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*A Perspective on the Seismic Design of Precast Concrete Structures*

Structural Detailings  
Seismic Demand

(a) Building performances during earthquakes: two extremes – the ductile and the brittle.

### Concrete Design, Codes, Events

1900 Concrete building construction begins  
1920 First UBC  
1940 Blume, Newmark, Corning book published  
1960 Imperial County earthquake  
1976 San Fernando earthquake  
1980 1976 UBC  
2000 FEMA 273

### Performance based design method

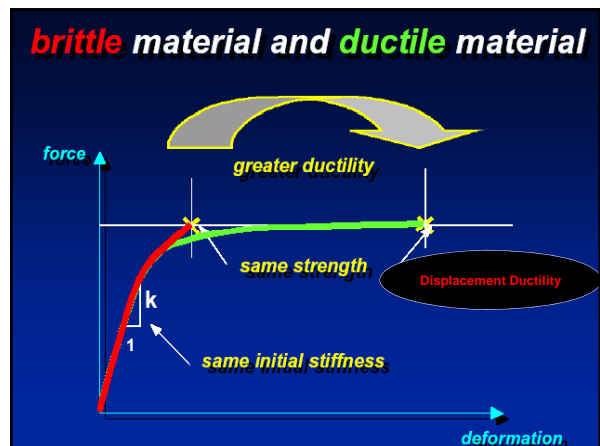
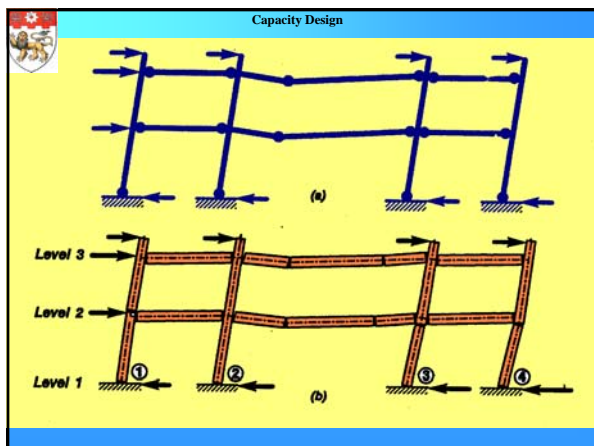
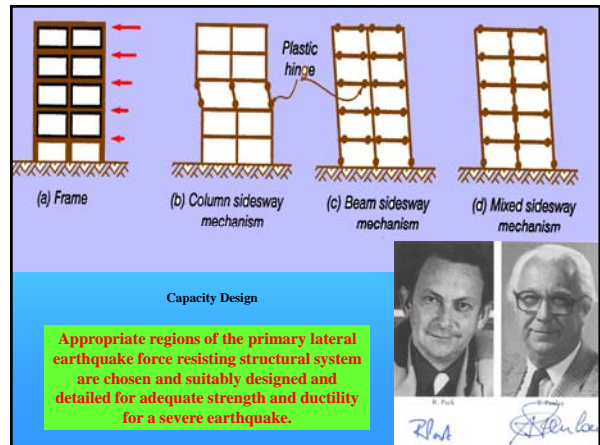
➤ Required lateral strength and structural ductility are given at an intersection point (**performance point**) of the **demand spectrum** at building base and the **capacity spectrum** for superstructure.

The keys of design are the proper evaluation of **equivalent damping factor** of a superstructure and the reliable estimation of **input ground motion** at building base. Because the standard design spectrum (response spectrum) is given at the **engineering bedrock**.

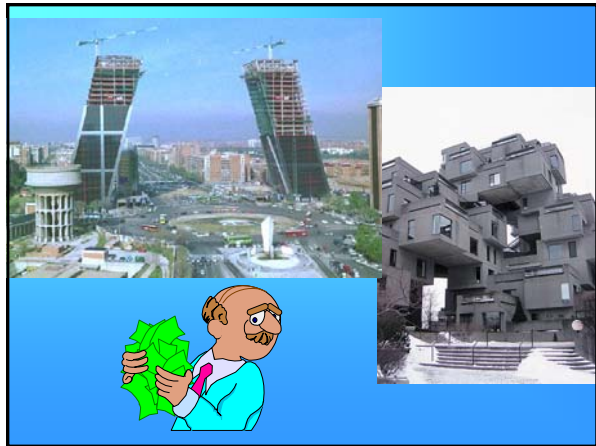
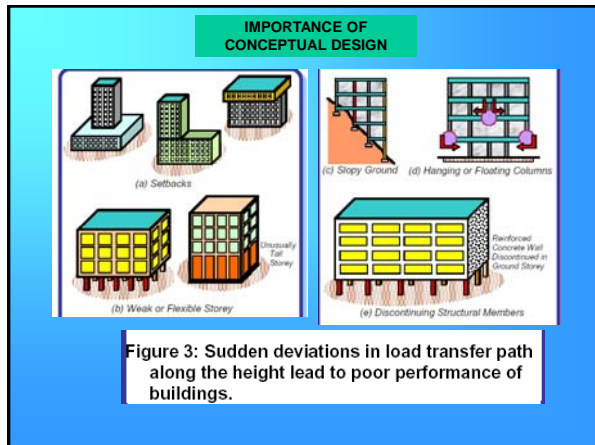
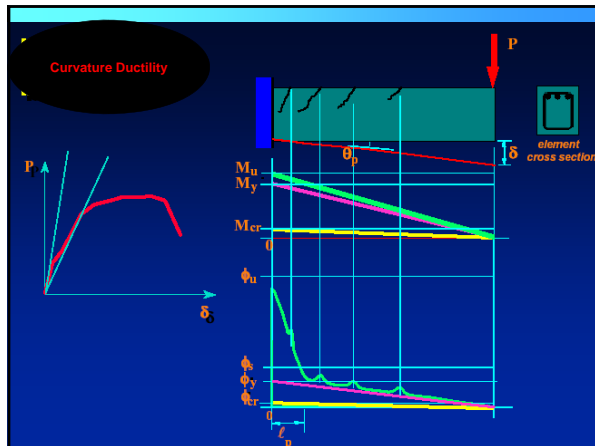
Determination of Performance Point

Figure 10. Frame mechanisms

### Poor Performance







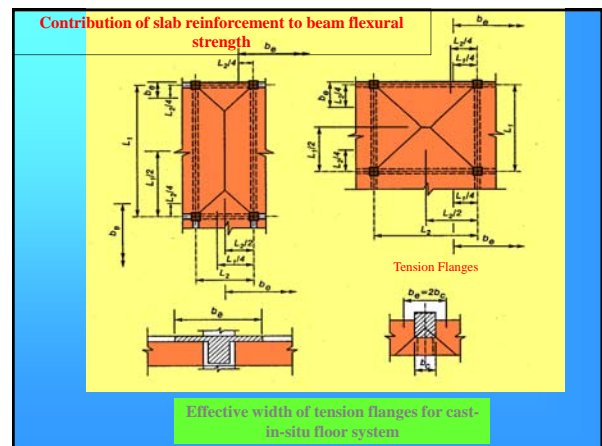
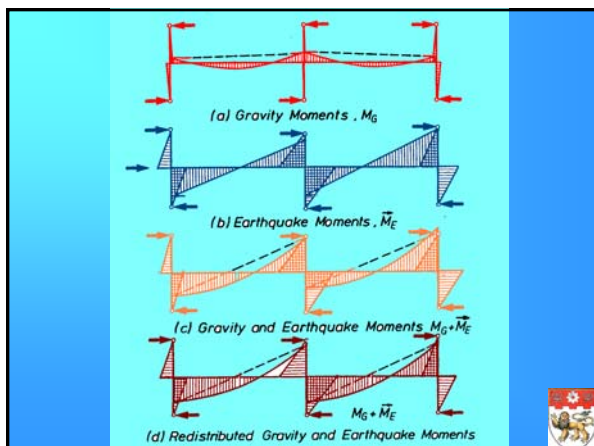
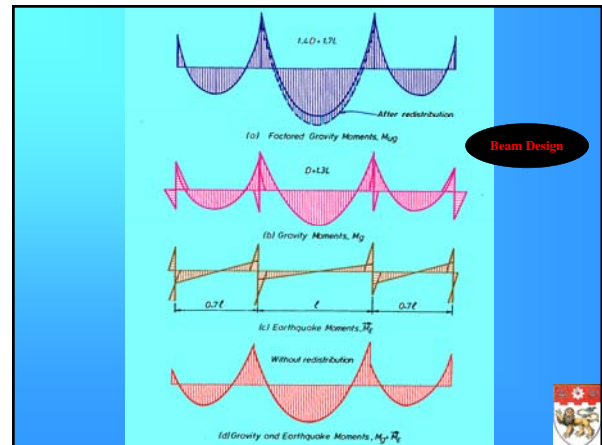
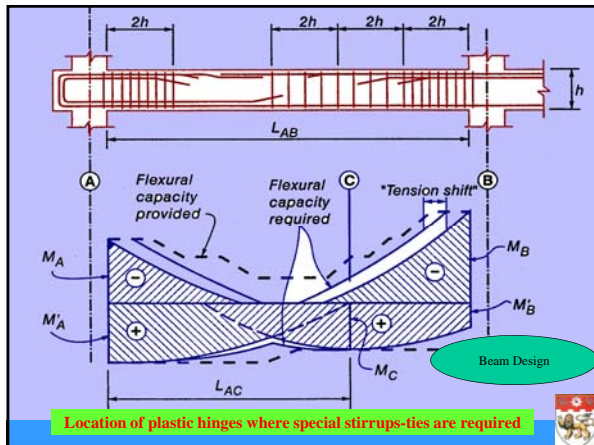
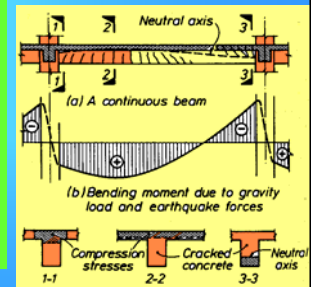


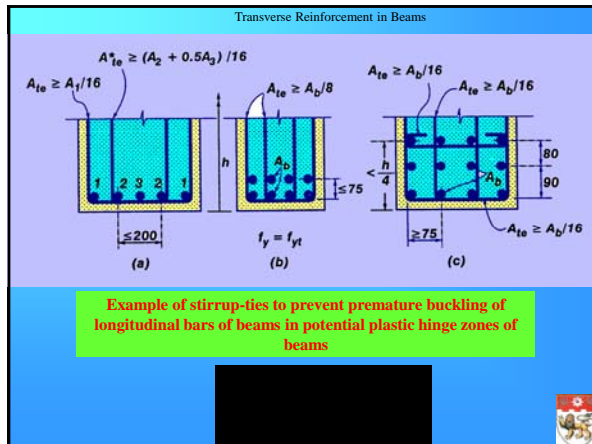
### Beam Dimensions

To prevent lateral instability of beams, particularly after a reduction in stiffness resulting from cyclic flexure in the post-elastic range,

$$L_n / b_w \leq 25$$

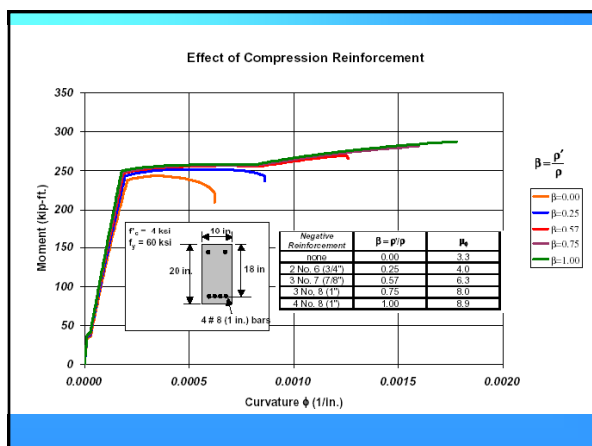
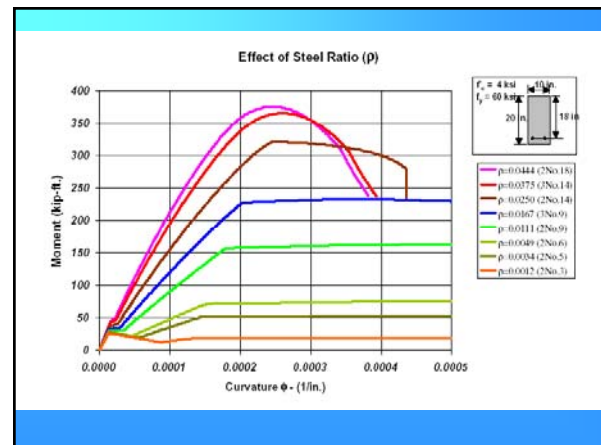
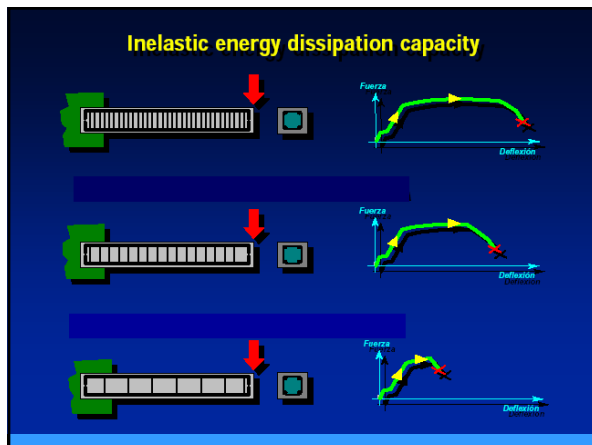
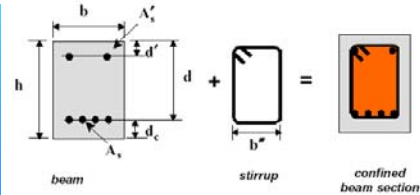
$$L_n h / b_w \leq 100$$





### Effect of Confinement Reinforcement In Beam Behavior

If the compression zone of a member is confined by closely spaced transverse reinforcement in the form of closed stirrups, ties, hoops or spirals, the ductility of the concrete may be greatly improved and a more ductile performance of the member at the ultimate load will result.



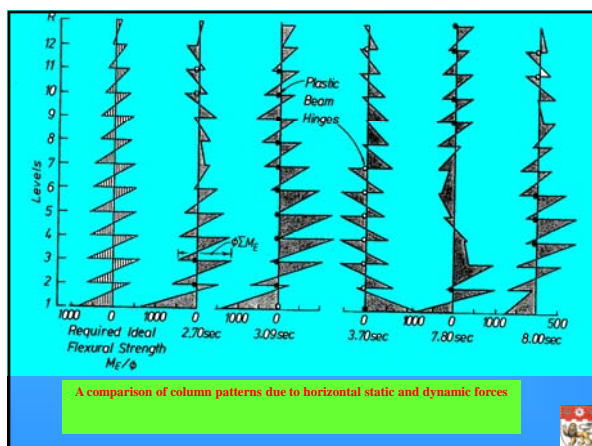
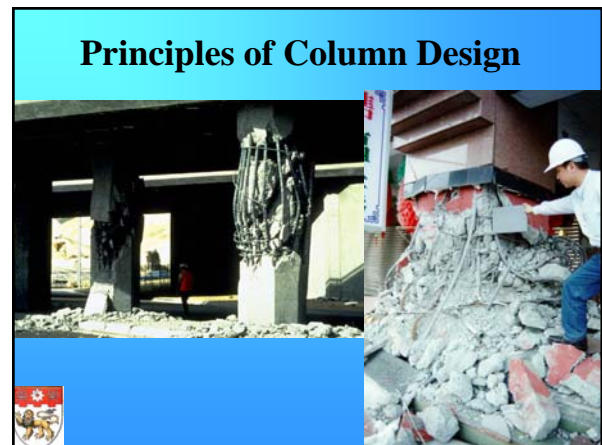
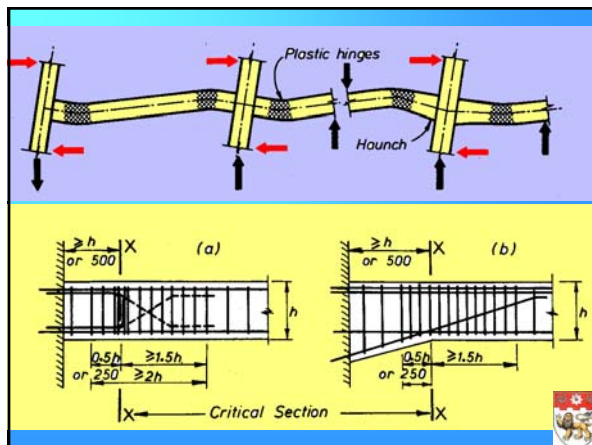
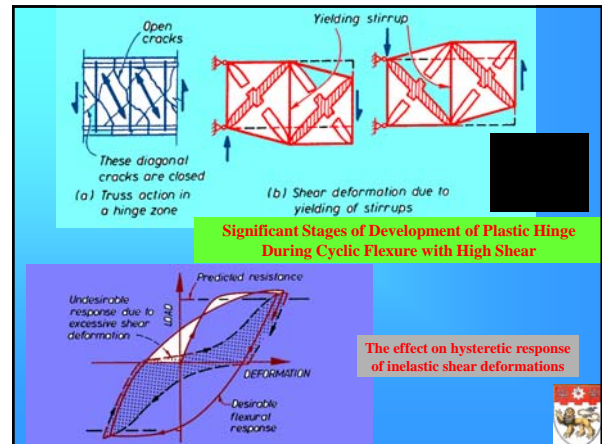
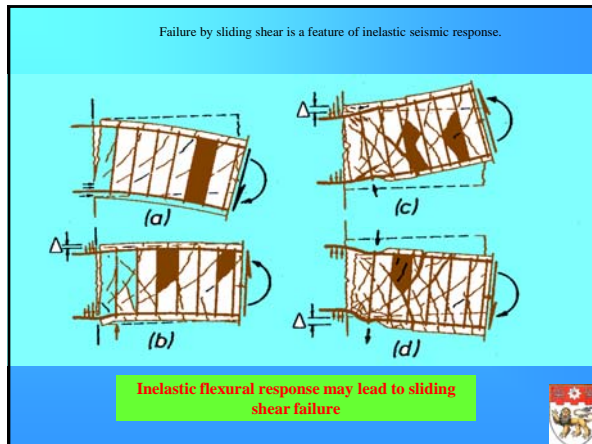
### The Control of Shear Strength

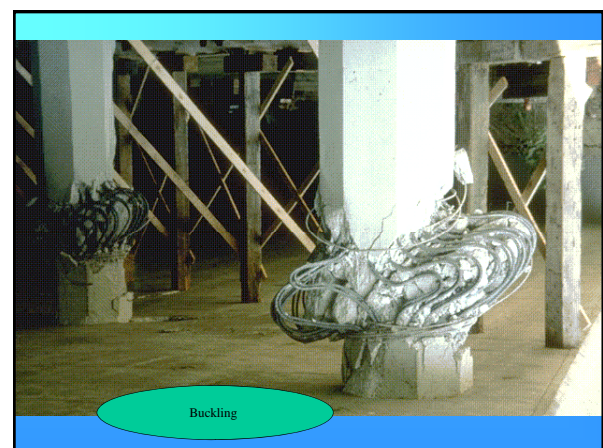
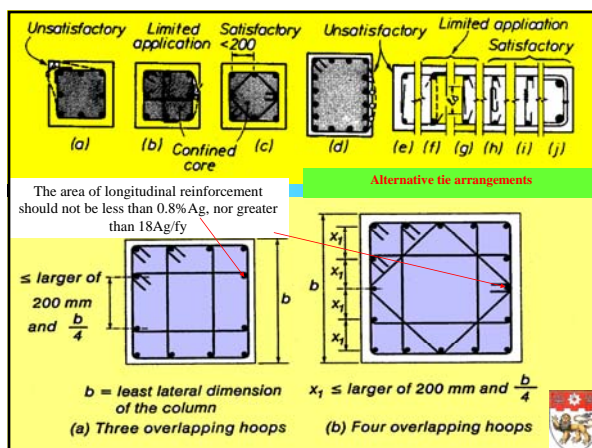
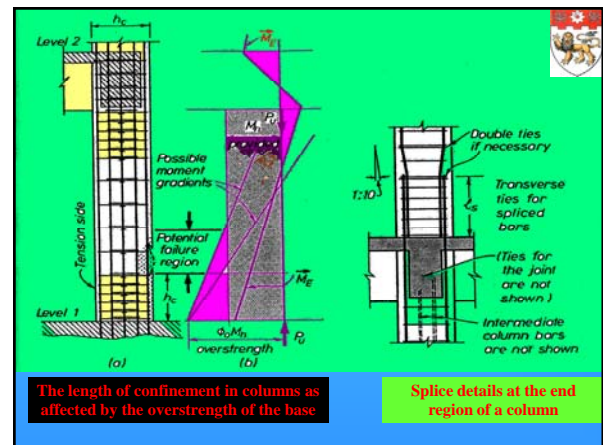
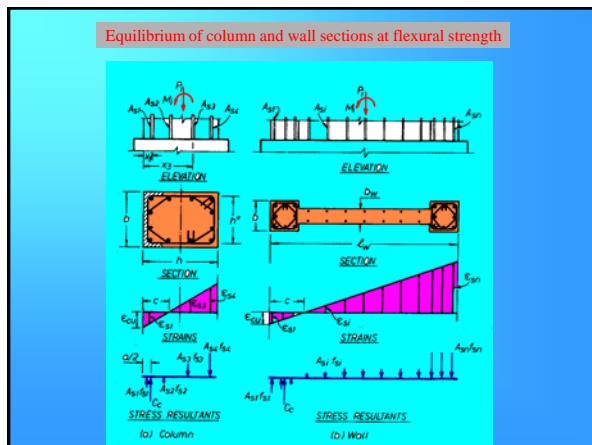
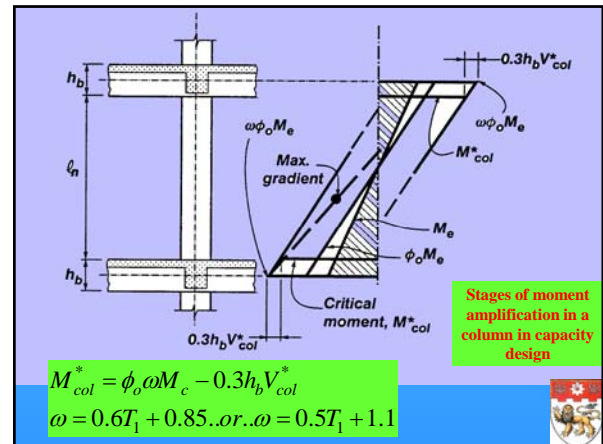
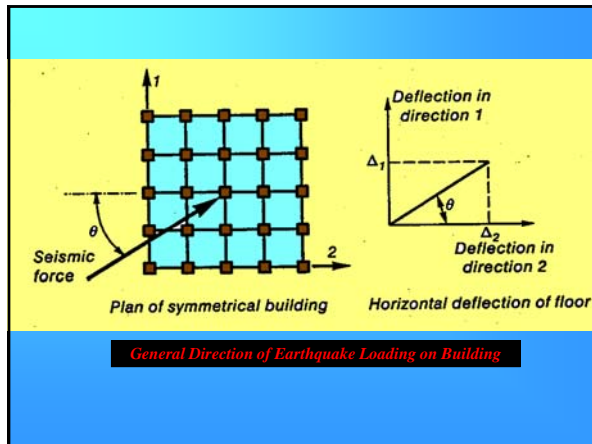
Because of the low and unreliable tensile strength of concrete, shear strength in seismic design must be based on mechanisms that can be mobilized after the onset of cracking. Such mechanisms, relying on the contribution of concrete in diagonal compression only, are well established.

It should be the designer's intention to retain essentially elastic response in shear

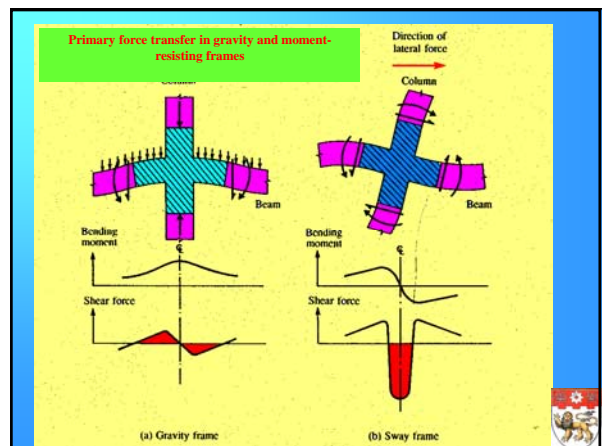
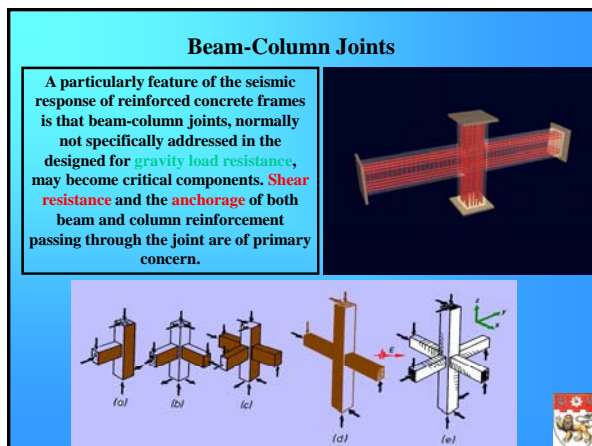
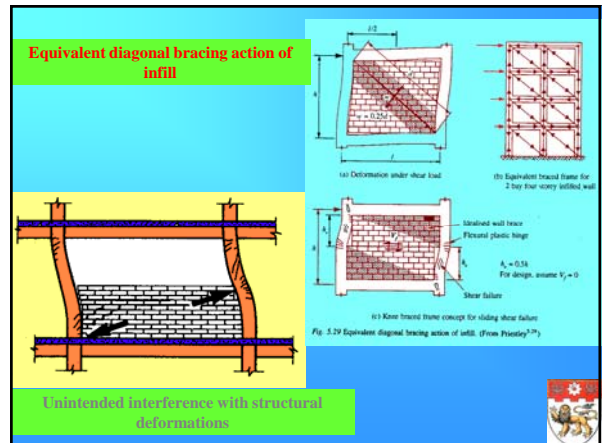
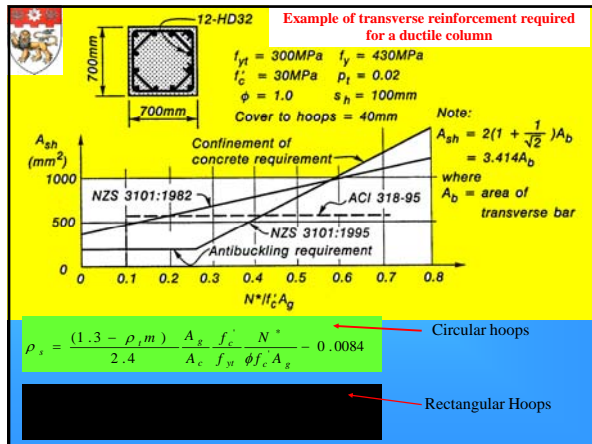
$$V_u^* = \frac{M'_{oA} + M'_{oB}}{L_{AB}} + \frac{wL_{AB}}{2}$$













Primary force transfer in gravity and moment-resisting frames

To maintain ductile behavior, it is important for the joint zones to have: (1) Sufficient strength to sustain the maximum actions that can develop in the plastic hinges (2) Sufficient resistance to stiffness degradation

Features of columns and joint behavior

$$V_c = \frac{2T_b z_b + V_b h_c}{I_c}$$

$$V_{jh} = C_b + T_b - V_c = \left( \frac{I_c}{z_b} - 1 \right) V_c - \frac{h_c}{z_b} V_b$$

Internal and exterior actions in equilibrium at an interior B-C joint and joint shear resisting mechanism

$$V_{jh}^* = 1.25 f_y (A_{s1} + A_{s2}) - V_{col}^*$$

(a) External Actions (b) Interior Actions

Internal actions in equilibrium at an interior beam-column joint and joint shear resisting mechanism

(a) Joint Actions in Equilibrium (b) Concrete Strut (c) Diagonal Compression Field

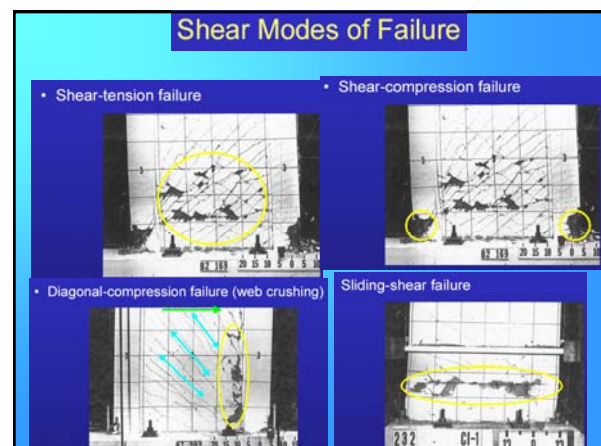
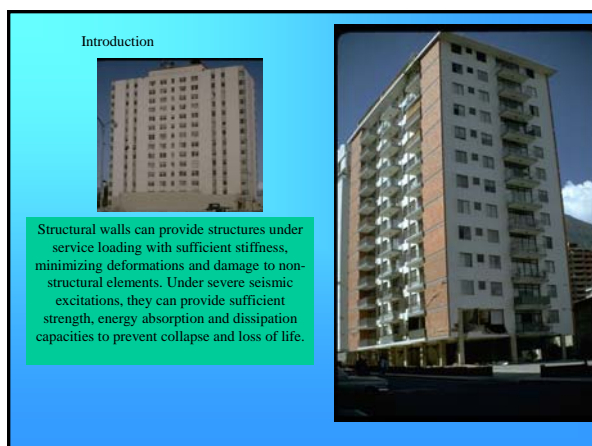
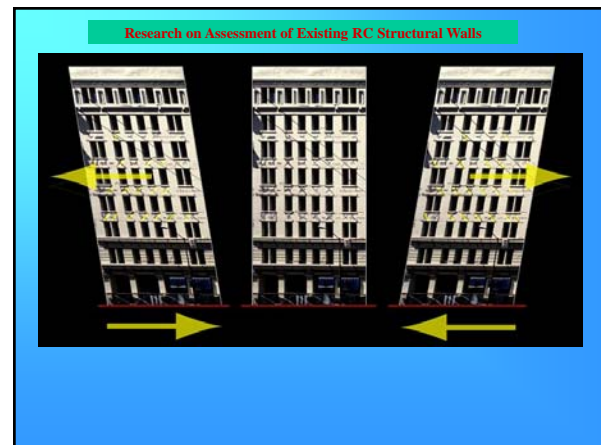
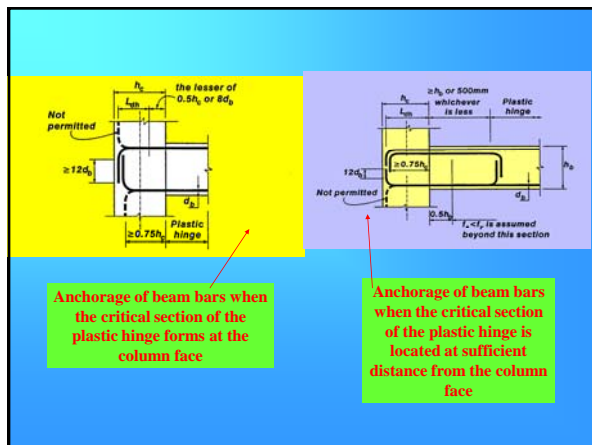
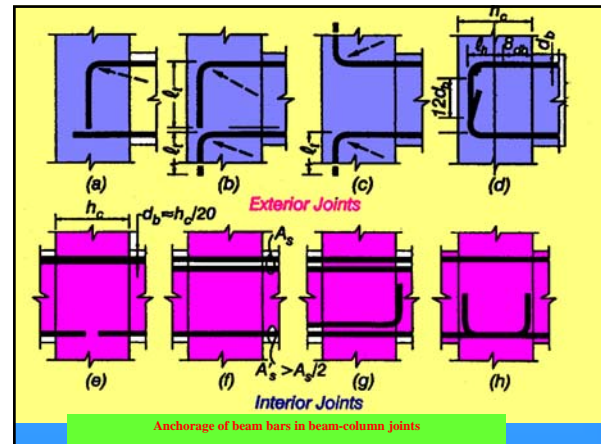
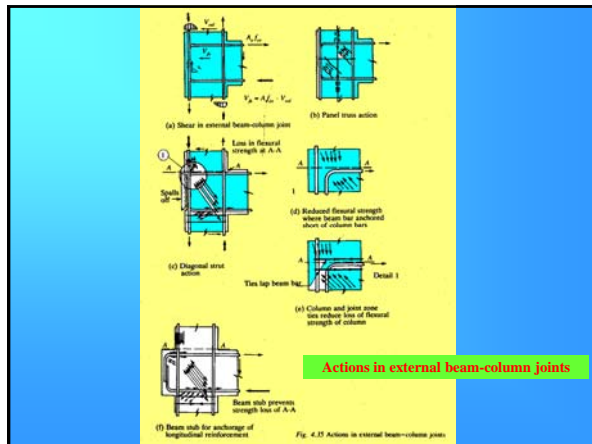
Reinforcement for conventional plastic hinge positions

Critical Section for Flexure is Shifted from A to B

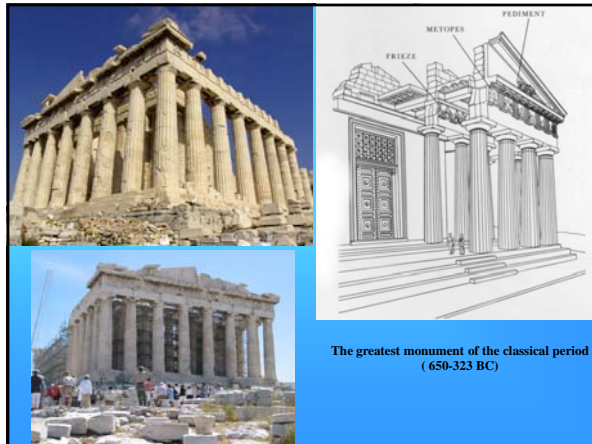
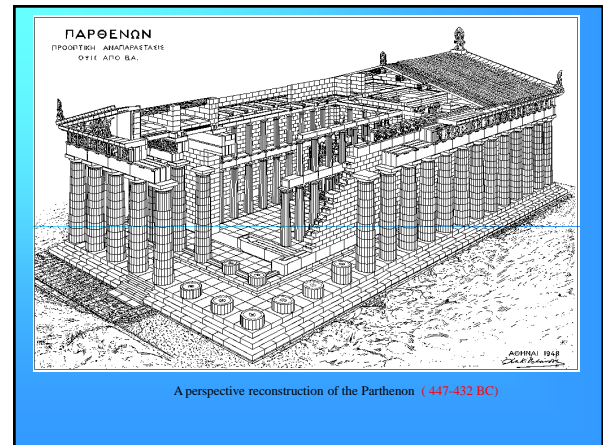
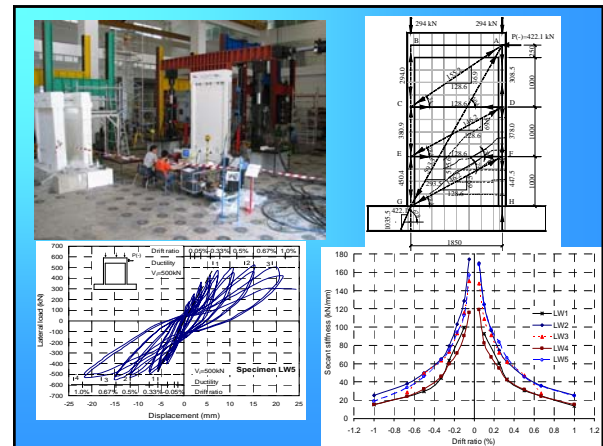
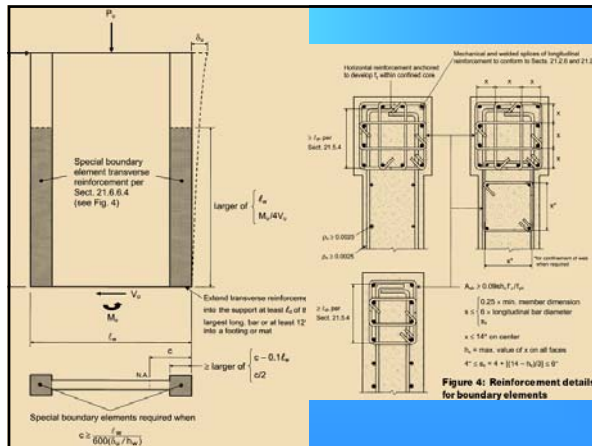
Two possible reinforcement arrangements for relocated plastic hinges

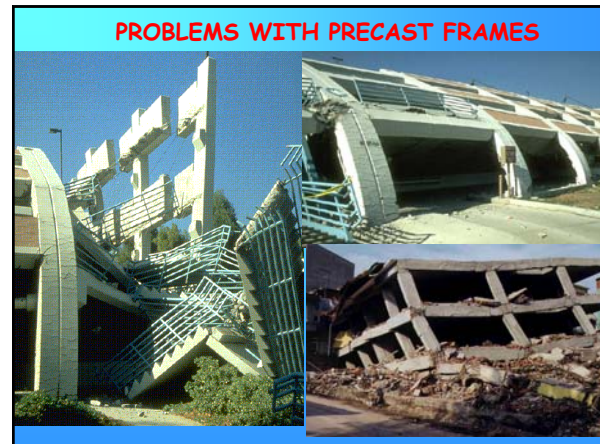
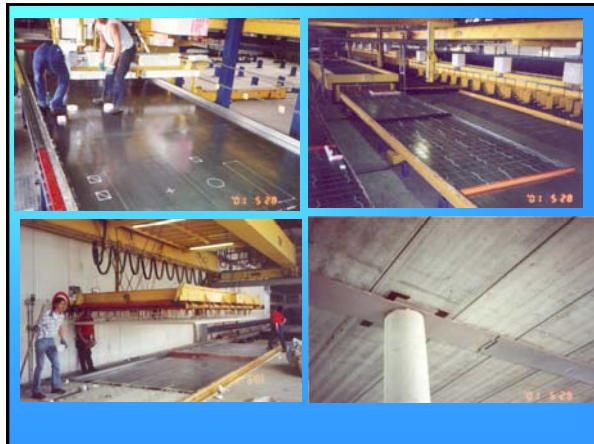
Example of conventional and relocated plastic hinge design for seismic dominated reinforced concrete moment resisting frames

Typical exterior beam-column joints










### Precast concrete construction

Precast reinforced concrete buildings are designed and constructed that attempt *to emulate seismic performance of cast-in-place monolithic structures.*


- Equivalent monolithic structural behaviour is generally demonstrated by *tests on precast beam-column sub-assemblages.*
- Experimentally observed data is compared with that of simultaneously constructed pair specimen or with past experimental data in view of *lateral stiffness, lateral strength, structural ductility and hysteretic behaviour (energy dissipation).*



### AIJ proposal for structural equivalence



Beam column arrangement



Beam bar welding

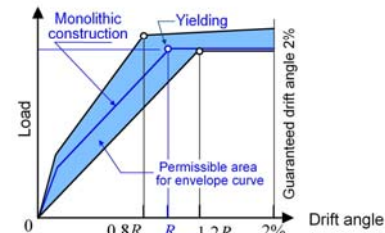
現場打ち同等型プレキャスト鉄筋コンクリート  
構造設計指針(案)・同解説 (2002)

AIJ Guidelines for Structural Design  
of Precast Concrete Connection  
Emulating Cast-in-place Reinforced  
Concrete (2002)

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### AIJ proposal for structural equivalence (1) Envelop curve

(1) Lateral strength at yielding should be greater or equal to that of emulated monolithic construction  
(2) Drift at yielding should be greater than  $0.8R_y$  and not greater than  $1.2R_y$  of emulated monolithic construction  
(3) These condition should be satisfied up to 2% drift



Load

Drift angle

0  $0.8R_y$   $R_y$   $1.2R_y$  2%

Monolithic construction

Yielding

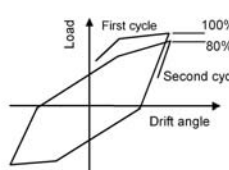
Permissible area for envelope curve

Guaranteed drift angle 2%

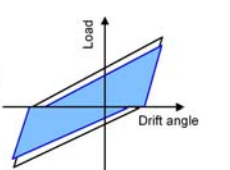
### AIJ proposal for structural equivalence (2), (3) Degradation and Energy dissipation

With regard to the degradation of load carrying capacity during seismic load cycling, the maximum load in the second cycle should be **greater than 80%** of that in the first cycle in the same drift amplitude.

Energy dissipation of a precast system in second loading cycle **should not be smaller than 80%** of that of emulated monolithic construction

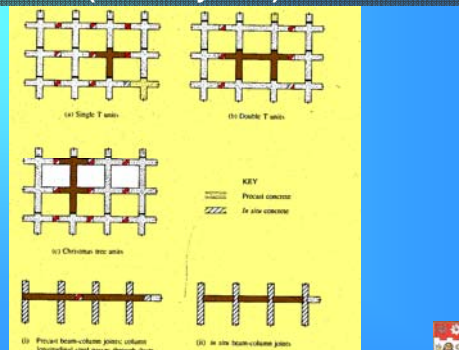


b) Degradation limit



c) Energy dissipation at second cycle

### Member partitioning and location of joints (Frame system)



KEY

Precast concrete

In situ concrete

(a) Single T-joint

(b) Double T-joint

(c) Cross-joint

(d) Precast beam-column joints, columns longitudinal steel passes through joints in p.c. beam units

(e) Precast beam-column joints, columns longitudinal steel passes through joints in i.c. beam units

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### Tests on equivalent monolithic precast beam-column assemblage

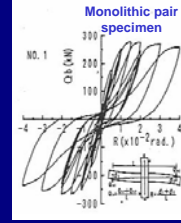
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Cast-in-place concrete

$40d_b$   
Lap splice of column bar

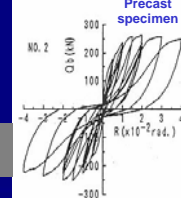
$f'_c = 38 \text{ MPa}$   
Void shell beam unit

$35d_b$   
Lap splice of beam bar

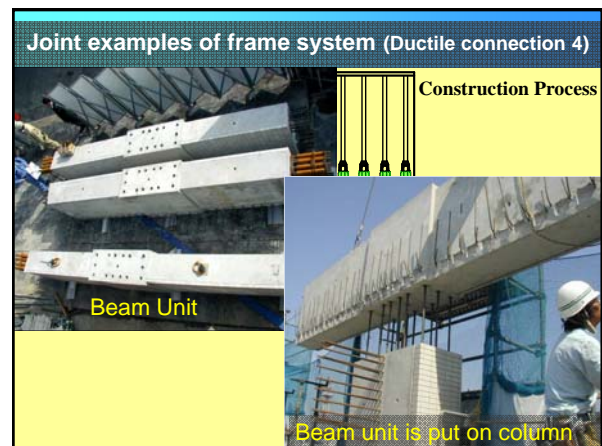
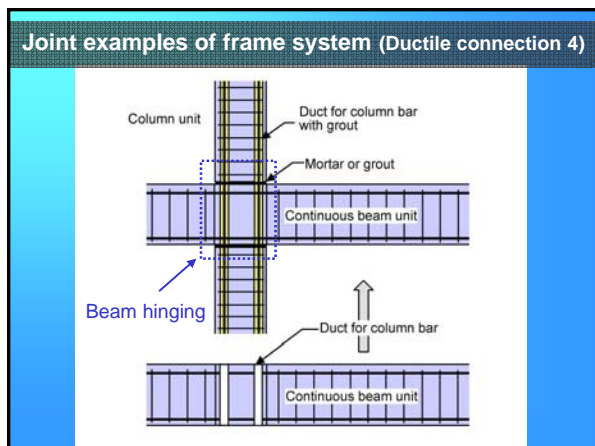
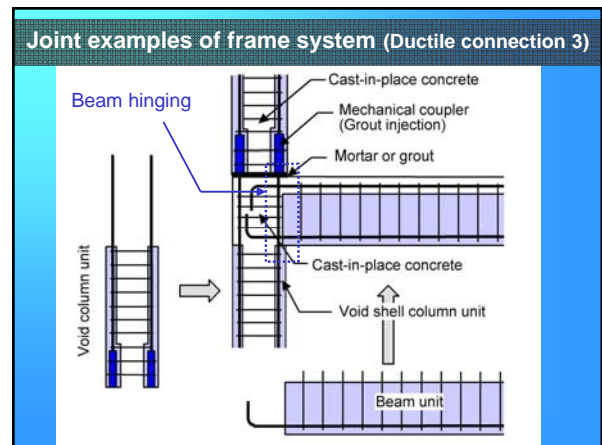
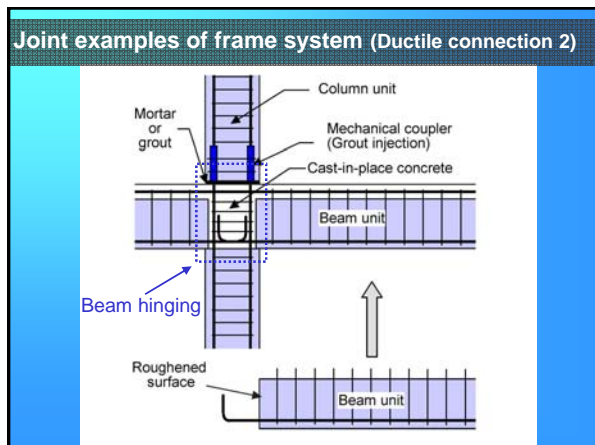
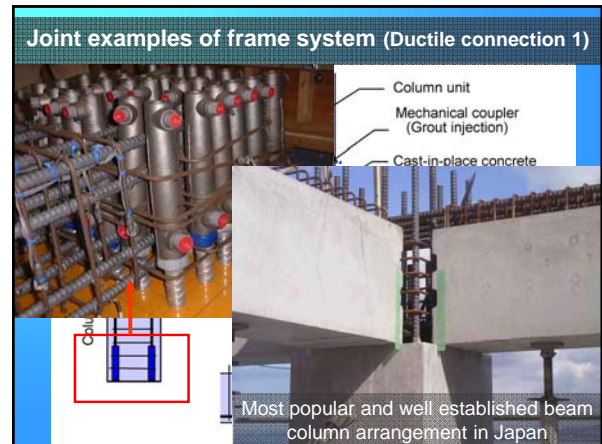
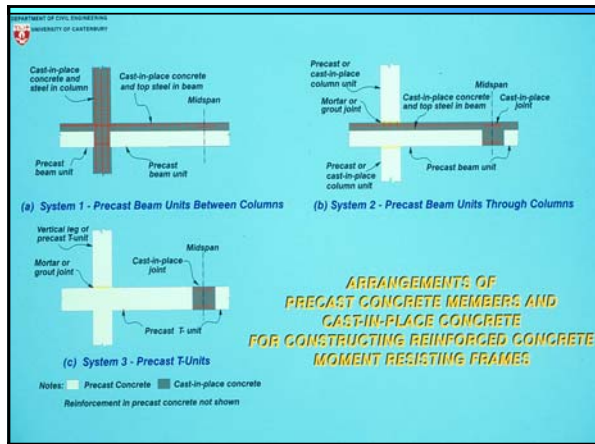
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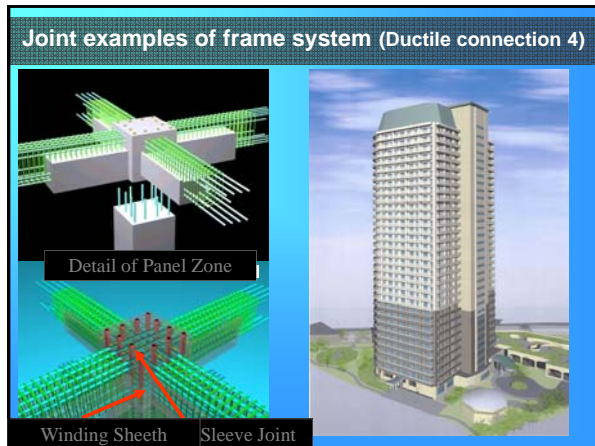
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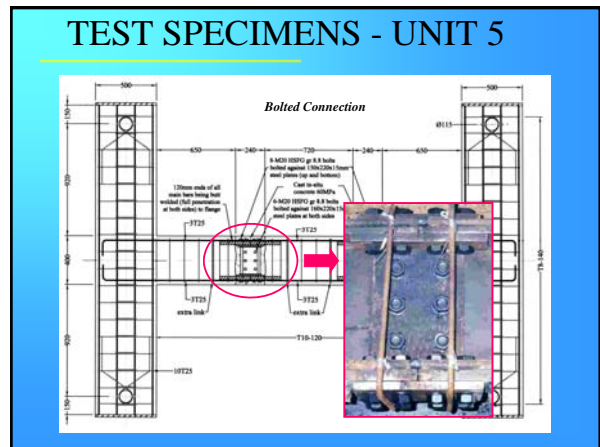
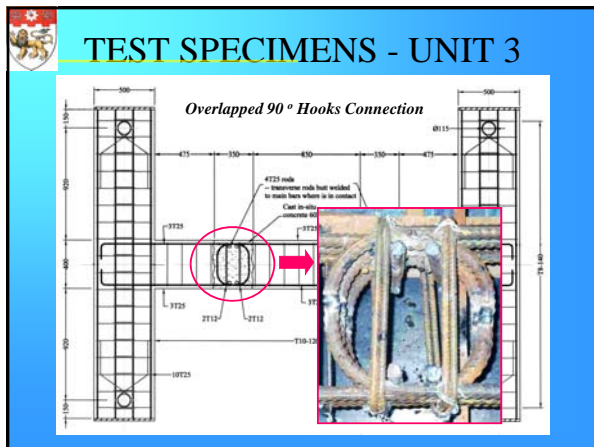
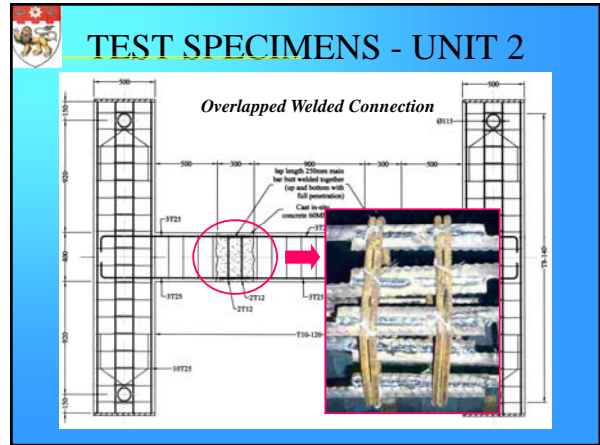
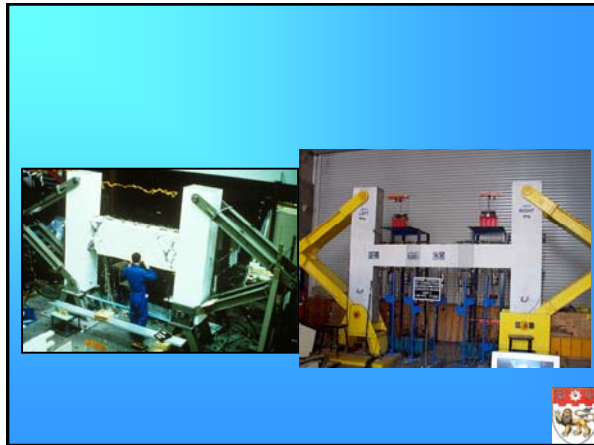
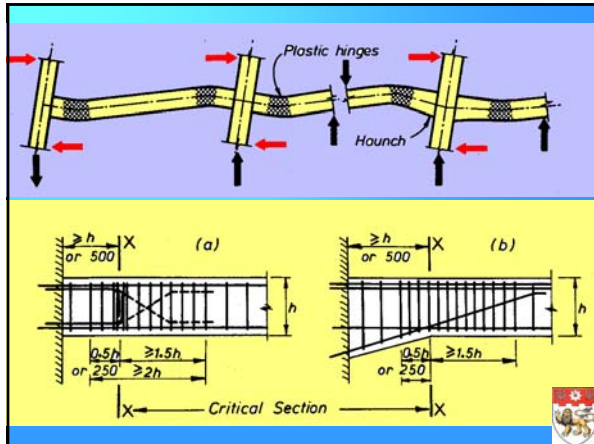


Precast specimen NO. 2

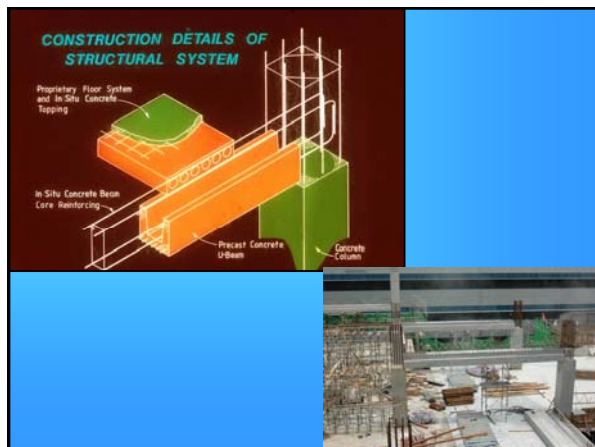
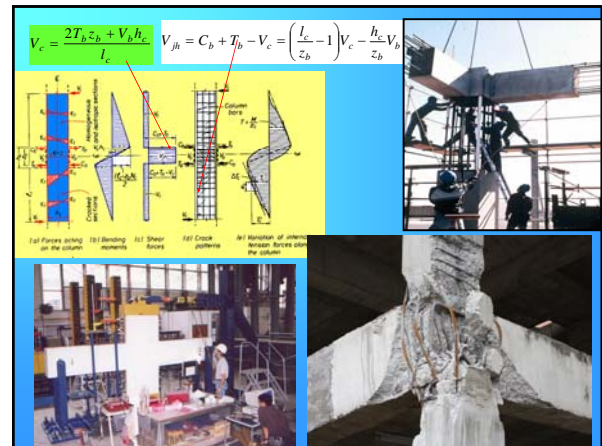
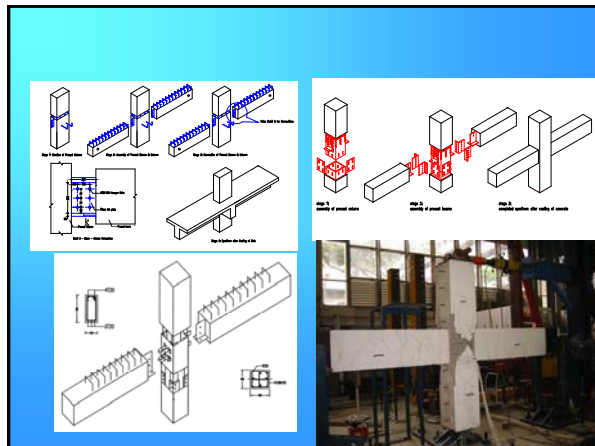
















### Model Assessment - Stability



Rebar Buckling at Wall Boundary

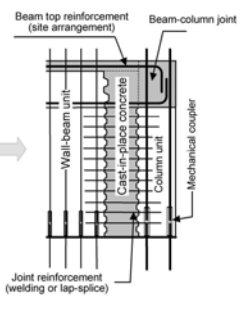


Rebar Fracture Following Buckling at Wall Boundary

Instabilities, such as rebar buckling and lateral web buckling, and rebar fracture are typically not considered in models; therefore, engineering judgment is required. Loss of lateral-load capacity does not necessarily mean loss of axial load capacity.

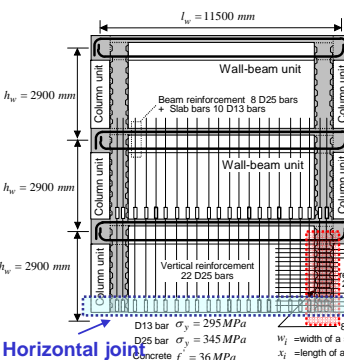
### Member partitioning and location of joints (Wall system)

Beam
Wall-beam unit
Wall
Beam
Wall-beam unit
Wall
Beam
Wall-beam unit
Wall



Labels in detail: Beam top reinforcement (site arrangement), Beam-column joint, Wall-beam unit, Wall, Column unit, Mechanical coupler, Joint reinforcement (welding or lap-splice).

### Design example of precast wall system



Dimensions:  $l_w = 11500 \text{ mm}$ ,  $h_w = 2900 \text{ mm}$  (x3).

Reinforcement: Beam reinforcement 8 D25 bars + Slab bars 10 D13 bars; Vertical reinforcement 22 D25 bars; Horizontal reinforcement 28 D13 bars.

Materials: D13 bar  $\sigma_y = 295 \text{ MPa}$ ; D25 bar  $\sigma_y = 345 \text{ MPa}$ ; concrete  $f_c = 36 \text{ MPa}$ .

Details: 150mm shear keys;  $w_k$  = width of a shear key (150mm);  $x_k$  = length of a shear key at its bottom (200mm).

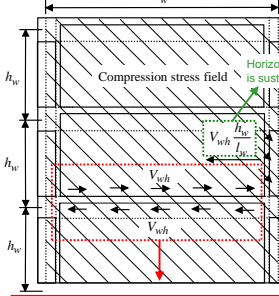
Design moment, shear and wall axial force for lateral seismic load

$M_d = 58810 \text{ kNm}$	$V_{dh} = 5660 \text{ kN}$	$N_d = 2309 \text{ kN}$
$M_d = 75220 \text{ kNm}$	$V_{dh} = 6080 \text{ kN}$	
$M_d = 92850 \text{ kNm}$	$V_{dh} = 6430 \text{ kN}$	
$M_d = 111500 \text{ kNm}$		

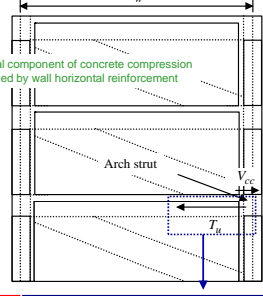
Vertical joint

Horizontal joint

### Design example of precast wall system



Horizontal shear  $V_{wh}$  is resisted by shear friction

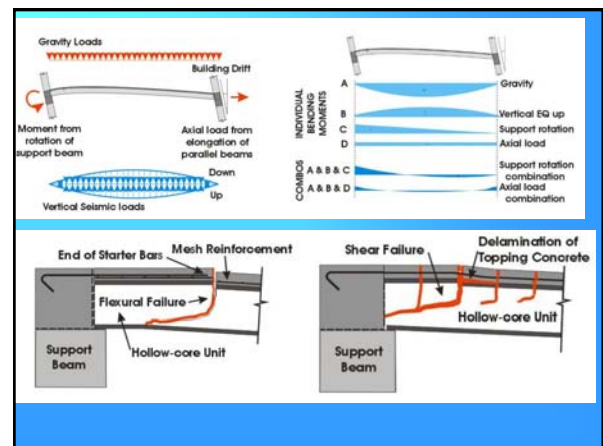
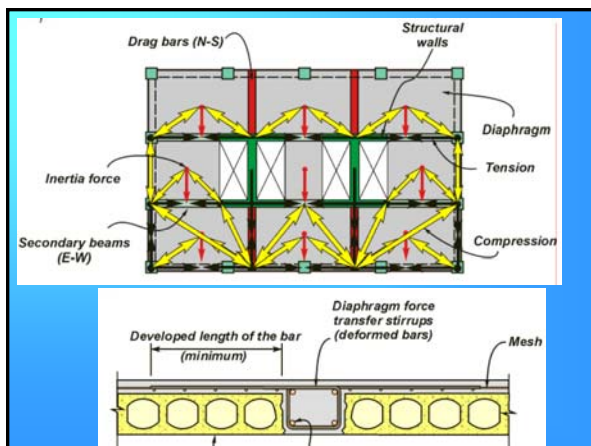
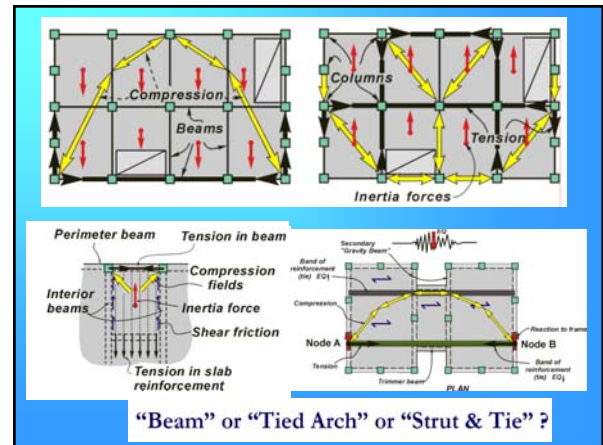
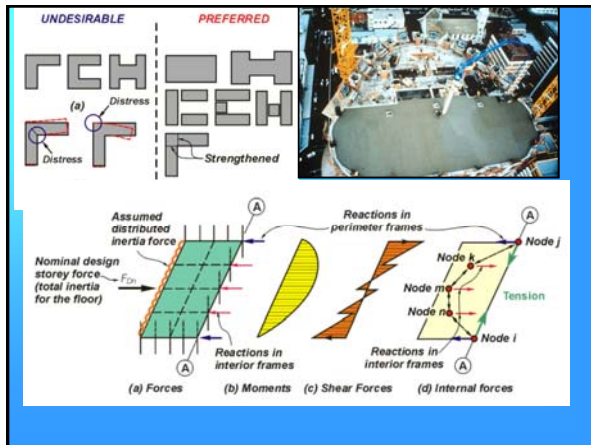
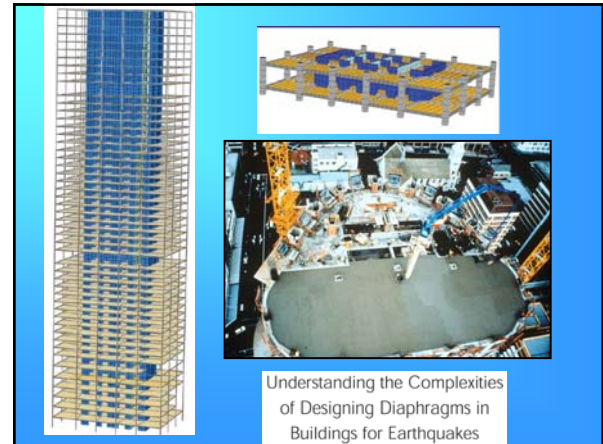


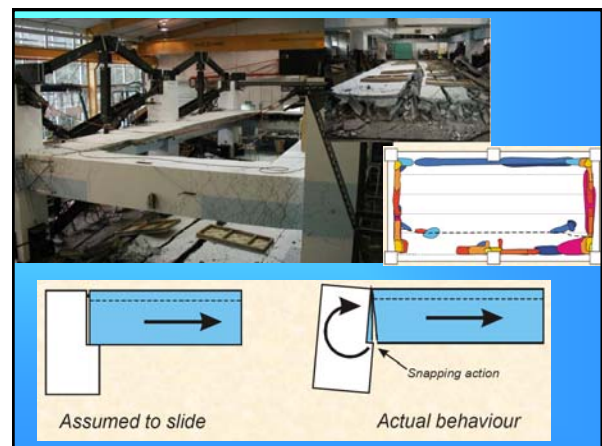
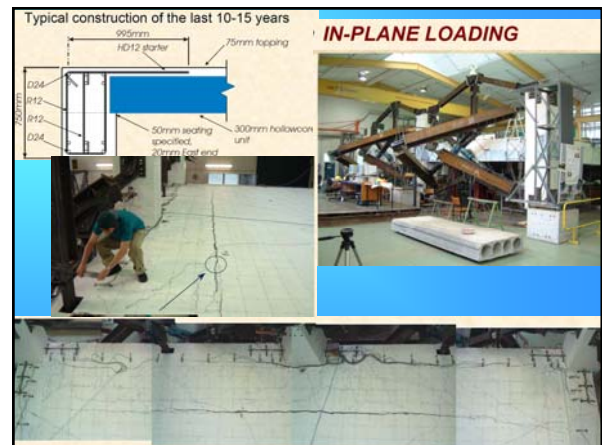
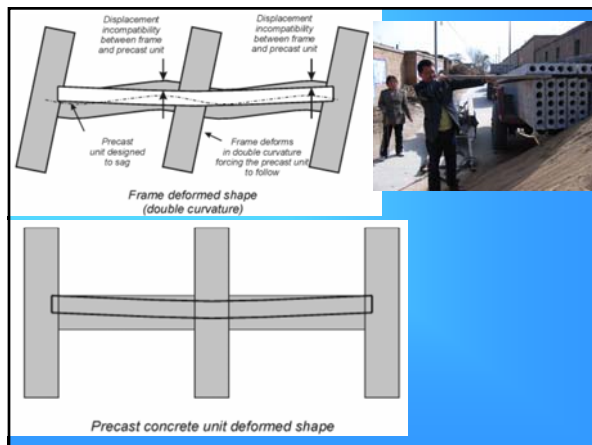
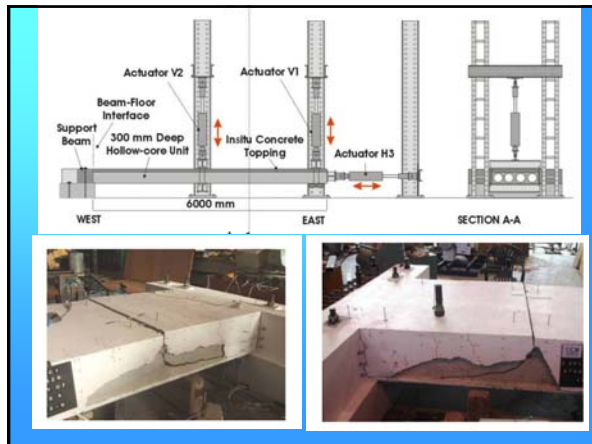
Lateral shear force carried by Arch Mechanism

Compressive force of arch is pull back by beam bars, a part of wall horizontal bars and slab bars

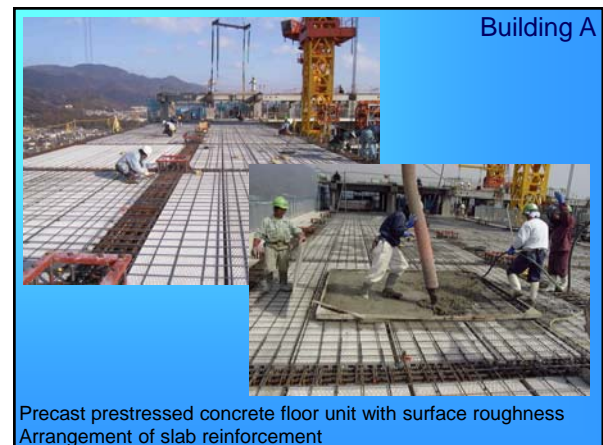
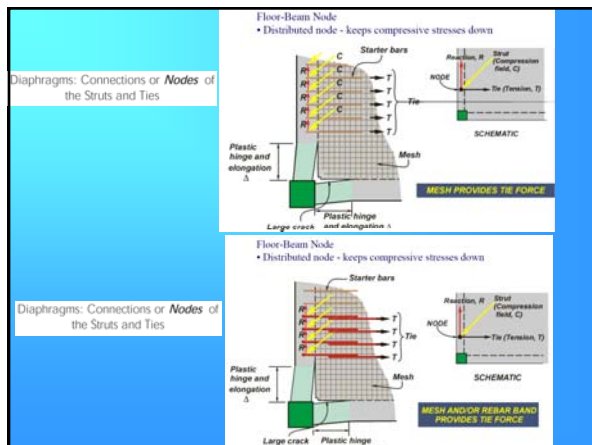
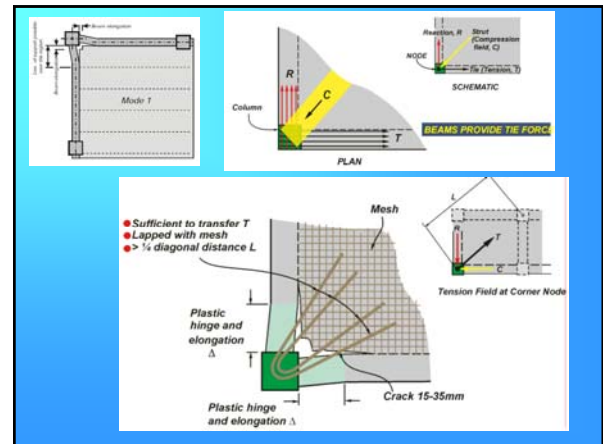
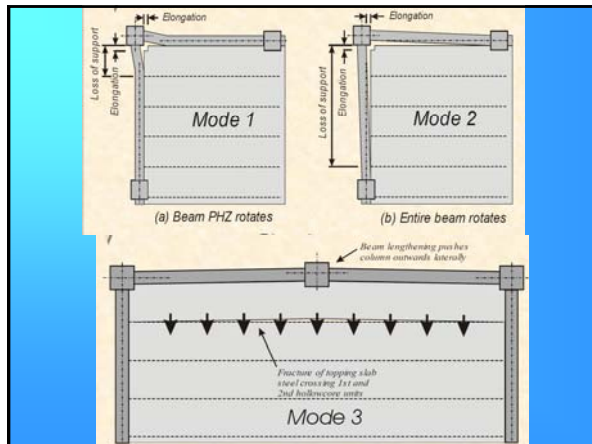
Labels in diagrams: Compression stress field, Horizontal component of concrete compression is sustained by wall horizontal reinforcement, Arch strut,  $V_{wh}$ ,  $V_{ch}$ ,  $T_{ch}$ .

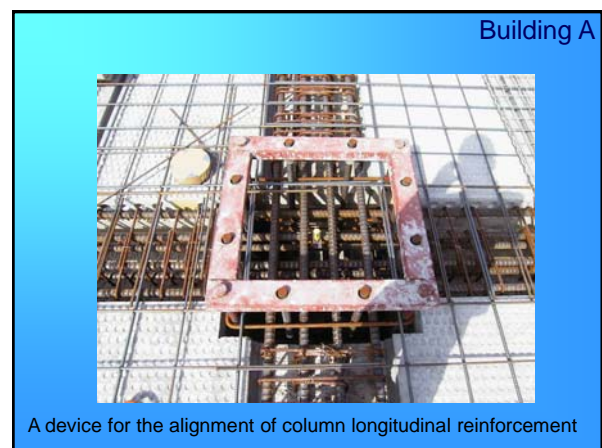




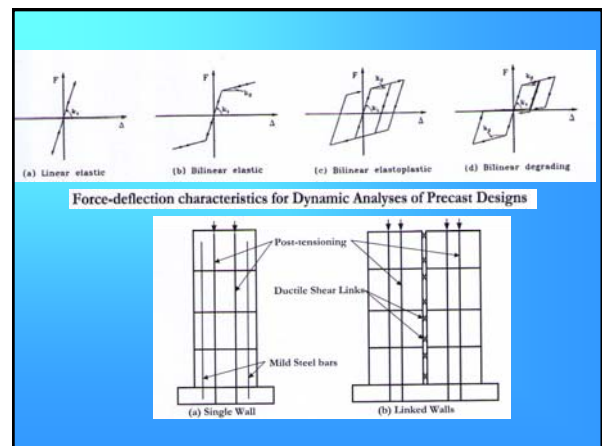
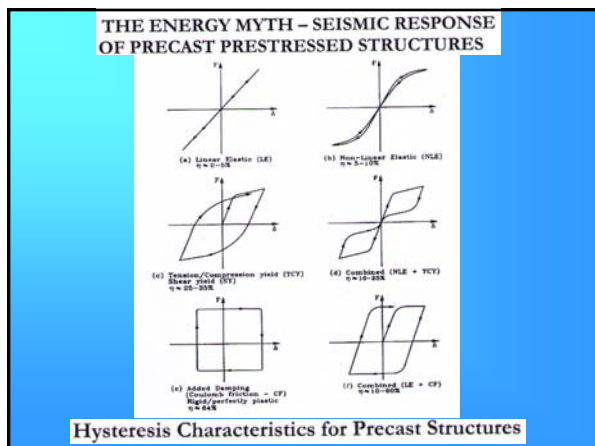
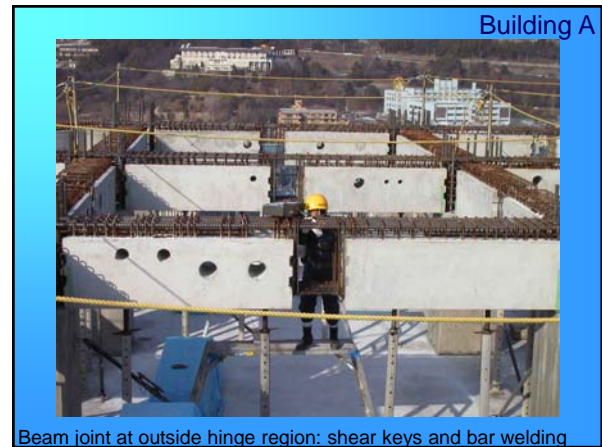
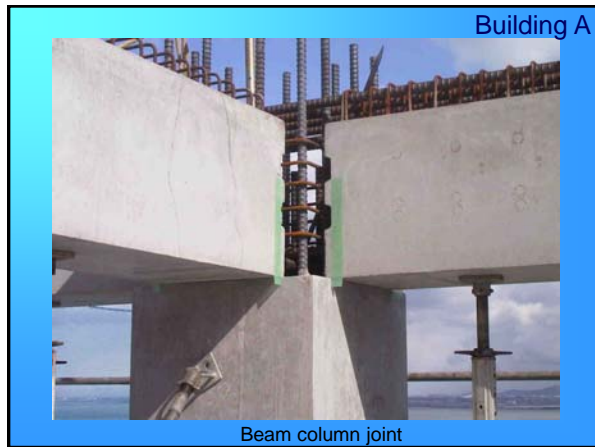
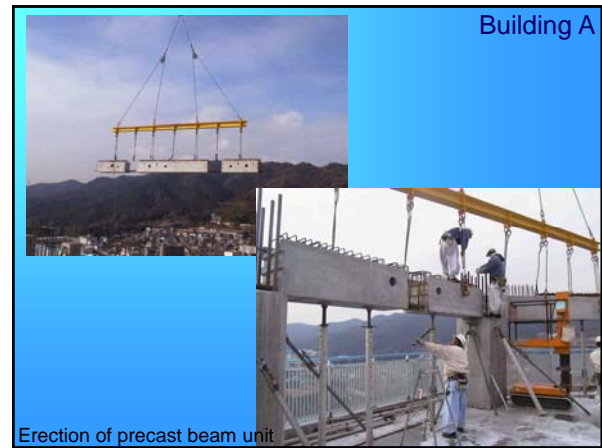


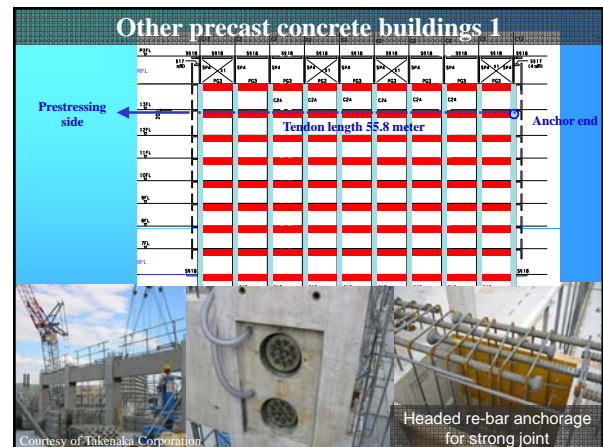
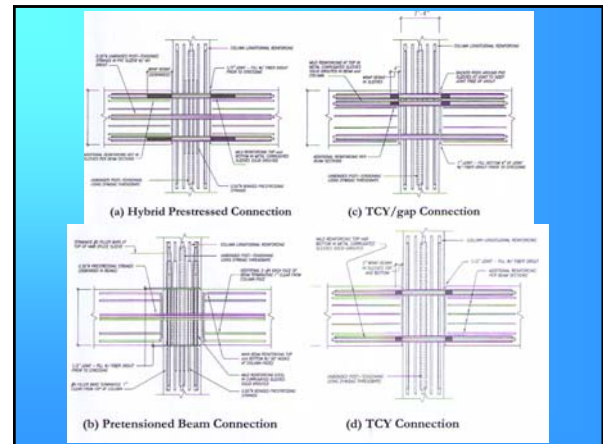
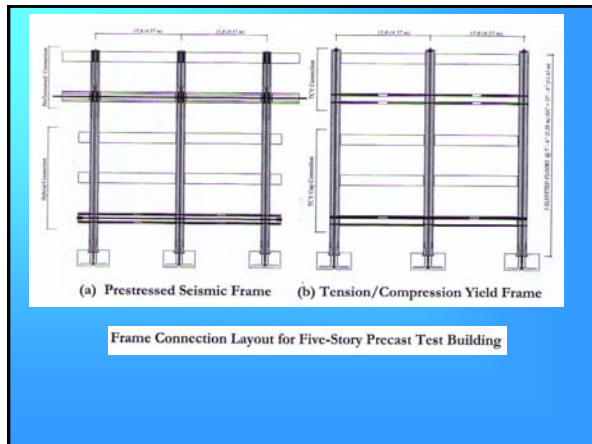




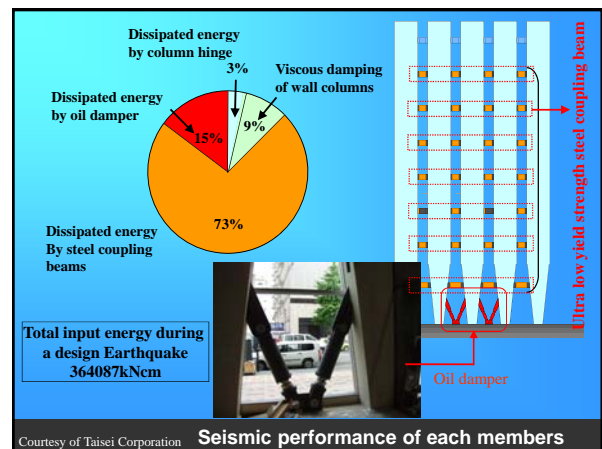
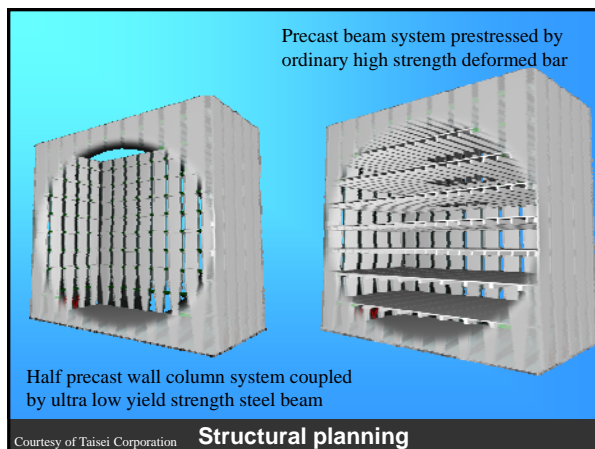
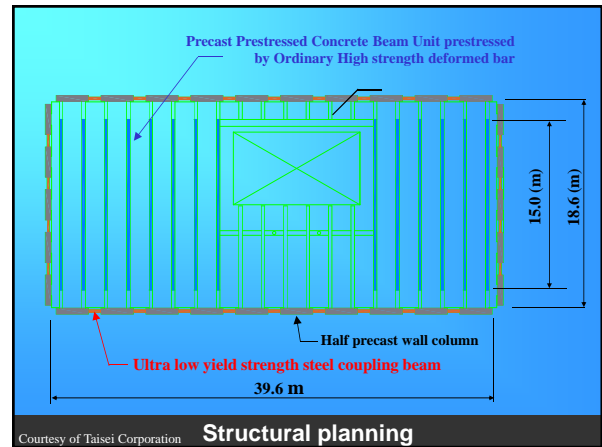
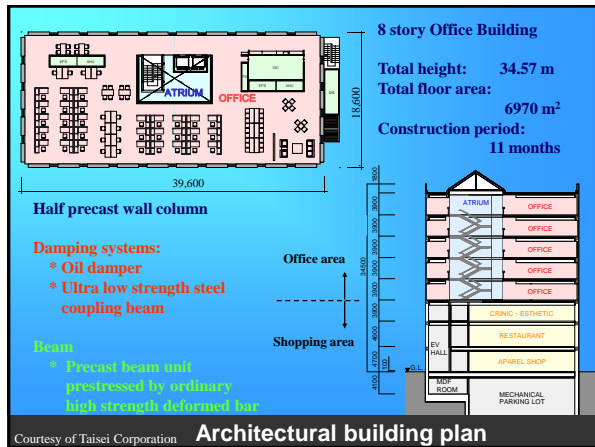
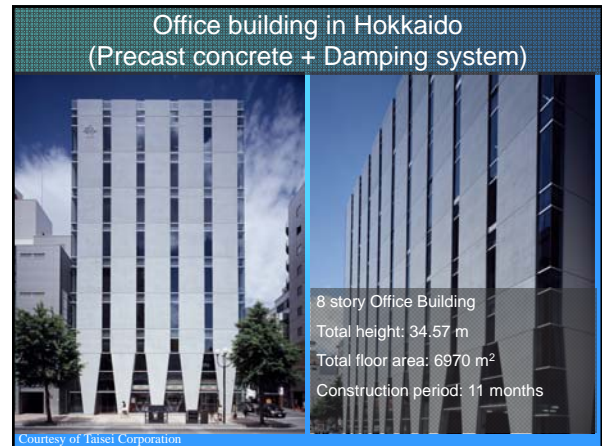










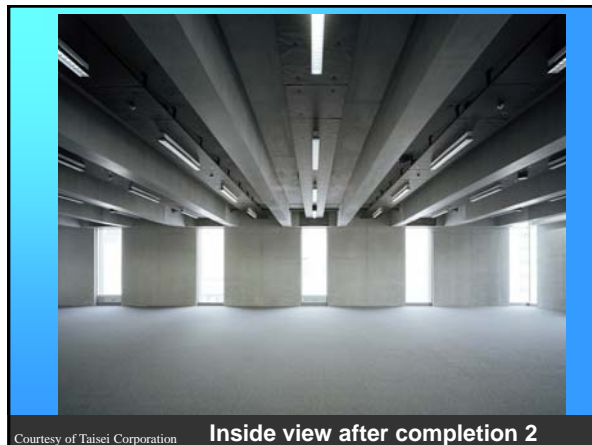




**Production of beam unit**



**Inside view after completion 1**



**Inside view after completion 2**

