



ALTERNATIVE LOAD PATH METHOD



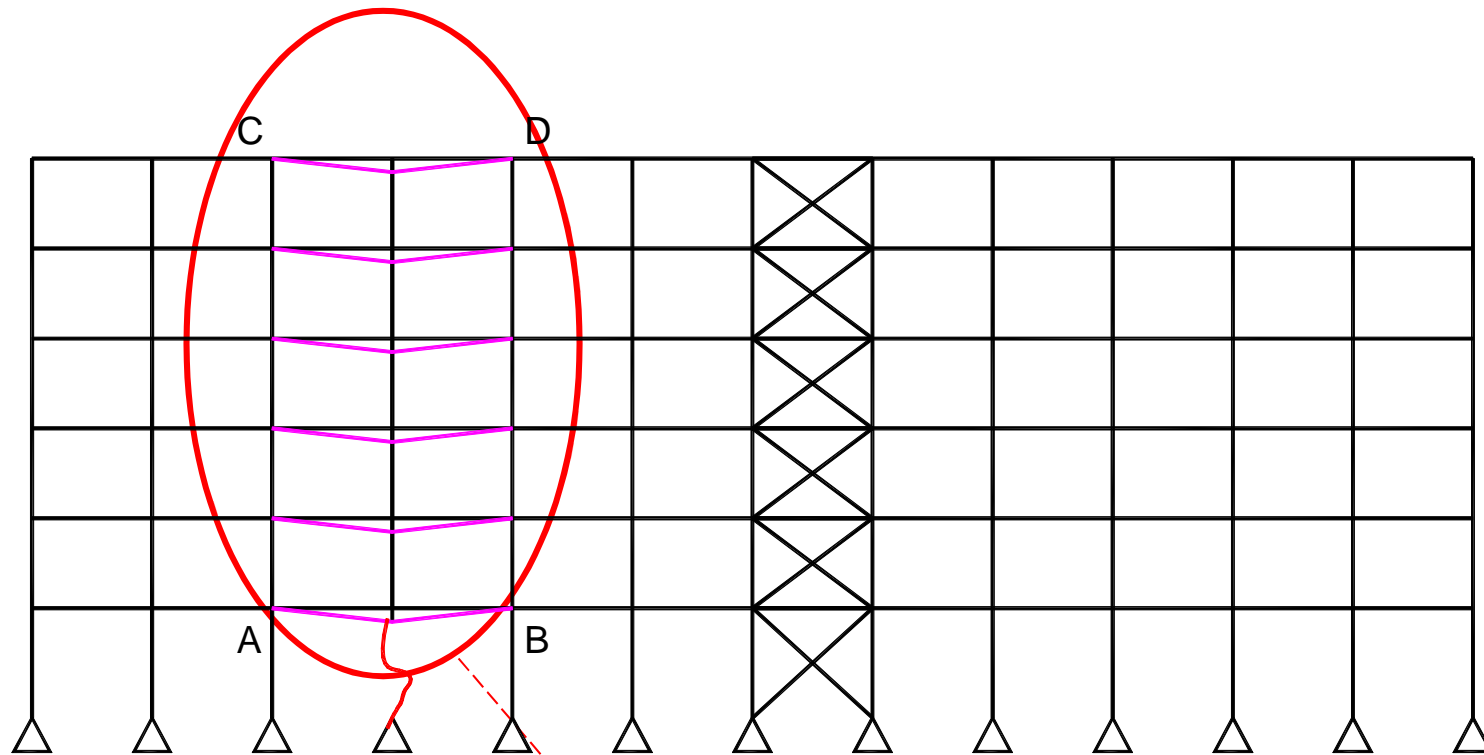
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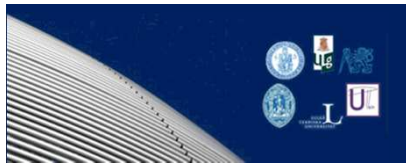


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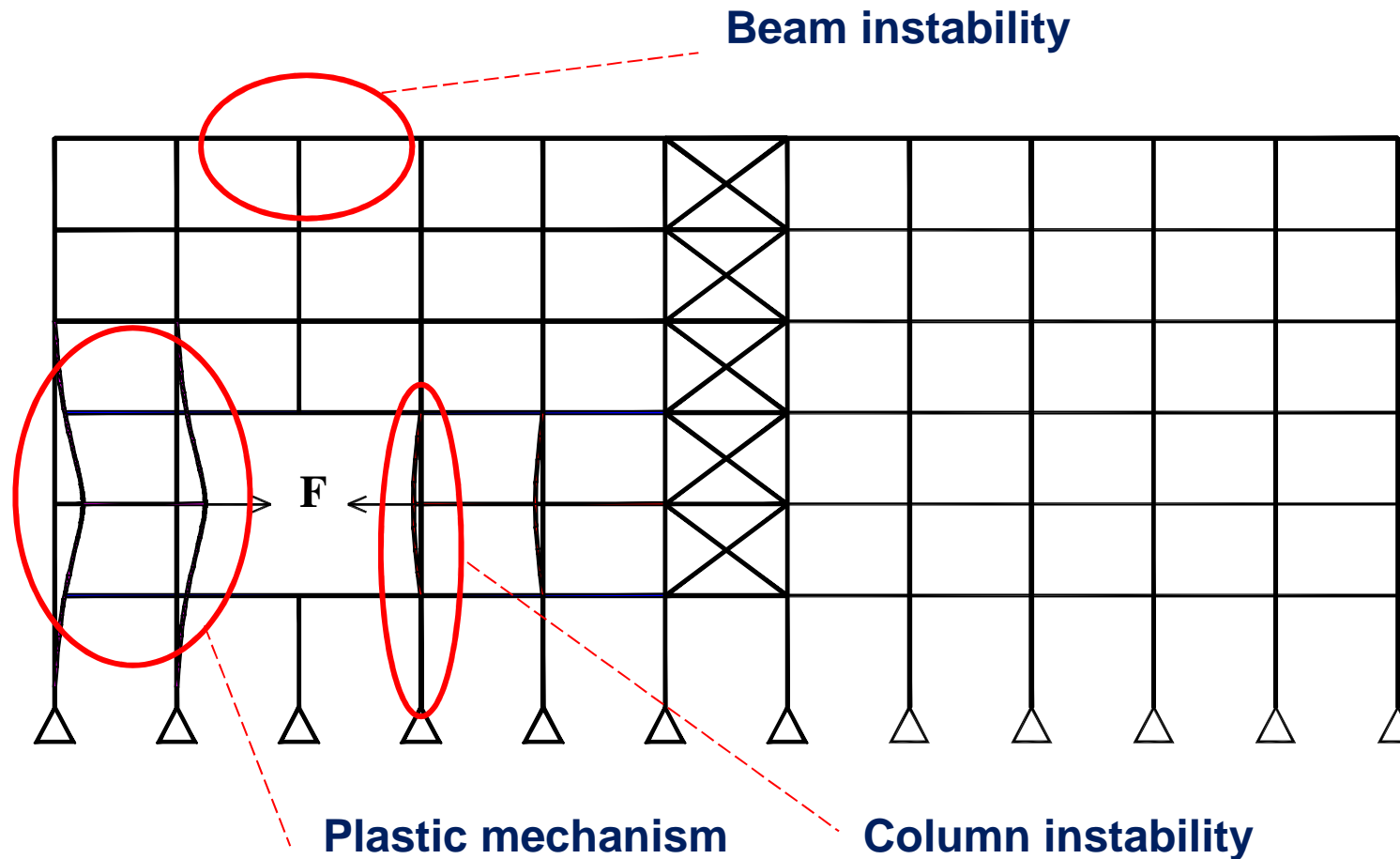
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Local resistance and ductility



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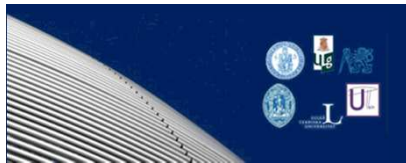
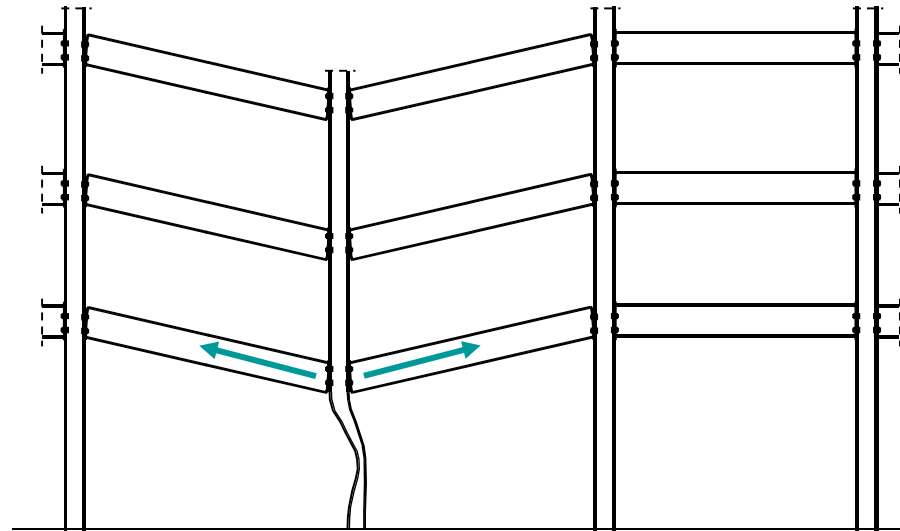


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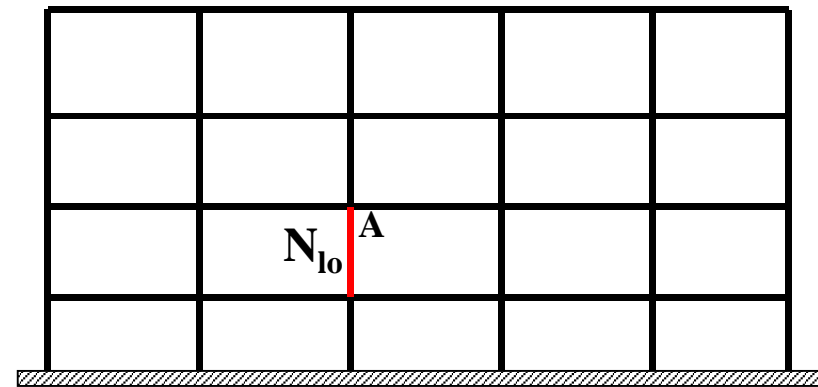
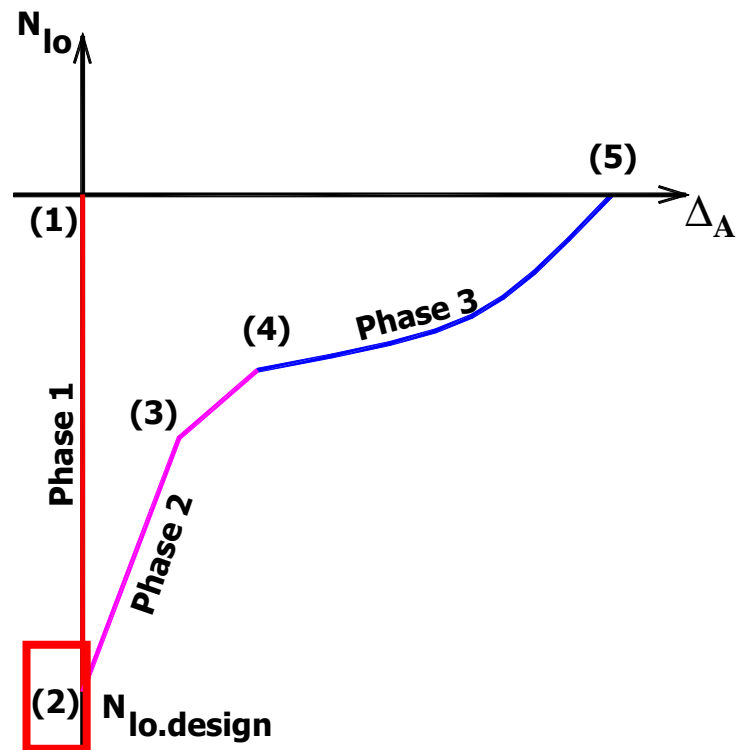
❑ Economical approach

❑ Requirements:

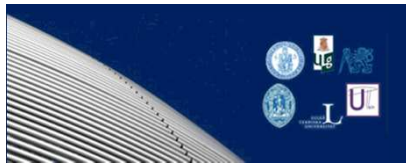
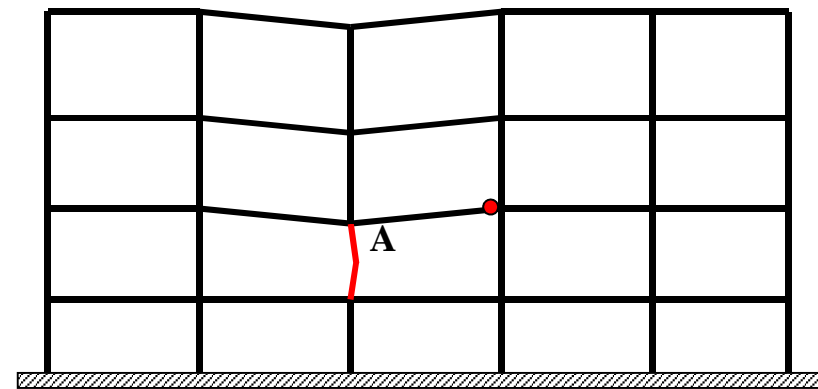
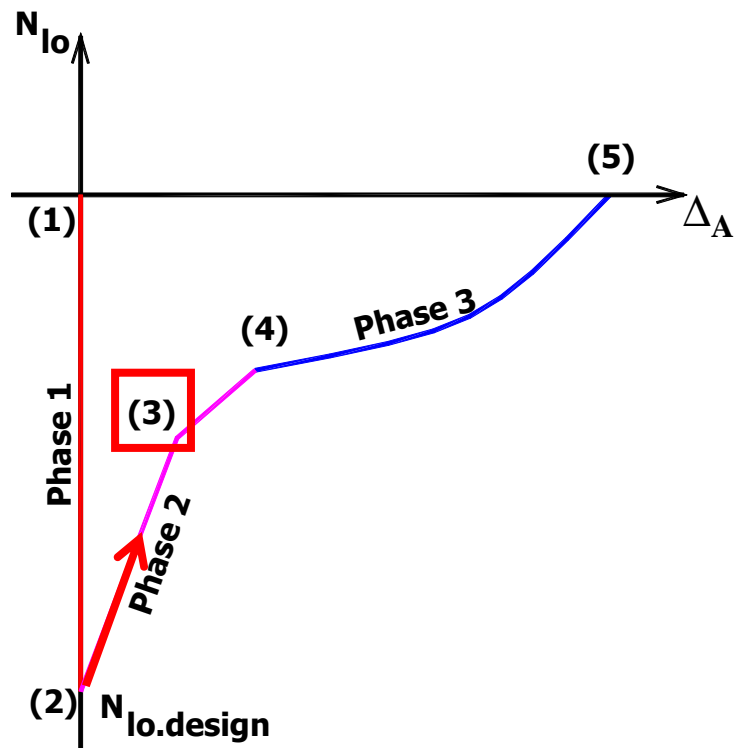
- tying resistance
- ductility criteria
- redundancy
- ...



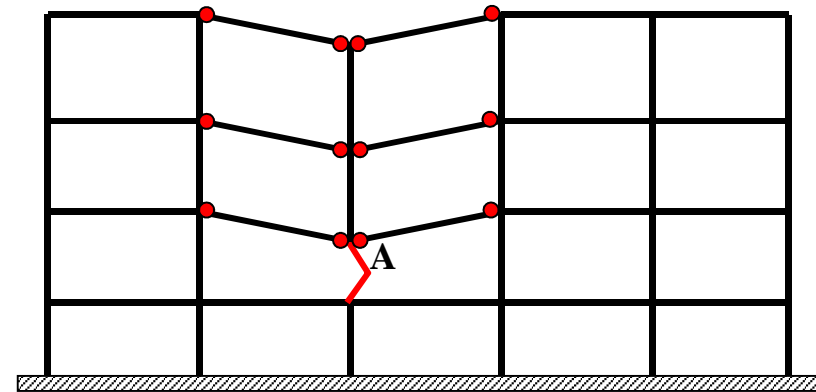
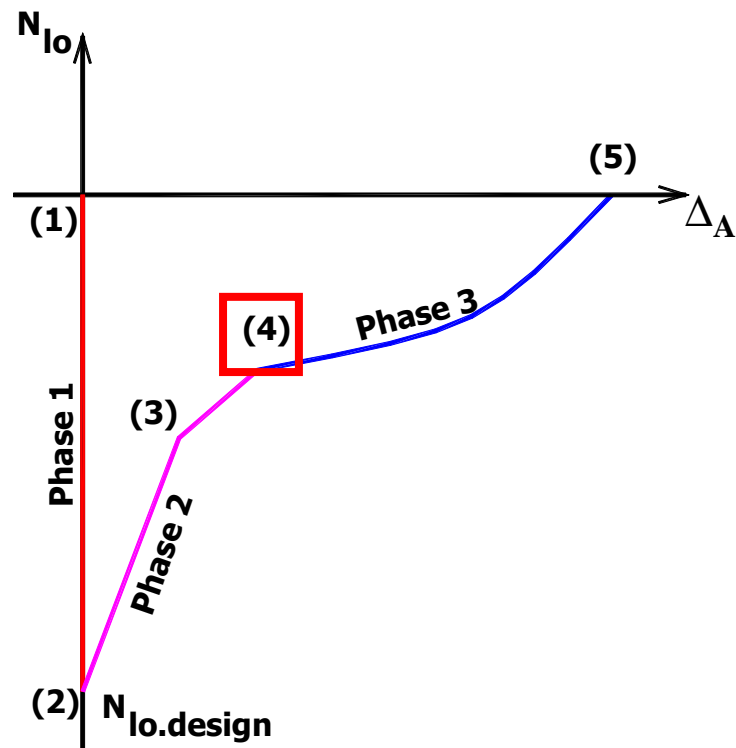
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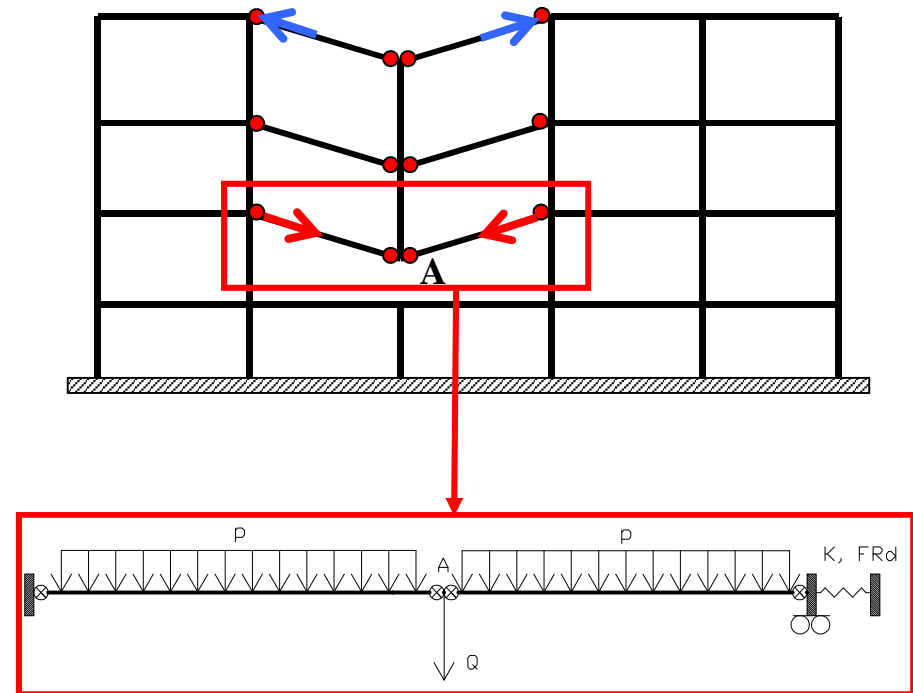
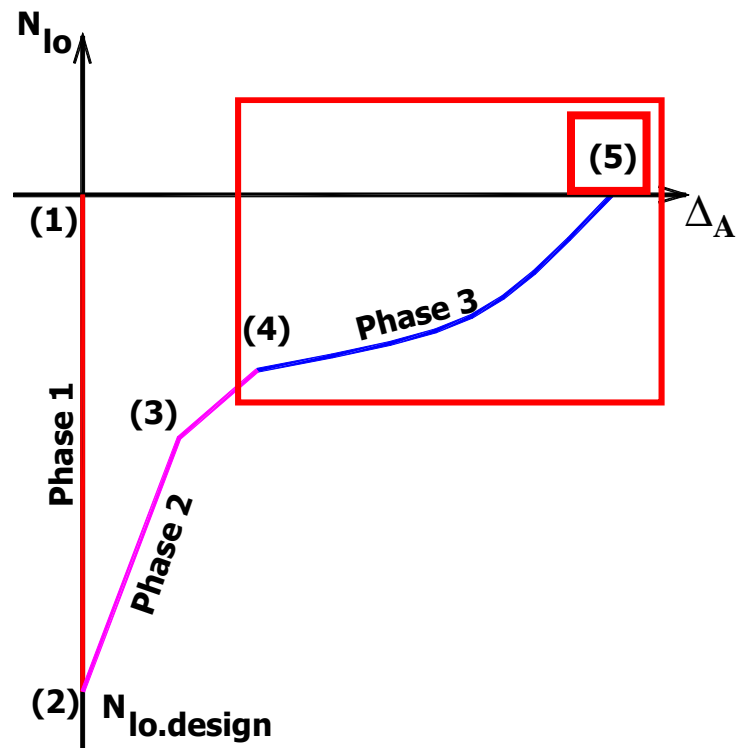
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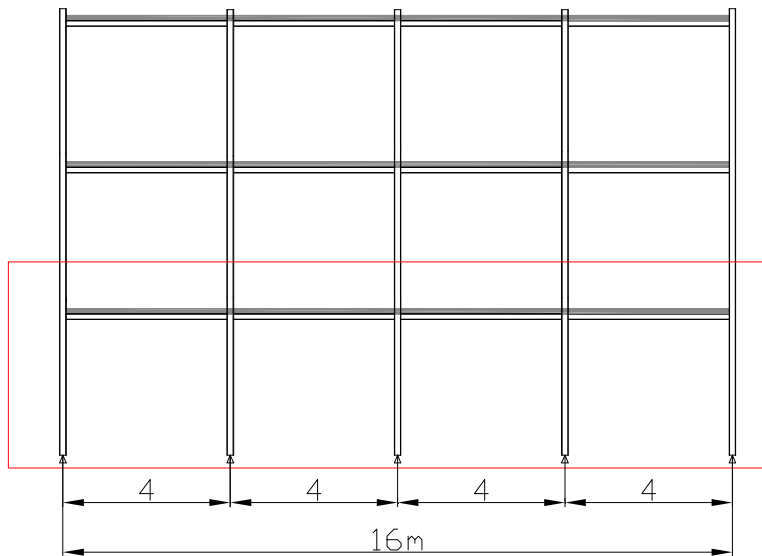
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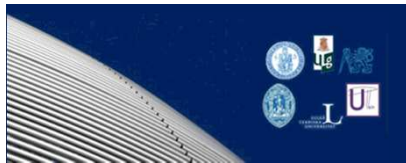
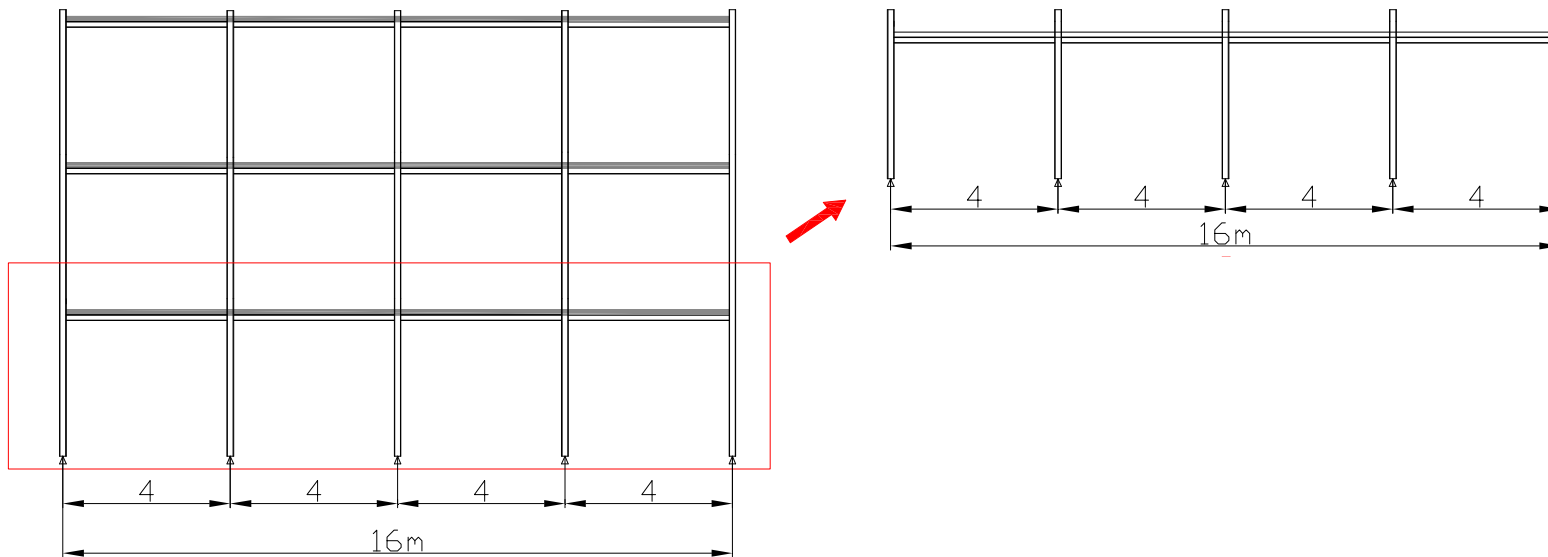
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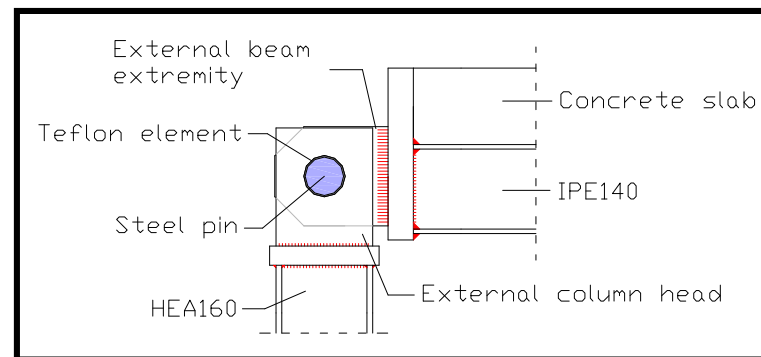
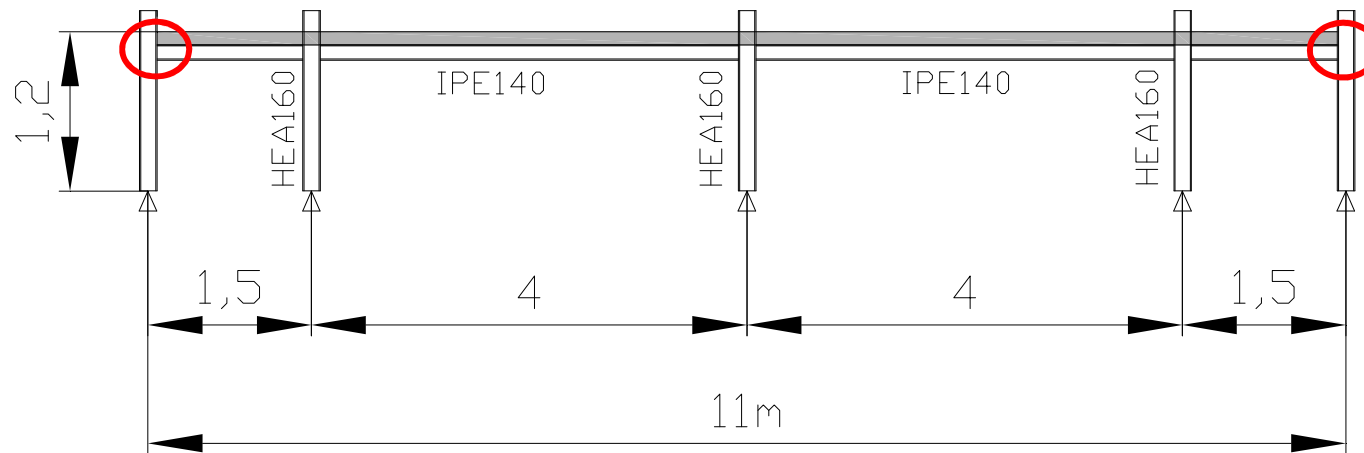
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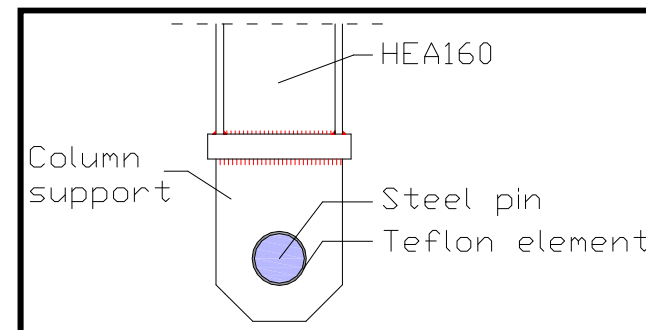
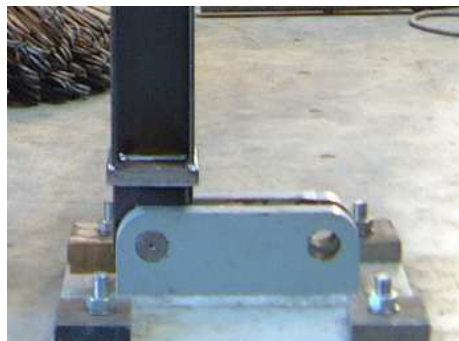
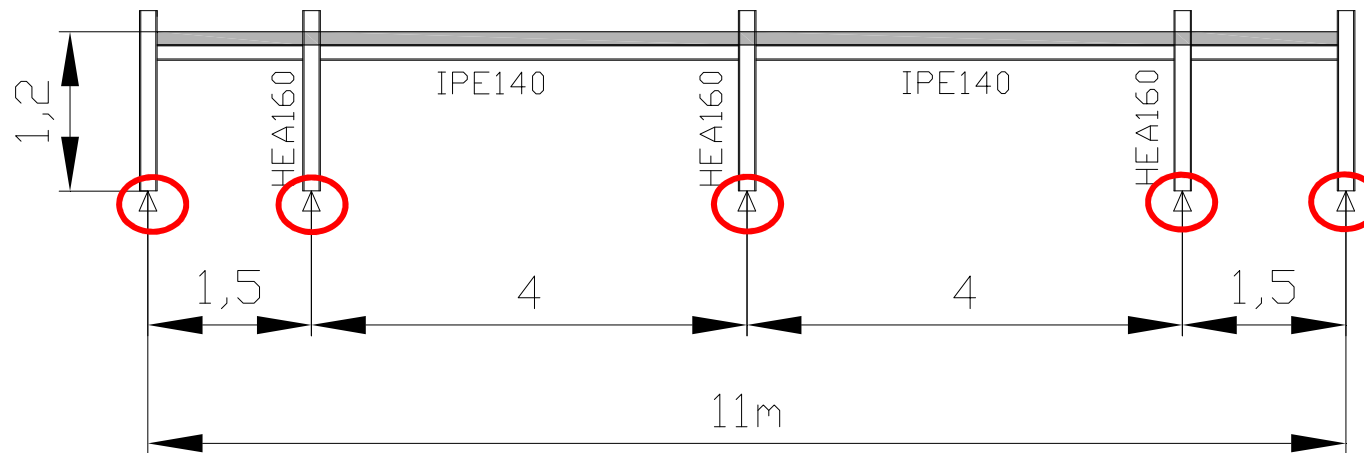
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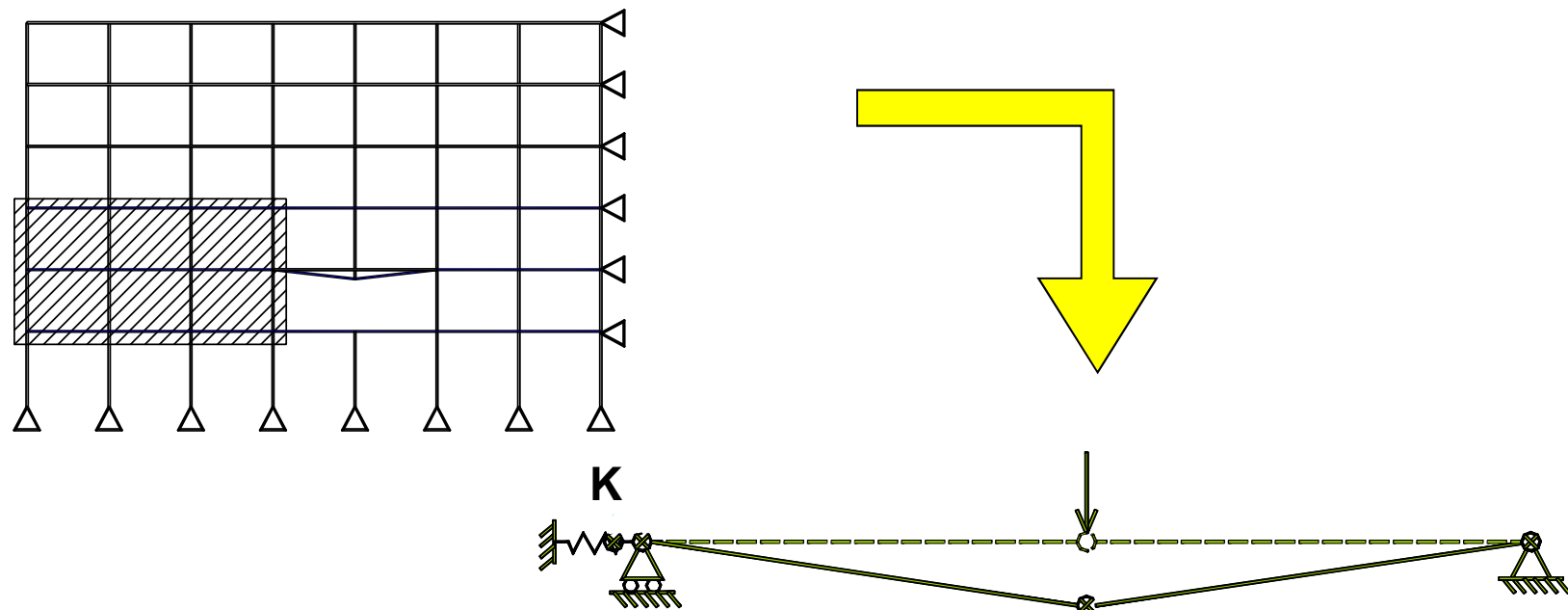


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□ Key parameter for the catenary action

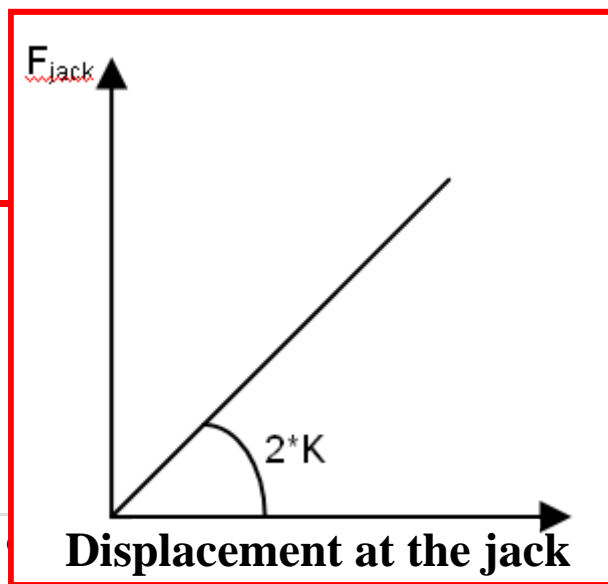
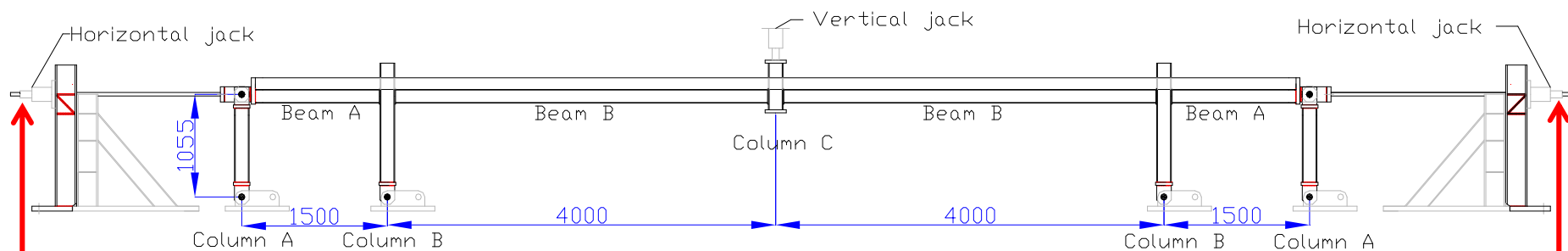


Structural restraint $K \rightarrow$ catenary action



Sub-structure test

❑ Lateral restraint simulated by horizontal jacks



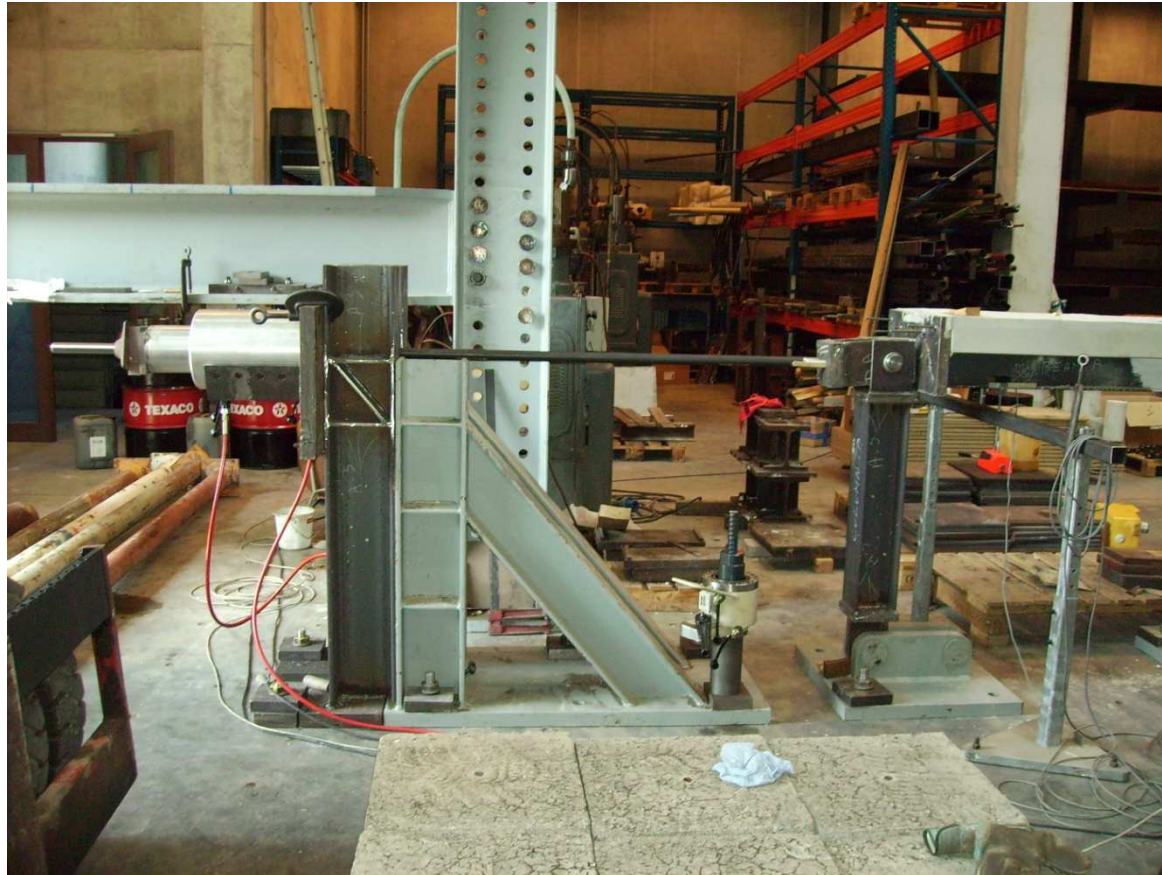
Calibration of the jacks



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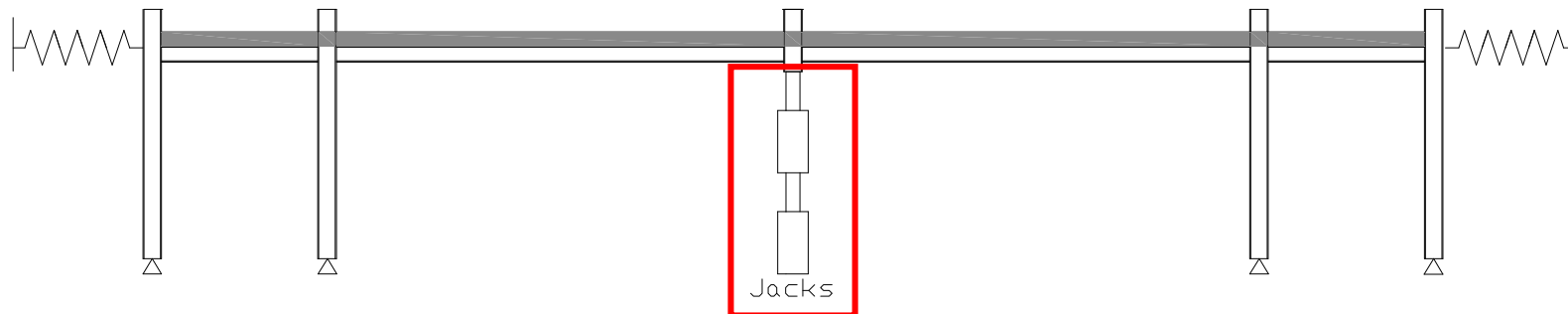
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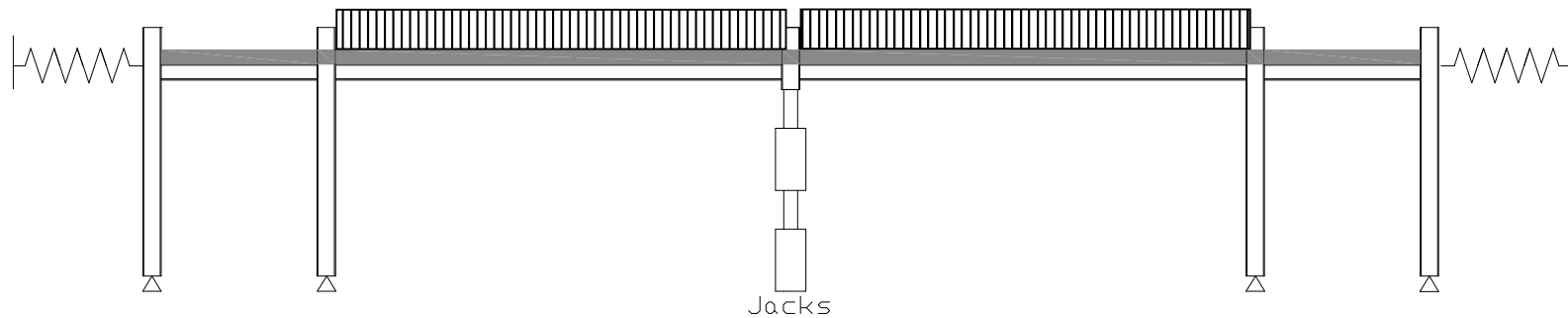


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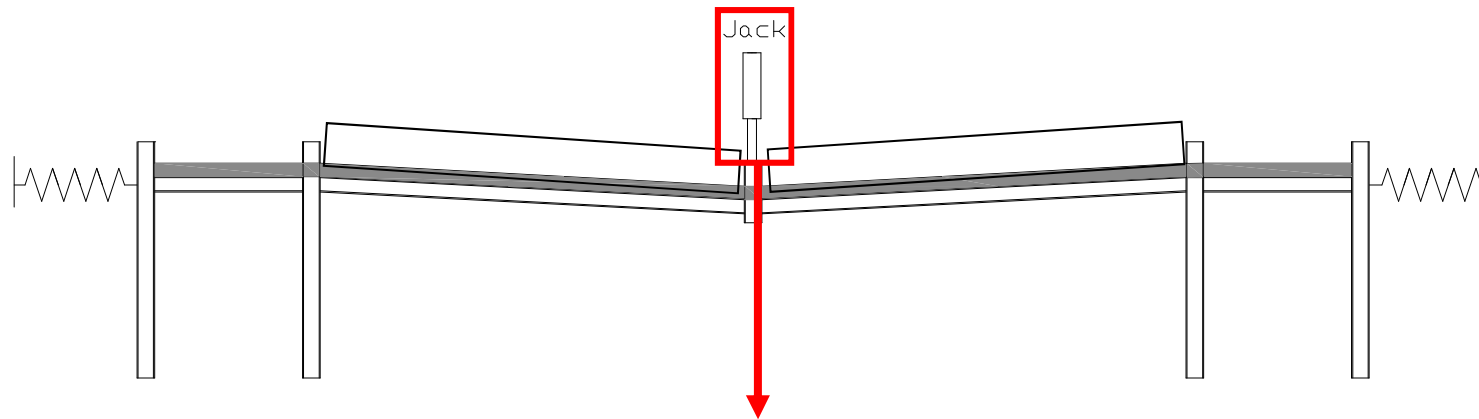
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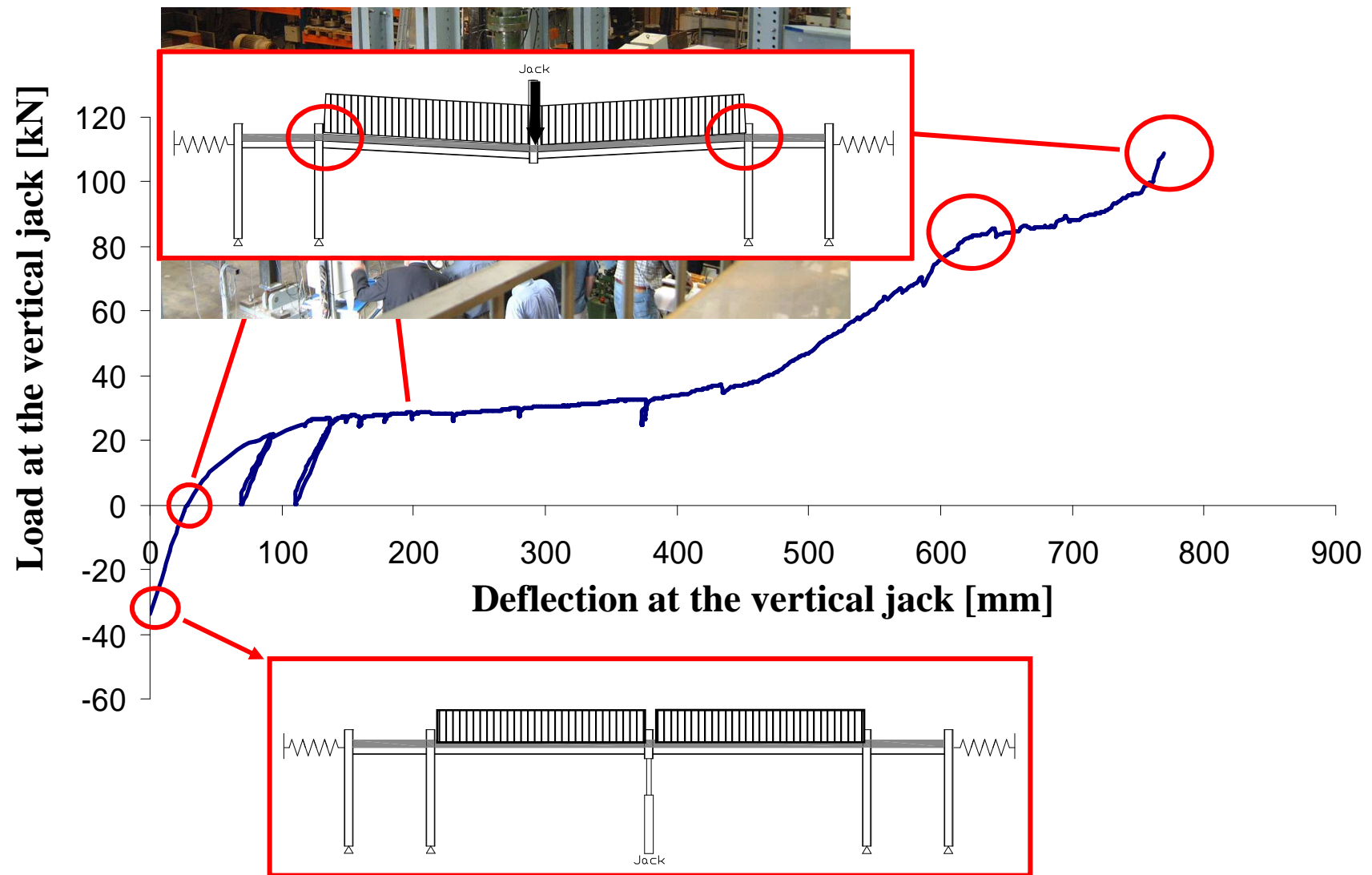
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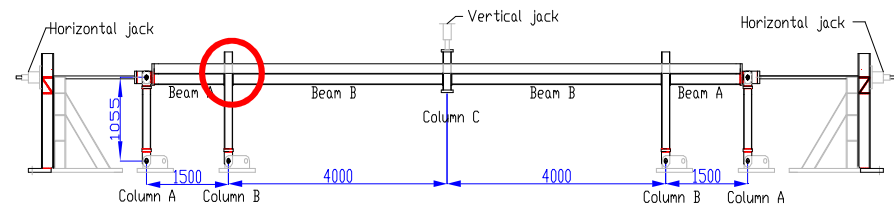
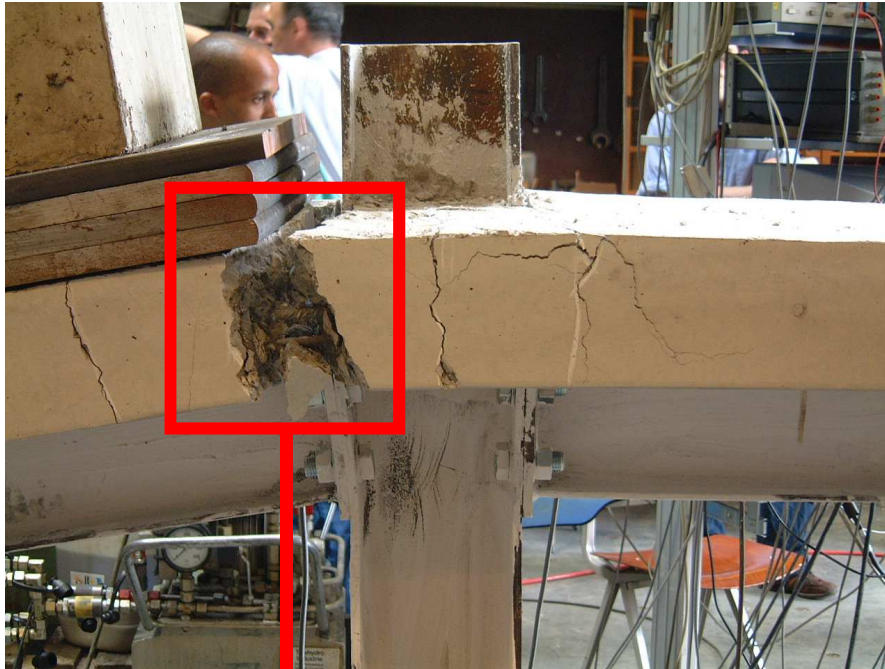
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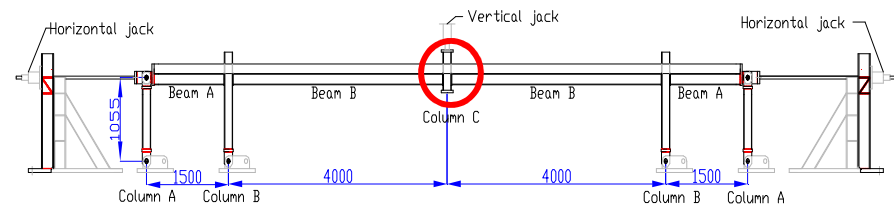
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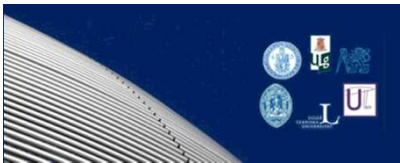
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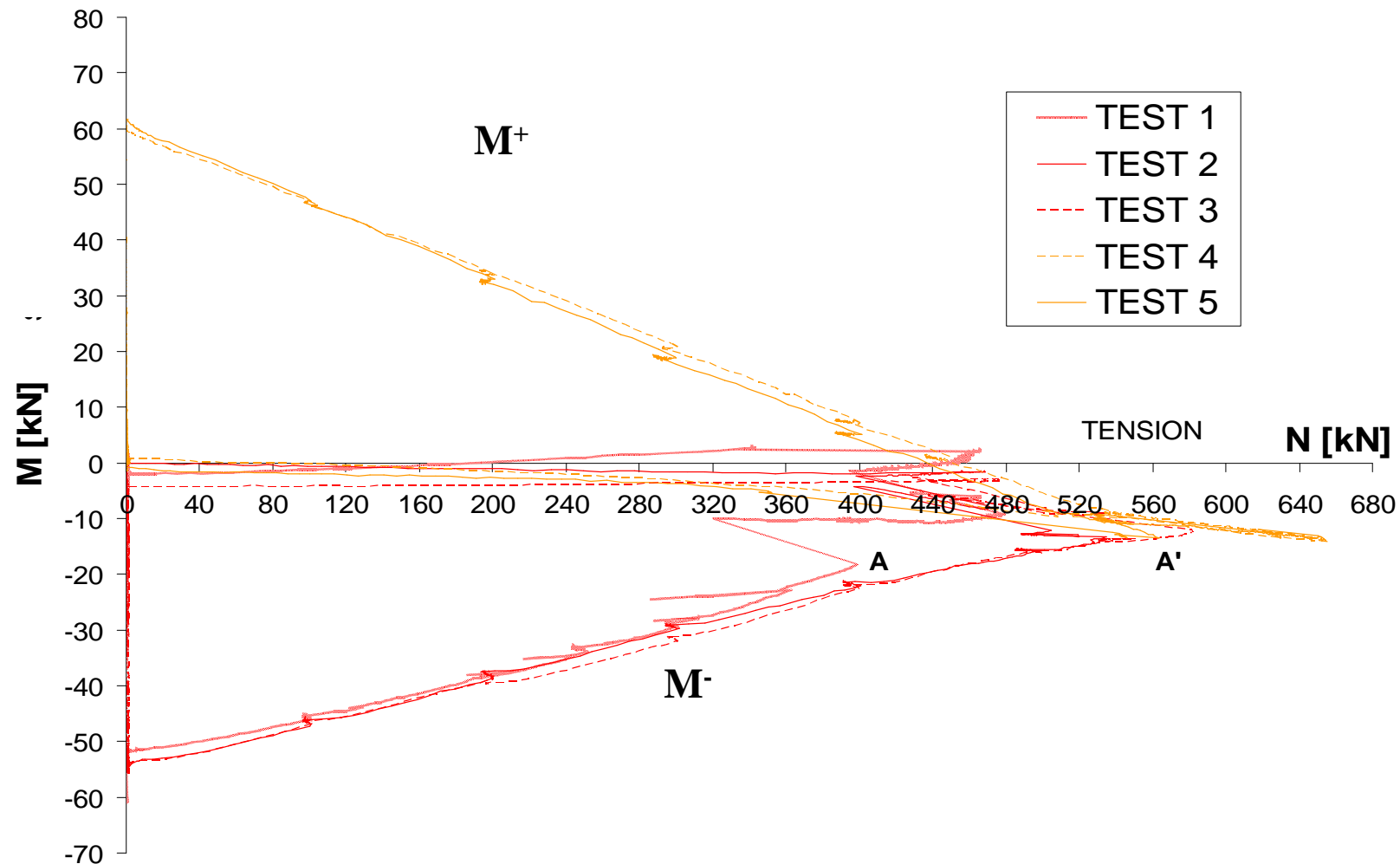
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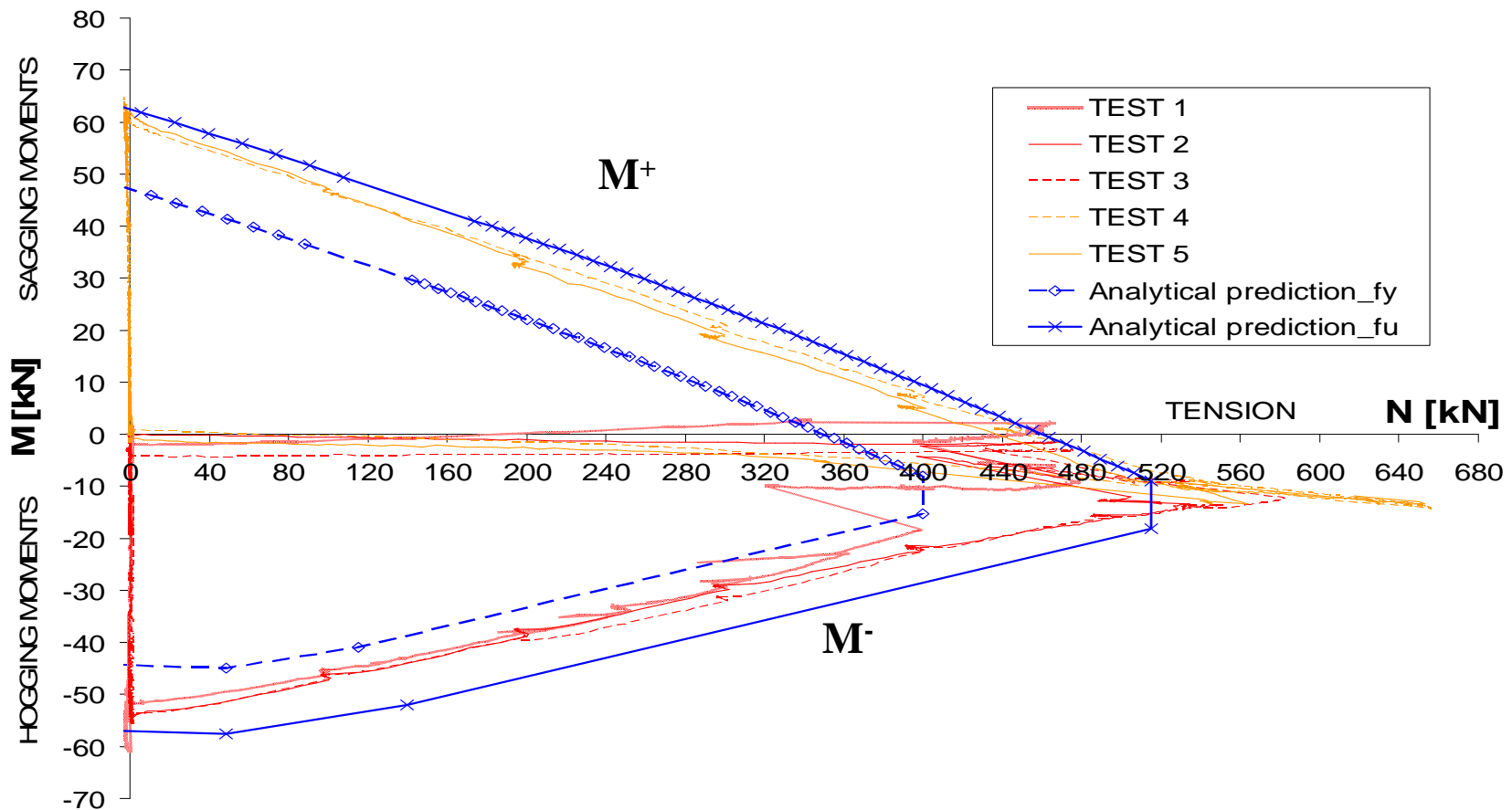


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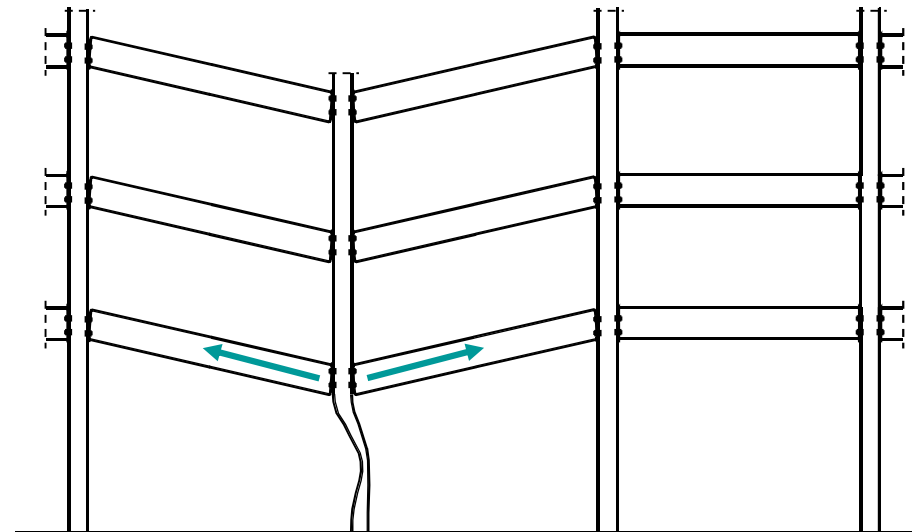


Alternative load path

❑ Economical approach

❑ Requirements:

- tying resistance
- Ductility criteria
- Redundancy
- ...



Design of joints

- ❑ First philosophy possibly to be followed:
 - Capacity design of joints

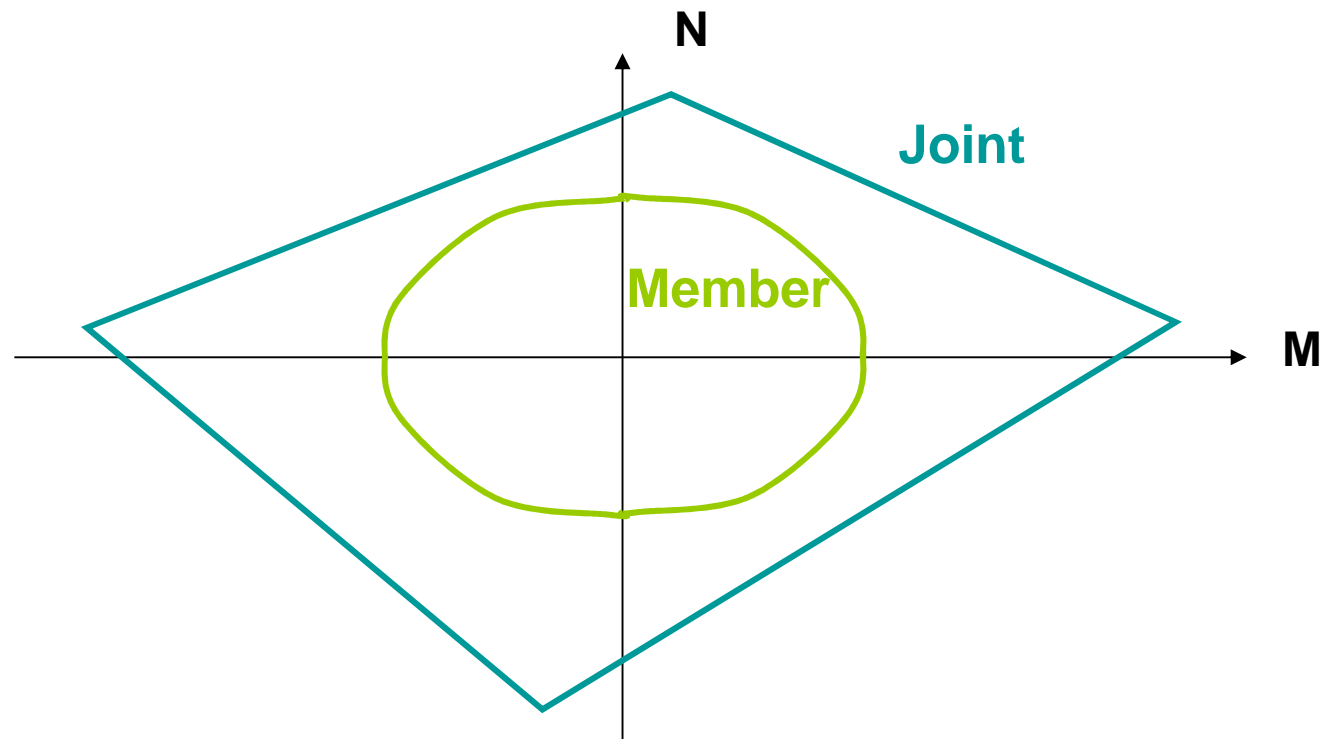
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‘overstrengthened’ joints

⇒ robustness can only result from the
frame itself



Design of joints



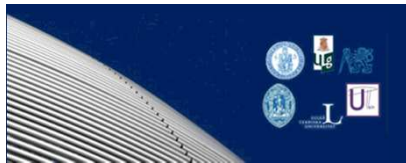
Design of joints

- ❑ Second philosophy possibly to be followed:
 - Structural redundancy and ductility of joints

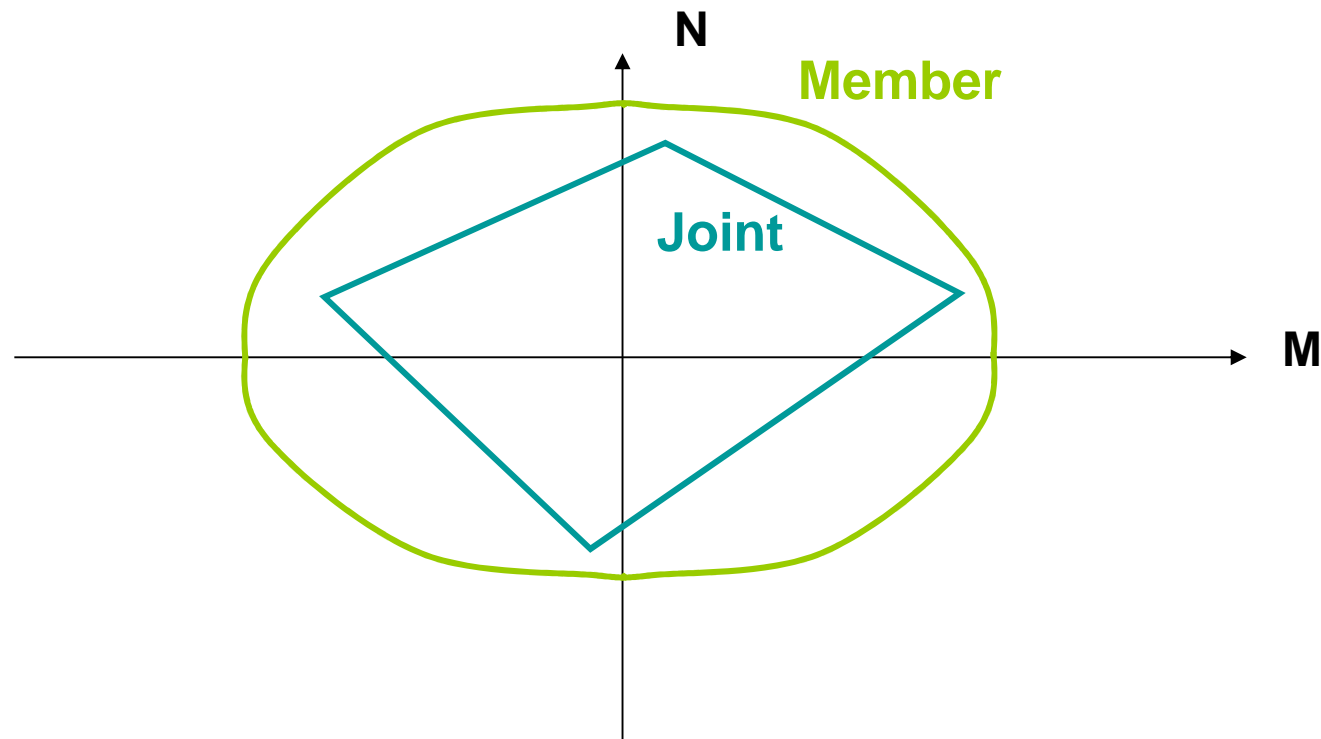
**JOINTS ARE POSSIBLY LESS RESISTANT THAN THE
WEAKER OF THE TWO CONNECTED MEMBERS**

‘partial-strength’ joints

⇒ redundancy and ductility required by
the frame and by the joints



Design of joints



Design of joints

□ Robustness requirements

- Redundancy
- Ductility

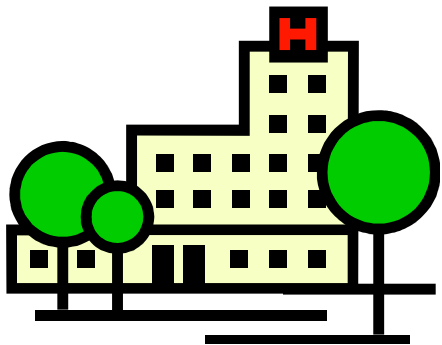
in: the frame alone or
 the frame and the constitutive joints



DERIVATION OF DESIGN REQUIREMENTS



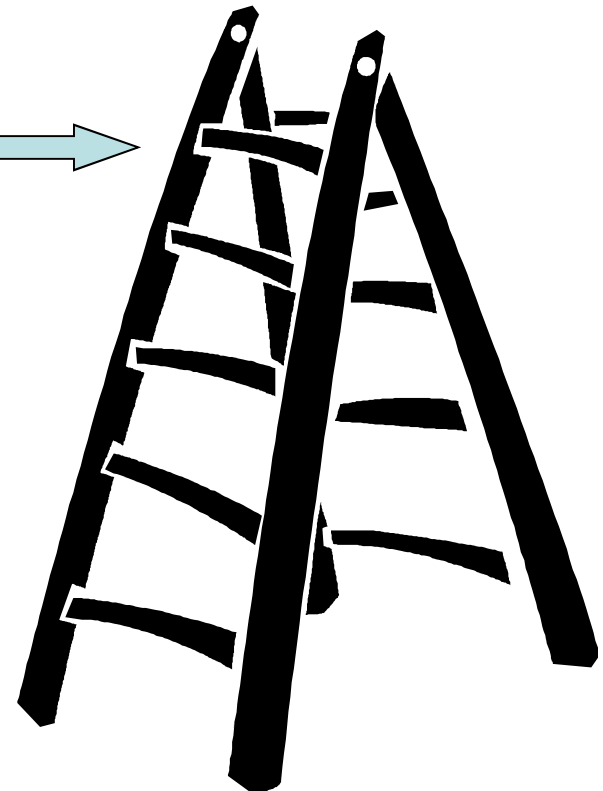
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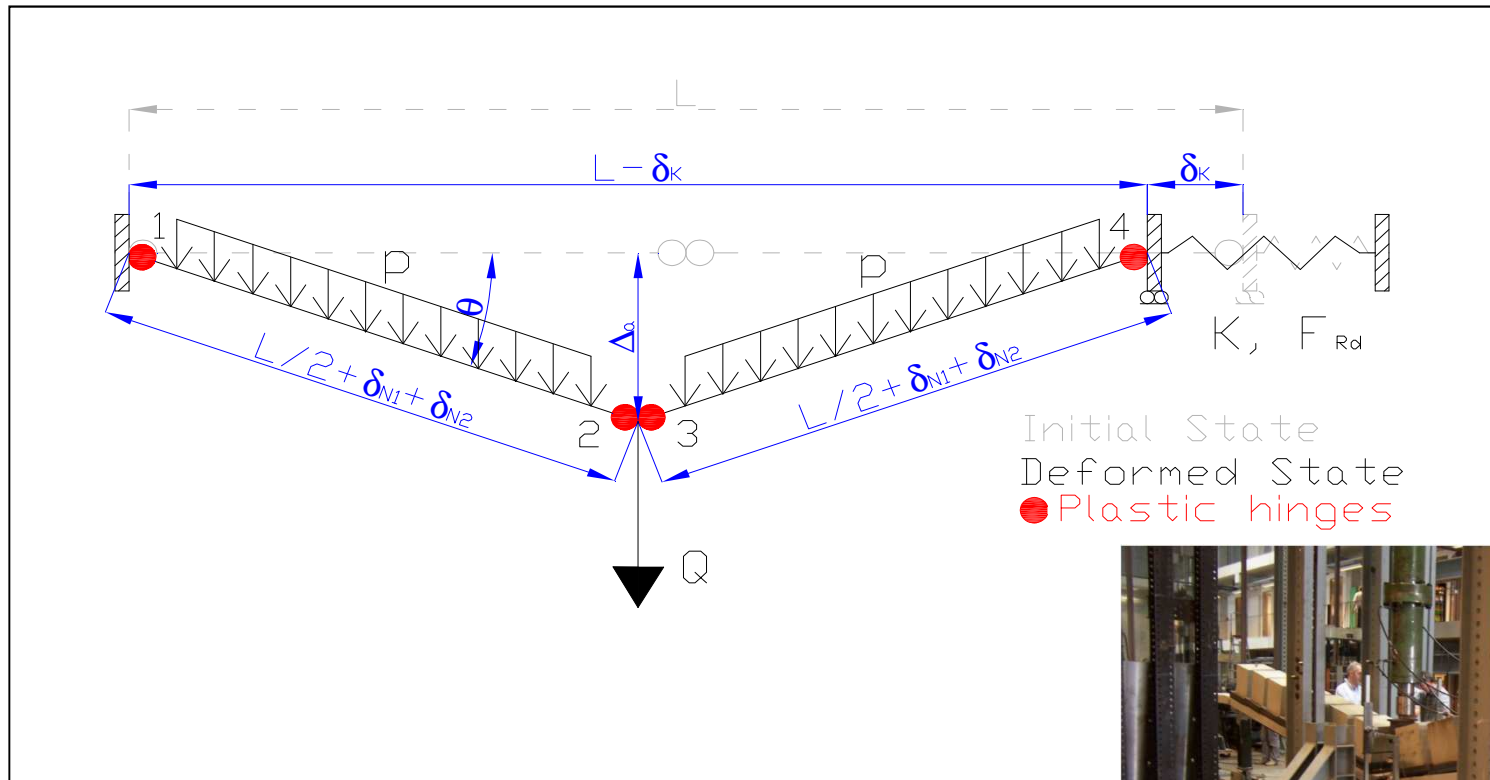
HIGH INDEX REQUIRED



LOW INDEX REQUIRED



Development of analytical models

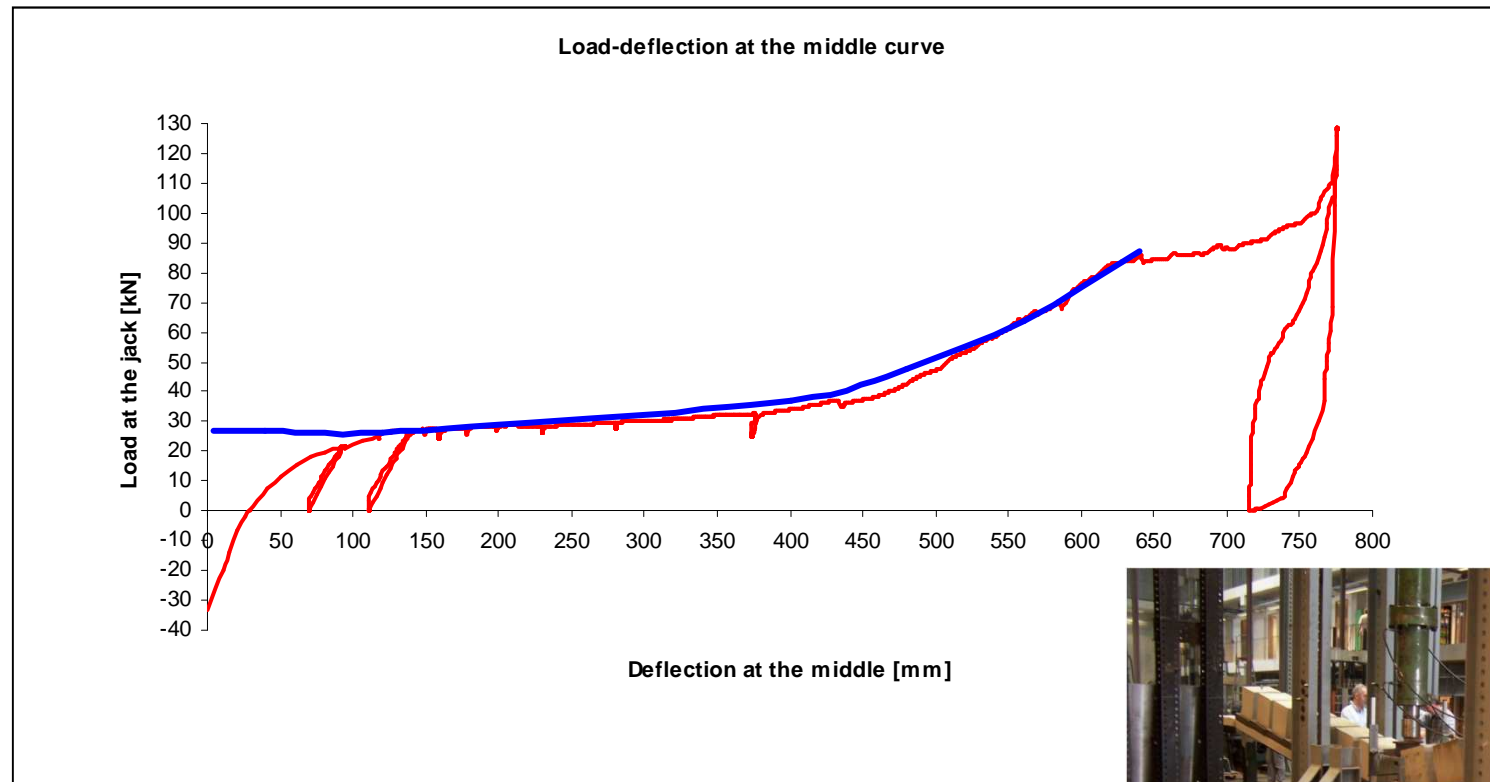


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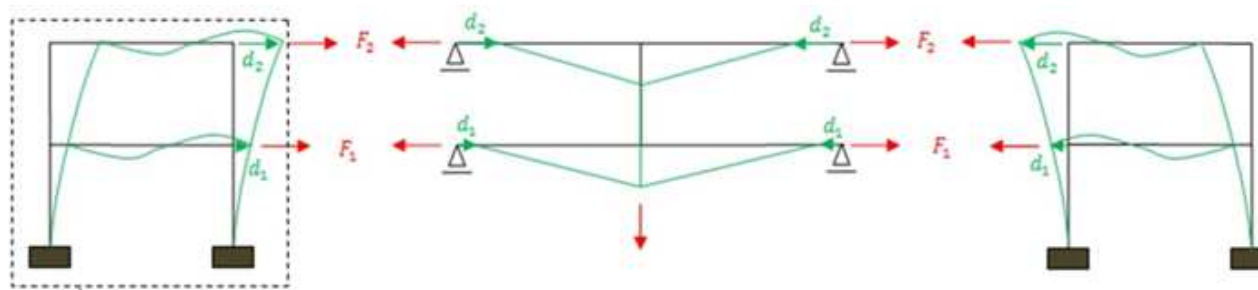
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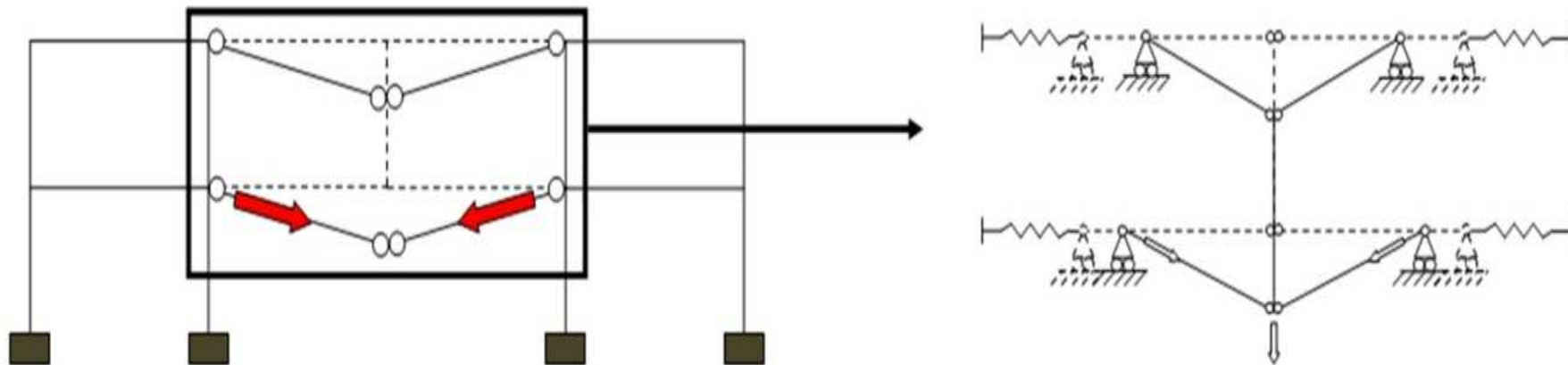
Development of analytical models

- ❑ **Limitation of the substructure** extracted by Demonceau :
 - Valid only if the normal force in the column above the column lost N_{up} is constant
- ❑ Huvelle developments: **couplings** between the directly and indirectly affected parts of the structure and between the different storeys



Development of analytical models

□ New substructure model:



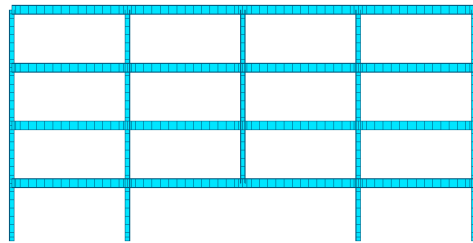
Development of analytical models

- ❑ Matlab program that allows the computation of the response of a frame submitted to a column loss
- ❑ Input data's
 - number of span, number of stories
 - length of the spans, height of the stories
 - beam and columns cross sections
 - E , f_y
 - location of the lost column in the frame

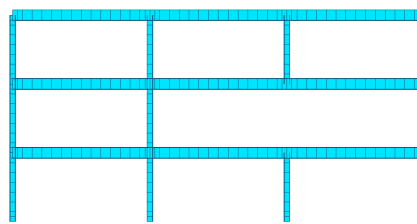


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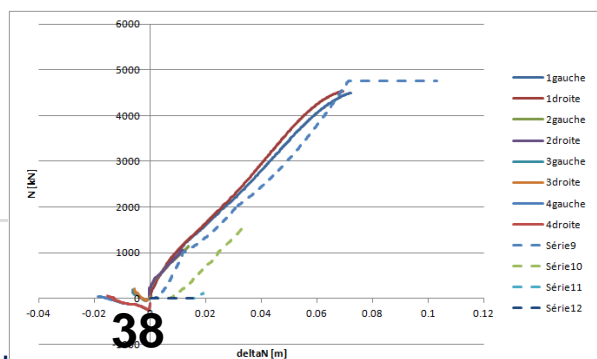
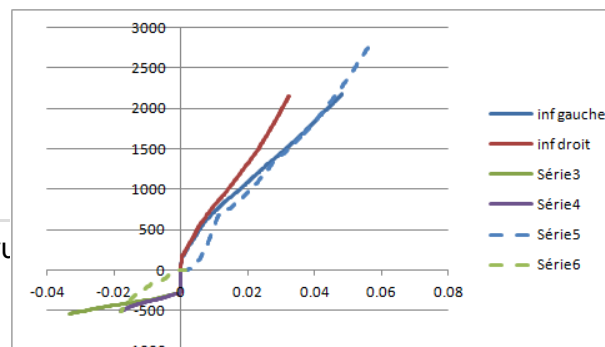
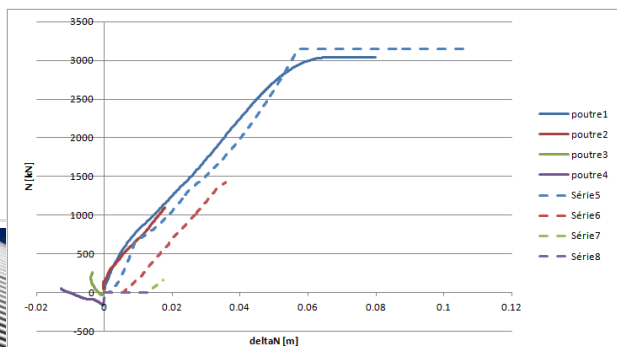
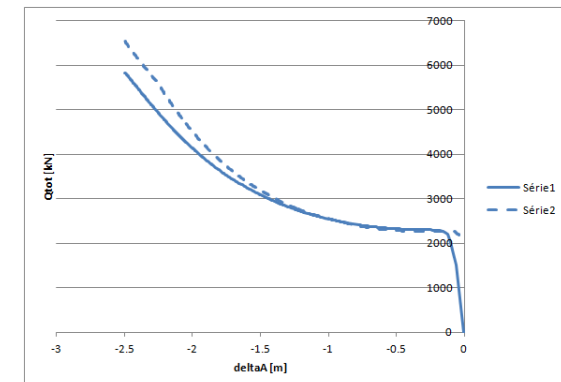
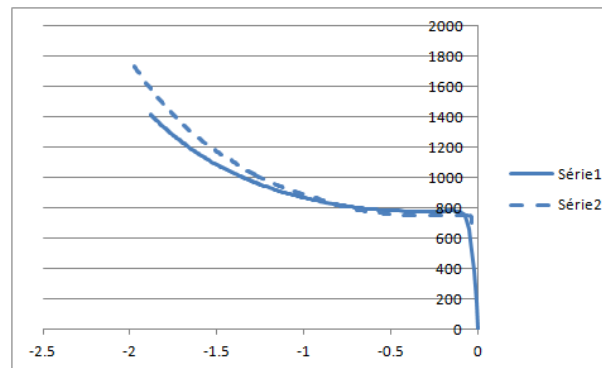
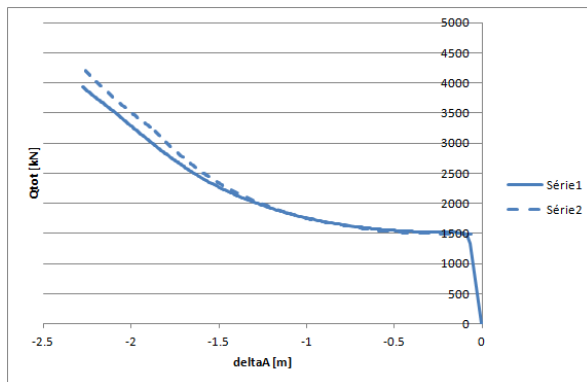
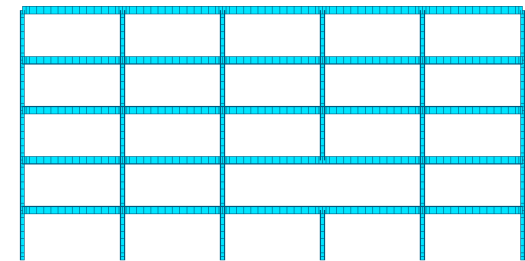
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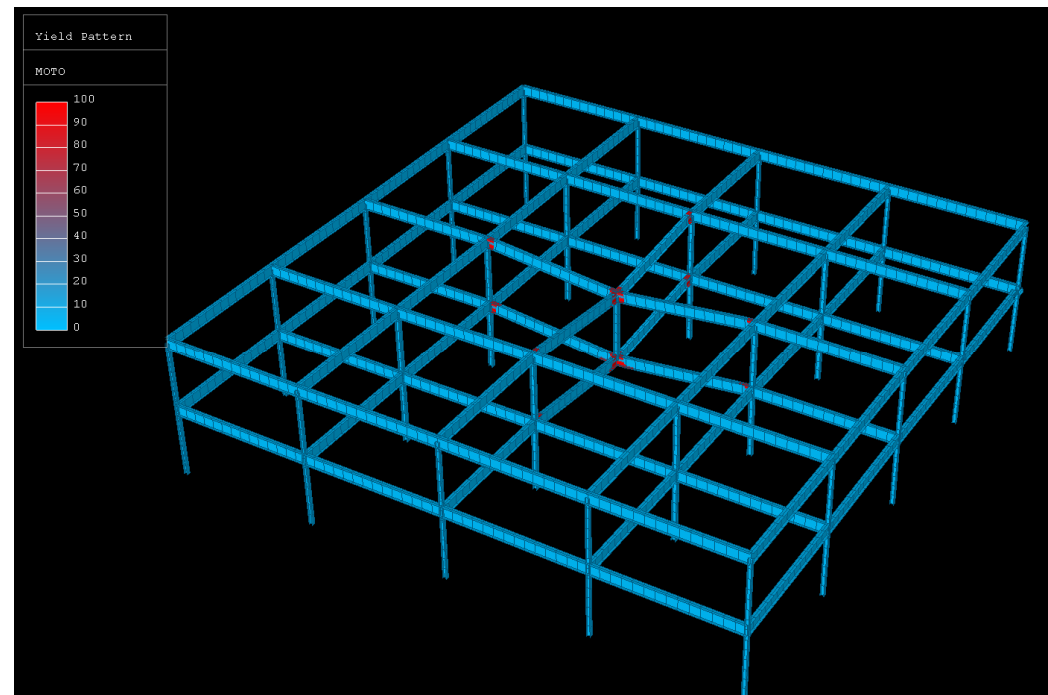


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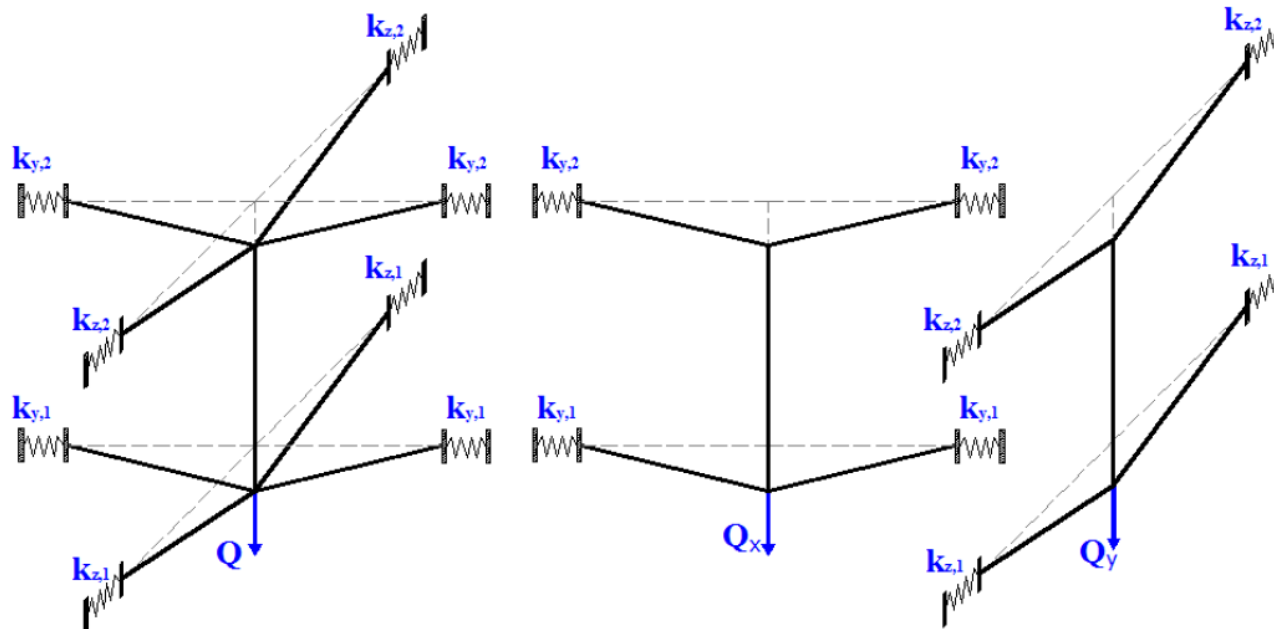
- ❑ Master dissertation on 3D aspects within SUSCOS program
- ❑ Use of the new analytical methods, generalization of the Matlab program



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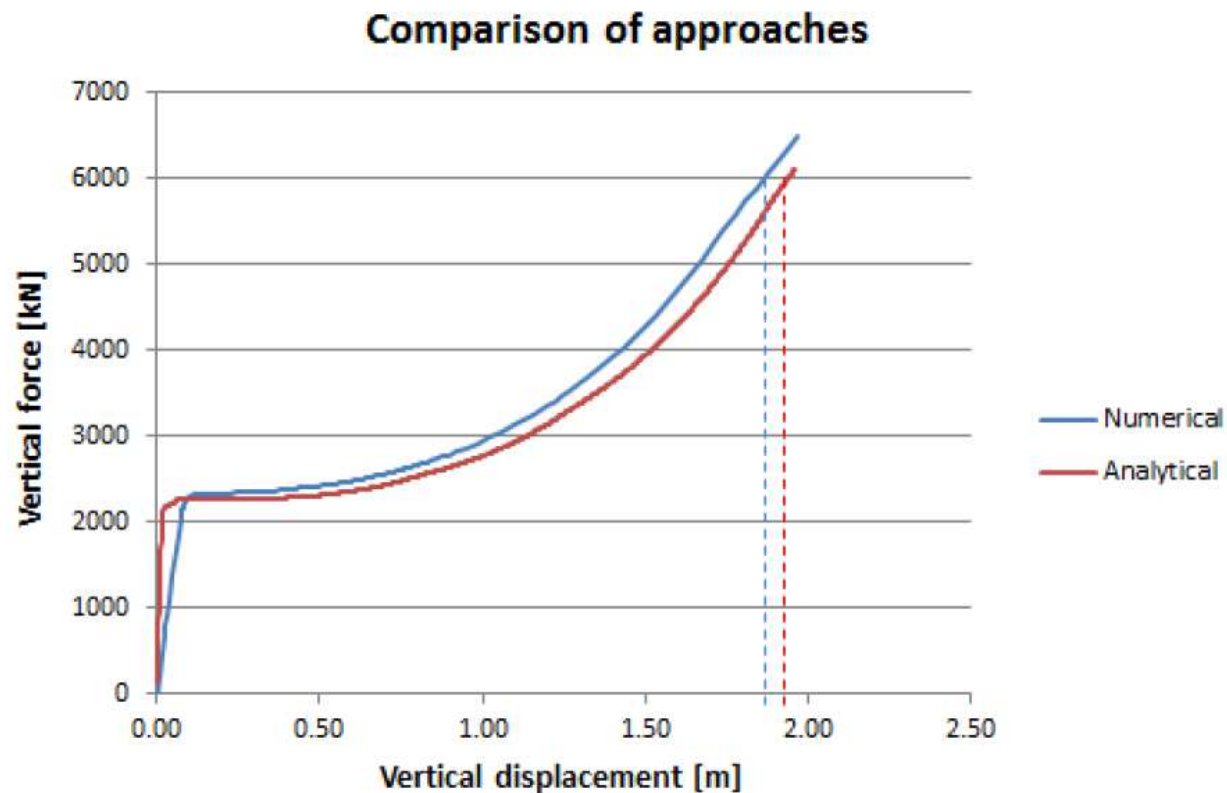
□ Main conclusion:

- The ULg model appears to be accurate for the prediction of a 3D structure



Development of analytical models

□ Example of comparison:

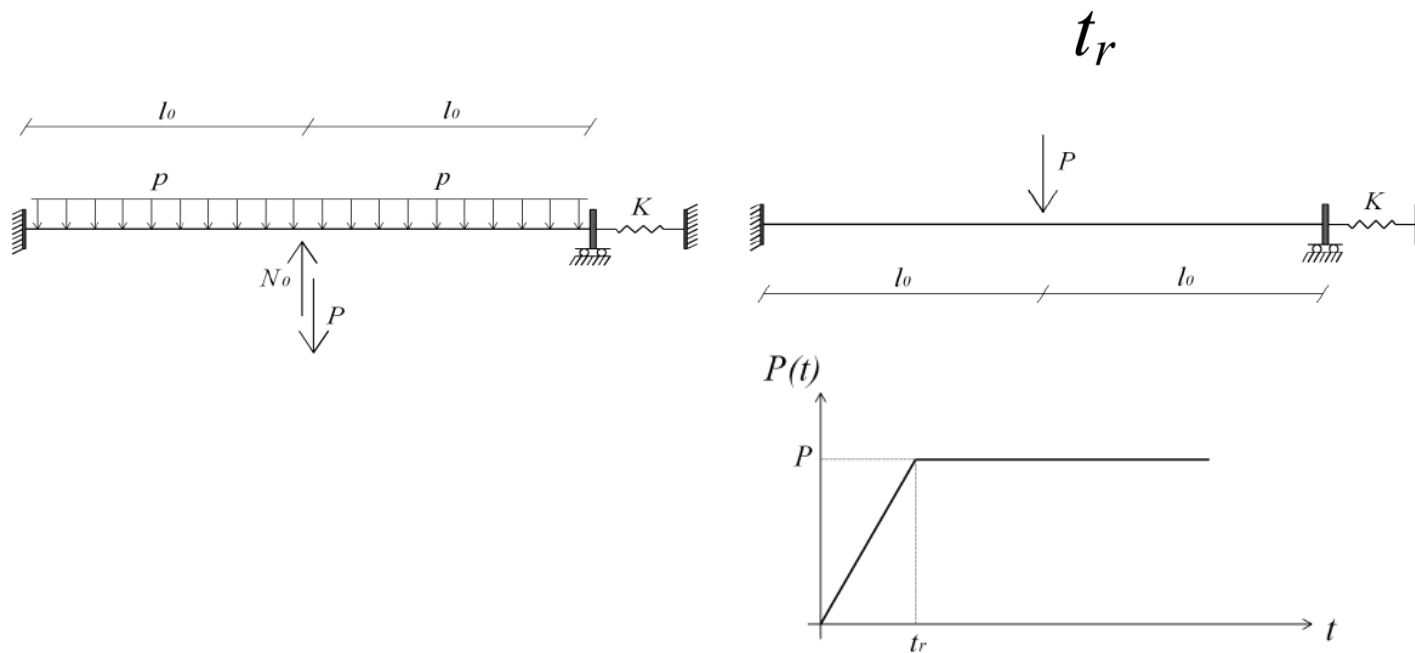


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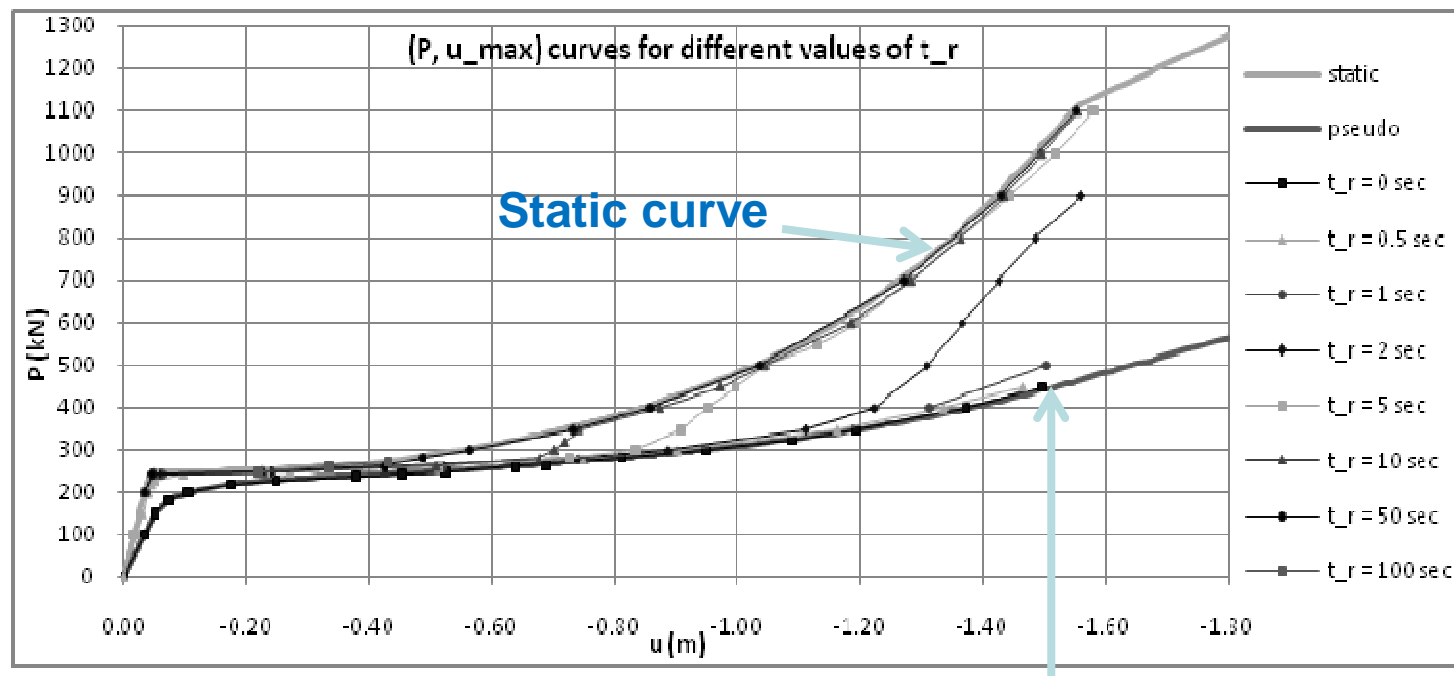
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- Description of the considered substructure and loading



Development of analytical models

- Maximum dynamic displacement according to the value of the load P (or Q) and its rise time :



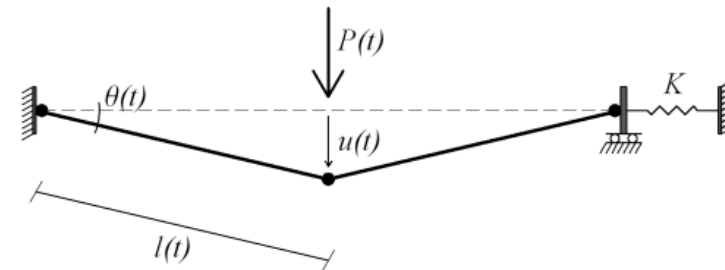
Pseudo-static curve gives the maximum displacement reached if P is applied instantaneously.



Development of analytical models

□ Basic simplified model was developed under the following assumptions :

- Rigid-plastic model ;
- Beams are supposed to be infinitely rigid and thus keeping a constant length ,
- Plastic hinges are submitted to a moment $M = M_{pl}$ assumed to be constant, interaction with the axial load being neglected ;
- Moderate displacements :
 - $\theta \approx u/l (\approx \sin(\theta) \approx \tan(\theta))$
 - $\cos(\theta) = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2} = 1 - u^2/(2l^2)$



□ Energy equation :

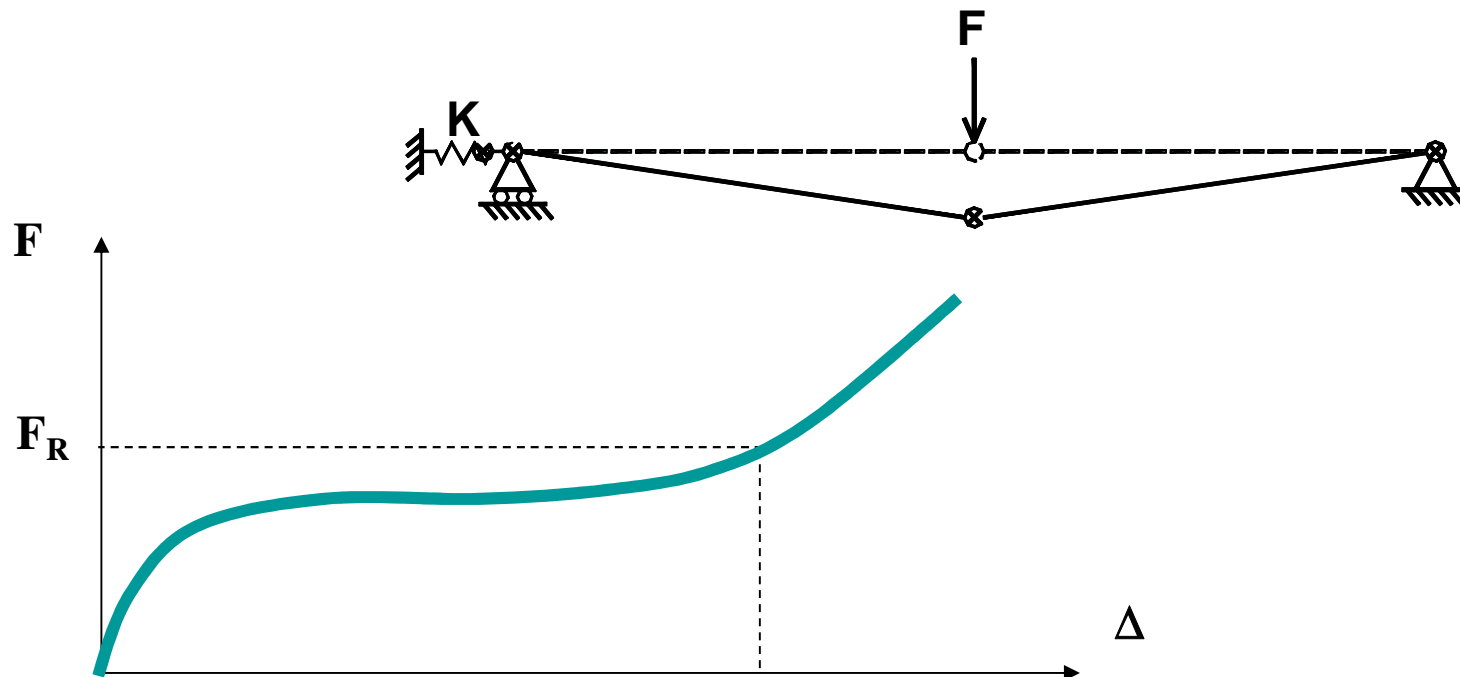
$$E_{kinetic} + E_{hinges} + E_{spring} = W_e \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} M_g \cdot \dot{u}^2 + 4 \cdot \int M(\theta) \cdot d\theta + \int F_K(\delta_K) \cdot d\delta_K = \int P(u) \cdot du \quad (1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow M_g \cdot \ddot{u}(t) + \frac{4 \cdot M_{pl}}{l} + \frac{2K}{l^2} \cdot u(t)^3 = P(t) = P \cdot \frac{t}{t_r} \quad (2)$$



Derivation of requirements

- Available resistance and ductility requirements



Derivation of requirements

- ❑ Design requirements transformed into design guidelines
- ❑ Example of such guidelines for joints

Design requirements

- $F_u > \dots$
- $\Phi_u > \dots$
- failure modes
- ...

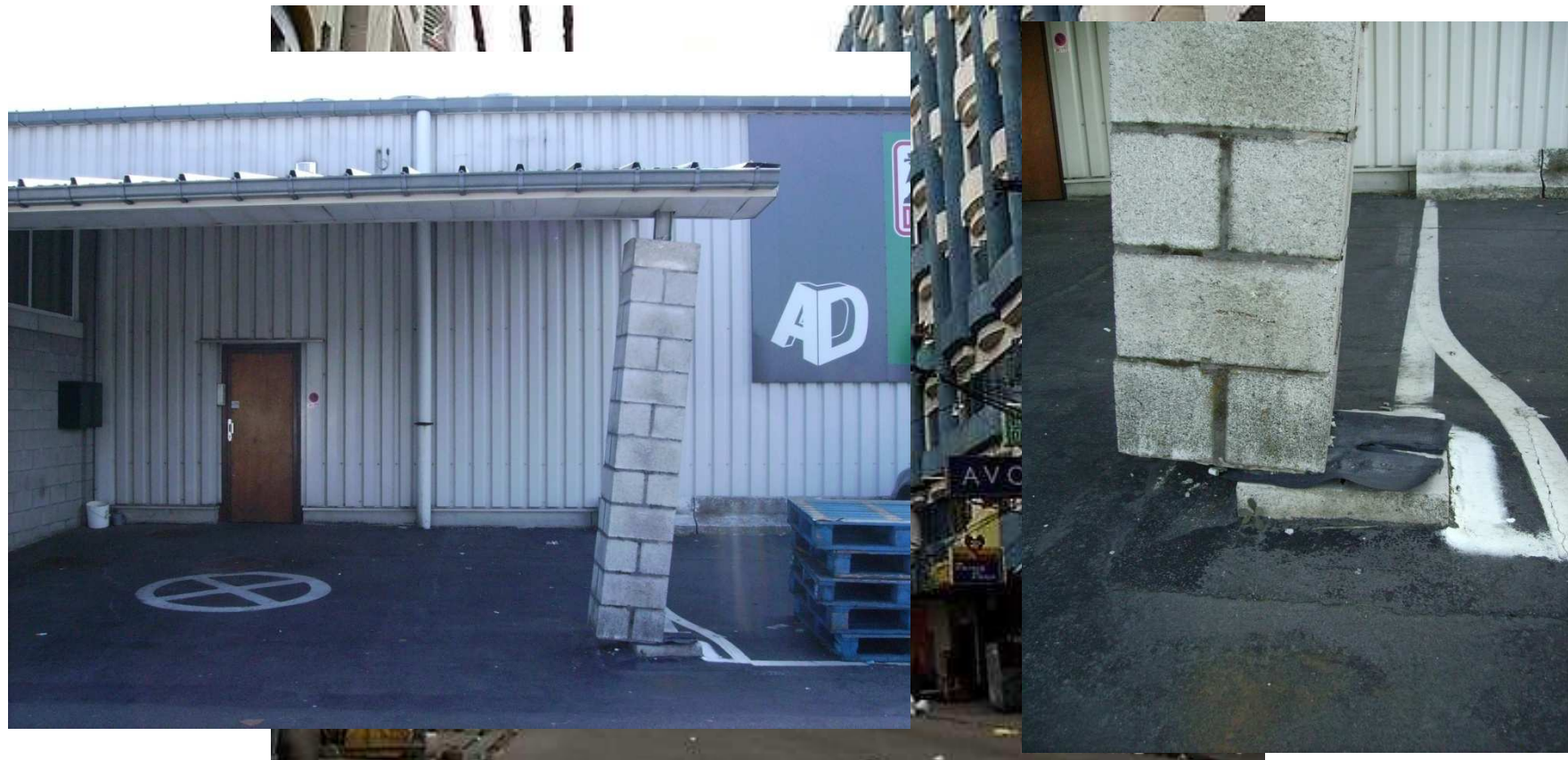


Design guidelines for joints

- percentage of reinforcement
- provisions for t/d ratios
- favourable failure modes
- ...



To be or not to be ... robust



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