

## Seismic Performance Evaluation of Post-Tensioned RC Exterior Beam-Column Connections

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### ABSTRACT

In this study, seismic performance of post-tensioned monolithic exterior beam-column connections was experimentally evaluated. A total of six full-scale beam-column connections which included three normal and three high strength specimens were tested under lateral cyclic loading. Test results revealed that post-tensioning effectively confined the joint area and delayed severe concrete damage, enabling the specimens to deform up to 5% drift ratio. Furthermore, shear capacity of the post-tensioned joints was greatly increased up to more than 60% in both normal and high strength specimens. Post-tensioning was also effective in enhancing energy dissipation and maintaining lateral stiffness, especially in the high strength specimens.

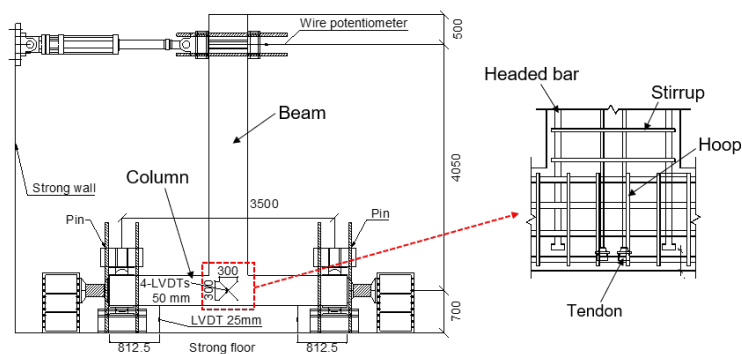


Fig. 1 Lateral cyclic loading test of post-tensioned RC beam-column connections.

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