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# Retrofitting, example of orthotropic steel deck

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# Introduction

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2. Arch Bridge
3. Pier and girders
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# Meishin Expressway: Nagoya to Kobe

Open to traffic in 1963

The first expressway in Japan

Economical structures

Financed from the World Bank



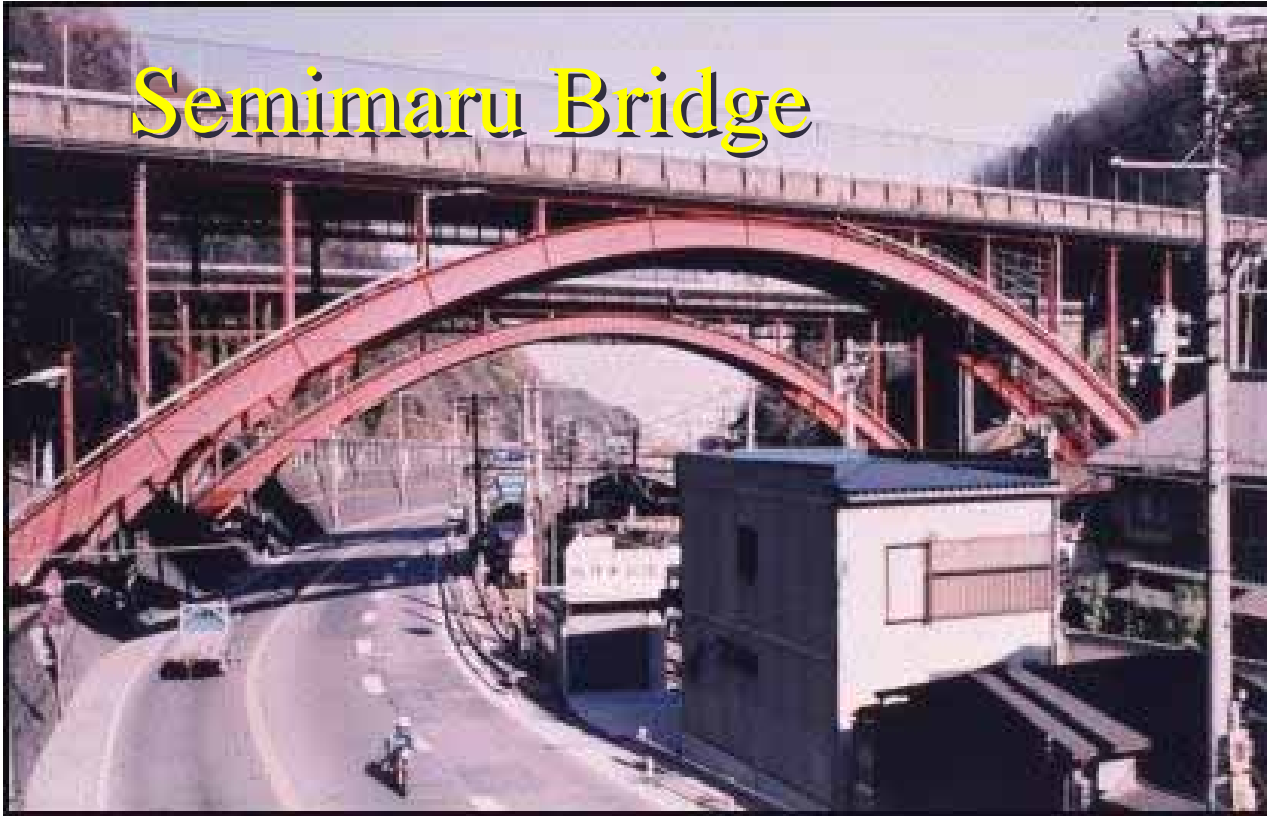
## せみまる <蟬丸>

平安時代の歌人、嵯峨（びわ）の著書。宇多天皇の皇子敦実（あつみ）親王に仕えた雑色（ぞうしき）とも醍醐天皇の第4子ともいわれるが、伝記不明。冒目で琵琶をよくし、世をのがれて逢坂山にわび住まいしたという。『小倉百人一首』にも蟬丸の和歌があって知られるが、他の『蟬丸』や、近松門左衛門作の人形浄瑠璃（じょうるり）『蟬丸』（1701（元禄14）、大坂竹本座初演）などに彼の経歴が脚色されている。

Tunnel in both sides.

NR1 and train trucks underneath.

## Semimaru Bridge



Arch Bridge with skew of 62 degree  
ADT: 83,000 vehicles.

Minimum disturbance to traffics.



Modification was made in 13 nights.



# Deterioration

## 1. Concrete deck

16 cm thick concrete slab

Reinforced with steel plates

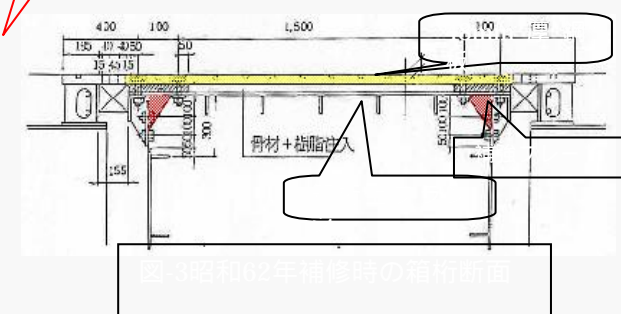
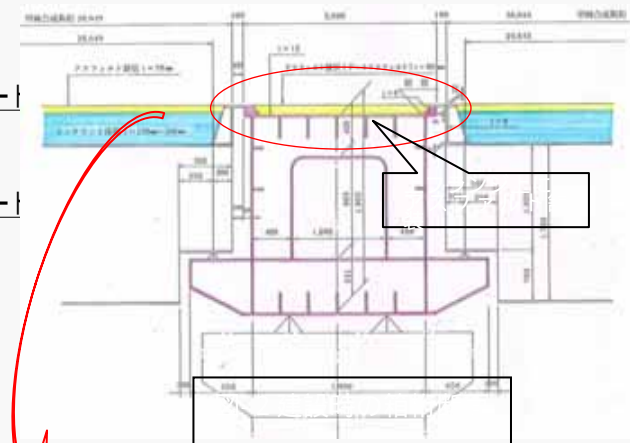
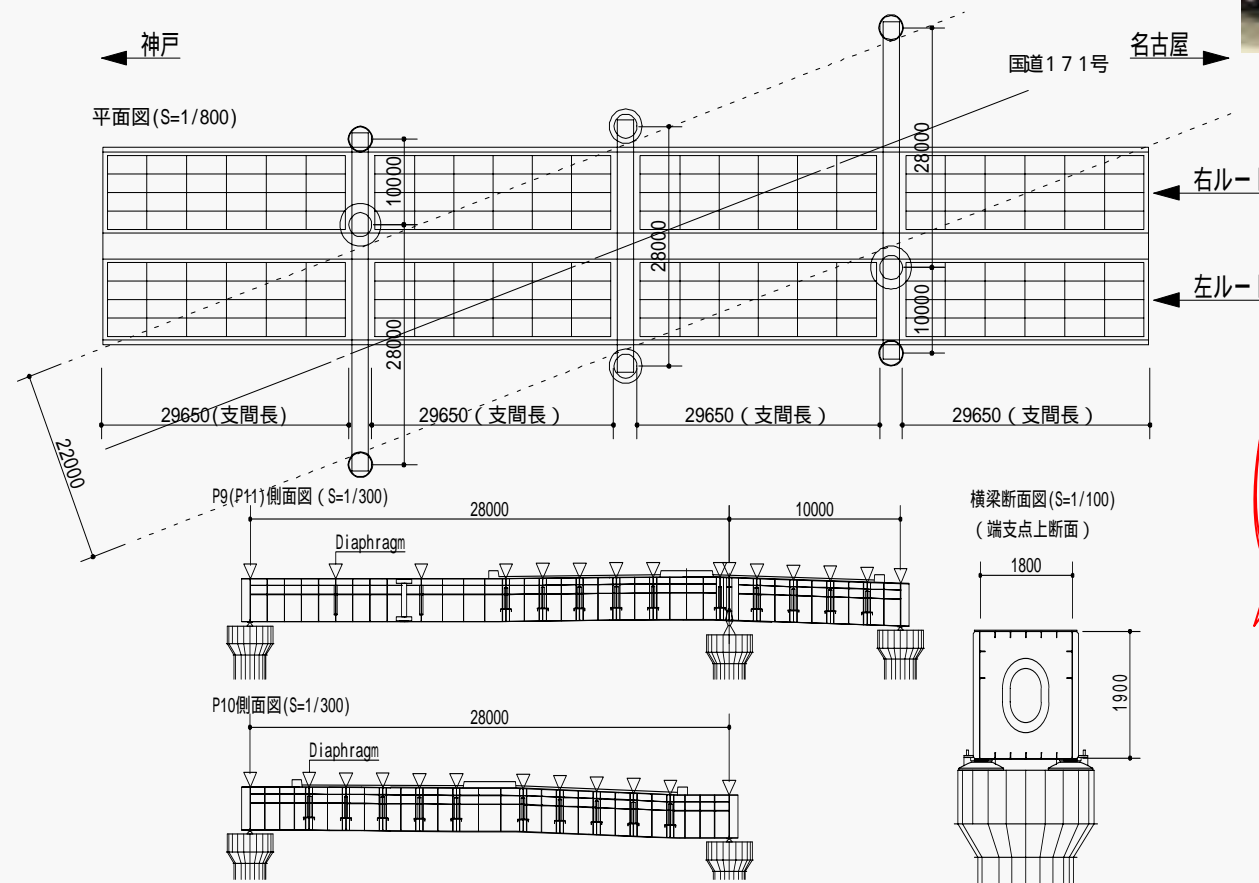
## 2. Fatigue crack

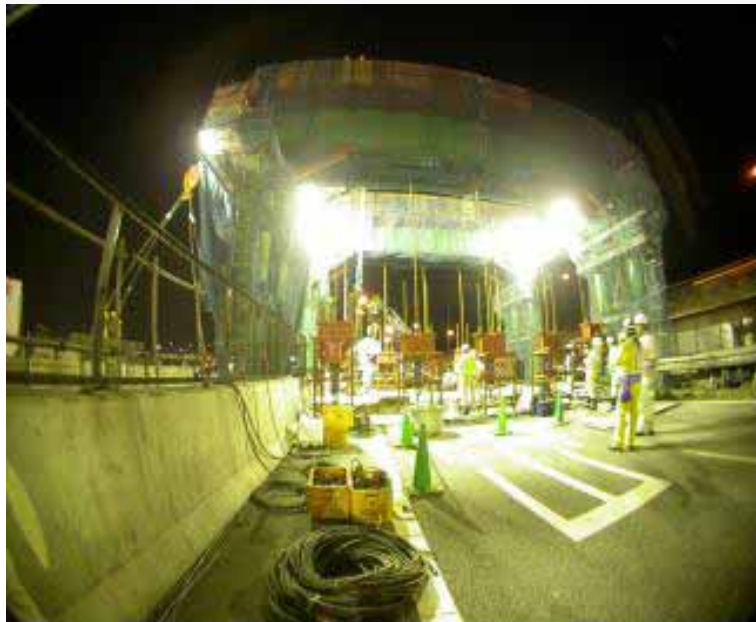
Cross beams, stringers, short vertical members and others





## Shimo-ueno Viaduct, 1963





横梁取替え工事の吊桁(左)と搬出される旧横梁(右)



架設された立体ラーメン橋の柱と梁





Right route

Left route

## Rehabilitated Shimo-ueno Viaduct

Old Shimo-ueno Viaduct

Tanaka Prize, 2005





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- A photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, California. The bridge is a suspension bridge with two large red towers and numerous red suspension cables. It spans a body of water, with hills visible in the background under a clear blue sky. The bridge is partially obscured by a fence in the foreground.
- OBC Conference by ASCE 2004.8

**2008 International Orthotropic  
Bridge Conference  
Sacramento, California  
27-29 August 2008**



# Orthotropic steel deck





# Full scale fatigue test at UCSD



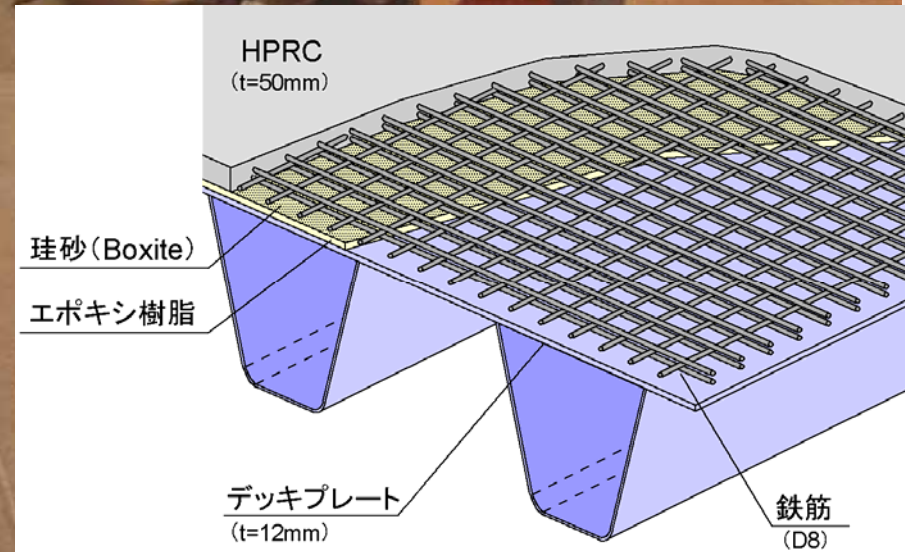
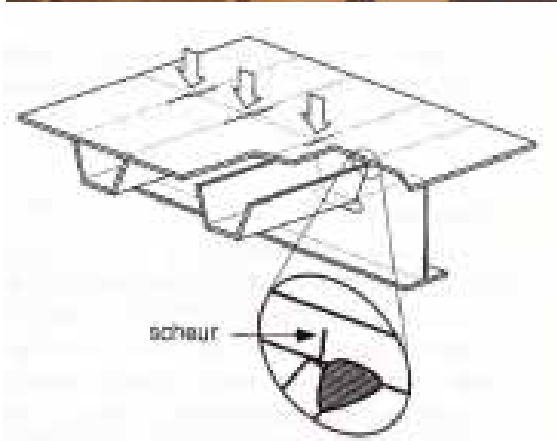
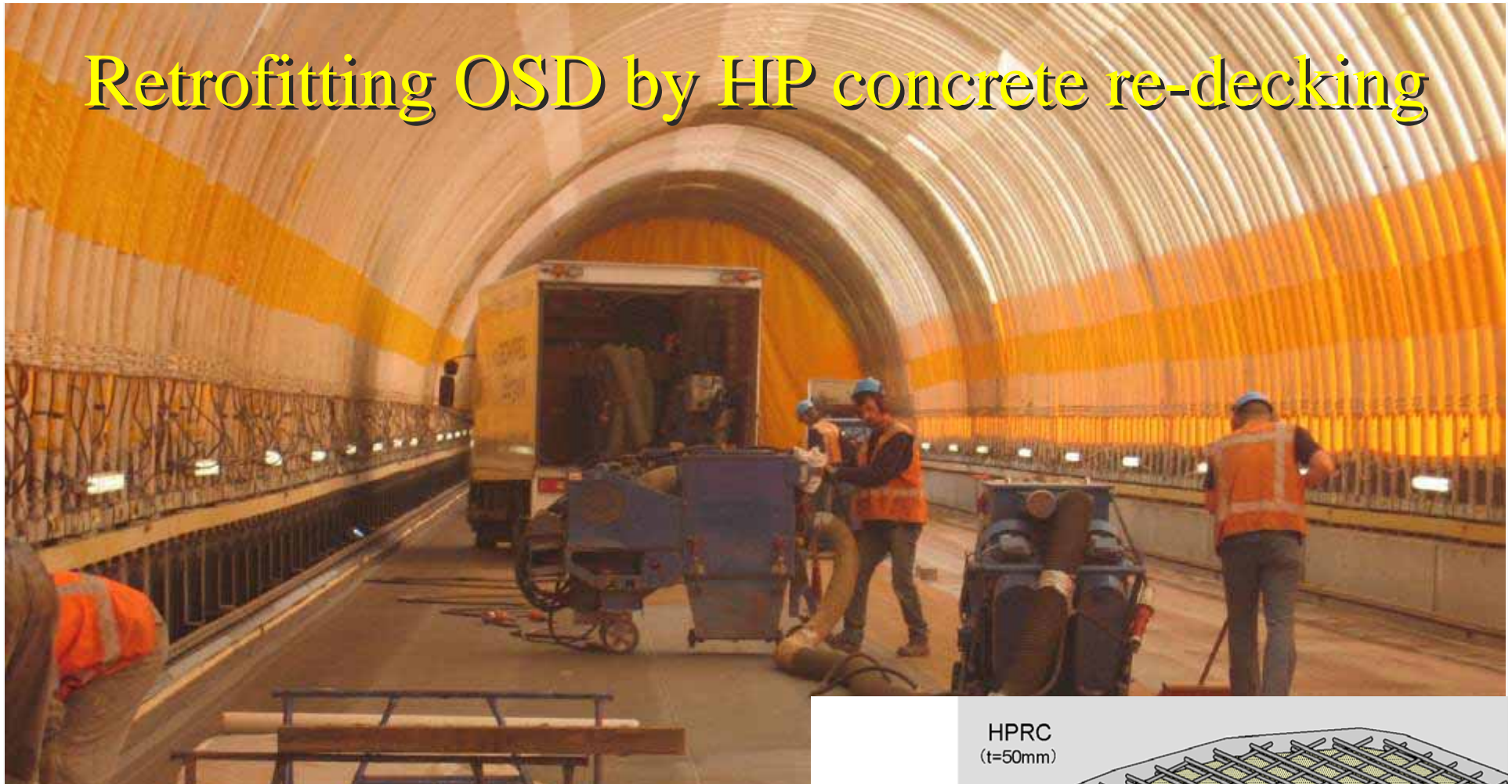
Movie

# Fatigue test at T.U. Delft, The Netherlands





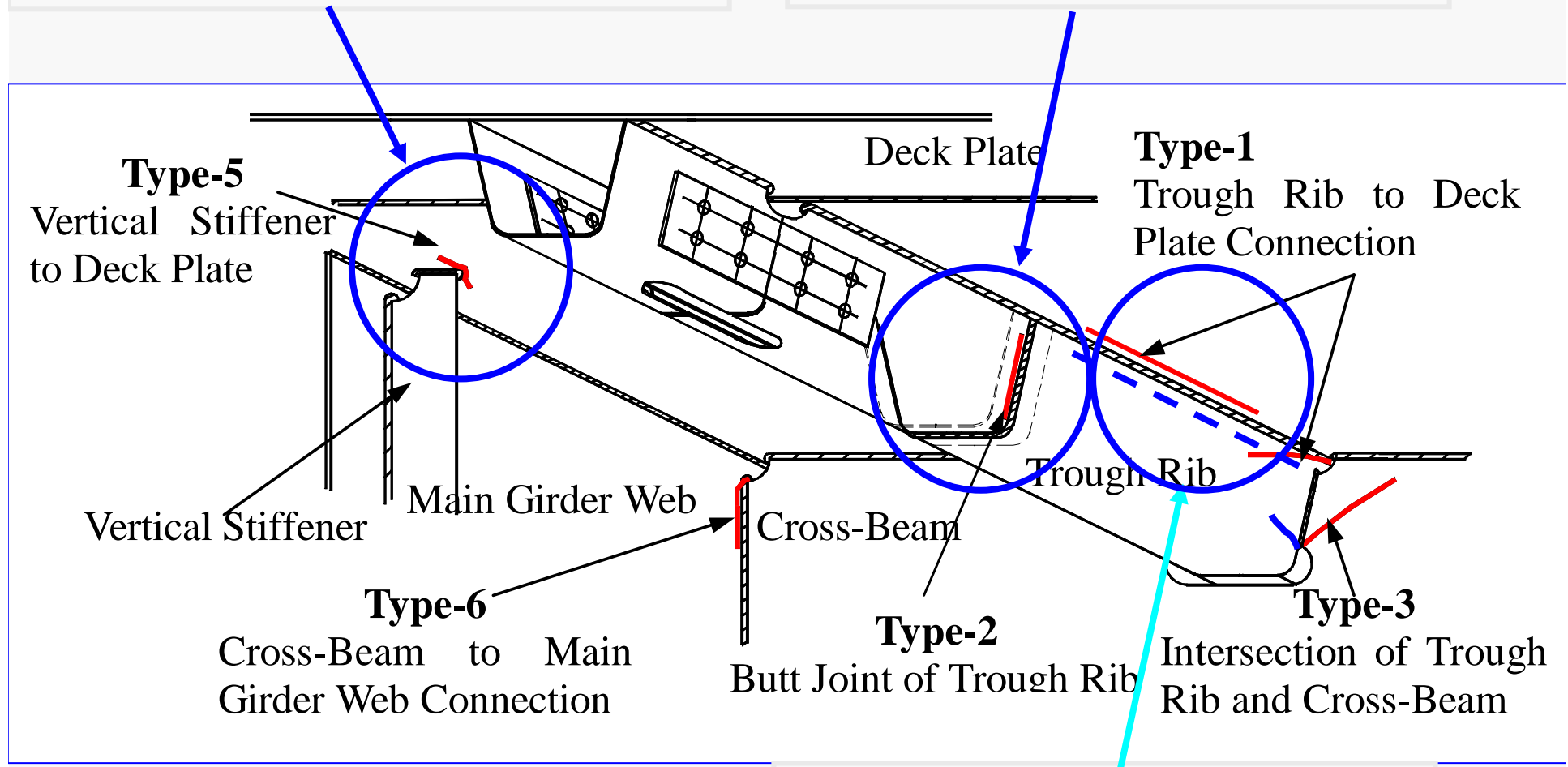
# Retrofitting OSD by HP concrete re-decking



# Typical fatigue cracks observed in Japan

Vertical Stiffener to deck plate

Butt weld of trough rib



Trough rib to deck plate

Fillet weld of trough rib

Courtesy MPE

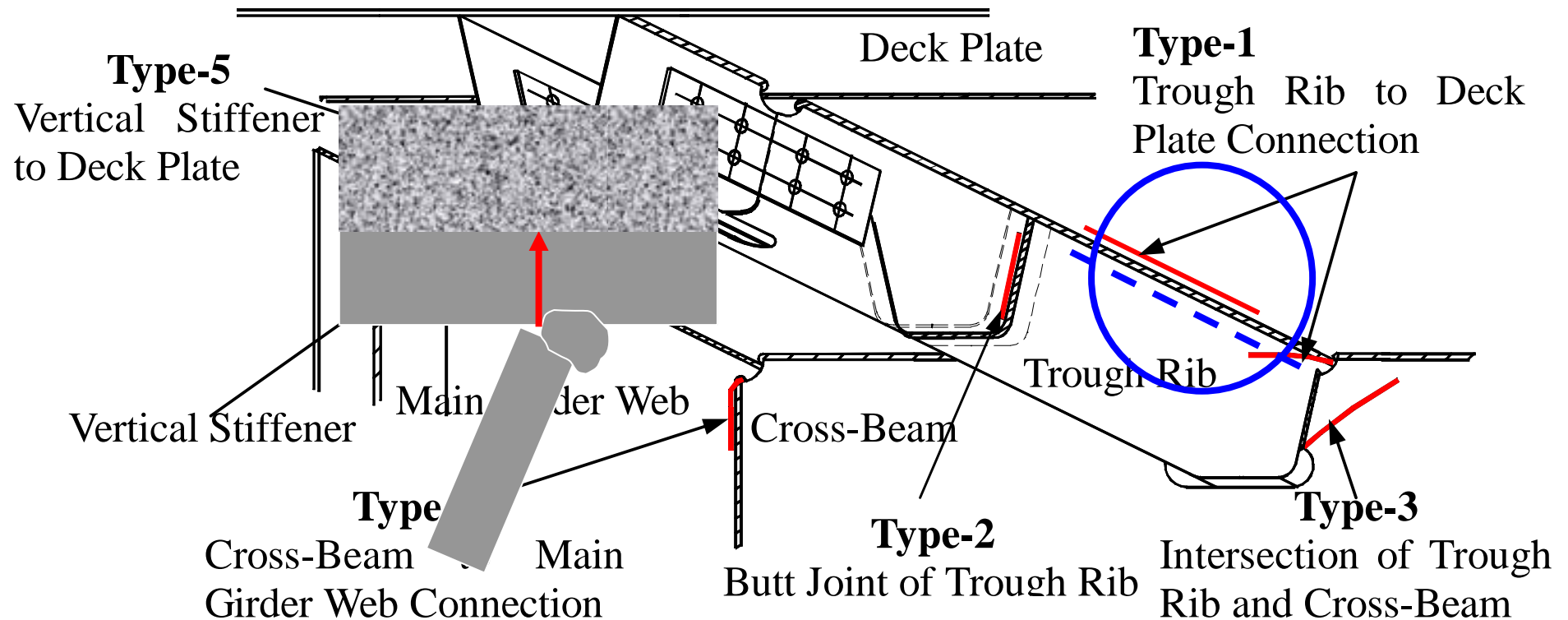


# Fatigue crack in fillet welds



Courtesy HEX

# Crack from trough rib to deck plate



Difficult to inspect, damage to asphalt pavement, and danger to traffics.

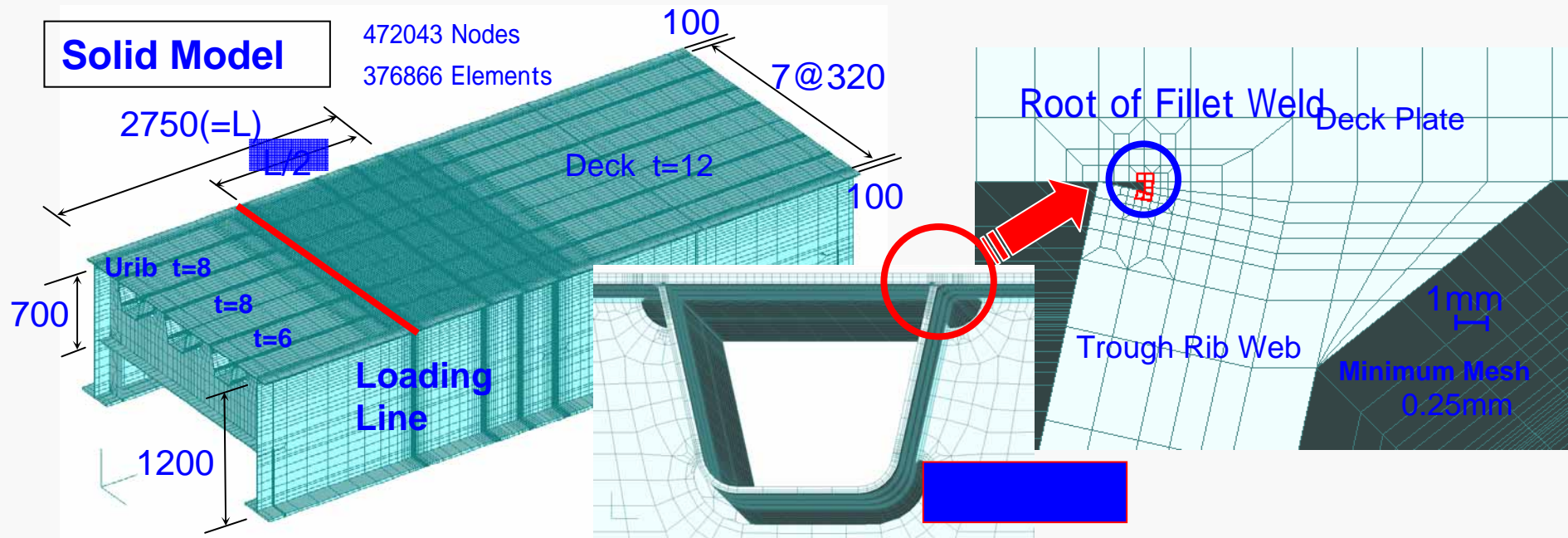


# Static and fatigue test at PWRI

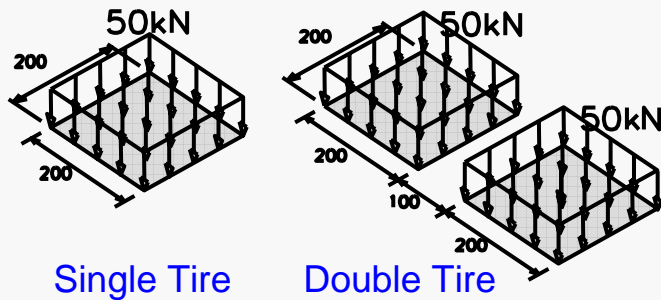


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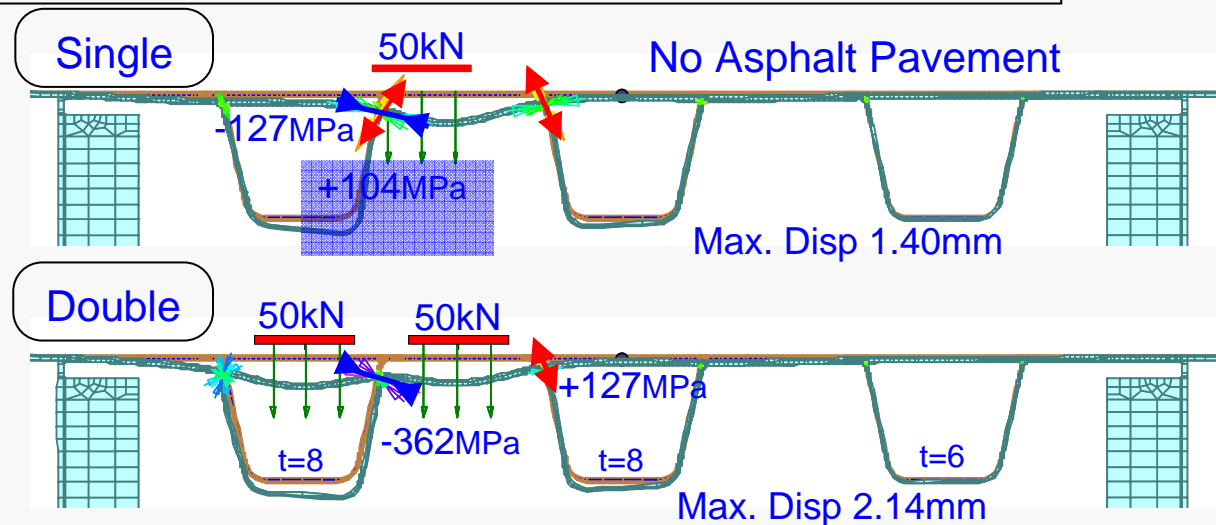
# FEM Analytical Model of Full Scale Test Specimen



## Loading



## Local Stresses due to single and double tires



Courtesy PWRI, MLIT

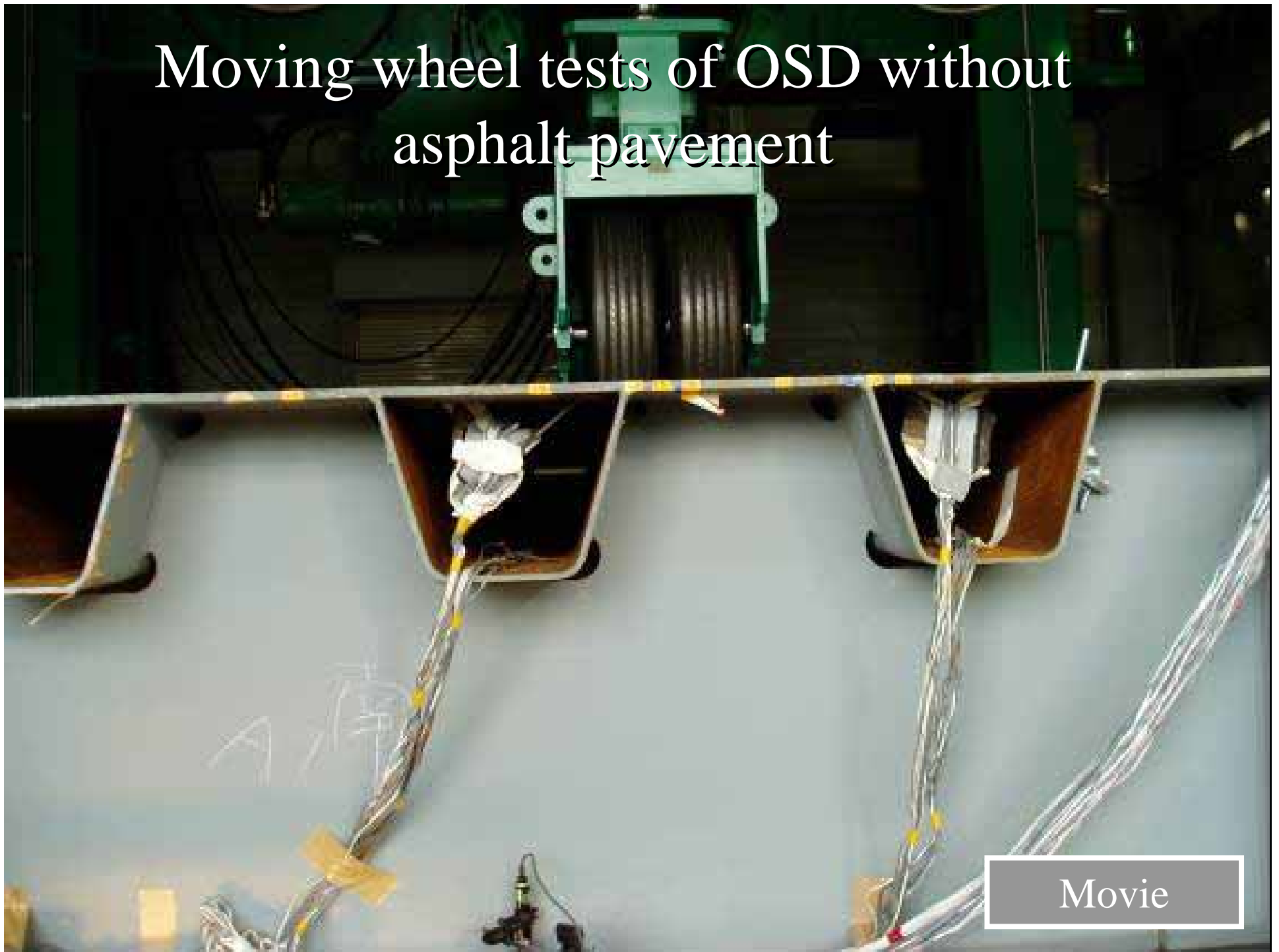


# Moving load test by JBA



# Moving wheel tests of OSD without asphalt pavement

Movie





# Tenpaku Bridge



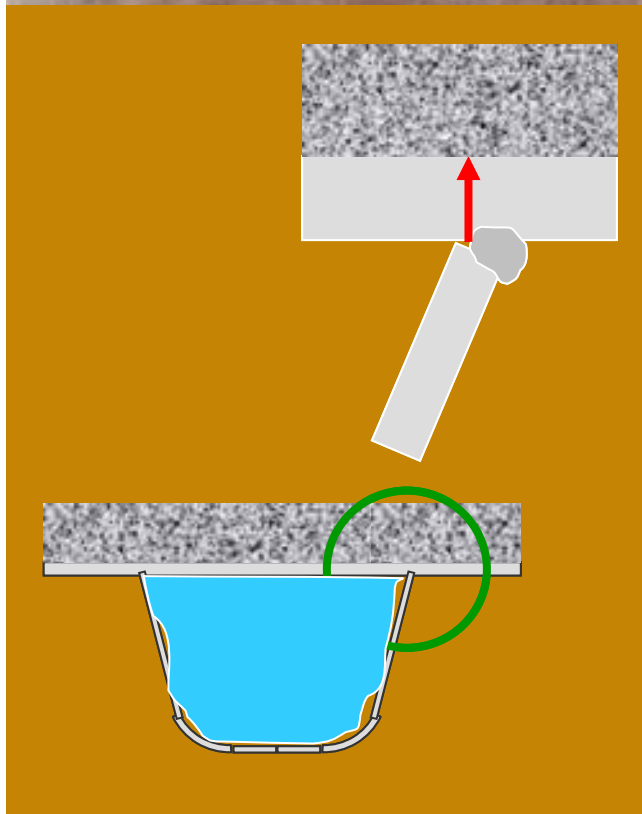
**Constructed in 1984**

**2003 deterioration of  
asphalt pavement, then  
fatigue crack was found**



Courtesy of Nagoya City

# Fatigue crack from root to deck plate



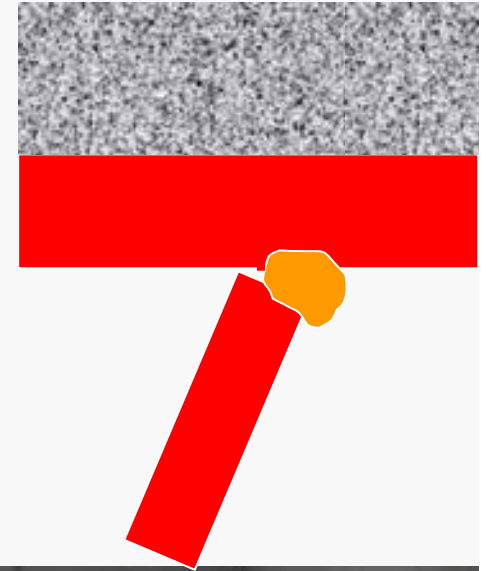
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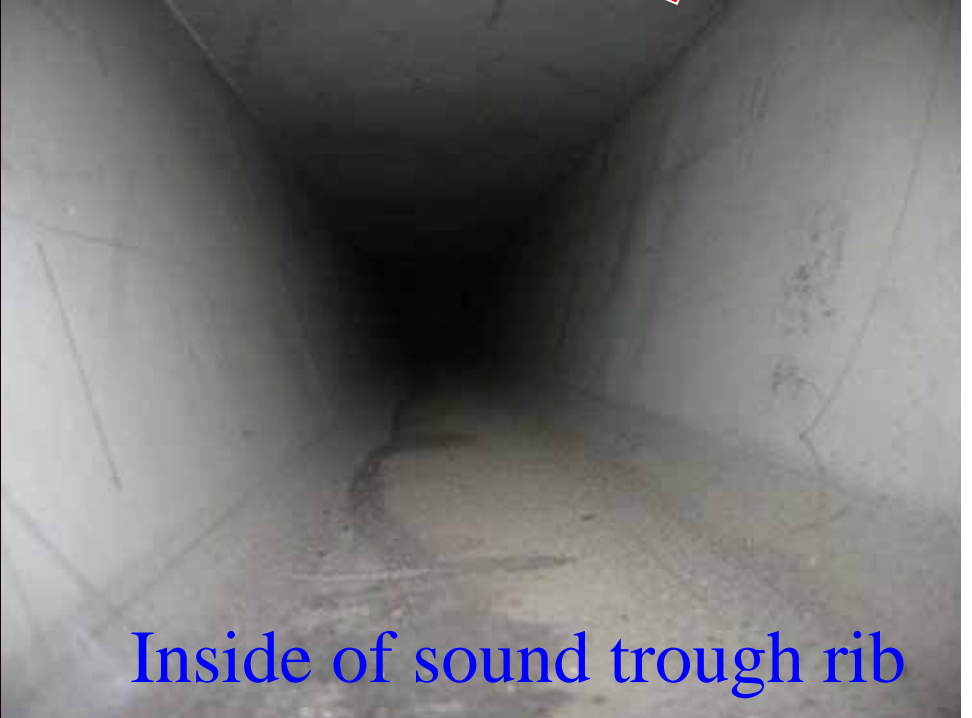
**Water and debris from crack**



2004年



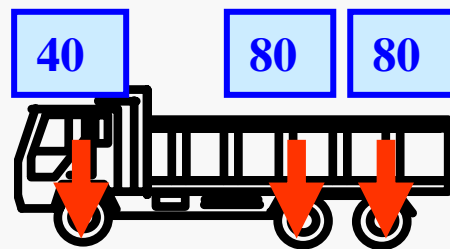
**Inside of sound trough rib**



# GVW measured by BWIM

走行車線 1			走行車線 2			追越車線		
GVW (t)	Axle	V (km)	GVW (t)	Axle	V (km)	GVW (t)	Axle	V (km)
114.1	6	42	125.1	6	28	93.7	4	38
88.1	6	35	102.3	6	60	71.8	6	45
85.0	6	38	97.2	6	51	70.6	6	64
82.3	4	36	95.3	6	45	69.8	6	55
77.8	6	50	95.1	6	58	69.0	6	74

**T-20 Truck**

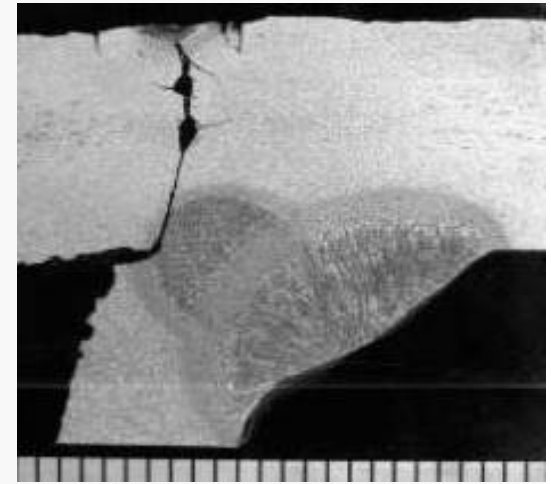
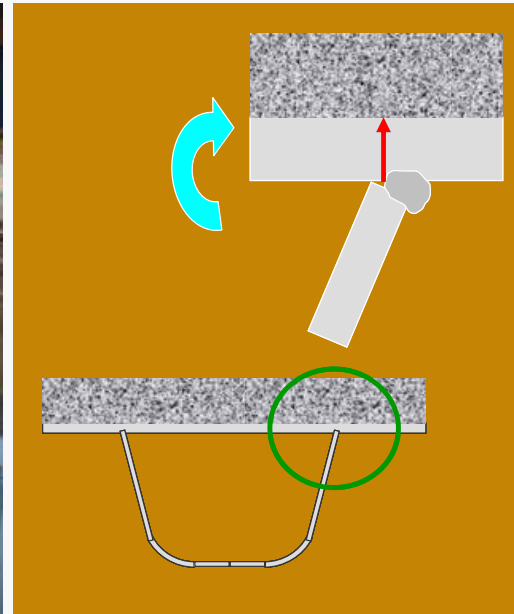
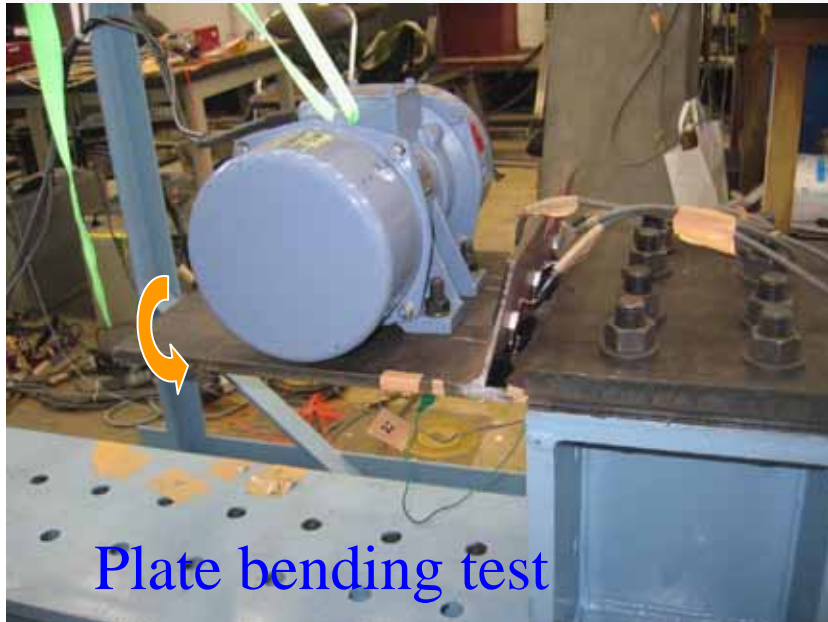


Courtesy Nagoya City





# Crack from root of trough to deck plate



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# Rehabilitation of deck crack



**Plate was bolted with flat bolt at cracked section.**

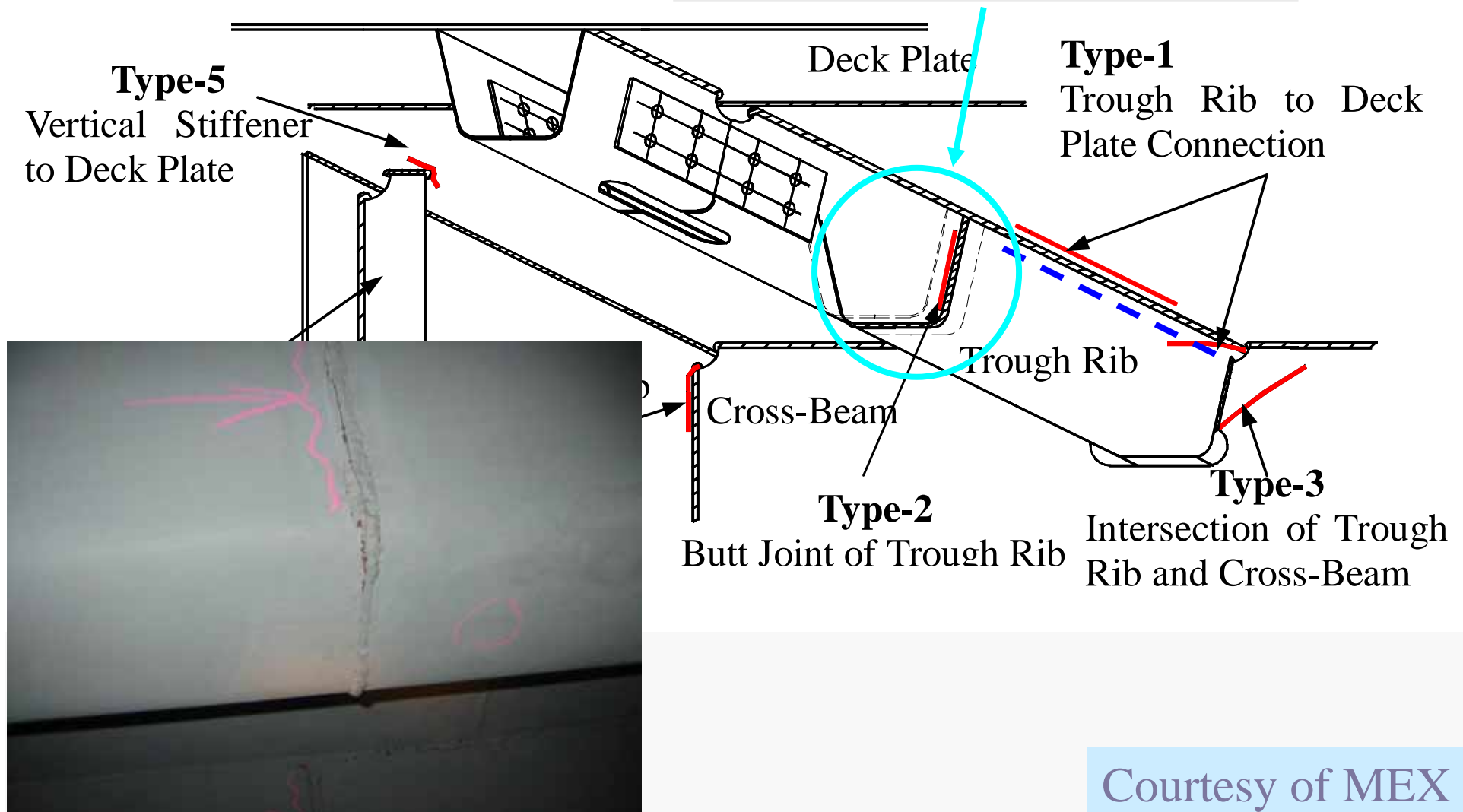
**Additional repair work will take place, when the best repair method is proposed by MLIT or by other investigators.**

Courtesy Nagoya City



# Case 2: Fatigue cracks in butt weld of ribs

Crack in butt weld with  
backing bar



# AK Bridge: Fatigue crack in butt weld of ribs





Fatigue crack at butt weld of trough rib

2003年6月

# Repair and rehabilitation (plan)

**Plate attached with one-side bolts.  
(Ishikari Kako Bridge)**



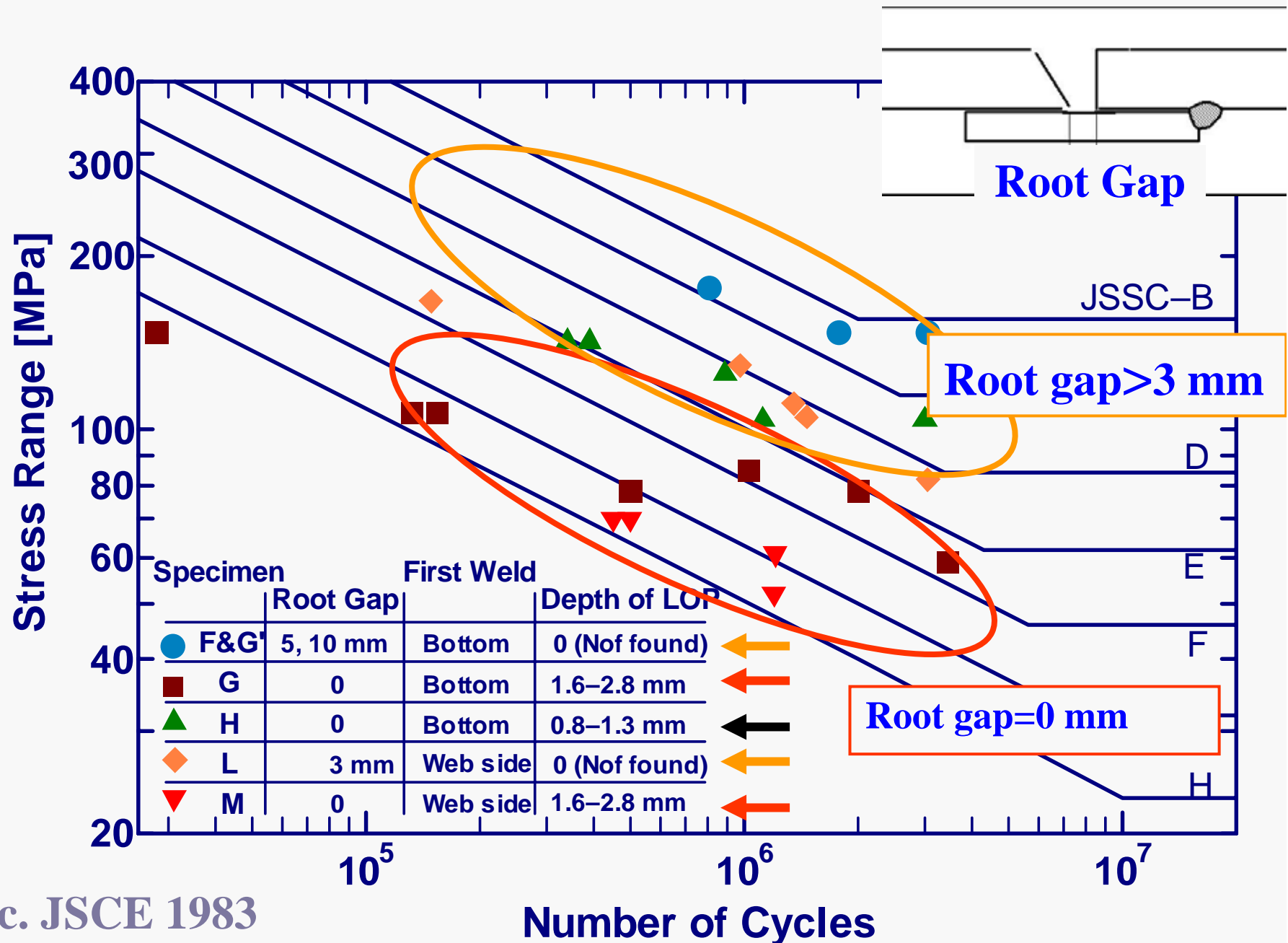
**Gauging and re-welding  
( Honshu-Shikoku B.A. )  
(Fatigue test data )**



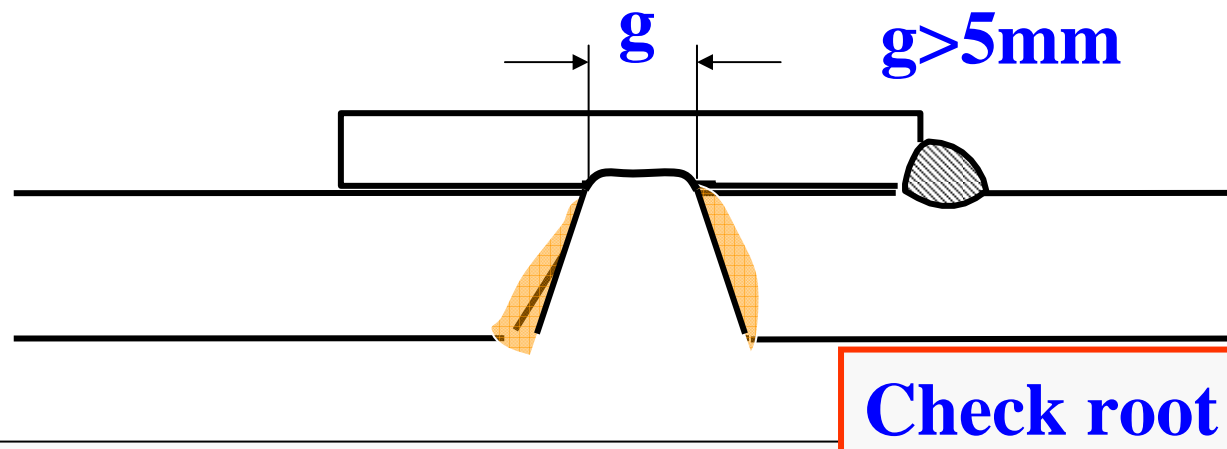
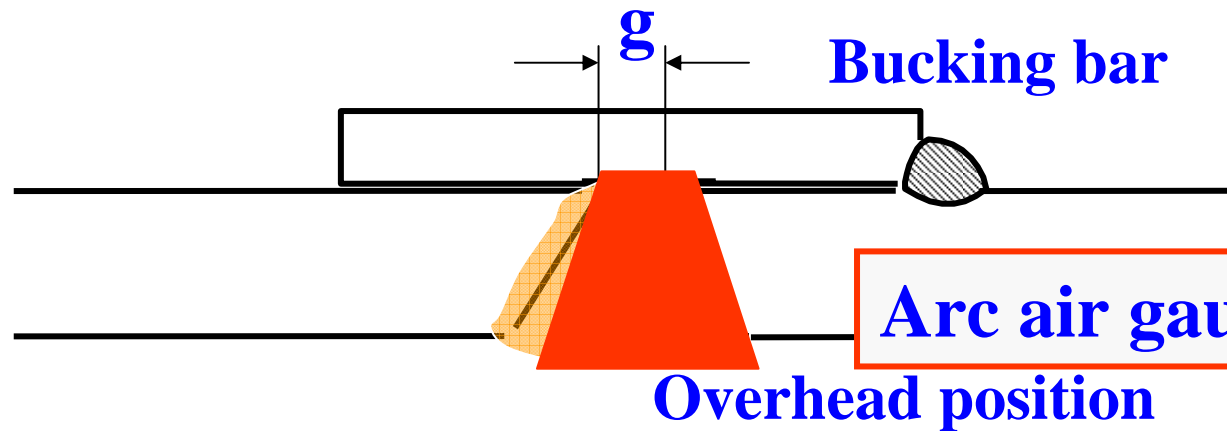
**Replace whole cracked part with  
new members.**



# Fatigue tests of butt weld of trough rib

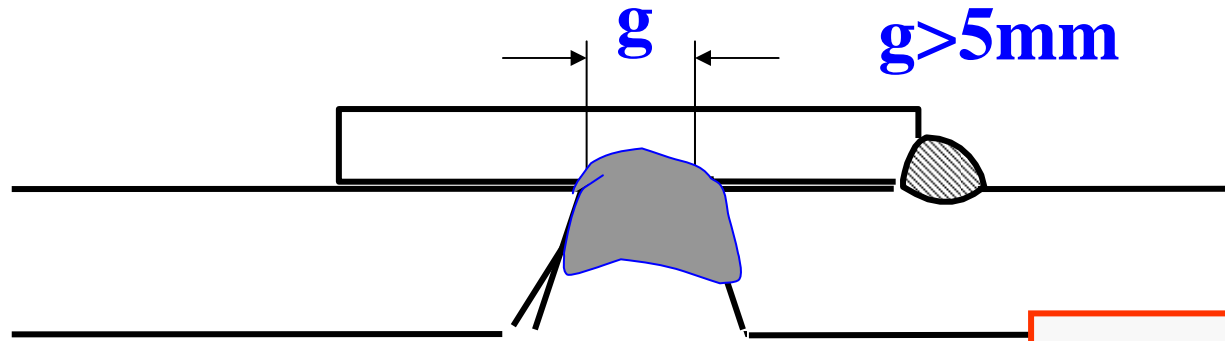


# Gauging and re-welding cracked part

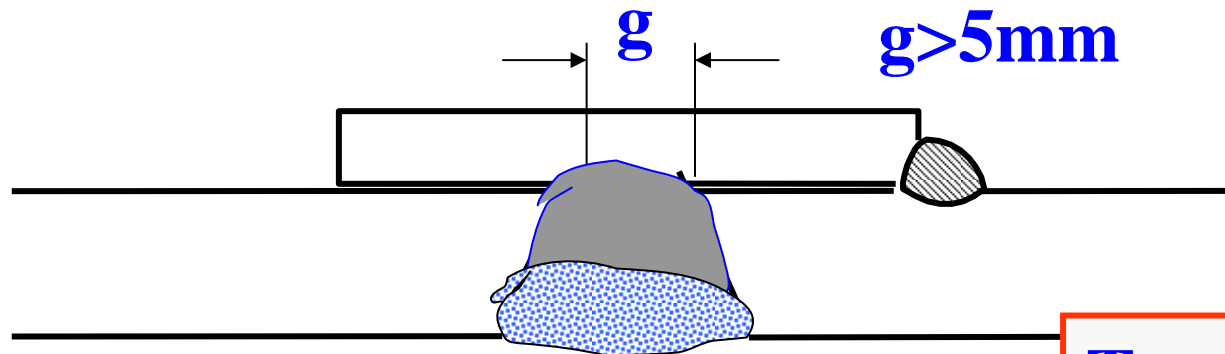




# Gauging and re-welding cracked part



**CO2 welding with Ar**



**Two or three passes**

**Cracked parts were re-welded.**

Importance of  
information transfer and  
training of welders

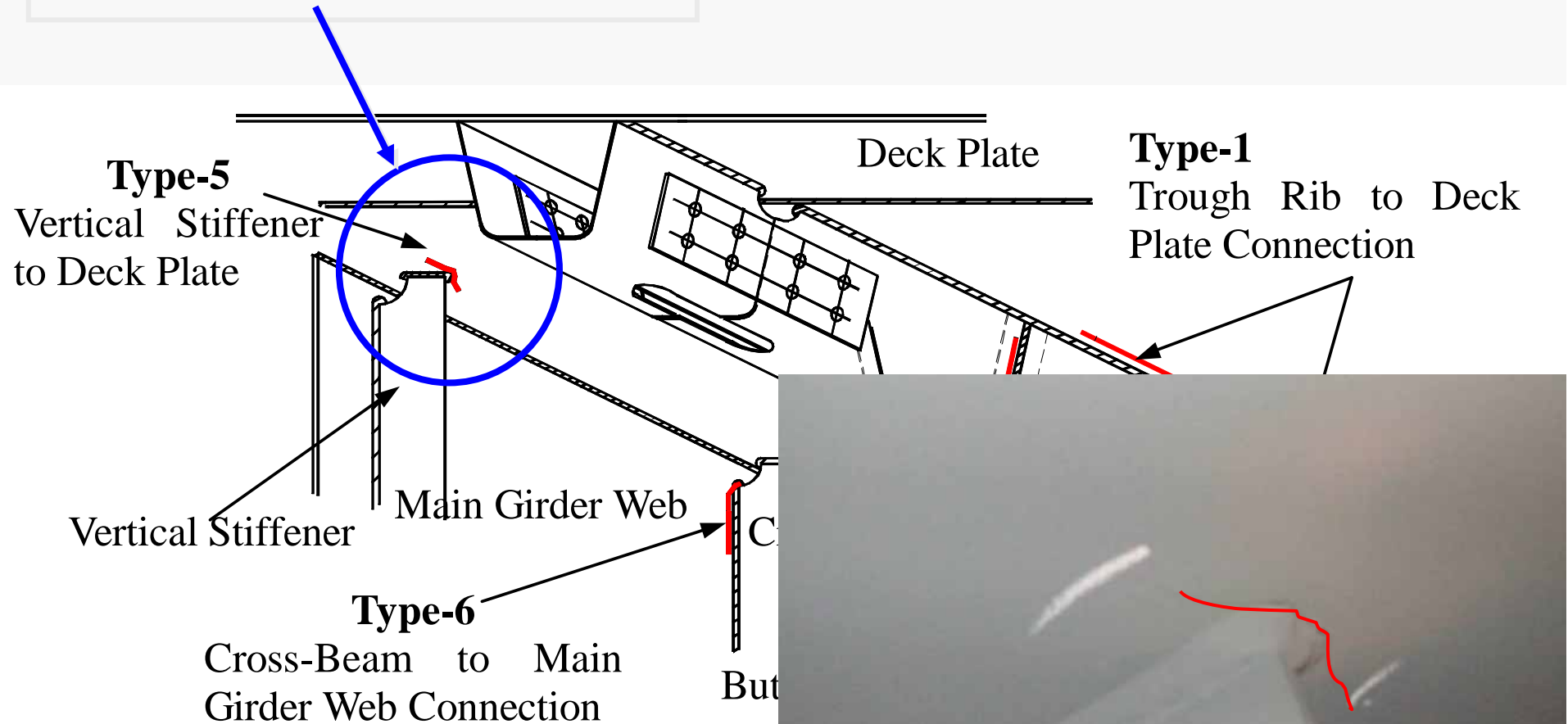
### Steps

1. Gauging
2. Check of root gaps.
3. Re-welding
4. NDT



# Case 3: The upper end of vertical stiffeners

## Vertical stiffener end



Courtesy of MEX



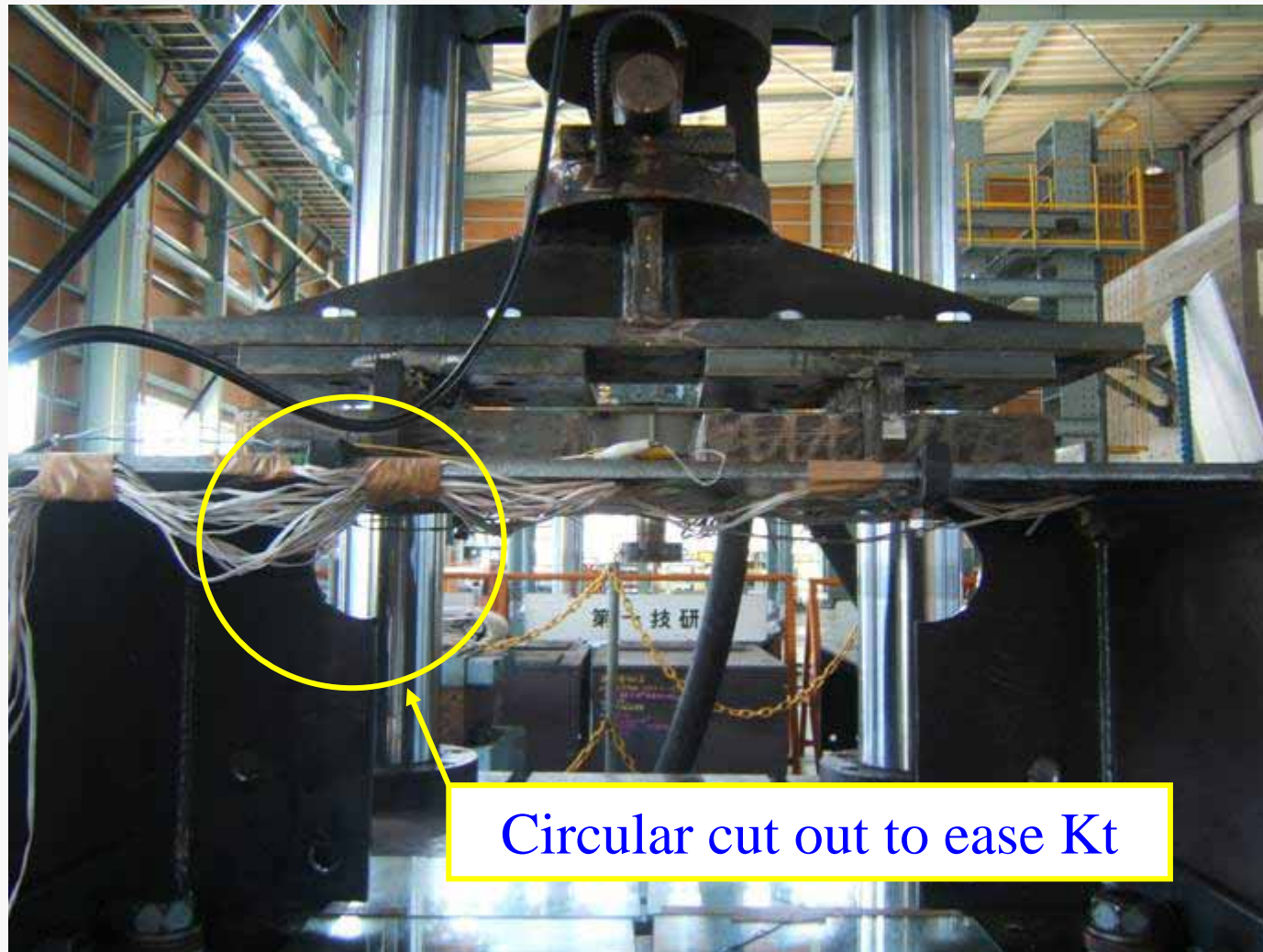
Fatigue crack from weld toe to deck plate



# Repair with high strength bolted splices



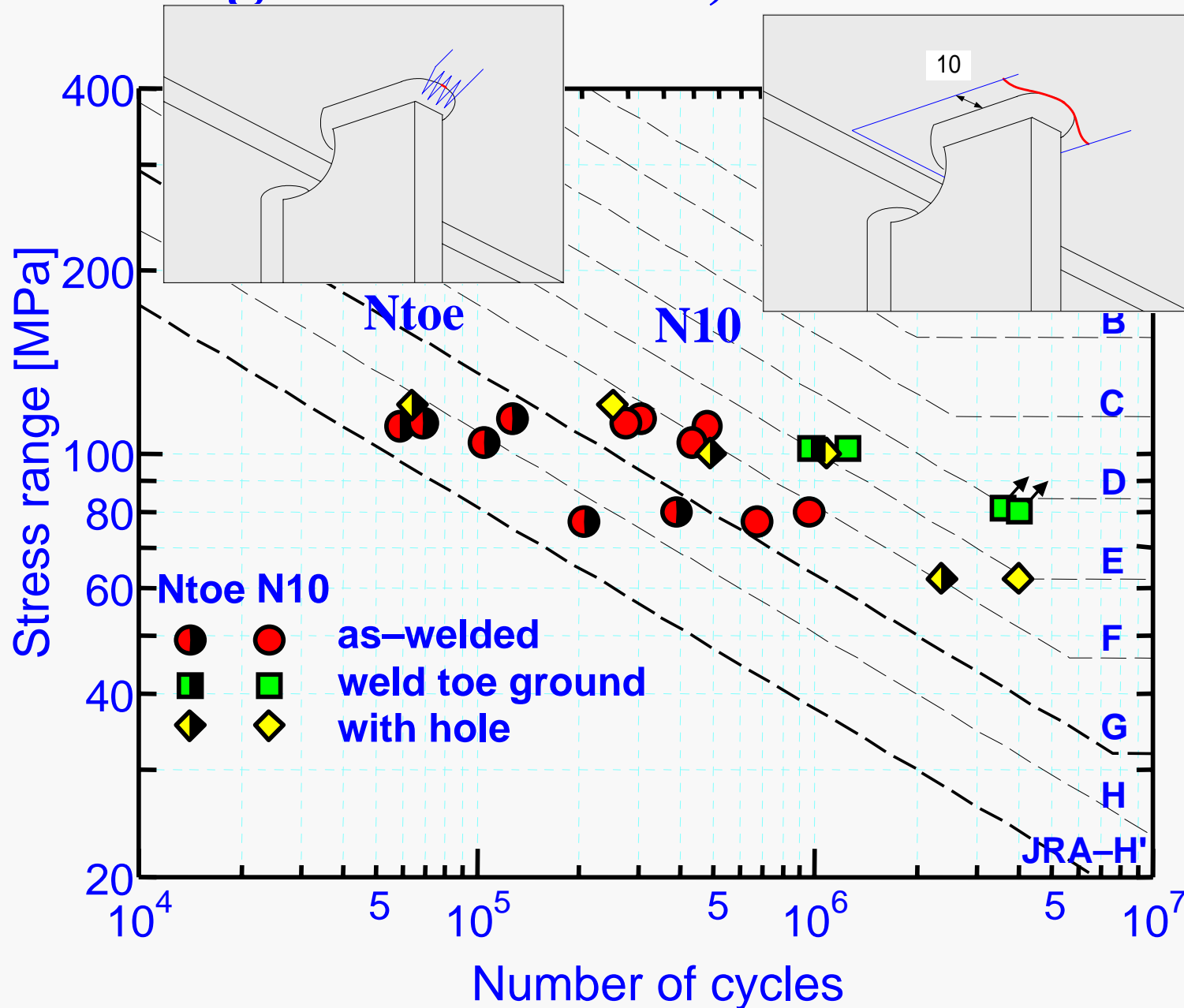
# Fatigue tests



Courtesy Topy



# Fatigue test results, N<sub>toe</sub> and N<sub>10</sub>



# Proposed repair method with circular hole



**Ease stress concentration with circular hole. Hole saw was used.**



# Proposed repair method

No crack      Circular hole

Small crack    Circular hole

Medium crack    Circular hole  
+CFRP sheet?

Large crack    Circular hole  
+CFRP sheet?

Penetrated crack      splice plate

Asphalt pavement to SFRC

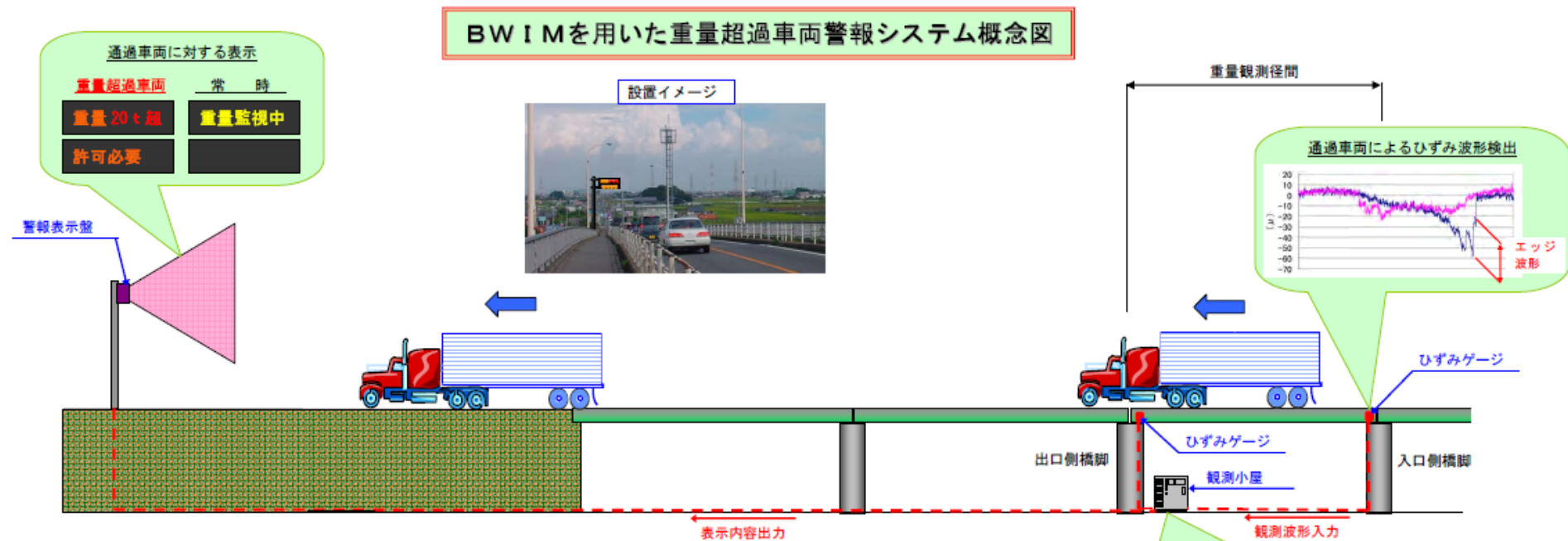




# To reduce overloaded trucks, warning system

**BWIM to measure GVW,  
then to warning system**

**Reduce illegally  
overloaded trucks**



Courtesy Aichi Pref. and PC

# Nagoya Expressway under construction





# **New approach to strengthen pavement**

**Nagoya Expressways used SFRC with asphalt pavement in 1980s in experimental bases.**

**The SFRC was placed on a new orthotropic steel decks under construction in 2007.**





Small studs welded



Steel mesh needed



Steel fibers



Steel fiber sent to C. Mixer



Steel fiber concrete



Surfacing





# Basic fatigue test for orthotropic steel deck

