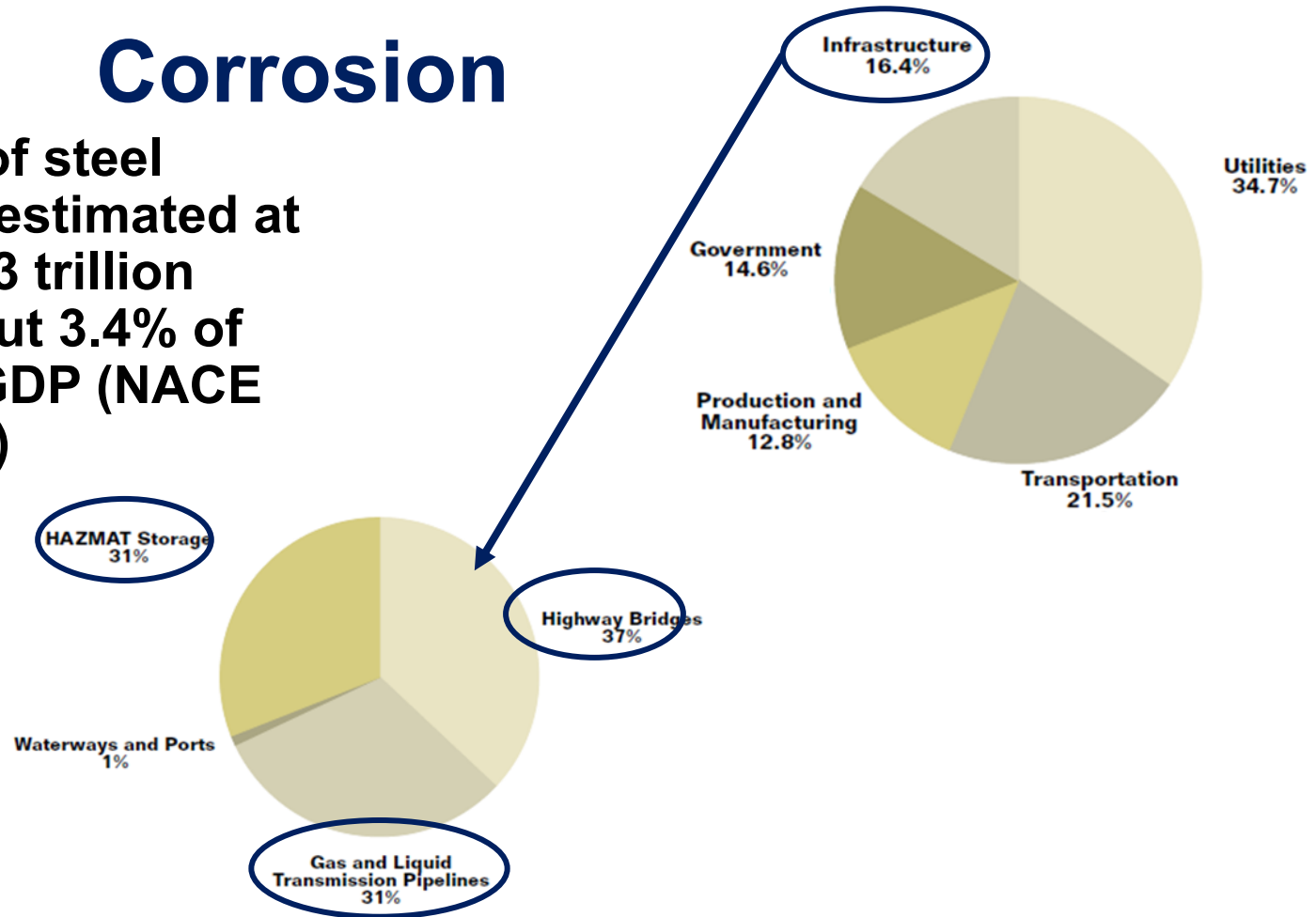


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Corrosion

- Global cost of steel corrosion is estimated at about USD \$3 trillion which is about 3.4% of the world's GDP (NACE International)



Experimental Program

- Constituted of three phases.
- Columns reinforced with:
 1. GFRP spirals and GFRP longitudinal bars;
 2. GFRP spirals and Steel longitudinal bars; and
 3. GFRP ties and steel longitudinal bars.
- Before this program was undertaken hundreds of small and large steel-reinforced columns were tested

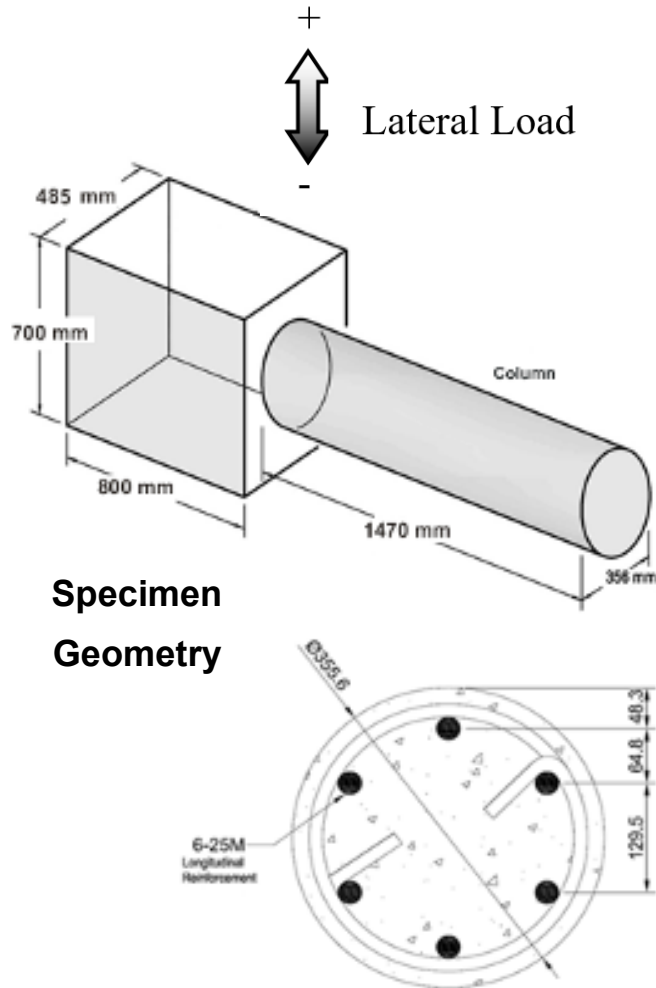
PHASE I: Circular Columns with GFRP Longitudinal Bars and GFRP Spirals

- Nine Circular Columns → GFRP spirals and GFRP longitudinal bars.
- Large-scale columns → 356 mm diameter and 1470 mm length.
- Tested at the University of Toronto → simulated earthquake loading.

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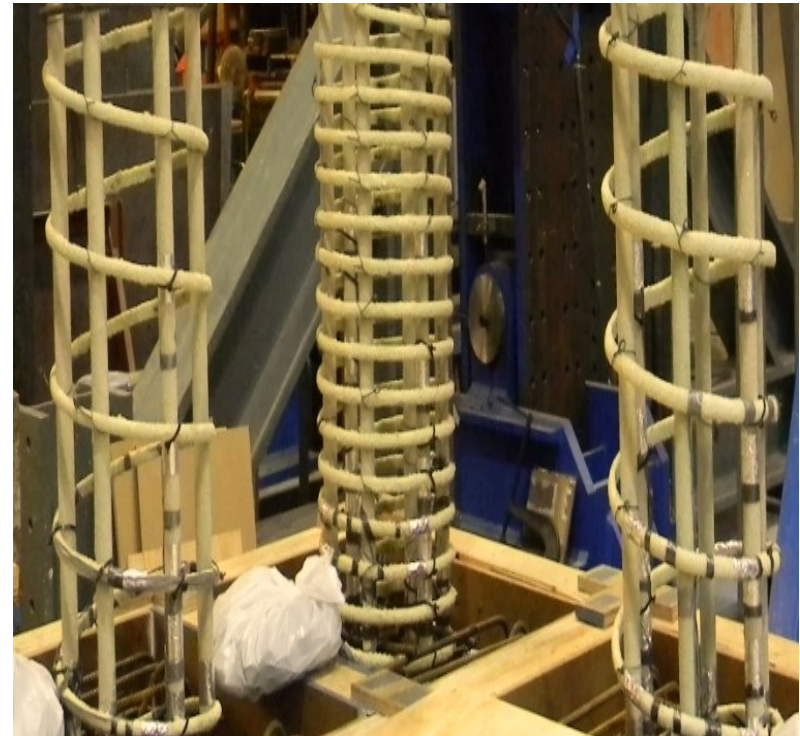
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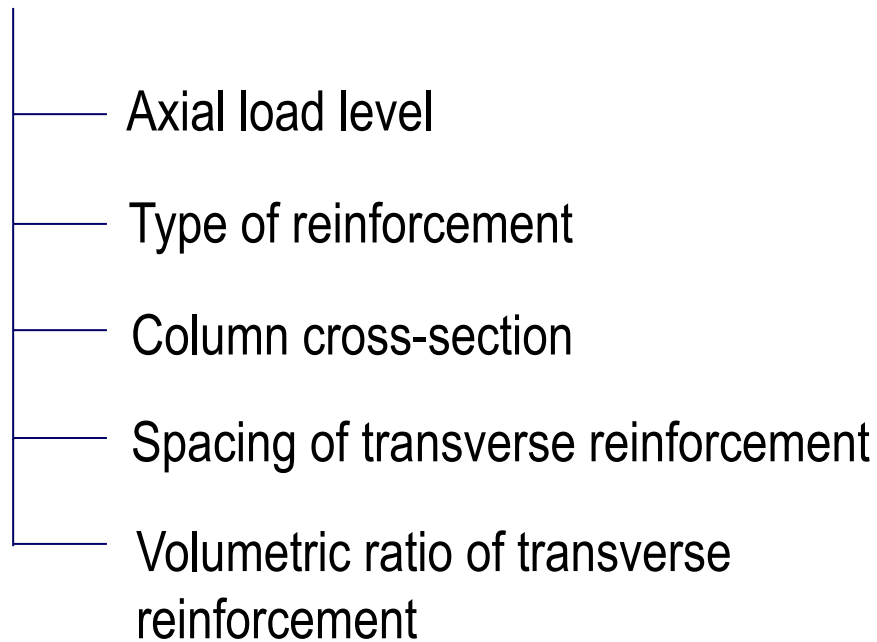


Specimen
Geometry

Specimen Cages

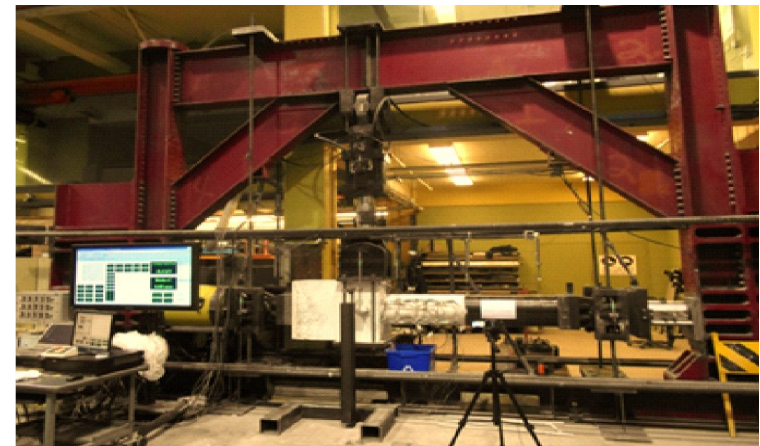
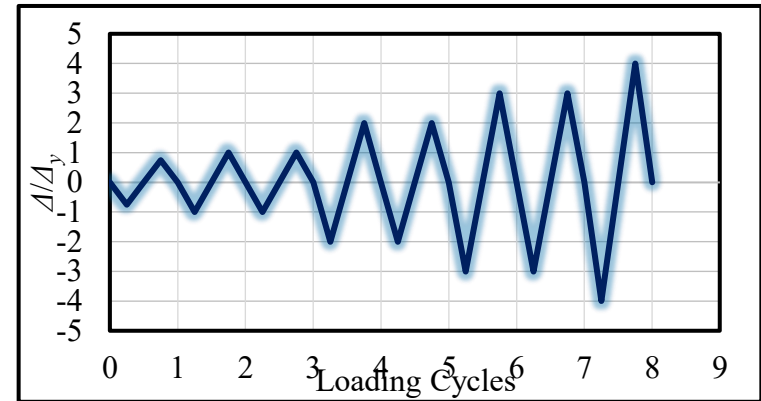


Main Variables



Test Set-up

- Simulated earthquake loading
 - Constant axial load
 - Cyclic lateral displacement excursions



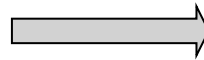
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OBSERVATIONS:

Columns with GFRP Longitudinal Bars and Spirals

Failure Mode



Longitudinal Bar Rupture



- The compressive strength of GFRP bars at failure was approximately 60% of the ultimate coupon tensile strength for both circular and square columns.
- The GFRP spirals and ties were able to provide continuing effective confinement to the core concrete till specimen failure.

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Results

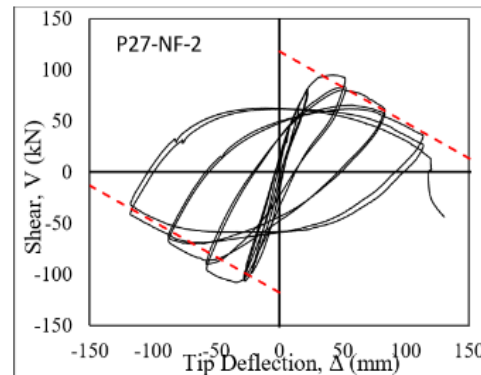
Steel-RC Column

- Steel Longitudinal bars
- Steel spirals
- Axial Load = $0.28P_o$
- Reinforcement ratio = 0.90%
- Spacing of spirals = 9.5 mm @ 150 mm

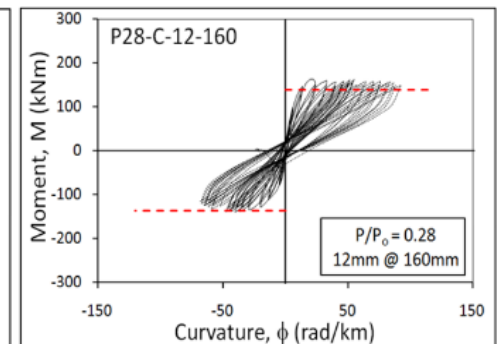
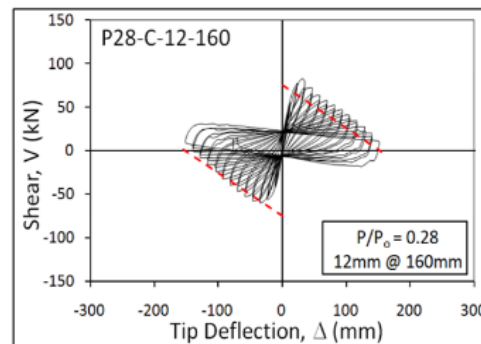
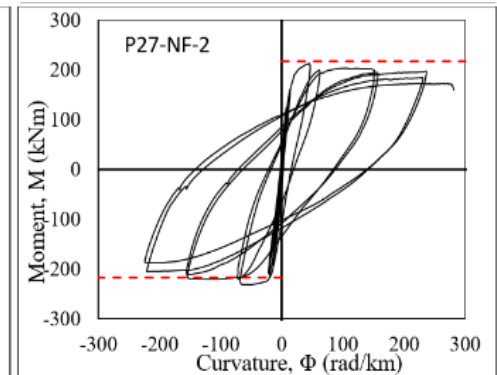
GFRP-RC Column

- GFRP Longitudinal bars
- GFRP spirals
- Axial Load = $0.28P_o$
- Reinforcement ratio = 0.94%
- Spacing of spirals = 12 mm @ 160 mm

Shear vs Tip Deflection



Moment vs Curvature



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- 1. The GFRP reinforced specimens were able to undergo several more cycles than the conventional steel specimens.**
- 2. However, they had lower shear and moment capacities in comparison with conventional steel reinforced columns.**
- 3. The hysteresis loops had significantly lower energy dissipation.**
- 4. They displayed softer response → Due to lower stiffness of longitudinal GFRP bars**



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PHASE II: Circular Columns with Steel Longitudinal Bars and GFRP Spirals

- **Aim :** To maximize the advantages and minimize the disadvantages of GFRP bars.
- Eight Hybrid **Circular** Columns → **GFRP spirals** and **steel longitudinal bars**.
($f'_c = 41 \text{ MPa}$)
- **Large-scale** columns → same dimensions as columns with GFRP longitudinal bars and spirals, and columns with all steel reinforcement
- Designed according to CSA-S806-12 to achieve various lateral drift ratios.

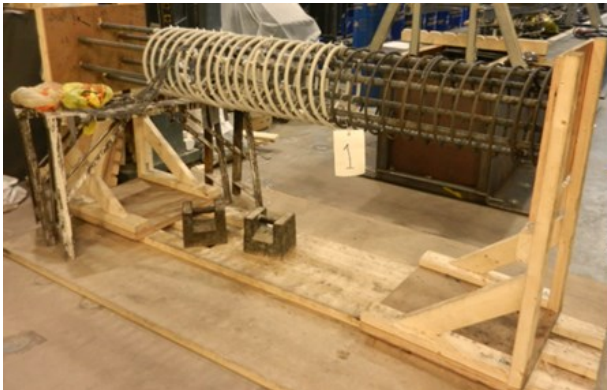
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Construction of Specimens



1. Stub cage



2. Column cage



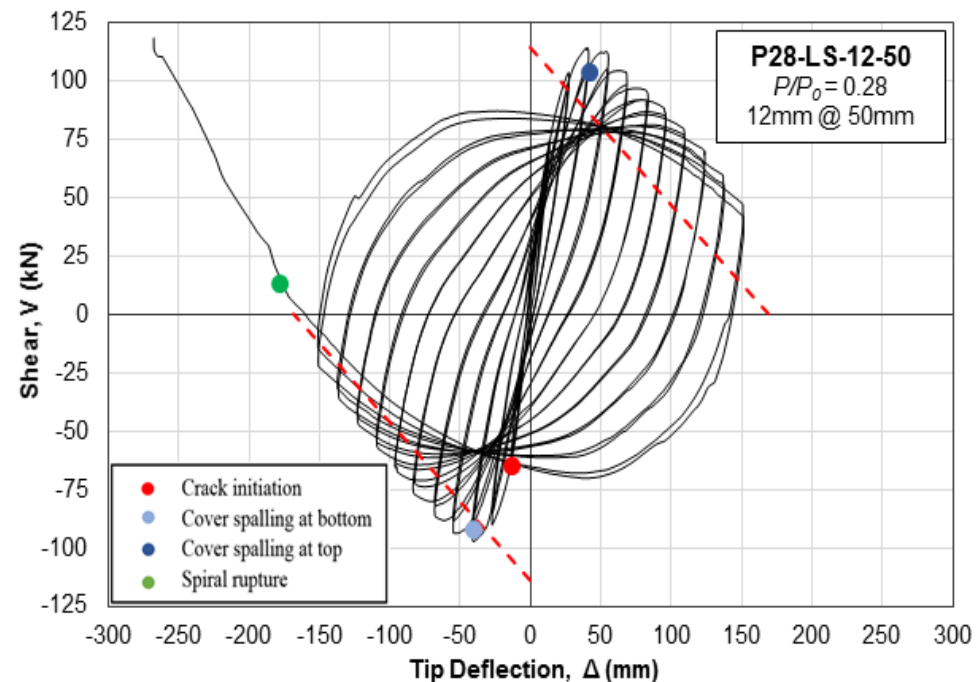
3. Cages Assembled in formwork

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Results

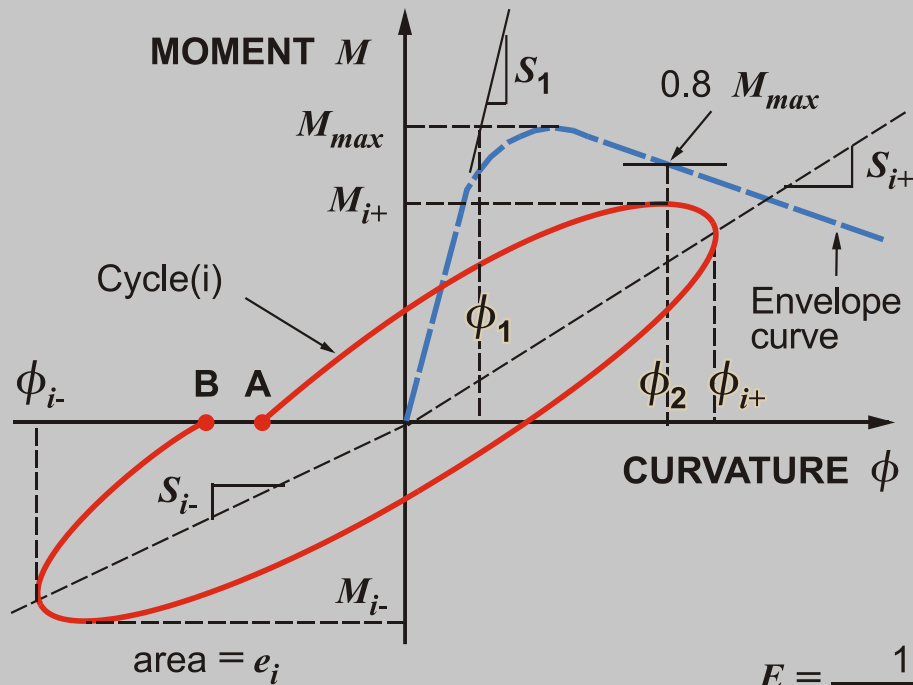
- Columns were able to:
 - Undergo several displacement cycles
 - Achieve high levels of ductility
 - Dissipate large amount of energy



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Ductility Parameters



$$\phi_i = \frac{1}{2} (\phi_{i+} + \phi_{i-})$$

$$M_{i,max} = \frac{1}{2} (M_{i+} + M_{i-})$$

$$S_i = \frac{1}{2} (S_{i+} + S_{i-})$$

$$\mu_\phi = \frac{\phi_2}{\phi_1}$$

$$N_\phi = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\phi_i}{\phi_1}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{M_{max} \phi_1} \sum_{i=1}^m e_i \frac{L_f}{t} \left(\frac{S_i}{S_1} \right) \left(\frac{\phi_i}{\phi_1} \right)^2$$

Sheikh, S.A. and Khoury, S.S. (1997), "A Performance-Based Approach for the Design of Confining Steel in Tied Columns", *ACI Str. J.*, 94-4.

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GFRP VS. STEEL AS LONGITUDINAL BARS

- Two identical columns with the exception of longitudinal bar type were tested under similar loading conditions
- Both columns were reinforced laterally with 12 mm @ 160 mm GFRP spirals

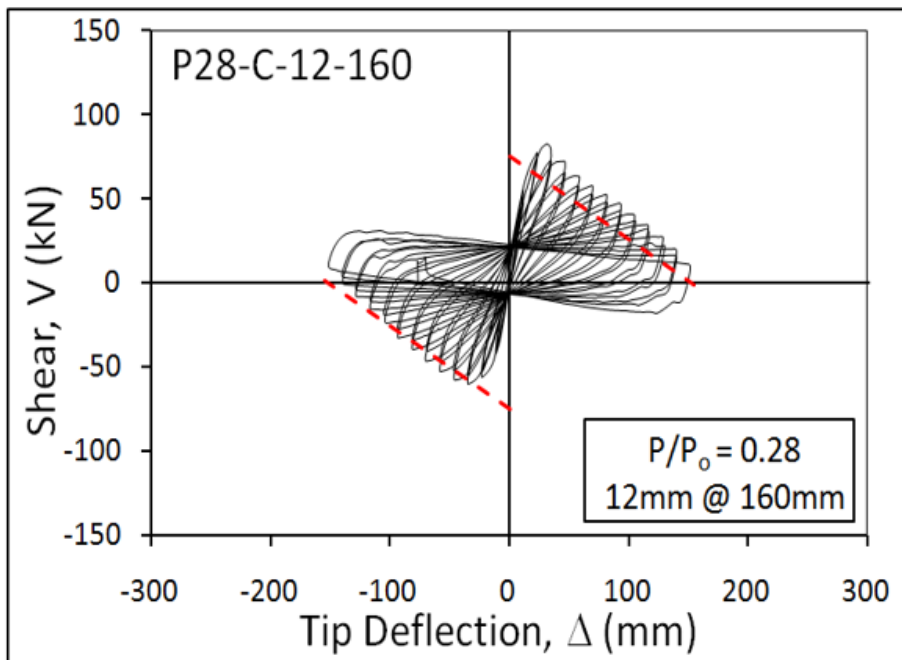


	Maximum Shear, V_{max} (kN)	Moment Capacity, M_{max} (kN.m)	Displacement Ductility Factor, μ_{Δ}	Lateral Drift Ratio, δ (%)	Work Damage Indicator, W_{80}
GFRP P28-C-12-160	71	152	3.2	3.0	22
Steel P28-LS-12-160	98	210	3.1	3.1	19

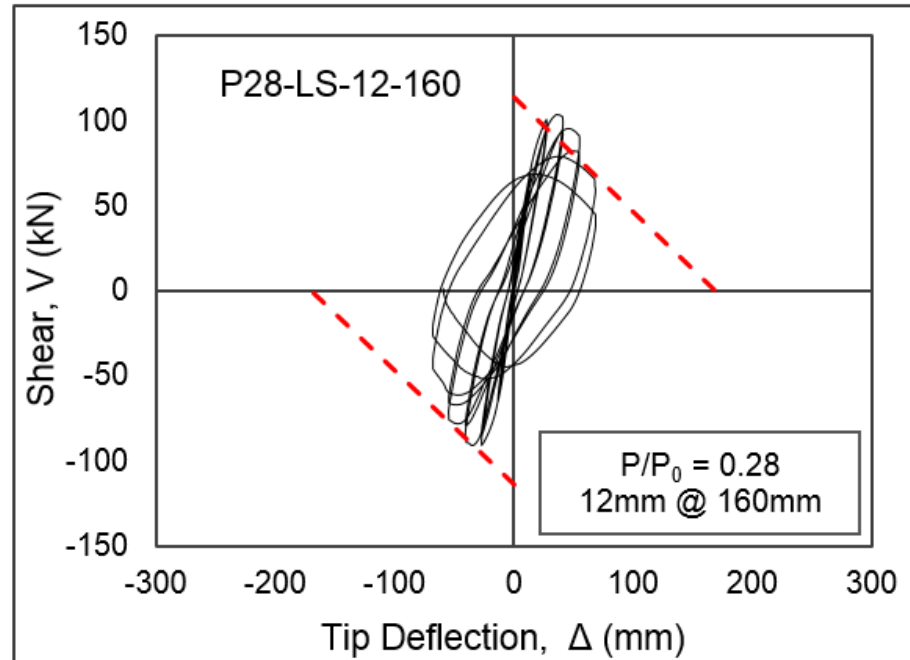
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GFRP Longitudinal Bars



Steel Longitudinal Bars

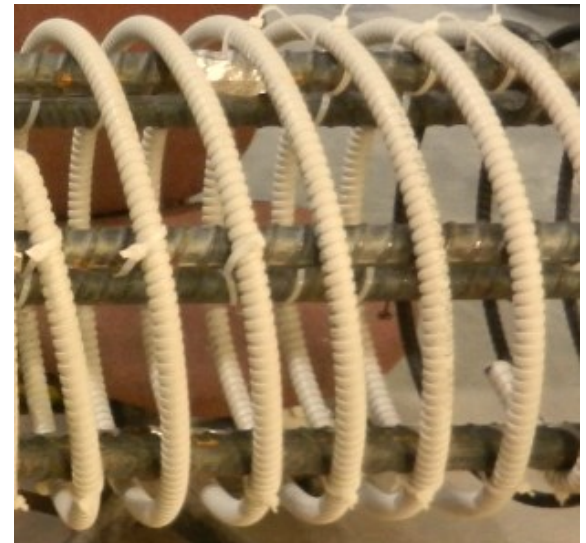


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GFRP VERSUS STEEL SPIRALS

- Results from these tests (long. Steel and GFRP spirals) were compared with the results from conventional all steel-reinforced columns
- Comparable columns had identical properties except the spiral reinforcement
- All columns were tested under similar conditions



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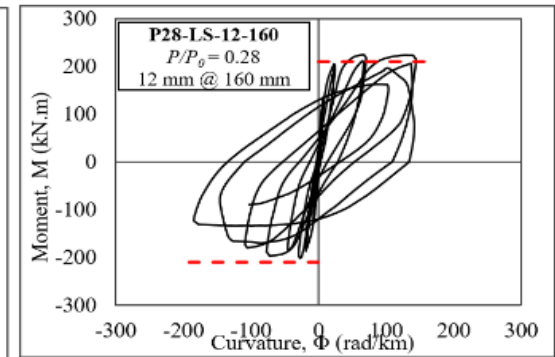
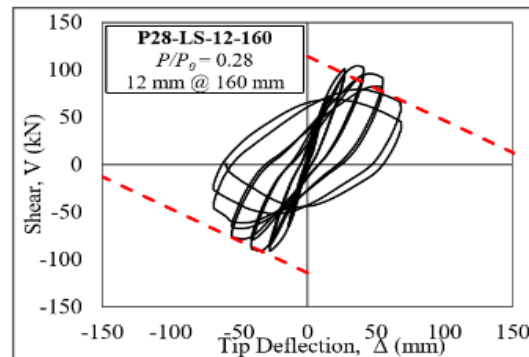
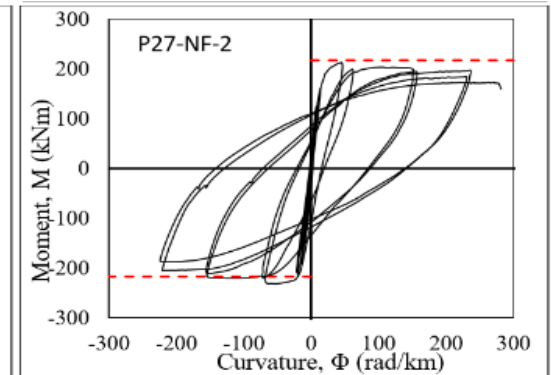
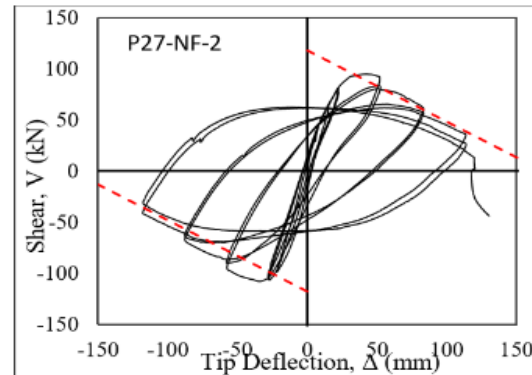
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Hybrid Circular Column

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- GFRP spirals
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- Reinforcement ratio = 0.94%
- Spacing of spirals = 12 mm @ 161 mm



Shear vs Tip Deflection

Moment vs Curvature

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Specimen	Axial load level P/P_o	Transverse confinement		Curvature ductility factor	Displacement ductility factor	V_{max} (kN)	M_{max} (kNm)	Drift ratio, δ (%)
		Designation @ Spacing (mm)	Spiral ratio	μ_ϕ	μ_Δ			
Steel P27-NF-1	0.27	#3@150	0.60	12.6	3.4	100	204	3.18
GFRP P28-LS-12-160	0.28	12 @ 160	0.94	11.1	3.1	98	210	3.09
Steel P56-NF-11	0.56	10M@100	1.22	12.8	3.3	95	203	2.22
GFRP P55-LS-12-90	0.55	12 @ 90	1.67	12.7	2.9	104	234	2.15

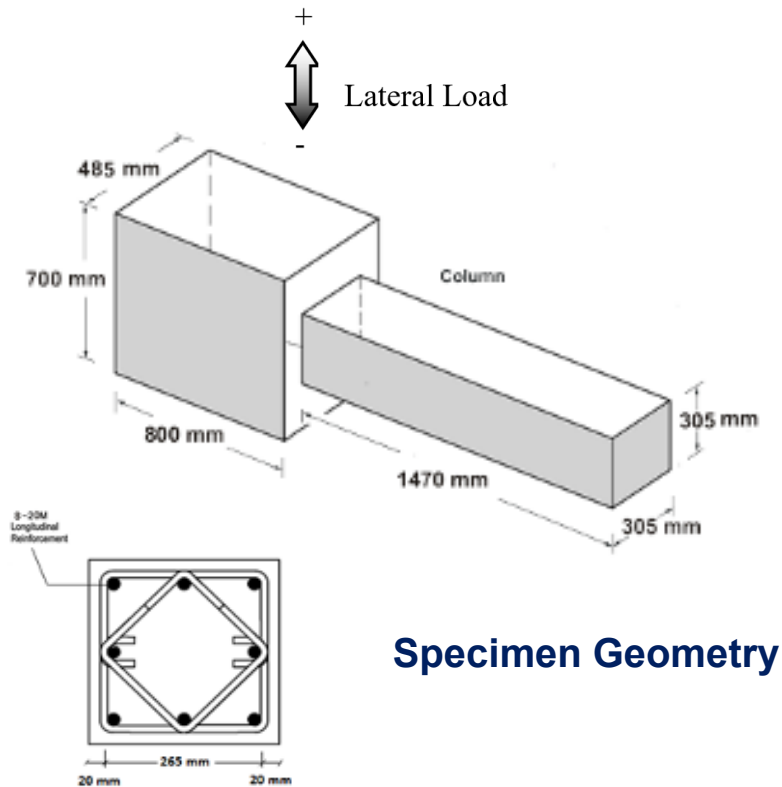
PHASE III: Square Columns with Steel Longitudinal Bars and GFRP Ties

- Fourteen Hybrid **Square** Columns → **GFRP ties** and **steel longitudinal bars**.
($f'_c = 46 \text{ MPa}$)
- **Large-scale** columns → 305 mm square cross-section with a length of 1470 mm.
- Columns were designed according to CSA-S806-12 to achieve various lateral drift ratios.

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Specimen Details



Specimen Geometry



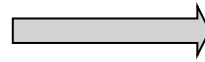
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OBSERVATIONS

Failure Mode



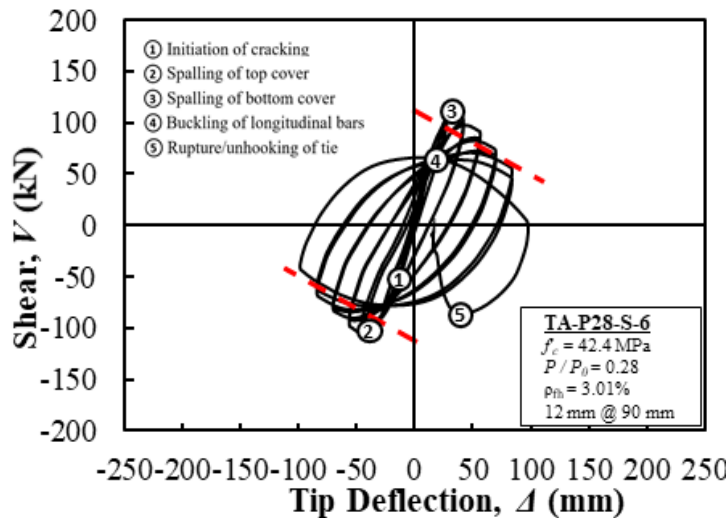
**GFRP Tie
failure/rupture**



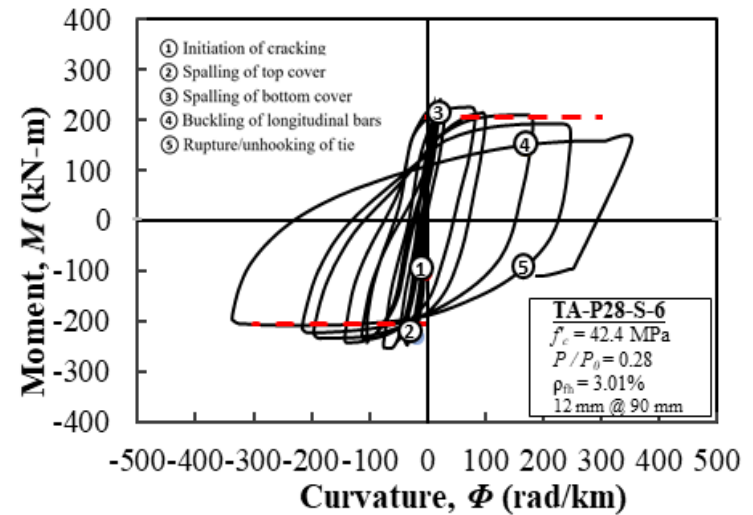
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TEST RESULTS

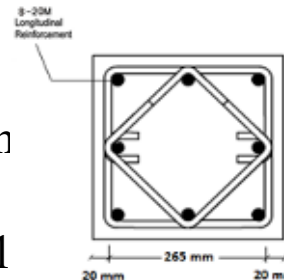


Shear vs Tip Deflection



Moment vs Curvature

- Steel Longitudinal bars
- GFRP Ties 12 mm @ 90 m
- Axial Load = $0.28P_0$
- Reinforcement ratio = 3.01



Square vs Circular Columns

- For circular columns - No redundancy after the rupture of GFRP spiral and confinement provided to the core concrete vanished as soon as the spirals ruptured.
- For square columns - The loss of confinement was not as sudden; the failure was more prolonged due to the fact that there were two ties at each level in columns with reinforcement Configuration A.



Square Column



Circular Column

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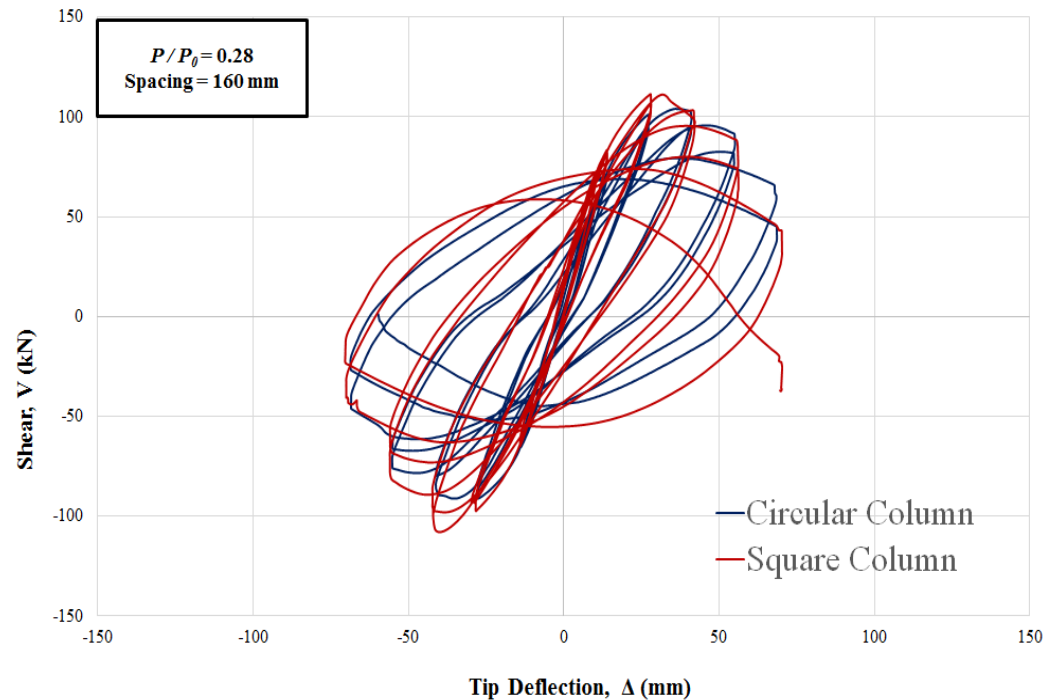
Comparison Of Shear Vs. Deflection Hysteresis

Square Hybrid Column

- Steel Longitudinal bars
- GFRP Ties
- Axial Load = $0.28P_o$
- Reinforcement ratio = 1.68%
- Spacing of ties = 12 mm @ 160 mm

Circular Hybrid Column

- Steel Longitudinal bars
- GFRP spirals
- Axial Load = $0.28P_o$
- Reinforcement ratio = 0.94%
- Spacing of spirals = 12 mm @ 161 mm



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Ductility Parameters

The drift capacity of the circular and square hybrid columns
ranged between **2.5 and 3.5%**

Thus, meeting the requirements of the North American
building codes.



Shape	Specimen	Axial load P/P_o	Ductility Parameters		
			μ_Δ	μ_ϕ	δ (%)
Square	TA-P28-S-10	0.28	2.94	15.6	3.5
Circular	P-28-LS-12-160	0.28	3.10	11.1	3.1

Concluding Remarks

- Columns with GFRP longitudinal bars displayed stable behaviour and achieved high deformability, but the flexural strength and stiffness was found to be lacking.
- The columns with steel longitudinal bars had flexural strength and stiffness comparable to conventional steel-RC columns.
- The optimum solution with respect to column strength and stiffness, ductility and energy dissipation, and corrosion resistance appears to be a hybrid column with steel longitudinal bars and GFRP transverse reinforcement.
- This provides an ideal solution for durable columns with appropriate seismic resistance for resilient structures.

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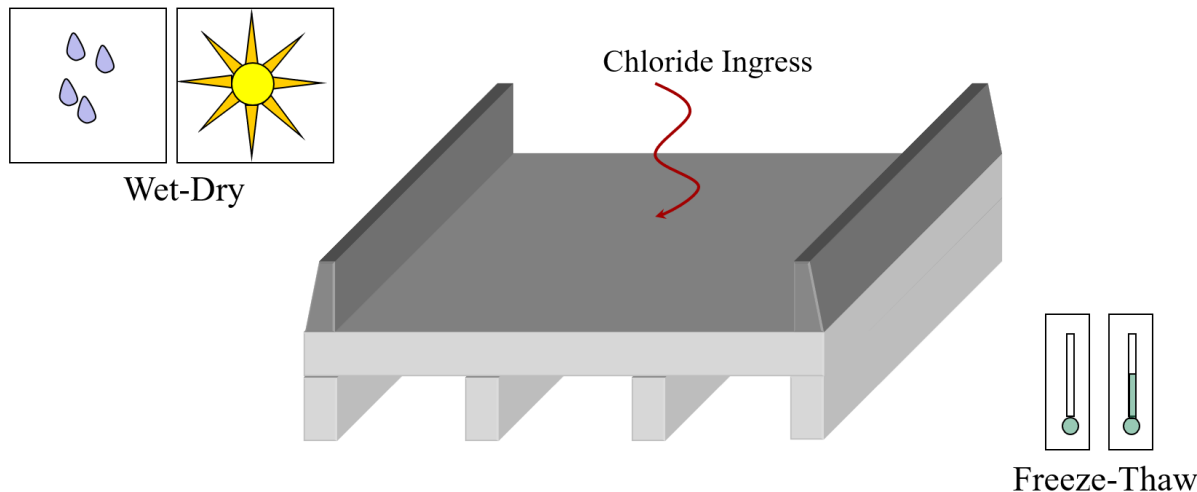
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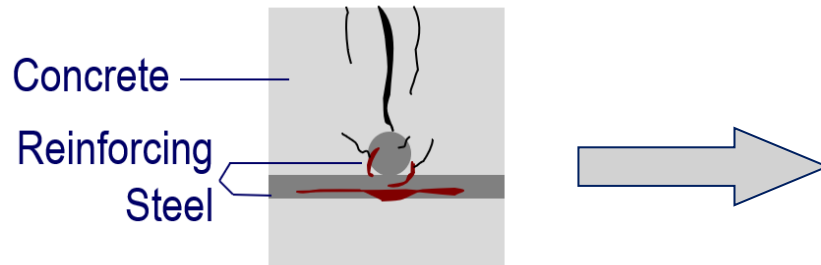
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CORROSION IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

- The effect of corrosion in structures like bridges is worse in countries such as Canada due to aggressive environments.



EFFECT OF CORROSION IN COLUMNS



1. Corrosion products form
2. Volume expansion occurs



Cover Spalling

Highway 401 bridge, Toronto

EFFECT OF COVER SPALLING

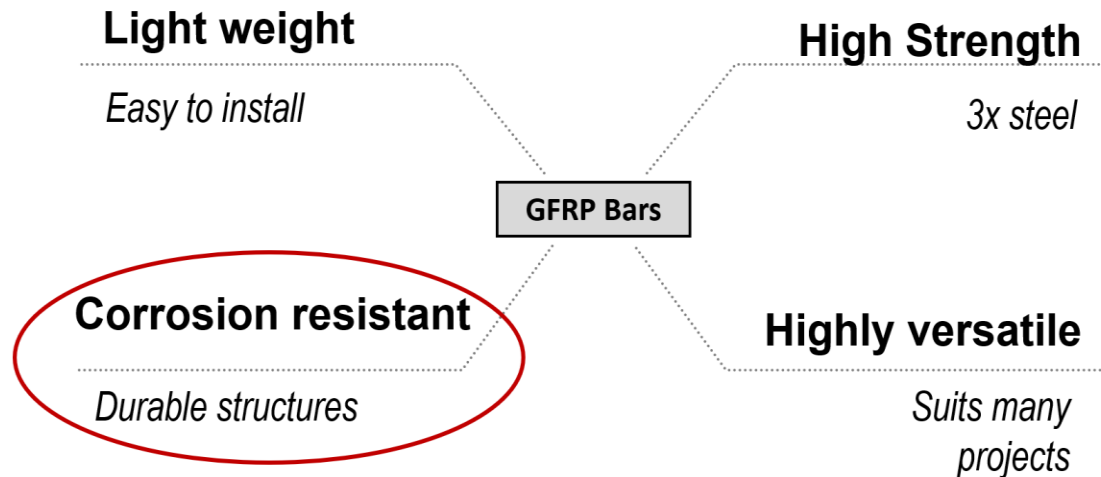
- Cover Spalling in columns results in a **reduction** of:

Load carrying capacity	Ductility	Energy Dissipation
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GLASS FIBRE REINFORCED POLYMER – A FEASIBLE SOLUTION



Various GFRP bars



Use of GFRP in bridge construction
(Floodway Bridge over Red River Winnipeg)

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Flexural Strength Enhancement

Up to **30% increase** was observed in the **nominal moment capacity** due to GFRP confinement

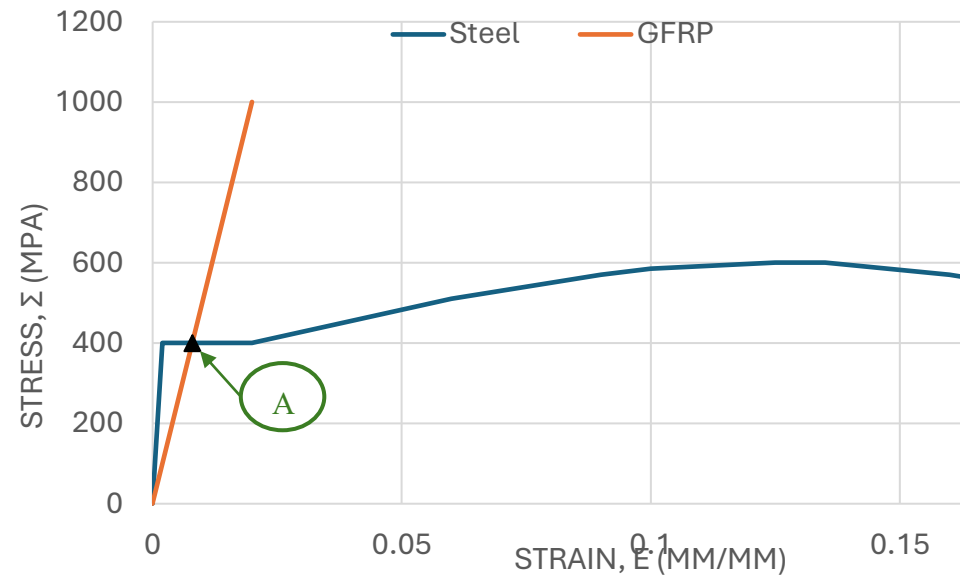
Shape	Specimen	Failure Mode		Axial load level P/P_o	V_{max} [kN]	M_{max} [kNm]	M_n [kNm]	$\frac{M_{max}}{M_n}$
		Last Cycle	Max. Disp (mm)					
Square	TA-P28-S-10	11	-22.5	0.28	109	219	206	1.06
Circular	P-28-LS-12-160	12	-28	0.28	98	210	210	1.00

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ADVANTAGE OF GFRP SPIRALS

- Steel is relatively very stiff up to a strain of about 0.002 when it yields
- Beyond yield, modulus of elasticity of steel varies from 0 to about 10% of initial stiffness
- GFRP behaves elastically linear until rupture at a strain of approximately 0.02
- Significant difference in providing an effective confinement beyond Point A



Internal GFRP Spirals vs. External GFRP Wrap

- Two identical columns with the exception of internal GFRP spirals and external GFRP wrap were tested under similar loading conditions.
- 1. GFRP spiral column = P28-LS-12-50**
 - 12 mm spirals @ 50 mm spacing
 - 2. GFRP-wrapped column = P27-2GF-4 (Liu, 2013)**
 - steel spirals = US#3@300 mm &
 - two layers of GFRP wraps.

Failure Modes



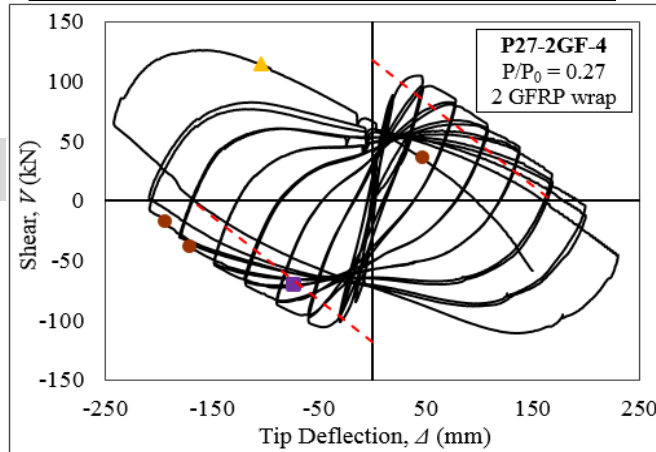
Columns after testing: P27-2GF-4 (left) and P28-LS-12-50 (right)

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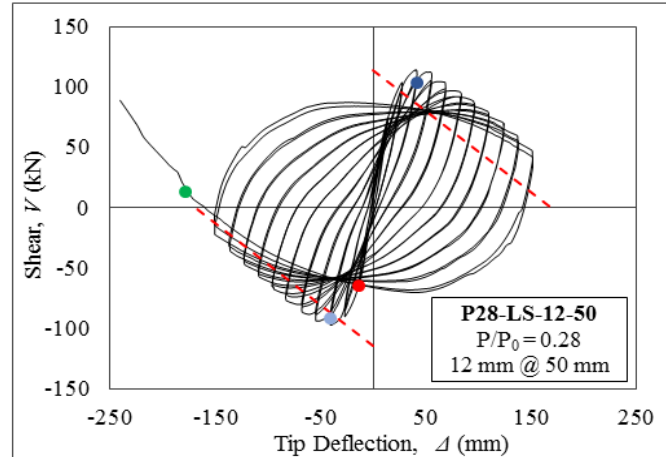
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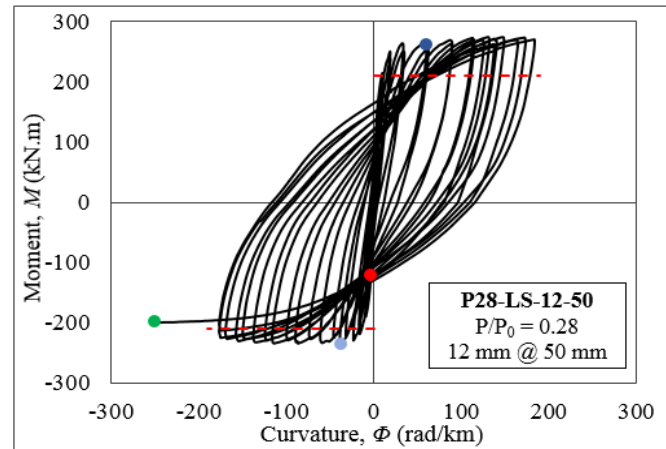
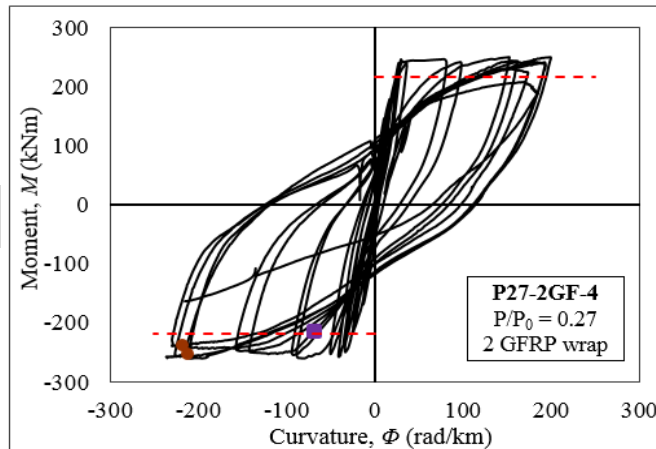
External GFRP Wrap



GFRP Spirals



Moment vs Curvature



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The behaviour of columns well-confined with GFRP spirals was similar to columns externally confined with GFRP wrap.

Specimen name	μ_{Δ}	μ_{Φ}	δ (%)	W_{80}	W	E_{80}	E	V_{\max} (kN)	M_{\max} (kN.m)
P27-2GF-4	4.9	17.5	4.5	52	330	1272	1272	105	251
P28-LS-12-50	4.7	33.8	4.7	65	239	1768	1768	106	254



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Climate Change Adaptation for Resilient Highway Bridges

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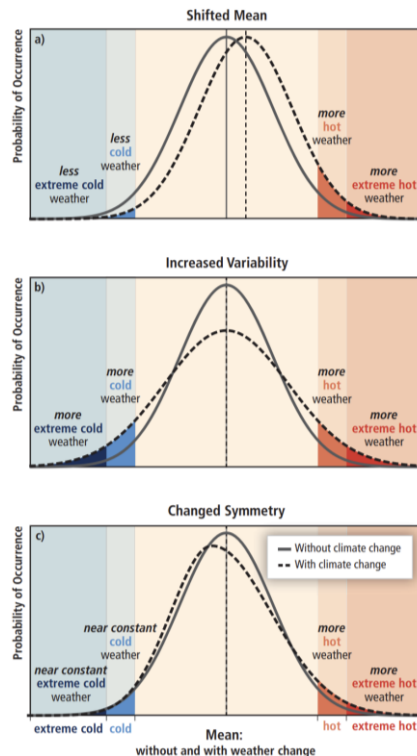
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- Extreme Climate Events
- Climate Resiliency
- Innovative Materials
- FRP and Climate Change Adaptation

Introduction: Climate Change Impact

Climate Change

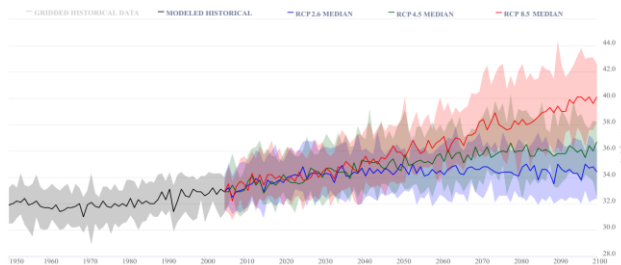
- Bridge performance is highly affected by the weather
- Design stage: assumptions about climate loads are based on historical climate data
- Climate change: While the increase in average temperatures is insignificant, the increases in climate extremes are apparent



Introduction: Climate Change Impact

Climate Change Risks

- Accelerated aging and deterioration;
- Frequency & intensity of extreme events;
- Increasing temperature extremes;
- Freeze-thaw cycles;
- Increased corrosion.



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Scenario for
CHBDC S6:25

Kennedy et al. (2022)

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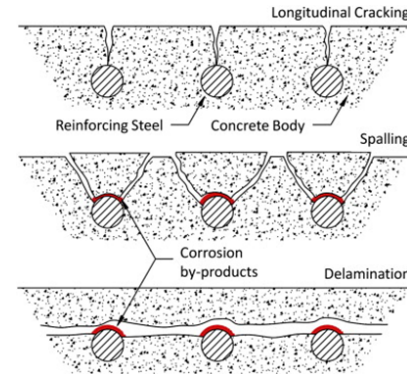
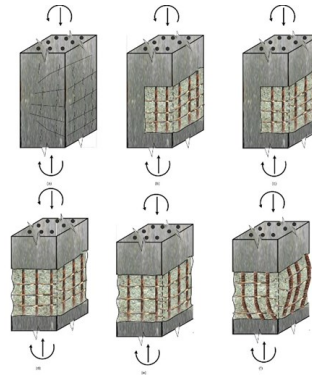
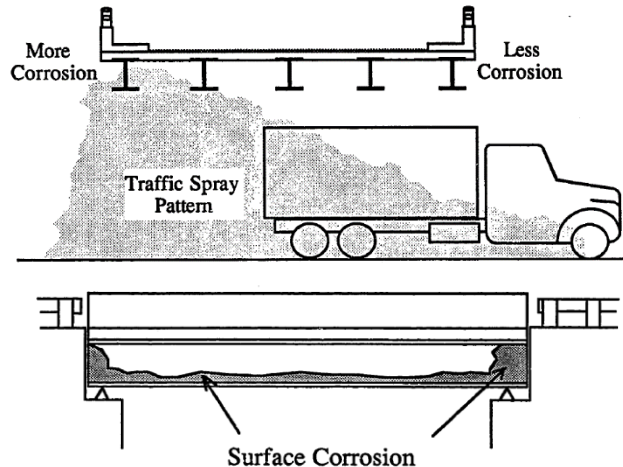
Bridge Infrastructure

- Aging bridges require maintenance;
- Corrosion damage to steel and concrete bridge elements.

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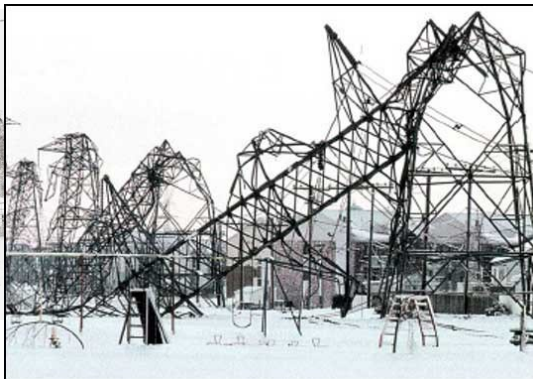
Cost of Corrosion
in Canada

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Extreme Climate Events

➤ Extreme heat and cold waves



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Extreme temperatures

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Extreme Climate Events

- Extreme floods
- Flash Floods



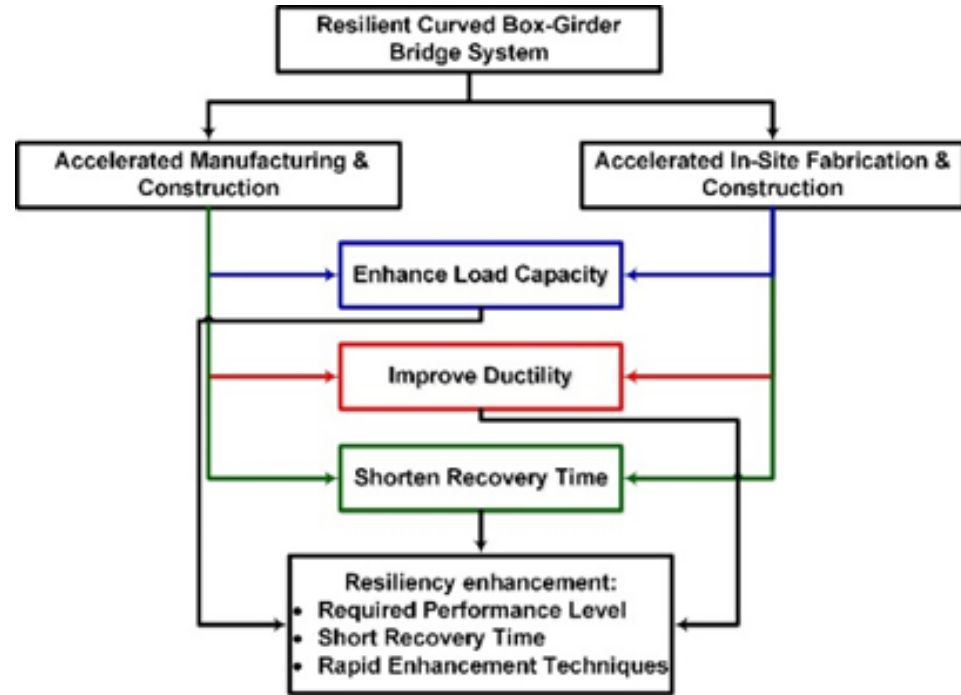
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➤ WildFire



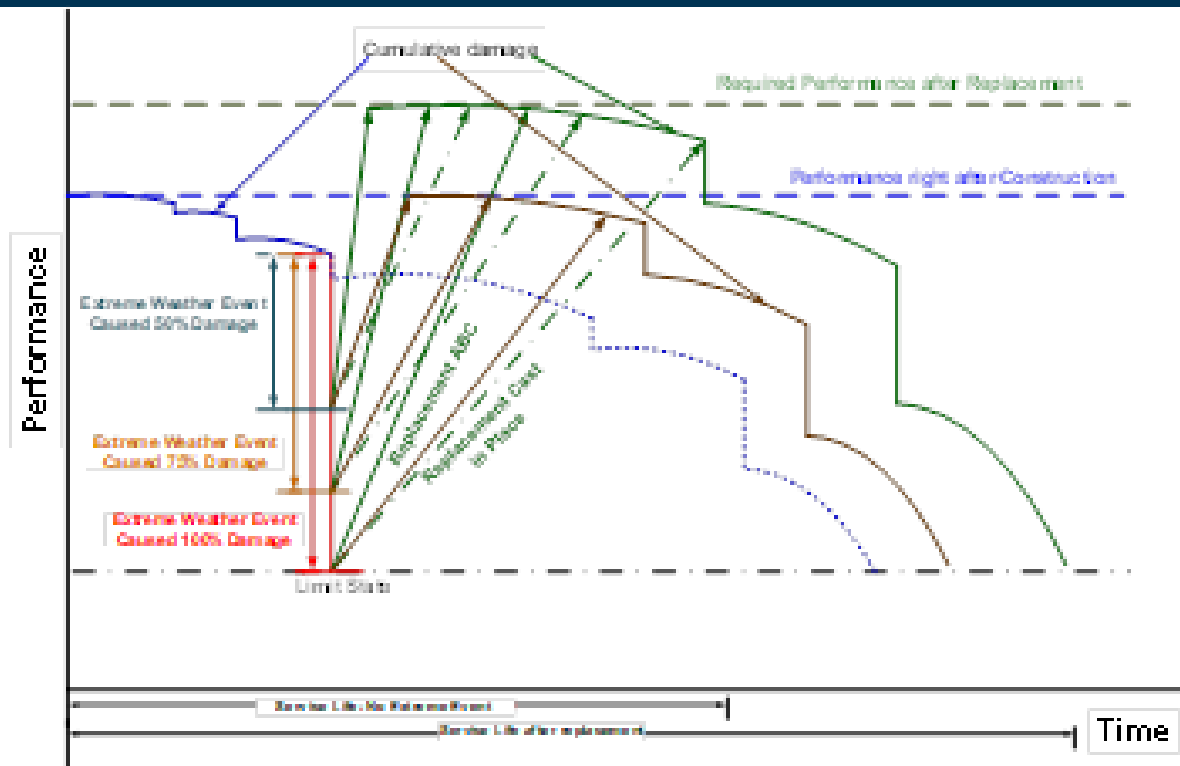
Climate Resiliency

Framework for climate resilient bridges



Climate Resiliency

Schematic representation of resilient curved box-girder bridge systems



Innovative Materials

- FRP Reinforcement
- FRP Strengthening
- UHPFRC
- Stainless Steel
- Impact of Climate loads: more focus on suitable materials
- **Needs for a national database:** improve reliability

FRP for Climate Change Adaptation

Improve Performance in extreme climate events

- New tailored FRP materials
- All FRP Structures
- Hybrid Structural Systems

Performance-Based Design Procedures

- Set Performance criterion
- Standardization of production
- Hybrid Structural Systems

Questions?

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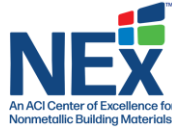
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Why Nonmetallics in Construction



Reduce Carbon
Footprint

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Improve
Sustainability

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Support
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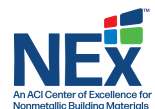
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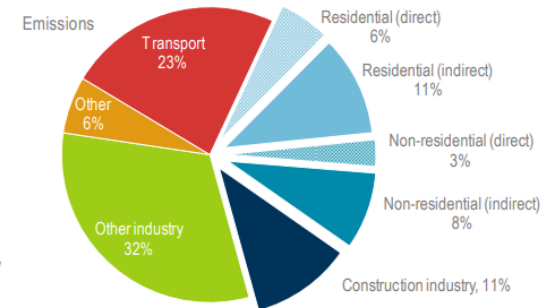
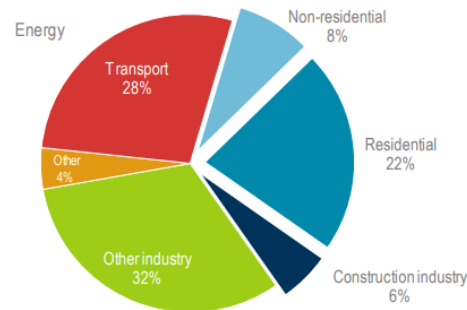
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Why Nonmetallics in Construction

1. Reduce Carbon Footprint

- Construction industry accounts for 38% of CO₂ emissions
 - Concrete 2nd largest material used globally and responsible for 6 -10 % of global CO₂ Emission
 - Steel accounts for 6.7% of world's total CO₂
-
- **Nonmetallic Composite** support reduction of CO₂ emission
 - Potential to reduce concrete water curing
 - Support recyclability and reusability



Global share of buildings and construction final energy and emissions, 2017, IEA Report



Why Nonmetallics in Construction

2. Improve Sustainability

- Cost of corrosion for highways bridges estimated at **8.3 Billion** annually
 - Limited structure life
 - Significant increase to **replace or repair** so often due to steel corrosion
 - Ineffective material in some environments e.g. coastal and high humidity regions
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- Extend service life & reduce maintenance requirement
 - Nonmetallic based structure expected to have 5 to 10 times longer service life
 - Enhance building efficiency and quality



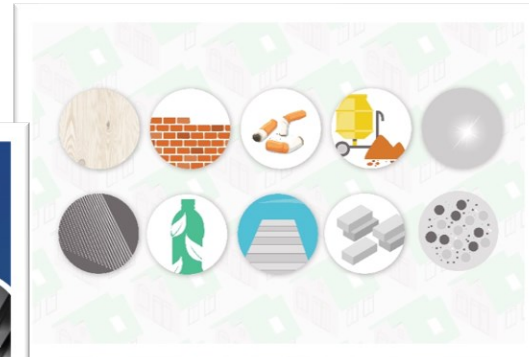
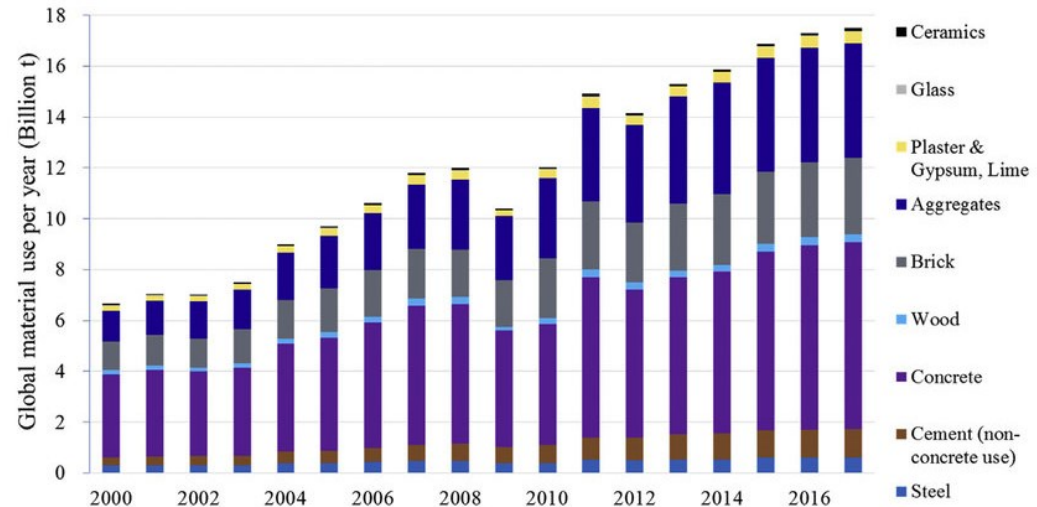
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Why Nonmetallics in Construction

3. Support innovation

- Large market and enormous material consumptions size
 - Huge opportunities for new technologies and material
 - Interest and support from private sector and governments
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- Encourage development of new construction material and technologies
 - Accelerate deployment of new technologies



Introduction to NEx

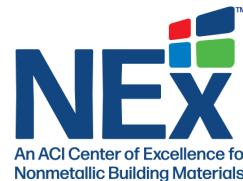
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Partnership Drives Action



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- Developing and deploying nonmetallic solutions for more than 20 years
- Offering superior life-cycle cost, efficiency, and environmental advantages
- Use of Nonmetallic advanced polymeric materials in B&C



ACI Organization

- 120 technical committees
- 94 chapters
- 244 student chapters
- 30,000 members spanning over 120 countries

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NEx Mission

Collaborate globally to expand and accelerate the use of nonmetallics in the built environment to drive innovation, research, education, awareness, adoption, and deployment.

Scope

The Center of Excellence will serve as a catalyst for the use of nonmetallics in construction applications, including but not limited to:

- **FRP reinforcement**
- Polymer concrete
- FRP structural members
- Construction chemicals
- FRP building components and systems
- Soil beneficiation
- Additive manufacturing

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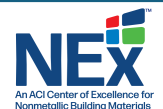
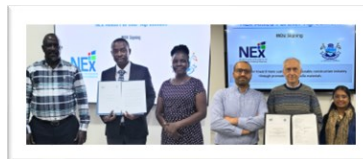
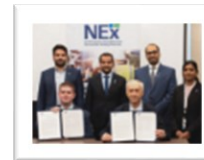
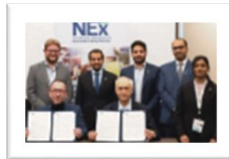
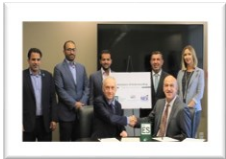
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What We Do?

Research and Development

support and facilitate research needed for new technologies in nonmetallics to resolve challenges with effective solutions

Standards and Guidelines

identify and facilitate the development and adoption of design and construction codes and specifications

Professional Development

help the industry in assuring the manufacturing quality of nonmetallics and of the competent installation, testing, and inspection of those products

Technical Advocacy

Facilitate the creation of the knowledge needed for designers, work with material suppliers, manufacturers, designers, owners, government agencies, and standards developers to bring nonmetallics into wider use in construction



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How We Do?

NEx is working through collaboration with:

Academia

Industrial Partners

Government Organizations

Non-Profits

Member Companies

Allied Organizations

in the following areas:

Standards & Guidelines

Research & Development

Professional Development

Advocacy and Awareness

NEx Projects - Summary:

Year	Total Projects Funded	NEx Funding
2022	12	>\$575,000
2023	20	>\$770,000
2024	29	> \$1.1 million
Total	61	> 2.45 million

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Standards & Guidelines

Develop design manual for GFRP rebar: "An ACI/NEx Manual: GFRP Reinforced Concrete Design Handbook"



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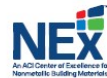
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Design Values - PINKBAR® Fiberbar® Rebar

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Guaranteed and mean values are as defined in ASTM D7260

Property	Test Method	Value
Chemical Resistance	ASTM D7260, Procedure A	>95%
Degree of Cure	ASTM E1160	>95%
Moisture Absorption to Saturation	ASTM D7260, subsection 7.4	<0.75%

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Property	Test Method	No. 2 [M6]	No. 3 [M10]	No. 4 [M13]	No. 5 [M16]	No. 6 [M19]	No. 7 [M22]	No. 8 [M25]
Cross Sectional Area, in. ² [mm ²]	ASTM D7205 11.2-5.1	0.11 [71]	0.20 [129]	0.31 [199]	0.44 [284]	0.60 [387]	0.7	0.7
Guaranteed Ultimate Tensile Force, kip [kN]	ASTM D7205	16.0 [71.2]	24.7 [110]	41.8 [186]	57.3 [255]	78.3 [348]	10	10
Mean Tensile Modulus of Elasticity, ksi [GPa]	ASTM D7205	6.800 [47]	6.800 [47]	8.700 [60]	8.700 [60]	8.700 [60]	8.7	8.7
Guaranteed Ultimate Tensile Force of Best Portion of Bar, kip [kN]	ASTM D7914	N/A	23.2 [103]	36.0 [160]	44.7 [199]	60.9 [271]	80	80
Guaranteed Transverse Shear Strength, ksi [MPa]	ASTM D7617	22 [152]	22 [152]	22 [152]	22 [152]	22 [152]	2	2
Guaranteed Bond Strength, psi [MPa]	ASTM D7913	1400 [10.0]	1400 [10.0]	1400 [10.0]	1400 [10.0]	1100 [8.0]	1100 [8.0]	1100 [8.0]

Guaranteed and mean values are as defined in ASTM D7917.

Property	Test Method	Value
Glass Transition Temperature	ASTM E1356	212°F [100°C]
Alkali Resistance	ASTM D7705 Procedure A	>85%
Degree of Cure	ASTM E2160	>75
Moisture Absorption to Saturation	ASTM D570, subsection 7.4	<0.75%

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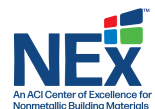
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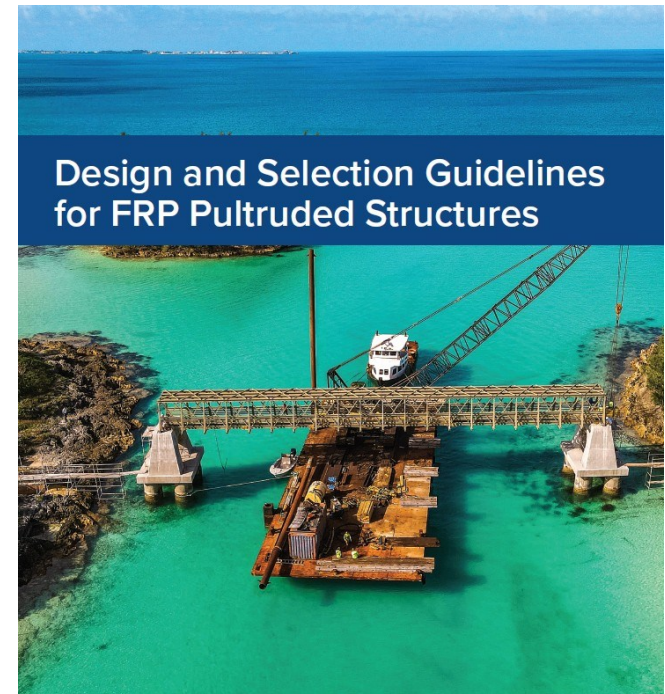
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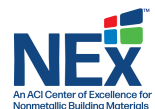
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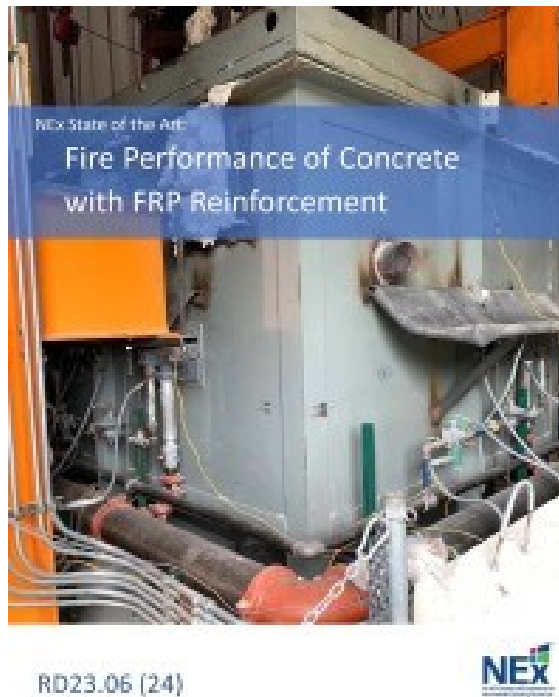


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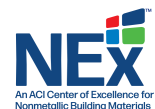
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This program will provide a basic overview of FRP reinforcing bar properties, where they are commonly used, and how other specifications and standards from ACI and ASTM provide the basic foundation on which the new code has been developed. A discussion on where the code puts limits on the types of structures that can be reinforced with GFRP and where the code does and does not apply will be presented. The program will then provide detailed discussion on the engineering of GFRP reinforced concrete for various member types (including beams, columns, slabs, walls, and connections); determining flexural, shear, torsional, and axial strength of members reinforced with GFRP; and detailing GFRP bars for serviceability and durability. In all presentations, specific differences in designing with GFRP reinforcement versus steel reinforcement will be highlighted.

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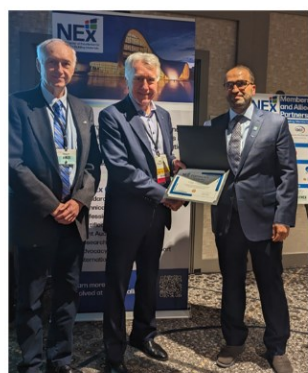
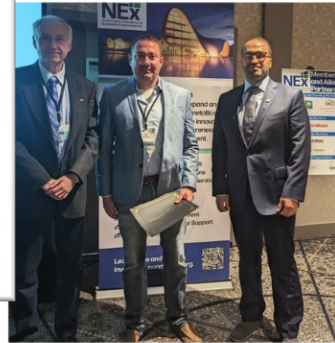
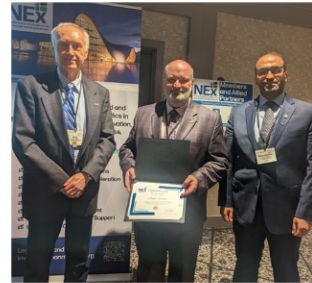


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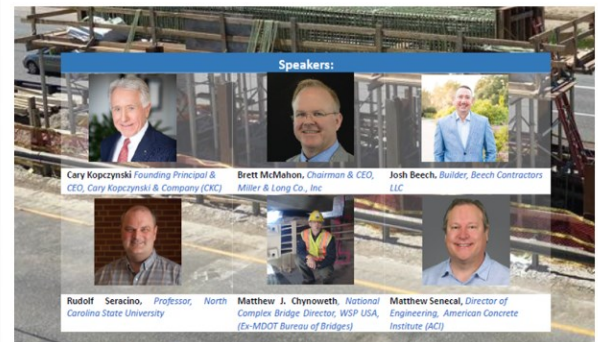


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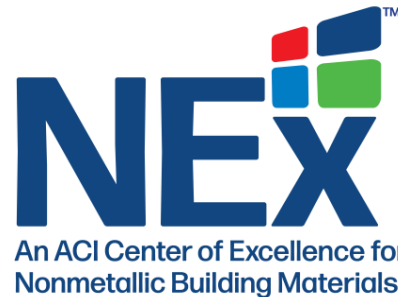
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