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Recent Research Efforts to Understand the Seismic Behavior of Anchorage in Cracked Concrete

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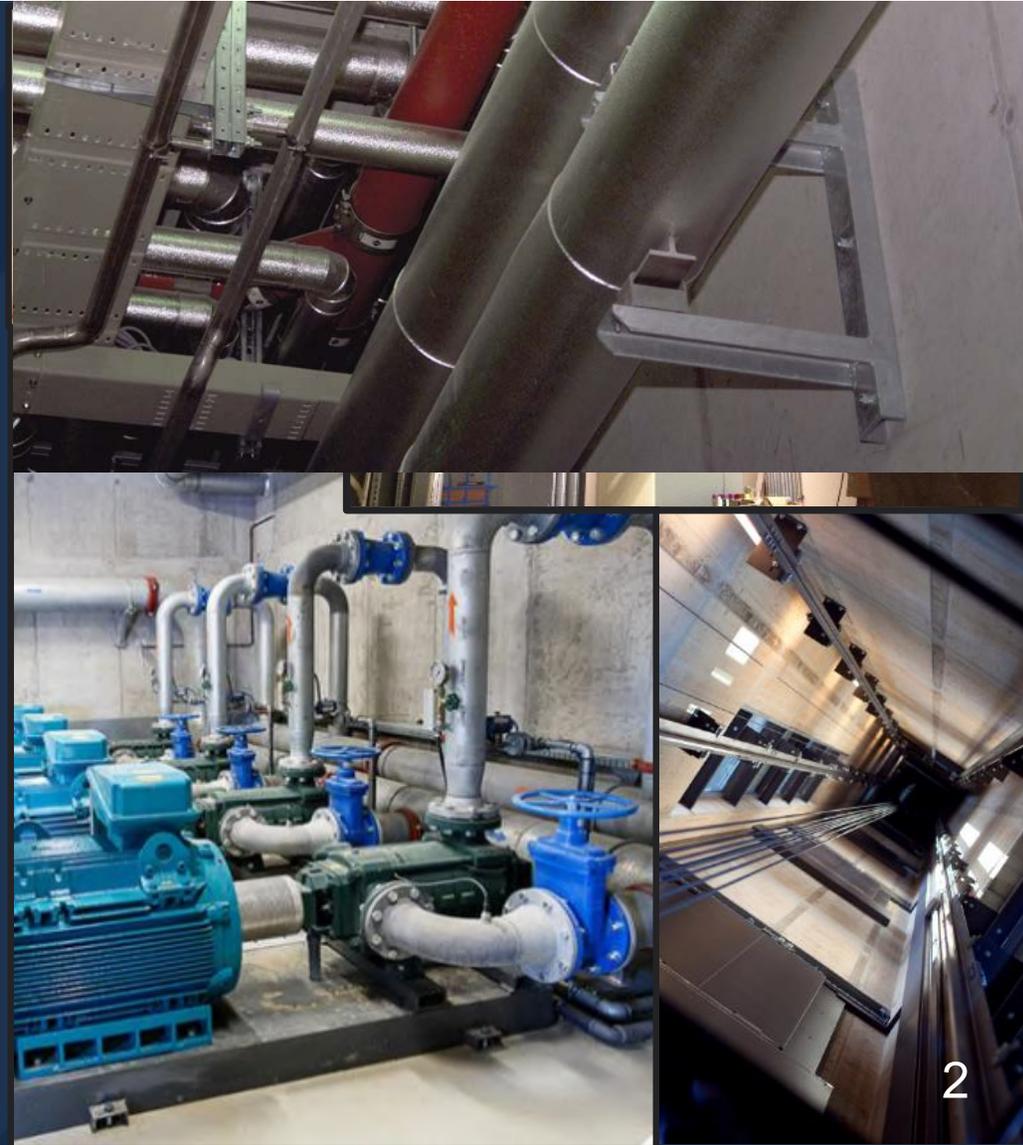
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INTRODUCTION

Post-installed metal anchors connect nonstructural components and systems (NCS) to concrete structures (walls/ceilings/floor/slabs)

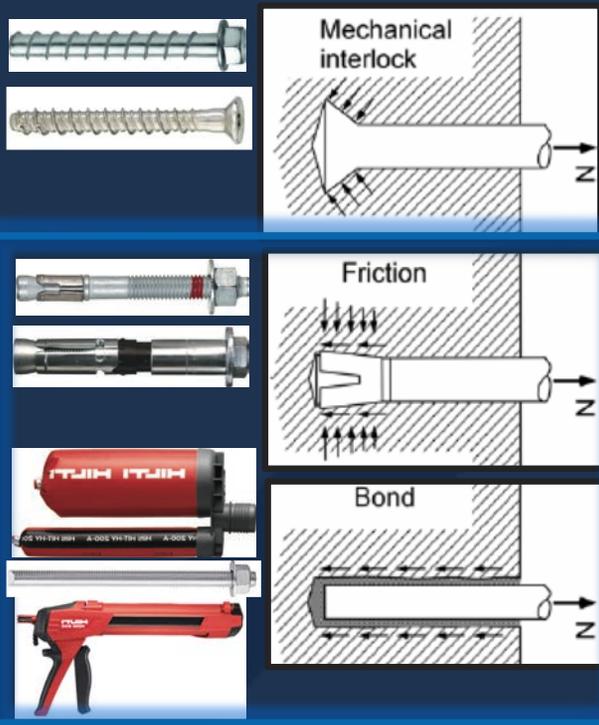
- Nuclear power plants
- Mechanical/electrical rooms
- Elevator shafts

~60% of these applications requires horizontal installation!

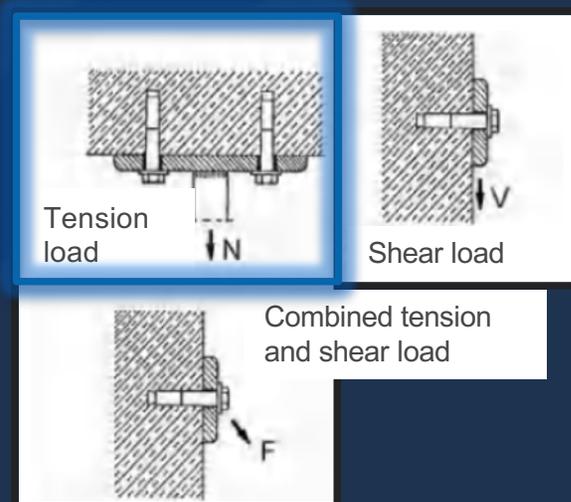


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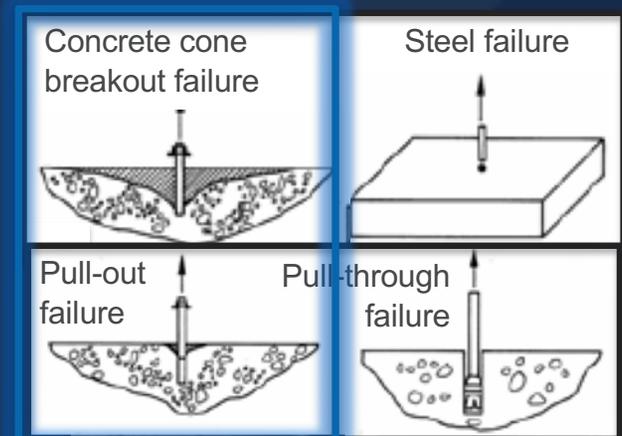
Different anchoring mechanisms:



Different static and dynamic actions:

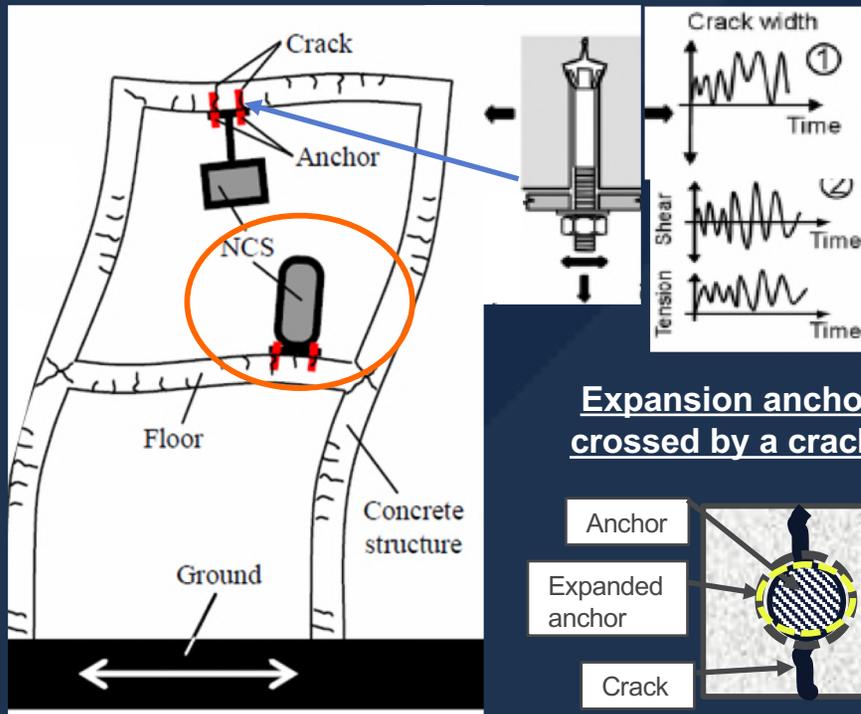


Typical failure modes for anchors loaded in tension:



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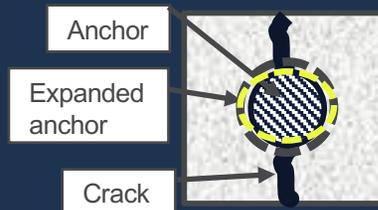
During an earthquake, anchors are subjected to **cracks that are cycling opened/closed**, in addition to the loading history from **earthquake induced inertial forces** on the structure.



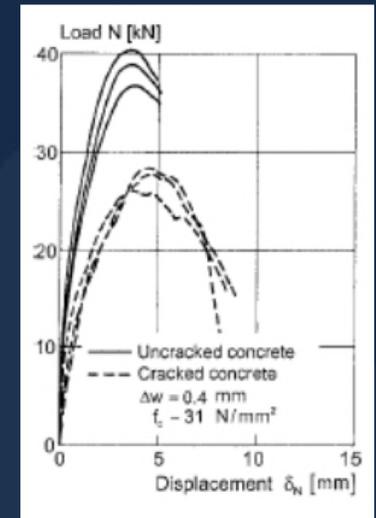
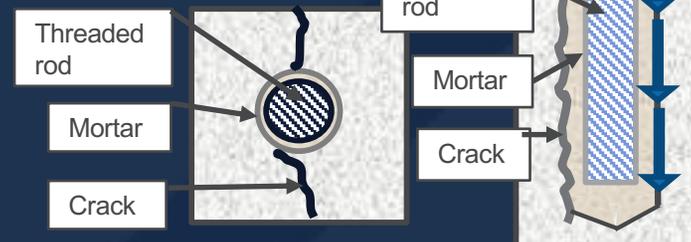
Cracks affect anchors performance:

- enlarge installation hole bigger
- change the **stress concentration**
- compromise anchors strength

Expansion anchor crossed by a crack:



Bonded anchor crossed by a crack:



"Seismic displacement behavior of anchors connecting nonstructural components to cyclic cracked concrete", Mahrenholtz et al., 2014

Eligehausen et al. 2006

MOTIVATION

European anchor qualification procedures

Table 1.1 Minimum recommended performance categories for anchors under seismic actions

Seismicity		Importance Class acc. to EN 1998-1:2004, 4.2.5			
	$a_g \cdot S^{2)}$	I	II	III	IV
Very low ¹⁾	$a_g \cdot S \leq 0,05 g$	ETAG 001 Part 1 to Part 5			
Low ¹⁾	$0,05 g < a_g \cdot S \leq 0,1 g$	C1	C1 ³⁾ or C2 ⁴⁾		C2
	$a_g \cdot S > 0,1 g$	C1	C2		

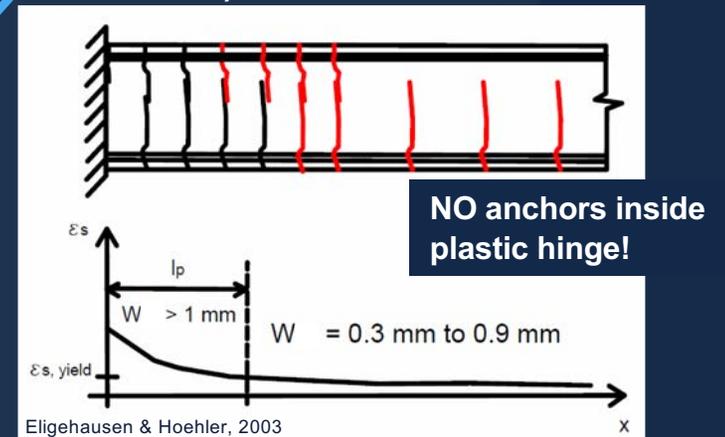
Cracking and damage → Response Modification

Coefficient R ≈ capacity to dissipate energy through inelastic actions

ASCE 7-16 Tab. 12.2-1: R factors

A. BEARING WALL SYSTEMS		R
1. Special RC shear walls		5
2. Ordinary RC shear walls		4
C. MOMENT-RESISTING FRAME SYSTEMS		R
5. Special reinforced concrete moment frames		8
6. Intermediate reinforced concrete moment frames		5
7. Ordinary reinforced concrete moment frames		3

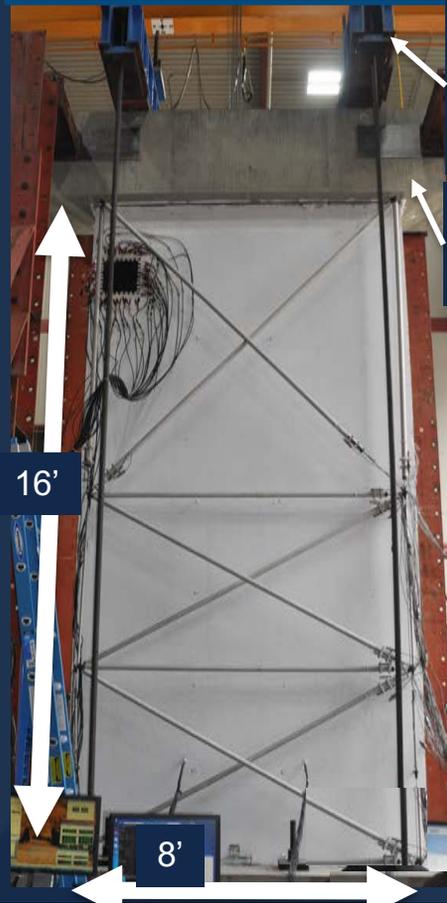
Crack widths in frame-type structures (max crack width at yield of reinforcement $W = 0.8 mm$).



How will anchors perform when installed in other types of structural components, which have different R-factors and expected damage patterns?

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AR=2 full-scale specimen



10% of wall section capacity axial load applied at top

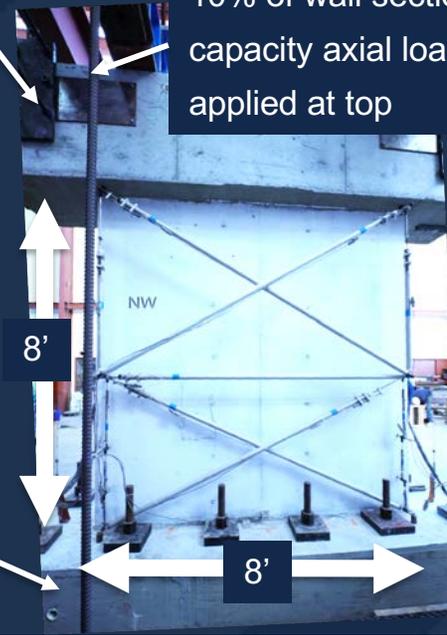
Free rotation at the top

Fixed at the base

$R = 5$

... shear walls behavior depends on aspect ratio ($AR = h_w / l_w$)

2 identical AR=1 full-scale specimens



10% of wall section capacity axial load applied at top



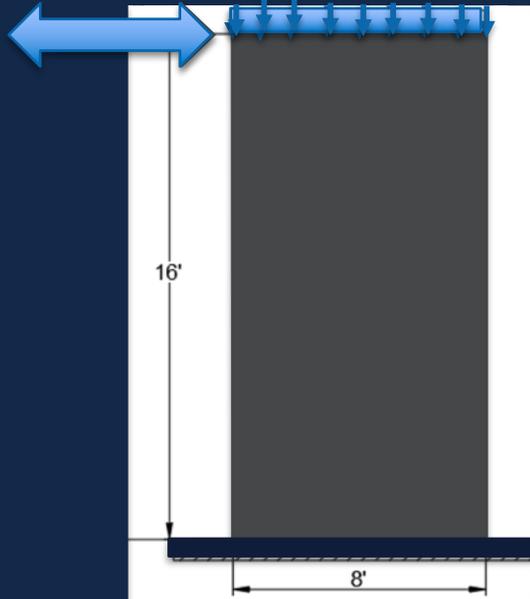
0% of wall section capacity axial load applied at top

WALL DESIGN

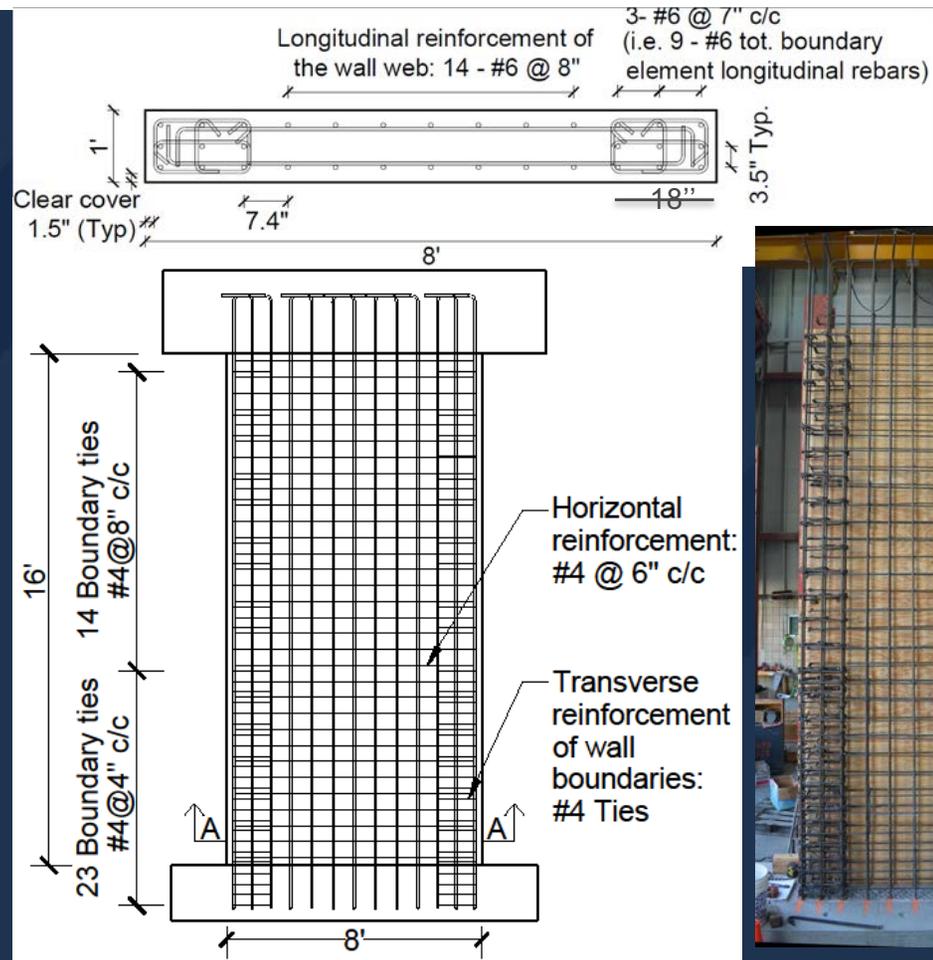
Assumption:

- The resultant of a triangular load distribution is at about 2/3 of the height. The model wall will be 16' height.

Wall model to test

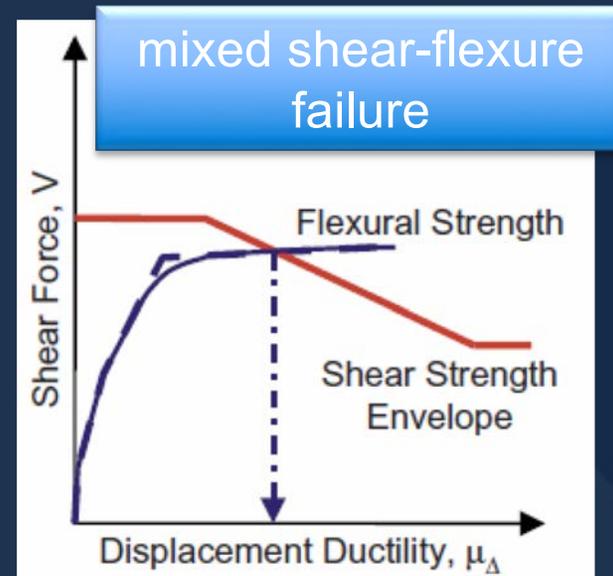
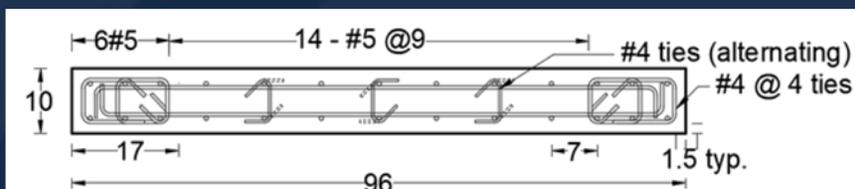
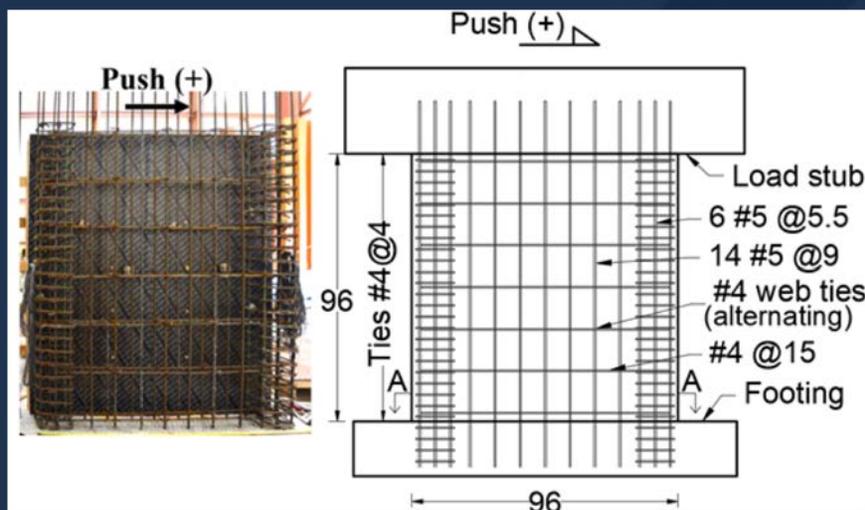


SLENDER WALL



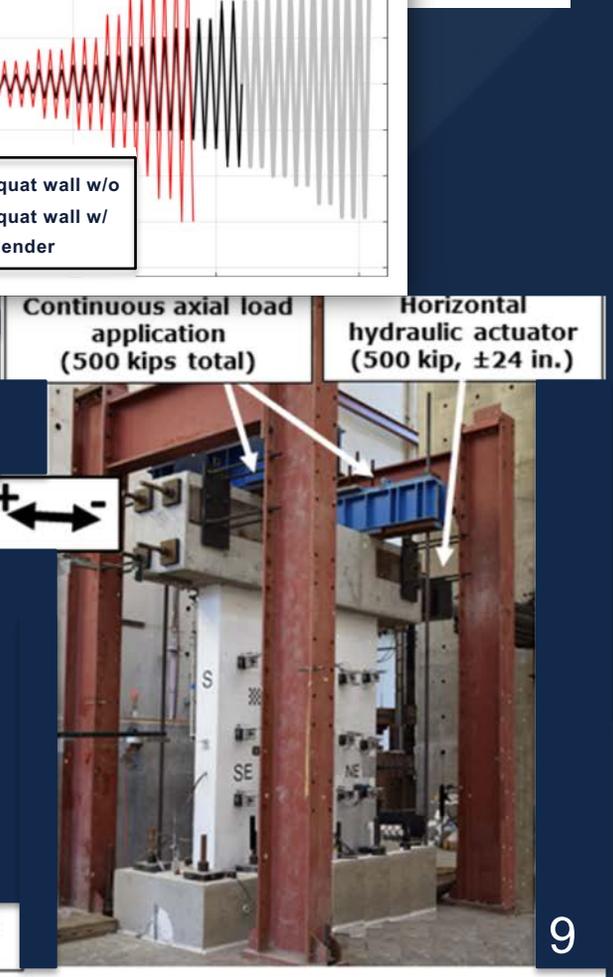
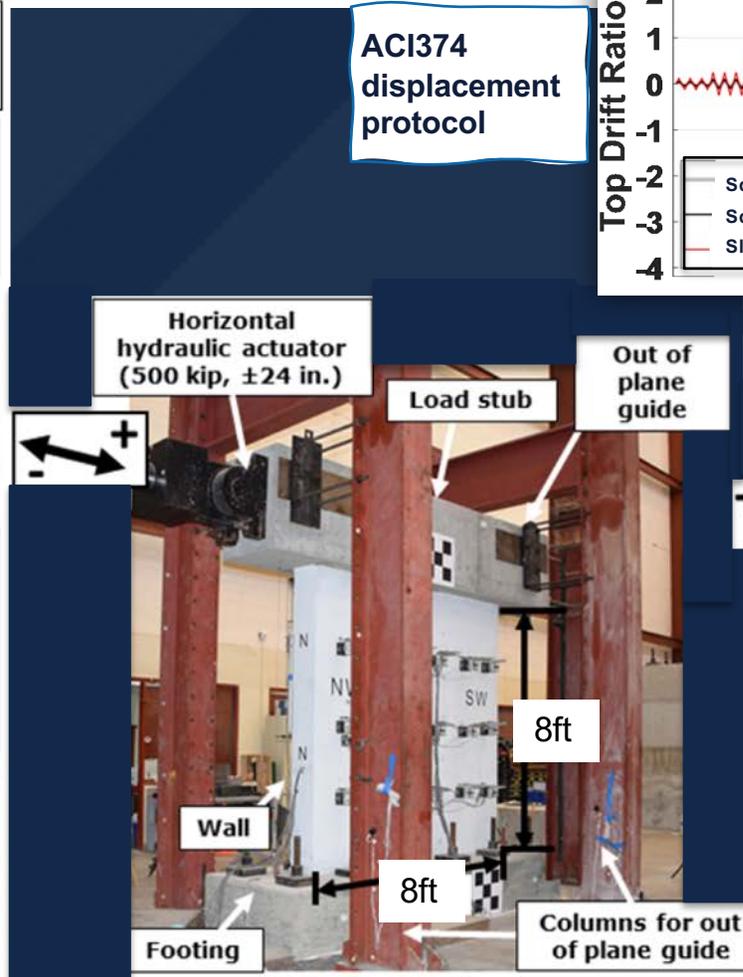
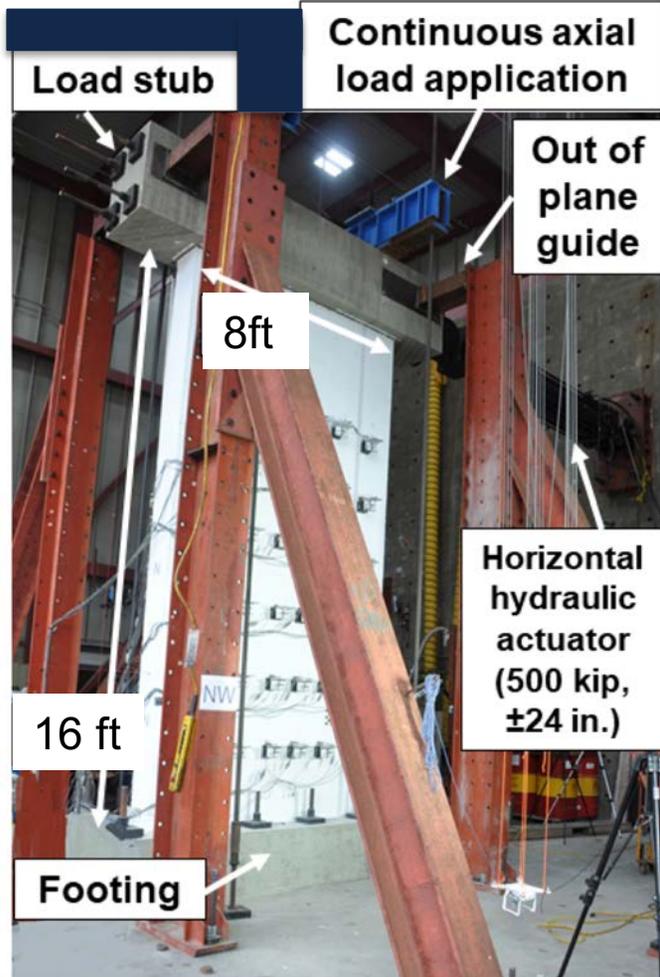
WALL DESIGN

SQUAT WALLS DESIGN

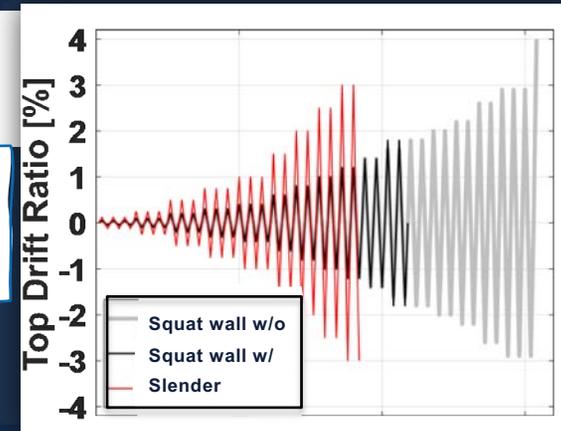


- Boundary elements to engage flexural response and increase displacement capacity of the walls
- Minimum amount of horizontal reinforcement to favor mixed shear-flexure failure

WALL TEST SETUP



ACI374 displacement protocol



SLENDER WALL CYCLING

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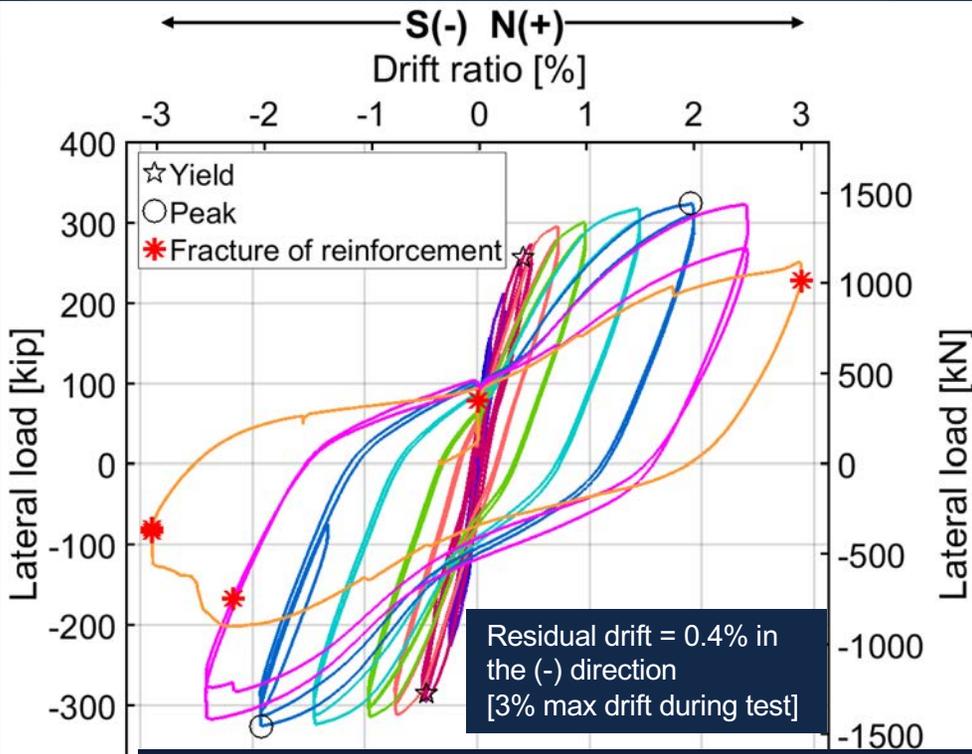
Hilti Seismic Project: Full-Scale Shear Wall-Anchorage Tests

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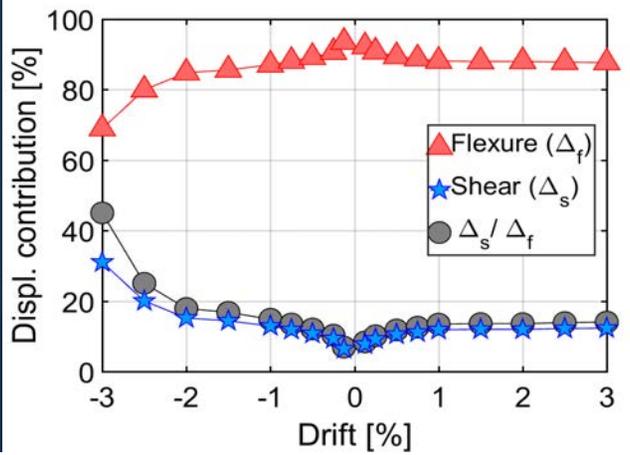
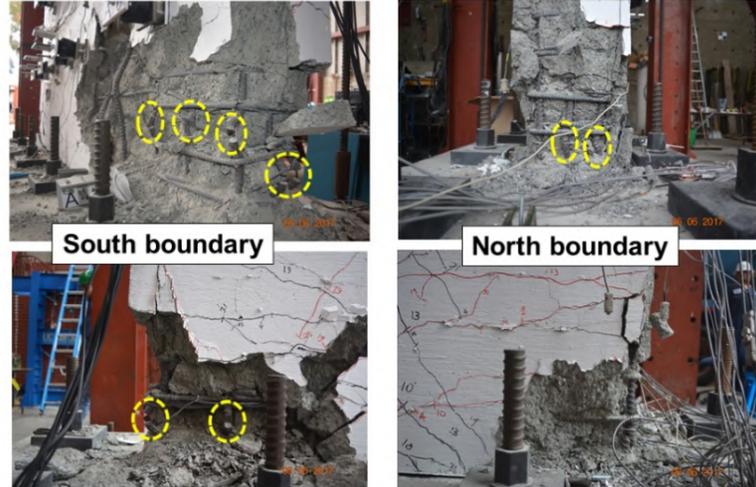
West Face View, East Face View, North Wall Toe, Load Deflection Plot



SLENDER WALL GLOBAL RESPONSE

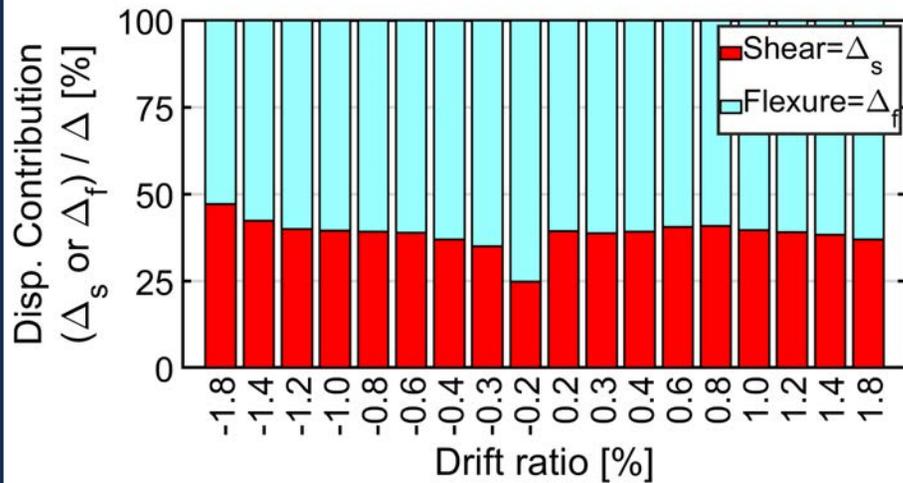


- Wall failed in flexure
- Average shear component 15%

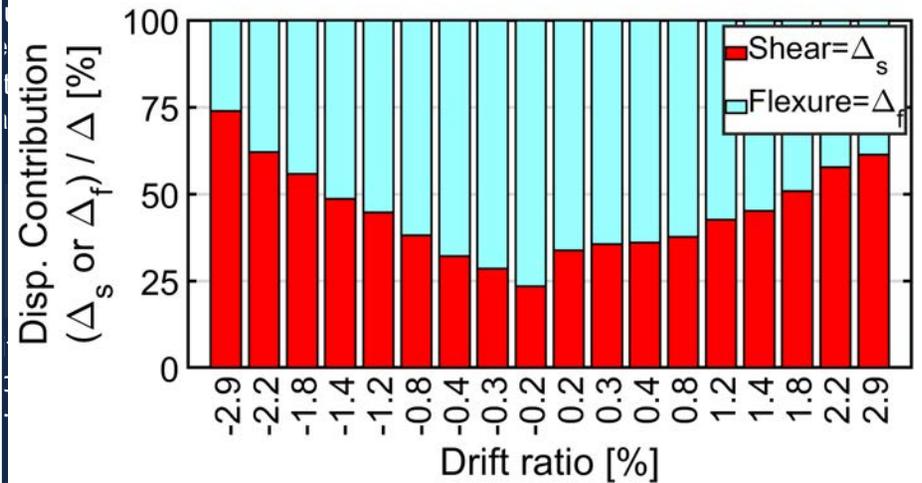


SQUAT WALL GLOBAL RESPONSE

Squat wall tested with axial load:



Squat wall tested without axial load:

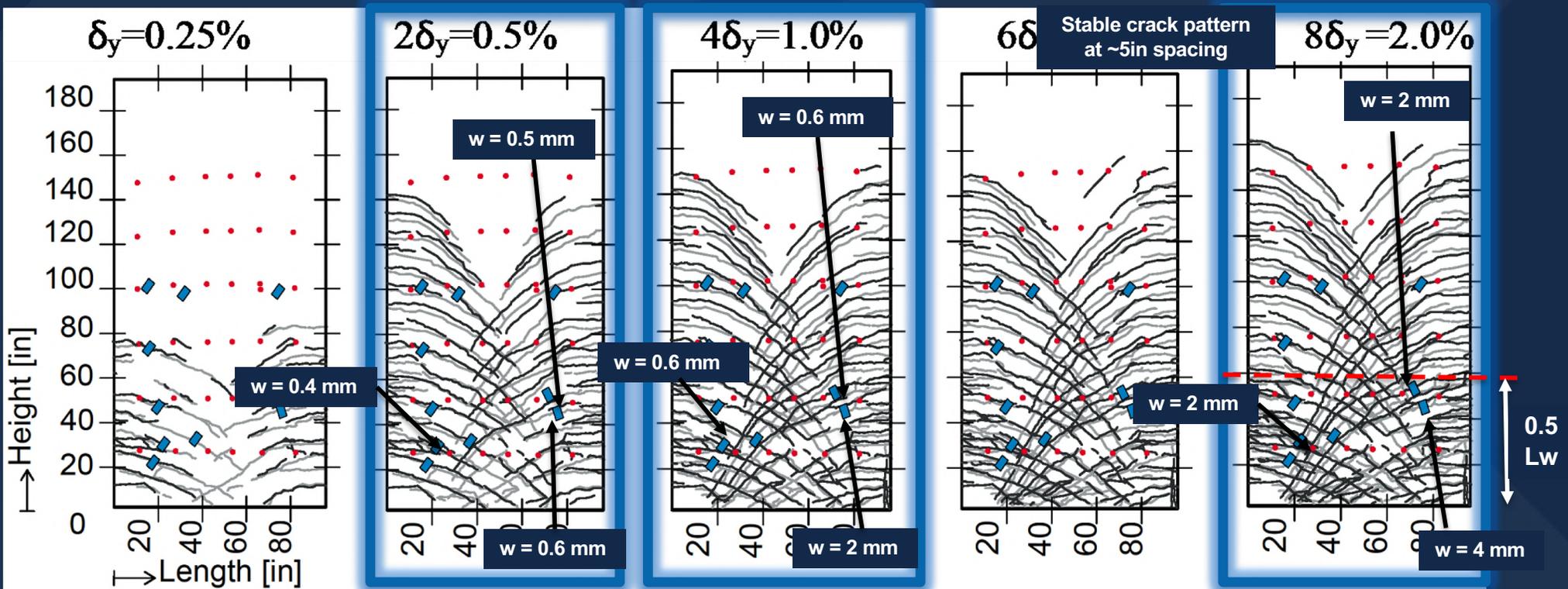


Mean shear displacement contribution ~ 40% for both walls

Presence of axial load on squat walls:

- Increases strength (SQ7.5 ~ 60% stronger than SQ0)
- Reduces drift capacity
- Stabilizes shear to flexure displacement

SLENDER WALL DAMAGE EVOLUTION



Immediate Occupancy
~ 20% in 50 years

Life Safety
~ 10% in 50 years

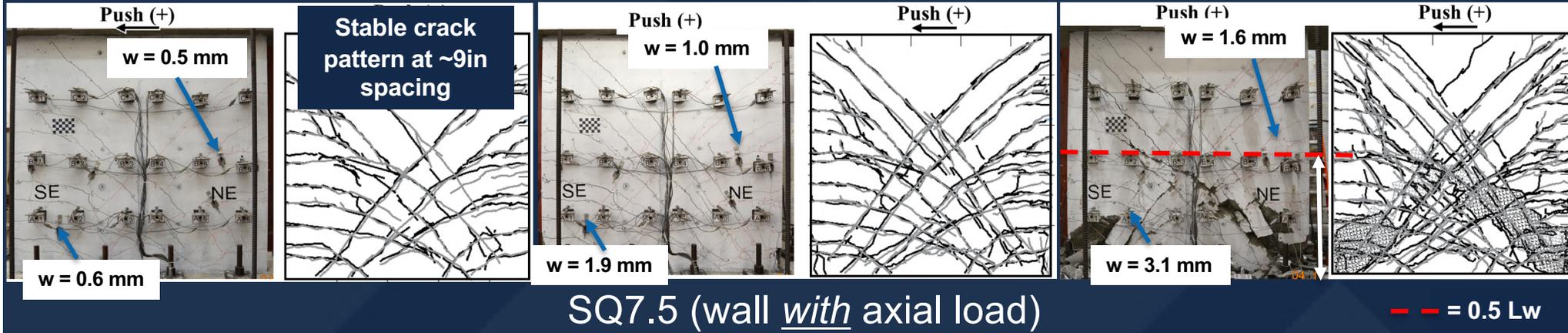
Collapse Prevention
~ 2% in 50 years

WALL DAMAGE

0.4% drift ~ Immediate Occupancy

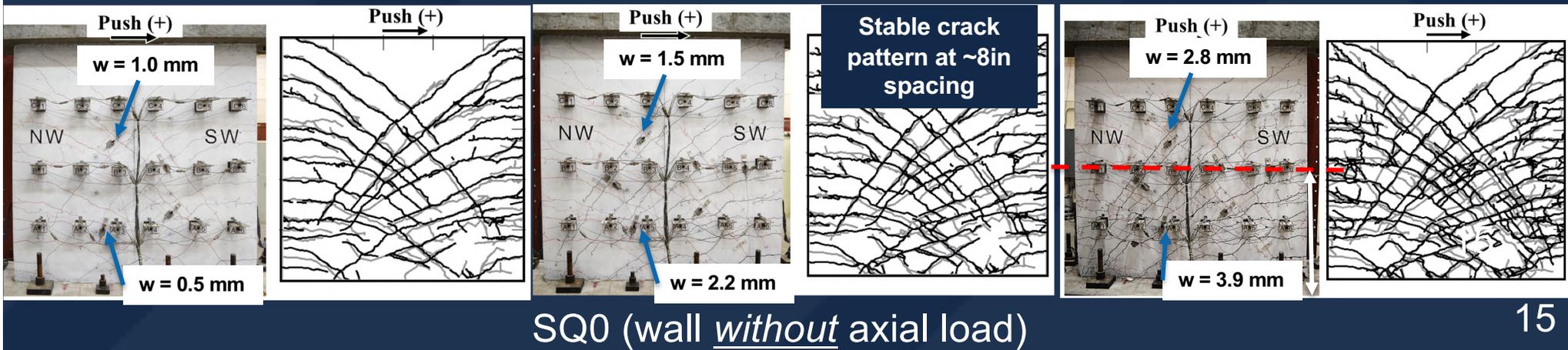
1% drift ~ Life Safety

2% drift ~ Collapse Prevention



SQ7.5 (wall *with* axial load)

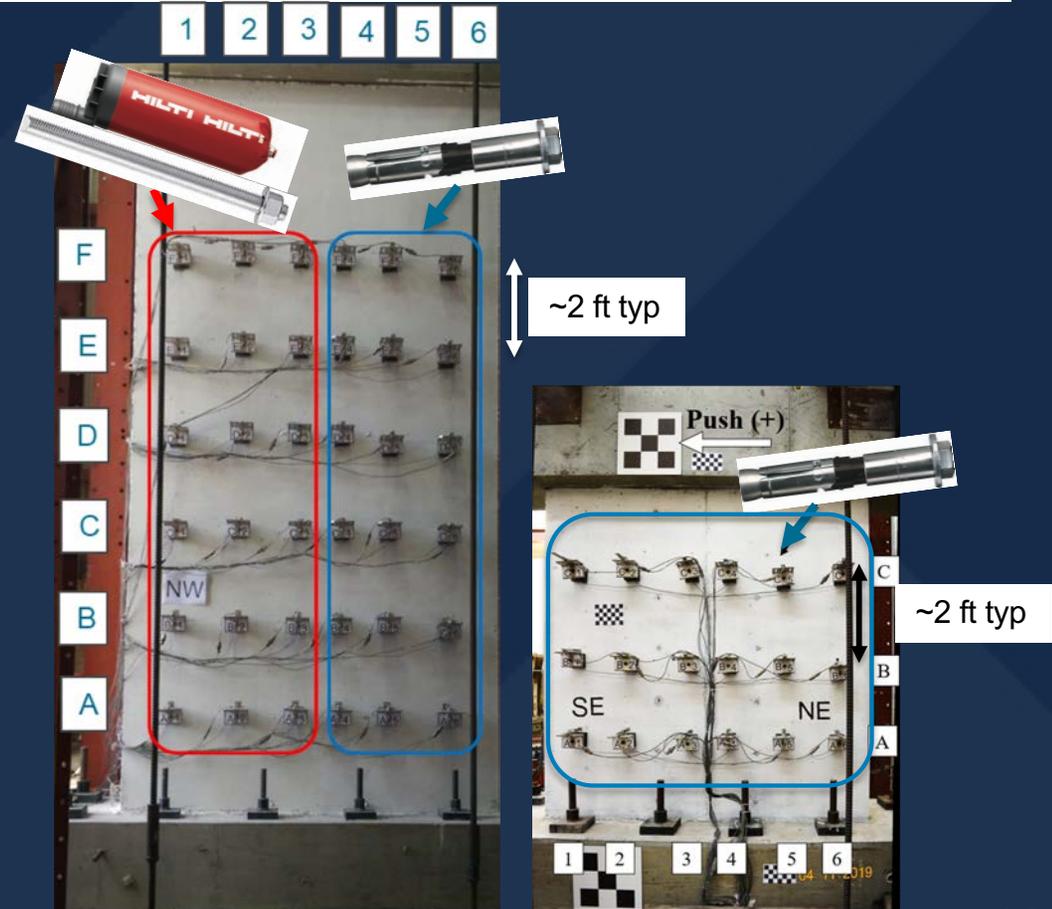
-- = 0.5 Lw



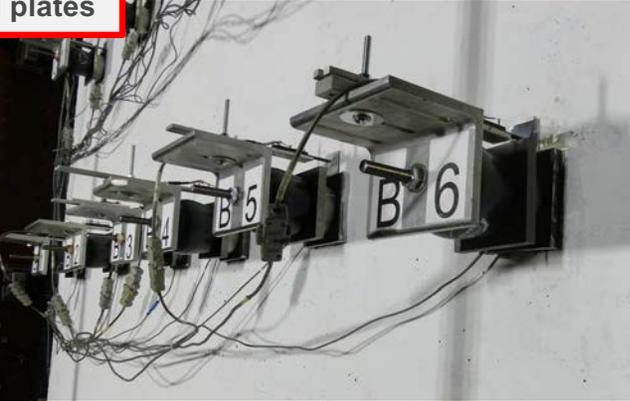
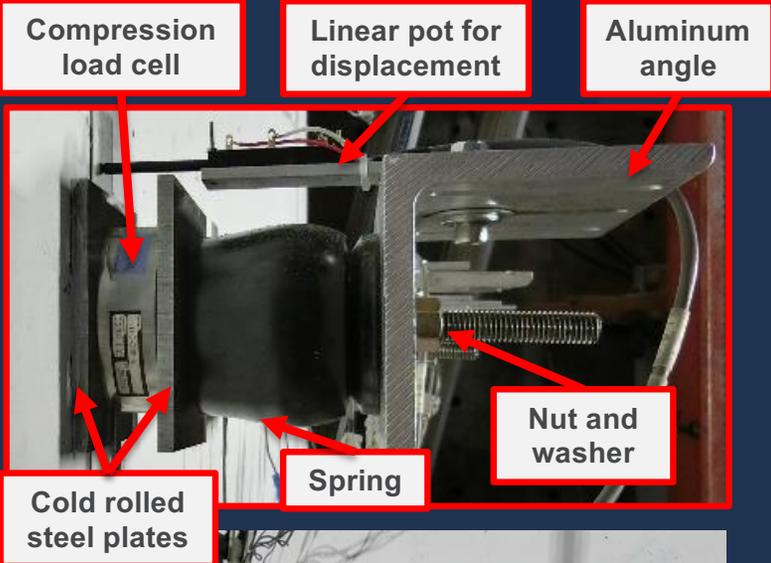
SQ0 (wall *without* axial load)

TEST LAYOUT

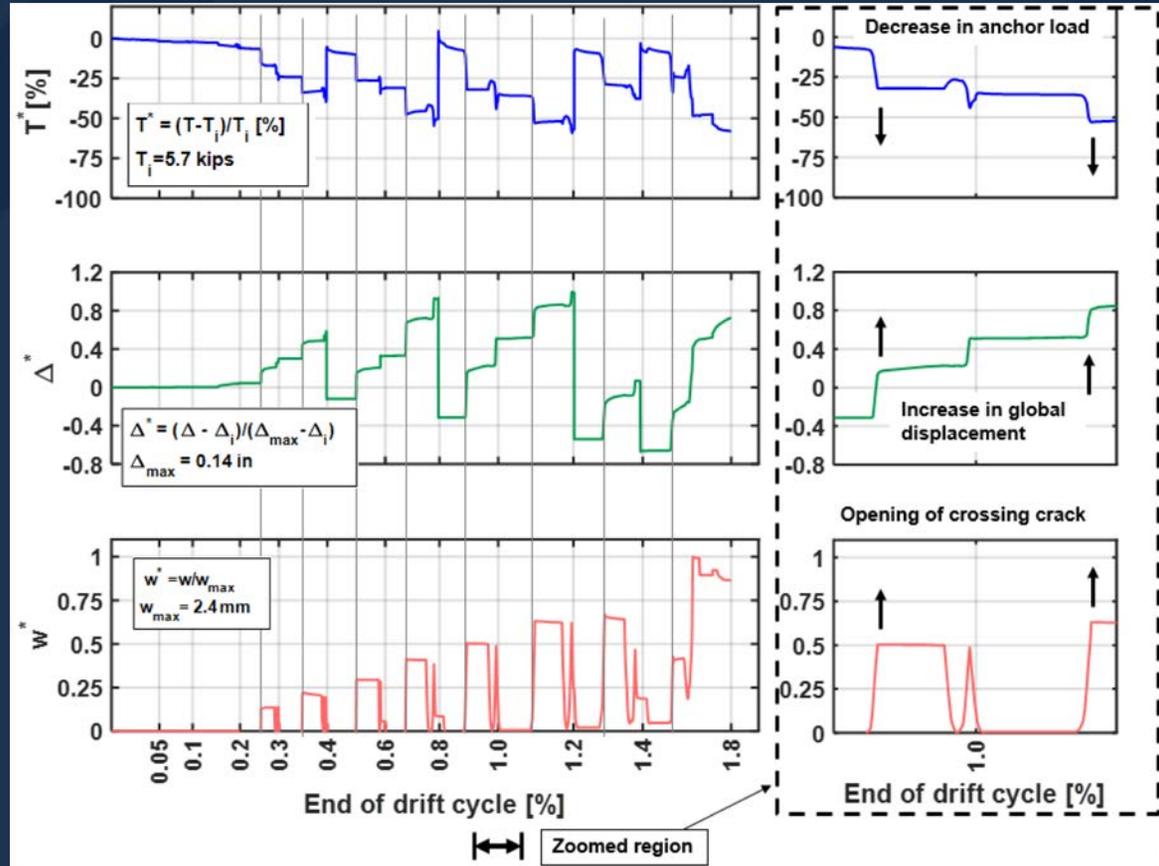
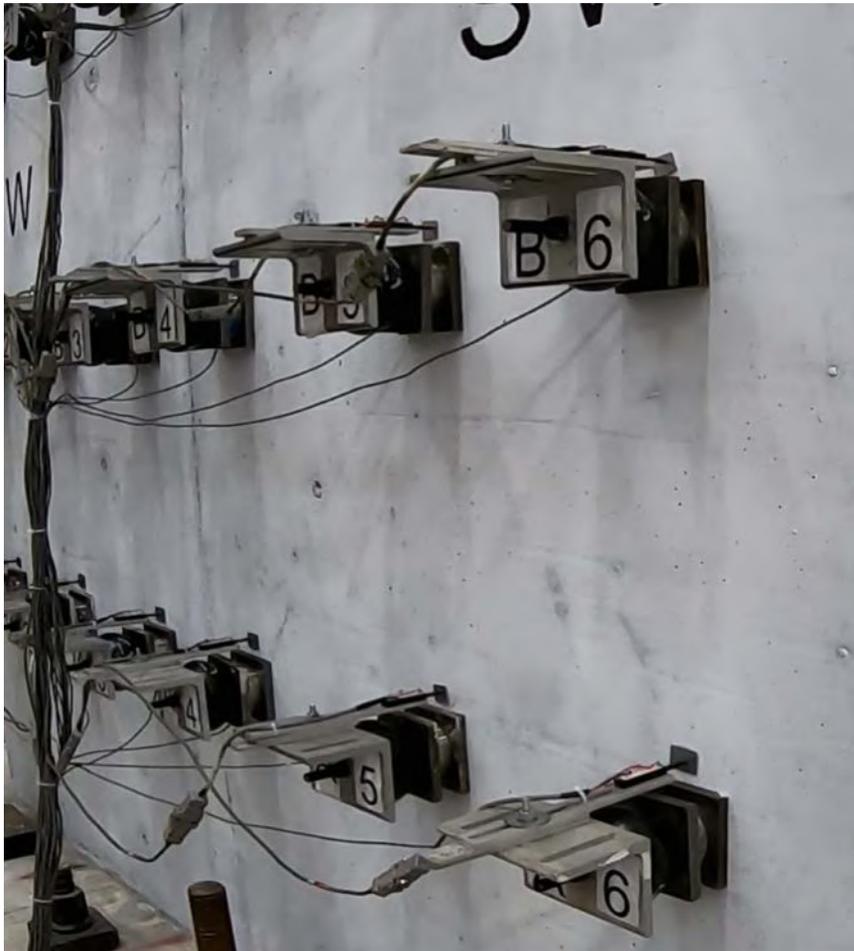
- 72 total anchors with Grade 12.9 threaded rod installed in uncracked wall face every 2 ft:
 - Slender wall: 18 bonded + 18 torque-controlled expansion
 - Squat walls: 18 torque-controlled expansion anchors
- Anchors loaded to design tension before loading the wall
- **Boundary Conditions:** unique crack pattern and concrete damage around each anchor



ANCHOR AXIAL LOAD SETUP

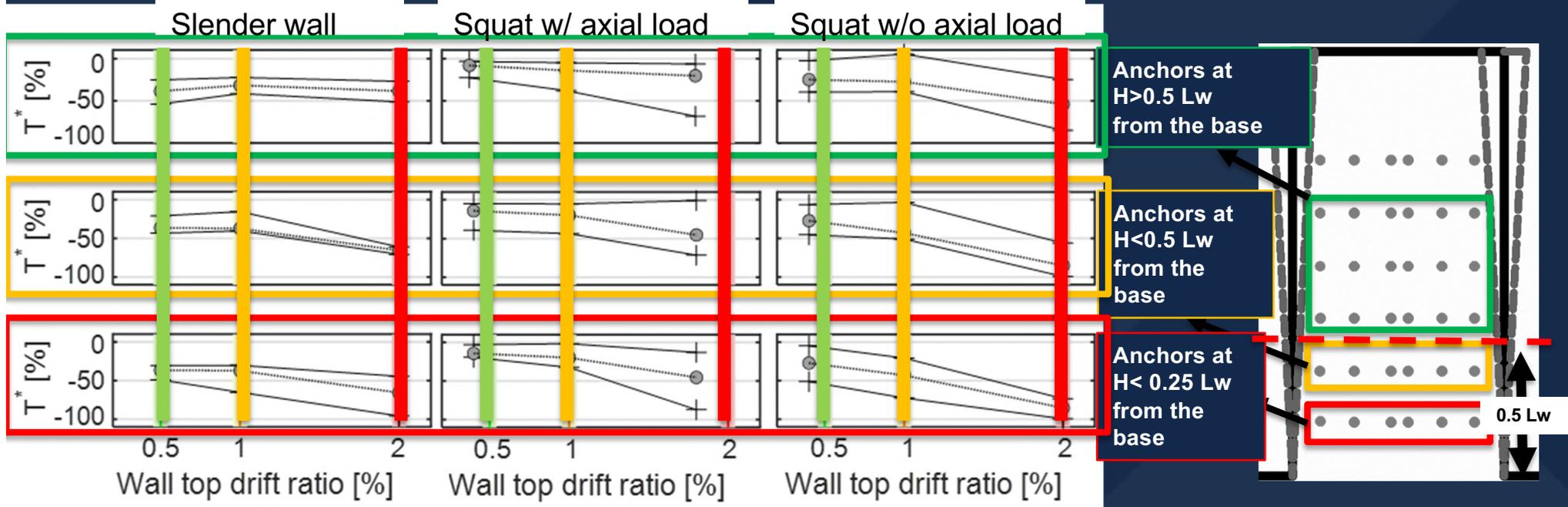


ANCHORS DURING WALL CYCLING



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Relate anchor to wall performance through performance limit states

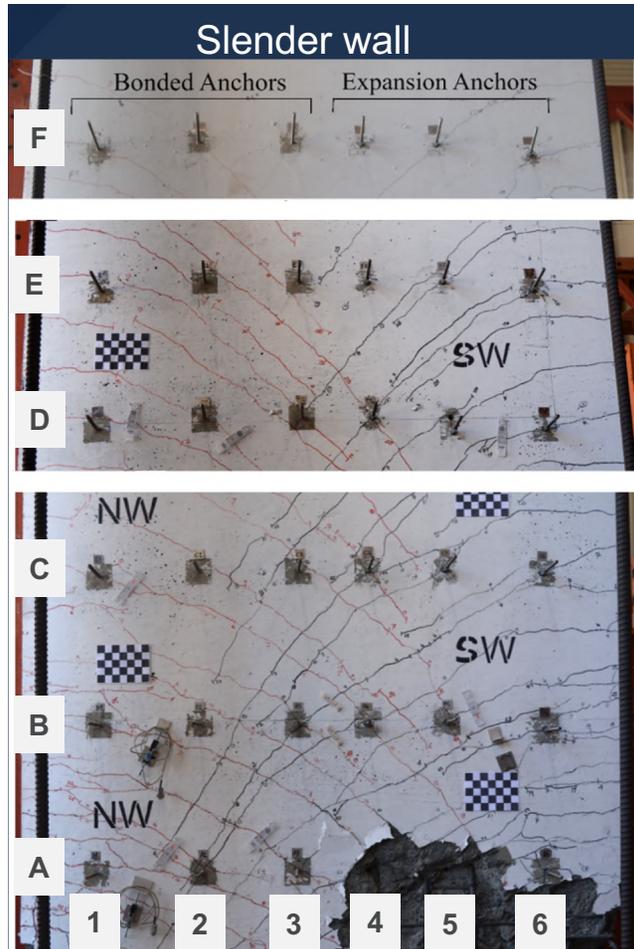


$T^* = (T - T_i) / T_i * 100$ IO LS CP + Min-max ● Mean

Normalized anchor load

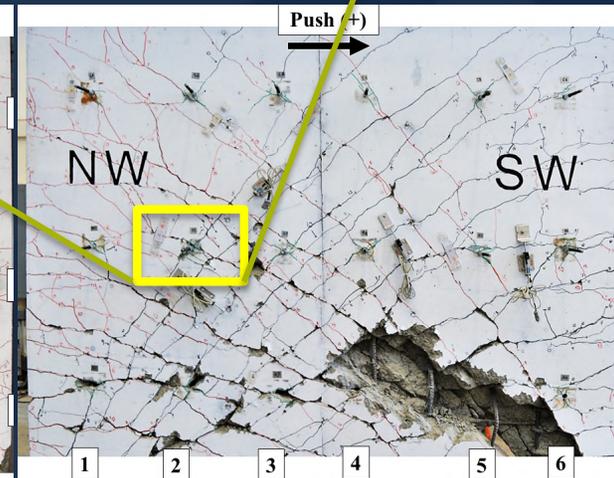
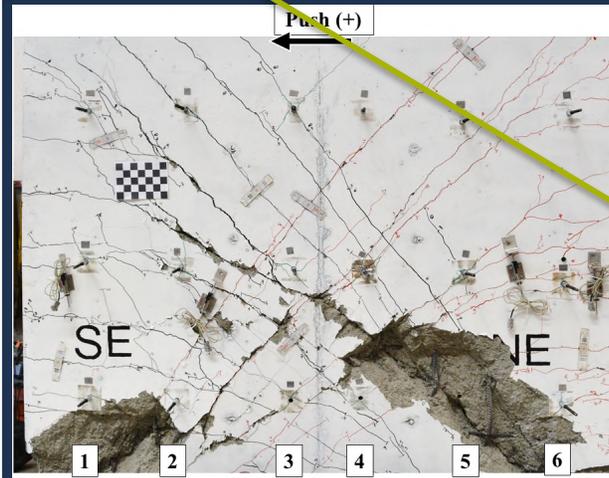
IO: Immediate Occupancy
 LS: Life Safety
 CP: Collapse Prevention
 limit states of wall

ANCHORS AT THE END OF WALL TESTS



Squat wall with axial load

Squat wall without axial load



ANCHORS AT THE END OF WALL TESTS

ANCHOR CLASS 1

No cracks through the anchor outside 25 mm radius



- 36% of anchors in slender wall
- 16% of anchors in squat wall w/ axial load
- 0% of anchors in

- Mean of maximum global displacement:
 - Class 1: 0.07 in [1.8 mm]
 - Class 2: 0.2 in [5 mm]
 - Class 3: 0.45 in [11 mm]

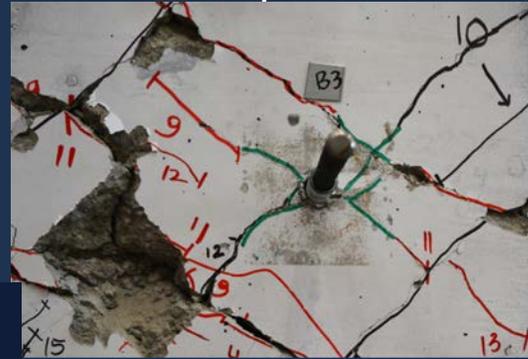


- 11% of anchors in squat wall w/o axial load

- 81% of anchors in the slender wall (93% of bonded anchors)

ANCHOR CLASS 2

$0.3 \text{ mm} < w_r < 0.8 \text{ mm}$



- 11% of anchors in slender wall
- 28% of anchors in squat wall w/o axial load

- 40% of anchors in squat wall w/ axial load

ANCHOR CLASS 3

$w_r \geq 0.8 \text{ mm}$

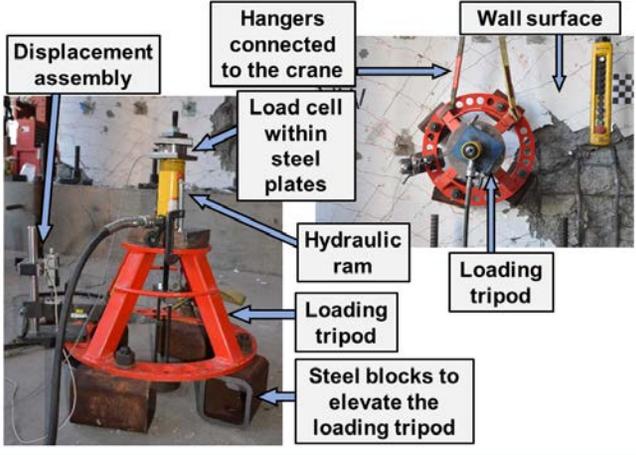
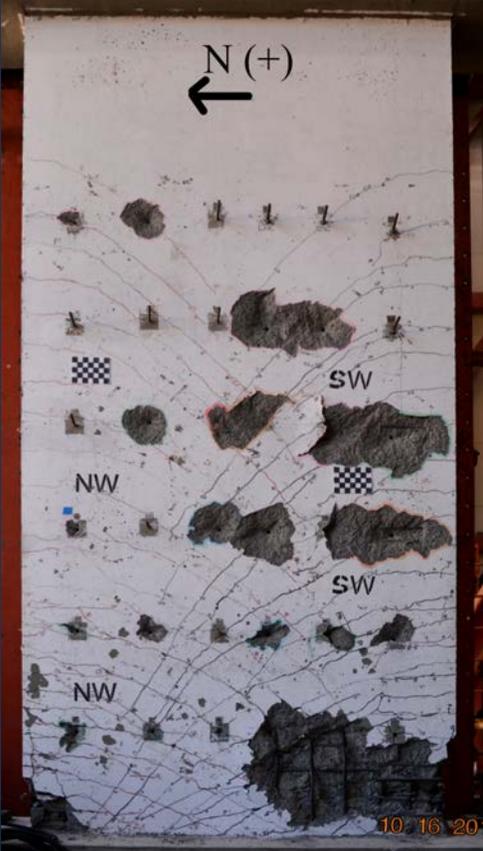


- 8% of anchors in slender wall
- 28% of anchors in squat wall w/ axial load

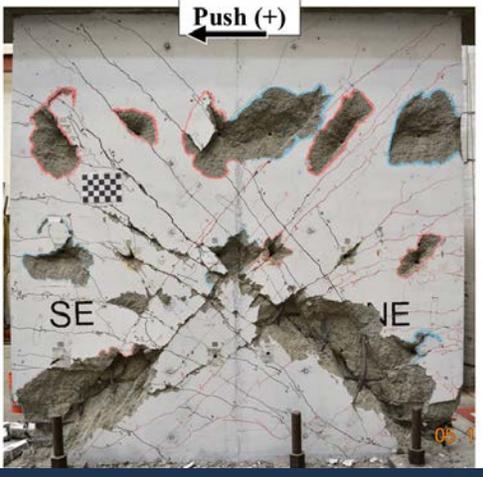
- 61% of anchors in squat wall w/o axial load

TENSION FAILURE TESTS

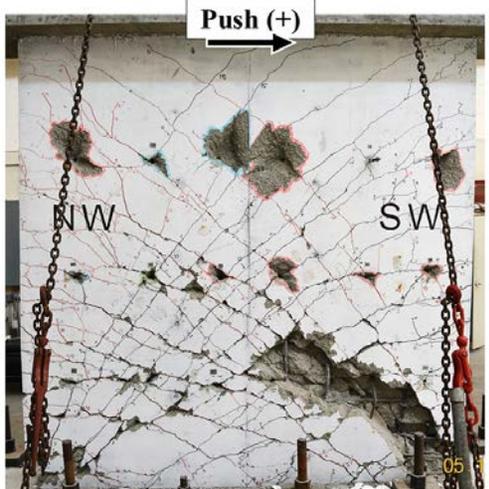
Slender wall



Squat wall with axial load



Squat wall without axial load

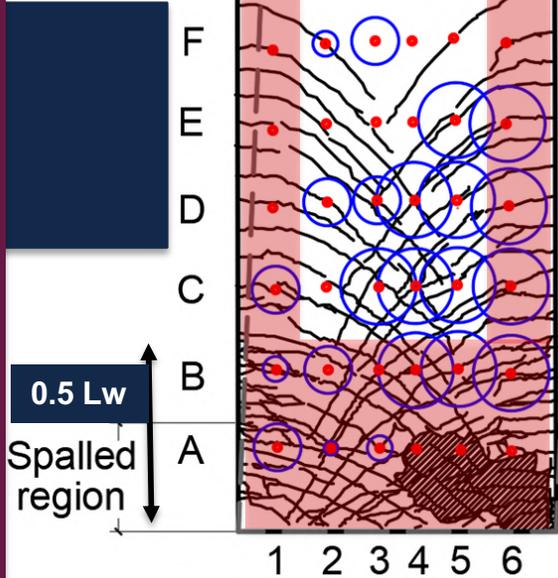


TENSION FAILURE TESTS

Slender wall

Residual drift = 0.4%
[3% max drift during test]

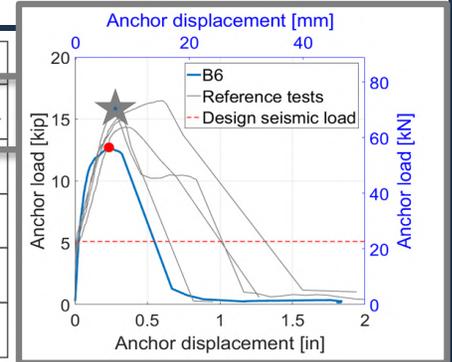
←N (+)



Peak load ratio T^*_{res}

$$T^*_{res} = T^{Pk}_{res} / T^{Pk}_{ref, uncr}$$

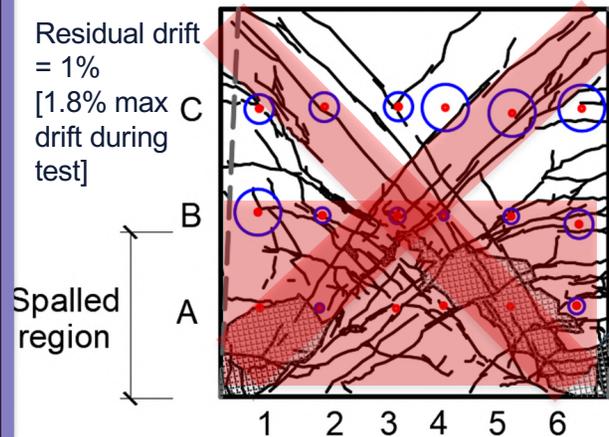
- $T^*_{res} > 0.75$
- $0.5 \leq T^*_{res} < 0.75$
- $0.25 \leq T^*_{res} < 0.5$
- $T^*_{res} < 0.25$



Squat wall with axial load

N (-) →

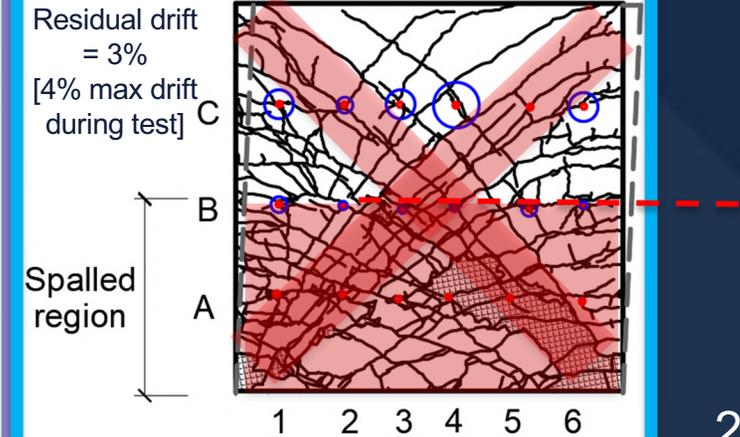
Residual drift = 1%
[1.8% max drift during test]



Squat wall without axial load

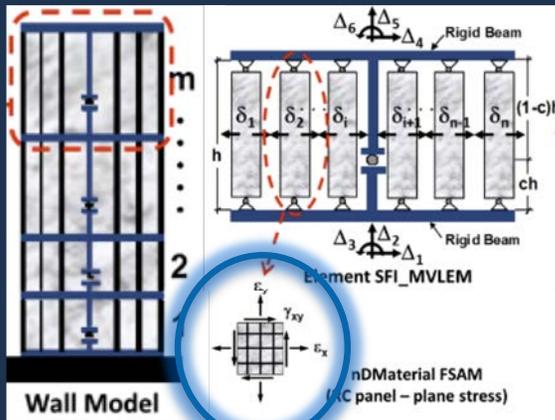
←N (-)

Residual drift = 3%
[4% max drift during test]



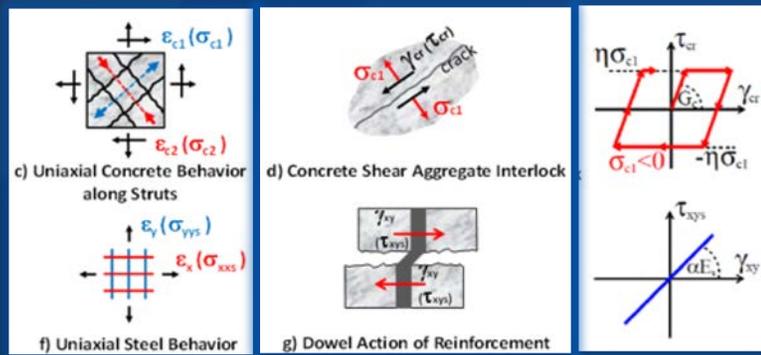
NUMERICAL MODELING: EXTENSION

2D fiber based macroscopic model
Multiple Vertical Element Line Model with Cyclic Shear-Flexure Interaction Model for RC Walls (SFI-MVLEM)

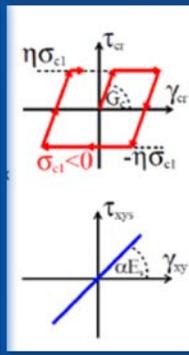


Axial-shear coupling at panel level

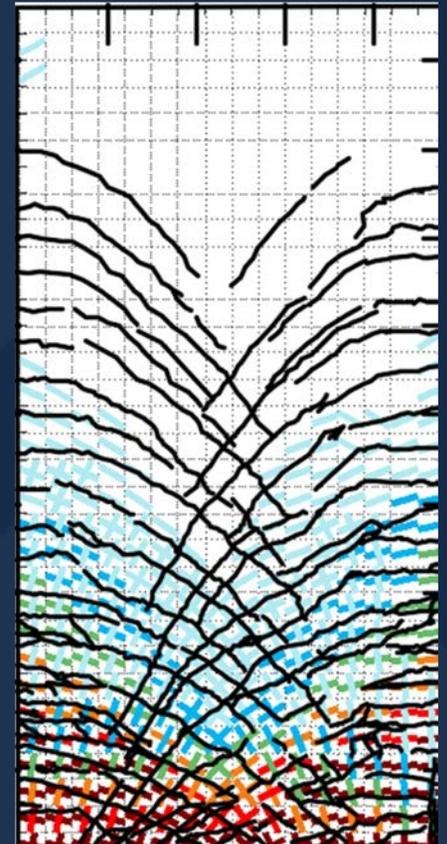
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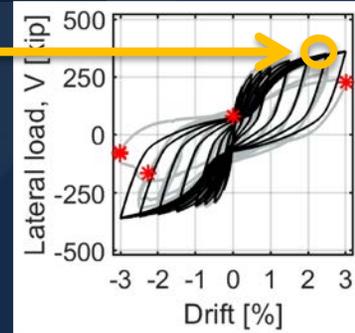
Shear resisting mechanism along concrete cracks



Slender wall load @2%

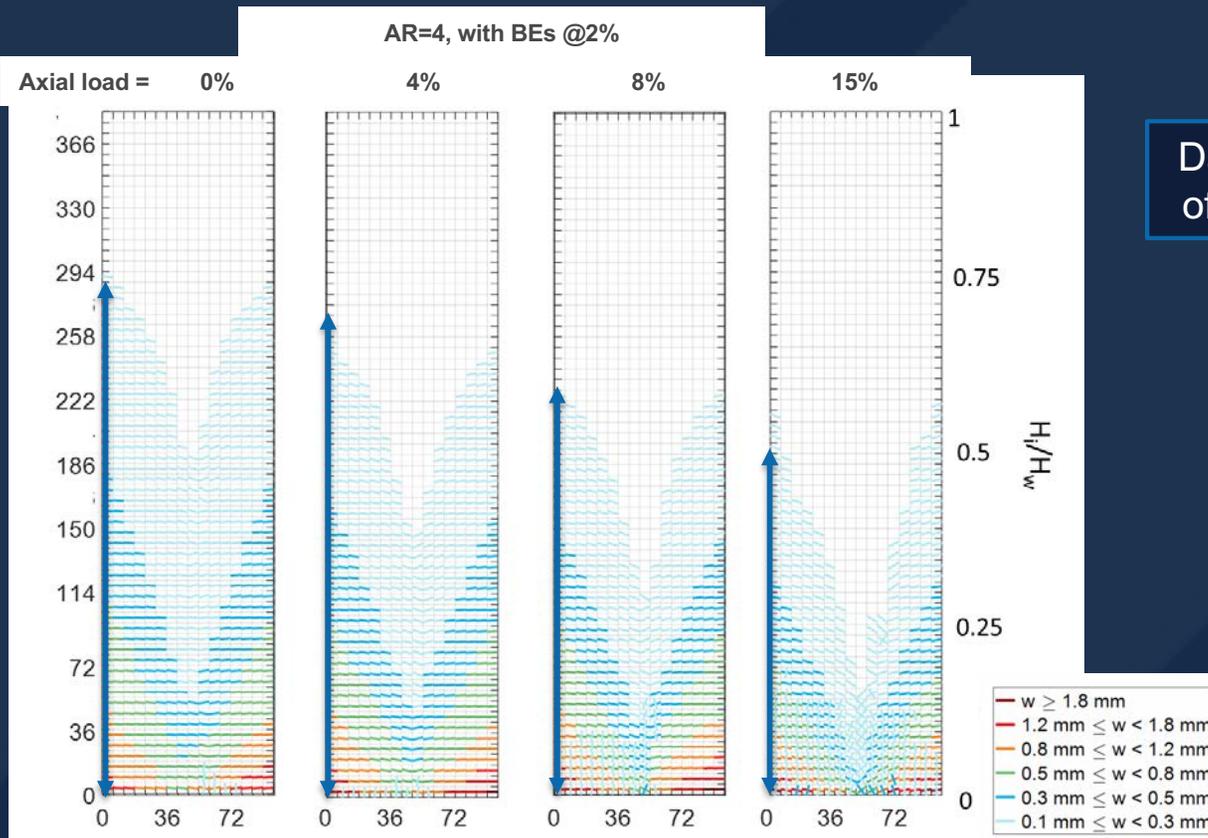


Slender wall @ 2%



PARAMETRIC STUDY OBSERVATIONS

Restraining effect of axial load on crack elevation

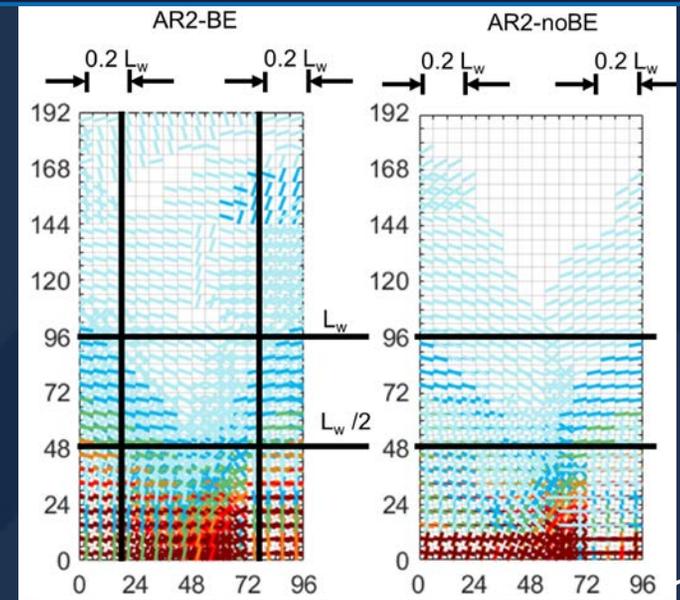


AR=1

AR=2

AR=4

Damage concentration within $L_w/2$ and effect of boundary elements on cracks propagation



WALL BEHAVIOR: CONCLUSIONS

- **Slender wall failed in flexure** (buckling and rupture of the longitudinal reinforcing bars)
- **Squat walls showed mixed shear-flexure failure**
- 40% average shear displacement contribution for squat walls vs 15% for slender wall
- Damage progression and crack propagation overall symmetric

Impact of Axial Load on Wall Response

- **Stabilizes shear-to-flexure displacement components**
- **Facilitates cracks closure** and restrains damage distribution



ANCHOR BEHAVIOR: CONCLUSIONS

- Effect of cyclic crack opening is observed in anchor load and displacement history
- Anchors within $L_w/2$ in squat wall absent axial load experience 85% initial load reduction versus 45% in squat wall with axial load at CP limit state
- Anchors in the **boundary elements** of the wall, in the **spalled region** or in the **main diagonal** concrete struts are affected by **severe concrete damage**
- **Residual load capacity of anchors in these regions are significantly lower than reference values**

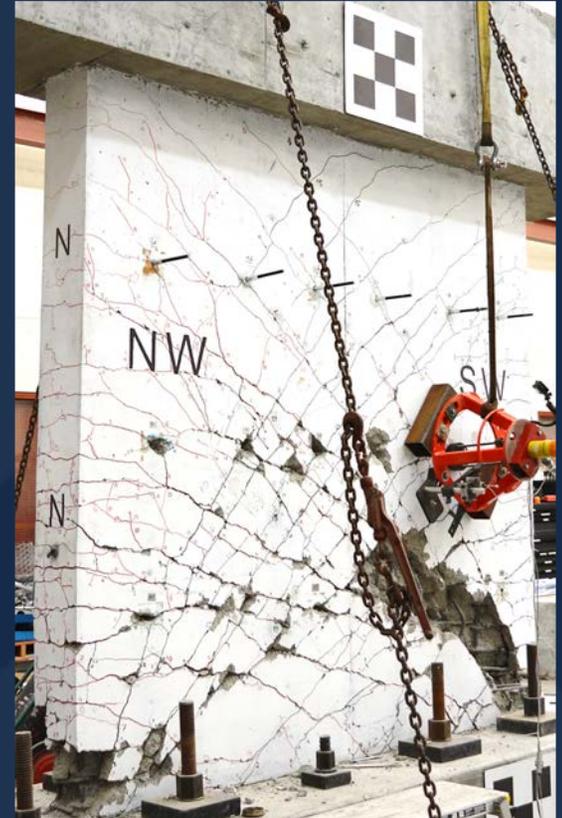


OVERARCHING: PRACTICAL OUTCOMES

1. **Wall response** not affected by anchors presence
2. Crack opening/closing is reflected in anchor load and displacement histories (especially for expansion anchors)

Anchor design implications in concrete shear walls:

1. **Severe concrete damage** affects anchor performance in the **boundary elements** of the wall, in the **spalled region** or in the **main diagonal concrete struts**
2. **Residual load capacity** of anchors in these regions are **significantly lower** than reference values
3. **Axial load** on wall may be **beneficial** to anchor performance (crack closure and limited damage propagation)
4. **Parametric study** shows **consistent accumulation** of damage within $L_w/2$ from the wall base and along boundary elements



RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS

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