

Design Strategy to Minimize Seismic Residual Displacements and Damage in a New ABC Bridge Bent

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Accelerate Construction



Eliminate Residual Displacements



Reduce Column Damage

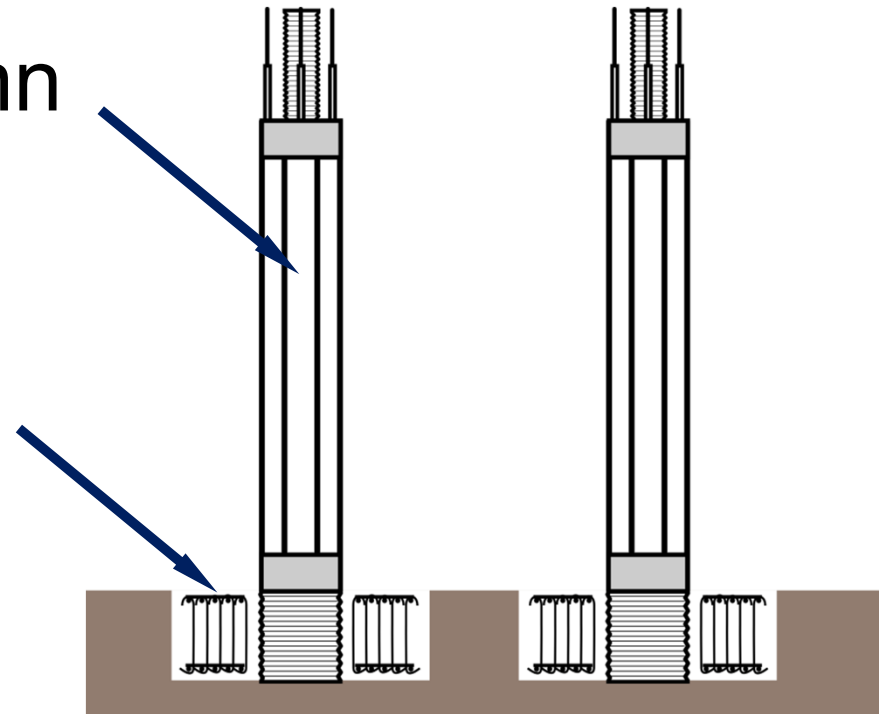
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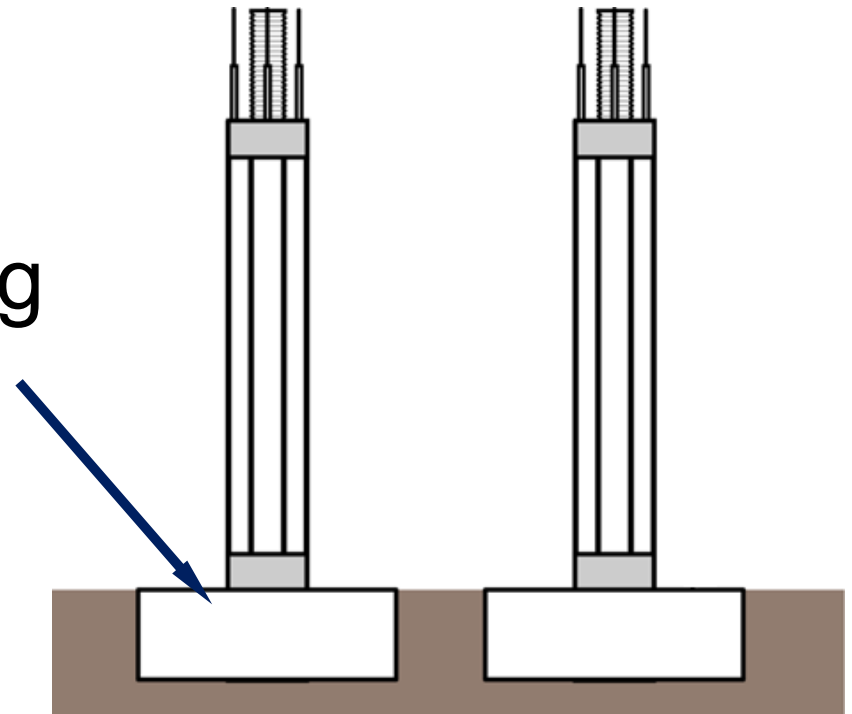


Pretensioned column

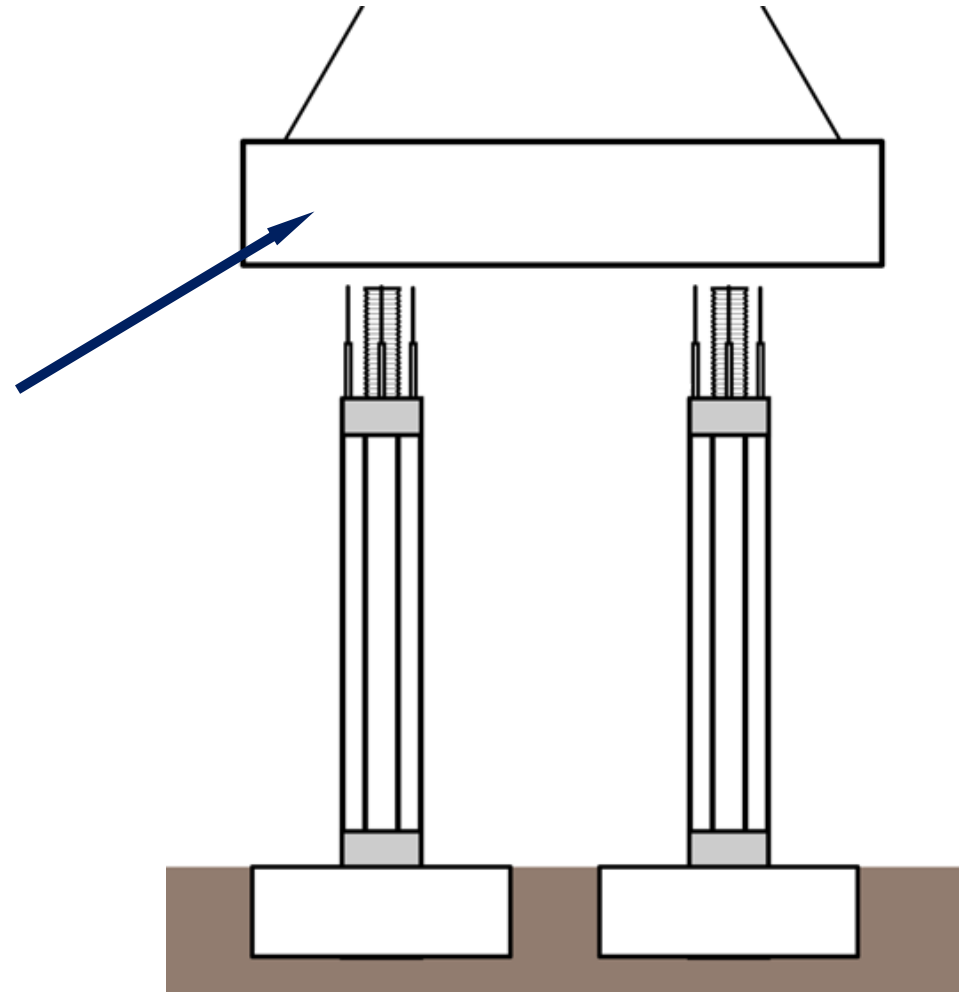
Footing reinforcement
placed around column



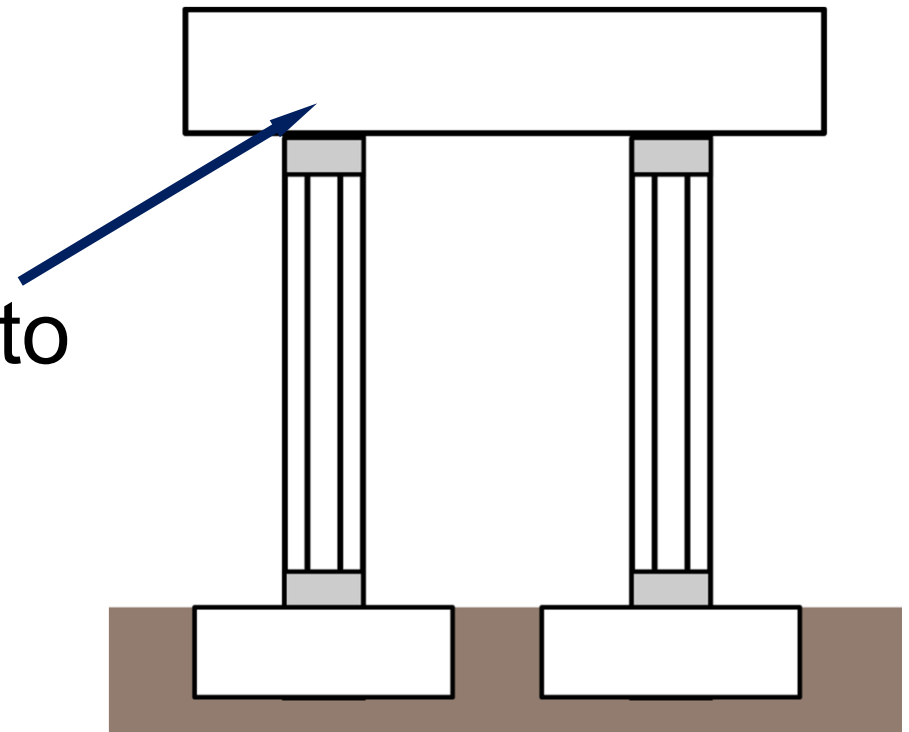
Cast-in-place footing



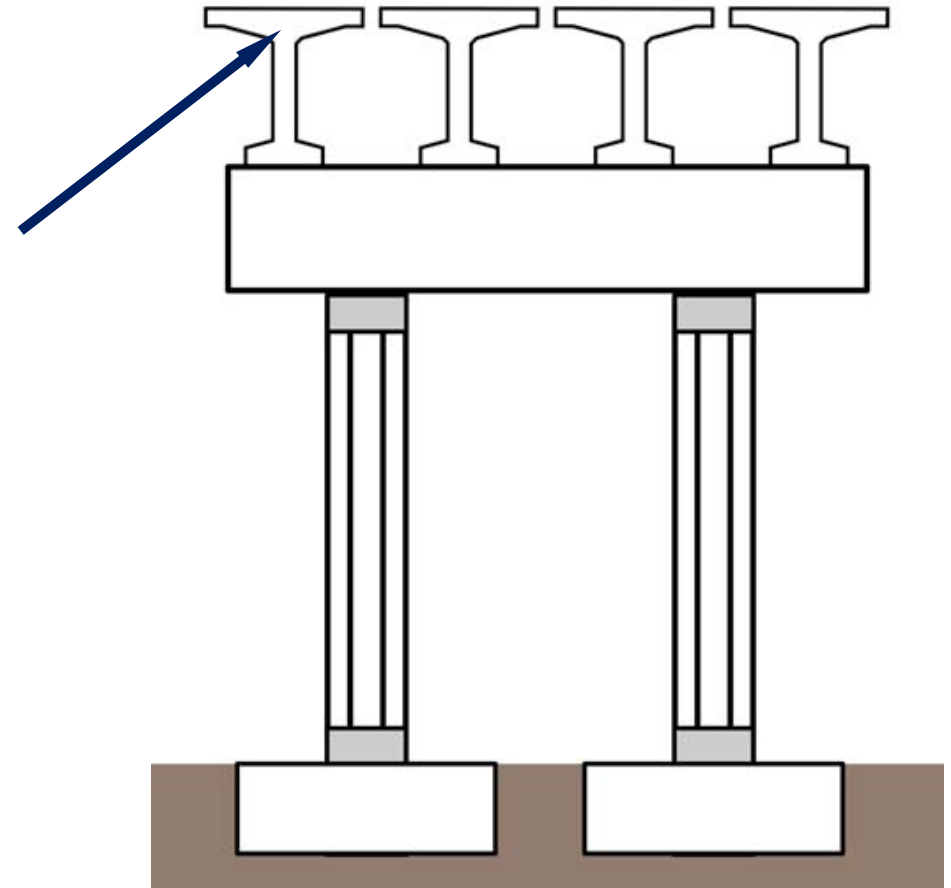
Precast cap beam



Bars and column
segment grouted into
ducts

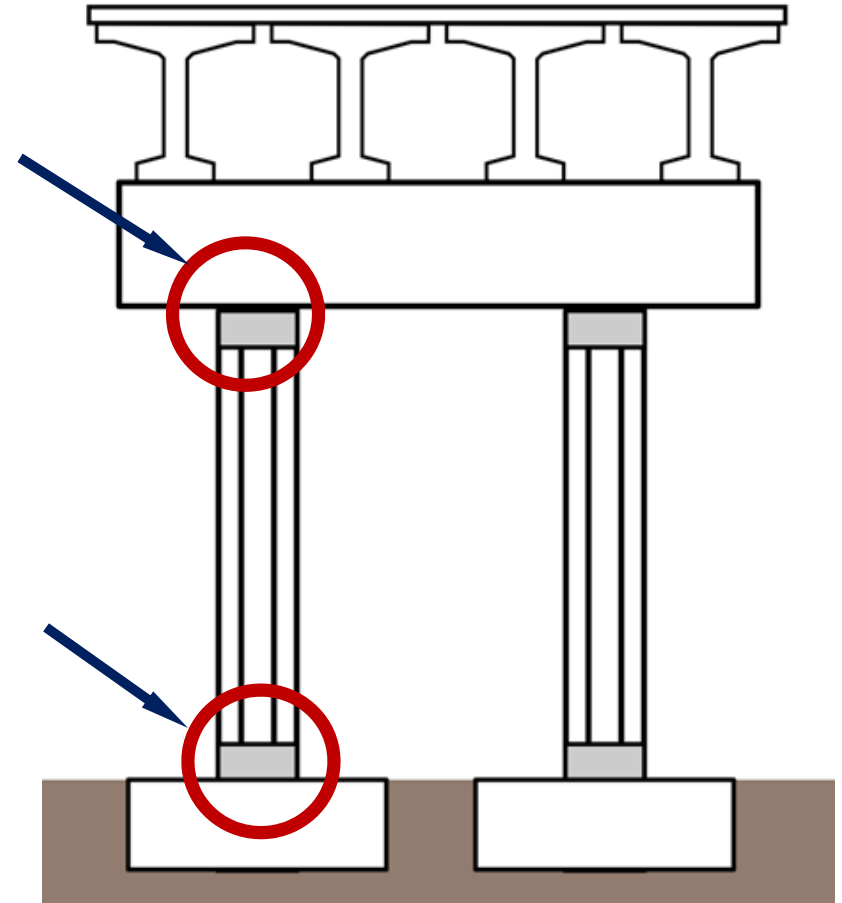


Precast girders



Grouted duct connection

“Wet” socket connection



“Wet” Socket Connection

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Grouted Duct Connection

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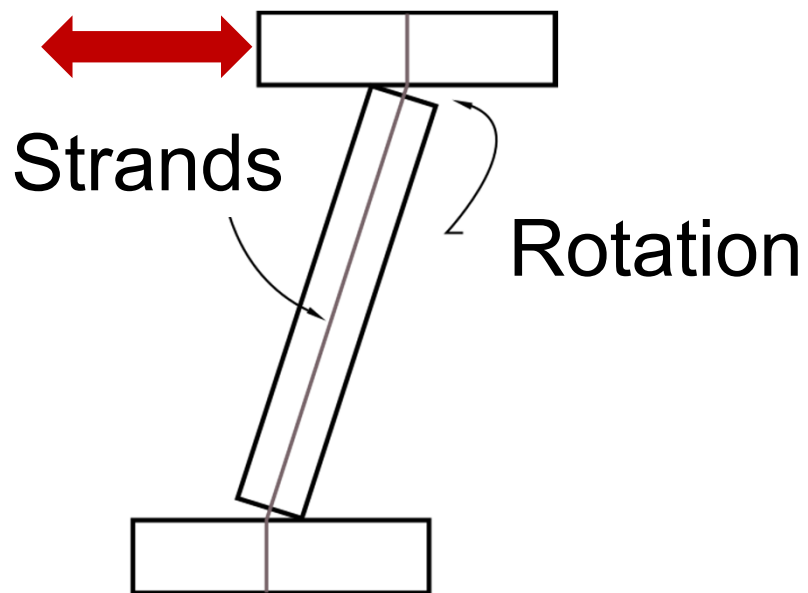


Eliminate Residual Displacements

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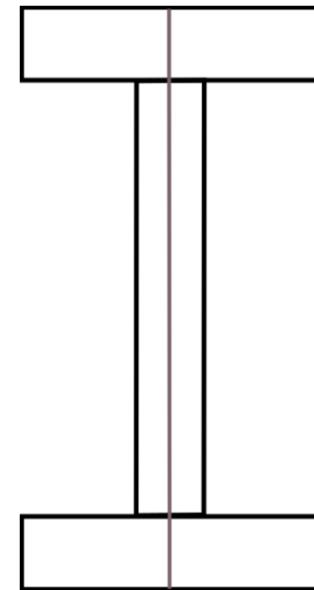
During Earthquake

Strands elongate
due to joint opening.



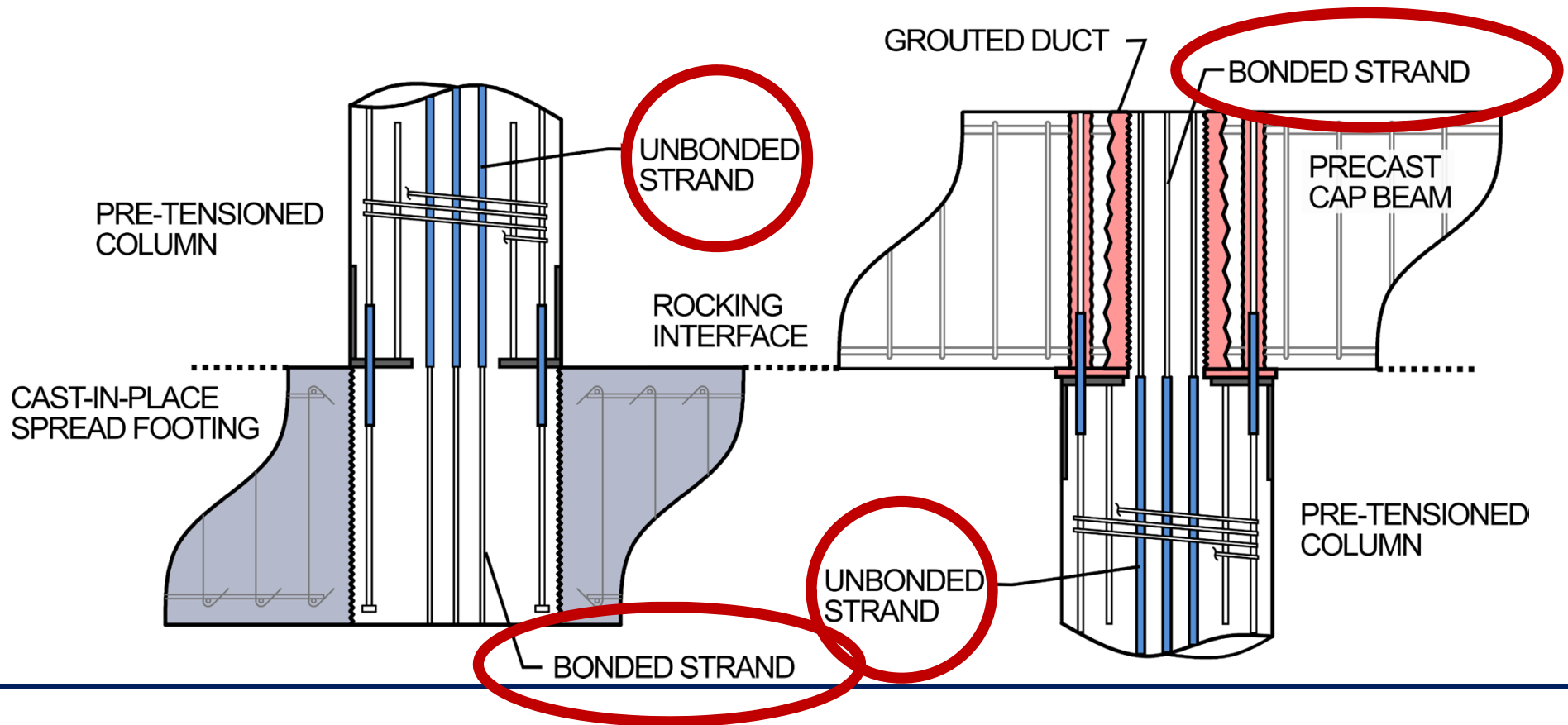
After Earthquake

Force in strands
rights the column.



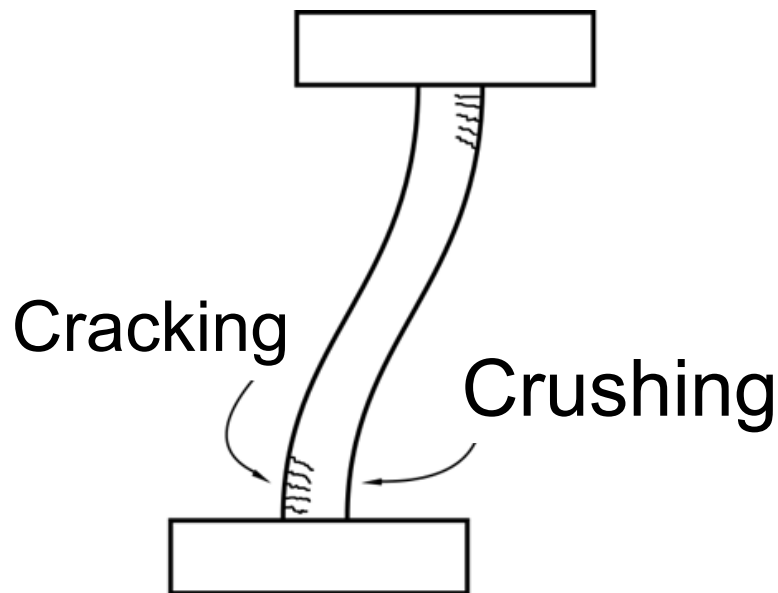
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Pretensioned strands bonded within footing and cap beam.



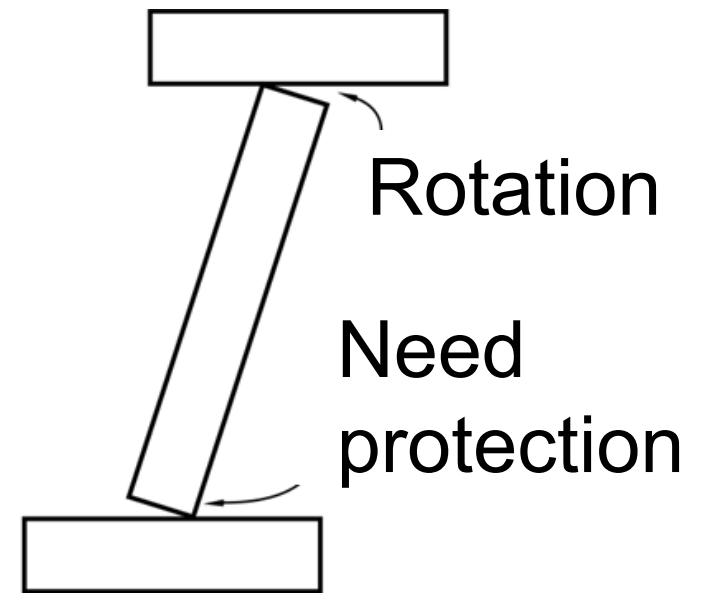
Bending

Tension cracks and
compression crushing



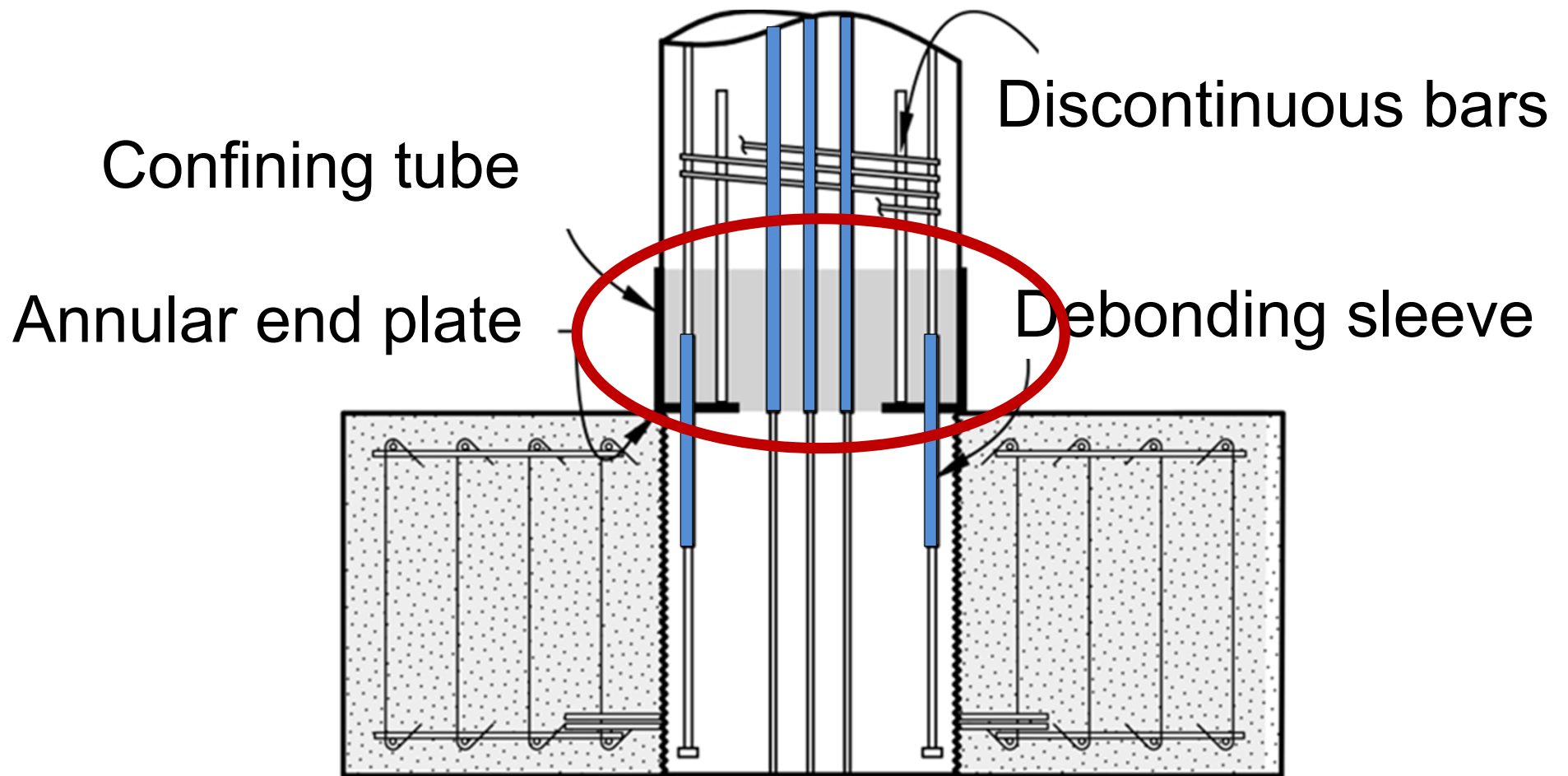
Rocking

High contact
stresses



Reduce Column Damage

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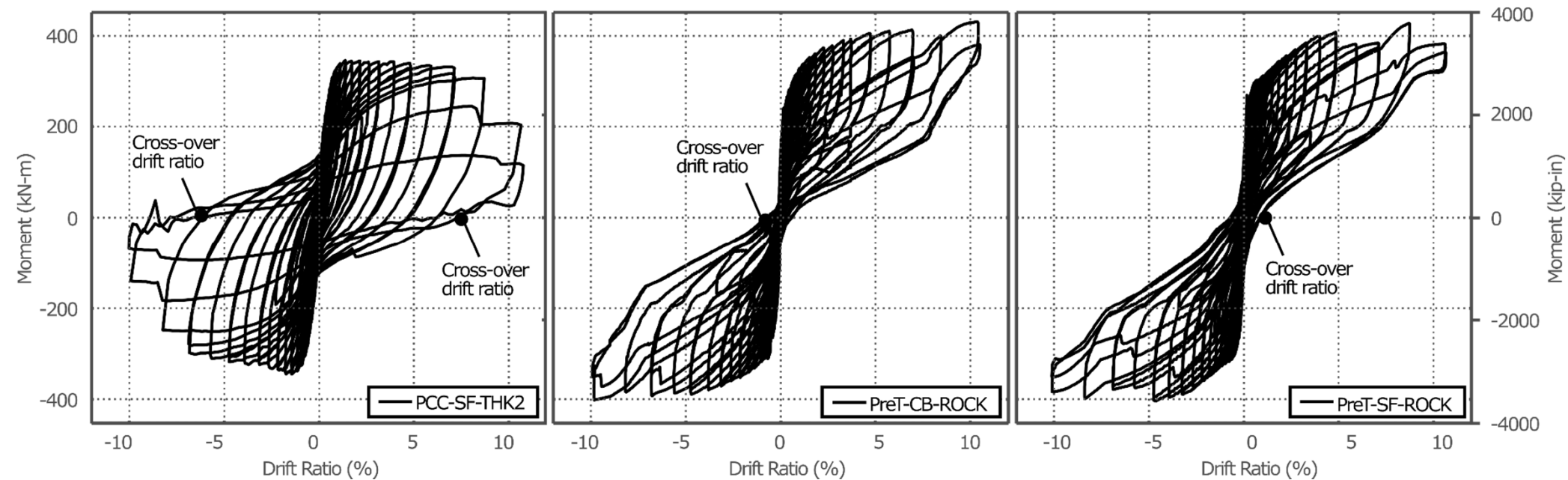


Experimental Performance

Minimal strength degradation & cross-over displacements

Conventional

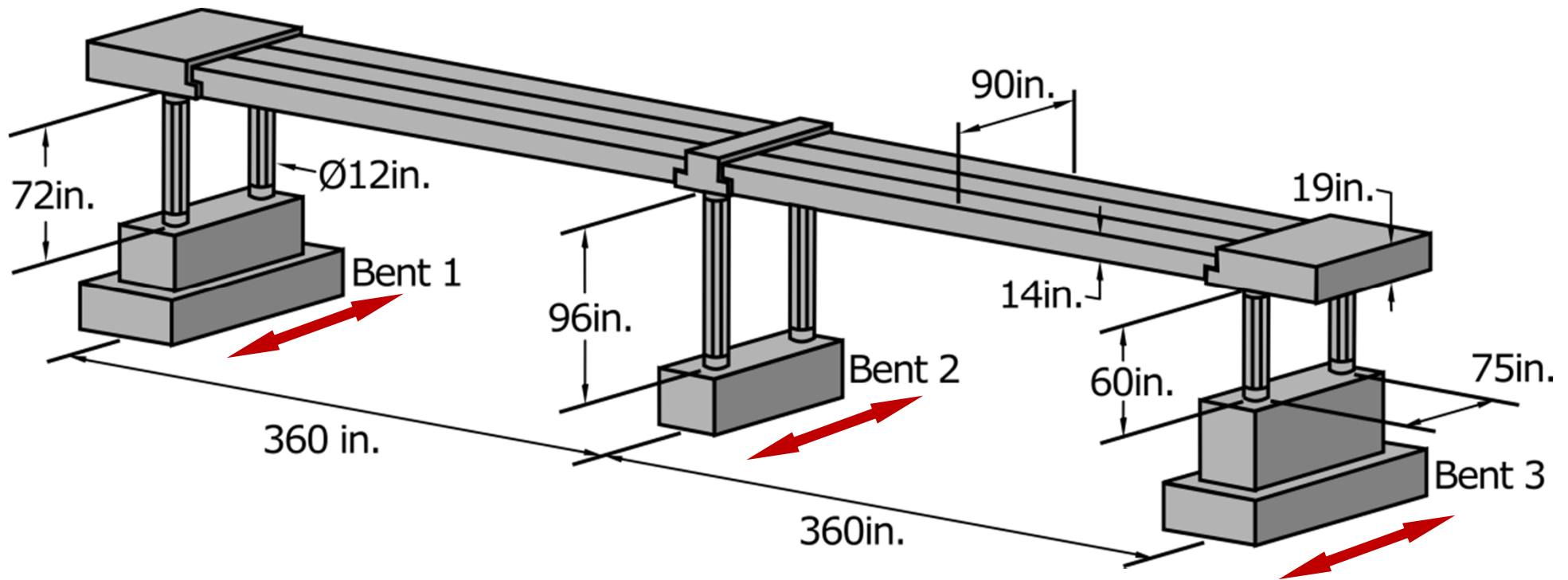
Pretensioned, Rocking



Shake Table Tests

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Specimen designed to match previously tested RC bridge



1994 Northridge EQ (221% Design)

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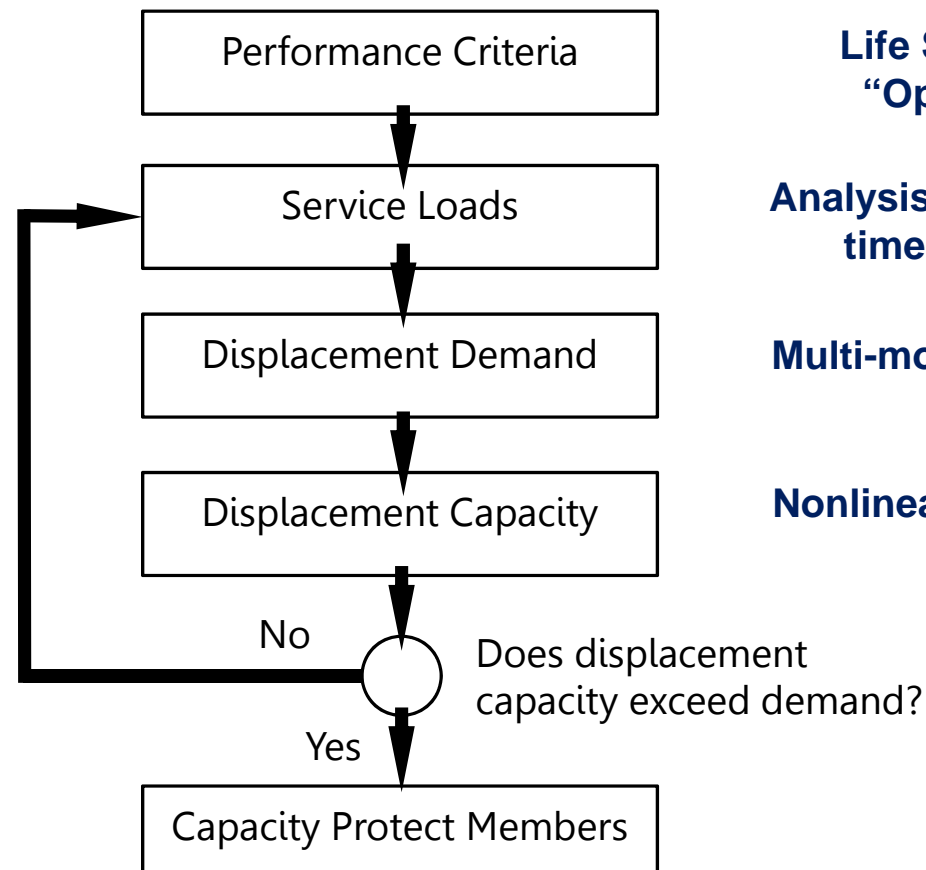


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AASHTO Displacement Based Design Methodology (SDC D)

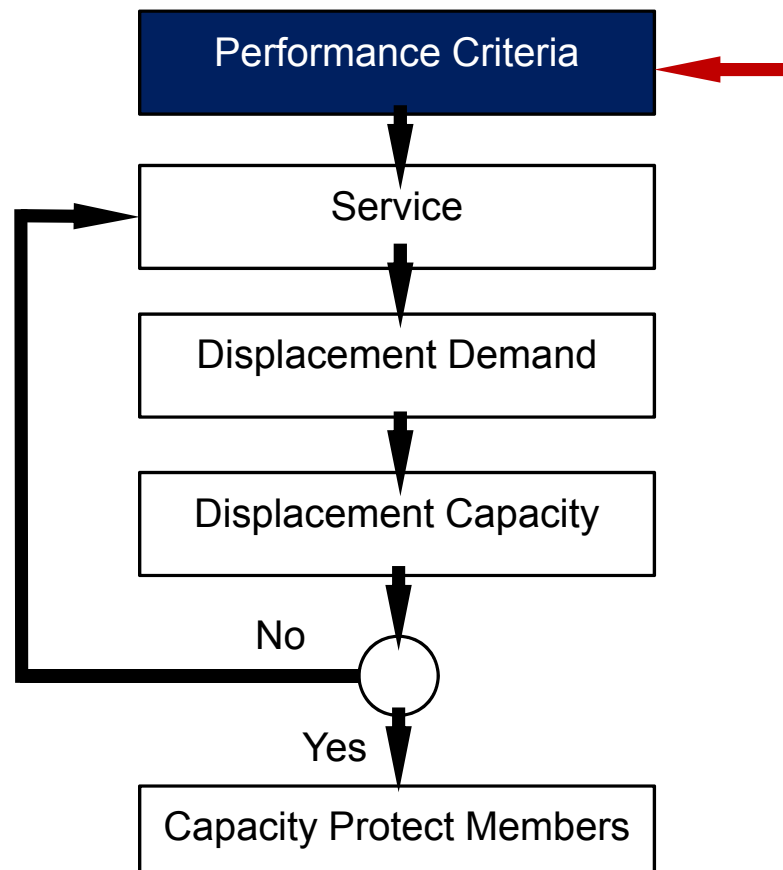


**Life Safety or optional
“Operational” level.**

**Analysis under dead, live and
time dependent loads**

Multi-mode spectral analysis.

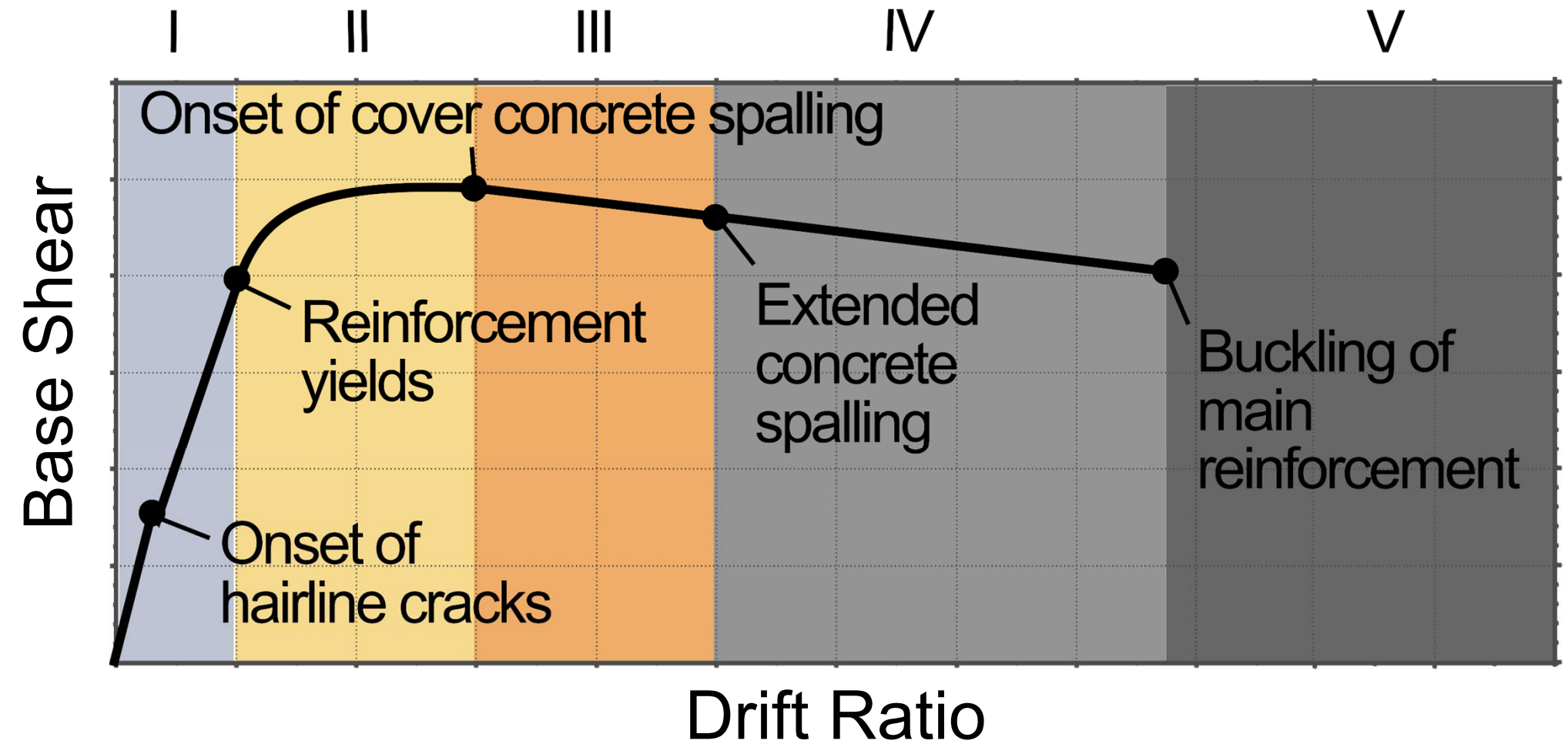
Nonlinear pushover analysis.



- Performance Levels**
- I. Fully Operational**
 - II. Operational**
 - III. Limited Damage**
 - IV. Life Safety**
 - V. Near Collapse**

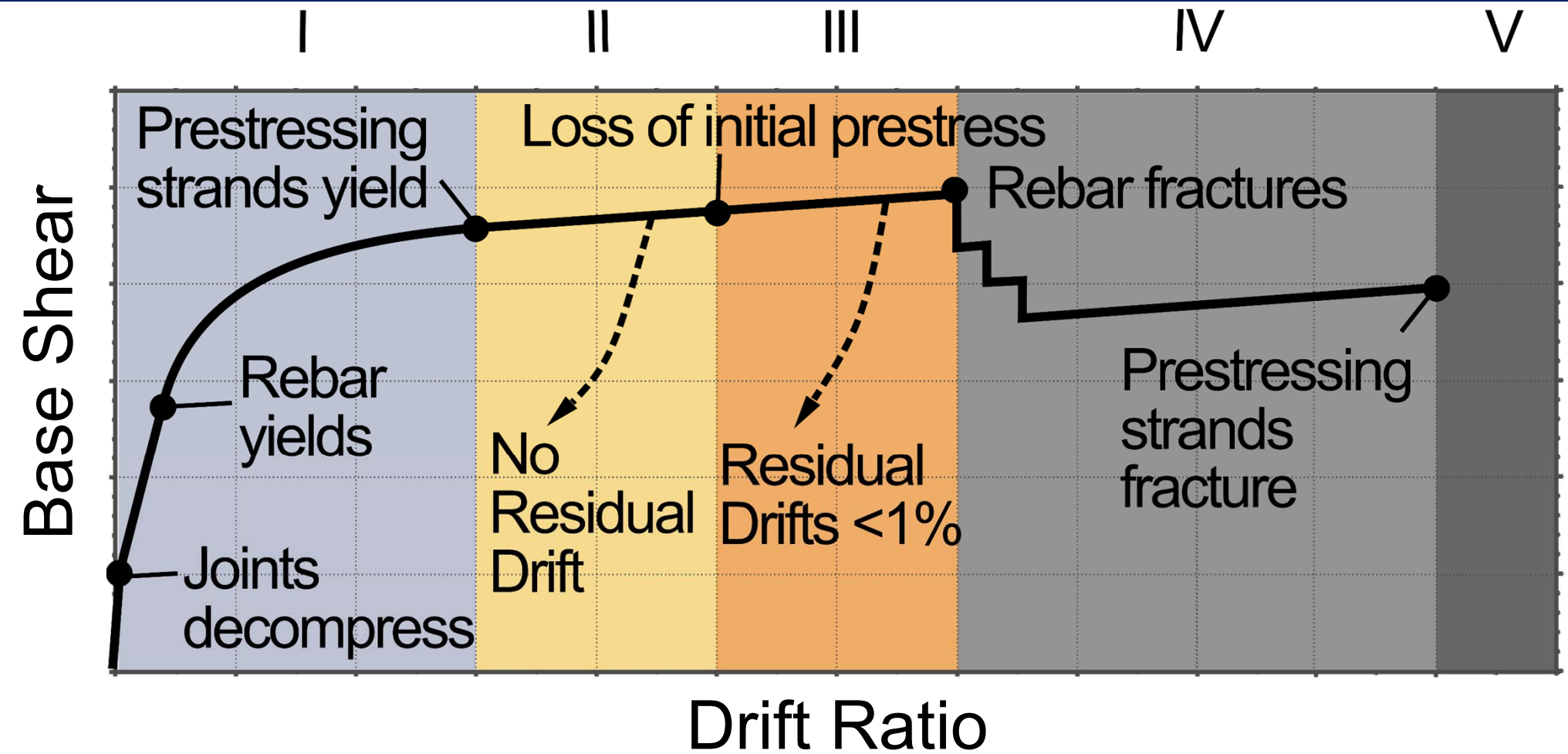
Performance Levels – Conventional

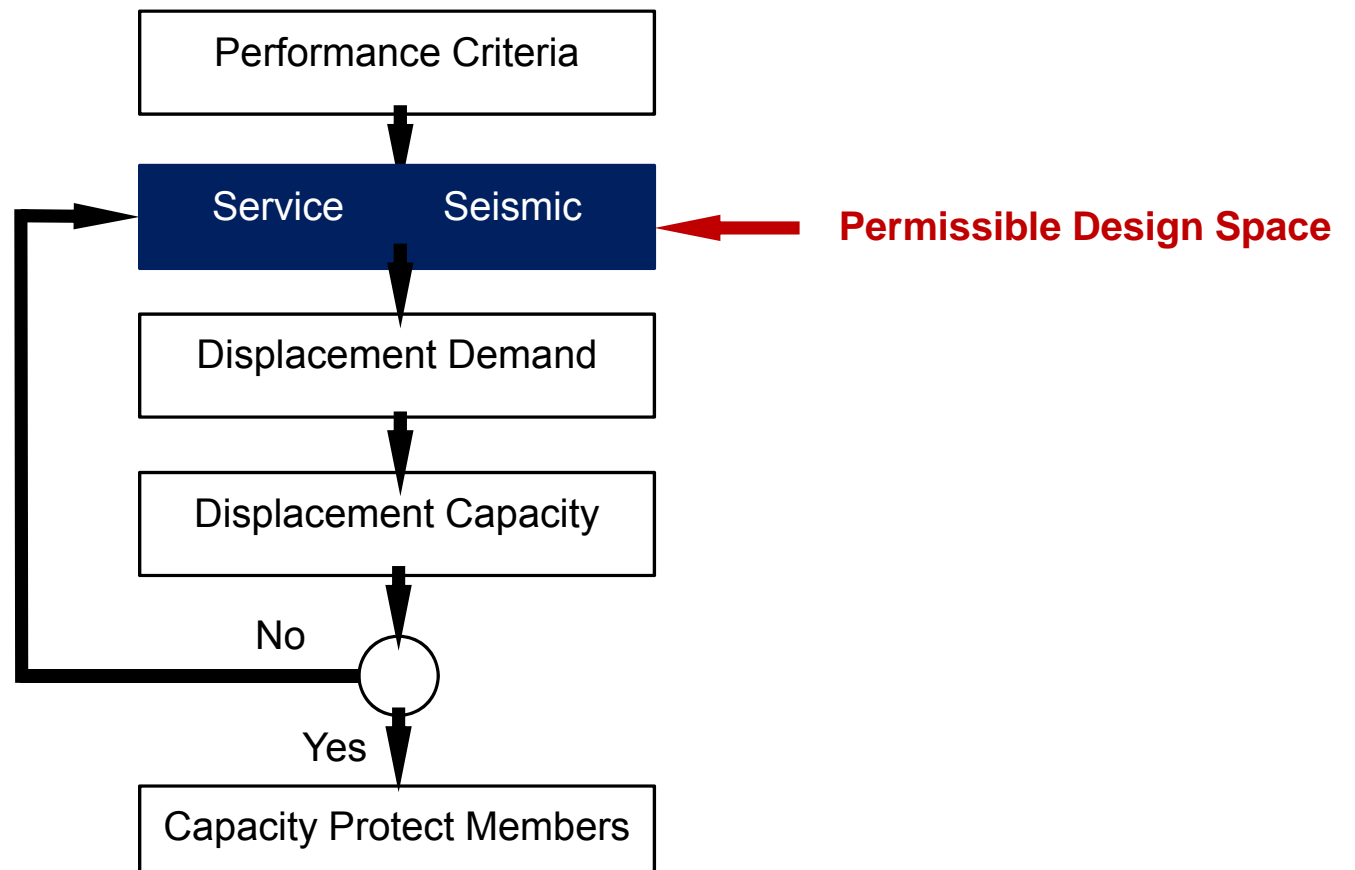
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Performance Levels – Pretensioned

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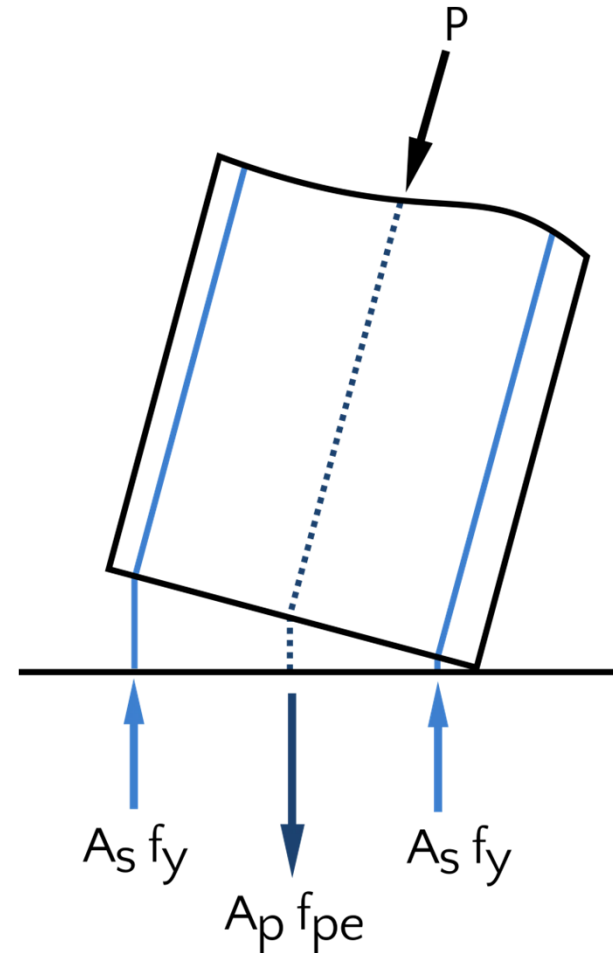


- **Maximum Longitudinal Reinforcement**
 $A_l \leq 0.04 A_g$ [AASHTO Article 8.8.1]
 - **Minimum Longitudinal Reinforcement**
 $A_l \geq 0.01 A_g$ [SDC D, AASHTO 8.8.21]
 - **Minimum Re-centering Ratio**
 - **Maximum Re-centering Ratio**
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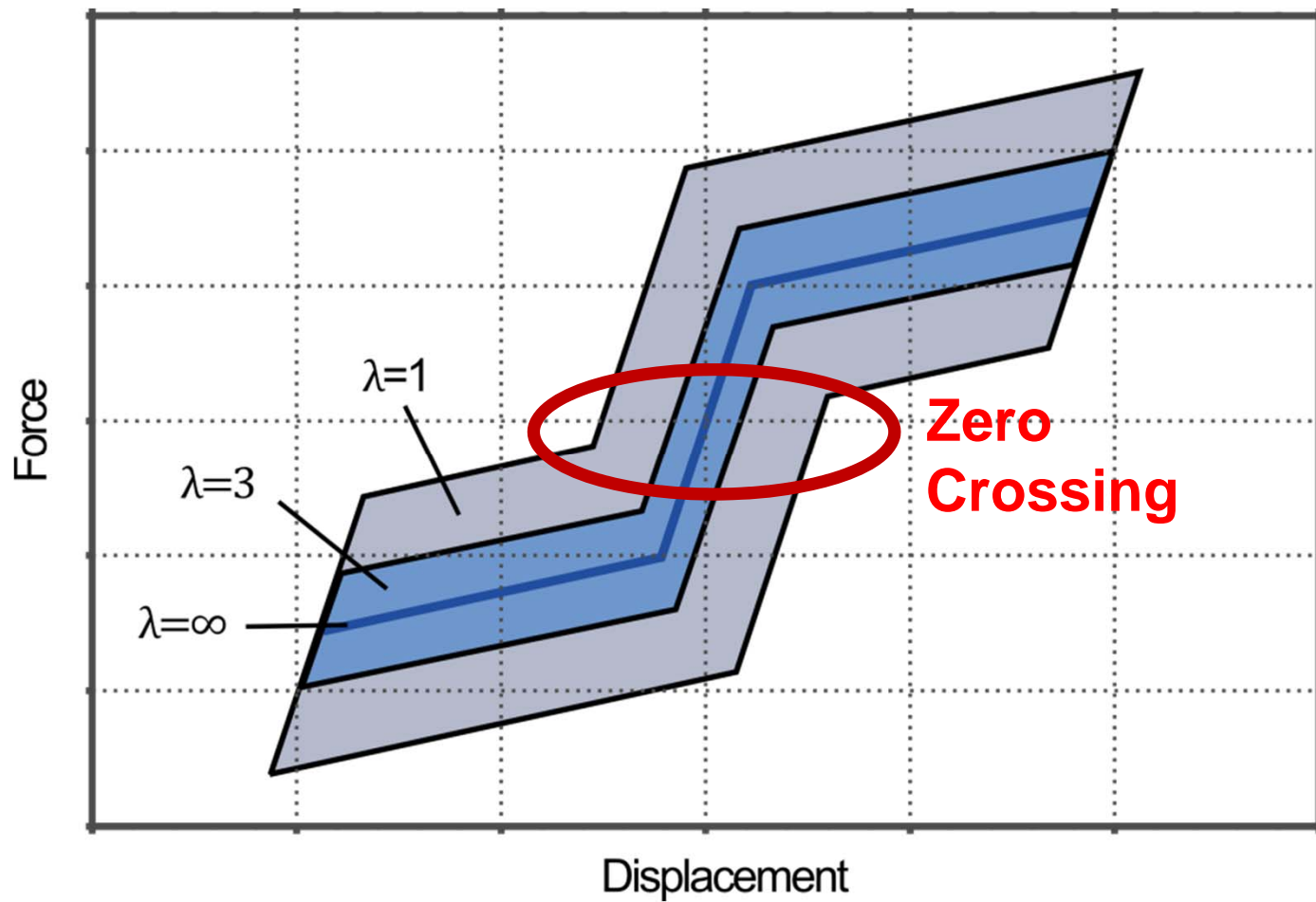
Re-centering Ratio

Determines restoring moments

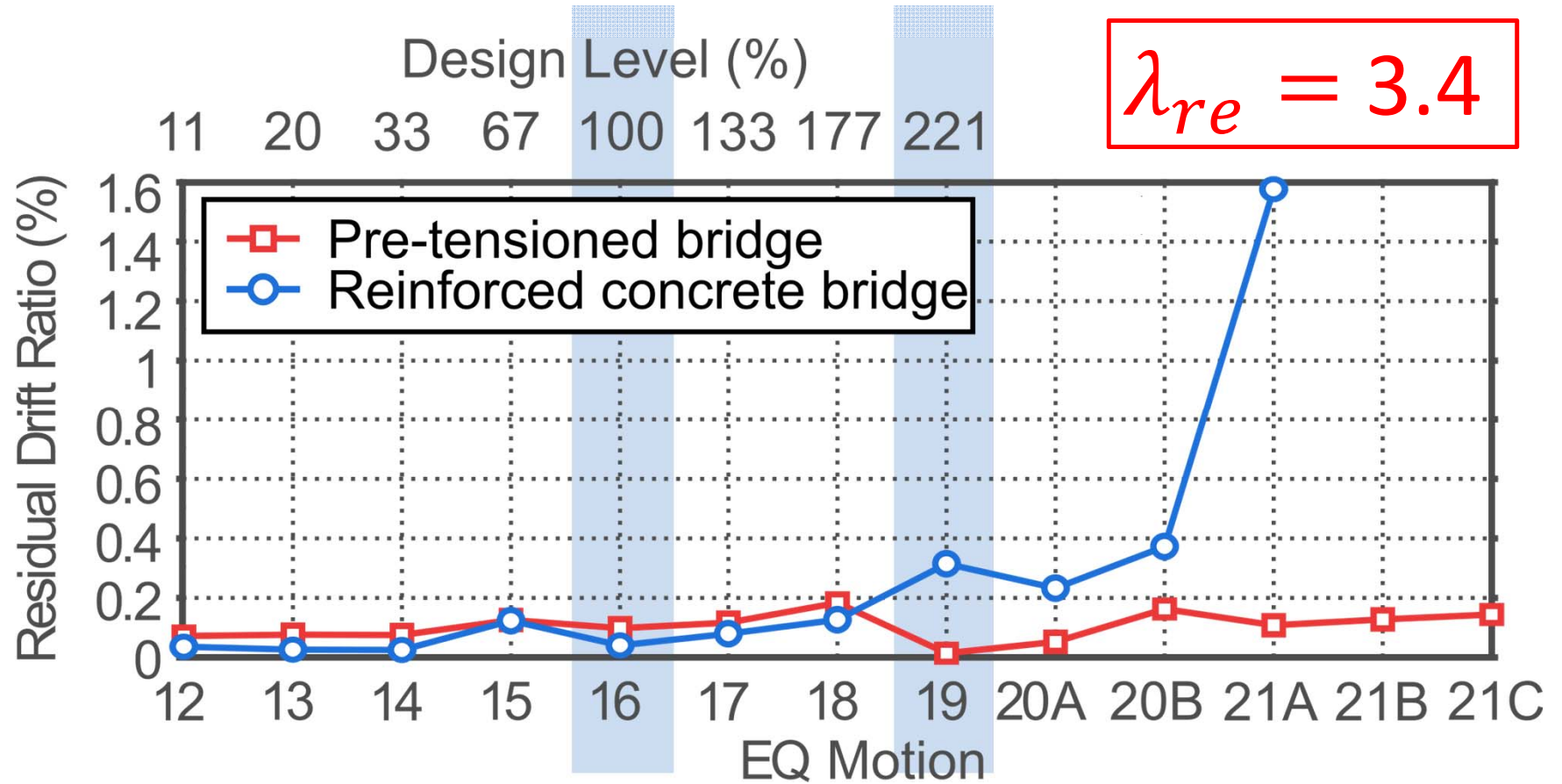
$$\lambda_{re} = \frac{A_p f_{pe} + P}{A_s f_y}$$



Effect of Re-centering Ratio



Residual Displacements

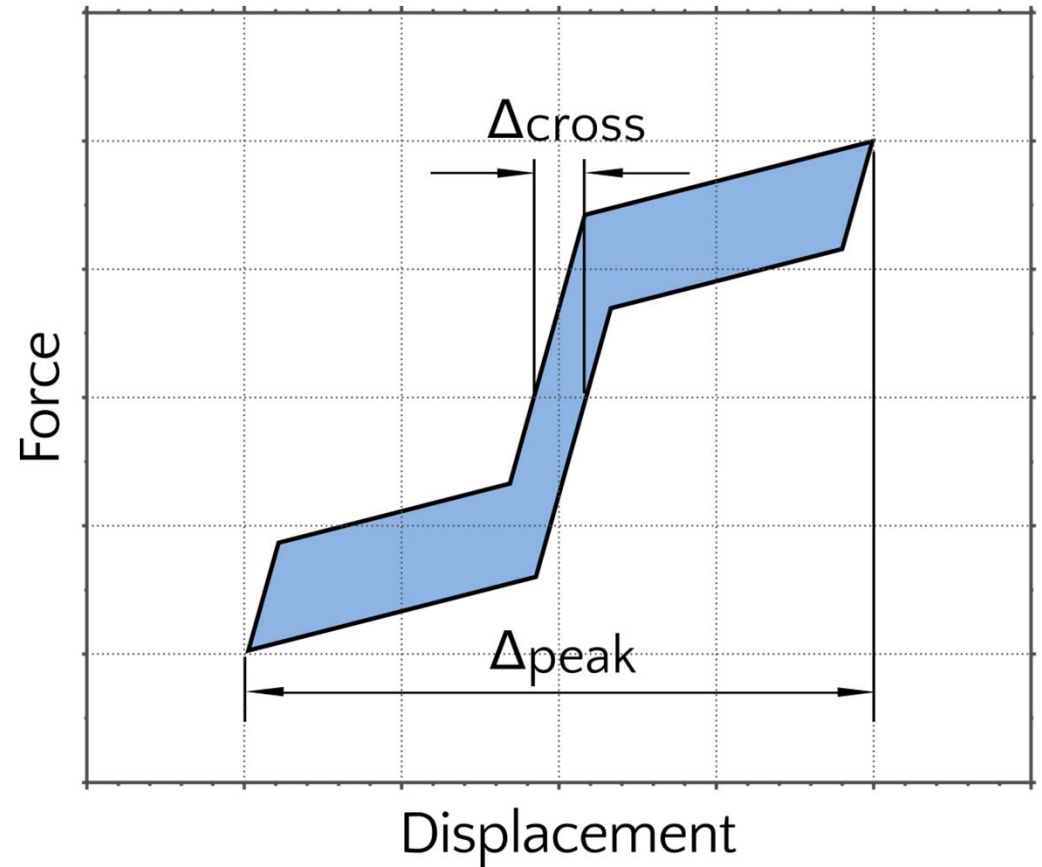


Normalized Cross-Over Displacement

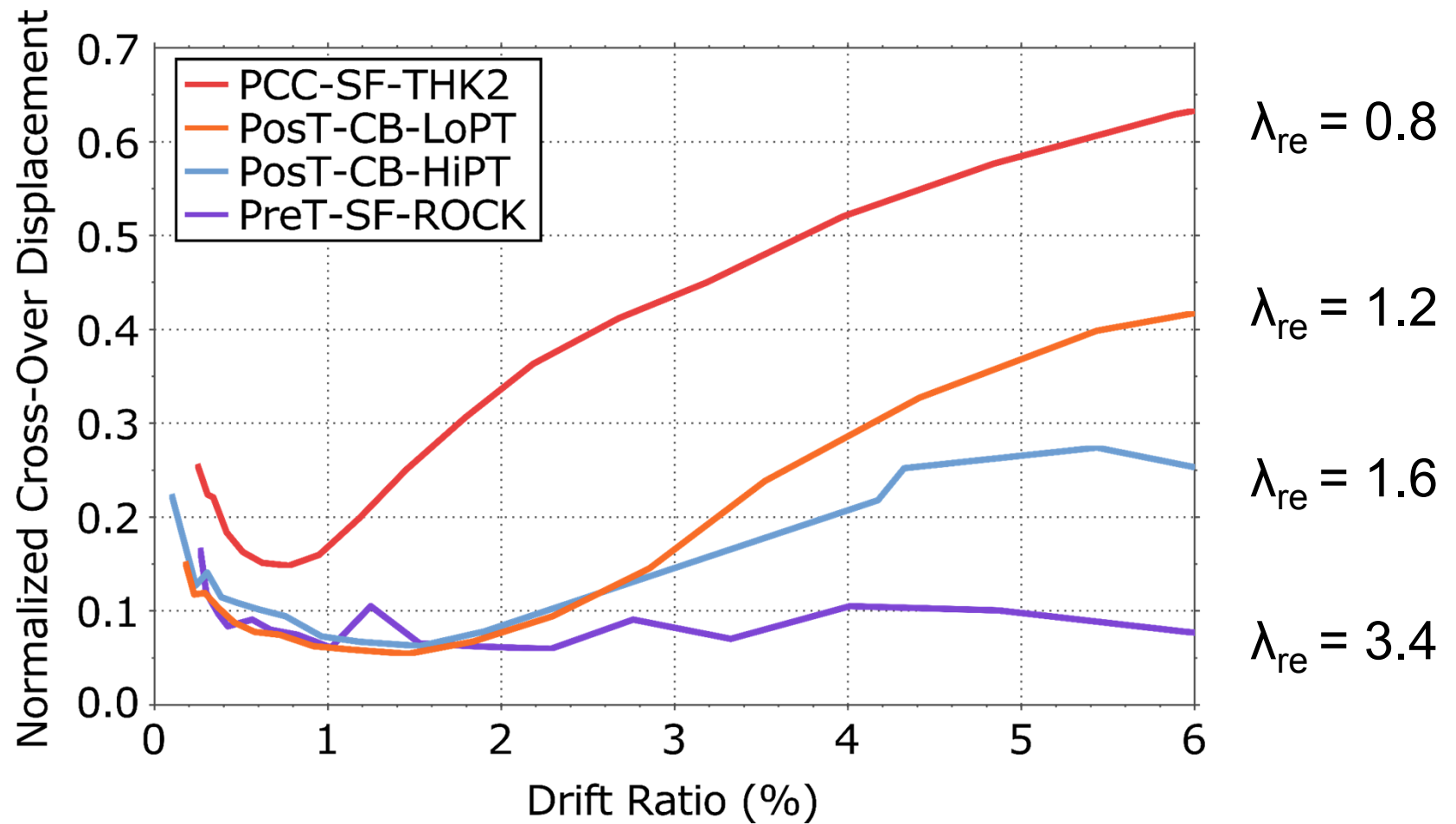
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Measure of re-centering performance

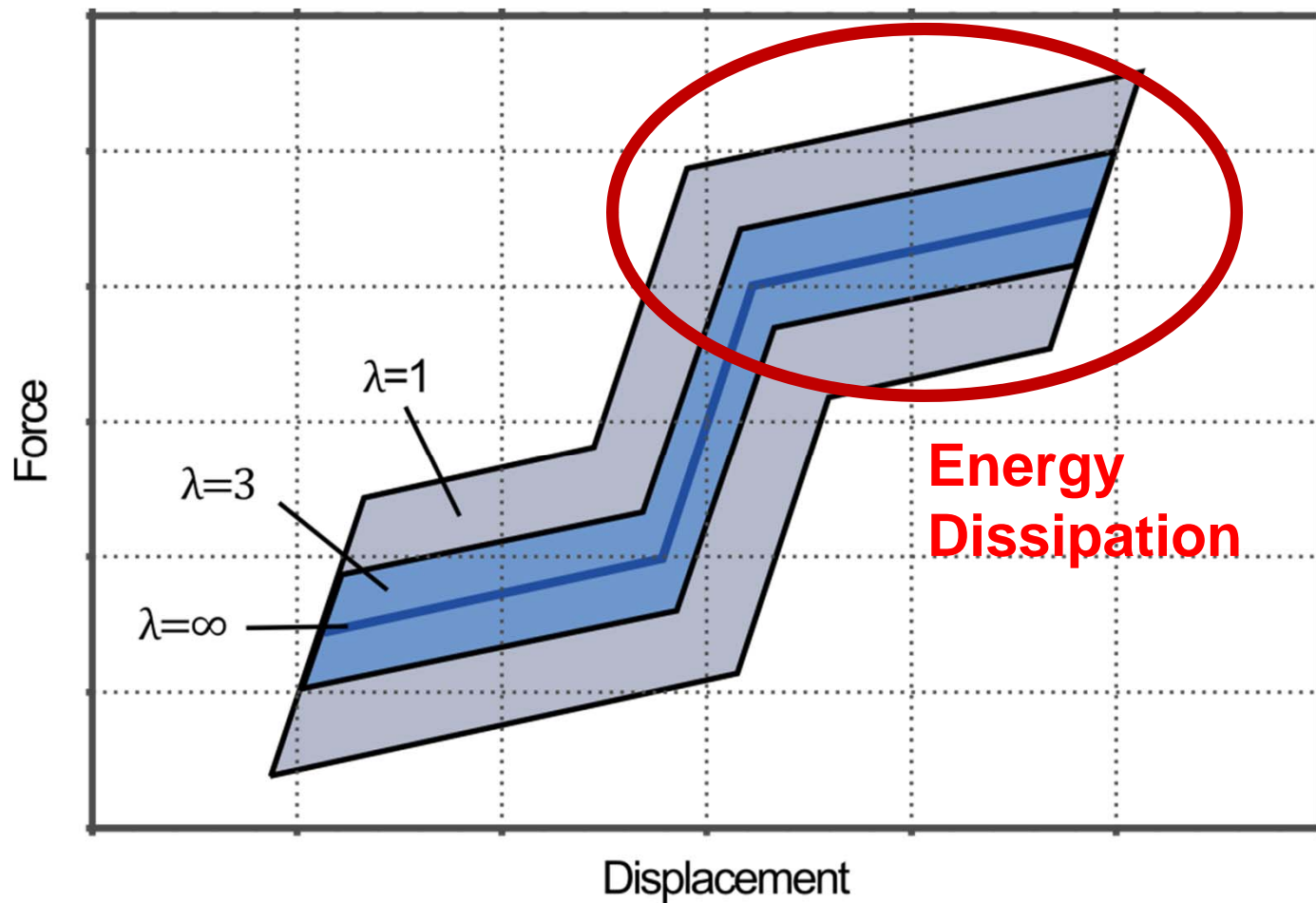
$$\text{NCOD} = \frac{\Delta_{cross}}{\Delta_{peak}}$$



Residual Displacements

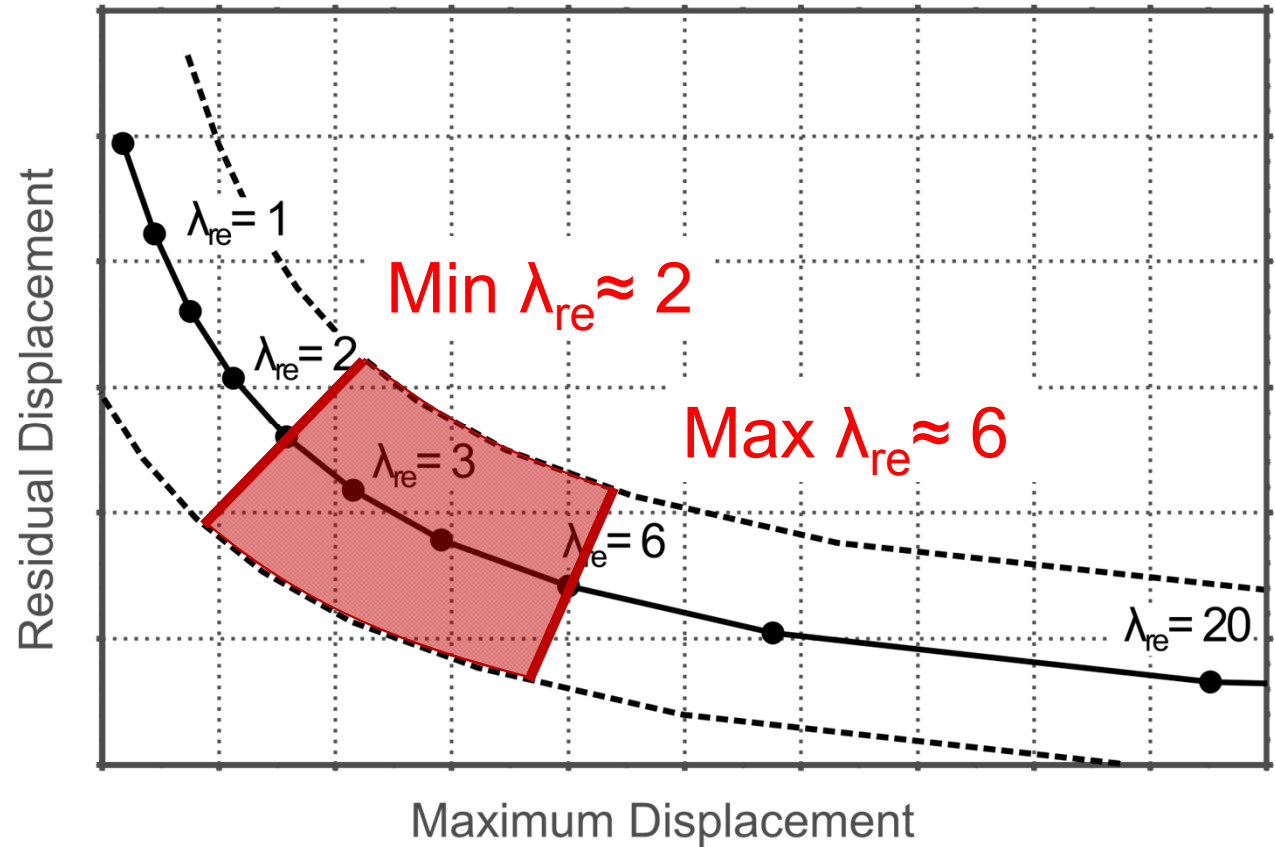


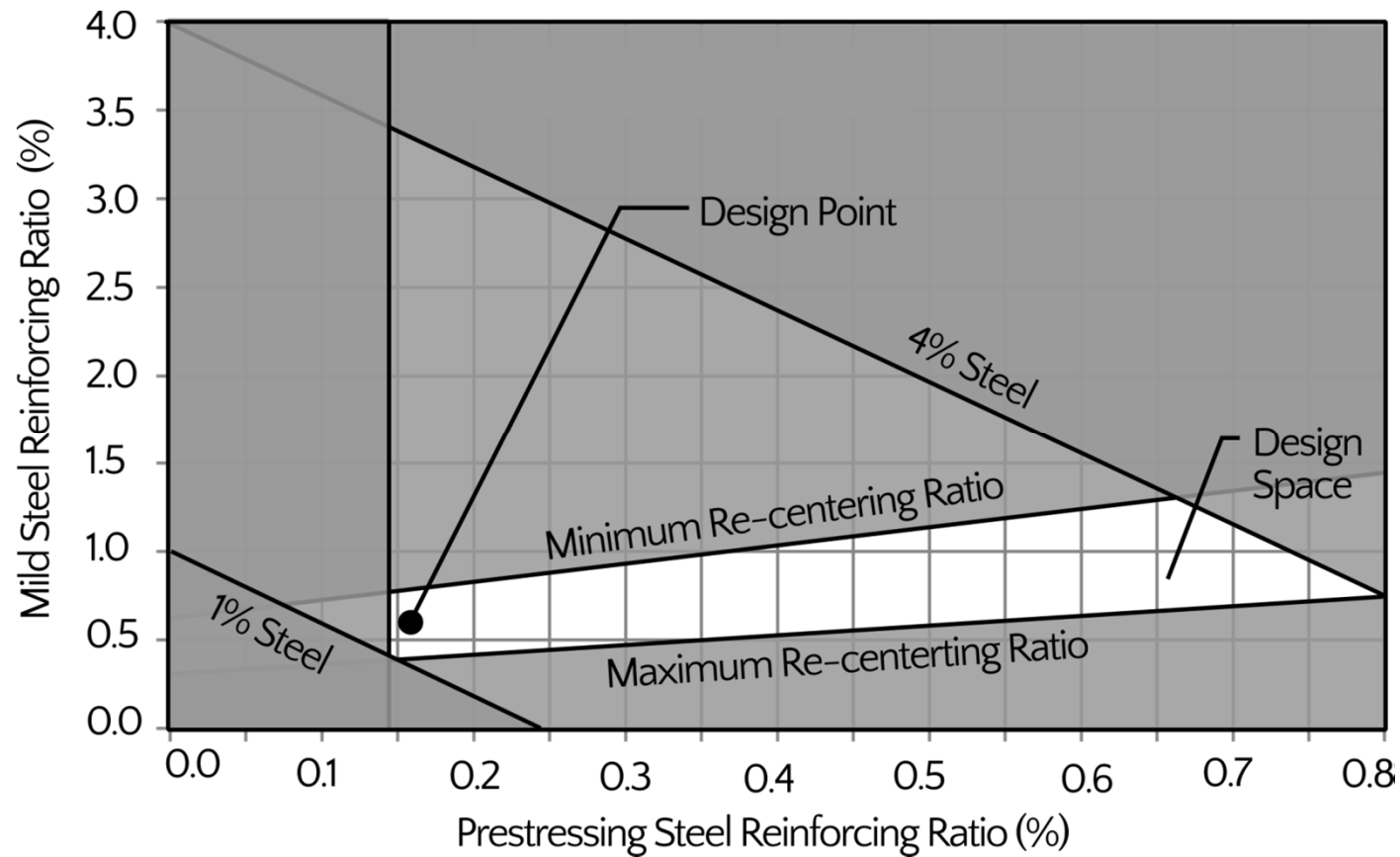
Effect of Re-centering Ratio

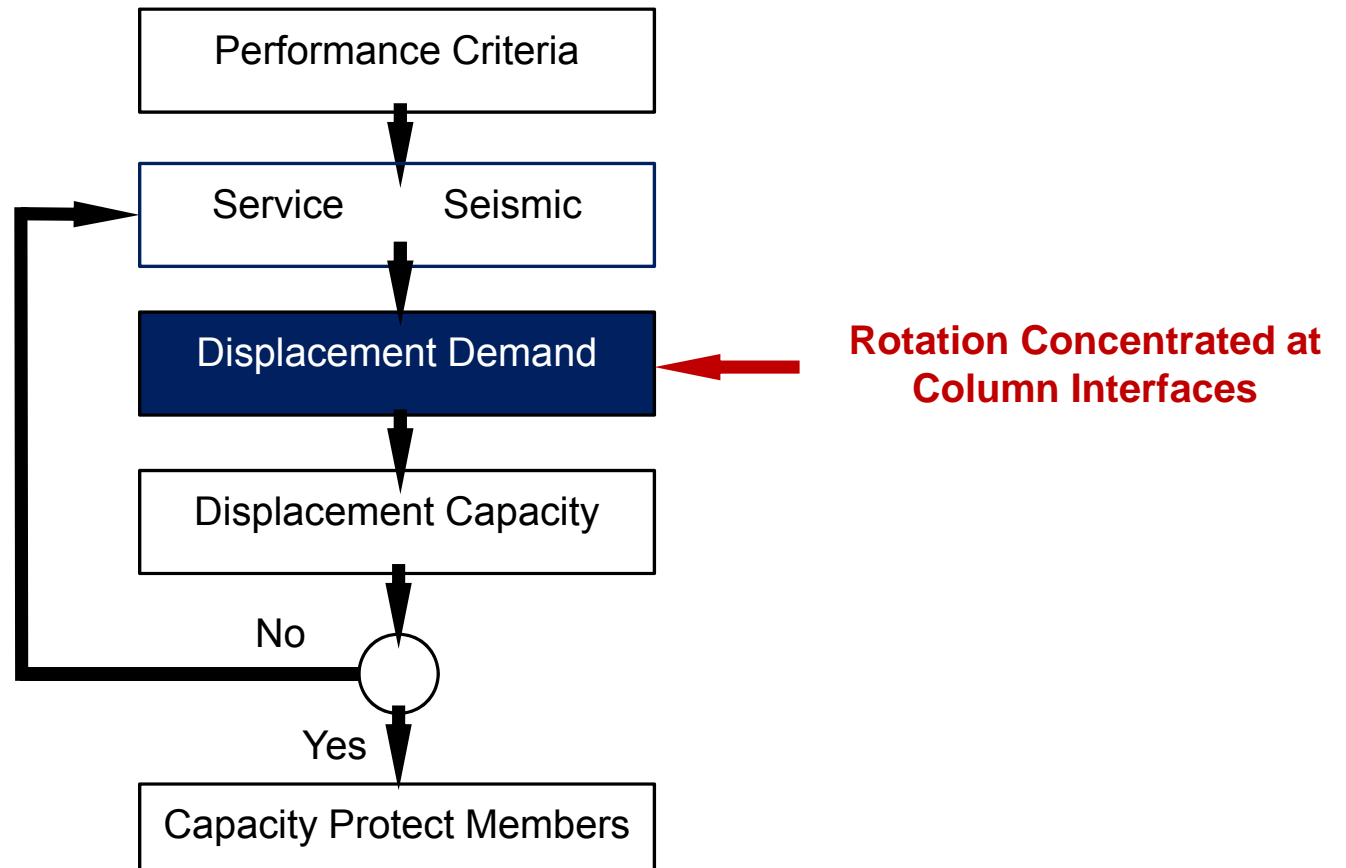


Optimal Re-centering Ratio

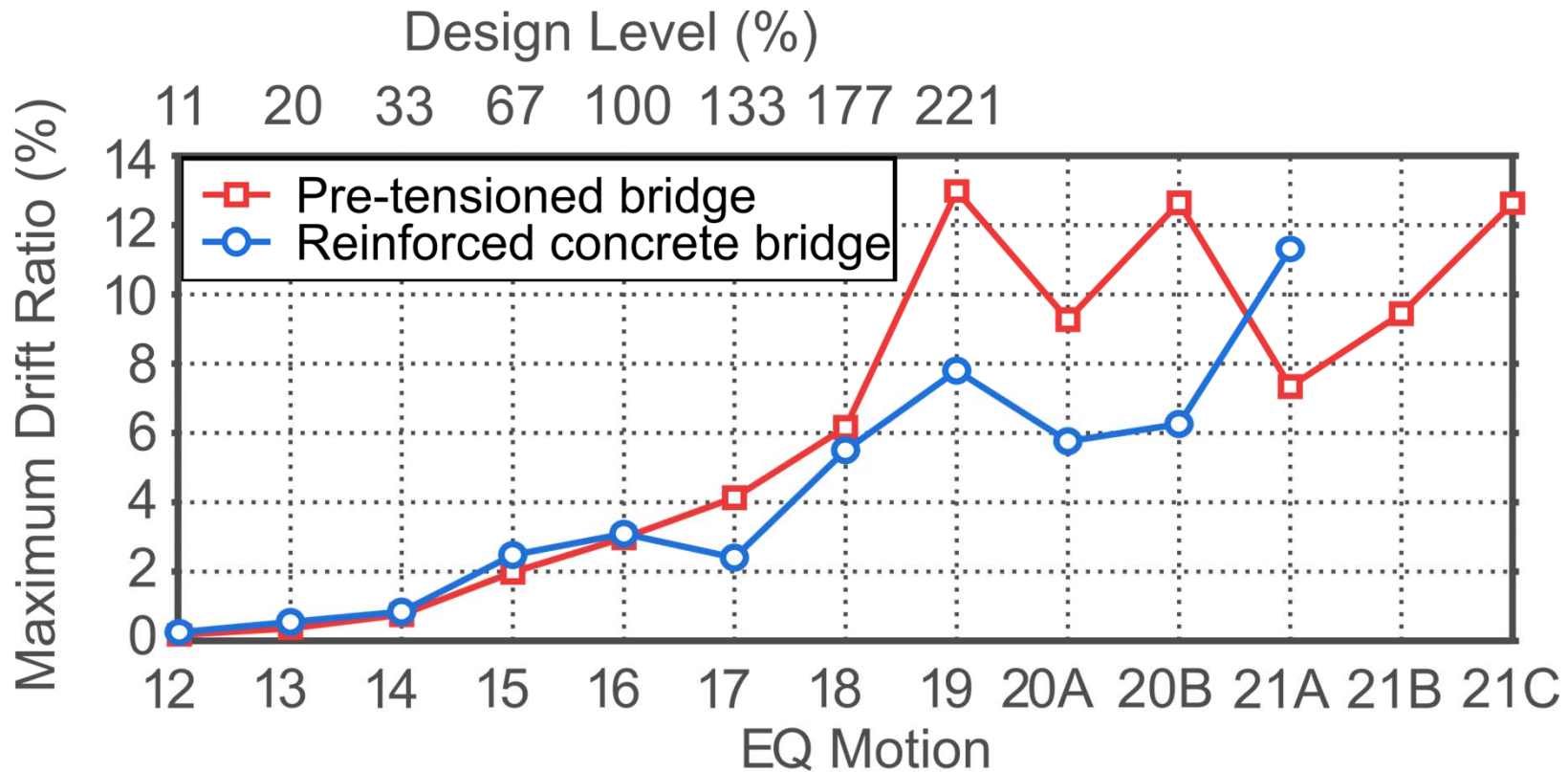
Balance re-centering and energy dissipation .







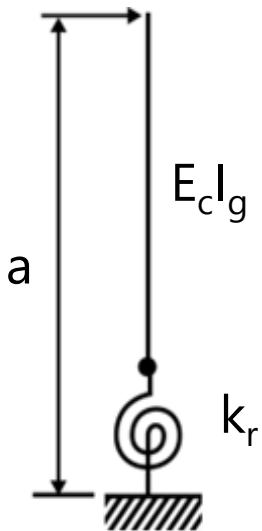
Displacement Demands



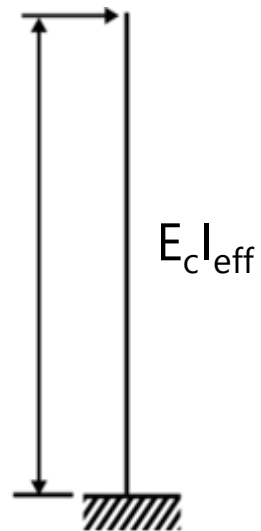
Column Effective Stiffness

Account for rotation at rocking interface.

Rocking System



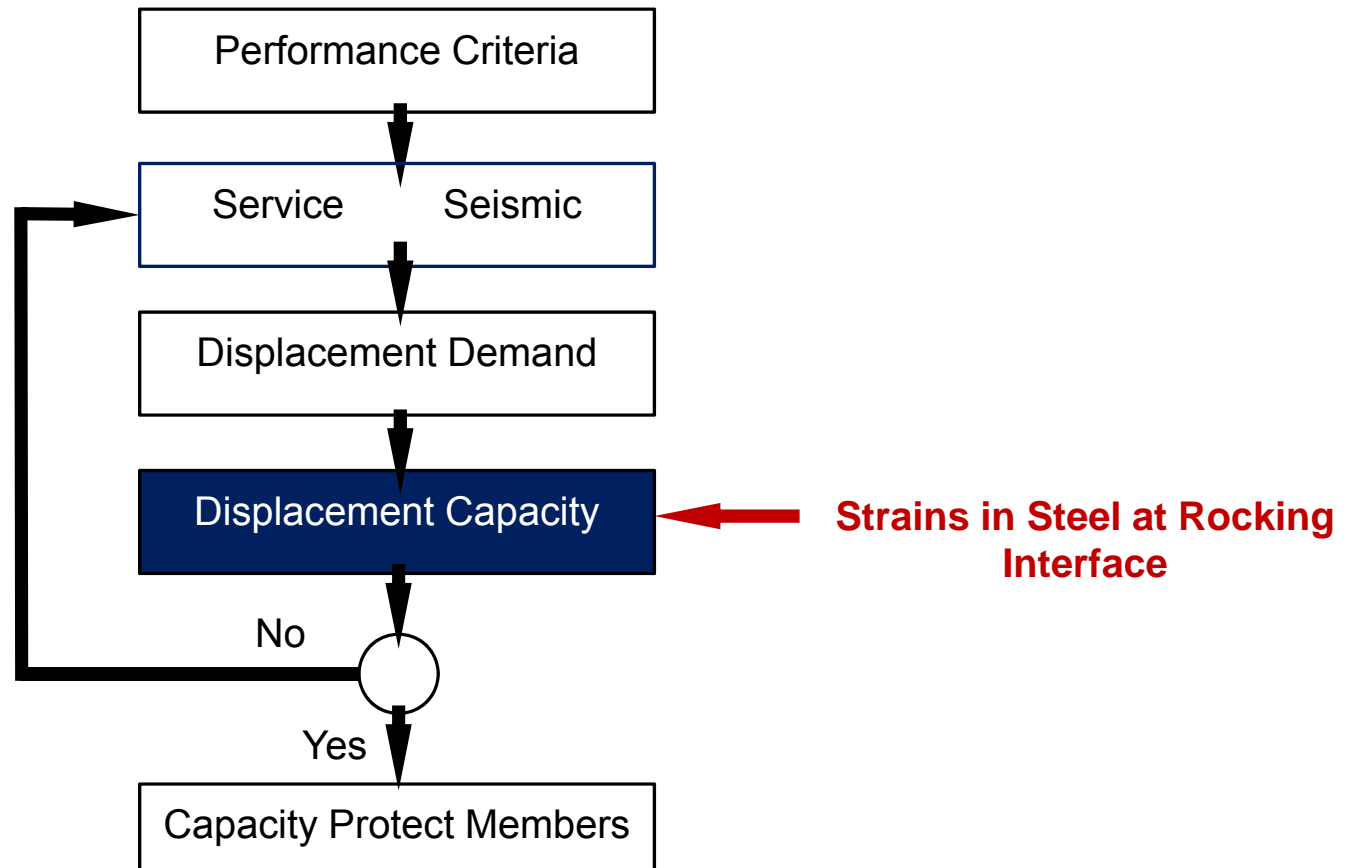
Effective System



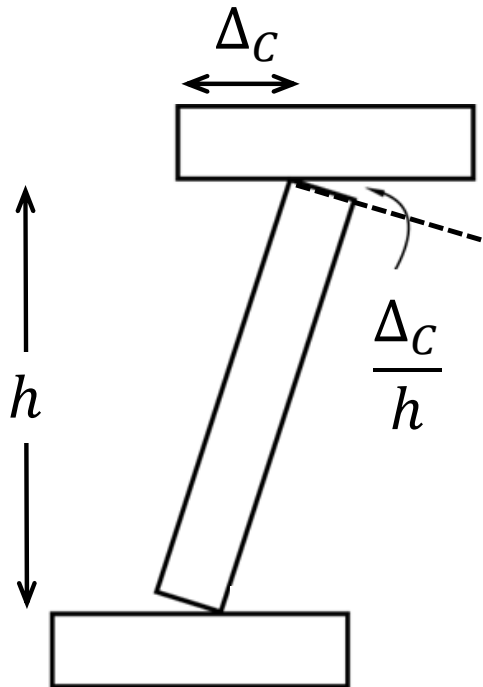
$$\frac{I_{\text{eff}}}{I_g} = \frac{1}{1 + (3 E_c I_g) / (a k_r)}$$

k_r from moment-rotation analysis at interface, or....

$$d_{\text{eff}} = D (0.5 - 0.15)$$
$$M_y = d_{\text{eff}} * (A_s f_y + A_p f_{pi} + P)$$
$$\theta_y = \epsilon_y * L_{\text{unb_eff}} / d$$
$$k_r = M_y / (2 * \theta_y)$$

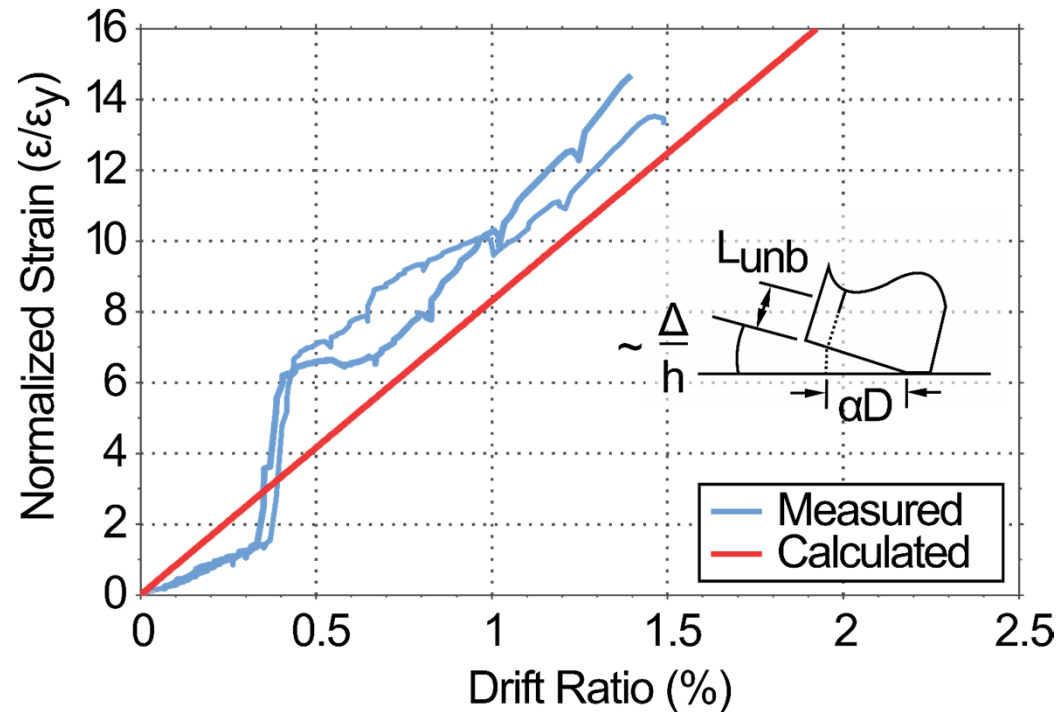


Mild Reinforcement Strains

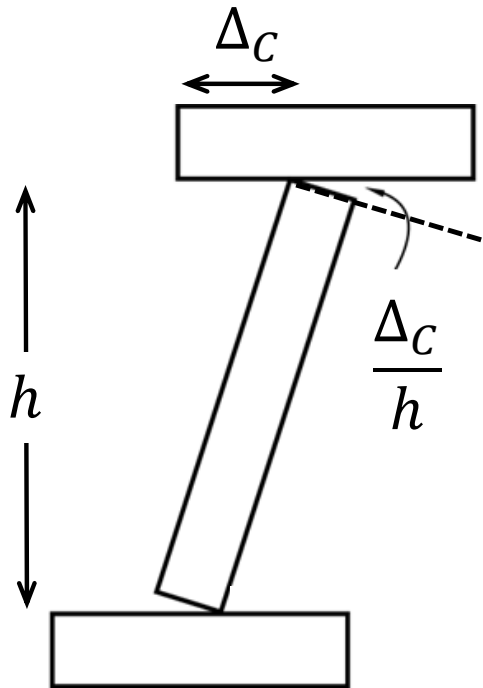


Rebar Fracture:
$$\left(\frac{\Delta_C}{h}\right) = \left(\frac{\epsilon_{su}^R L_{unb,eff}}{d - 0.15D}\right)$$

where $L_{unb,eff} \approx L_{unb} + 6 d_b$



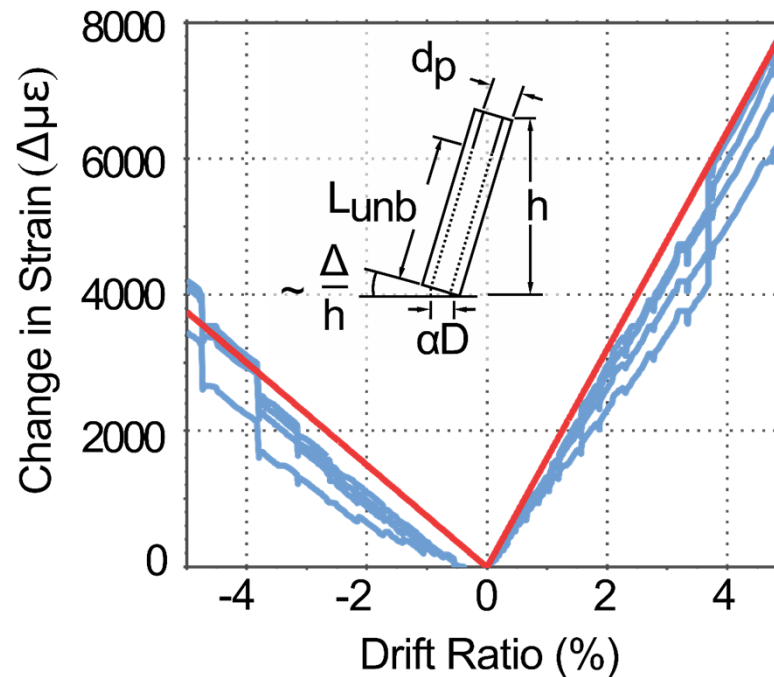
Change in Prestressing Steel Strains



Strand Fracture:
$$\left(\frac{\Delta C}{h}\right) = \left(\frac{\varepsilon_{ps,u}^R L_{unb,eff}}{0.5D - 0.15D}\right)$$

where $L_{unb,eff} \approx H + (f_{ps,u} - f_{se}) \left(\frac{A_b / \pi d_b}{4.55 \sqrt{f'_c}}\right)$

(for low-grit epoxy coated strands)



1. Pre-Tensioned, Rocking Bent System:
 - Faster construction
 - Less damage
 - Lower residual displacements
2. Reentering and energy dissipation depends on recentering ratio, λ_{re}
3. Design procedure is similar (easier?) than that for conventional bridges

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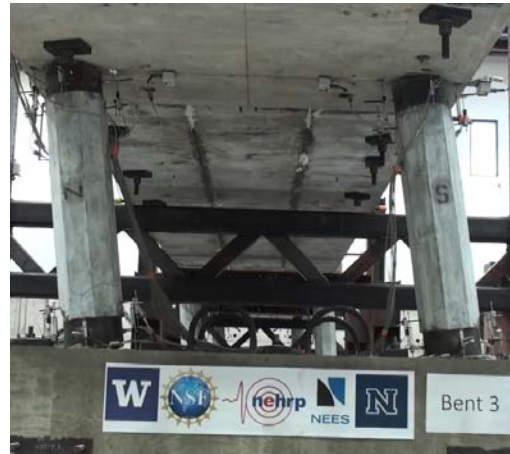
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Pre-Tensioned, Rocking Bent System

Overview

- Accelerate construction
- Reduce residual displacements
- Eliminate damage to column concrete



Trends

- Specimen assembled in 25% of time required for similar RC.
- Residual displacements and concrete damage nearly eliminated.

Challenges

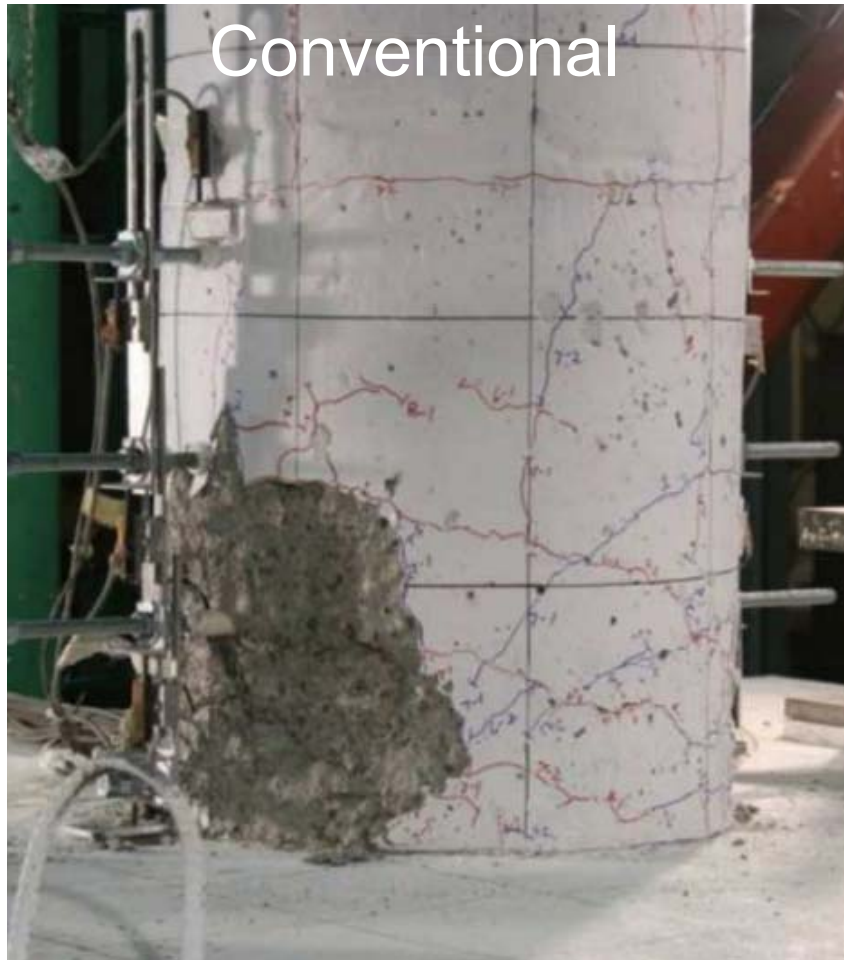
- New technology.
- Special measures needed to identify bar fracture.

Practical Uses

- Ready for implementation for typical bridges.
- Design methodology available.

Subassembly Tests (4.3% Drift Ratio)

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Equivalent Reinforcing Ratio.

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- Accounts for the higher strength of the strands.

Equivalent Reinforcing Ratio.

$$\rho_{equiv} = \rho_s + \rho_p (f_{py} / f_{sy})$$

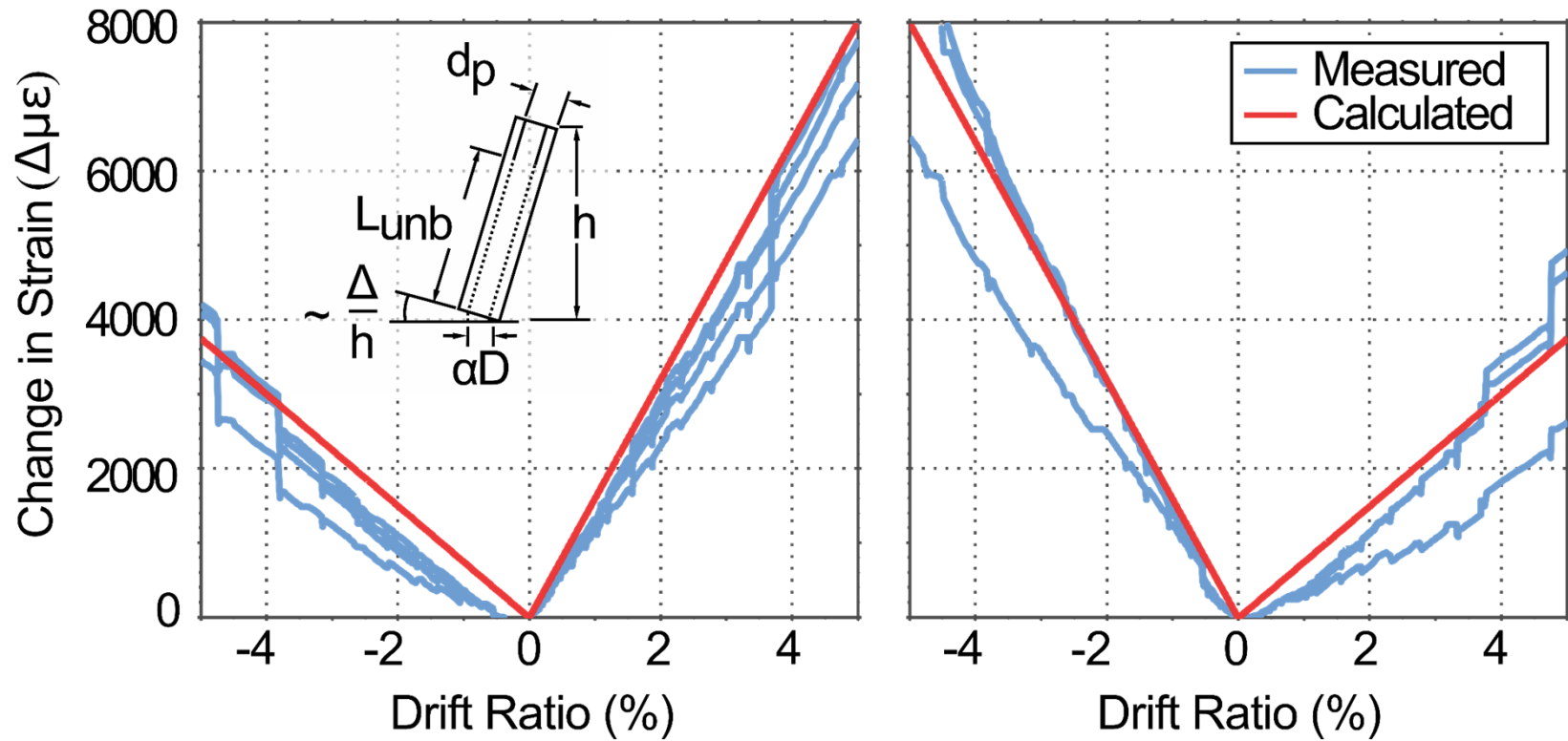
Deformed Bar Reinforcing Ratio.

$$\rho_s = A_s / A_g$$

Prestressing Strand Reinforcing Ratio.

$$\rho_p = A_p / A_g$$

Change in Strand Strain vs. Drift



Conclusions



Precast columns and cap beams save two casting and curing cycles on-site.



Partially unbonded strands re-center the bridge after the earthquake is over.



Confined rocking detail prevents spalling and inhibits bar buckling.

Re-centering ratio, λ_{re} , determines cross-over displacements (residual displacement)

Pre-tensioned, rocking systems can achieve higher performance levels than conventional systems

Precast columns and cap beams save two casting and curing cycles on-site.

Pre-tensioned shake table specimen assembled in 25% of time required for conventional cast-in-place.

Partially unbonded strands re-center the bridge after the earthquake is over.

Residual drift ratios less than 1% in shake table tests.

Rocking detail prevents spalling and inhibits bar buckling.

Because column concrete is not damaged, special measures are needed to identify bar fracture.

Minimal modifications to current procedure

Re-centering ratio, λ_{re} , determines re-centering performance.

Pre-tensioned rocking systems can achieve higher performance levels than conventional systems.
