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Applied Element Method as a Practical Tool for Progressive Collapse Analysis of Structures

April 22nd, 2008





Agenda

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8am PDT (Los Angeles) / 11am EDT (New York) / 4pm BST (London)

▲ Welcome & Introduction (Overview of NAFEMS Activities)

▲ Matthew Ladzinski, NAFEMS North America

▲ Applied Element Method as a Practical Tool for Progressive Collapse Analysis of Structures

▲ Dr. Hatem Tagel-Din, Applied Science International, LLC

▲ Q&A Session

▲ Panel

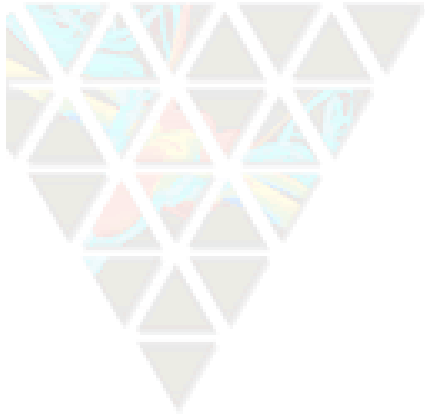
▲ Closing



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An Overview of NAFEMS NA Activities



Matthew Ladzinski
NAFEMS
North American Representative



Planned Activities in North America

➤ Webinars

- New topic each month!
 - Verification & Validation (V&V): Quantifying Prediction Uncertainty and Demonstrating Simulation Credibility (*May 15*)
 - Managing FEA in the Design Process (*June*)
- Recent webinars:
 - AUTOSIM: The Future of Simulation in the Automotive Industry
 - A Common Sense Approach to Stress Analysis and Finite Element Modeling
 - The Interfacing of FEA with Pressure Vessel Design Codes (CCOPPS Project)
 - Multiphysics Simulation using Directly Coupled-Field Element Technology
 - Methods and Technology for the Analysis of Composite Materials
 - Simulation Process Management
 - Simulation-supported Decision Making (Stochastics)
 - Simulation Driven Design (SDD) Findings

To register for upcoming webinars, or to view a past webinar, please visit: www.nafems.org/events/webinars



Planned Activities in North America

➤ Events

- **Practical Stress Analysis & Finite Element Methods** *with Bob Johnson*
 - An opportunity to ensure that your organization gets maximum benefit from using FEA
 - Three-day Training Course
 - April 30th – May 2nd, 2008 in Troy, MI
 - Only a two seats left!
 - www.nafems.org/events





Planned Activities in North America

NAFEMS NA 2008 Regional Summit

NAFEMS 2020 Vision of Engineering Analysis and Simulation

- **NAFEMS 2020** will bring together the leading visionaries, developers, and practitioners of CAE-related technologies and business processes
- **Goal:** Provide attendees with the best “food for thought and action” to deploy CAE over the next several years
- **Location:** Embassy Suites Hotel & Convention Center, Hampton, Virginia
- **Date:** October 29-31, 2008

Call for Papers Now Open!

For more information, visit:

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Other NAFEMS Activities

- NAFEMS Simulation Data Management Working Group (SDMWG) – name tbd

- www.nafems.org/tech/sdmwg

- NAFEMS NA eNews Update

- Monthly newsletter containing information on upcoming NAFEMS NA activities

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Applied Element Method as a Practical Tool for Progressive Collapse Analysis of Structures

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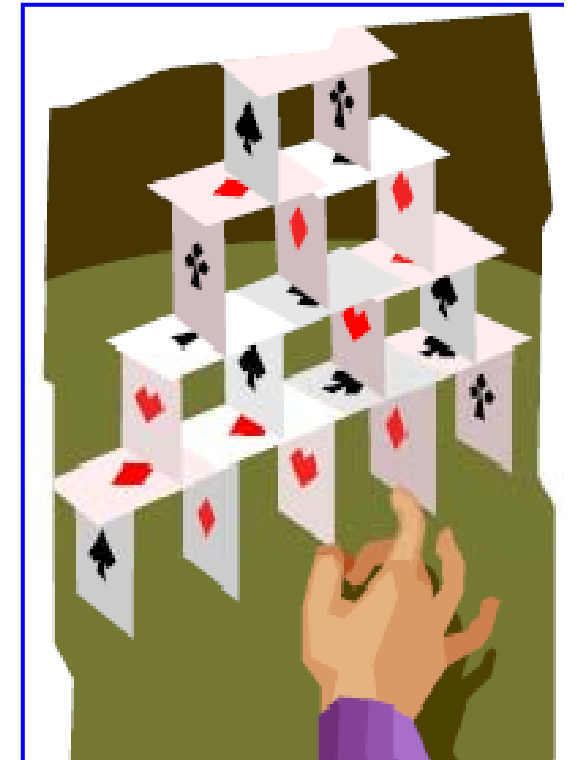
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Definition of Progressive Collapse

“A collapse that is triggered by localized damage that can’t be contained and leads to a chain of failures resulting in a partial or total structural collapse, where the final damage is disproportionate to the local damage of the triggering event”



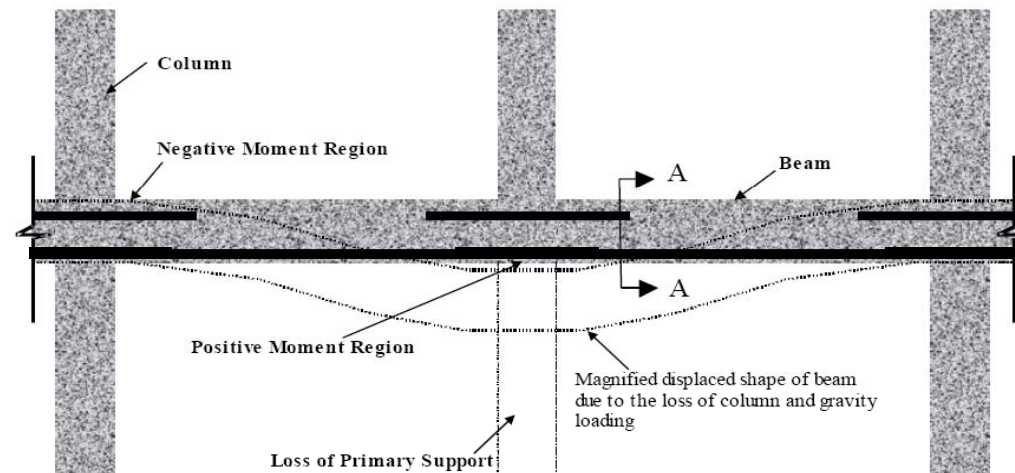
Definition of Progressive Collapse

GSA Code: Guidance

GSA: Progressive Collapse Analysis and Design Guidelines for New Federal Office Buildings and Major Modernization Projects.

Objective → to reduce the potential for progressive collapse through:

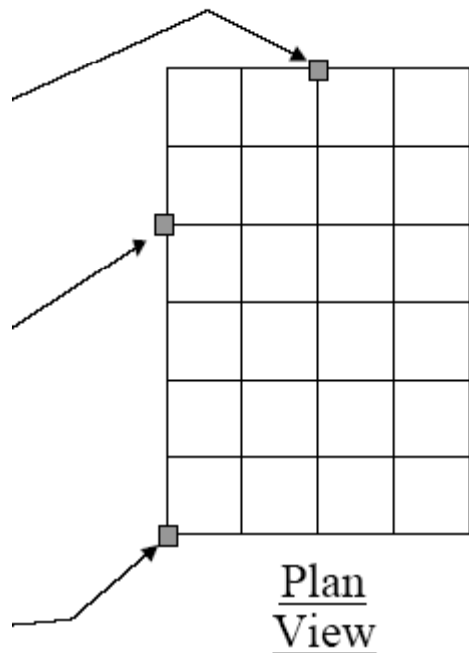
- 1) Redundancy for ensuring alternative load paths
- 2) Structural Continuity and Ductility
- 3) Capability of resisting load reversals
- 4) Capability of resisting shear failure



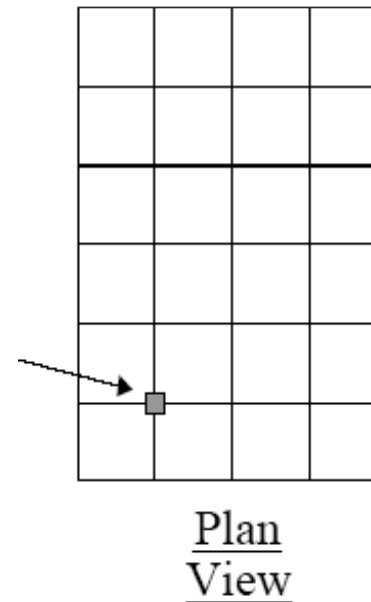
Definition of Progressive Collapse

GSA Code: Analysis

Remove a vertical supporting element from the **location being considered** (first floor only) and conduct a **static or dynamic analysis** for the structure.



Exterior consideration

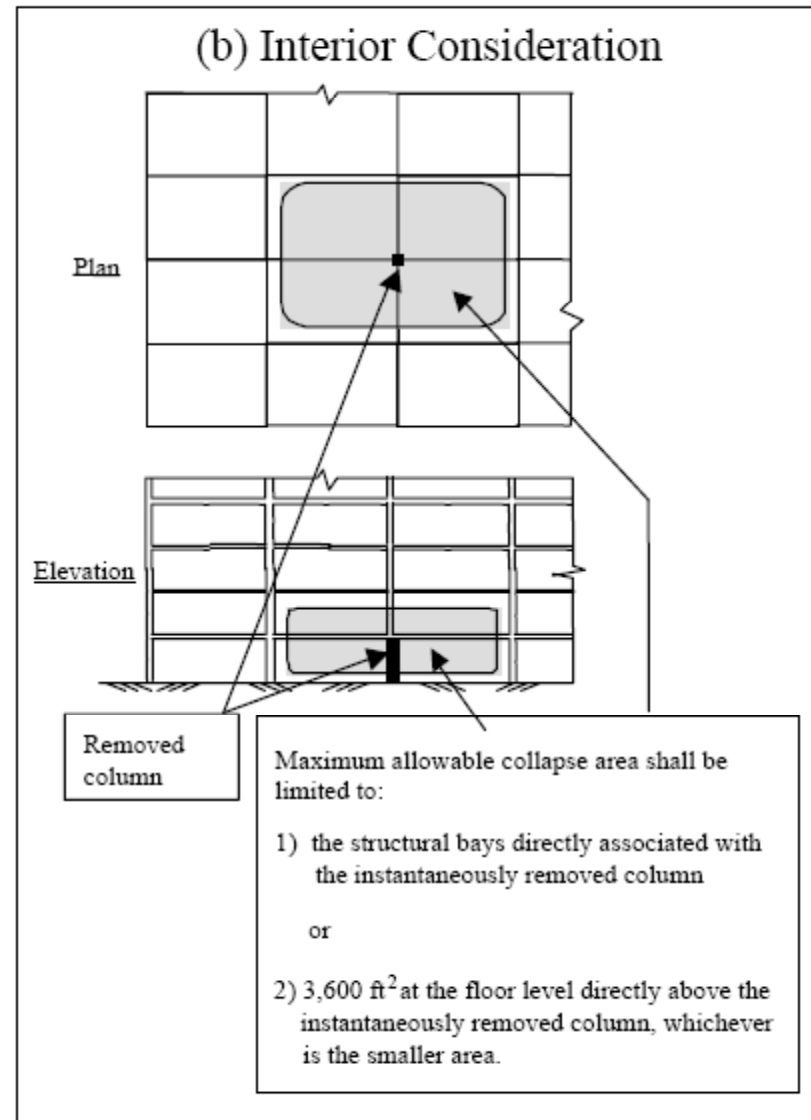
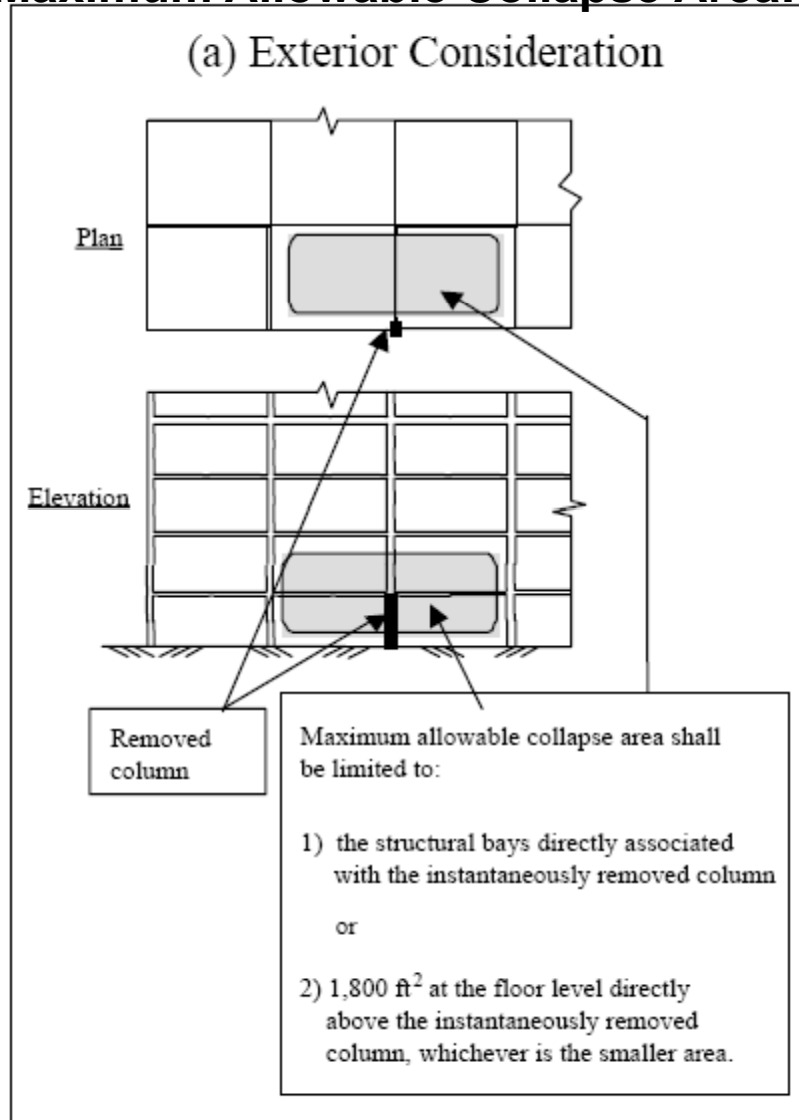


Interior consideration

Definition of Progressive Collapse

GSA Code: Analysis

1) Maximum Allowable Collapse Area:



Problem Statement

- **Given:**
 - Structural full geometry
 - Full reinforcement detailing
 - Material properties
 - Threat type (Bomb, car collision, fire, element removal.)
- **Questions:**
 - Will the structural collapse or not?
 - Is it partial or total collapse?
 - Which part will fail and how?
 - What is the footprint of the collapsed structures?
 - What are the effects of falling debris on adjacent structures?



Why AEM?

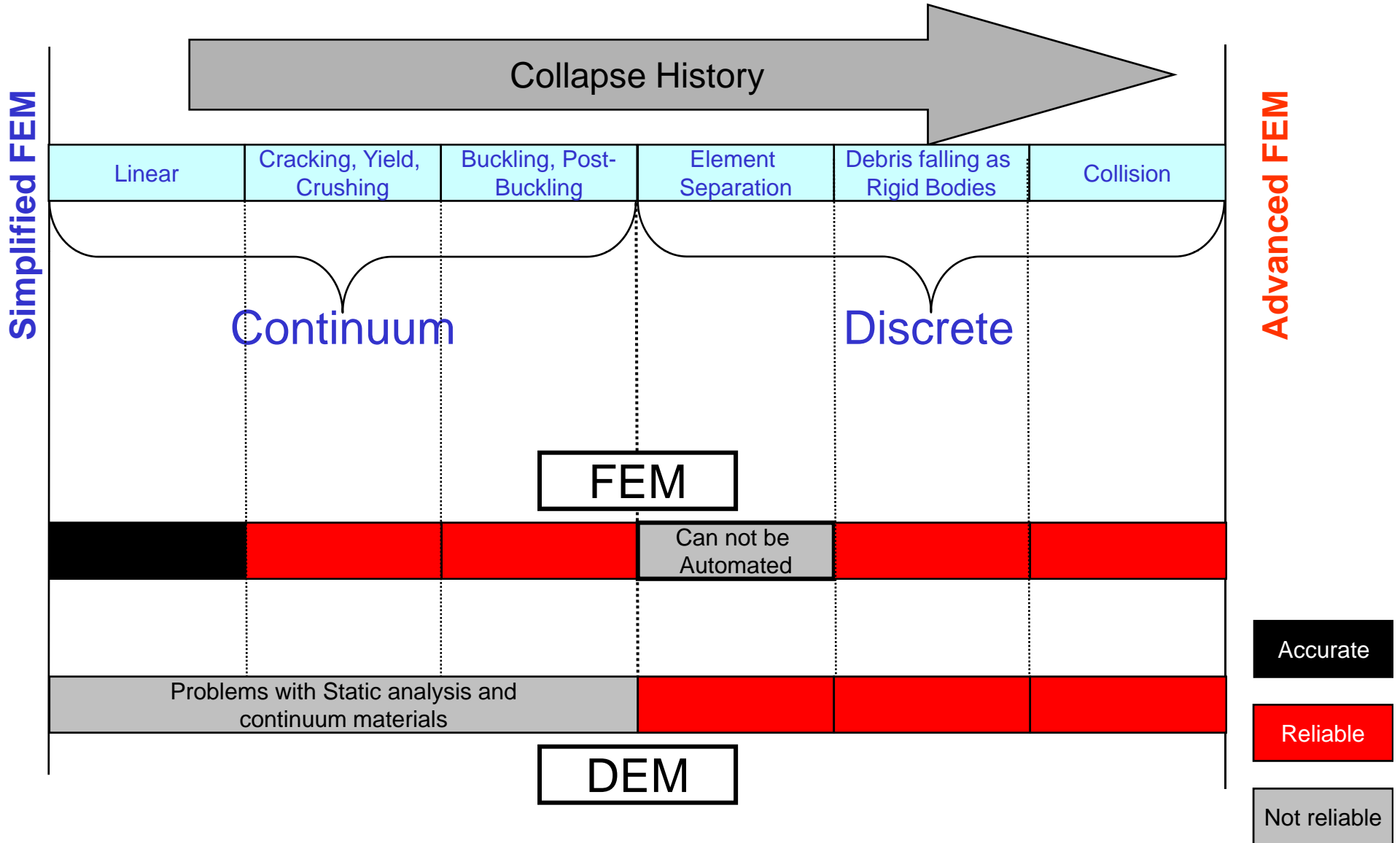
Why AEM?

Methods for Structural Analysis

- Finite Element Method (FEM)
- Boundary Element Method (BEM)
- Finite Difference Method
- Discrete Element Method (DEM)
- Discontinuous Deformation Analysis (DDA)
- Truss Method and Lattice Method
- Strut and Tie Method
- Spring Network Method
- Finite Section Method
- Rigid Body and Spring Method (RBSM)
- Mesh-Free Methods

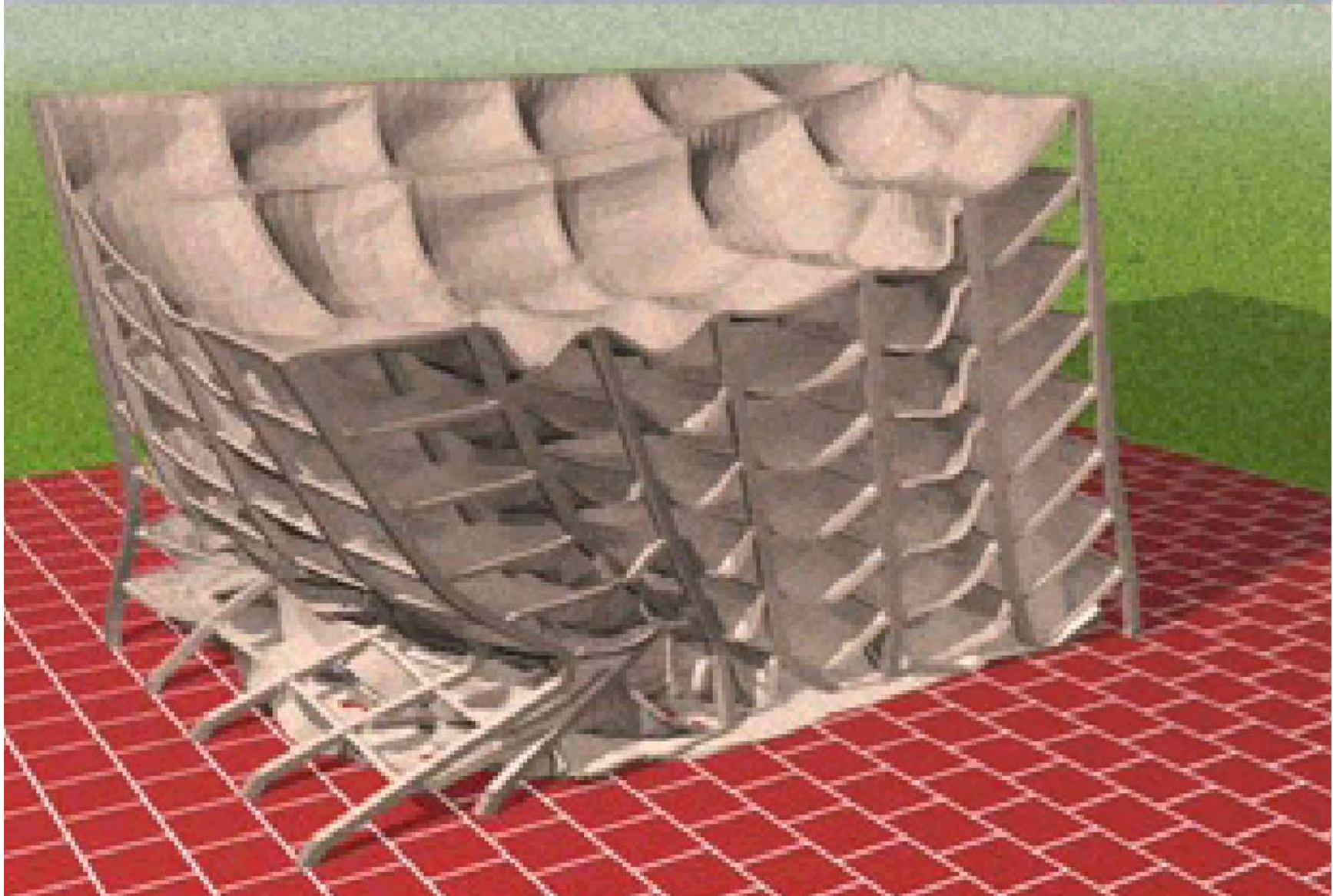
Why AEM?

FEM/DEM Comparison



Why AEM?

Analysis of Oklahoma City Building Using Advanced FEM



Why AEM?

Advantages of AEM compared to FEM

- Analysis Advantages
 - Analysis is as simple as the simplified FEM and as accurate as the advanced FEM.
 - Output includes stresses, strain and internal force diagrams
 - Automatic yield and cut of reinforcement bars
 - Automatic element separation and contact detection
 - Automatic plastic hinge formation
 - Automatic element collision
- Modeling Advantages
 - Physical elements
 - Much easier meshing
 - Easier modeling of reinforcement bars
 - Realistic and Easier modeling for Steel Structures

Why AEM?

Simple Solutions

Complexity, Accuracy, Time and Qualifications of User



Progressive Collapse Analysis



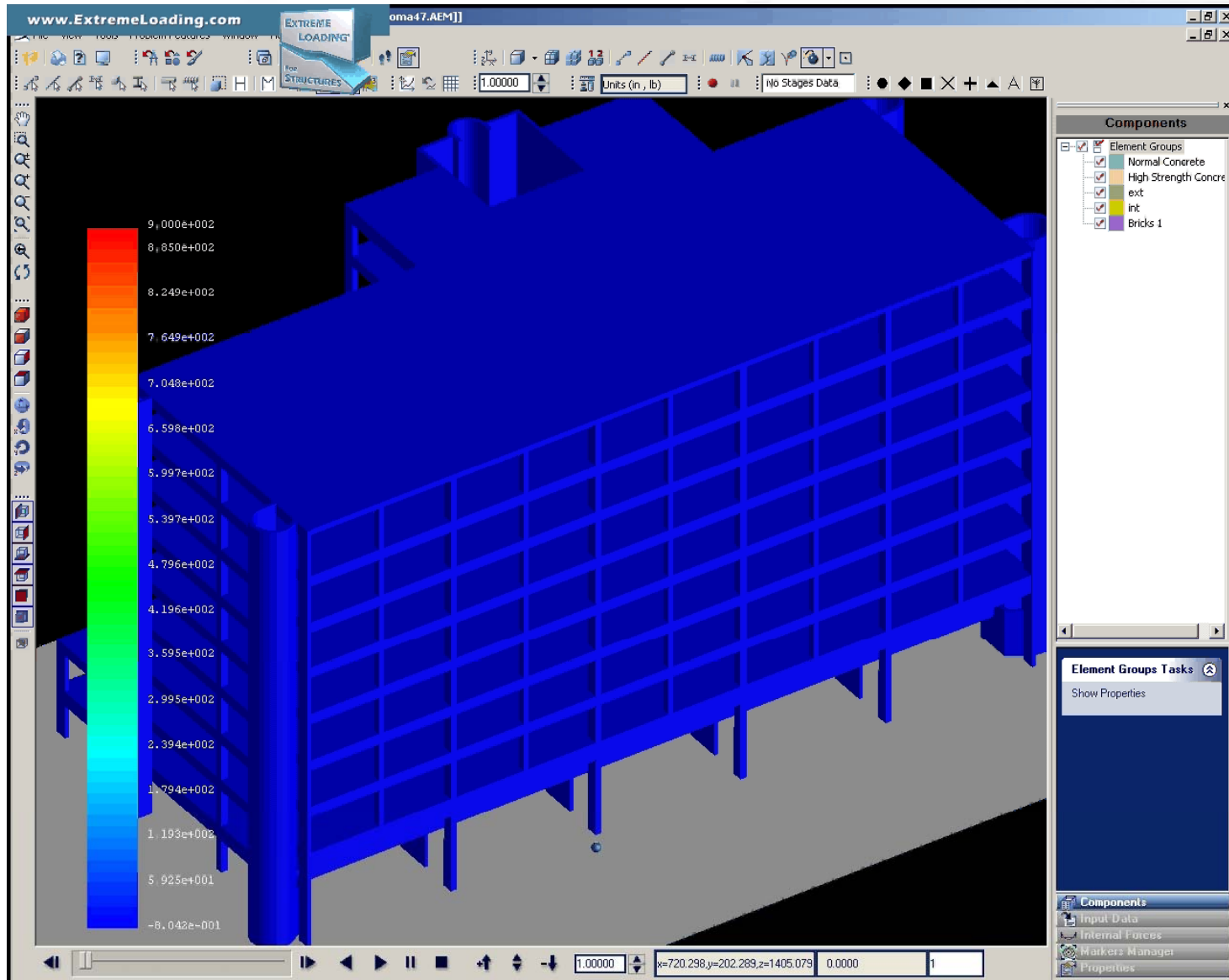
Engineering Judgment, Uncertainty and Construction Cost

Highly Nonlinear Solutions

	FEM		
Simplified FEM	Gap		Advanced FEM
	Performance Based Design		Not verified
	AEM		

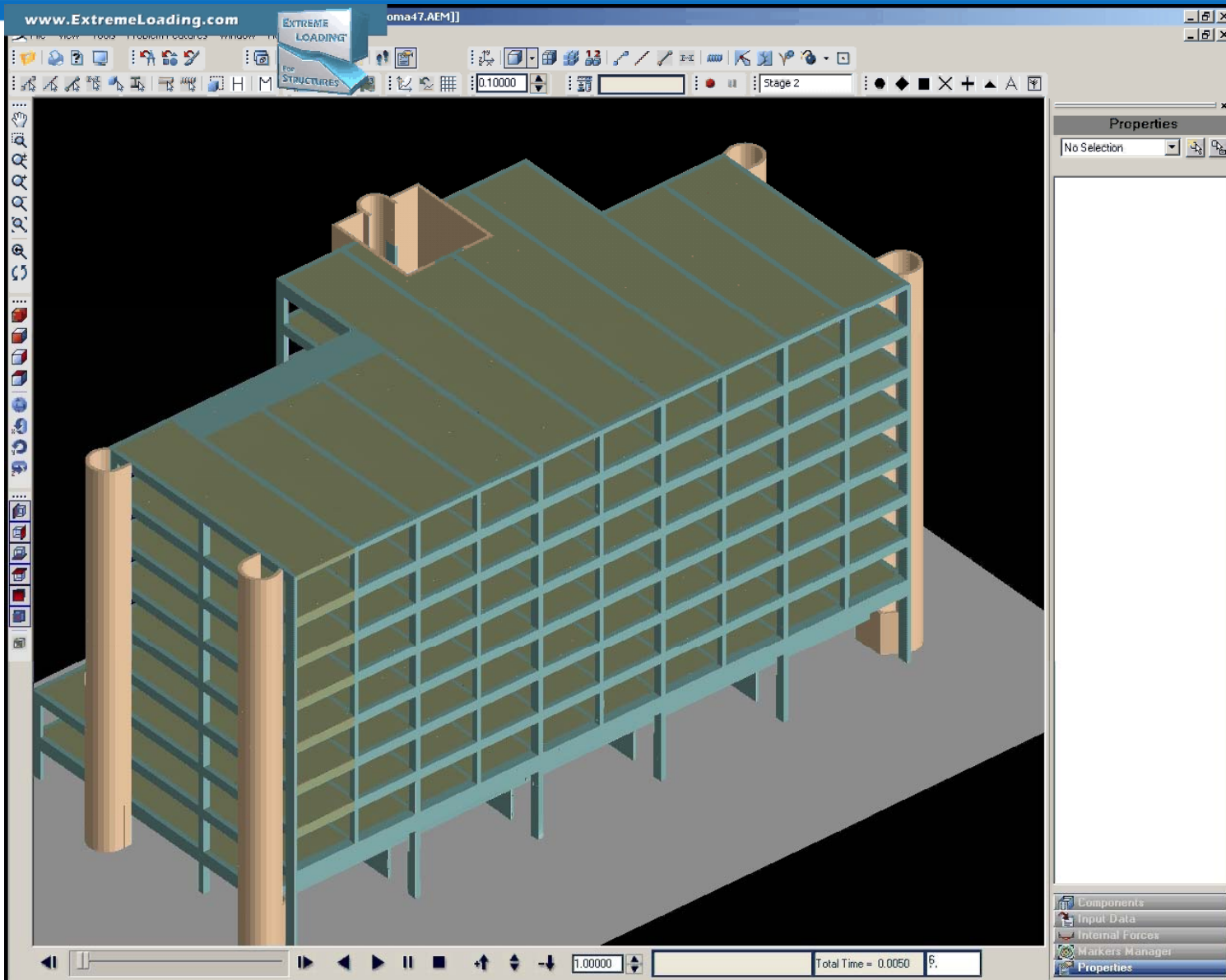
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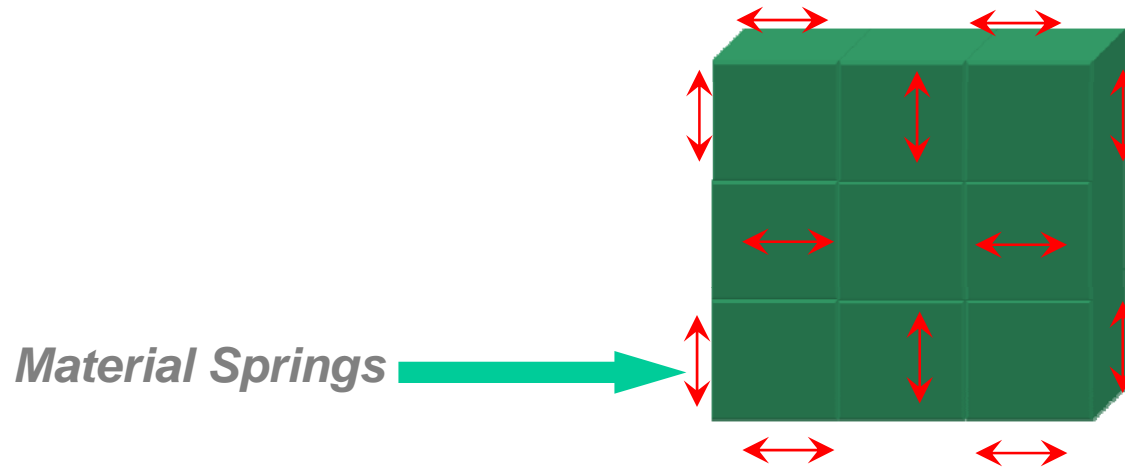
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AEM Theoretical Background

Element Discretization

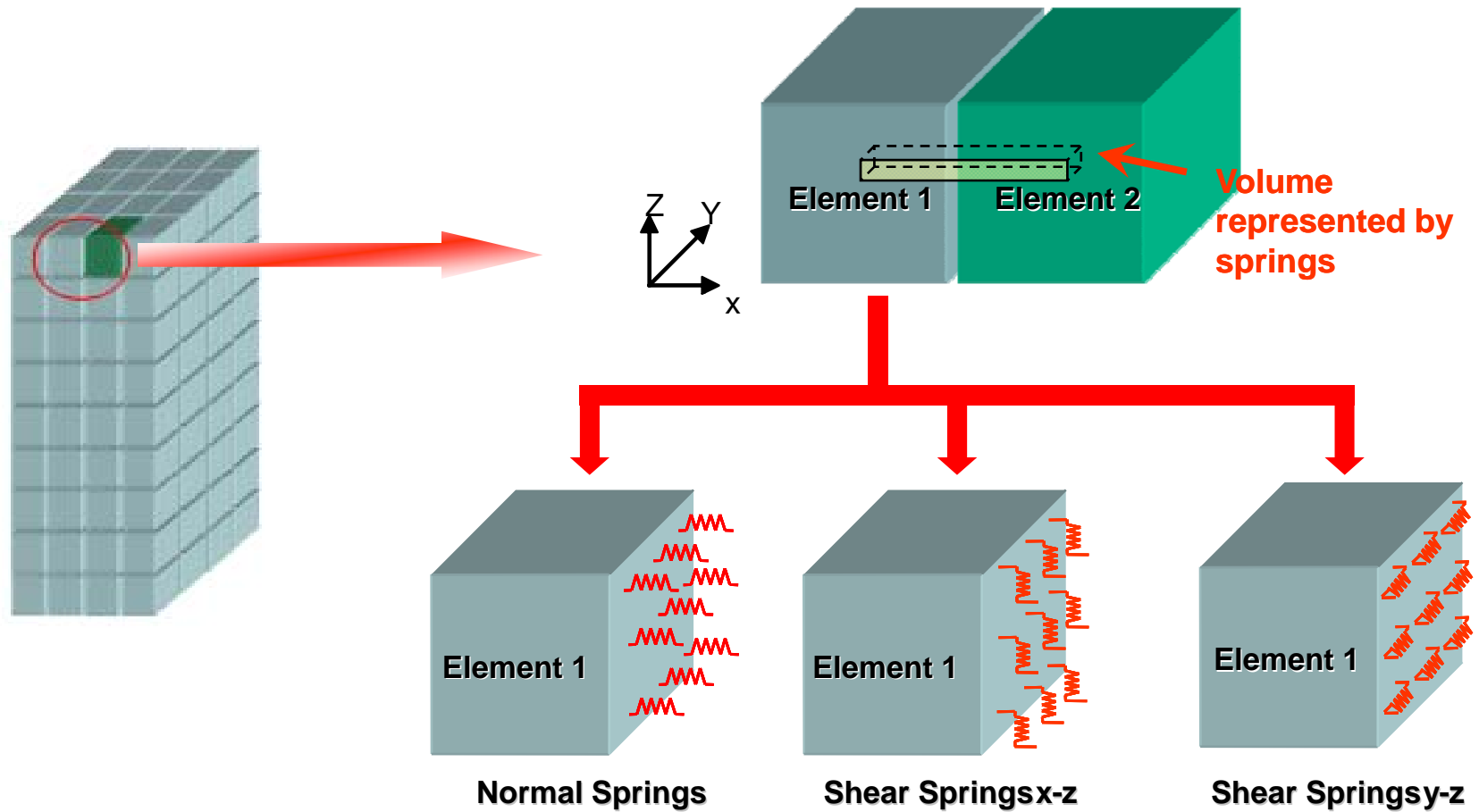


The continuum is discretized into elements connected together with nonlinear springs that represent the material behavior

The springs represent axial deformations as well as shear deformations

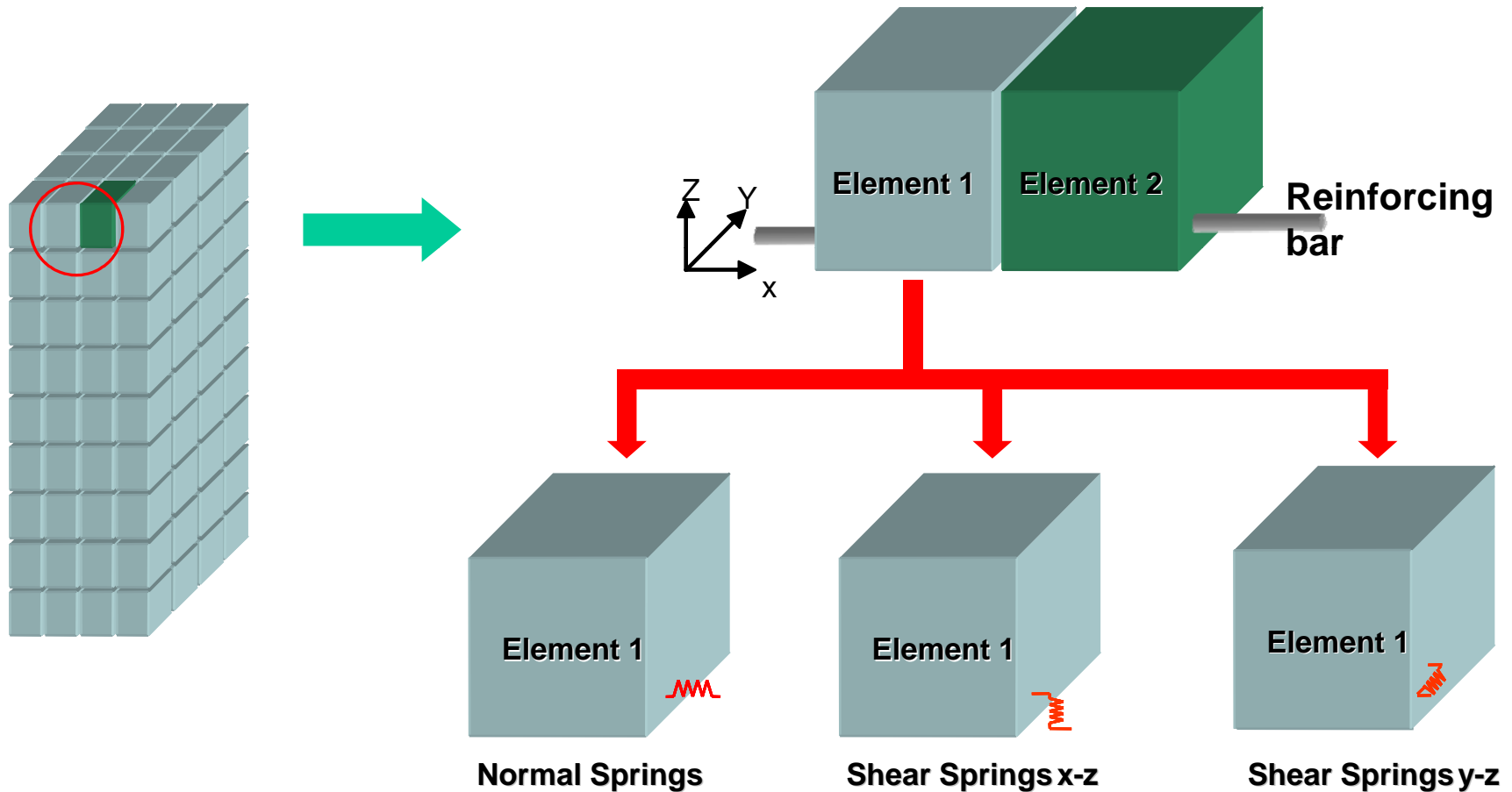
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Connectivity (Matrix Springs)



AEM Theoretical Background

Connectivity (Reinforcement Springs)



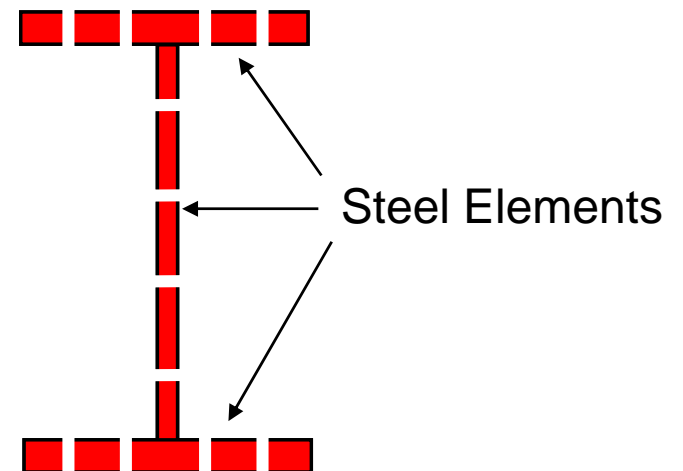
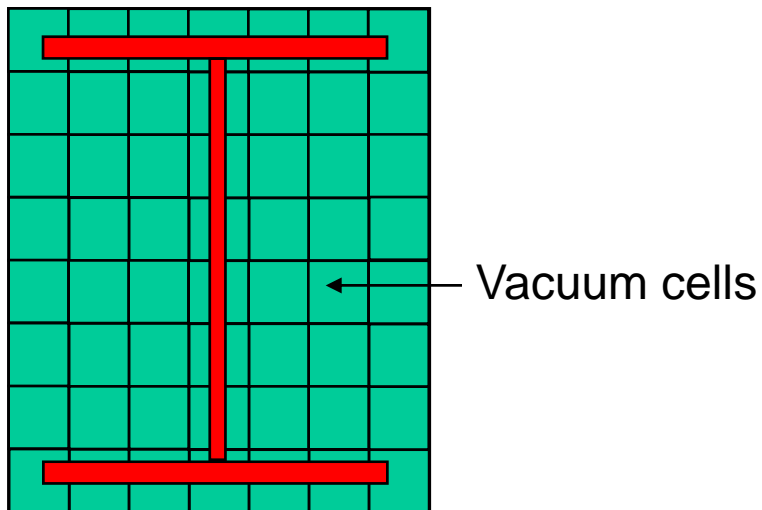
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Connectivity (Steel Sections)

2 ways for modeling a steel section

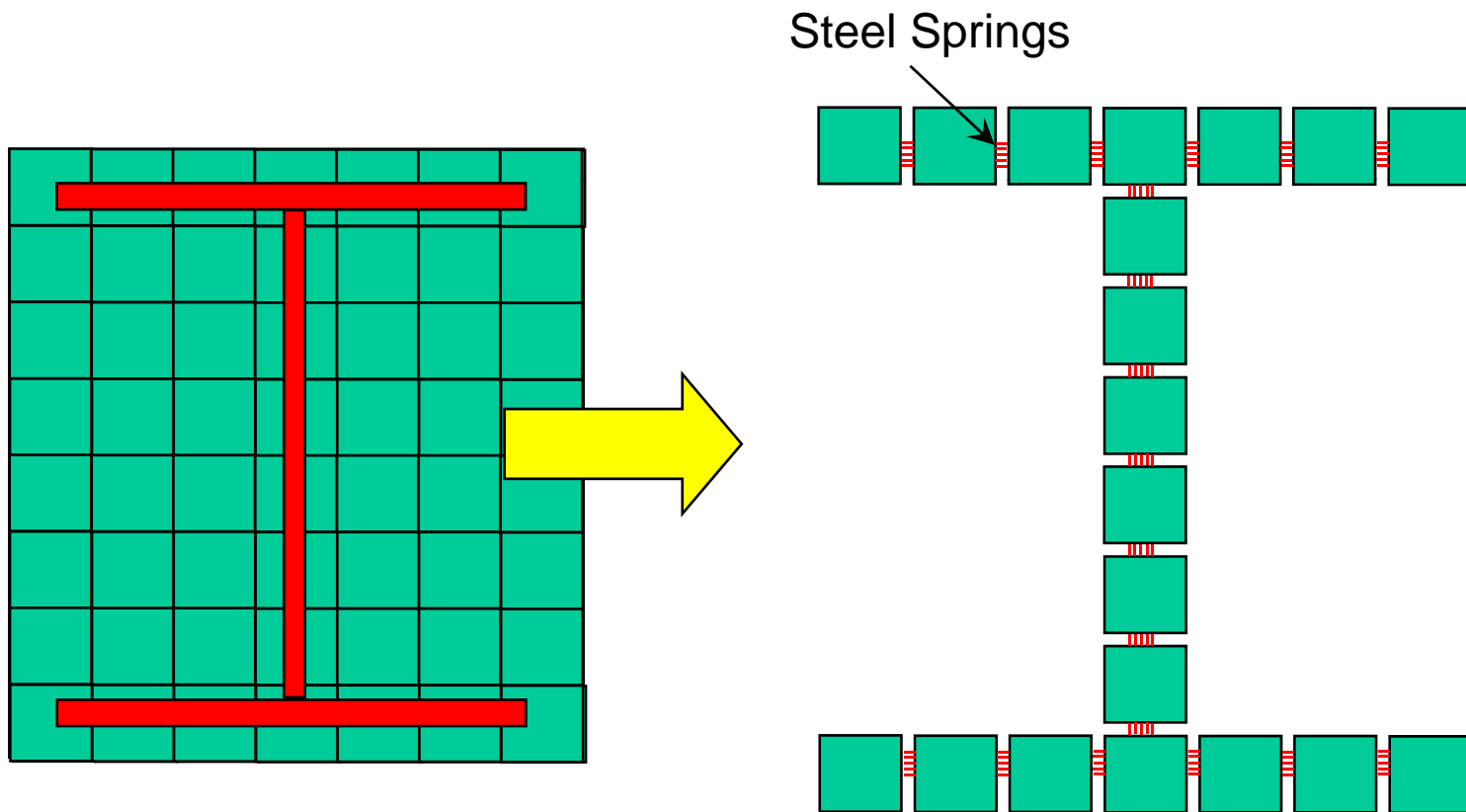
Implicit Steel section

Explicit Steel section



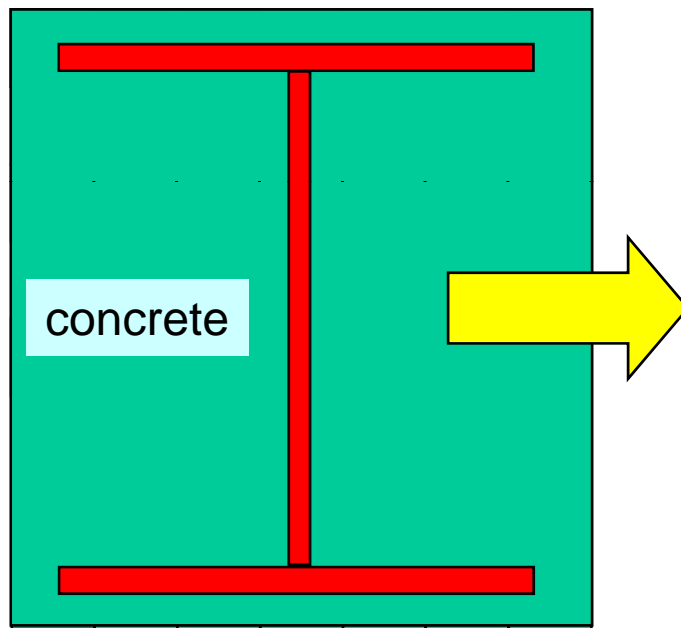
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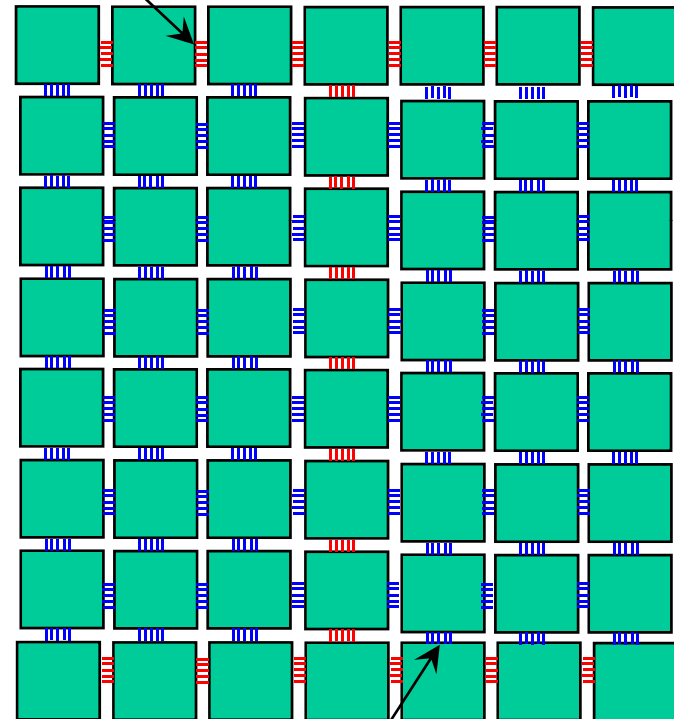


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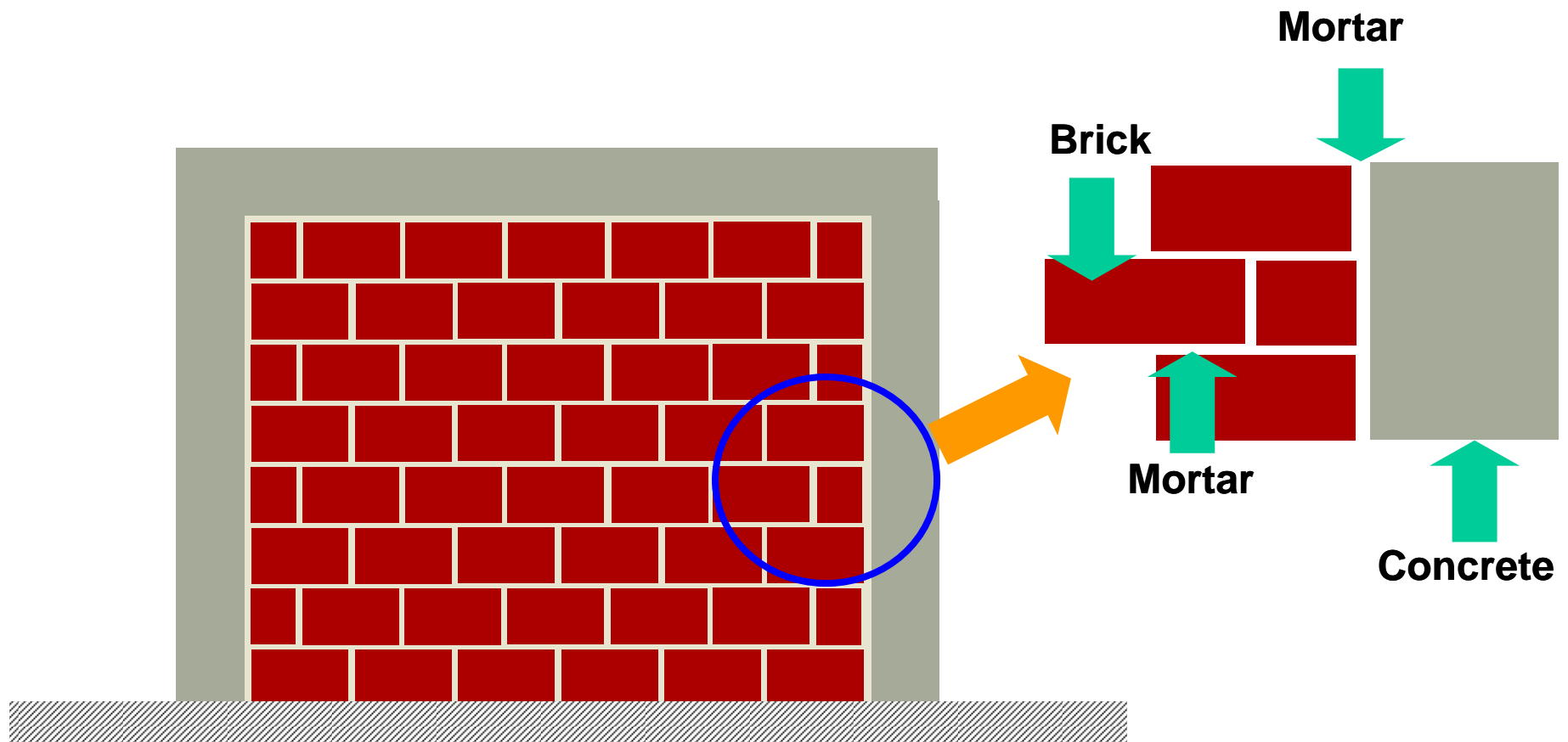
Steel Springs



Concrete Springs

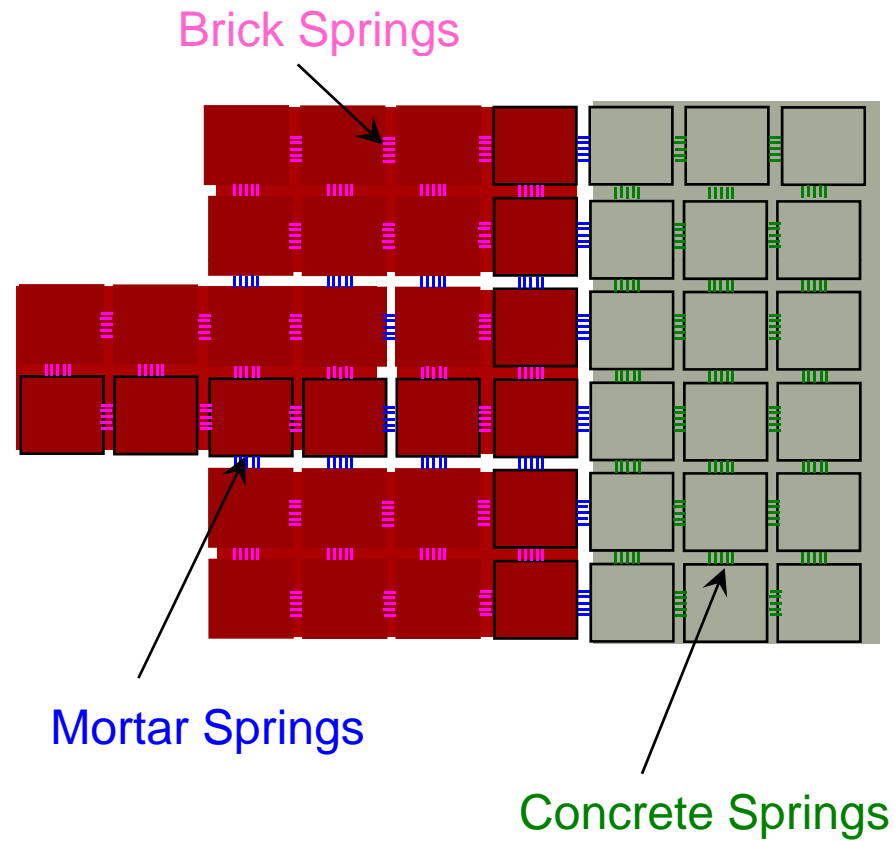
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Masonry Walls Modeling



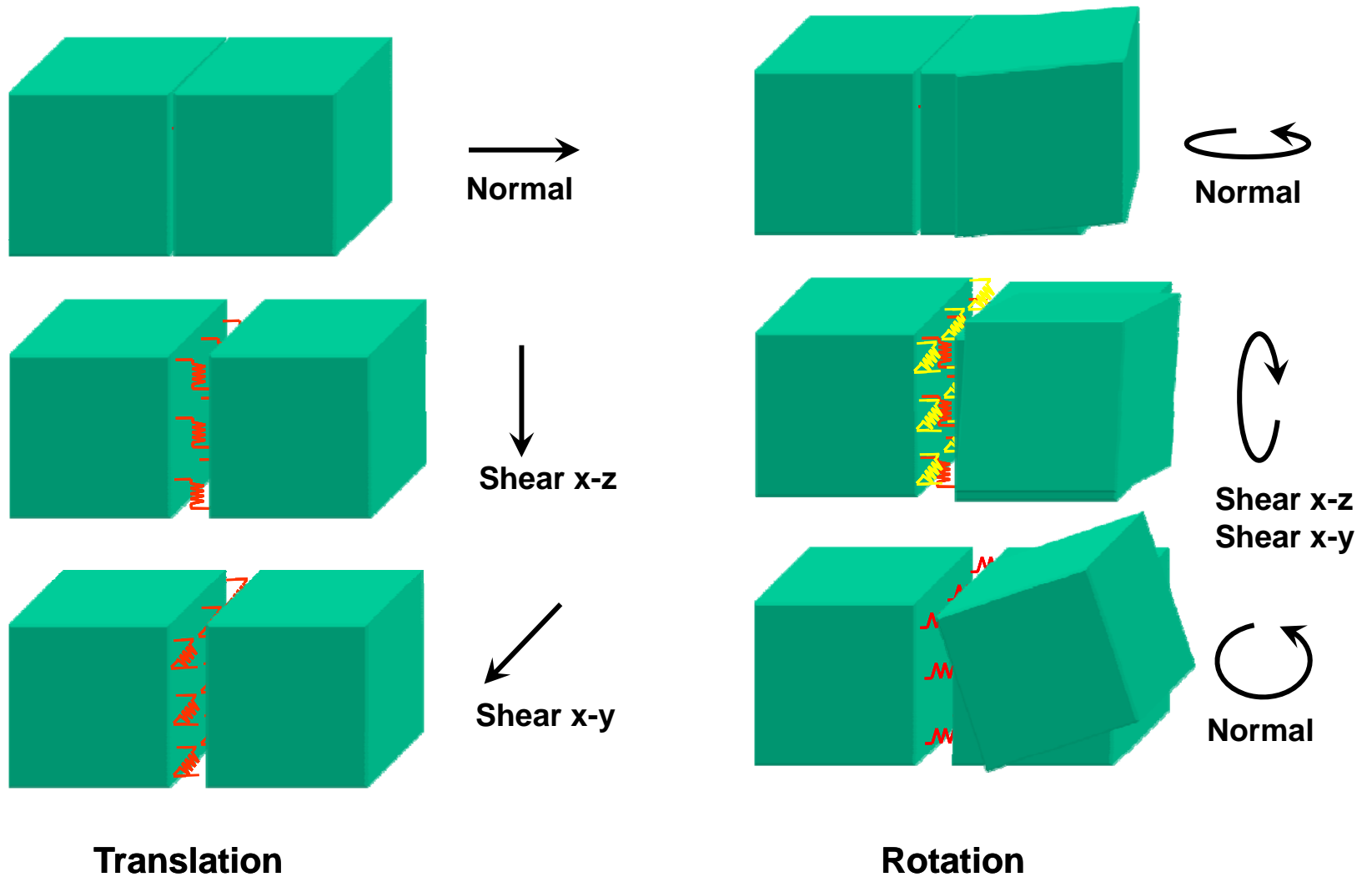
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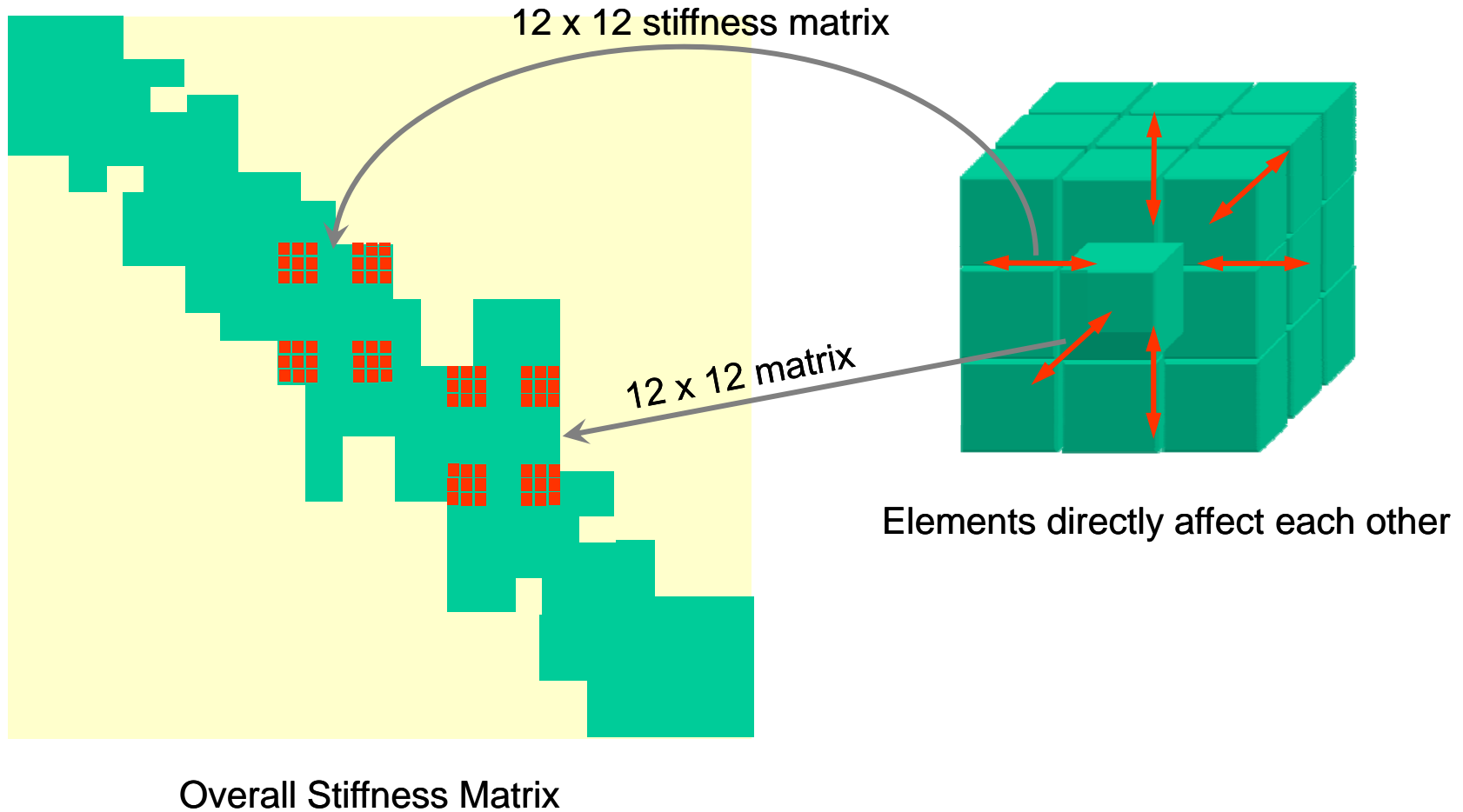
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Degrees of Freedom



AEM Theoretical Background

Assembly of Overall Stiffness Matrix



AEM Theoretical Background

Equation of Motion

$$[M]\{\Delta\ddot{y}_i\} + [C_i]\{\Delta\dot{y}_i\} + [K_i]\{\Delta y_i\} = \{\Delta F_i\}$$

Incremental Equation of Motion

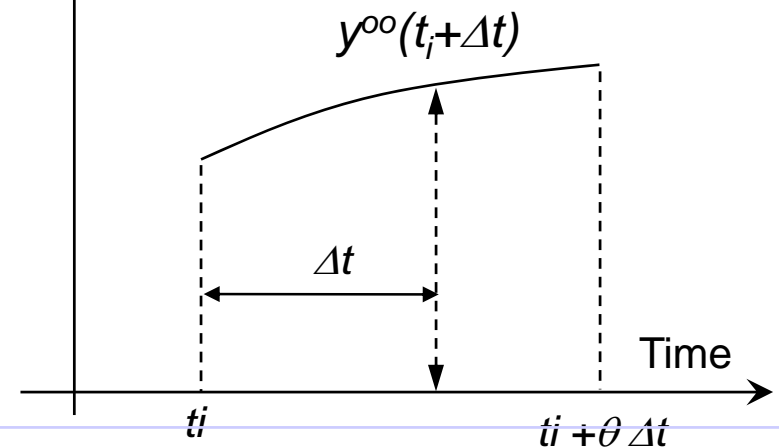
requested

Step-by-step integration (Newmark-beta) method

$$\{\Delta\dot{y}_i\} = \{\dot{y}_i\}\Delta t + \gamma\{\Delta\ddot{y}_i\}\Delta t$$

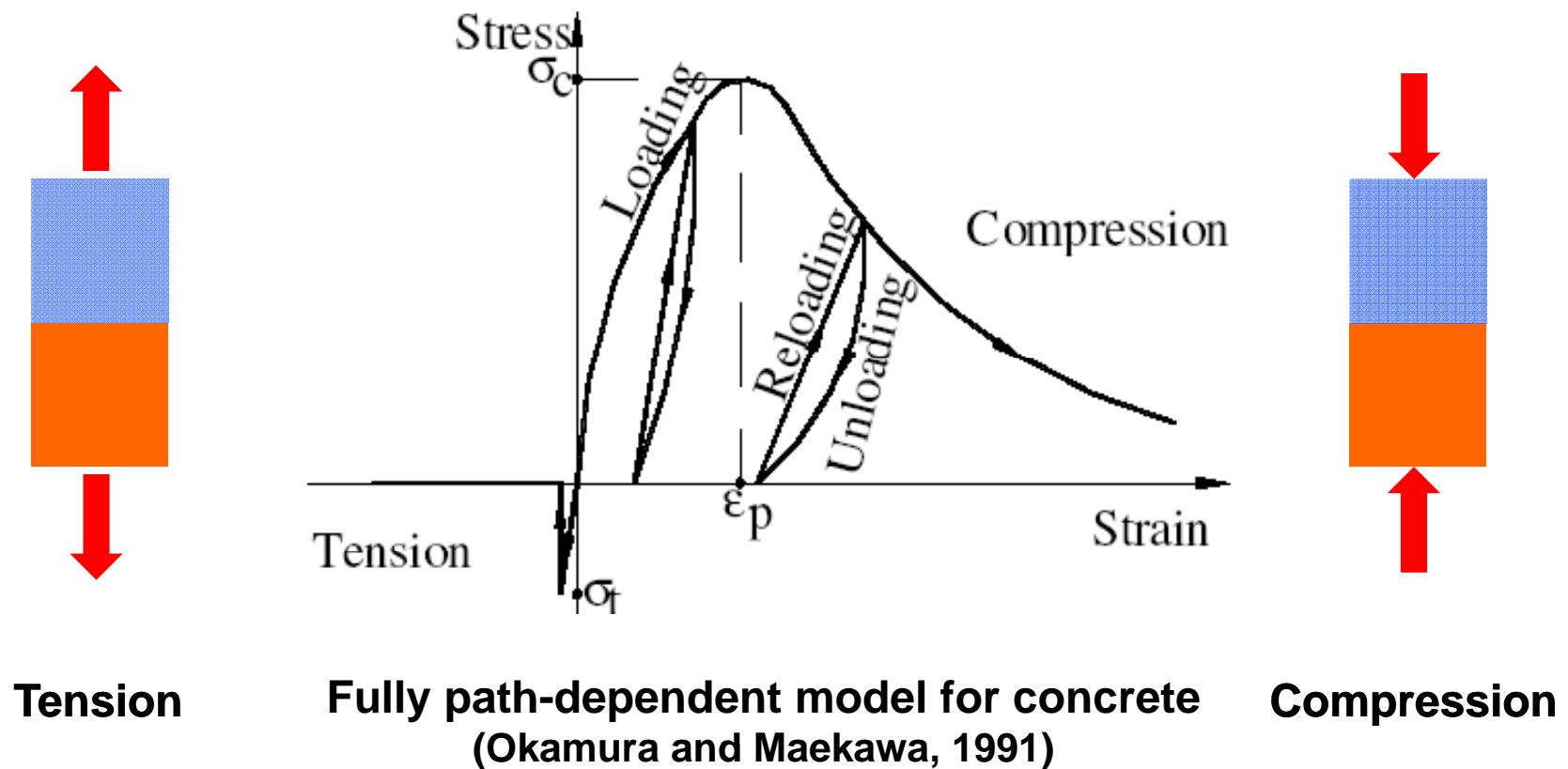
$$\{\Delta y_i\} = \{\dot{y}_i\}\Delta t + \frac{1}{2}\{\ddot{y}_i\}\Delta t^2 + \beta\{\Delta\ddot{y}_i\}\Delta t^2$$

Acceleration



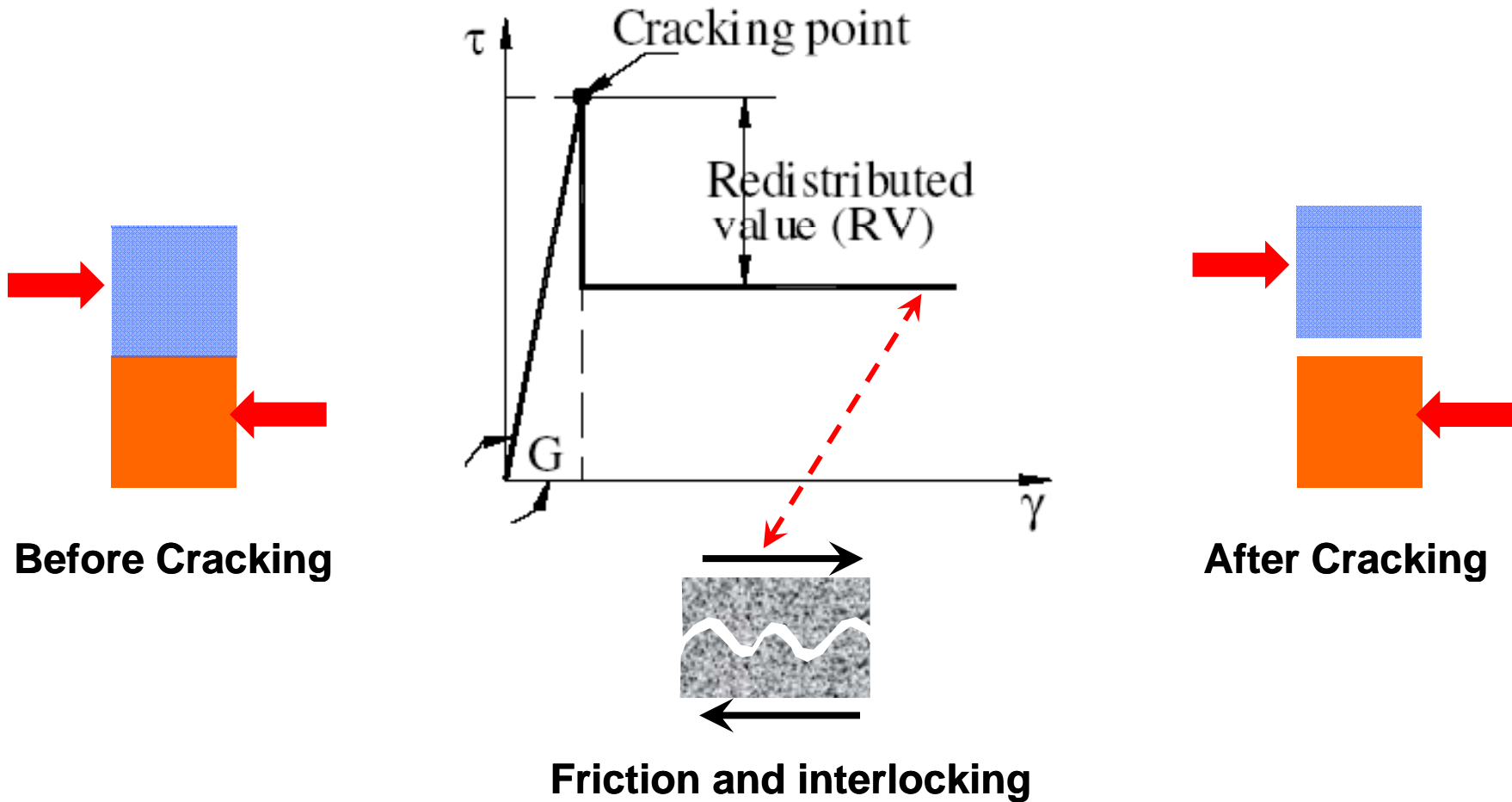
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Material Models (Concrete under axial stresses)



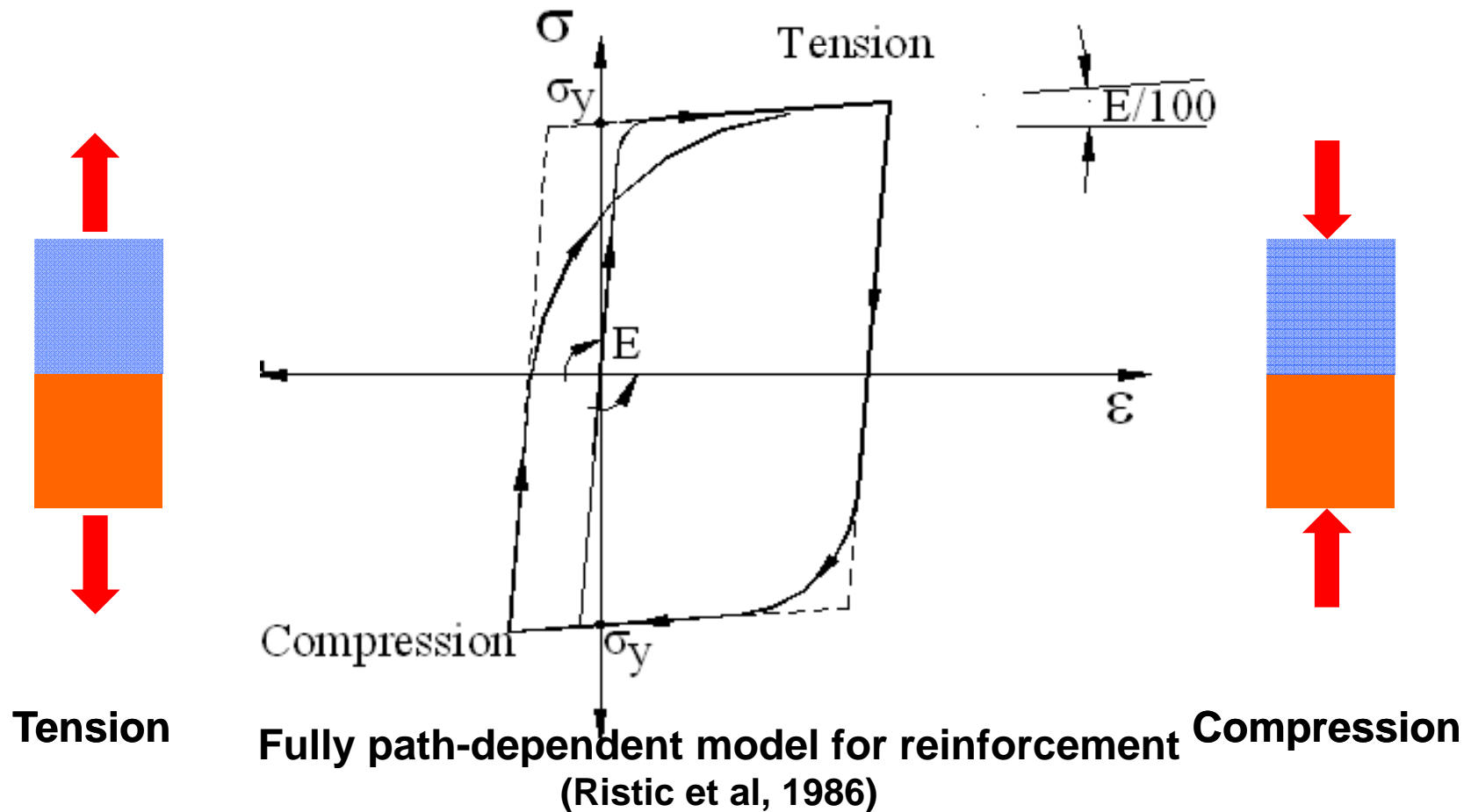
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Material Models (Concrete under Shear Stresses)



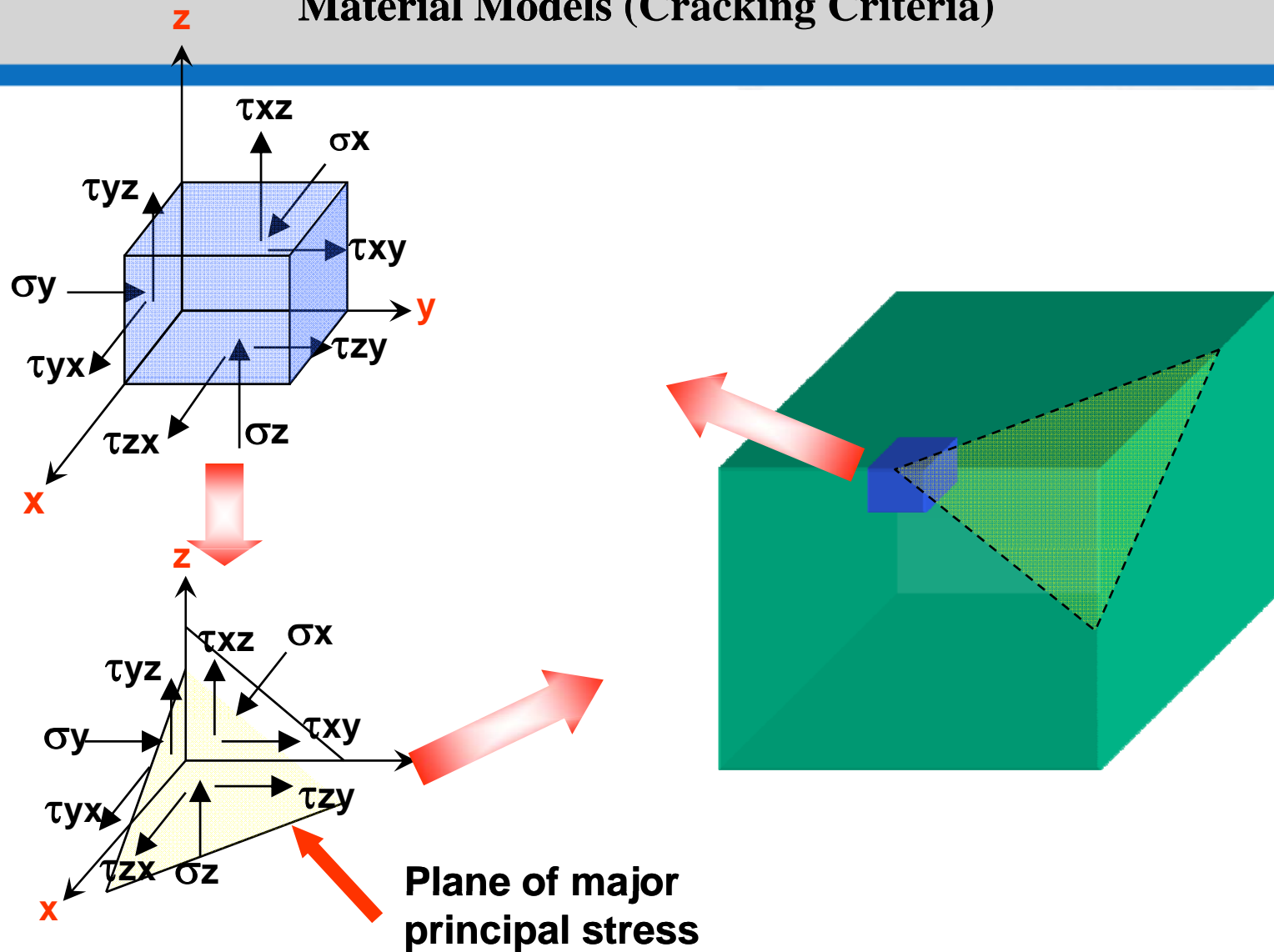
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Material Models (Steel under axial stresses)



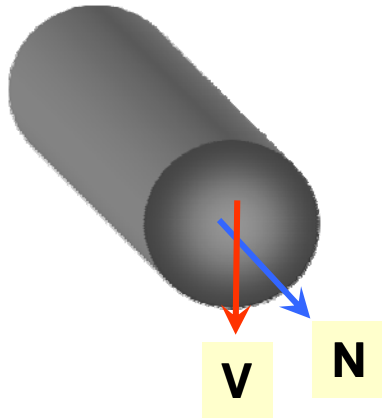
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Material Models (Cracking Criteria)



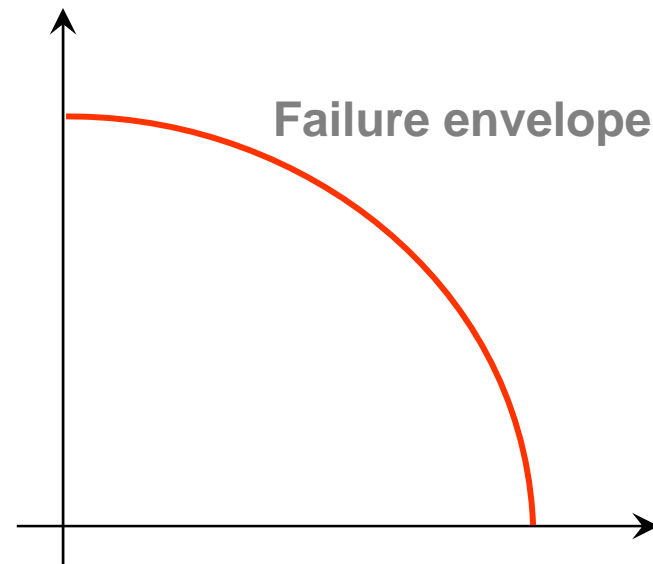
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Cut of Rebar



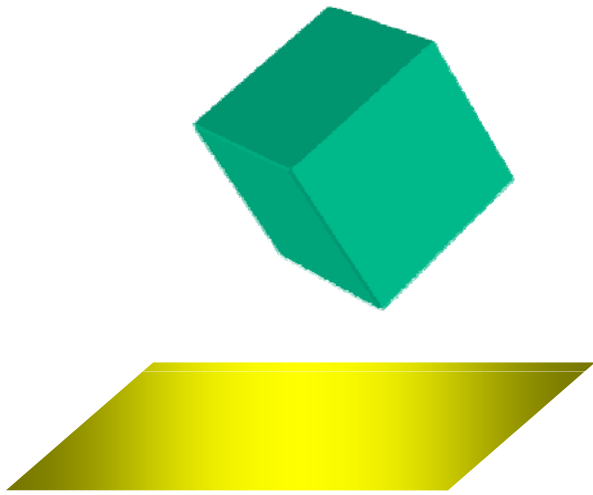
Von-Mises Criteria applied for Ultimate Strength
Bar resists only Normal and shear forces
No Flexural rigidity at the time-being

$$\left(\frac{N}{N_P}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{V}{V_P}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{M}{M_P}\right)^2 = 1$$

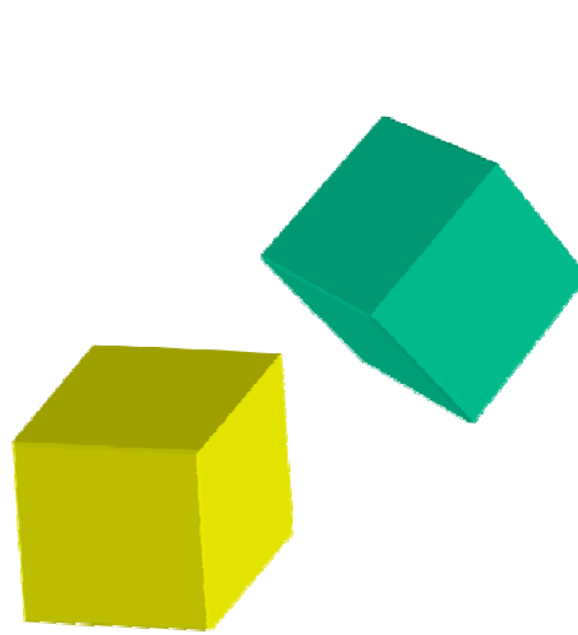


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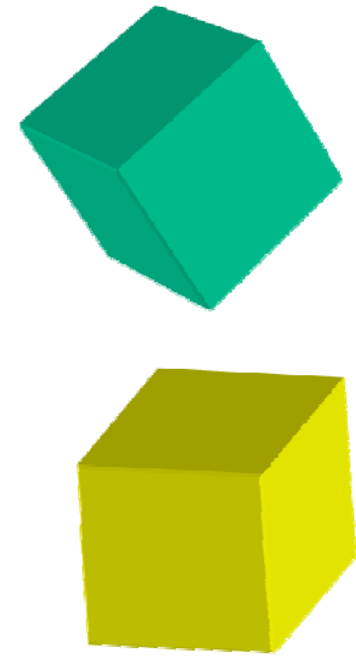
Types of Contact



Corner-Ground Type



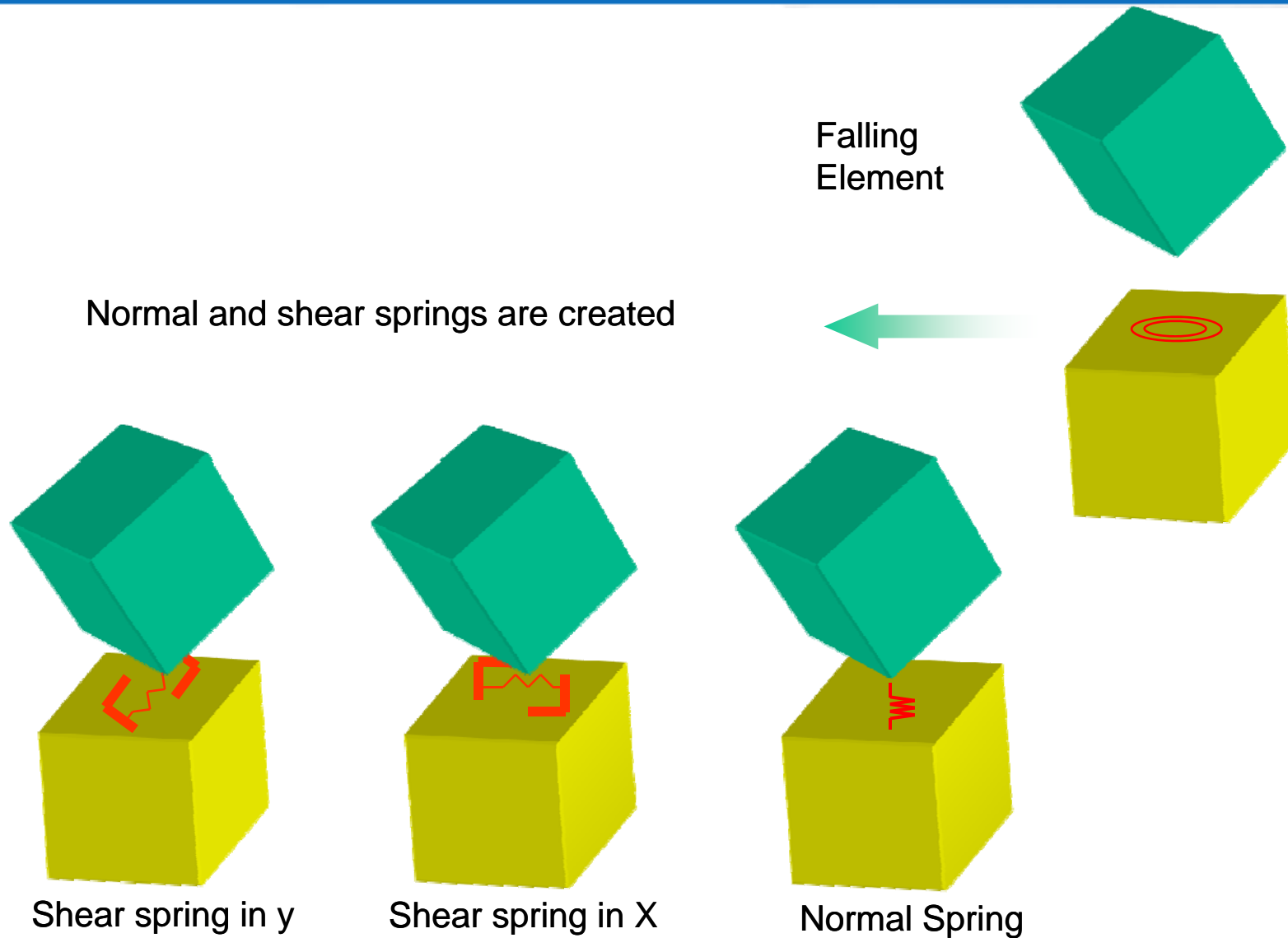
Edge-Edge Type



Corner-Face Type

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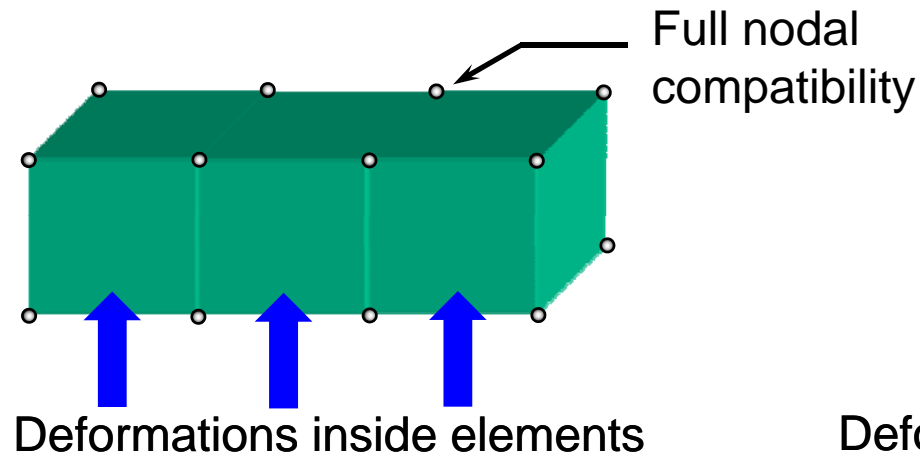
Collision Springs



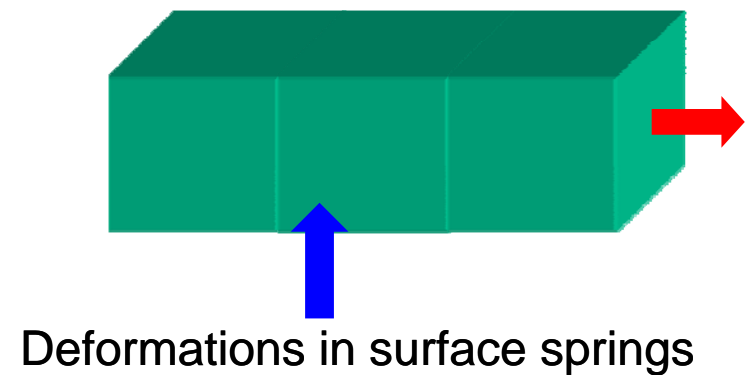
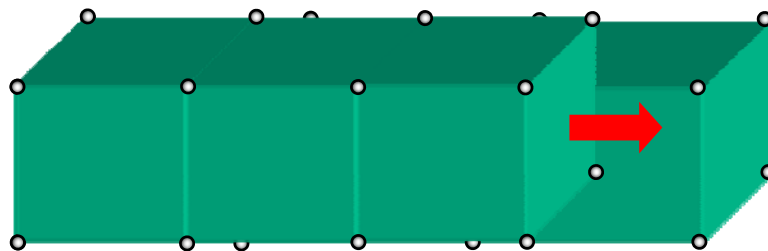
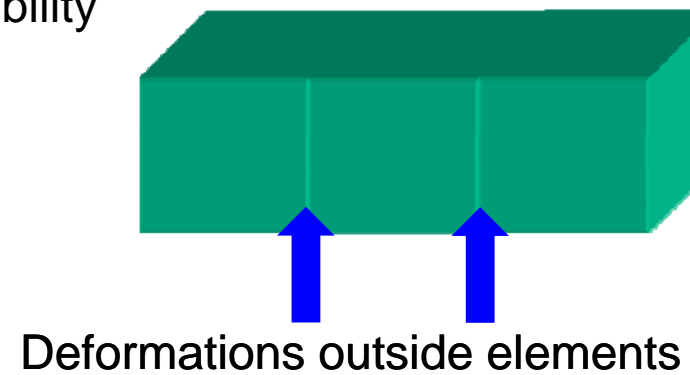
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FEM/AEM Comparison

FEM

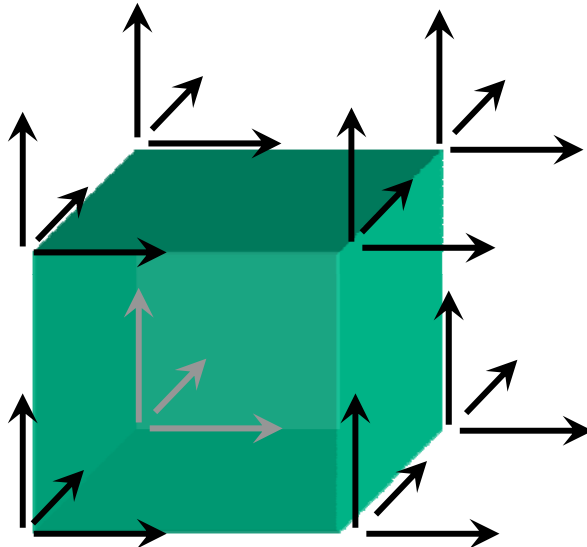


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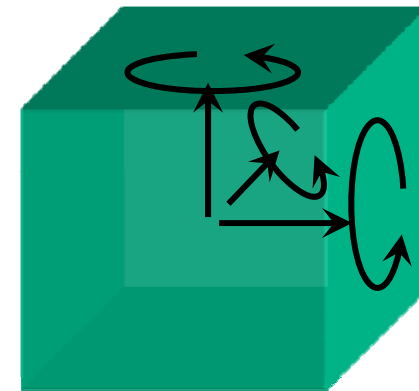
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FEM

8 nodes x 3 DOF → 24 DOF/ Element

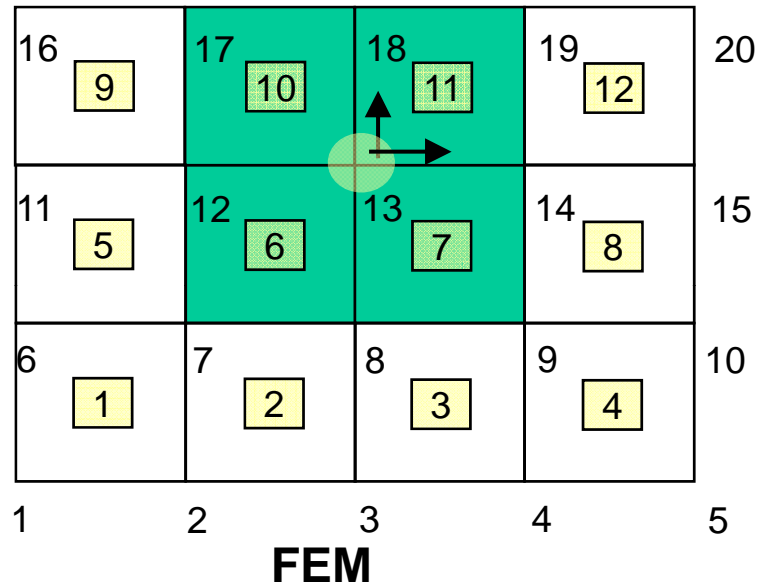


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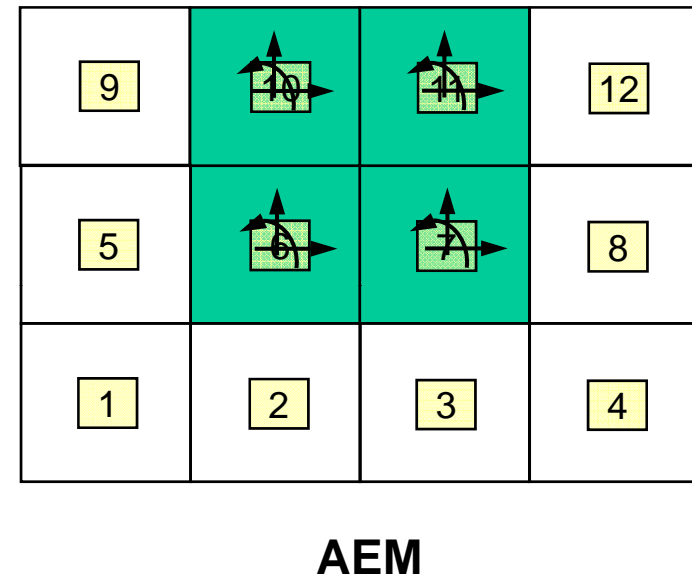
6 DOF/ Element

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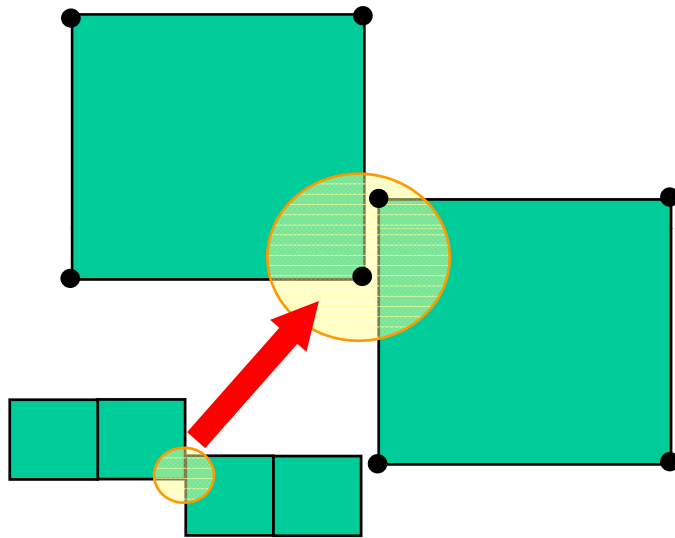
- Elements compatible at nodes (moves together there)
- For example Node 13 connects Elements 6,7,10,11
- Deformations are inside the elements



- Elements are connected through their faces
- For example elements 6,7,10,11 are not compatible in deformations
- Deformations are localized at the faces of the elements

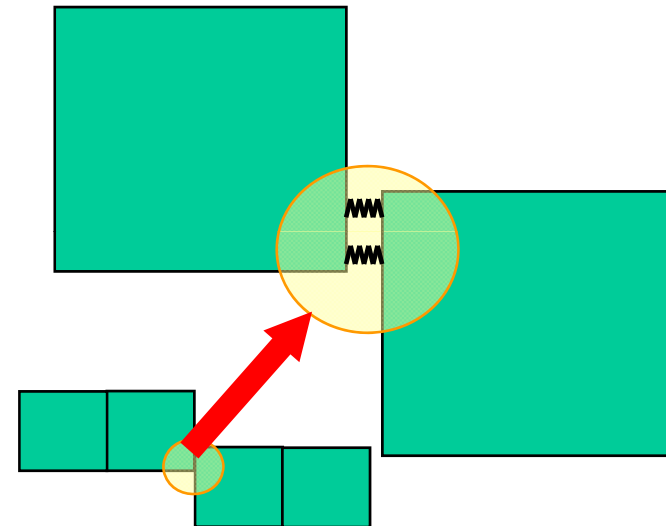
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FEM/AEM Comparison



FEM

No Connectivity

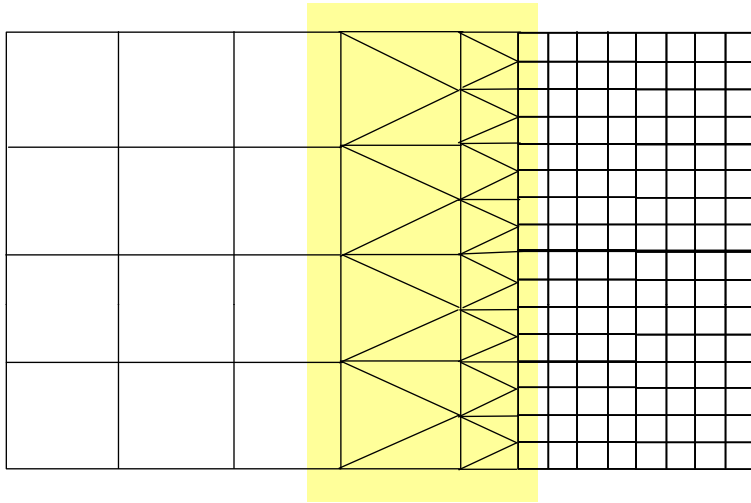


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Connectivity included

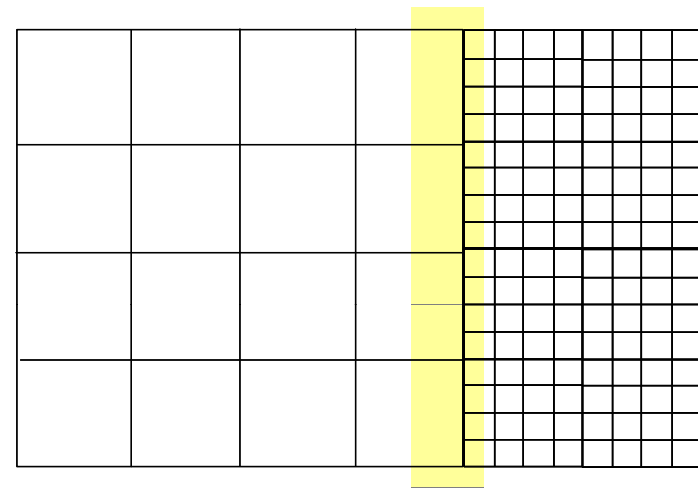
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FEM/AEM Comparison (Transition Elements)



FEM

There should be transition elements between large elements and small elements



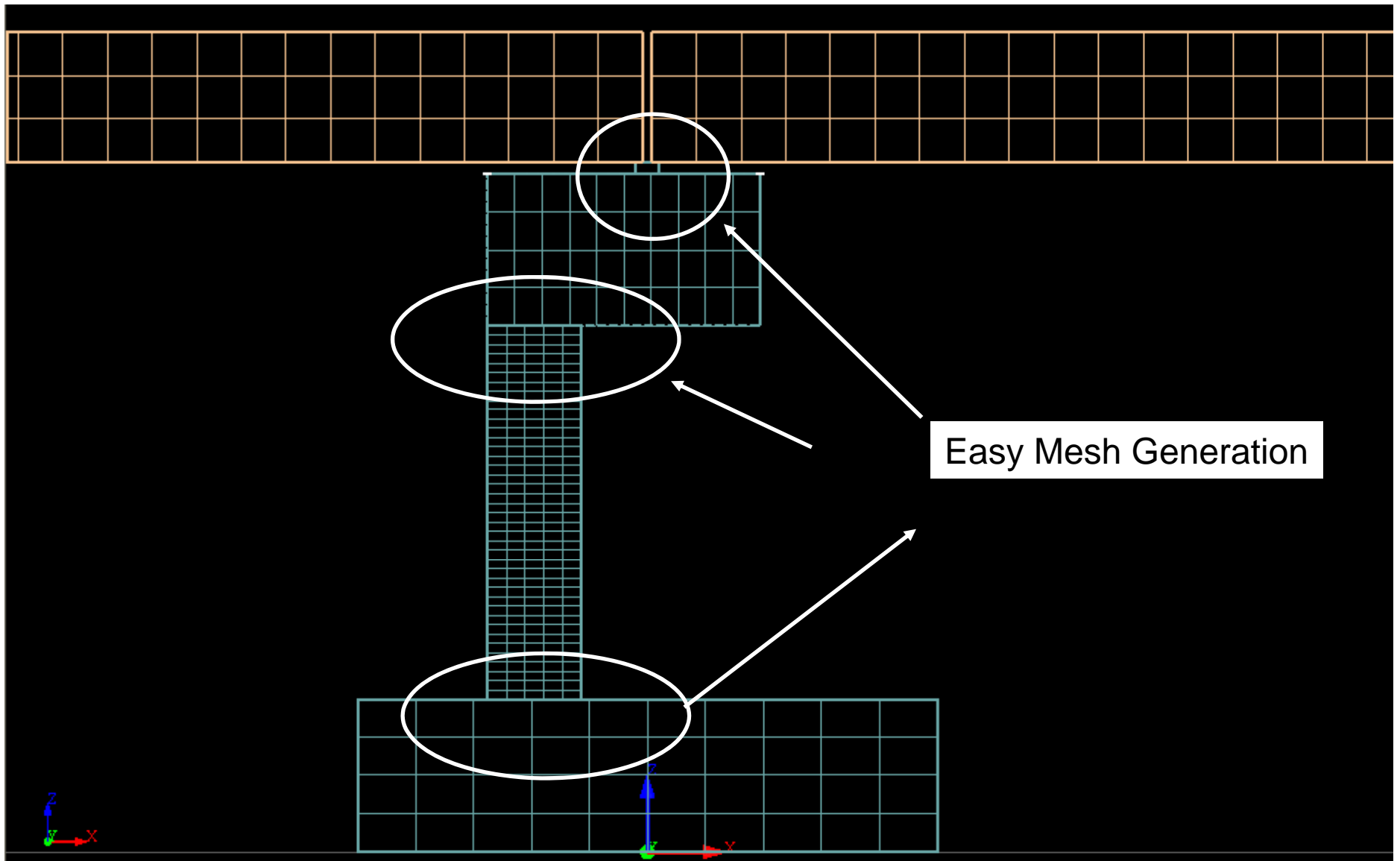
AEM

There is no need for the transition elements between large elements and small elements

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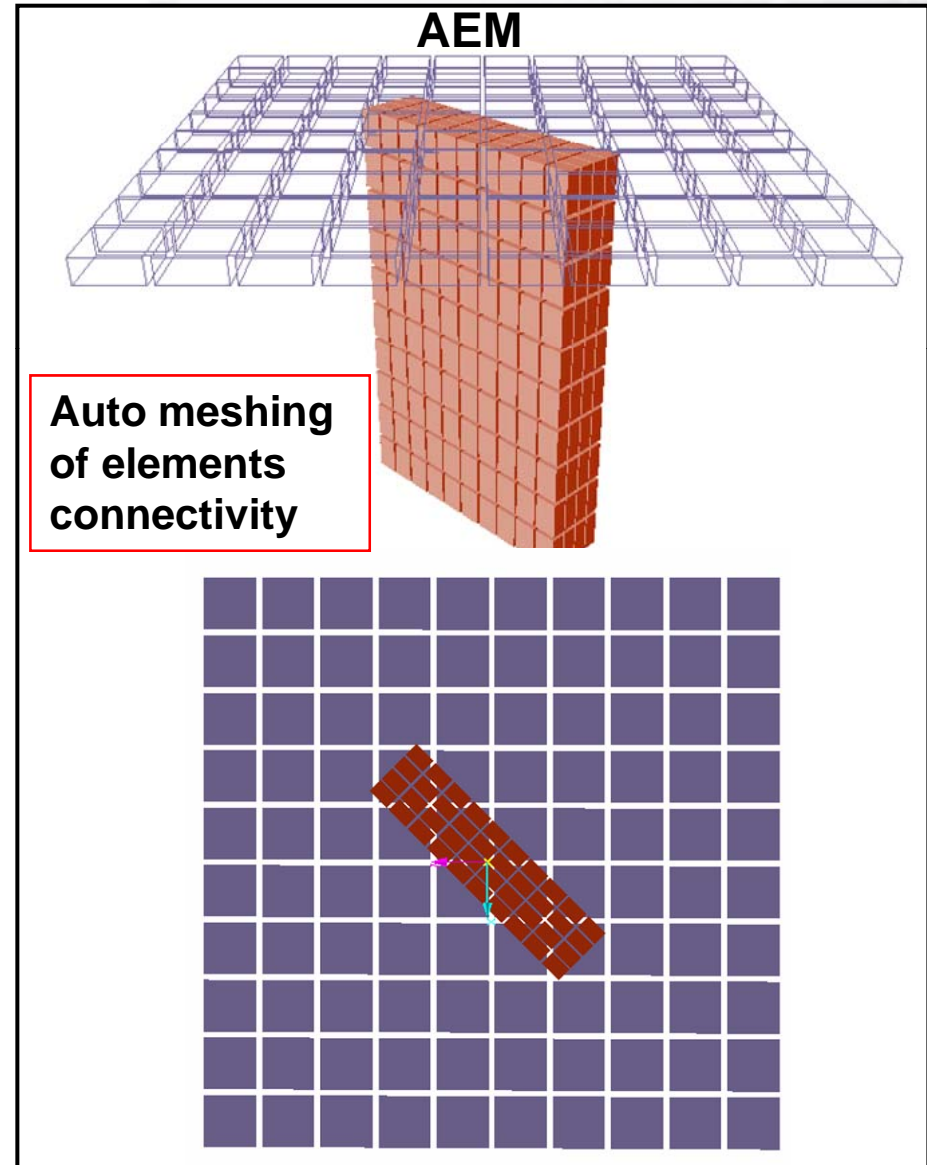
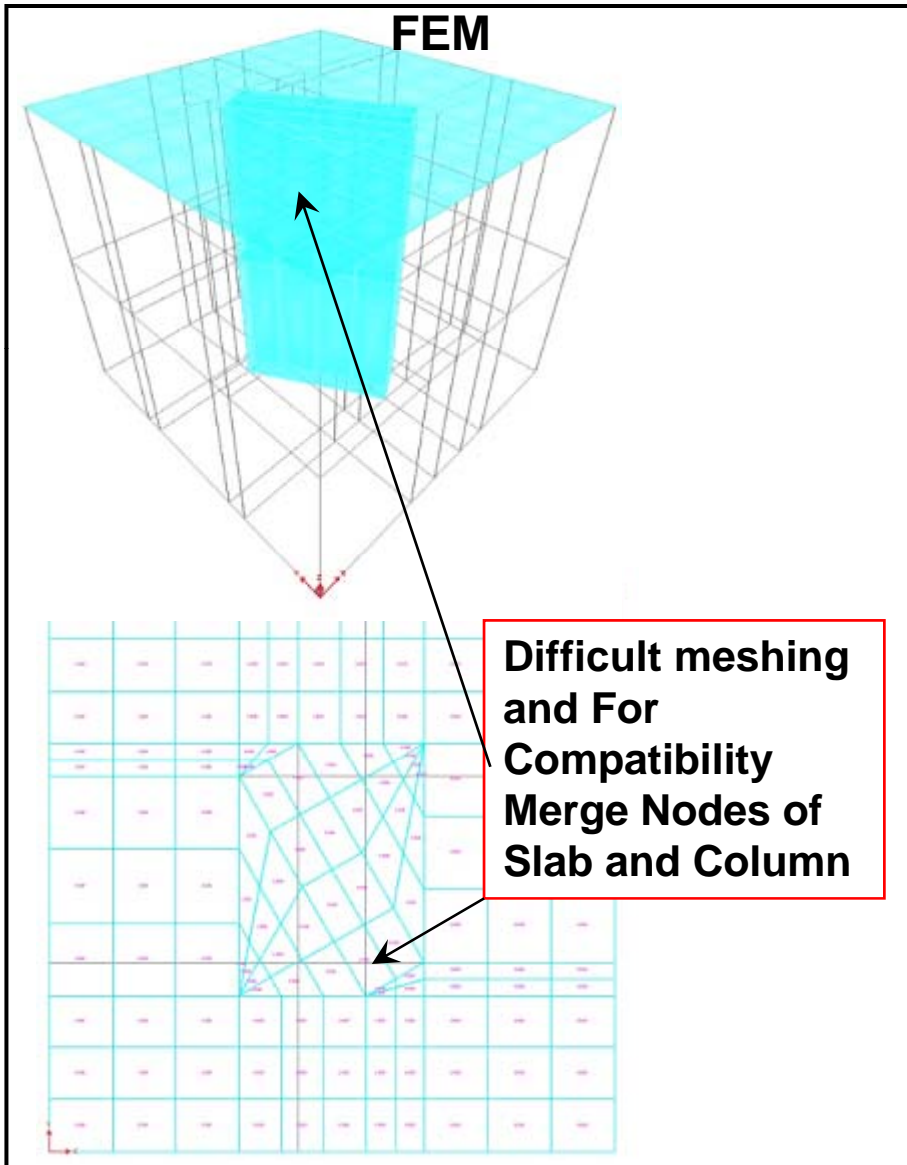
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Easy Element Connectivity



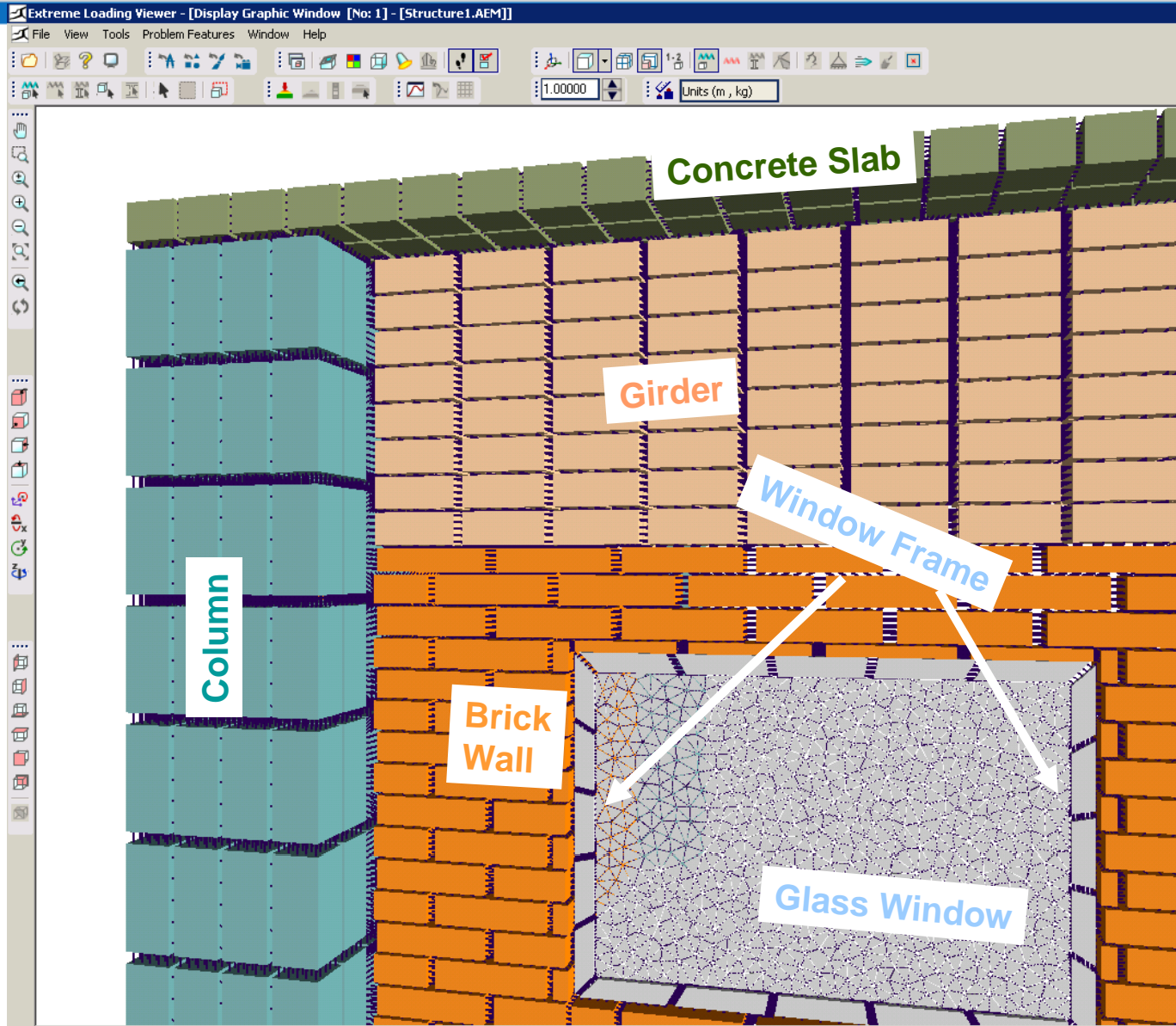
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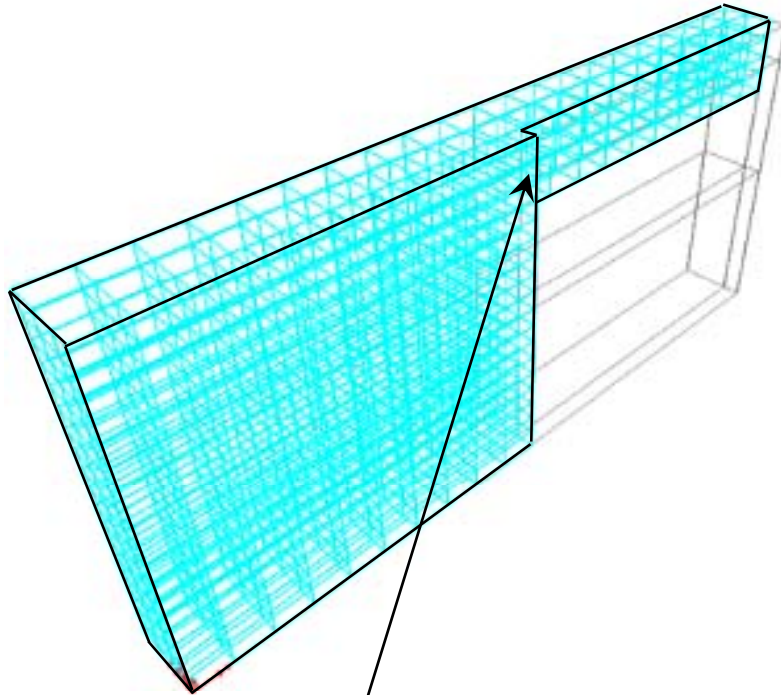
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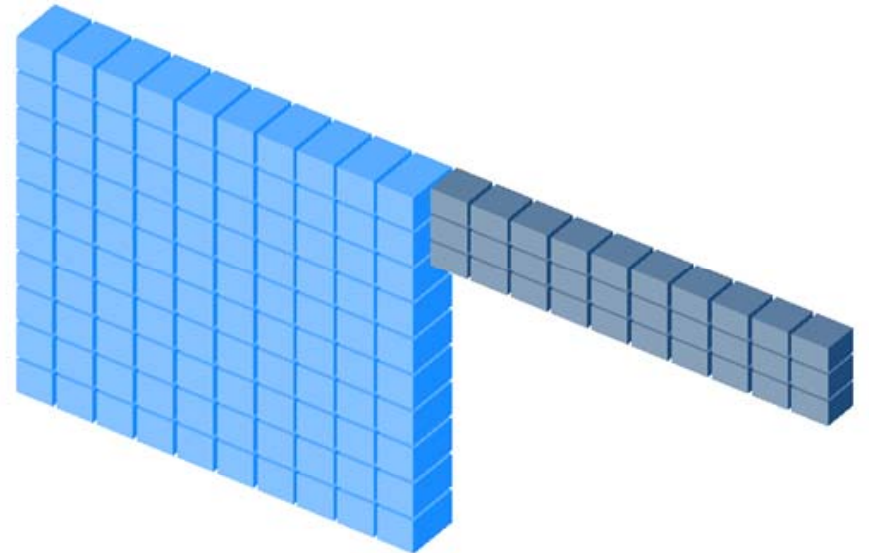
Easy Element Connectivity

FEM



Difficult meshing
Between wide
and thin elements

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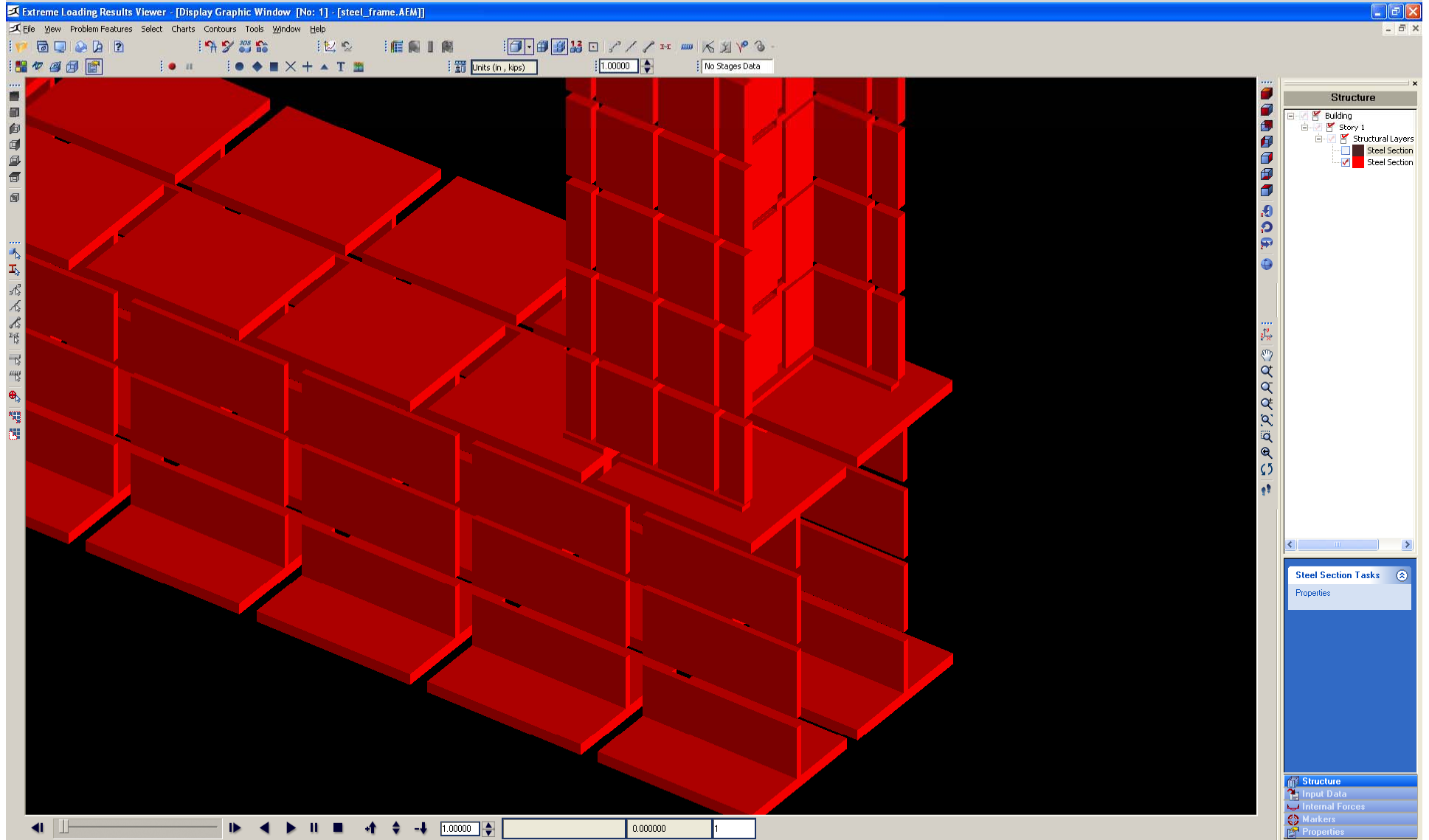


Connection of
Elements
Through
Interfaces



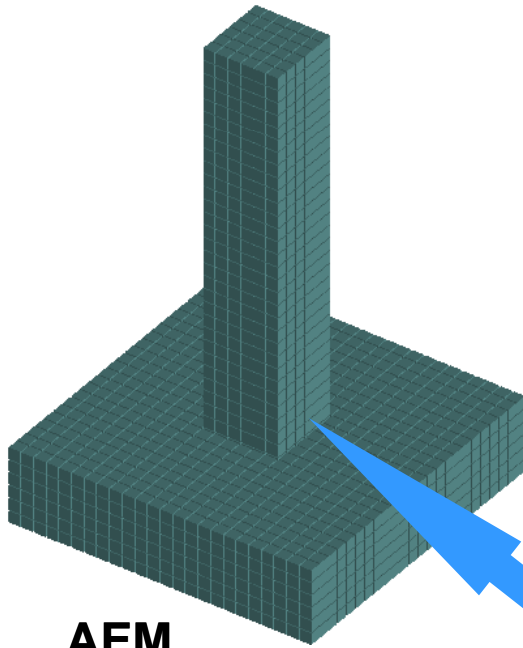
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Easy Modeling of Steel Structures

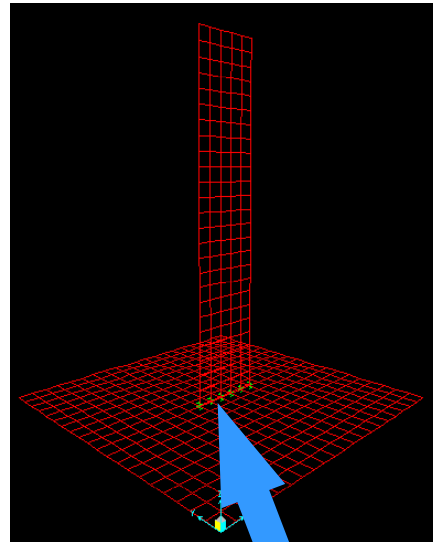


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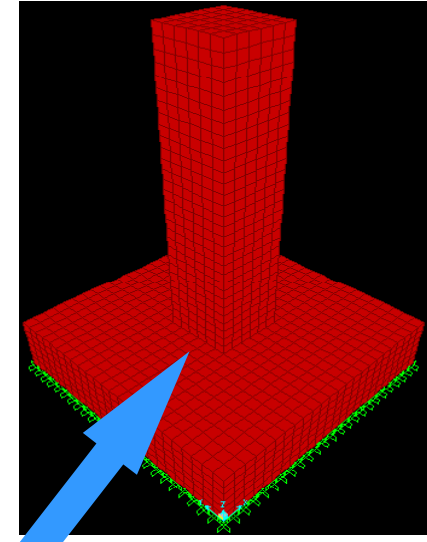
No Need for Gap Elements



AEM



Shell Elements



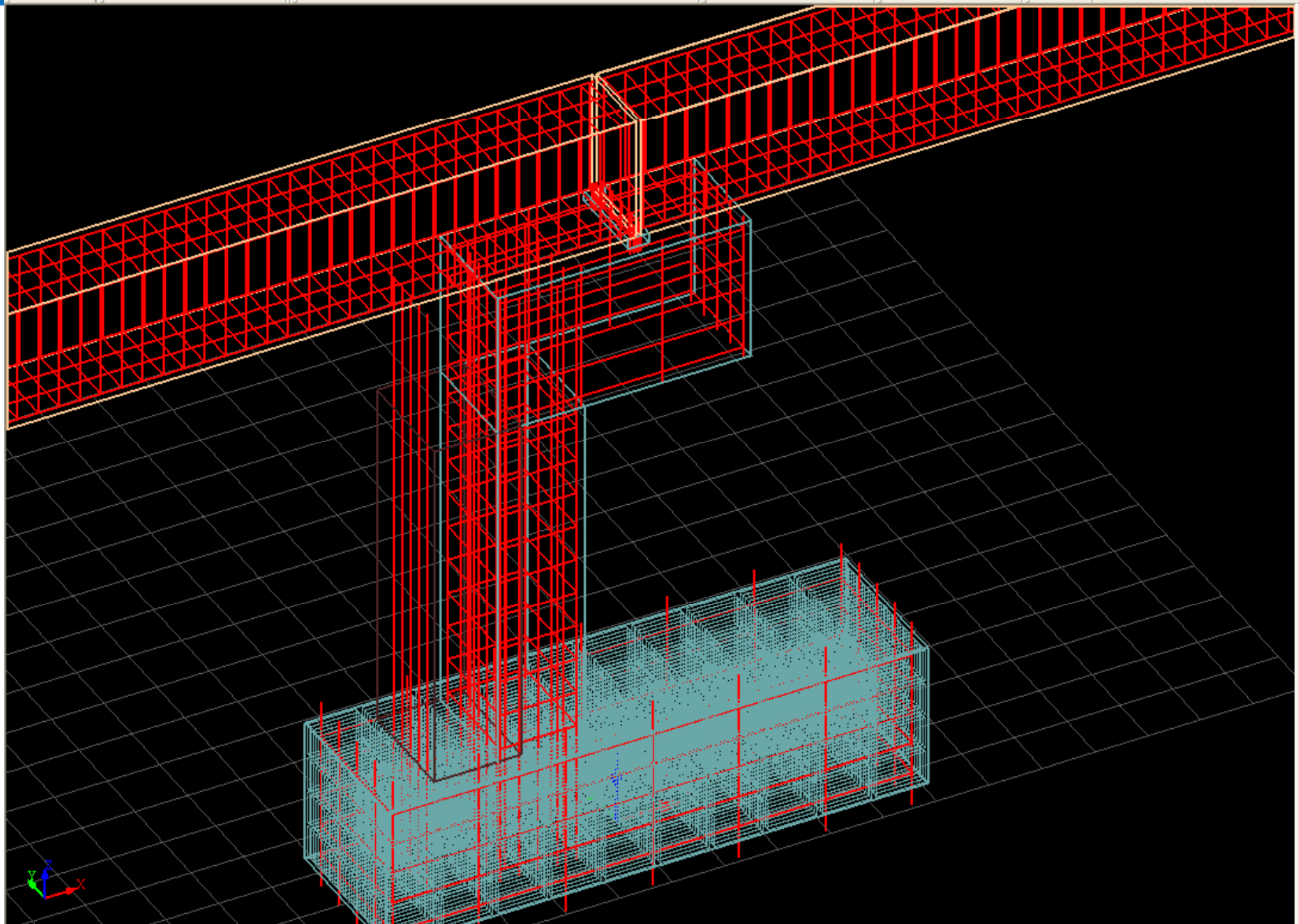
Solid Elements

In Simplified FEM link elements should be **located and defined** in the beginning.

In AEM, link between a column and a footing is **automatically** defined at Springs

Modeling Advantages of AEM compared to FEM

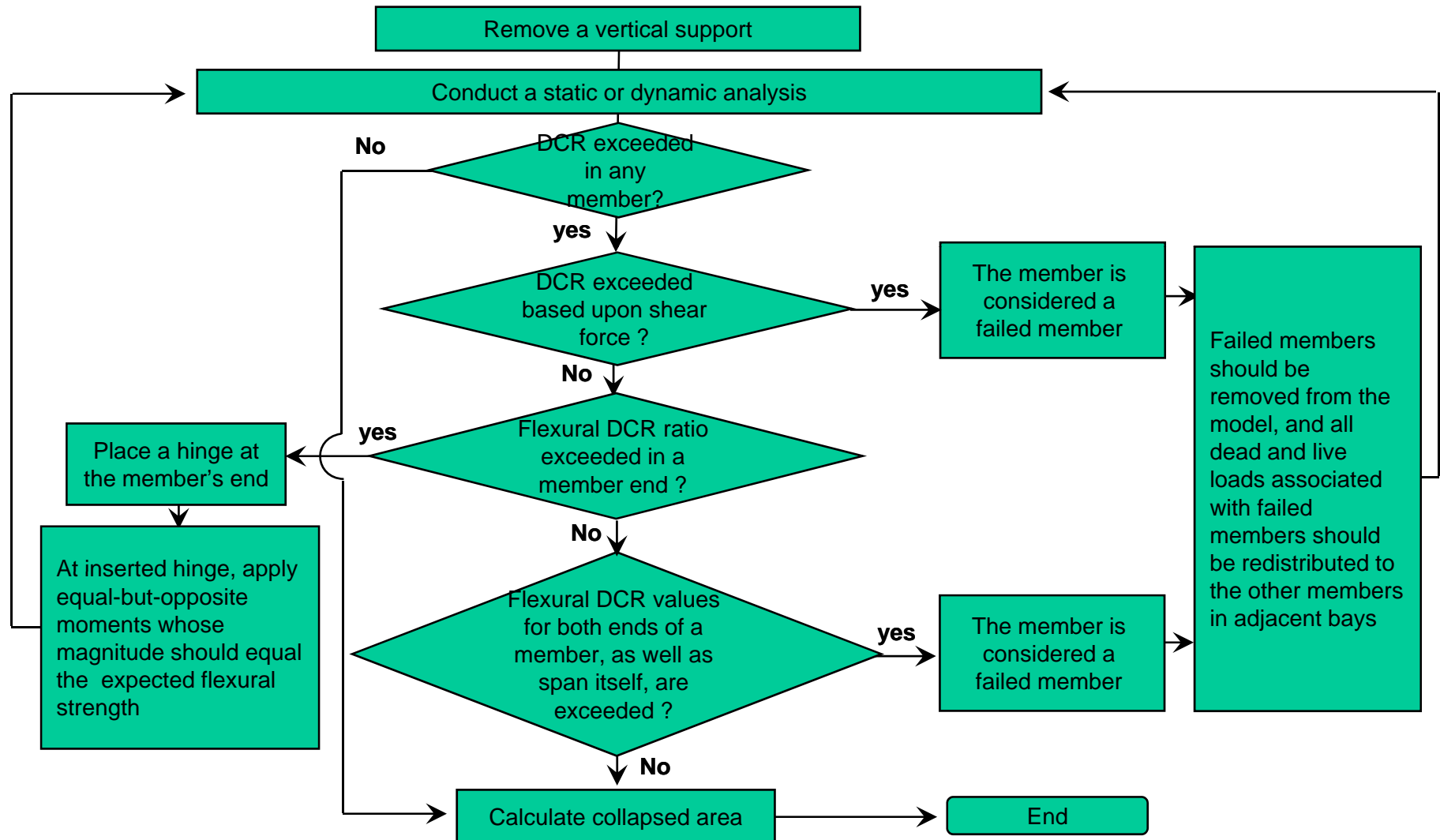
Easy Modeling of Reinforcement Details



Analysis Advantages of AEM compared to FEM

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Analysis Iterations using Simplified FEM



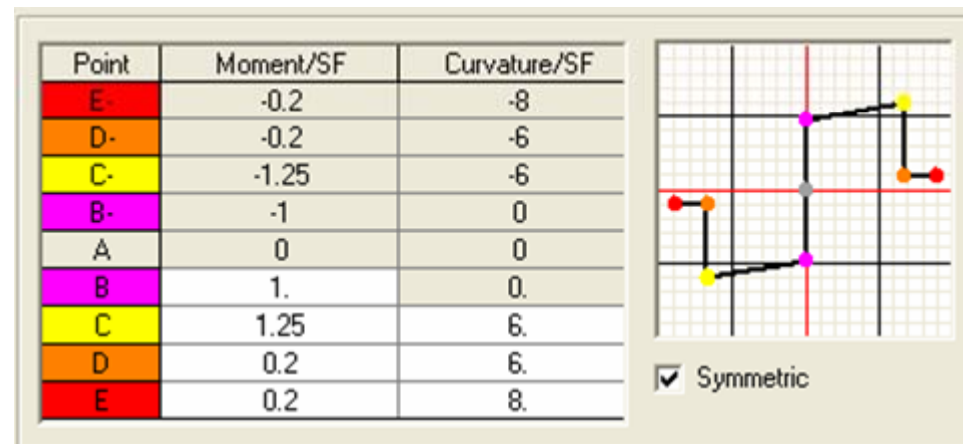
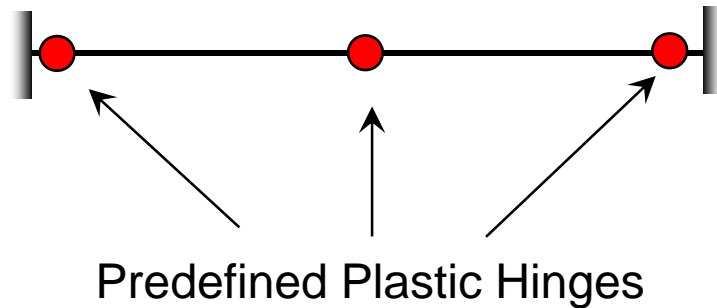
Analysis Advantages of AEM compared to FEM

Manual Formation of Plastic Hinges using Simplified FEM

1-In commercial FEM, usually explicit plastic hinges, in predefined locations, should be defined by the user in order to perform the nonlinear analysis.

2-Both Moment-curvature and Moment-rotation relations in such a case should be estimated by the user before analysis

3-The user should be a qualified engineer

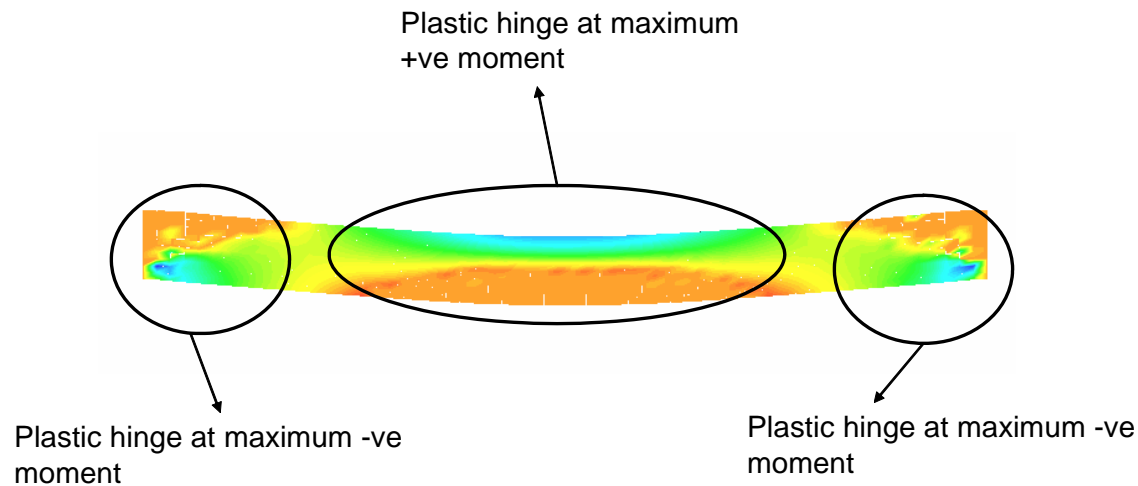


Moment-Curvature

Analysis Advantages of AEM compared to FEM

Automatic Formation of Plastic Hinges

1- The Nonlinear analysis is automatically considered in ELS. Location, number and all properties of plastic hinges in ELS are automatically determined by the ELS.

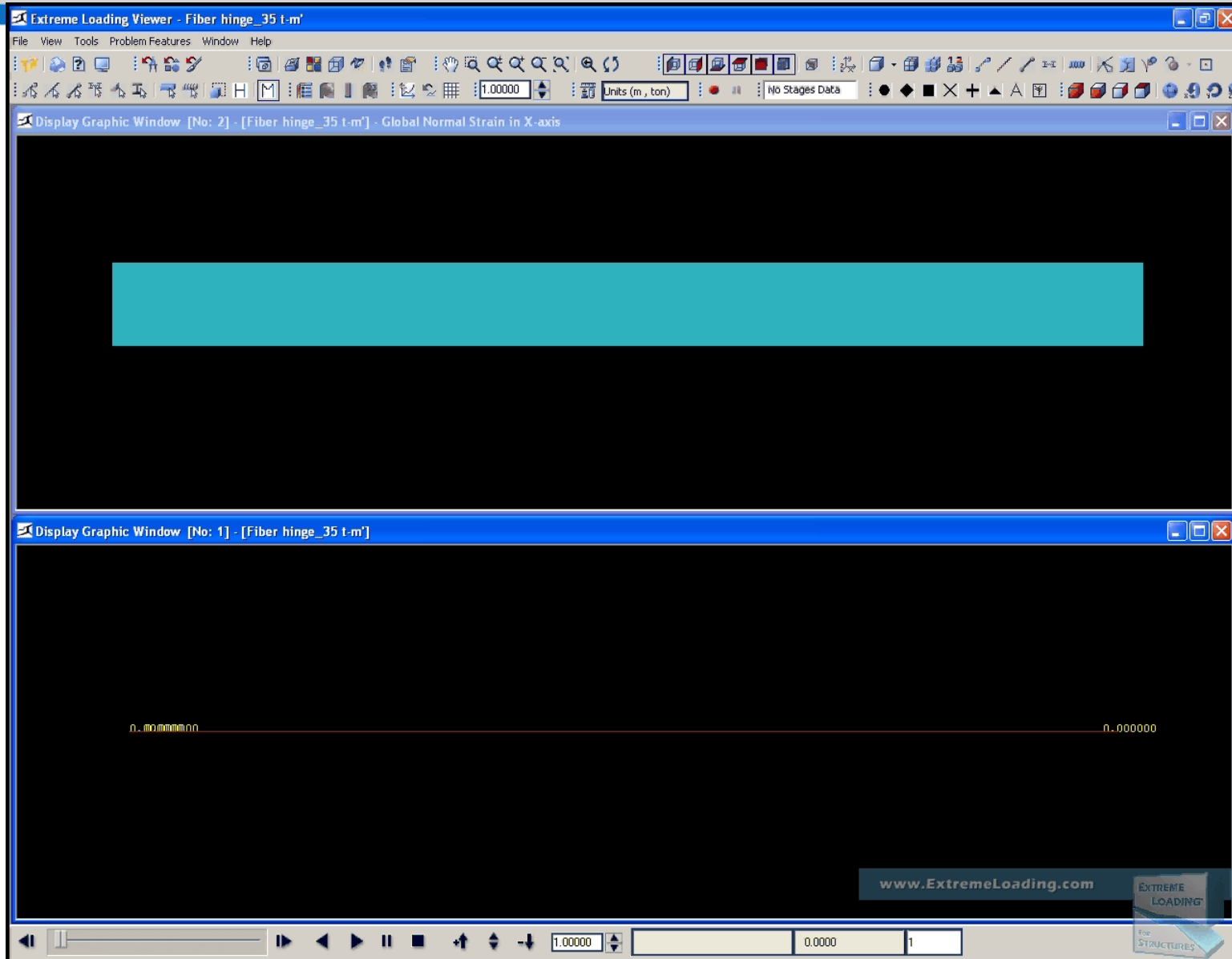


2- In FEM commercial software, fiber plastic hinges are used to overcome the disadvantage in (predefined moment-curvature), However definition of the Fiber hinge properties is difficult and needs large time to represent concrete and steel cells.

3-Preprocessing time in SAP is longer than ELS. Post processing time is equal in SAP and ELS.

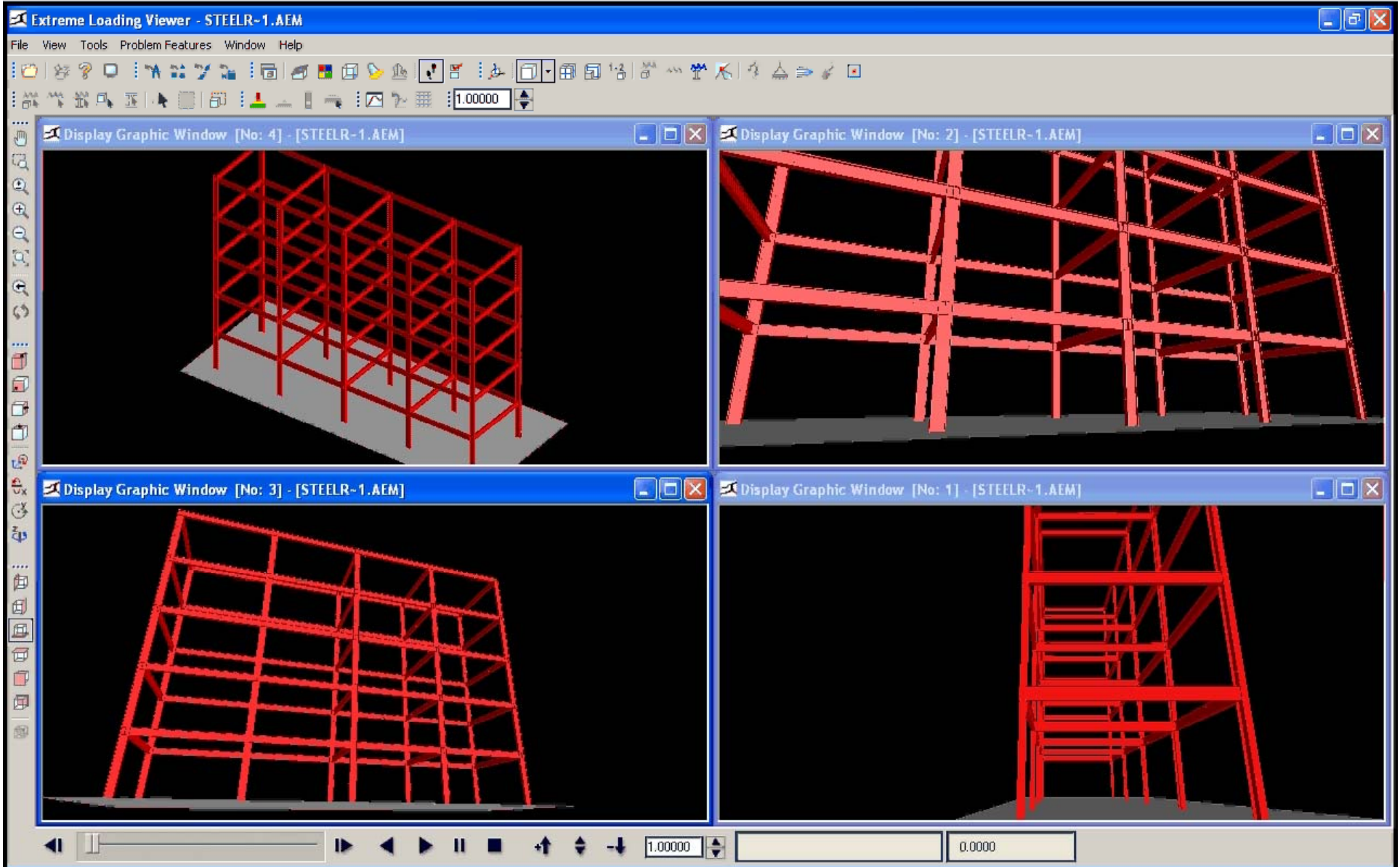
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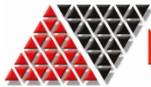




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Comparison between Progressive Collapse Analysis using AEM and FEM

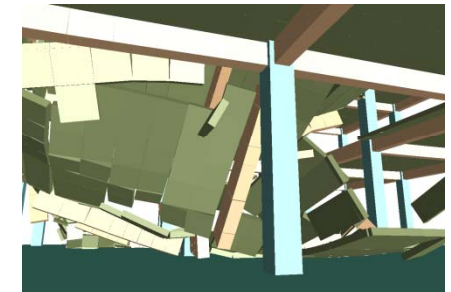
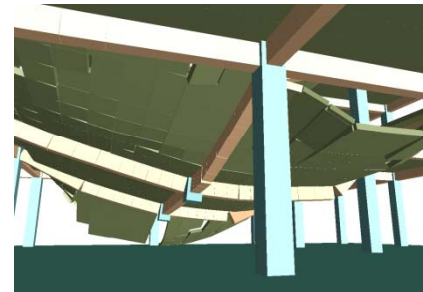
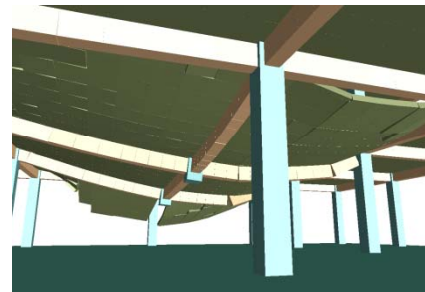
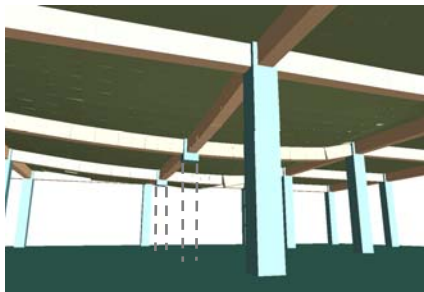
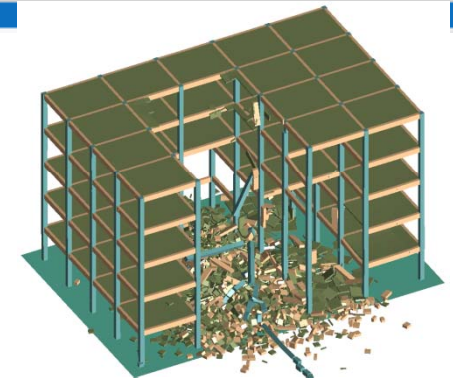
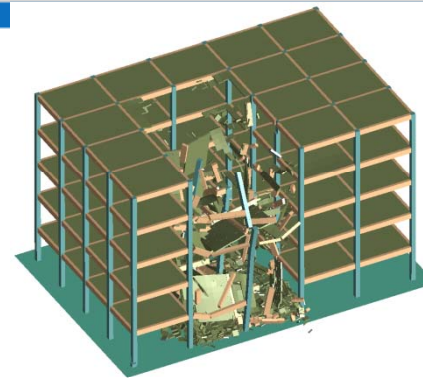
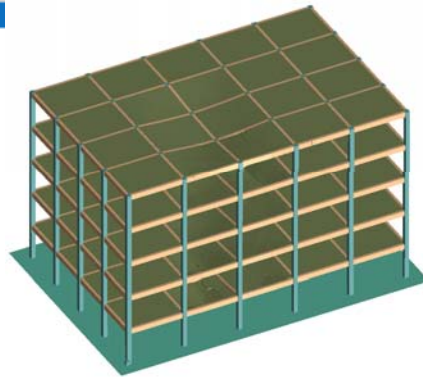
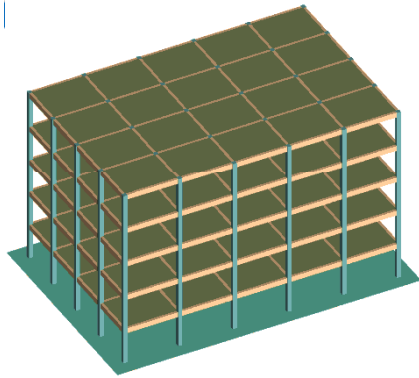
- (1) In FEM analysis, no bar rupture available → **Not accurate**
- (2) In FEM analysis, no element separation and collision available → **Not accurate**
- (3) Since no progressive collapse can be simulated with FEM, Iterative analysis is carried out in order to remove collapsed elements and to redistribute their loads to adjacent elements → **Time consuming and not accurate**
- (4) In AEM, Plastic hinge formation, failure and collapse of members is automated → **Advantage of AEM**



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Localization of Failed Areas



Cracking and
Plastic Hinges
Formation

Mechanisms
Formation and
Elements Failure

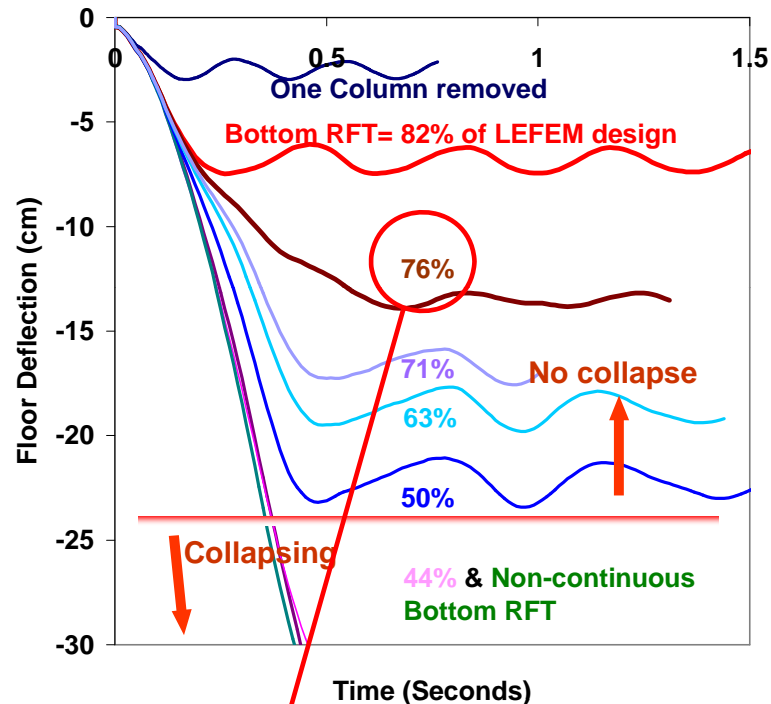
Progressive
collapse of
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Collision and
Progressive
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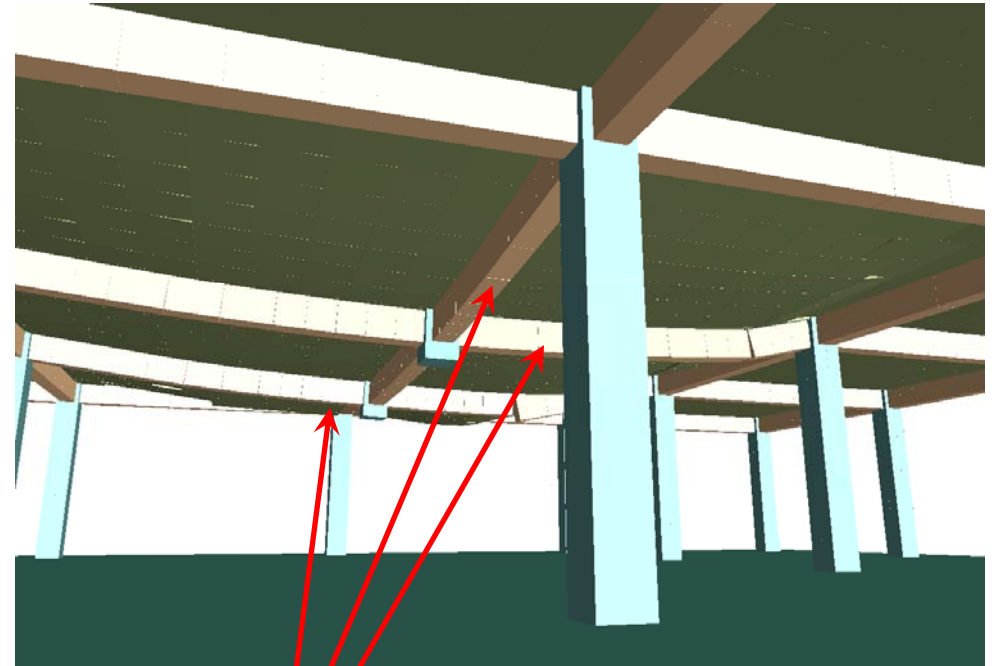
Automatic prediction in one analysis

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Effects of Reinforcement Bars



**Amount of additional RFT
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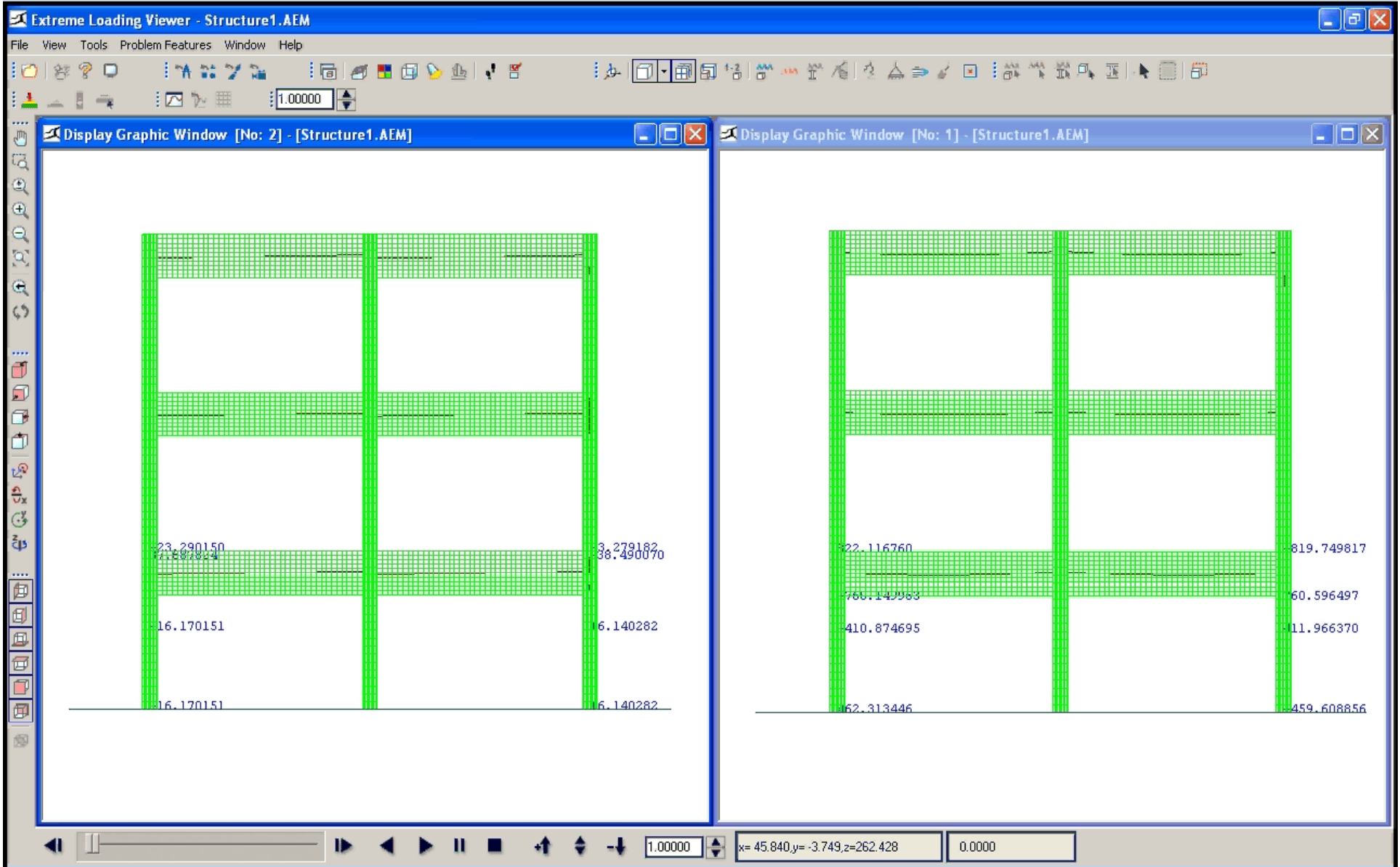


**Strengthened Girders
(above collapsed columns)**



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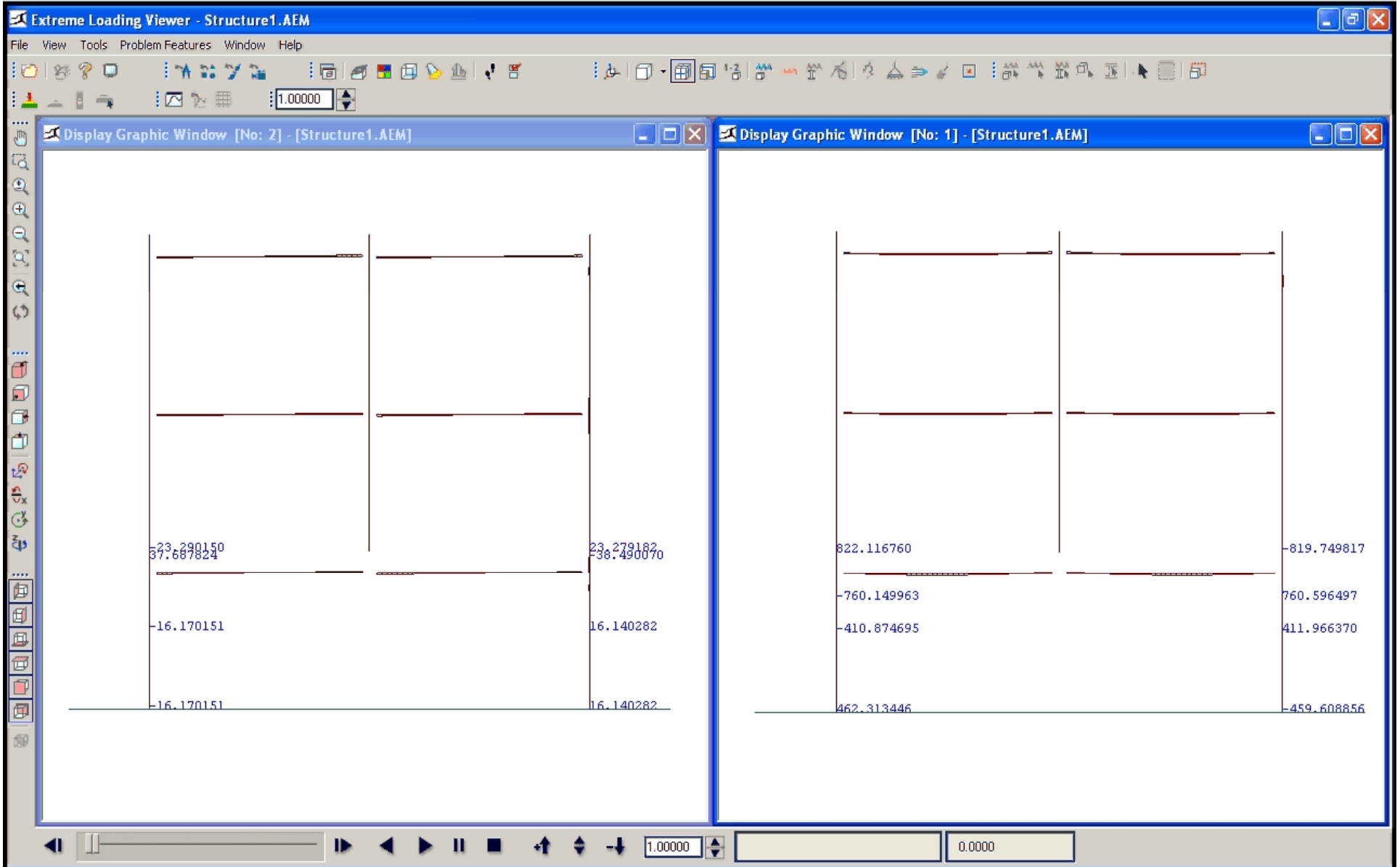
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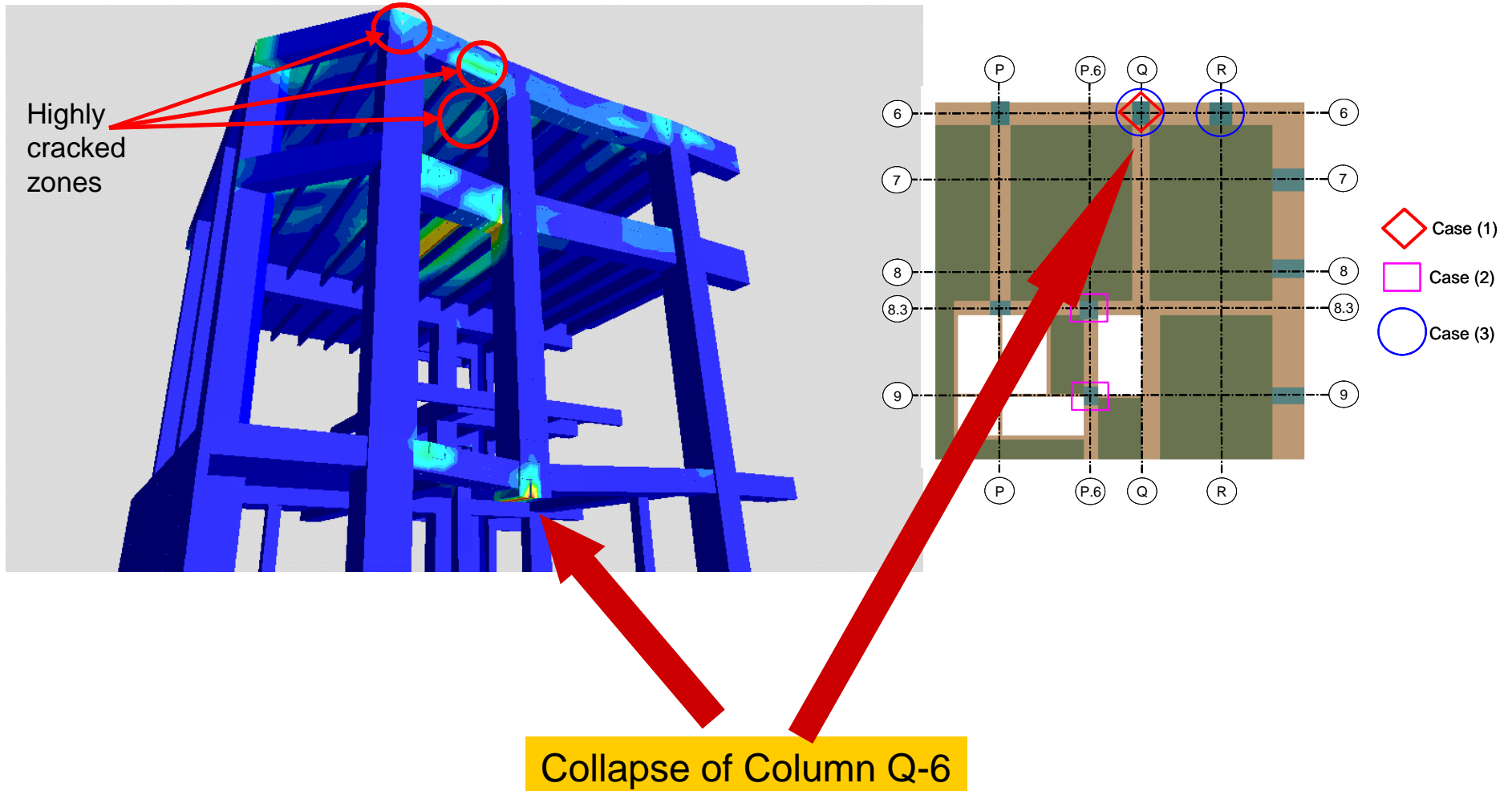
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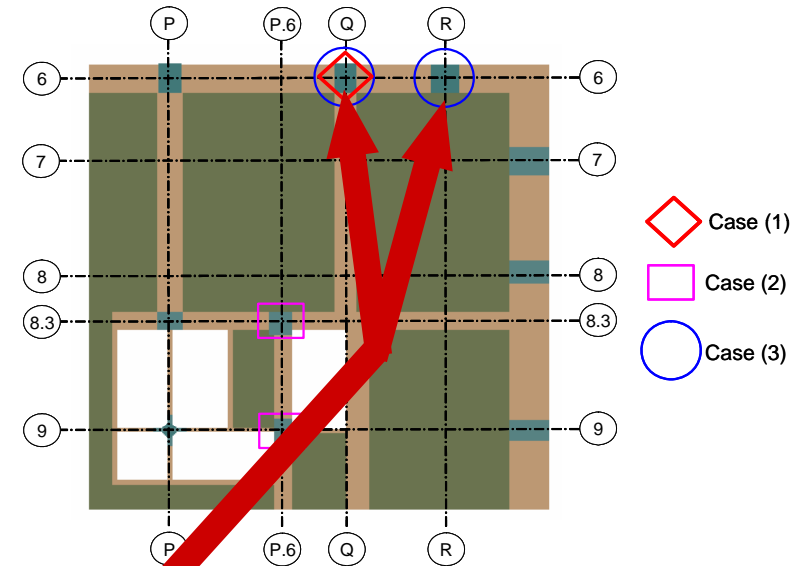
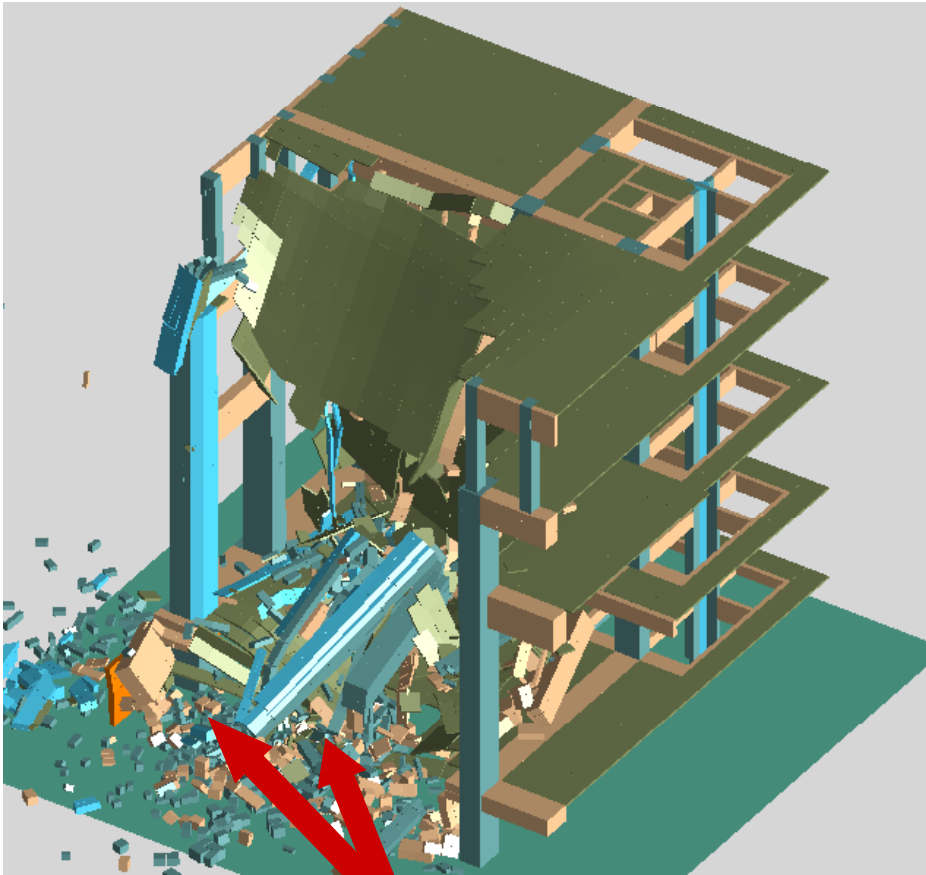
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Damage assessments due to column removal



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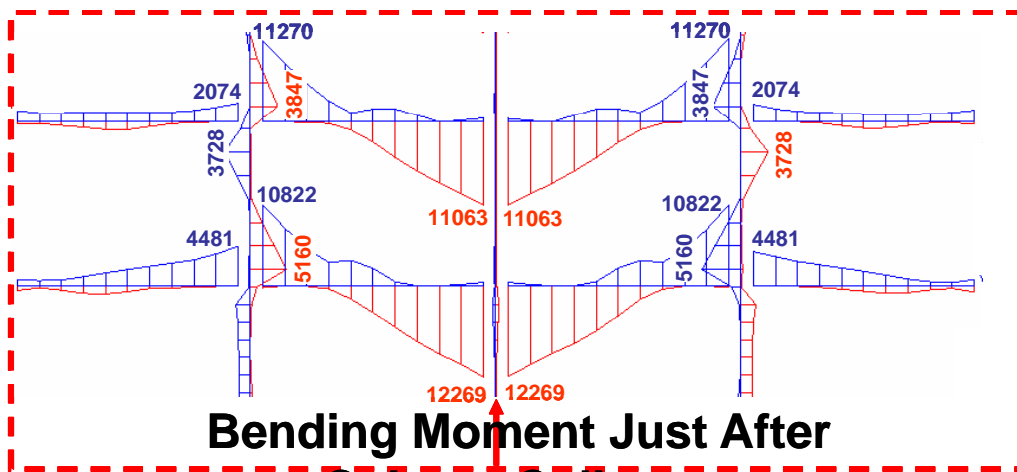
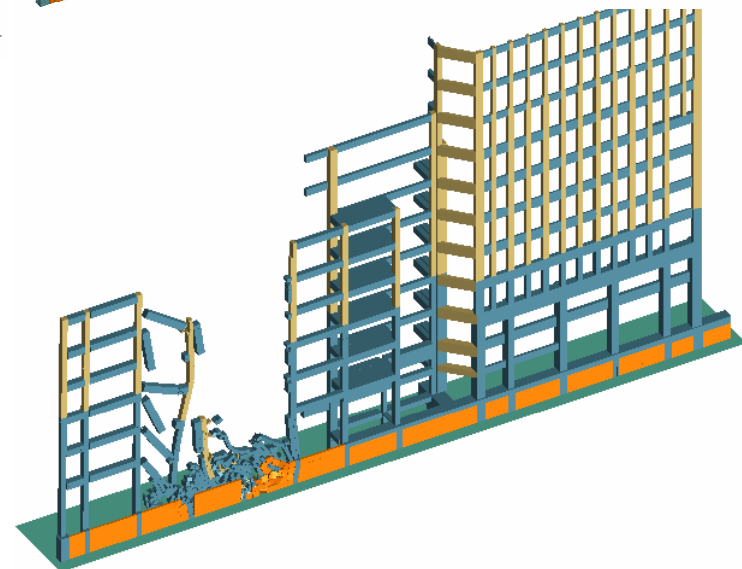
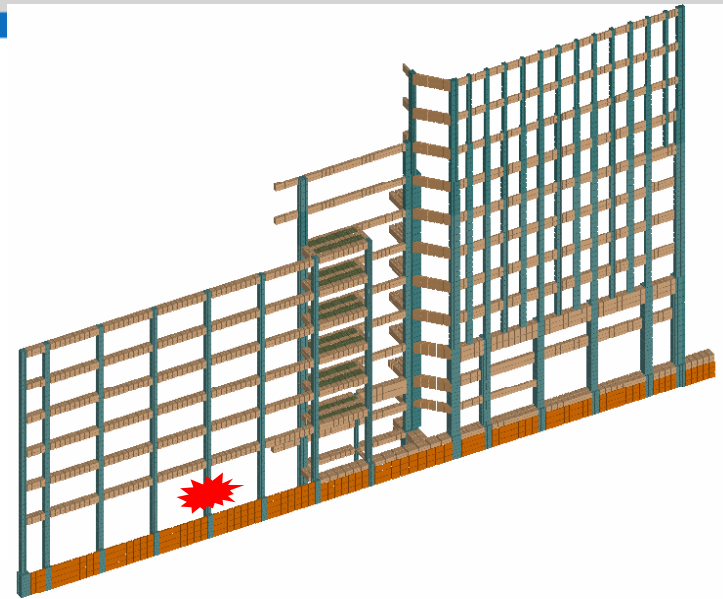
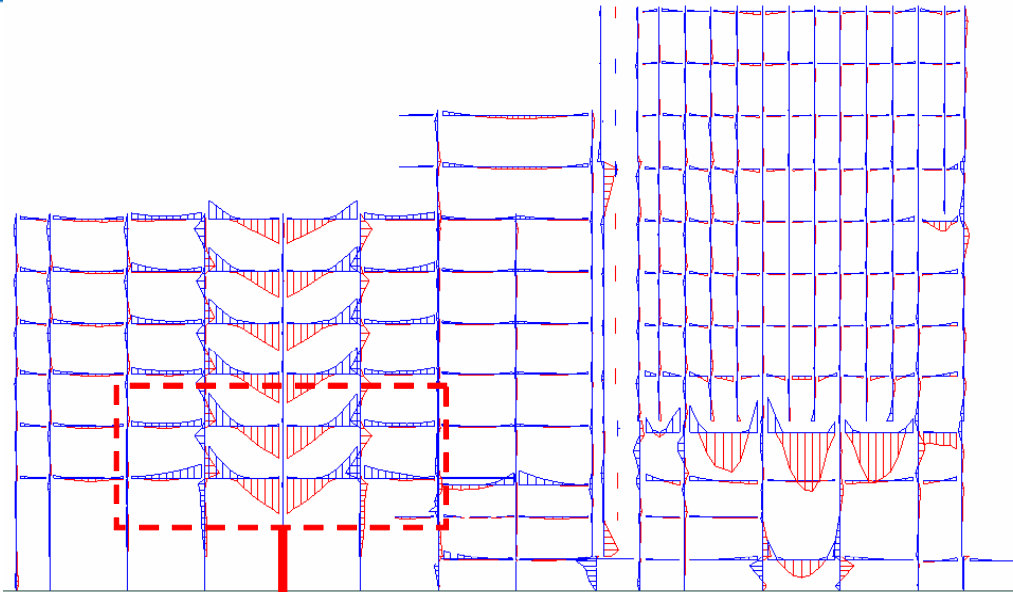
Damage assessments due to two column removal



Collapse of Columns Q-6 and R-6

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Damage assessments due to column removal

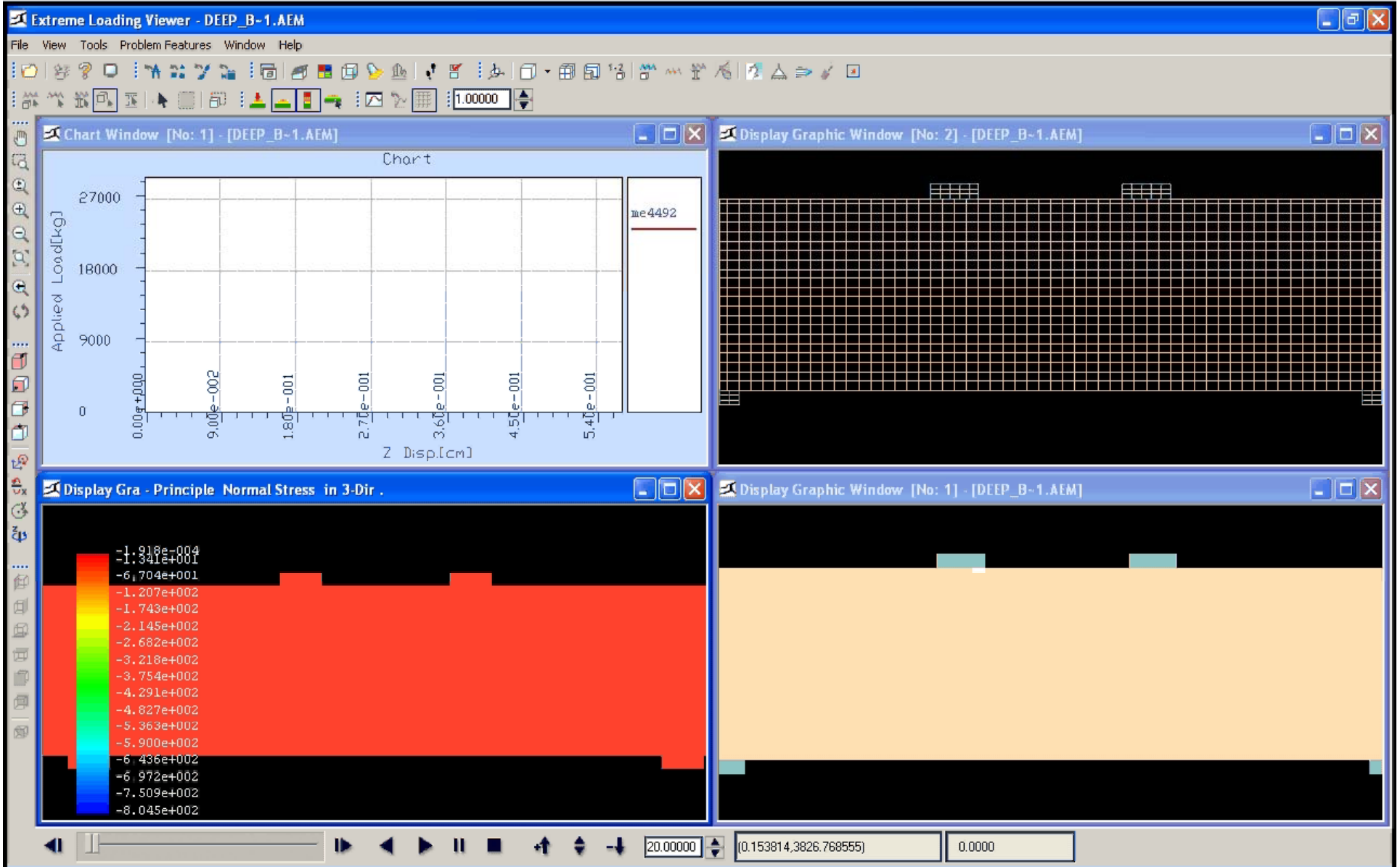


**Bending Moment Just After
Column Collapse**



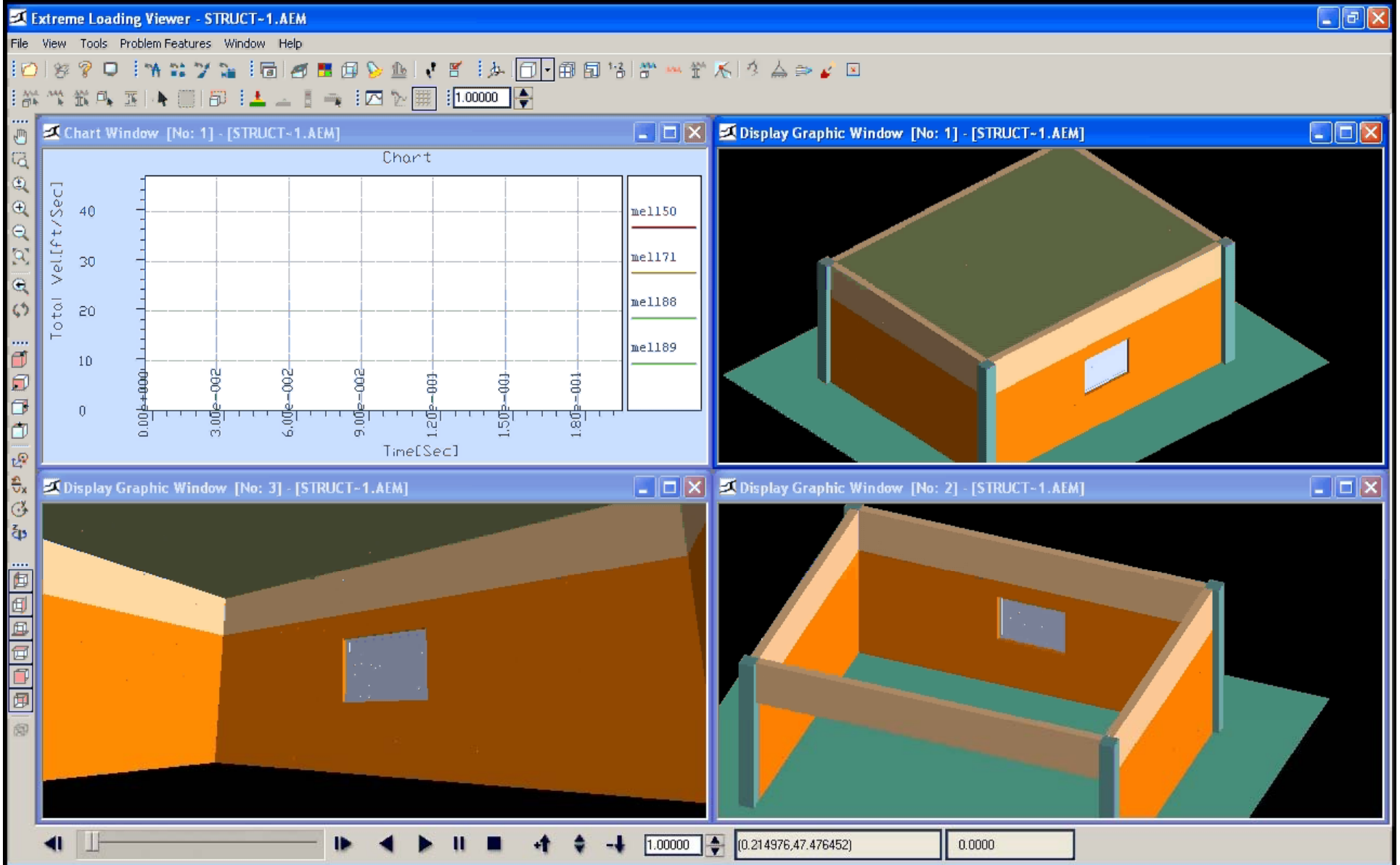
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Visual Damage Assessments



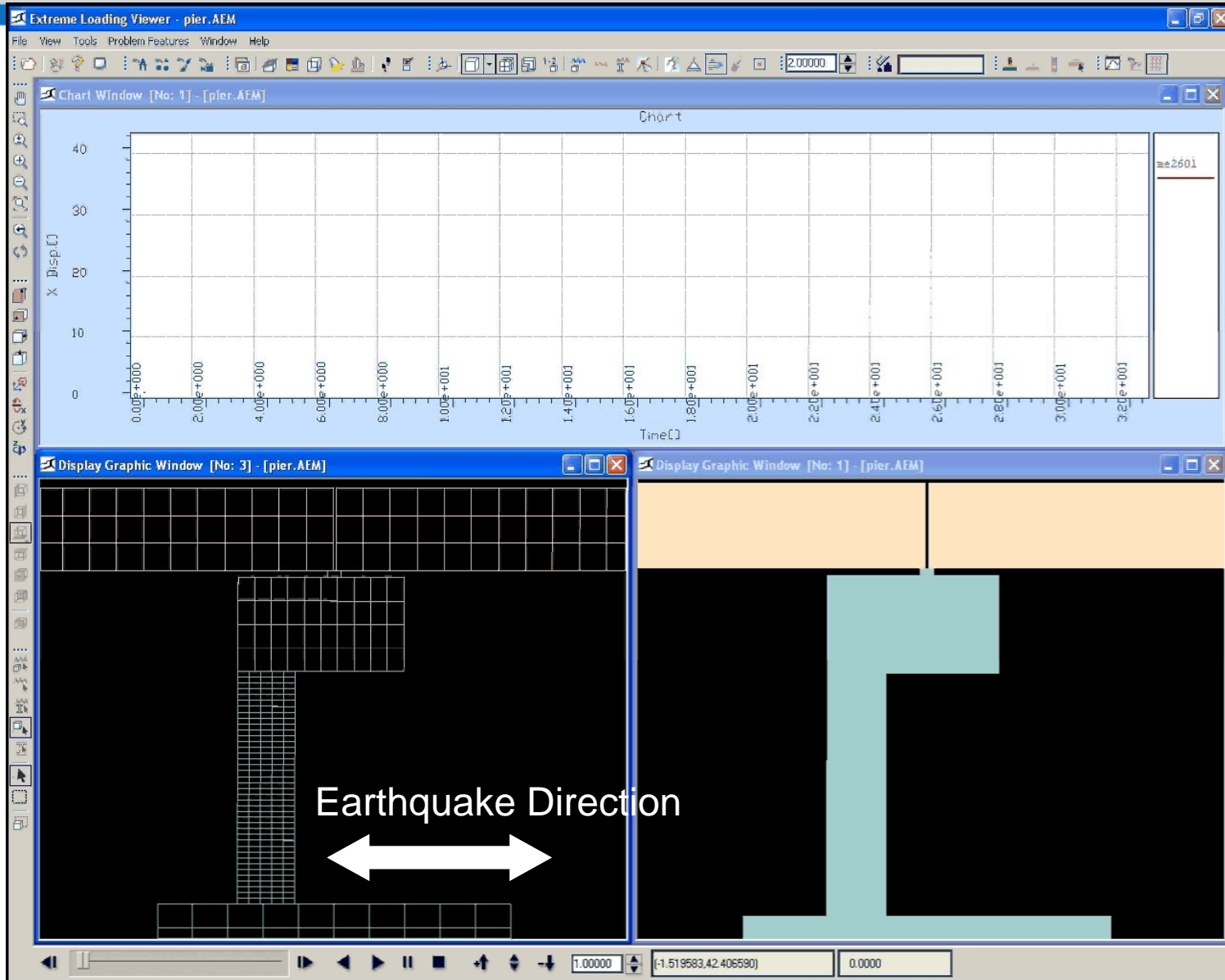
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Visual Damage/Non-Structural Components



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Visual Damage/Automatic Contact Detection

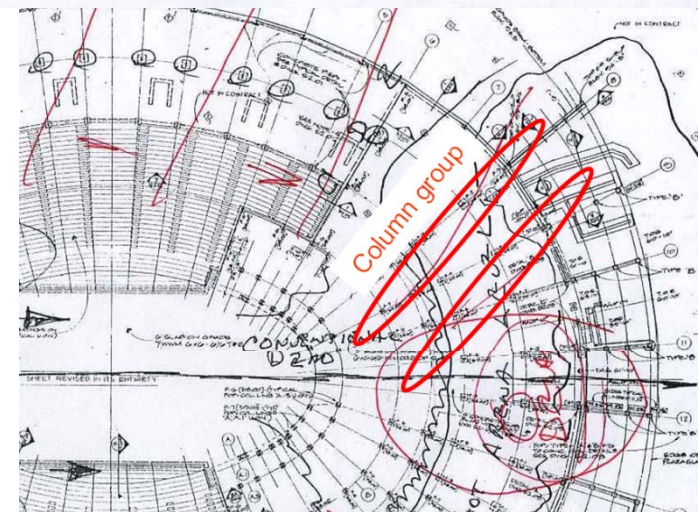
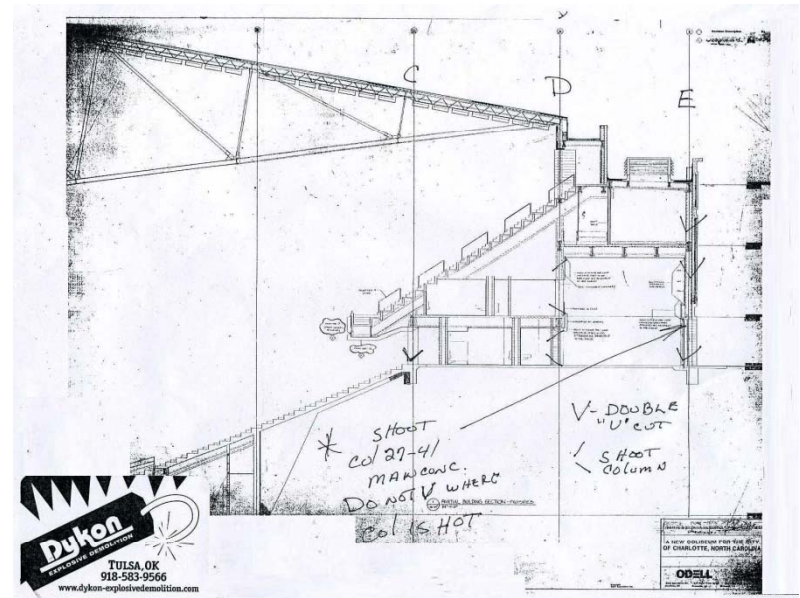
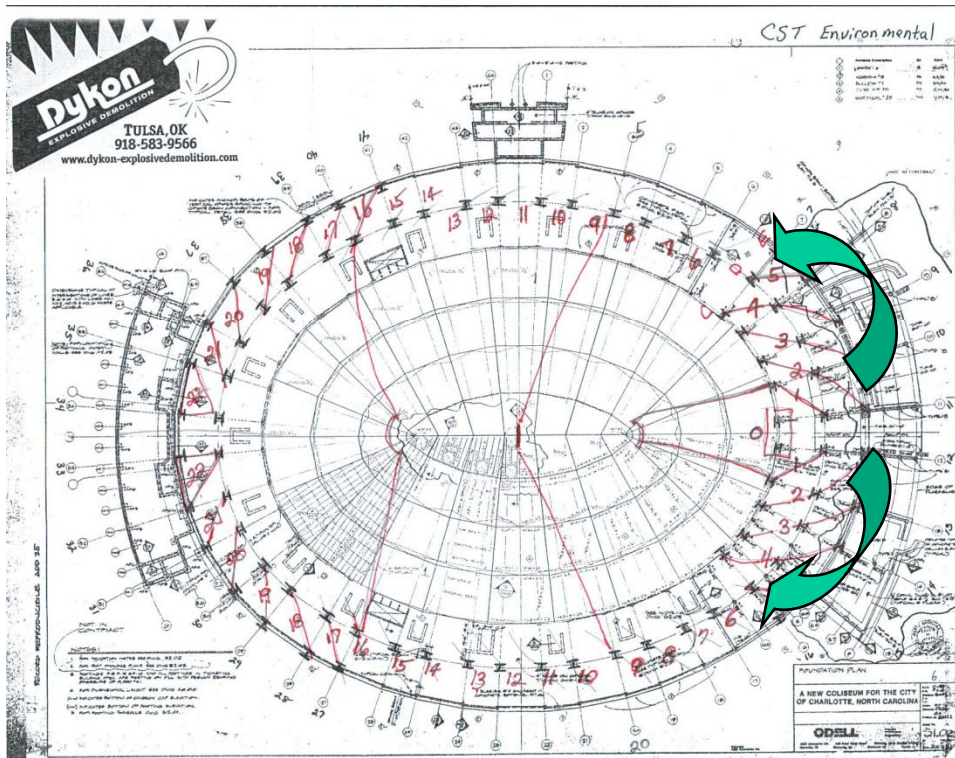


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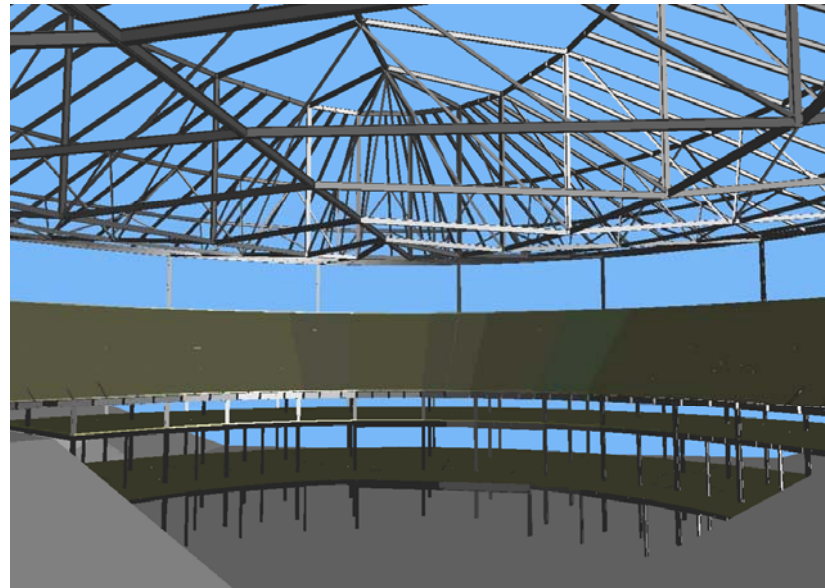
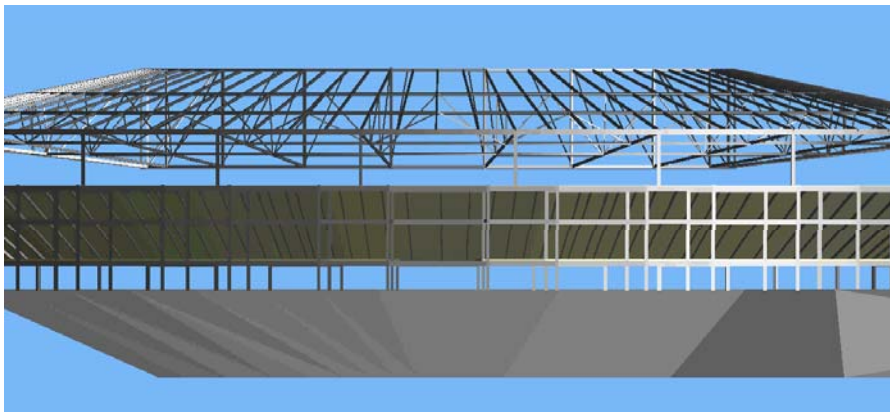
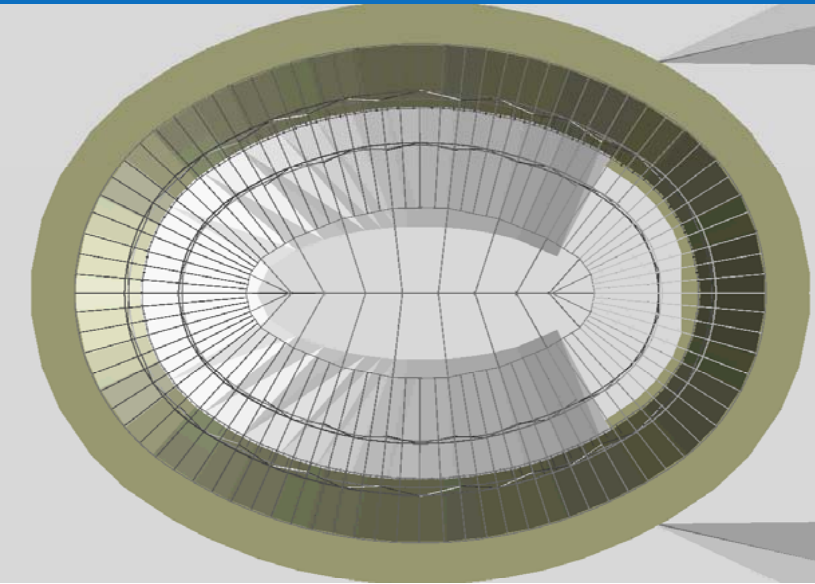
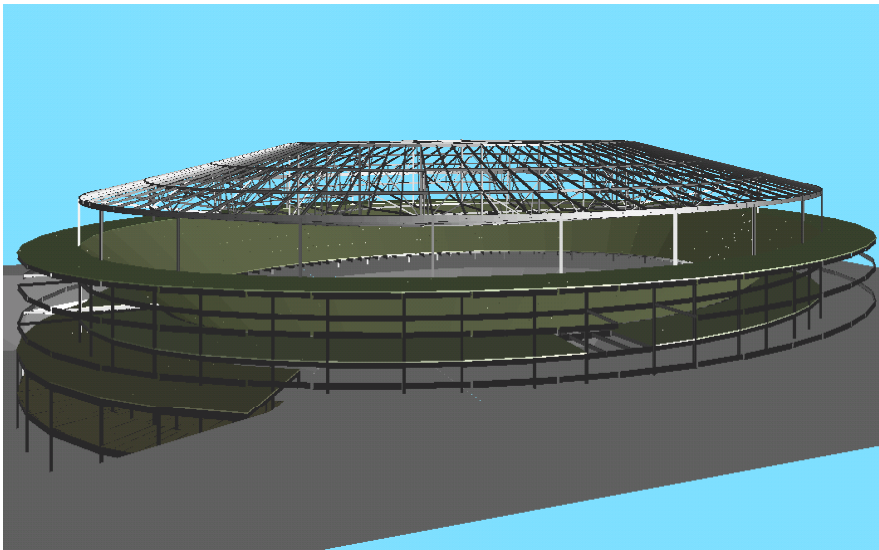
Demolition Scenario



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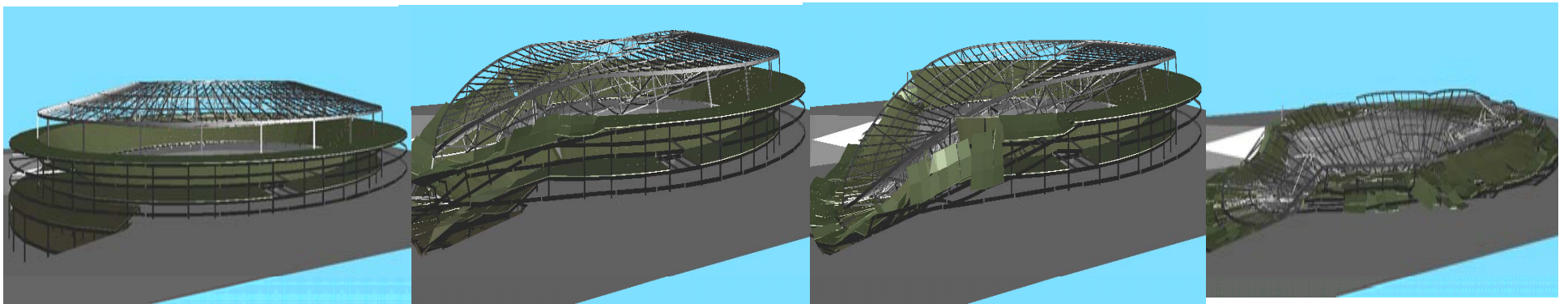


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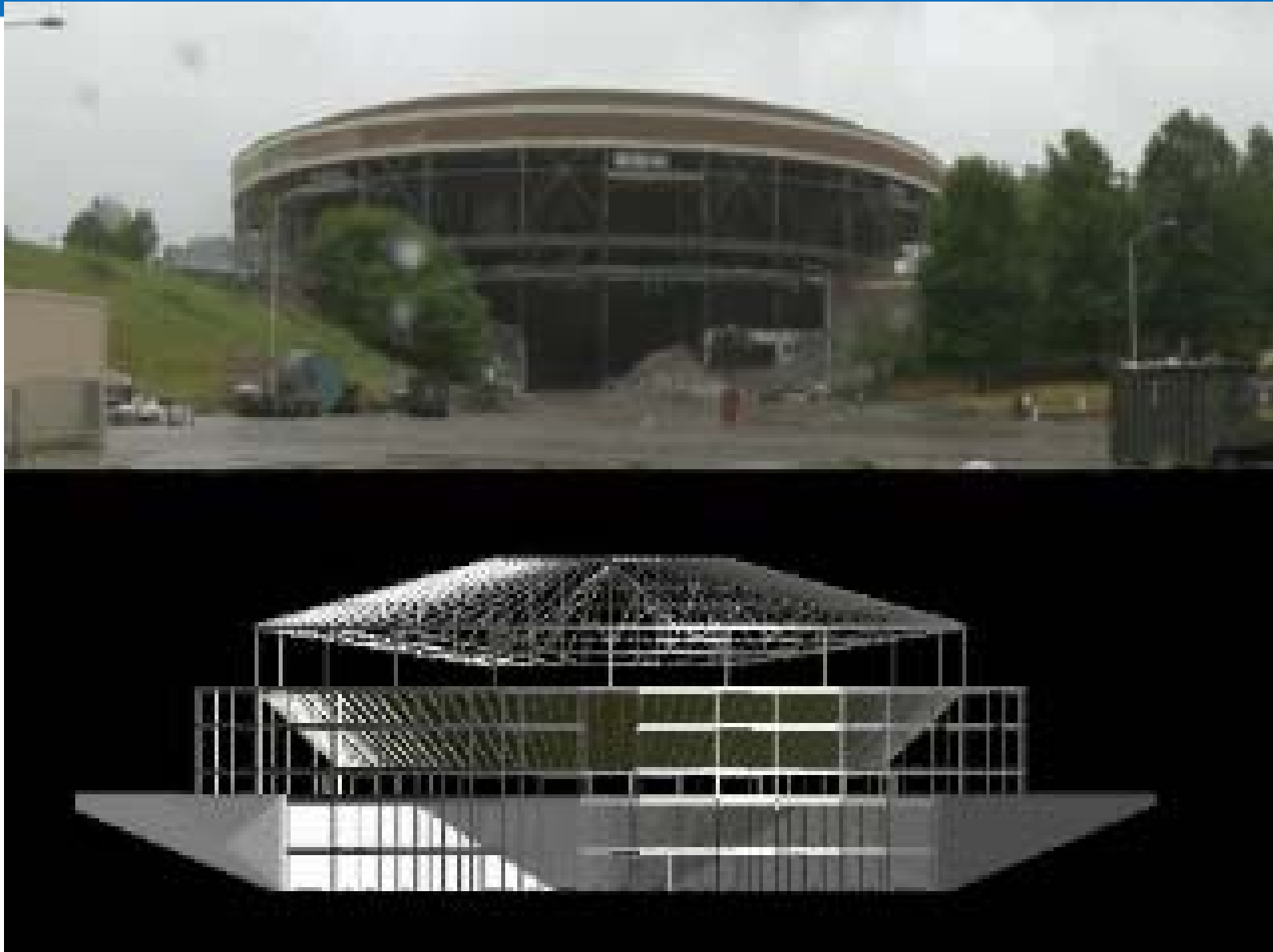
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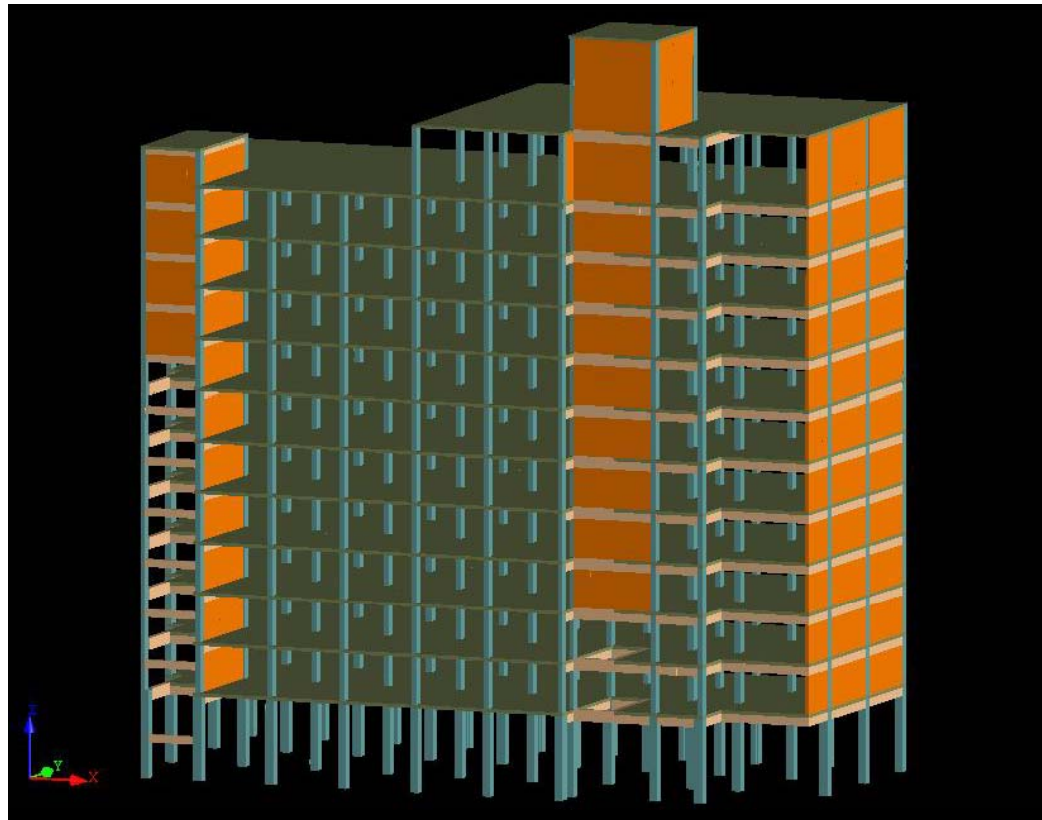
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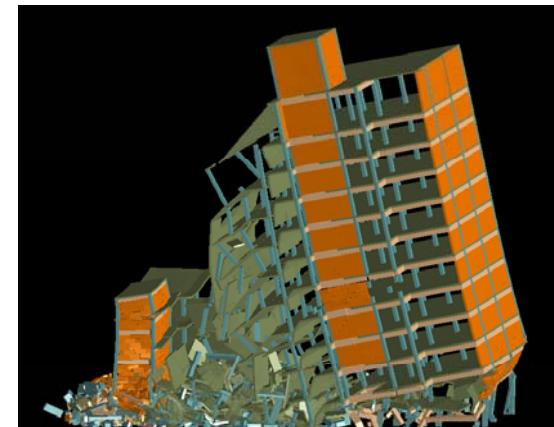
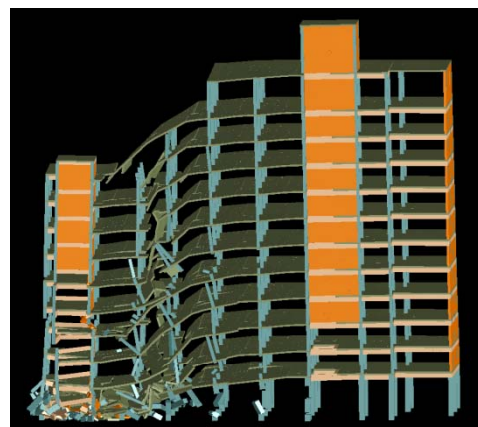
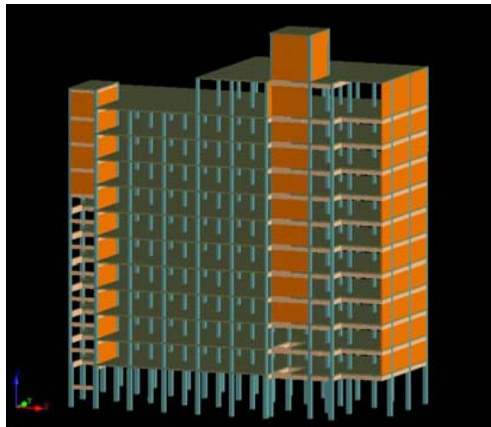
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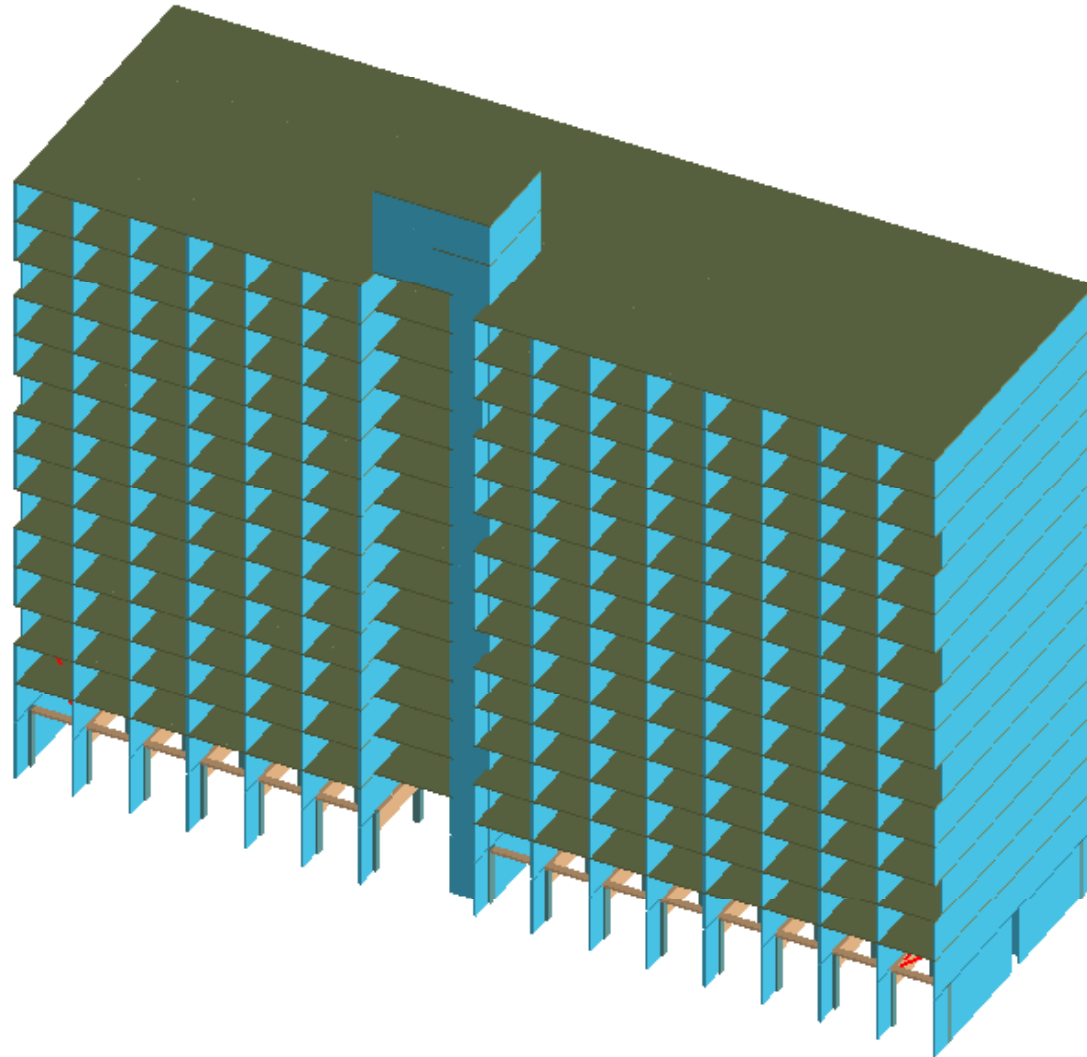
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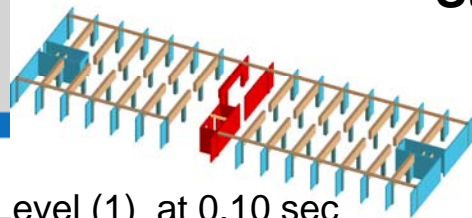
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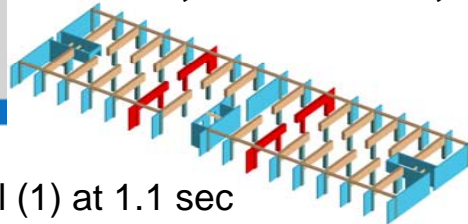
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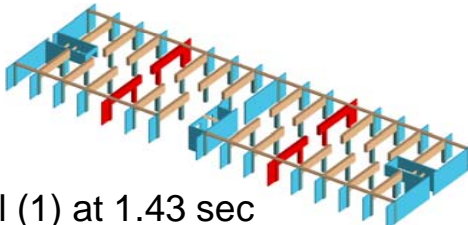
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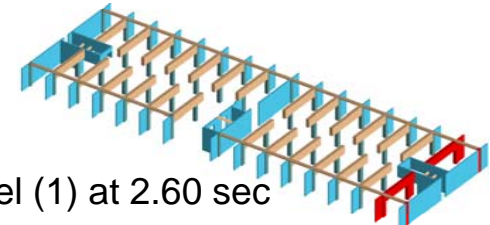
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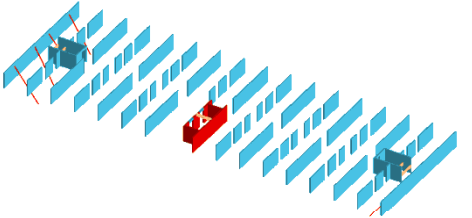
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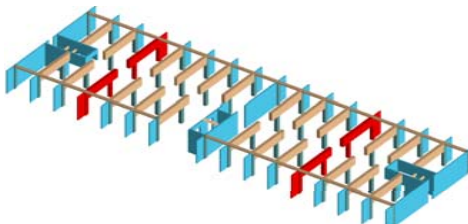
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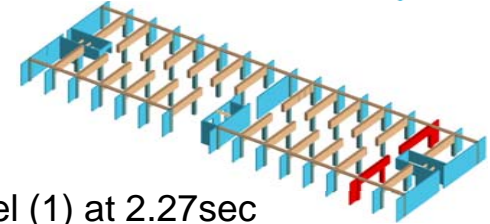
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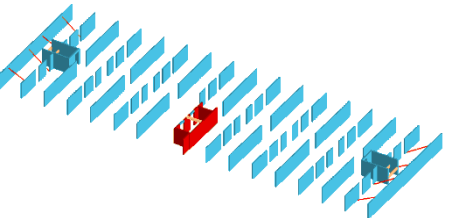
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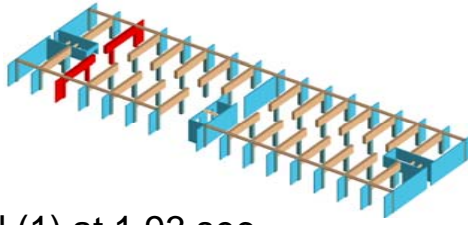
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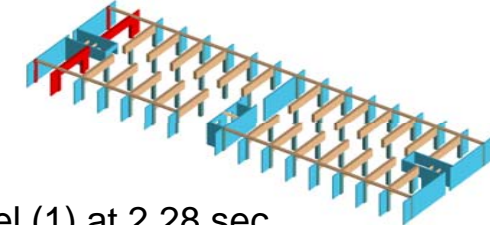
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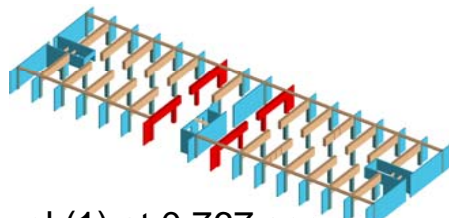
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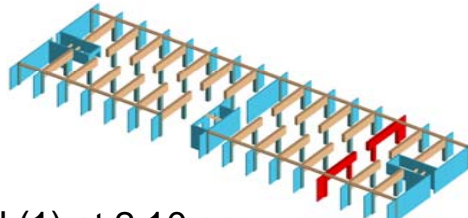
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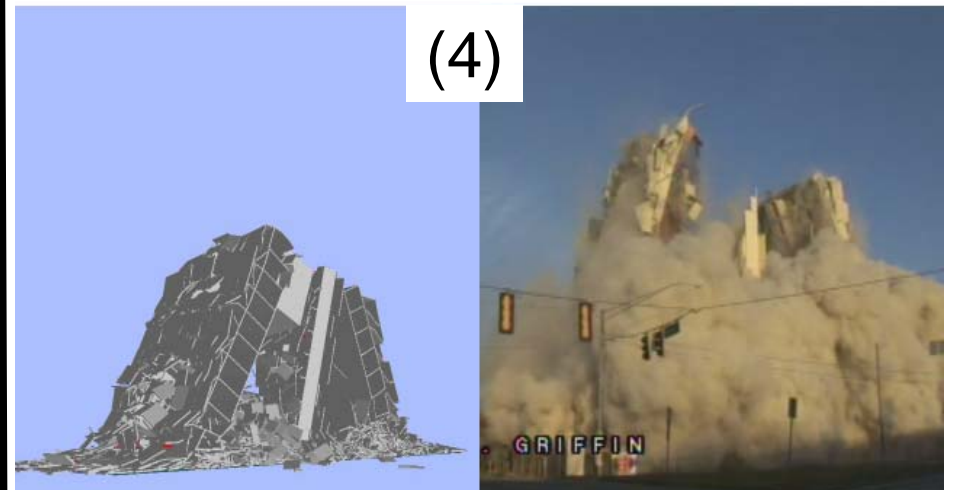
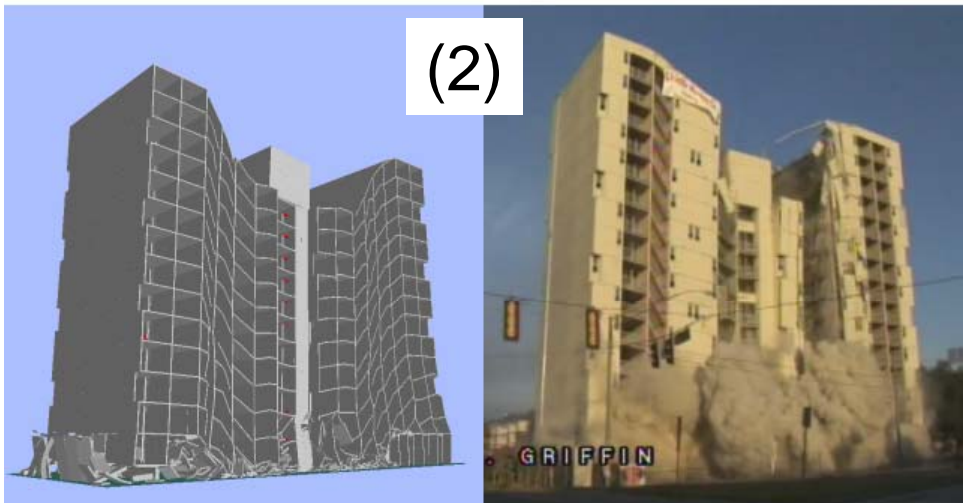
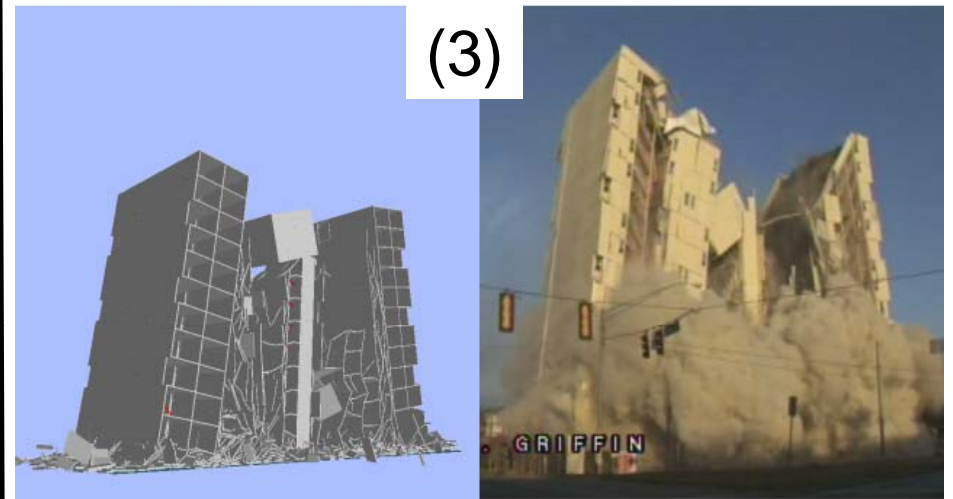
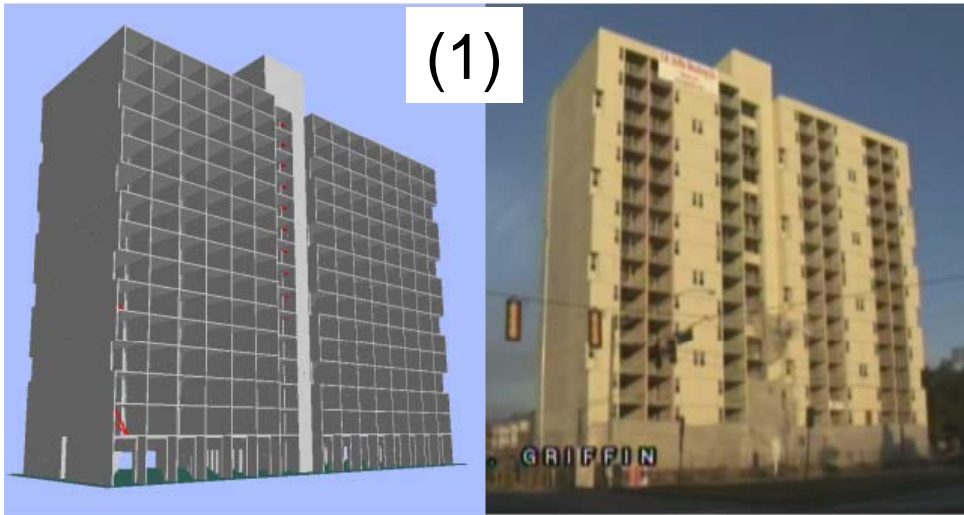
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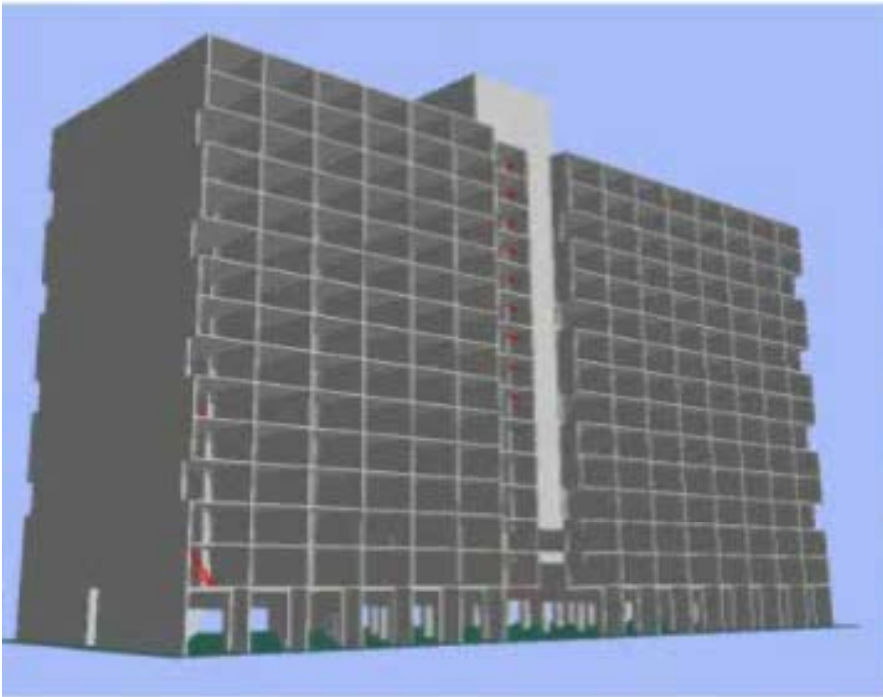
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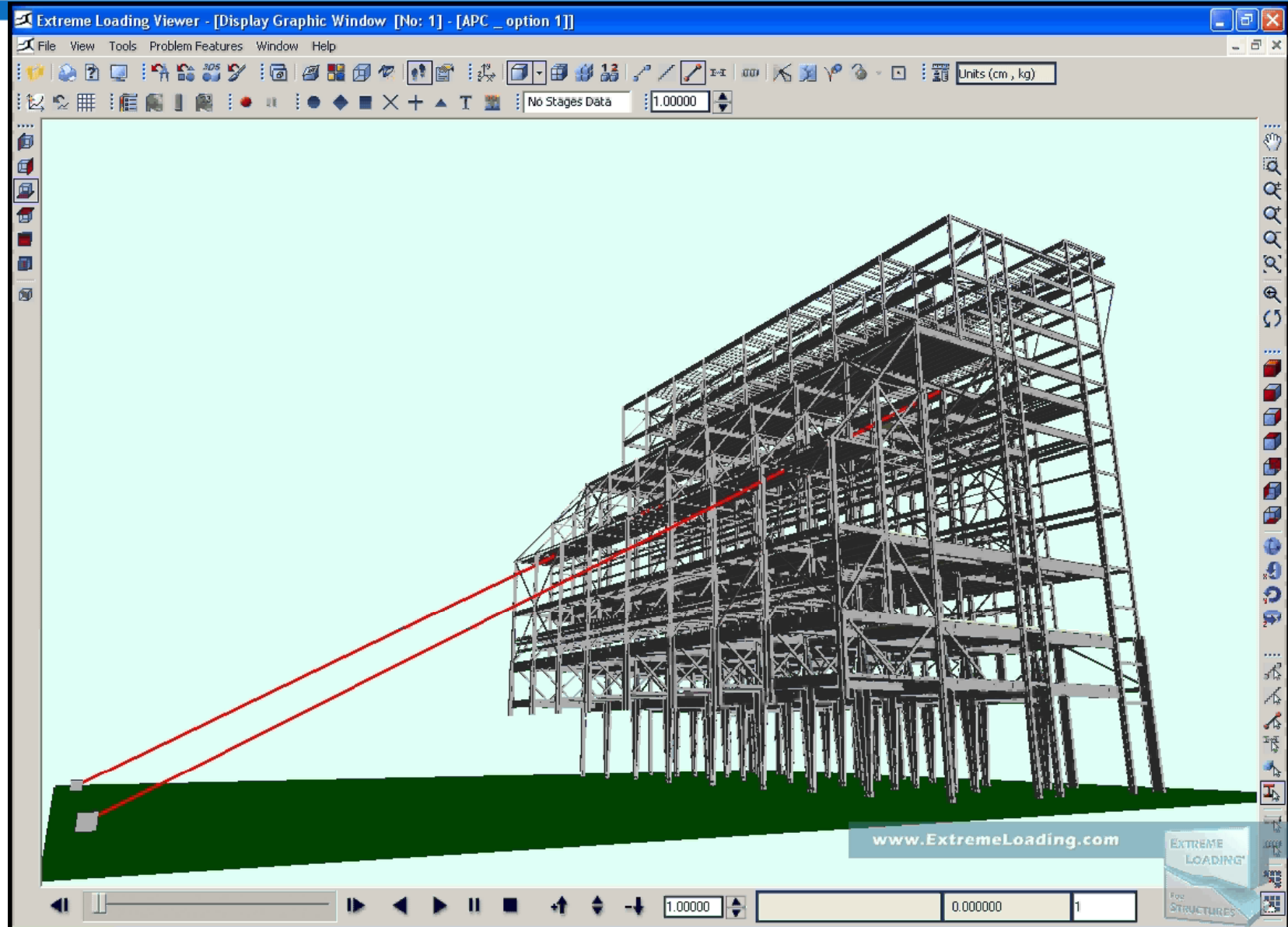
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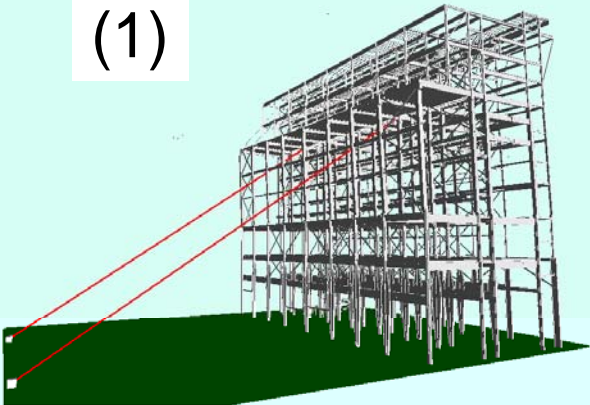
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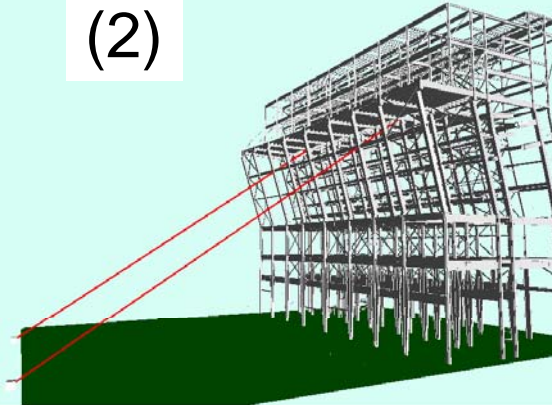
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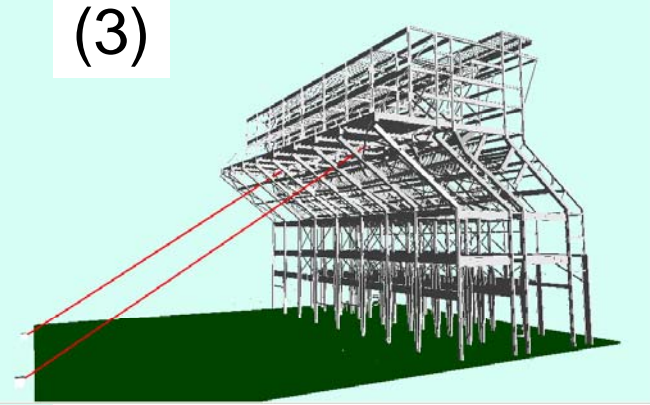
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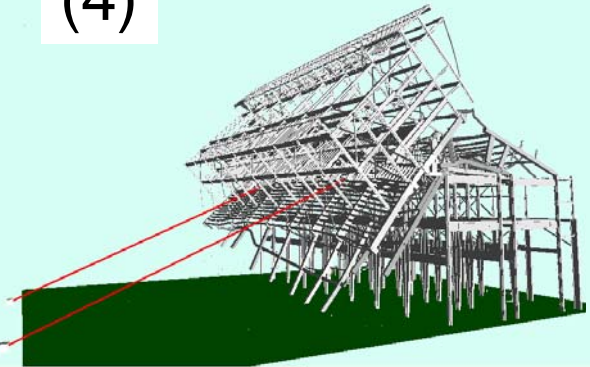
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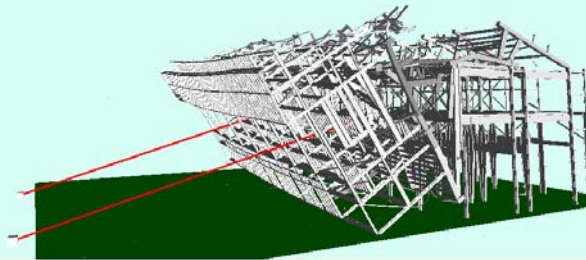
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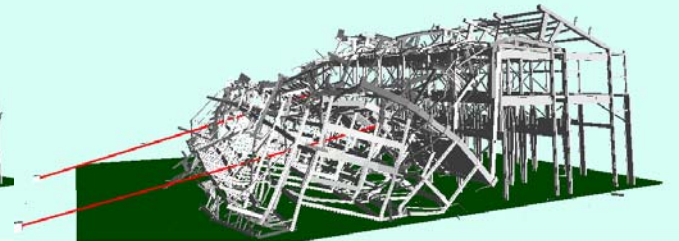
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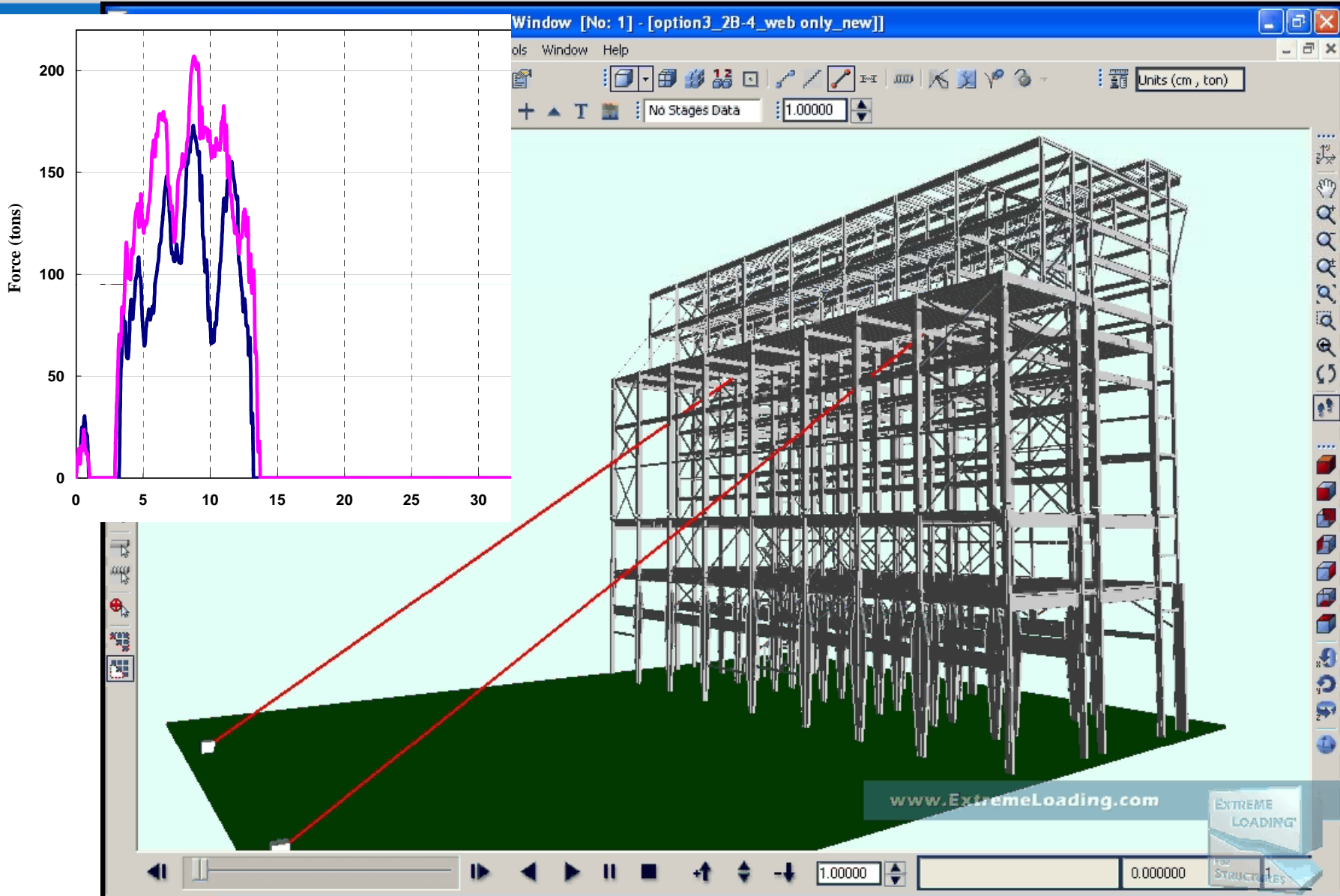


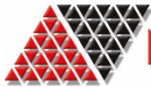
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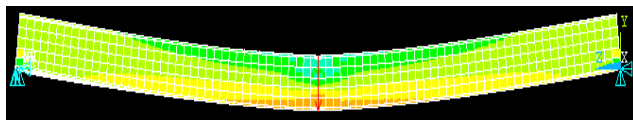
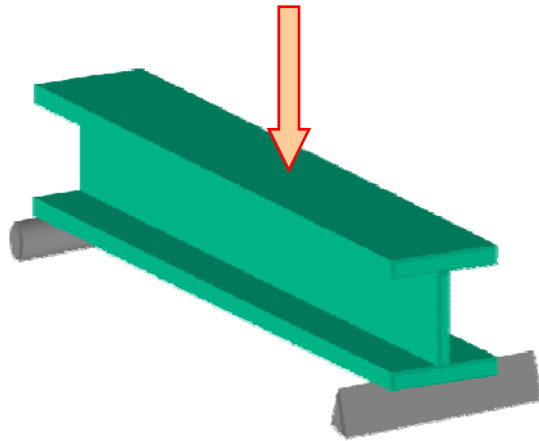




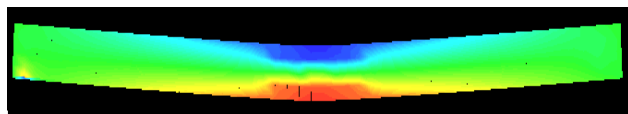
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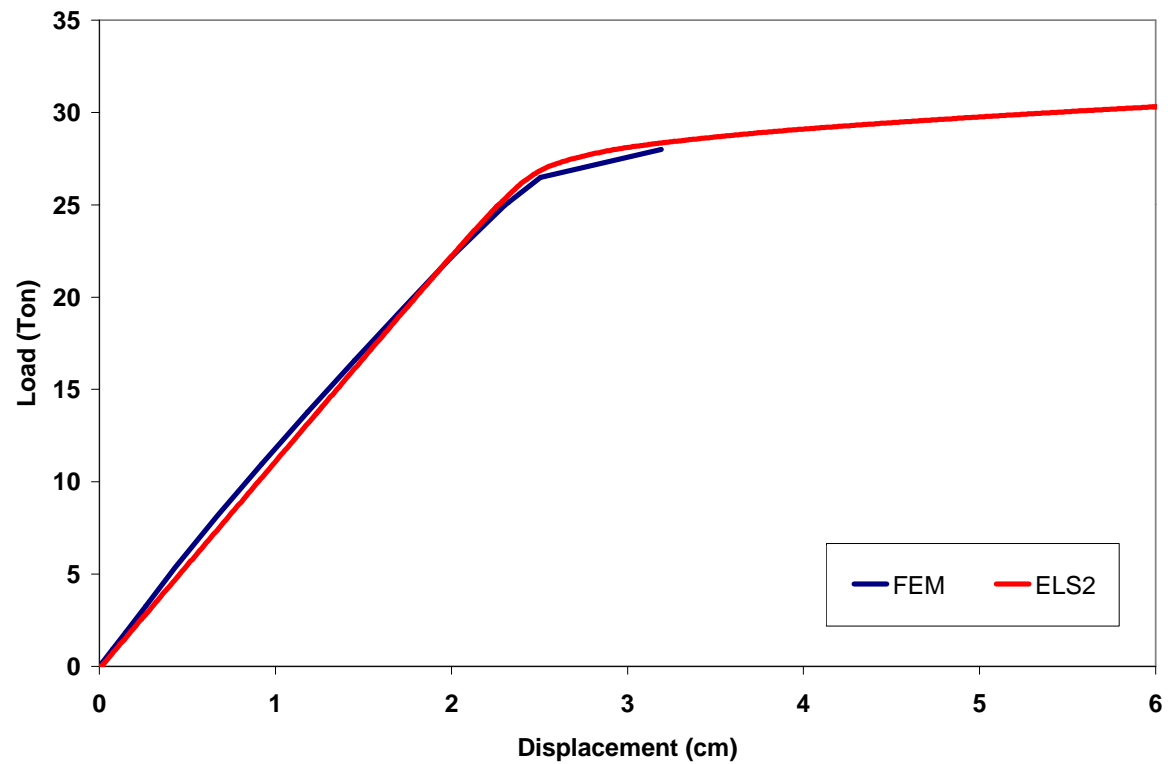
Hot rolled steel beam under flexure



FEM

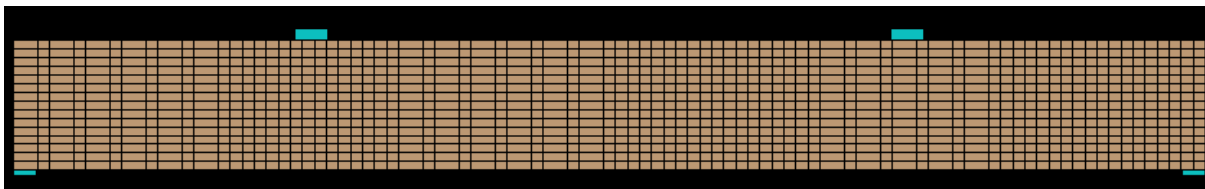
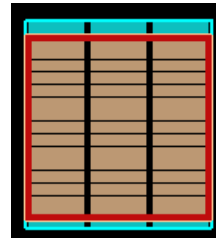
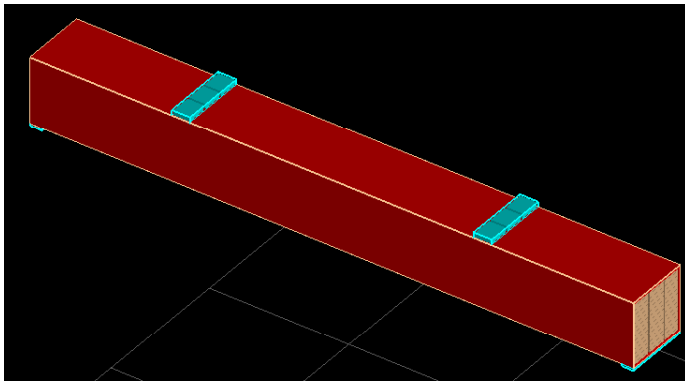
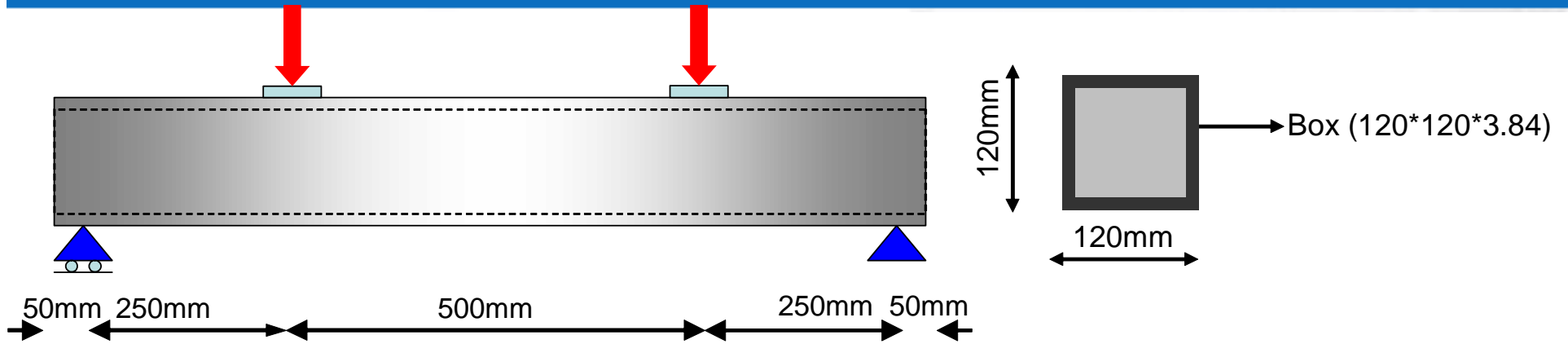


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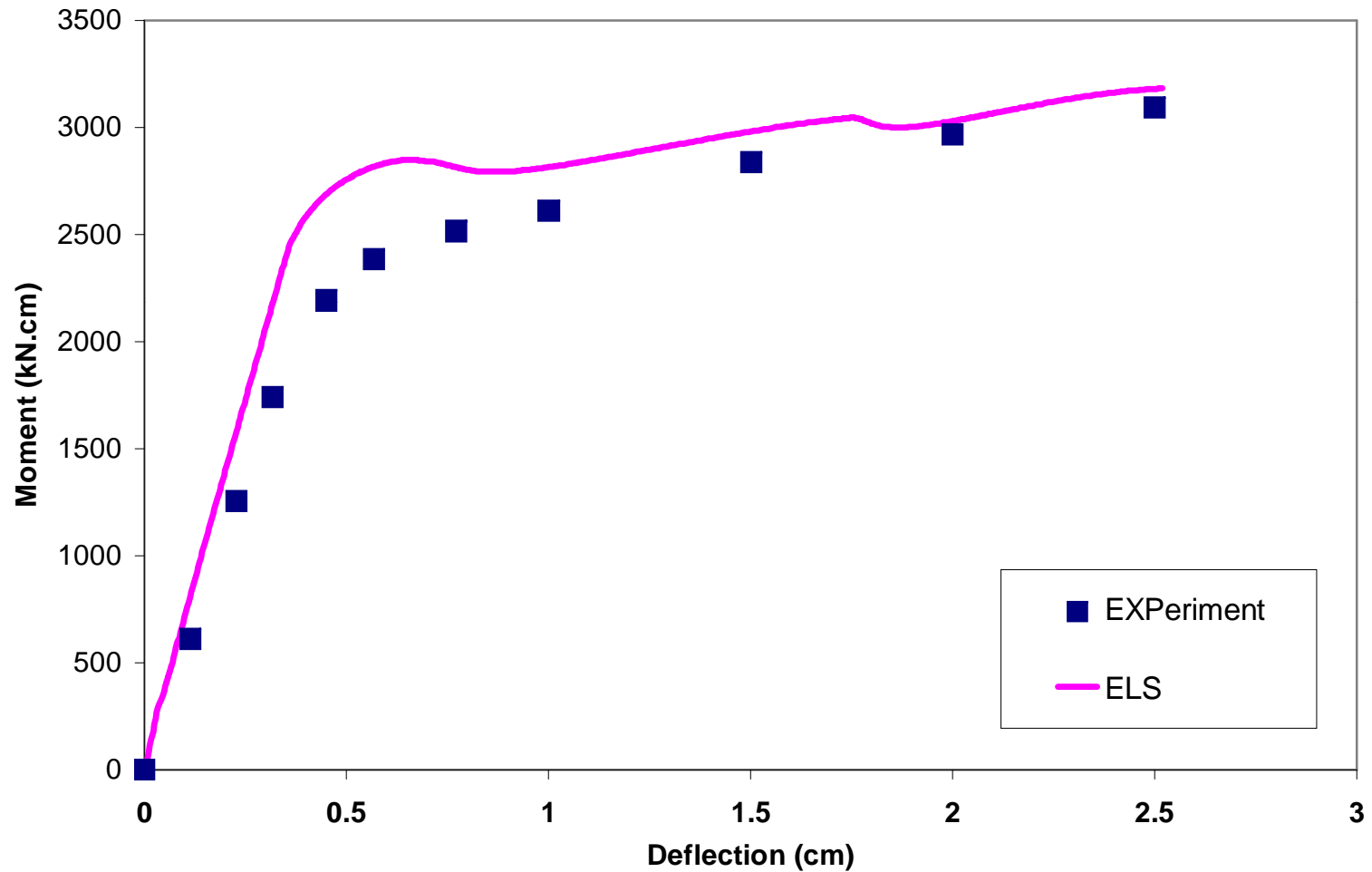
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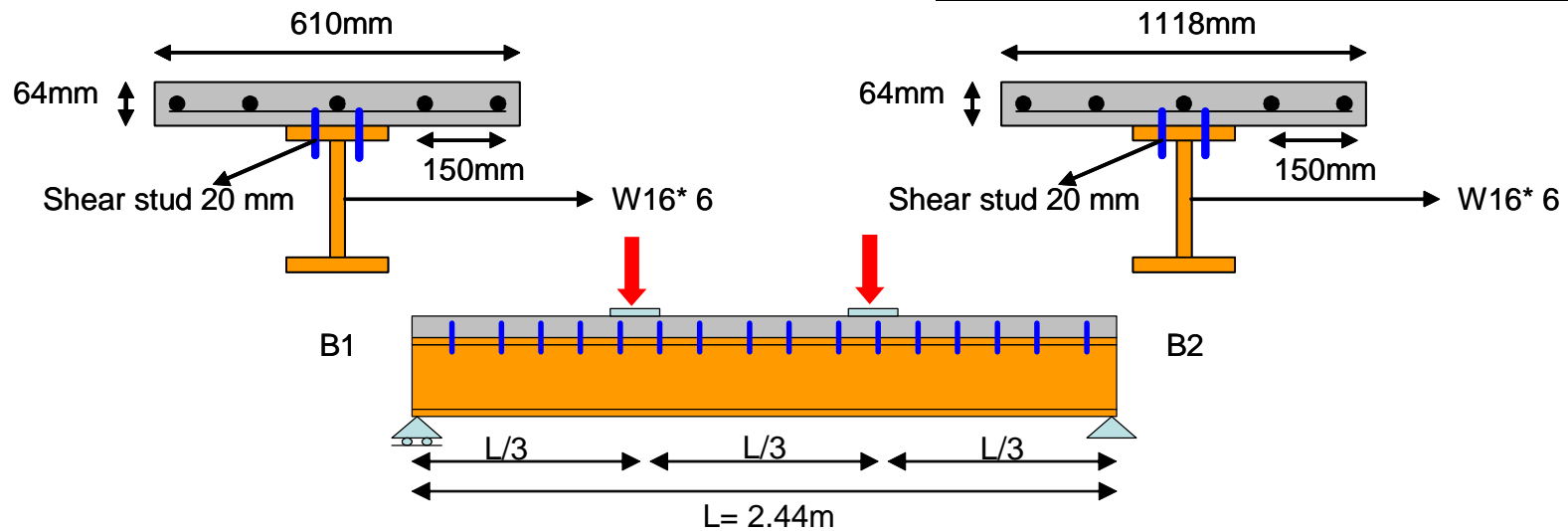
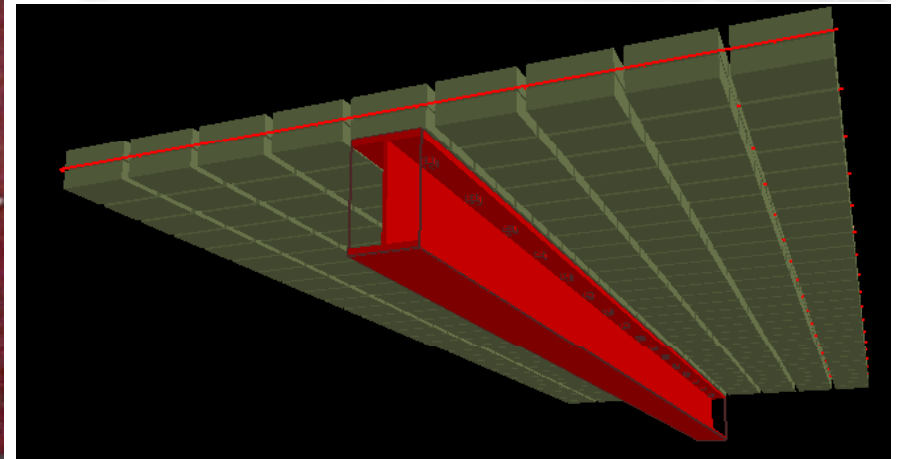
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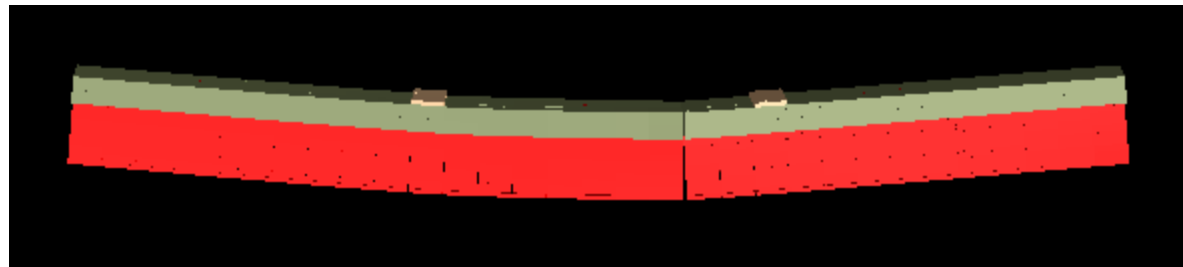
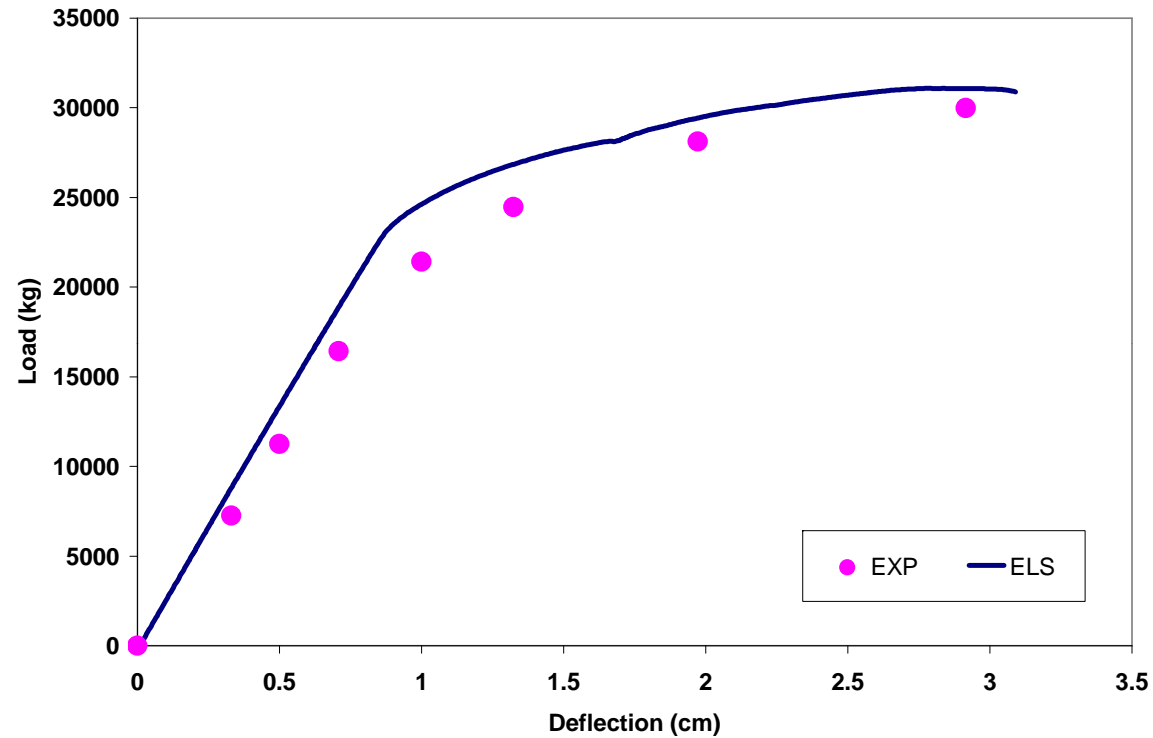
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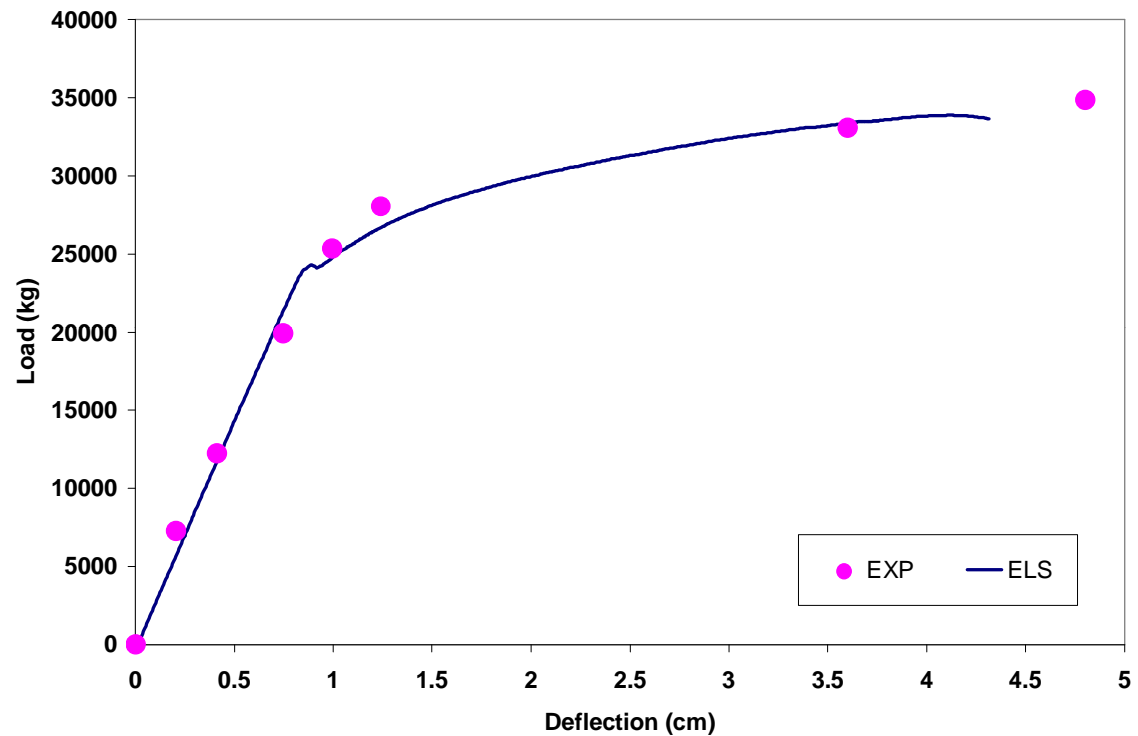
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Steel Composite Beam under Four-Point Loading (B1)



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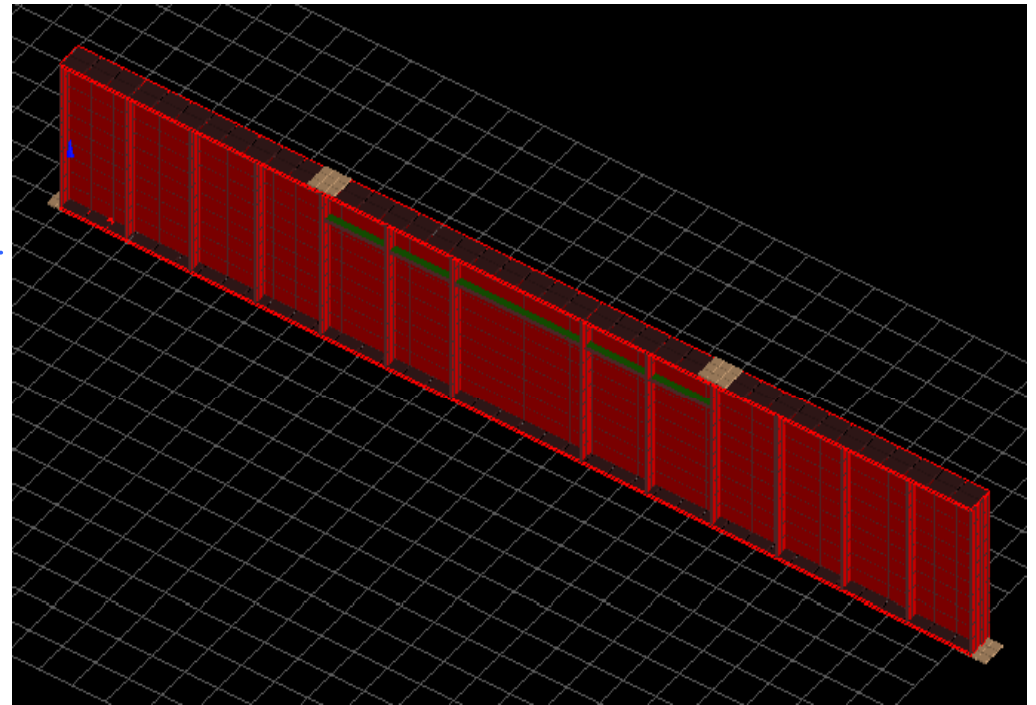
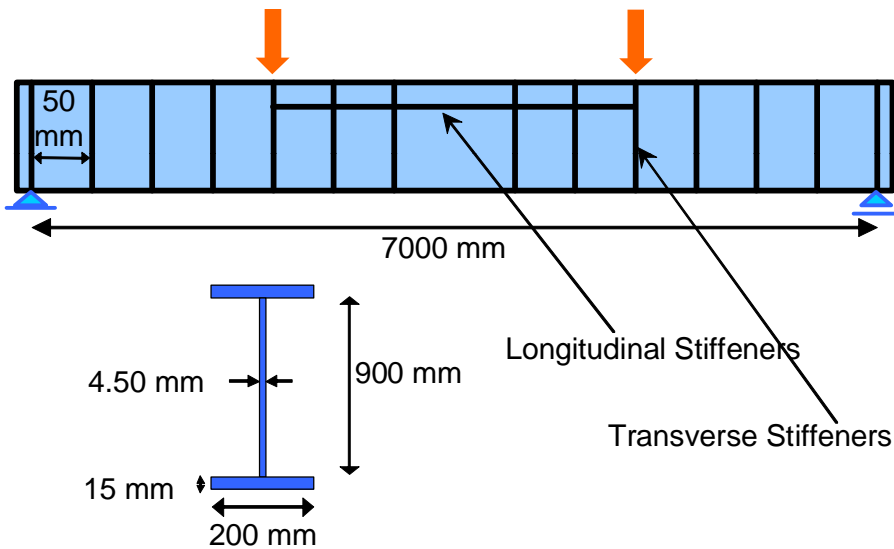


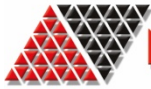


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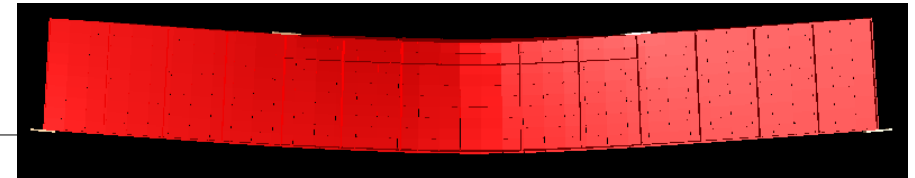
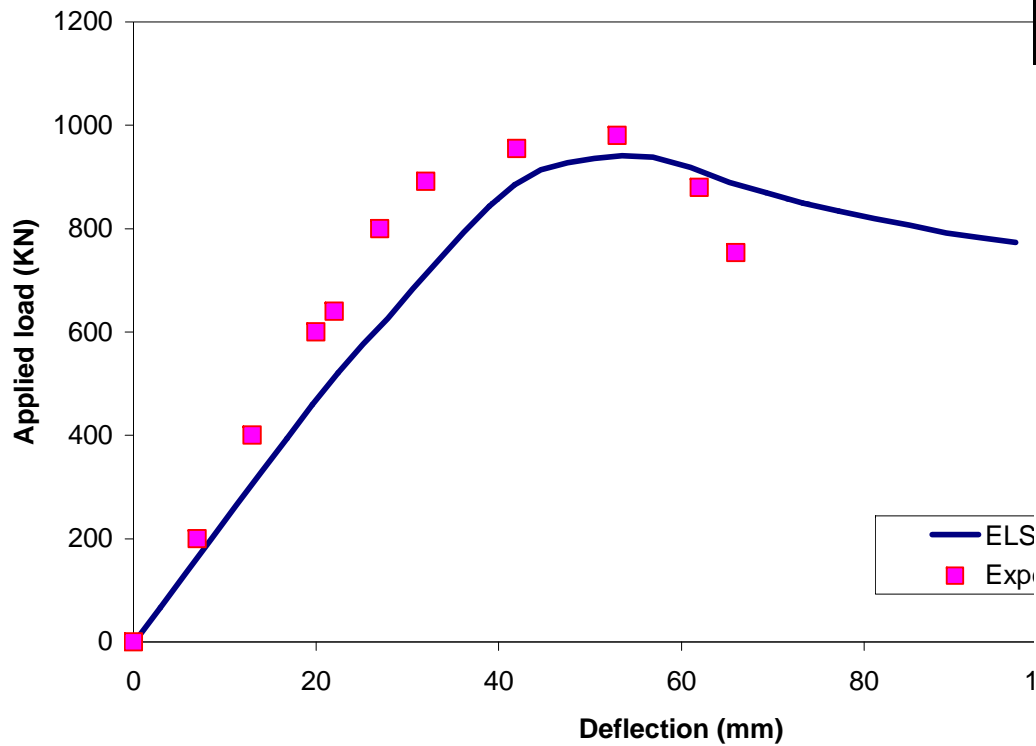




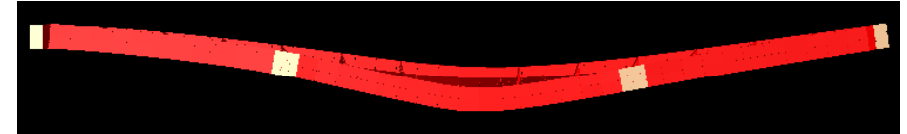
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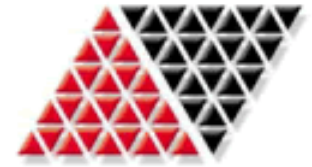
Deflection Pattern obtained by ELS (elevation).



Deflection Pattern obtained by ELS (plan)



Lateral torsional buckling observed in the experiment

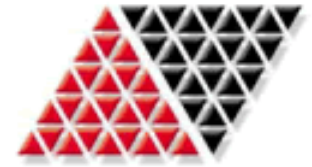


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Q&A Session

Using the Q&A tool, please submit any questions you may have for our panel.





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Thank you!

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