
Advantage and application of Steel Buildings

1. Introduction
2. Production of Steel
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The Japan Iron and Steel Federation

1. Introduction

Iron Cycle Supports Human Life

- 1.1 Iron is Abundant Resources
- 1.2 Iron is Essential for Creatures
- 1.3 Iron Supports Civilization
- 1.4 Iron is Strong and Tough
- 1.5 Iron Circulate through Society

1.1 Iron is Abundant Resources

1/3 of the earth mass is iron.

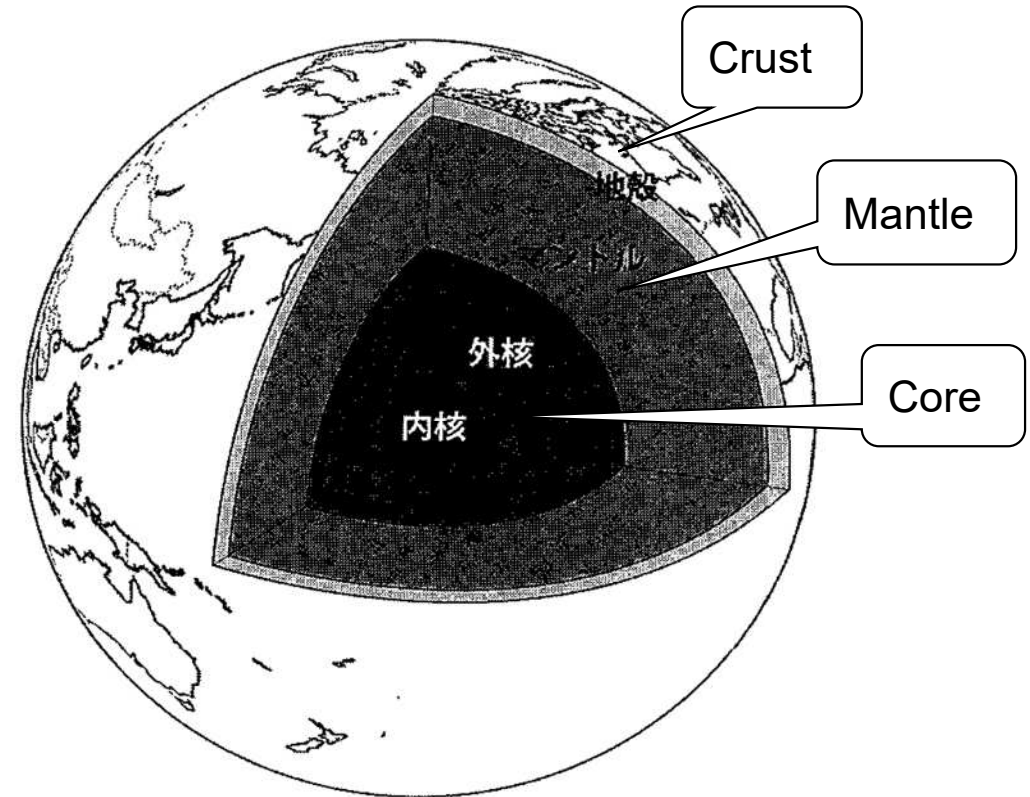
Iron ore is abundant resource all over the earth.



iron ore

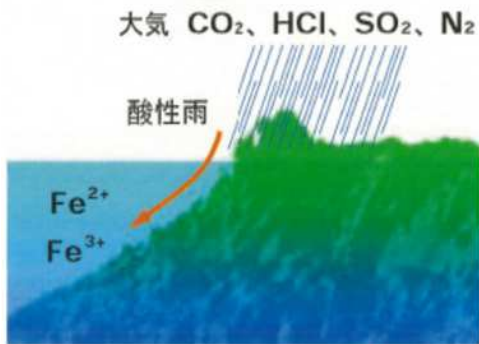


4.5 billion years ago
Birth of primitive earth



Inside the Earth

1.1 Iron is Abundant Resources



4.5 billion years ago

Birth of primitive earth

Most iron sank to earth center, but still 5% of the crust is iron.



3.8 billion years ago

Birth of ocean

Iron dissolved into water.

2.0 billion years ago

Vast breeding of Cyanobacteria

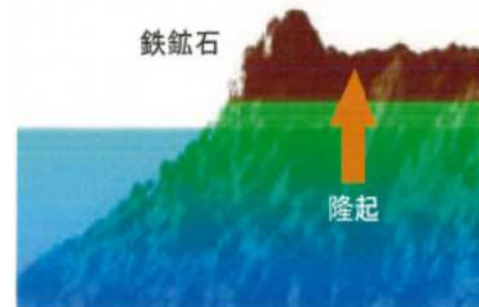
Huge release of oxygen

Oxidation of iron ion

Settling as iron hydroxide

Sedimentation as iron oxide with quartz sand alternately

Stripe iron ore layer



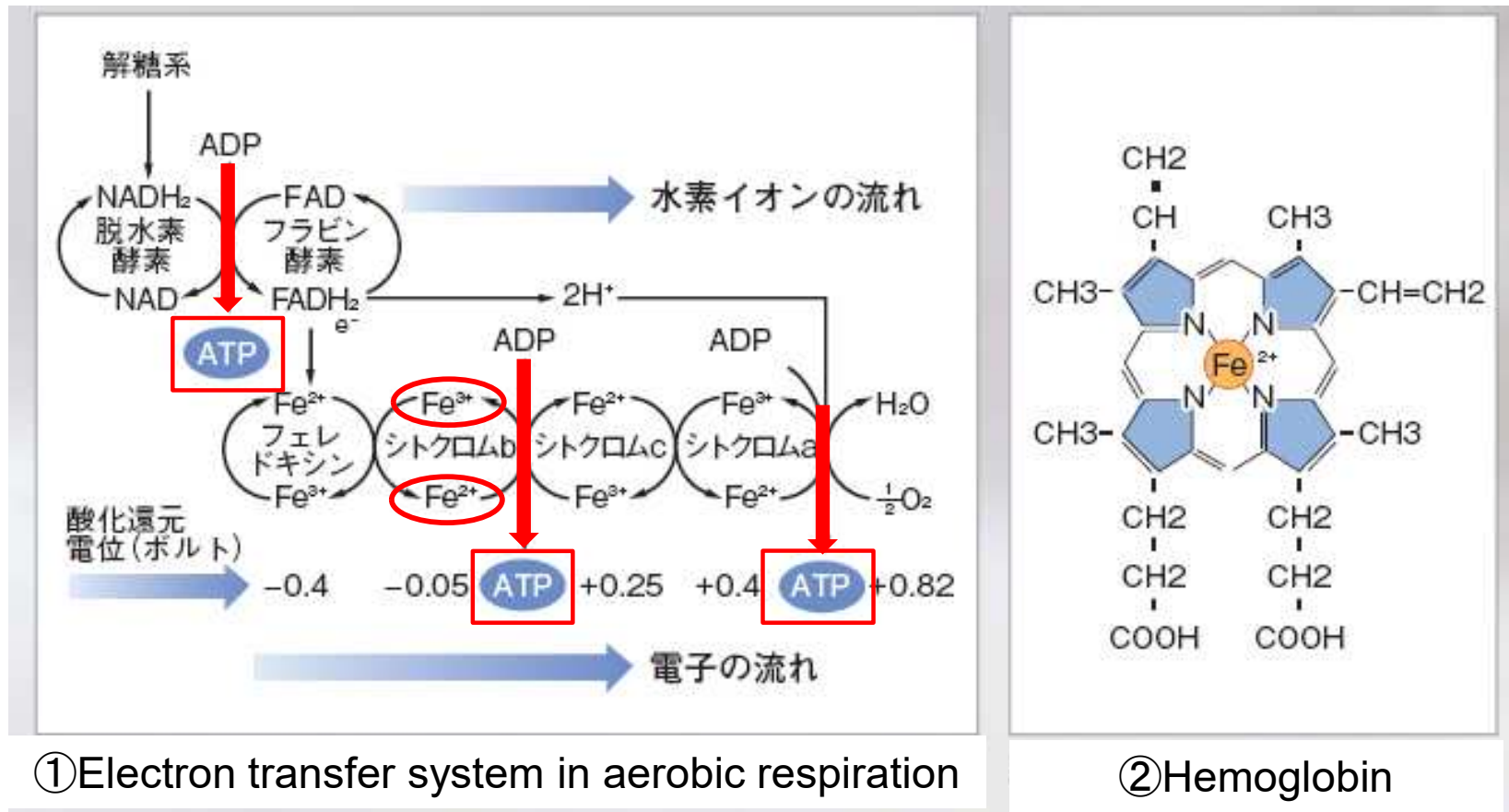
1.5 billion years ago

Rise of ocean floor

- Distributed to old layers all over the world
- Estimated reserves are more than 100 trillion tons

1.2 Iron is Essential for Creatures

Iron rotates for metabolism of all creatures



- Difference of electrostatic potential of Fe²⁺ and Fe³⁺ is small.
- Creatures utilize iron ion for transferring electron in aerobic respiration system and photosynthesis system.
- Creature extract energy burning oxygen safely with iron cycle.

1.3 Iron Supports Civilization

Development of iron making process with coal saved forest and realized sustainable civilization.



"Iron Bridge" made by iron making process with coke (1779)

1500BC : Invention of iron making method

Rise of civilization by iron

Huge amount of charcoal were required

Forest resources were exhausted

Decline of civilization

18th century : Invention of iron making by coke (England)

1709 Blast furnace with coke

1742 Steam engine for bellows

Free from limit of resources

Driving force for industrial revolution

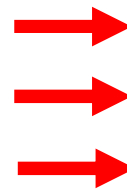
1.4 Iron is Strong and Tough

Superior structural feature of **STEEL** supports the safety of modern society



STEEL is iron which is adjusted to contain carbon less than 2%

- High elastic modulus and strength
- Abundant plastic deformation capacity
- Higher strength by heat treatment



- Best for large structure
- Superior anti-seismic capacity
- Various construction method



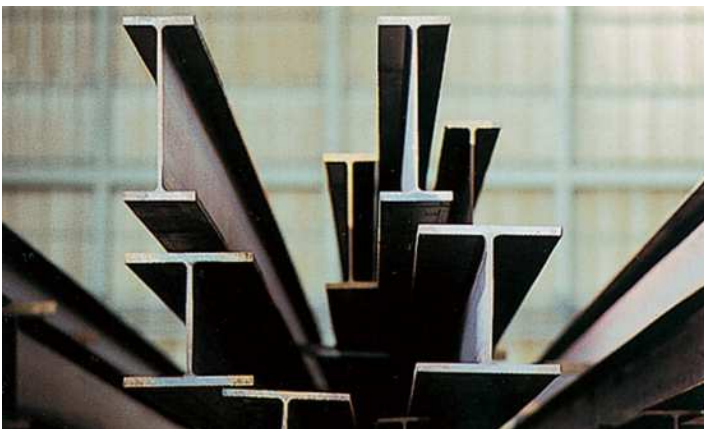
① Steel regenerates over and over

- Almost all the waste steel is recycled.
- Steel can be recycled many times.
- Steel recycling industry is stable.



② Steel can be recycled easily

- Steel does not deteriorate.
- Easy to separate from others by magnet.
- Easy to adjust chemical composition.



③ Recycled steel keeps quality

- Horizontal recycling. Steel becomes steel.
- Using steel is sustainable

2. Production of Steel

2.1 Iron-making Process

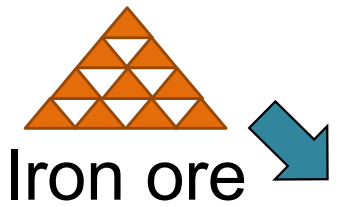
2.2 Steel-making Process

2.1 Iron-Making Process

★ 3 major raw materials for iron

Iron ore : 1.6t
Limestone : 0.2t
Coal : 0.4t

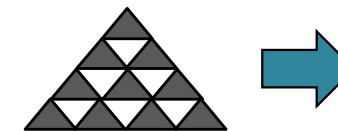
} Iron : 1.0t



Iron ore



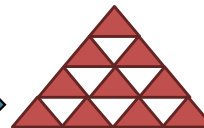
Limestone



Coal



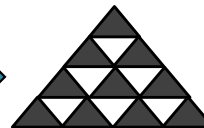
Sinter Plant



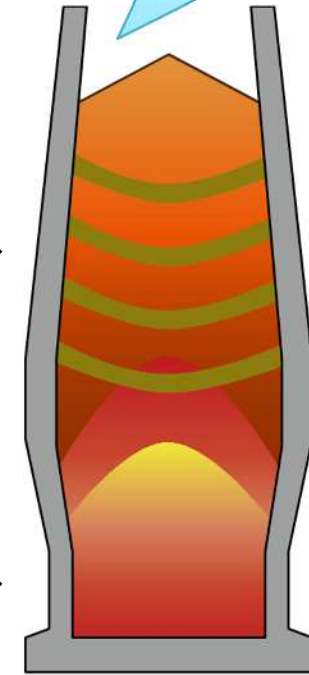
Sinter



Coke Oven



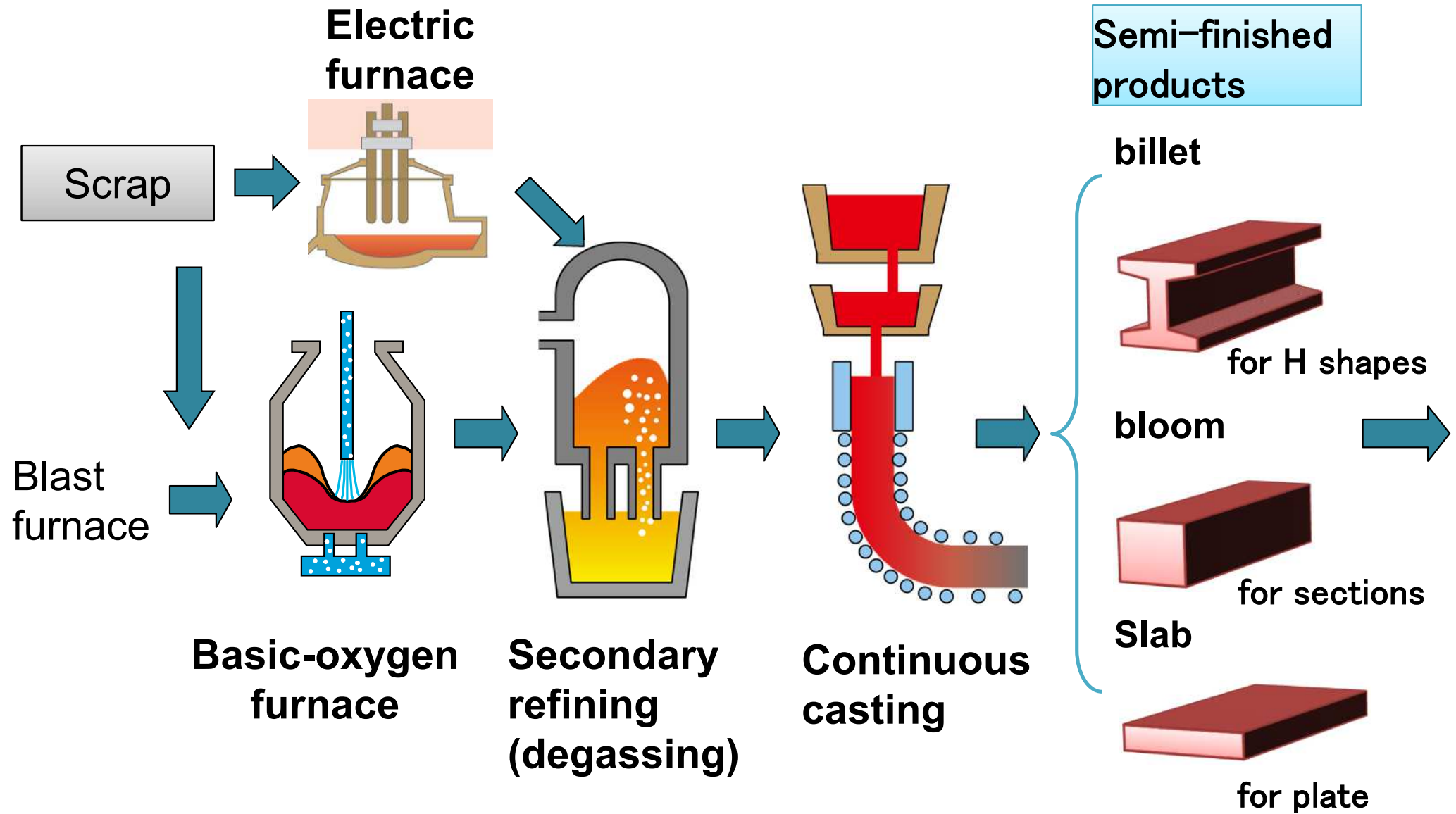
Coke



Blast Furnace

Iron (pig iron) is produced by reducing iron ore (iron oxide); 1,500°C

2.2 Steel-Making Process



3. Steel Products for building structure

3.1 Steel Framing

3.2 Types of Steel Products

3.3 Shapes

3.4 Plates

3.5 Round Sections

3.6 Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections

3.1 Steel Framing -characteristic-

① Construction resistant to earthquakes and disasters

- Excellent in quake resistance, and can be used for disaster prevention bases or storage stations

② Rich design

- Thin columns and beam, easy to create curves

③ Stable quality & short construction period

- It is possible to ensure quality and shorten construction period by factory production

④ Creation of flexible space

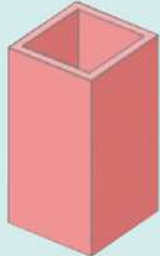

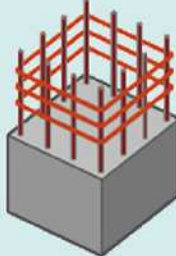
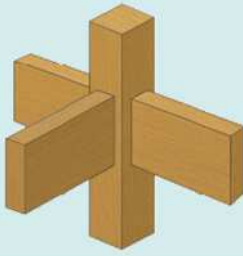
- It is possible to produce a pillar-less large space, and also possible to respond to a need for change of use purpose or layout in the future.

⑤ Eco-friendly materials

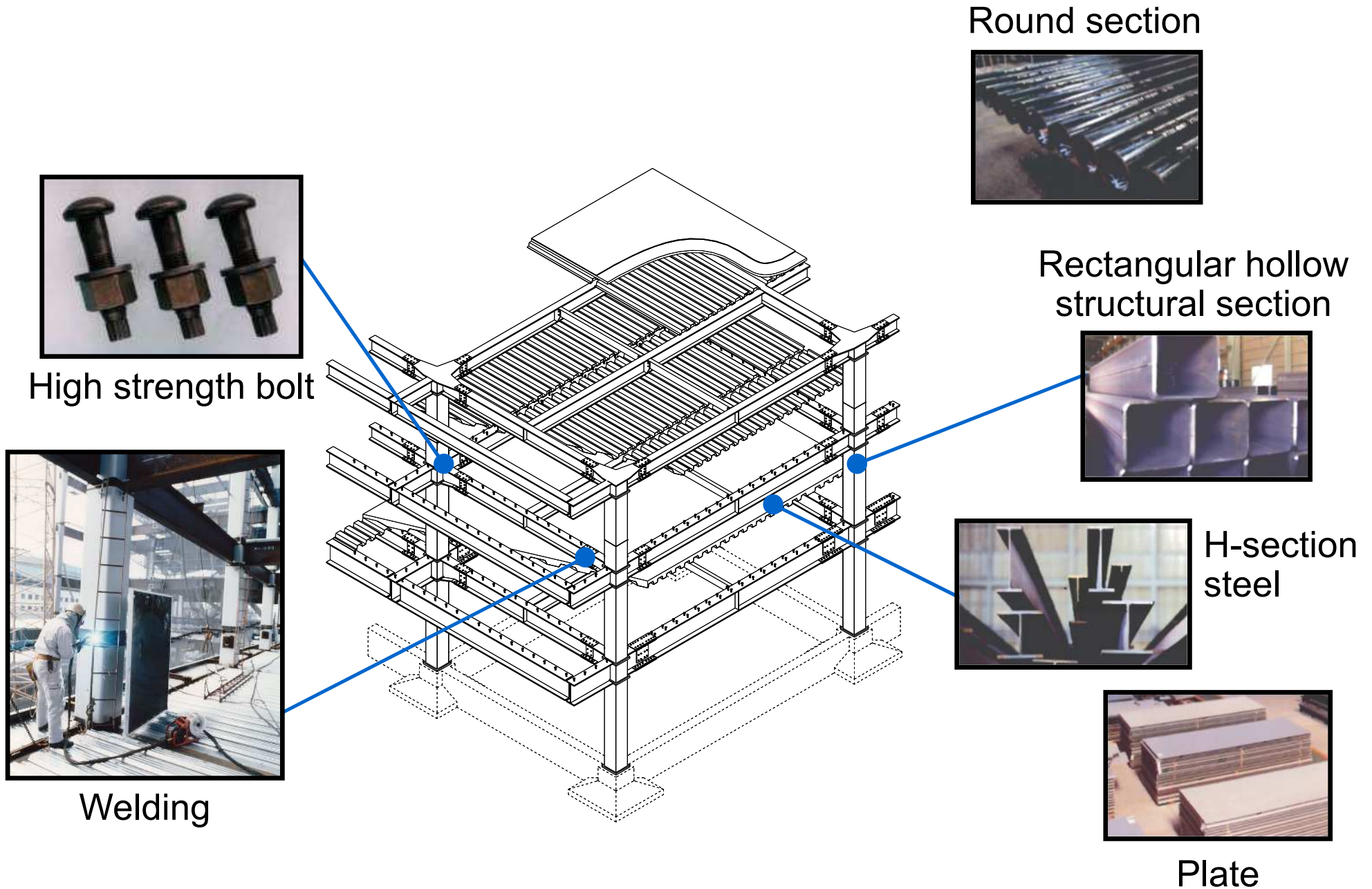
- It is possible to conserve resources by means of recycling



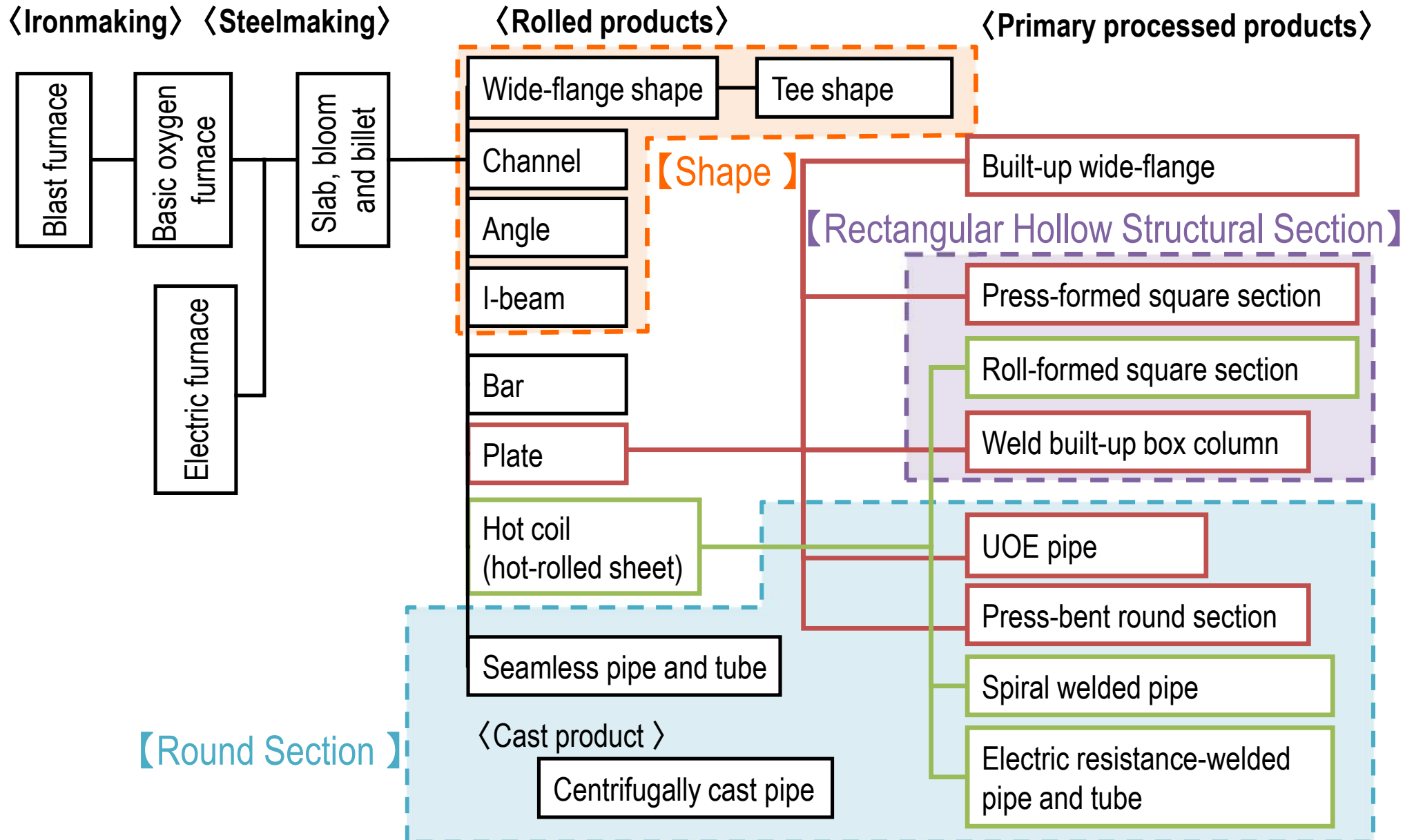
3.1 Steel Framing -characteristic-

No.	①	②	③	④
Construction type	S construction	CFT construction	RC construction	W construction
Material	Steel	Concrete-filled steel tube	Reinforced concrete	Wood
Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Large span (flexibility of space, layout change)▪ Short construction period	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Increase in strength and deformation capacity due to effects of mutual constraint	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Large stiffness▪ Fire resistance▪ Heavy, long construction period	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Easy to process▪ Fire resistance measures needed
Outline				

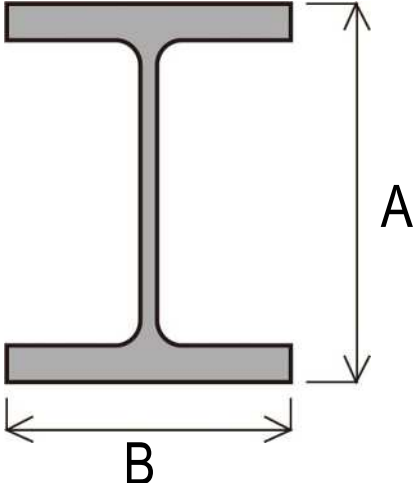
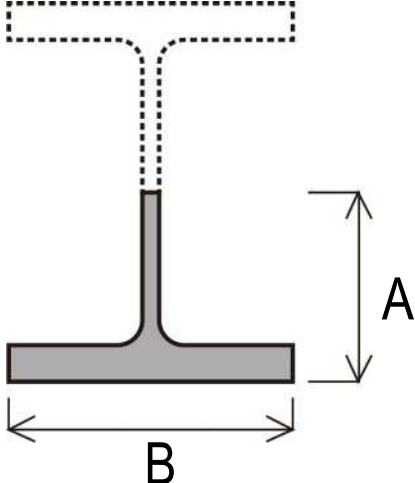
3.1 Steel Framing -steel products-



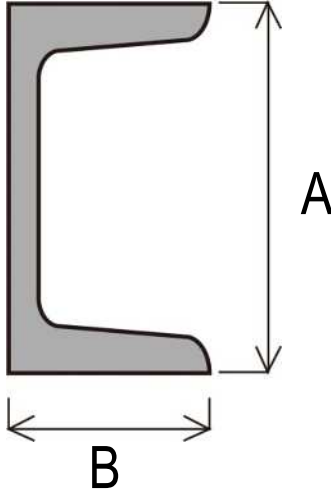
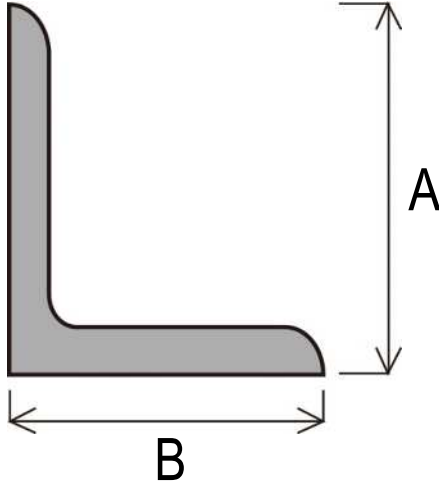
3.2 Types of Steel Products



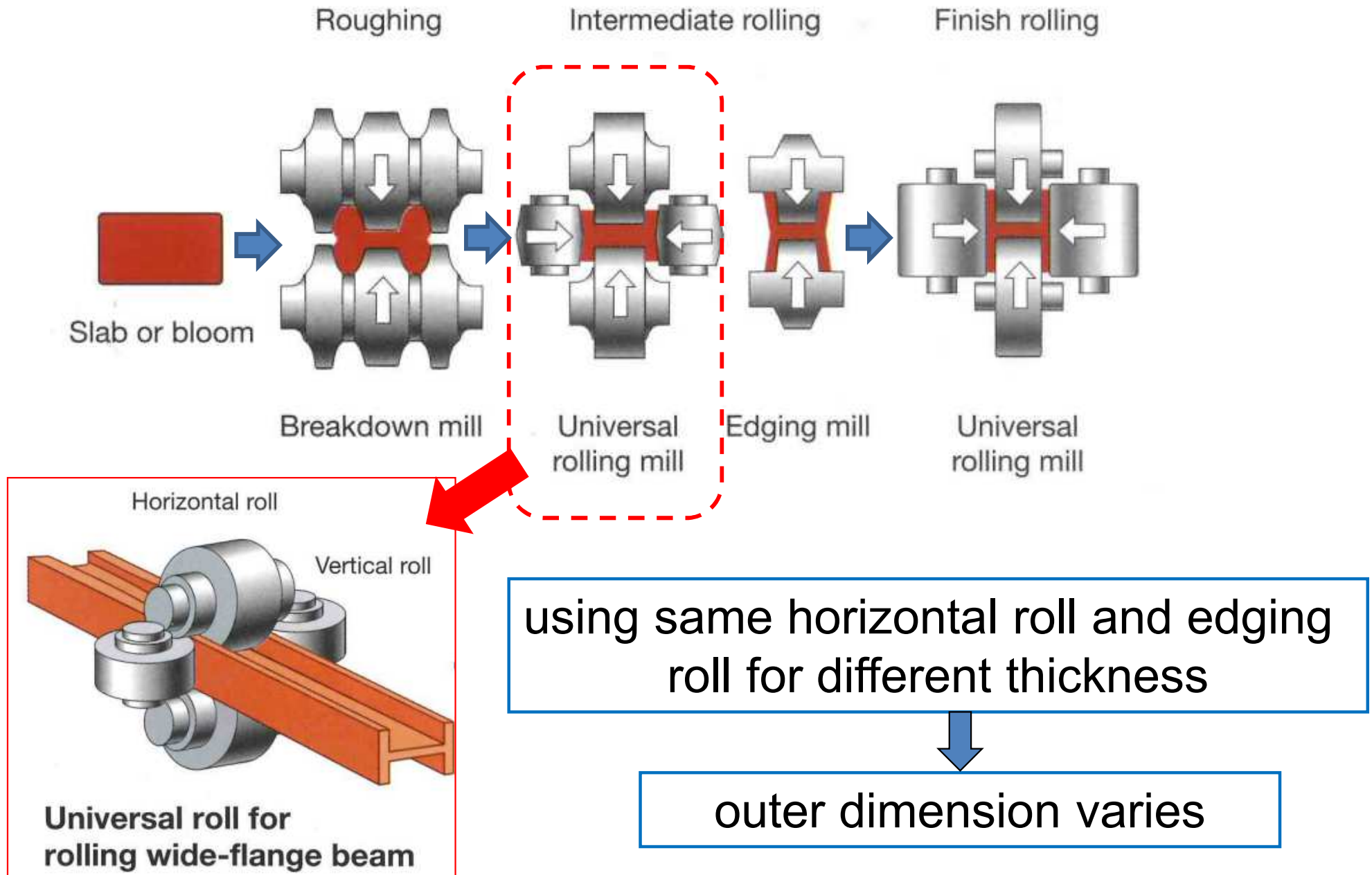
(1) Wide Flange and H Beams, Structural Tees

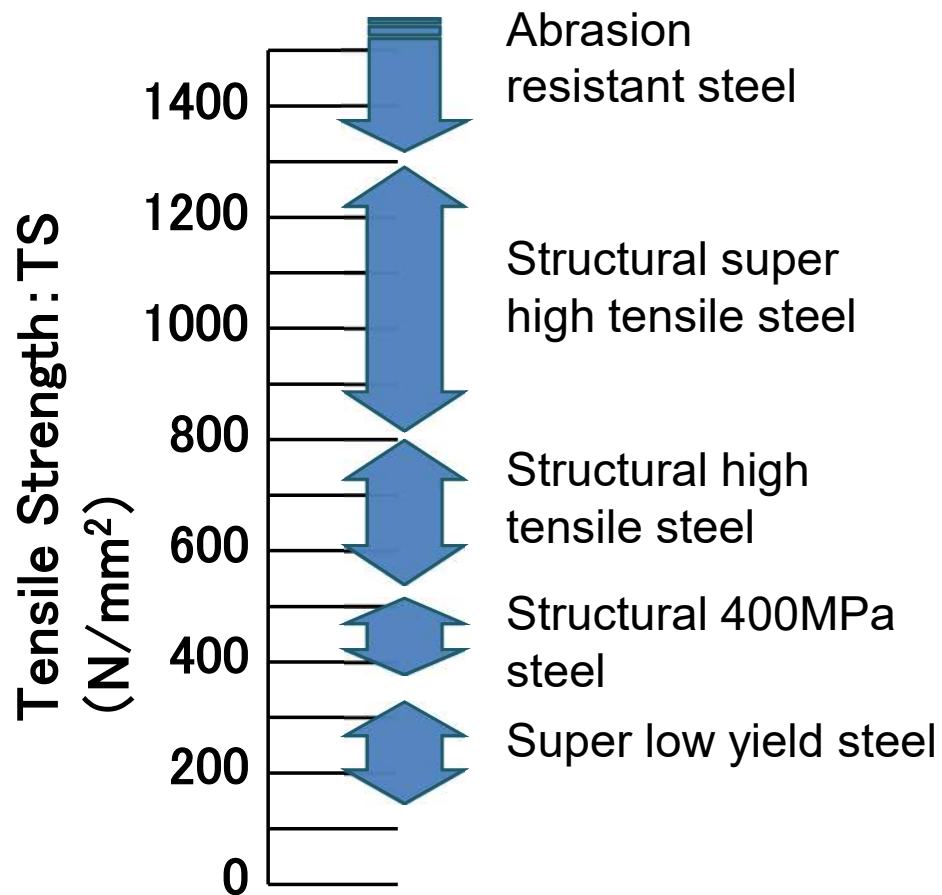
	Wide-flange and H beams	Structural Tee shapes
Section		
Size (mm)	<p>Wide width : $100 \times 100 \sim 400 \times 400$</p> <p>Medium width : $150 \times 100 \sim 900 \times 300$</p> <p>Narrow width : $150 \times 75 \sim 600 \times 200$</p> <p>Fixed outer dimension : $400 \times 200 \sim 1000 \times 400$</p>	<p>Shape manufactured by equally dividing wide-flange beam</p>
Application	<p>Column, beam, brace, stud, small beam</p>	<p>Brace, truss member, assembly member</p>

(2) Channels and Angles

	Channels	Angles
Section		
Size (mm)	75 × 40 ~ 380 × 100	Equal leg : 20 × 20 ~ 350 × 350 Unequal leg : 75 × 50 ~ 150 × 100 Unequal leg and unequal thickness : 200 × 90 ~ 600 × 150
Application	Furring strip, joist, purlin, small beam, truss member	Brace, truss member, assembly member

(3) Manufacturing Process of Wide Flange and H Beam





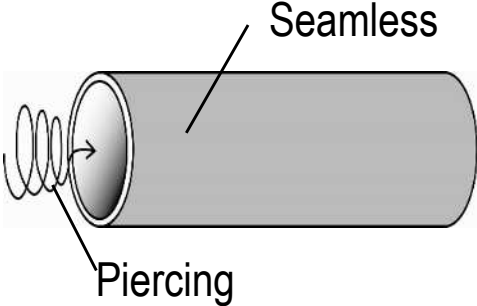
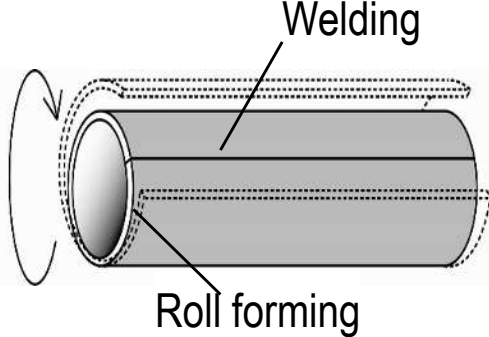
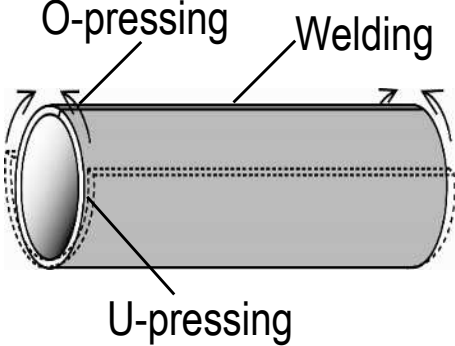
Steel plates

- 6mm or more in thickness; 100 mm or less in thickness practically applied for building structures, excluding special uses.
- 1~5 meters in width, 3~25 meters in length

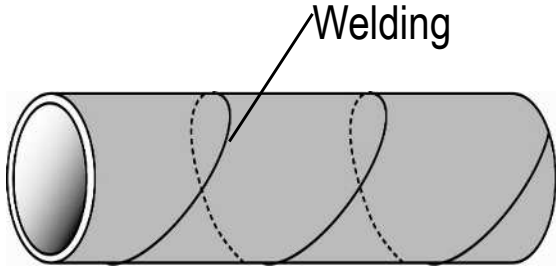
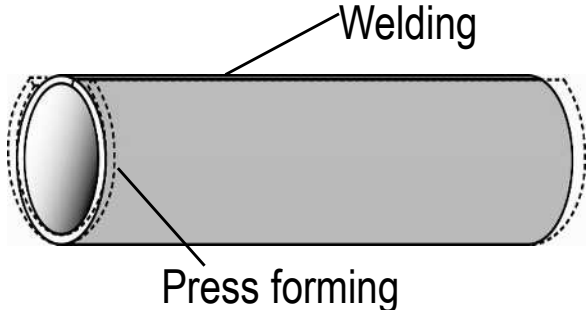
Major applications of steel plates

Base plates, splice plates, gusset plate, welded built-up columns, built-up H-shapes and press-bent steel
(applied for assembled structural members with heavy plate thicknesses and large sections, for which rolled products are difficult to apply)

(1) Types of Round Sections

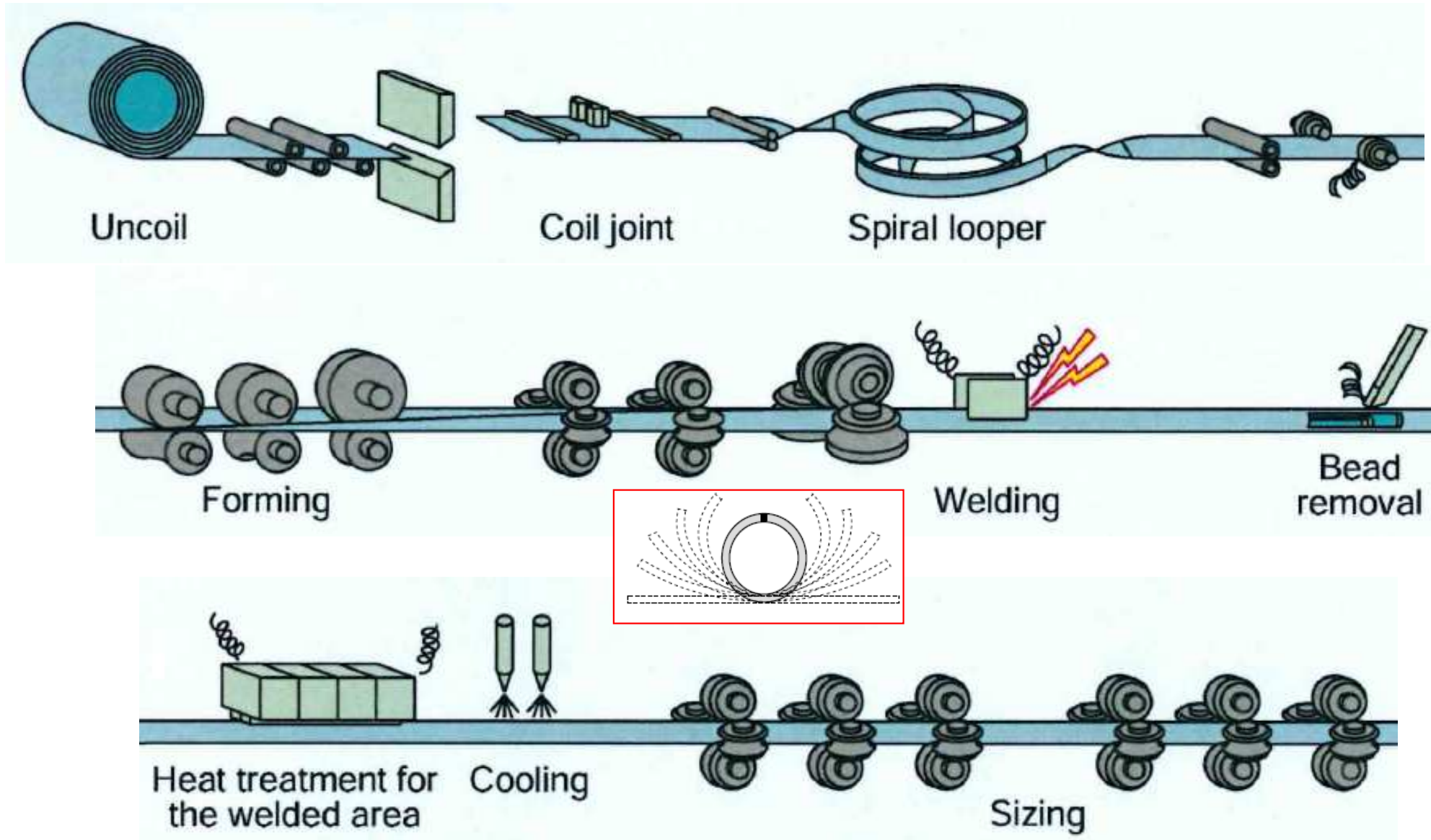
	Seamless	Welded	
	① Seamless pipe and tube	② Electric resistance-welded pipe and tube	③ UOE pipe and tube
Production method			
Outside diameter	20 ~ 400 mm	60 ~ 600 mm	400 ~ 1600 mm
Wall thickness	2 ~ 60 mm	1 ~ 20 mm	6 ~ 45 mm
Application	Line pipe, oil-well tubular goods	General structure, pipe pile, gas and water piping	Gas and oil transport, building structure

(1) Types of Round Sections

	Welded	
	④Spiral welded pipe and tube	⑤Press-bent pipe and tube
Production method	 <p>Welding</p>	 <p>Welding</p> <p>Press forming</p>
Outside diameter	400 ~ 2500 mm	400 ~ 5000 mm
Wall thickness	6 ~ 25 mm	6 ~ 100 mm
Application	Mainly for pile	Product with heavy wall thickness and large outside diameter unavailable with other production methods

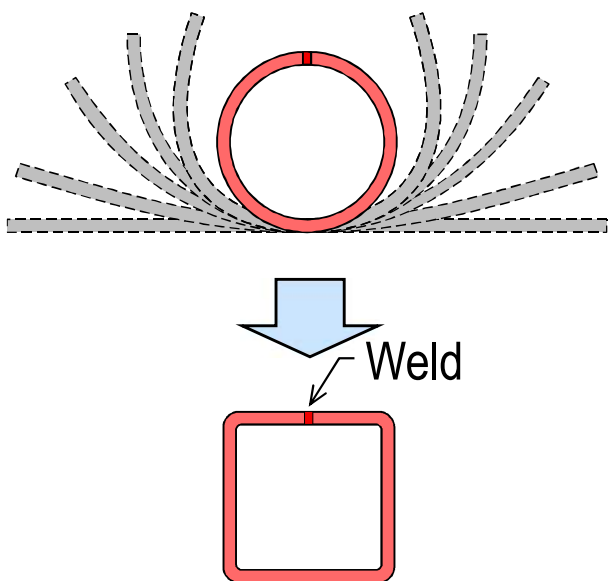
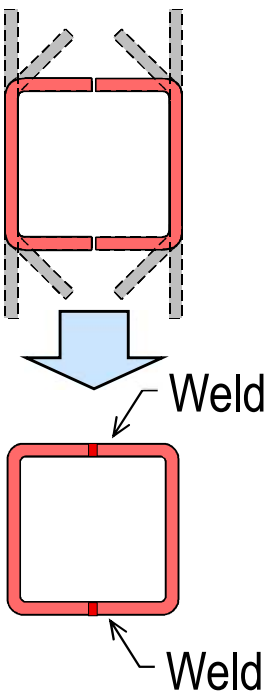
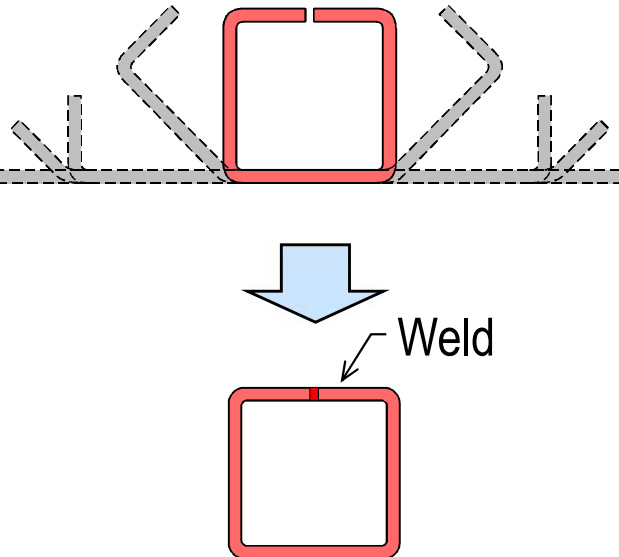
3.5 Round Sections

(2) Manufacturing Process of ERW Pipes



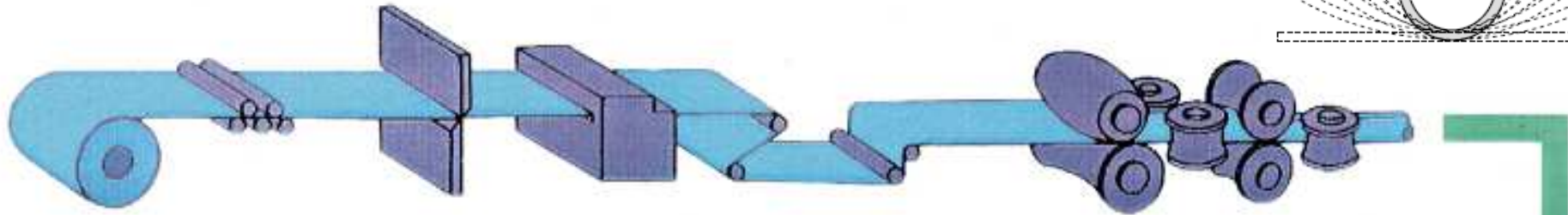
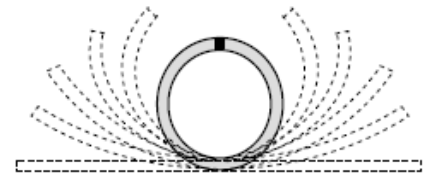
3.6 Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections

(1) Types of Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections

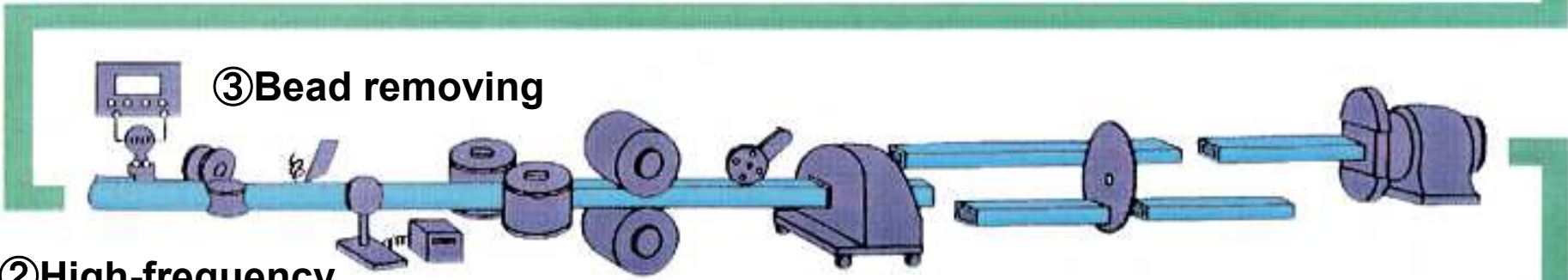
	Cold roll-formed square pipes	Cold press-formed square pipes	
Section	 <p>Roll forming + Electric resistance welding</p>	 <p>Press forming + Arc welding (2 seams)</p>	 <p>Press forming + Arc welding (1 seam)</p>
Size (mm)	□ — 200 × 6 ~ □ — 550 × 25	□ — 300 × 9 ~ □ — 1000 × 40	

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(2) Manufacturing Process of Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections



① Forming



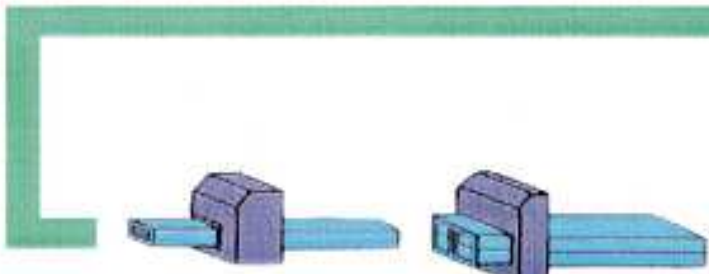
② High-frequency welder

③ Bead removing

④ Shaping

⑤ Traveling cut

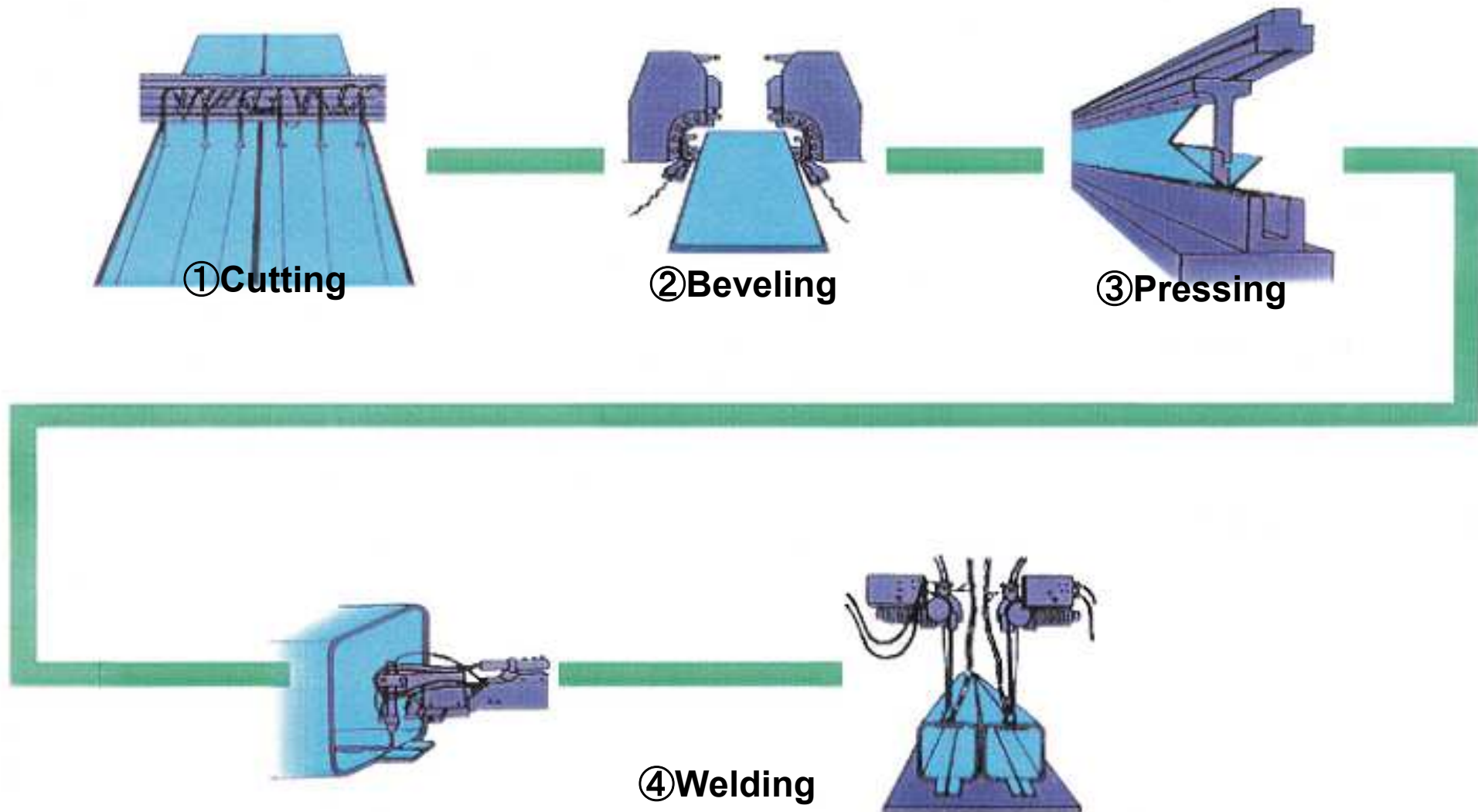
⑥ Facing



⑦ Oiling

⑧ Banding

(3) Manufacturing Process of Press-formed Square Sections



3.6 Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections

(3) Manufacturing Process of Welded Box Columns

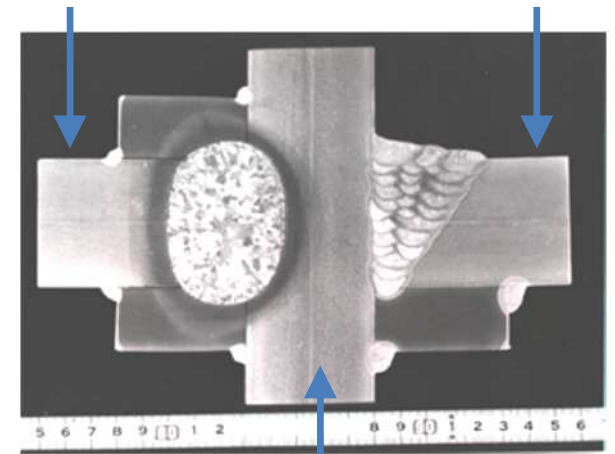


Submerge arc welding

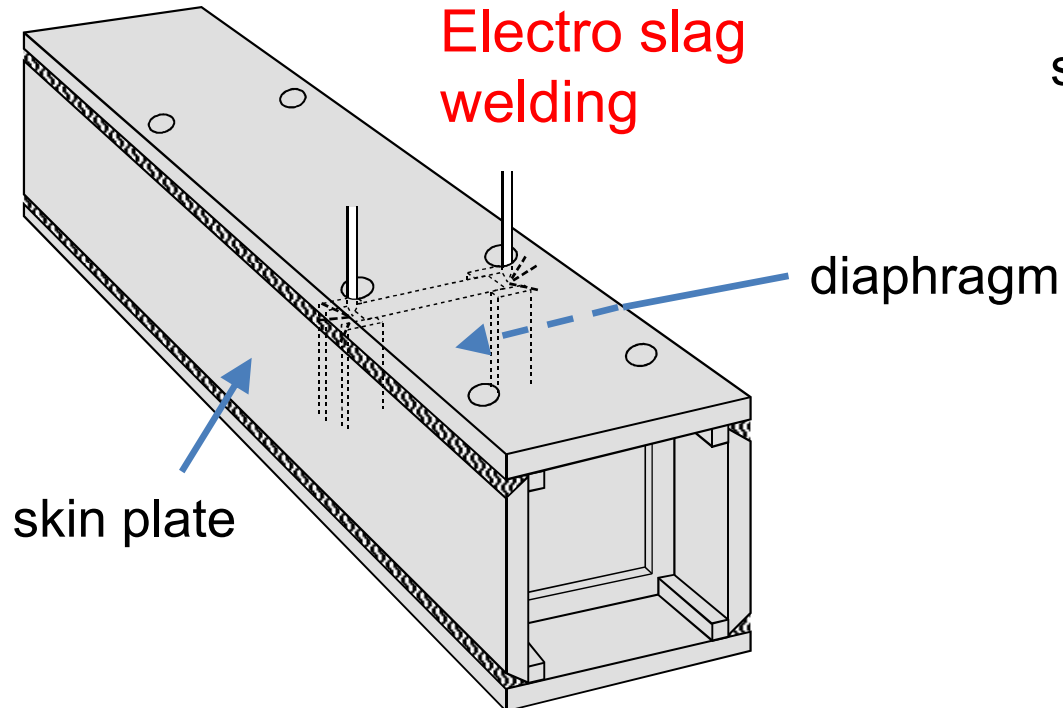
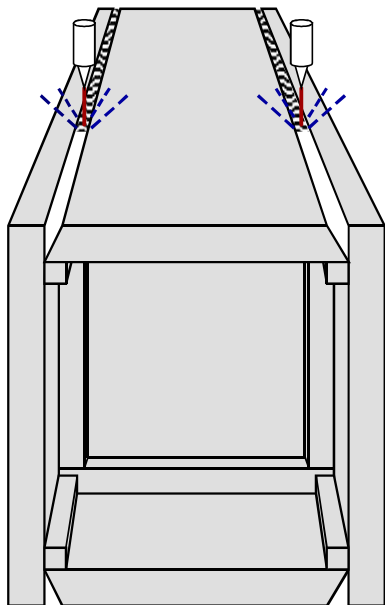


Electro slag welding

diaphragm beam flange



skin plate



4. Characteristic of Structural Steel

4.1 Steel for Seismic Design

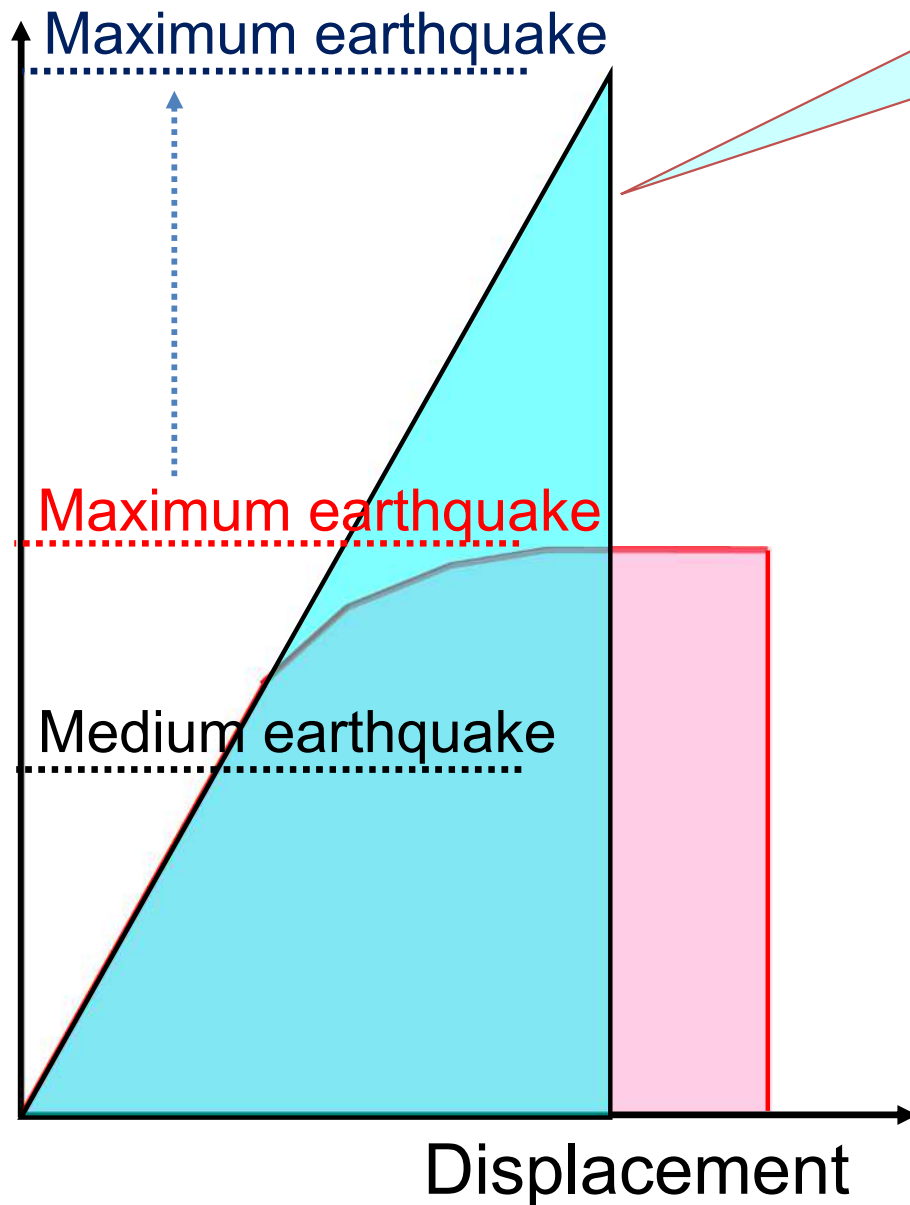
4.2 SN Steel Grade / JIS G 3136

4.3 Mechanical Properties

4.4 Chemical Composition

(1) Basic Idea of Seismic Design for Building

Seismic Force



Very high strength is required if keeping the structure elastic

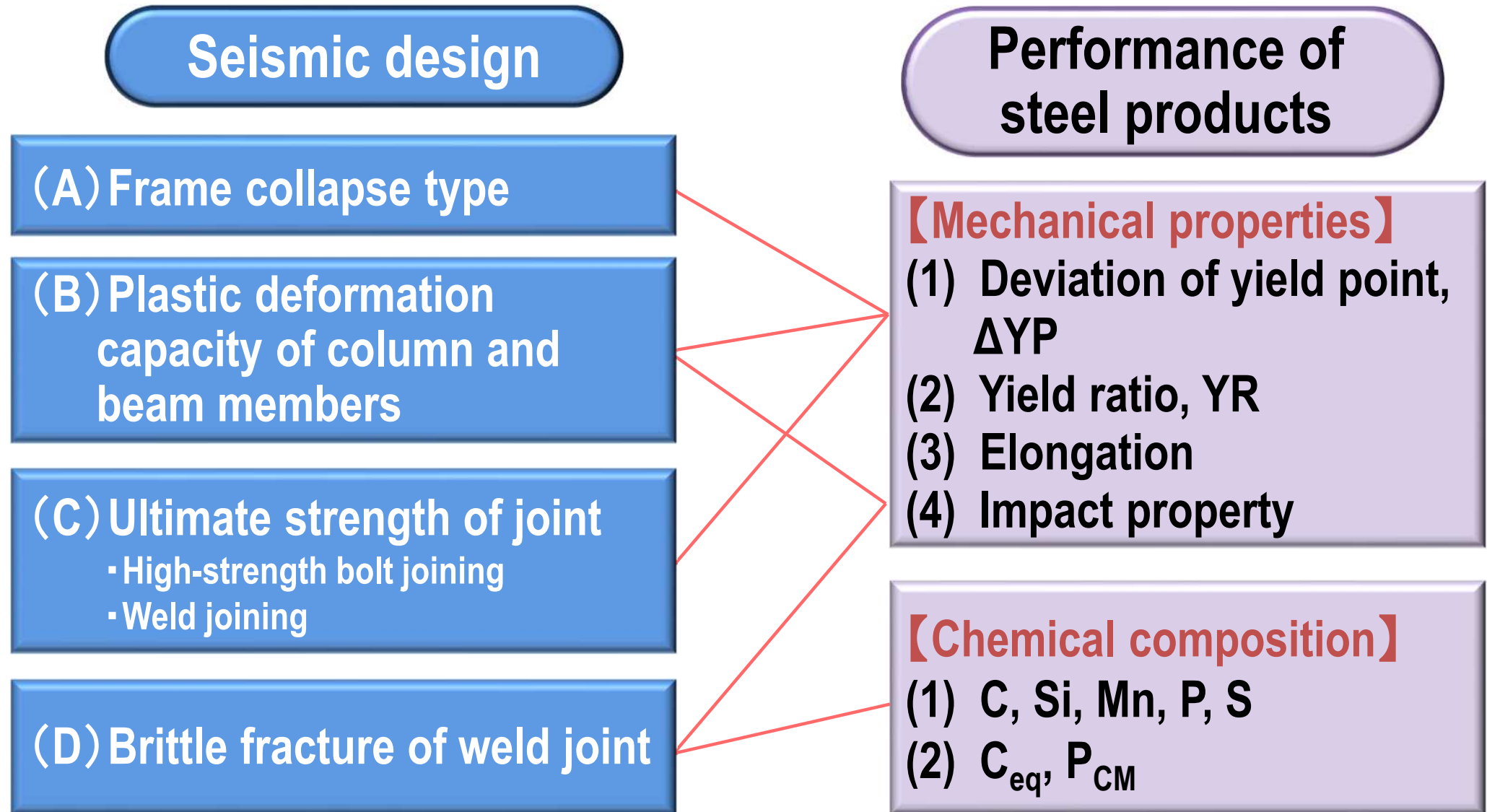
What is Anti-Seismic Performance of Buildings?

Energy Absorption Capacity

$$\times \text{Energy} = \text{Force} \times \text{Displacement}$$

For maximum earthquake, **plastic deformation capacity of structural elements** is important, on top of strength

(2) Relationship between Seismic Design and Steel Performance



(1) Feature of SN Steel Grade

Conventional Steel Grade

- JIS SS400, SM490 etc.
- ASTM A36, A572 / EN S355 etc.
- Intended for elastic design



SN Steel Grade

- Established in 1994 in JIS G 3136
- Intended for plastic design
- Most suitable for seismic design

1. Excellent plastic deformation capacity

Specification of **upper limit of yield point and yield ratio**

2. Excellent weldability

Specification of **Charpy absorption energy, Ceq and PCM**

3. Securement of thickness-direction property

Strict limit of **P and S**, Through thickness strength (Grade C only)

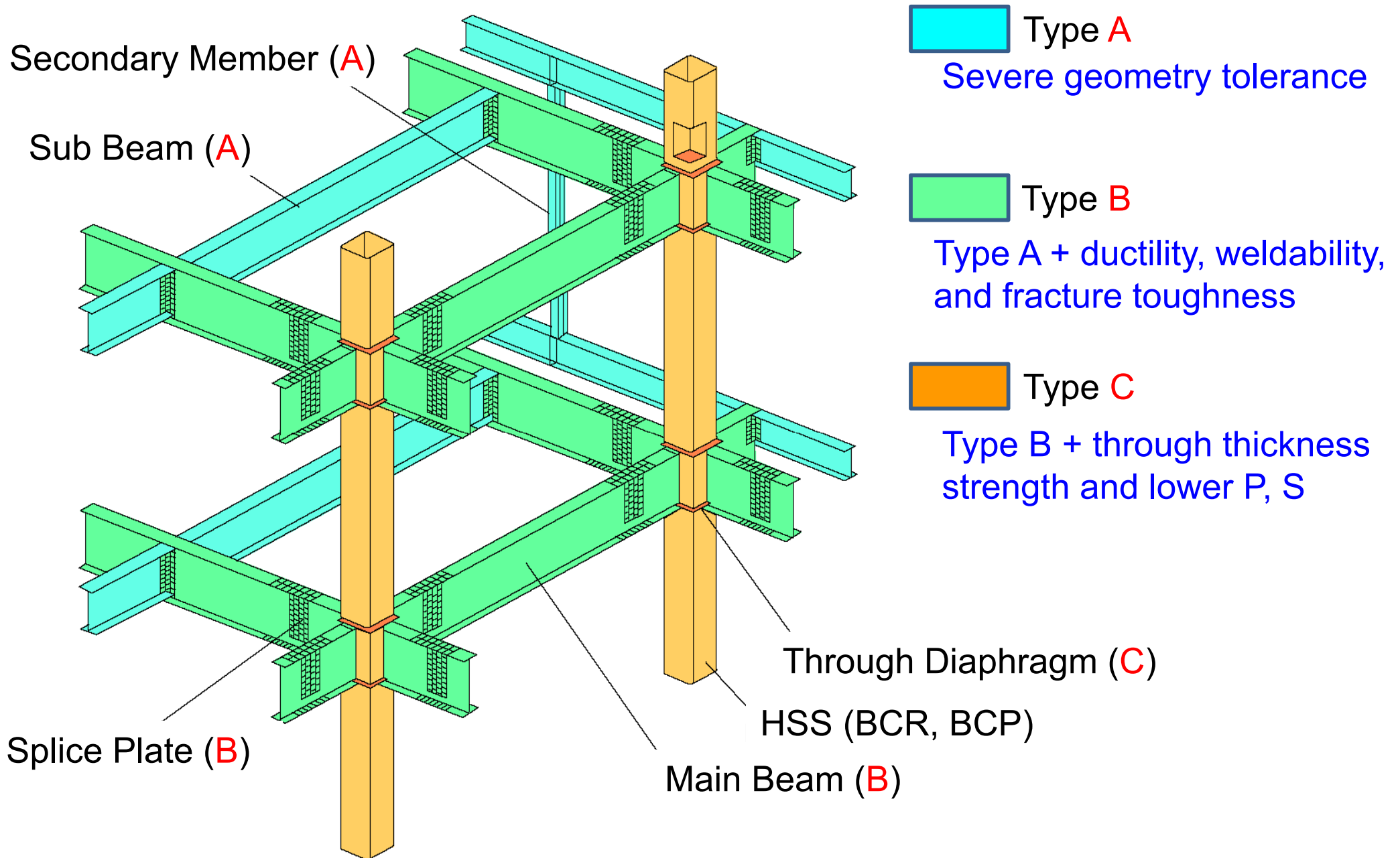
4. Securement of nominal sectional dimension

Strict specification of **minus thickness tolerance**

5. Variation of grades to meet kinds of element

Line-up of **three steel grades** (Grades A, B and C)

(2) Type of SN Steel Grade and their Uses



(3) Comparison with Other Steel Grades

comparison at 16mm < nominal thickness ≤ 40mm

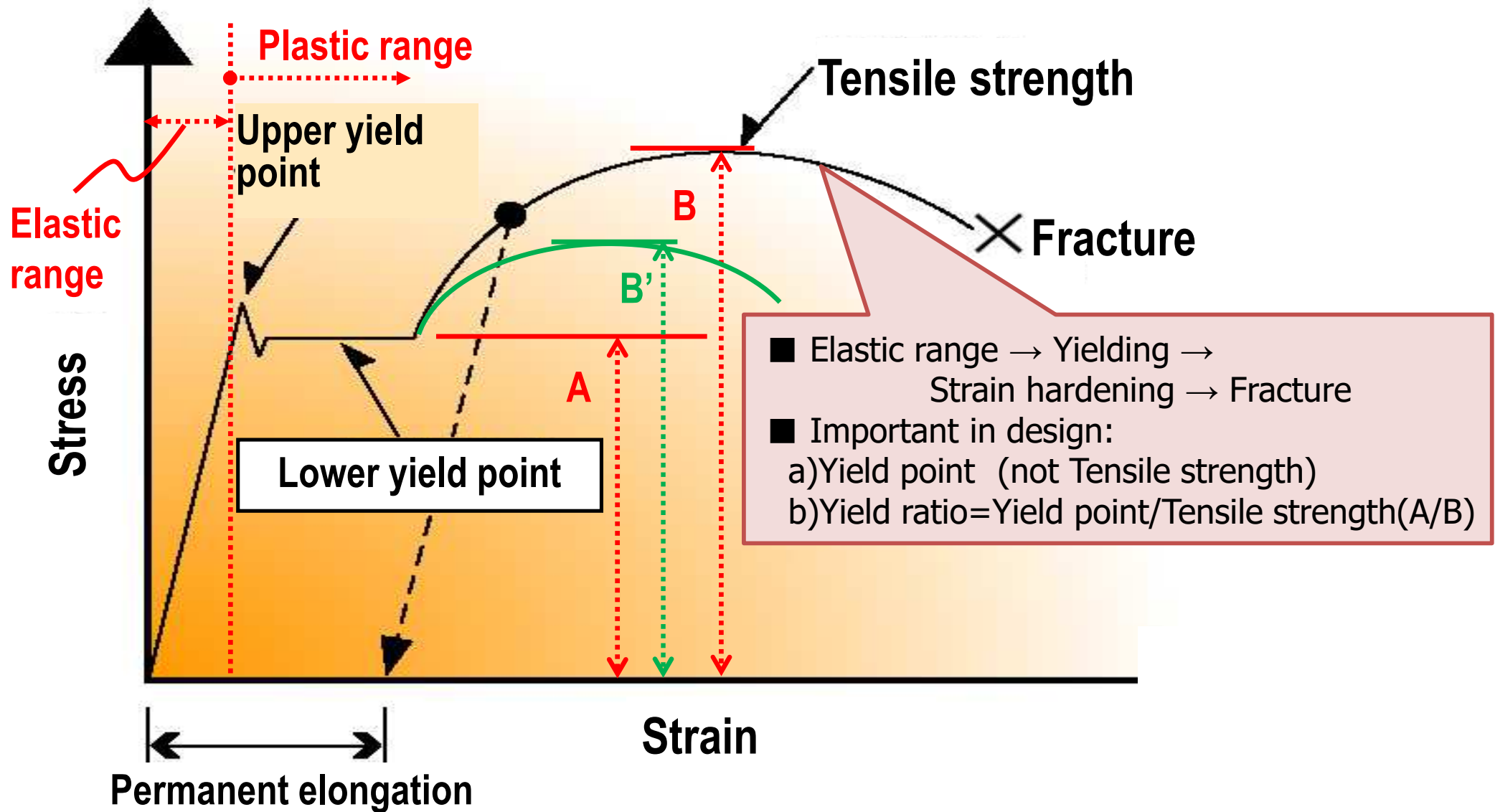
Std.	Grade	Yield strength (MPa)		Tensile strength (MPa)		Yield ratio (%)	Charpy absorption energy (J)	Ceq (%)	S (%)
		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Max.	Min. (0°C)	Max.	Max.
JIS	SS400	235	-	400	510	-	-	-	0.0050
	SM490A	315	-	490	610	-	-	-	0.0035
	SN400A	235	-	400	510	-	-	-	0.0050
	SN400B	235	355	400	510	80	27	0.36*1	0.0015
	SN400C	235	355	400	510	80	27	0.36*1	0.0008
	SN490B	325	445	490	610	80	27	0.44*1	0.0015
	SN490C	325	445	490	610	80	27	0.44*1	0.0008
ASTM	A572 Gr.50	345	-	450	-	-	-	-	0.0050
	A992	345	450	450	-	85	-	-	0.0045
EN	S355J0	345	-	-	-	-	27	0.45*2	0.0030

*1 : $Ceq = C + Mn/6 + Si/24 + Ni/40 + Cr/5 + Mo/4 + V/14$

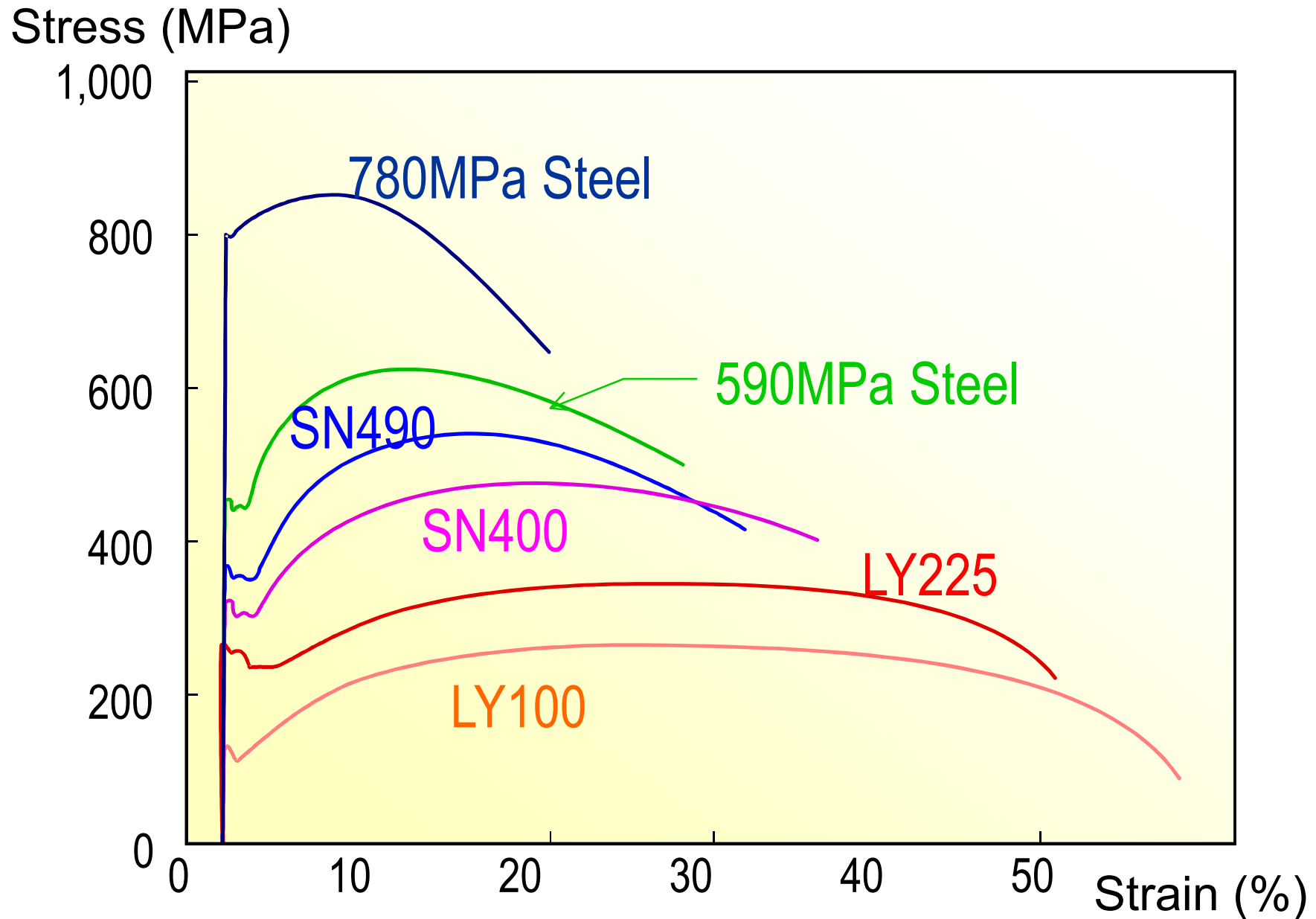
*2 : $Ceq = C + Mn/6 + (Cr + Mo + V)/5 + (Cu + Ni)/15$

4.3 Mechanical Properties

(1) Stress-Strain Relationship of Structural Steel



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(2) Deviation of Yield Point

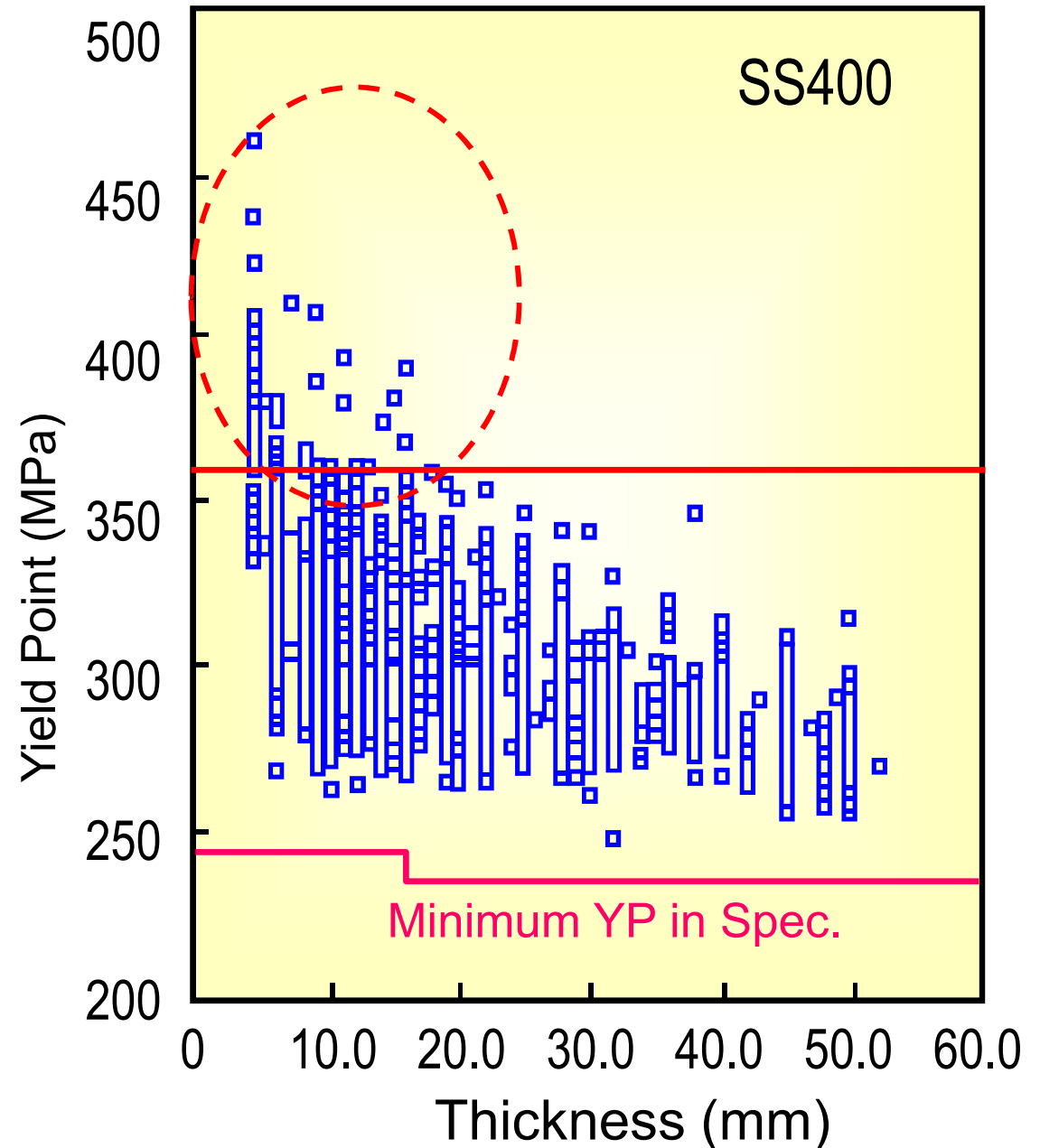
Deviation of actual yield point of conventional steel is very large.



Actual structure may show different performance than what designed by specified minimum YP

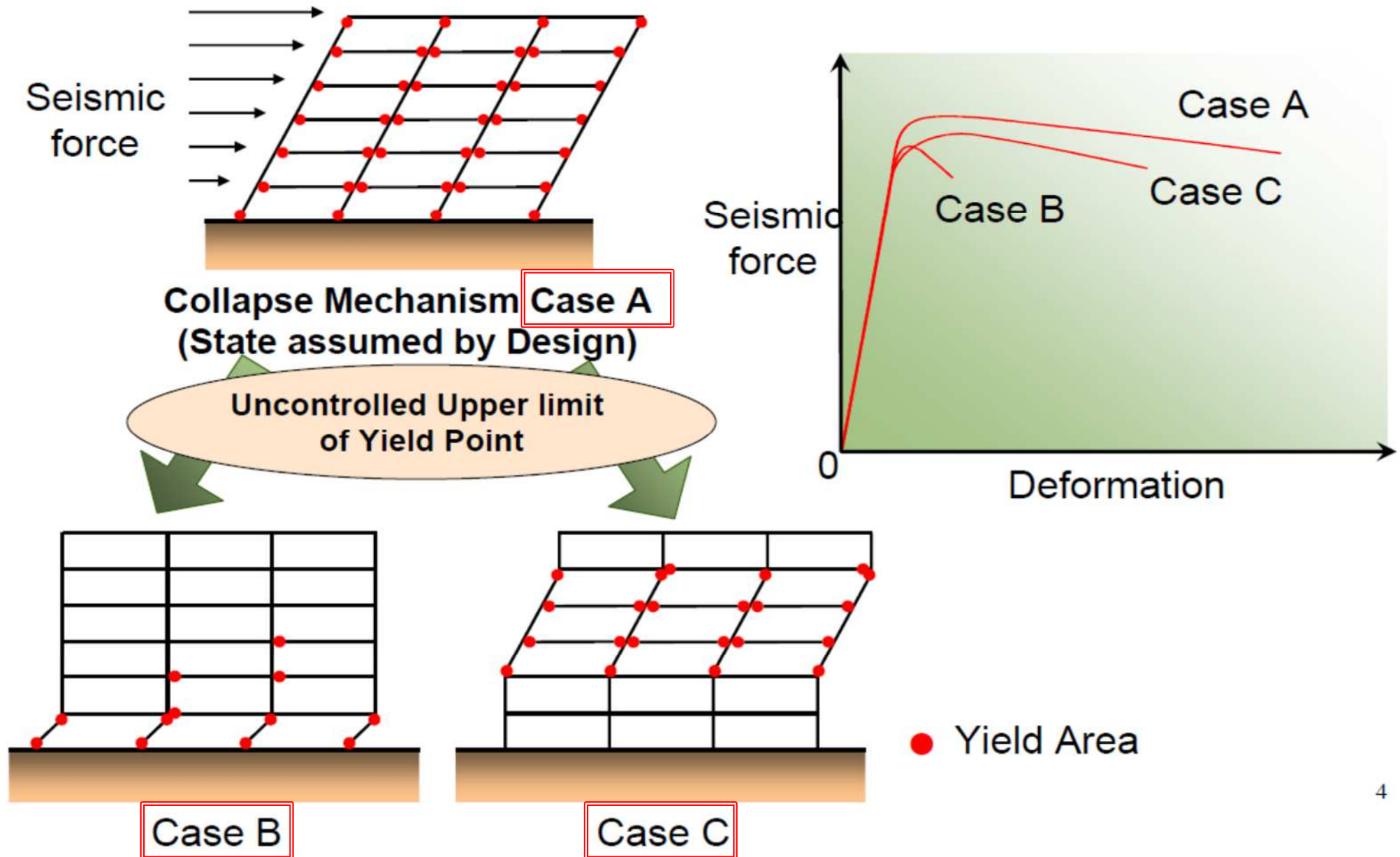


Using steel of smaller deviation is important for seismic design



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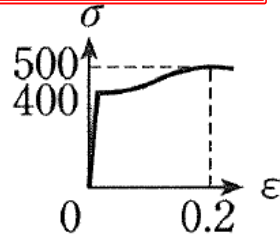
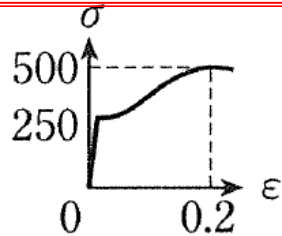


(3) Yield Ratio

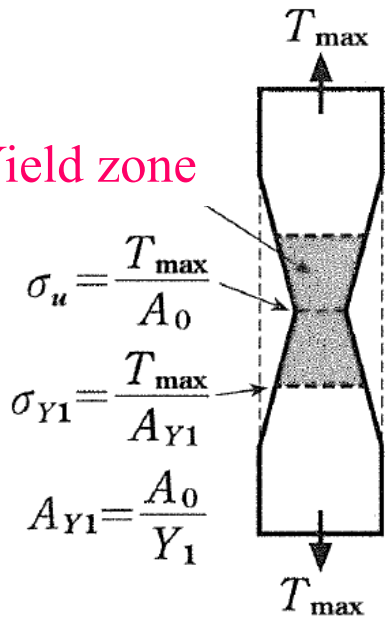
Spreading of yield zone under a stress gradient is strongly related to YR(=Y_P/T_S)

$$Y_1 = \frac{250}{500} = 0.5$$

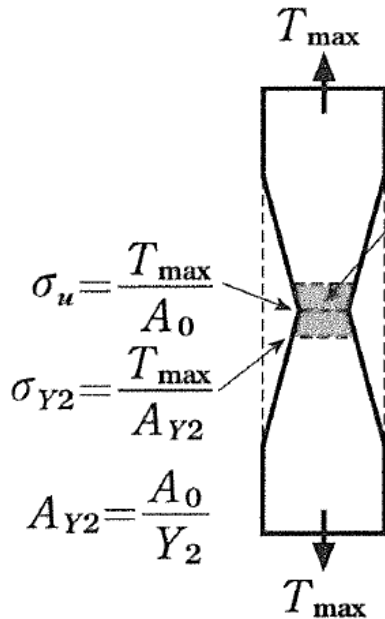
$$Y_2 = \frac{400}{500} = 0.8$$



Yield zone



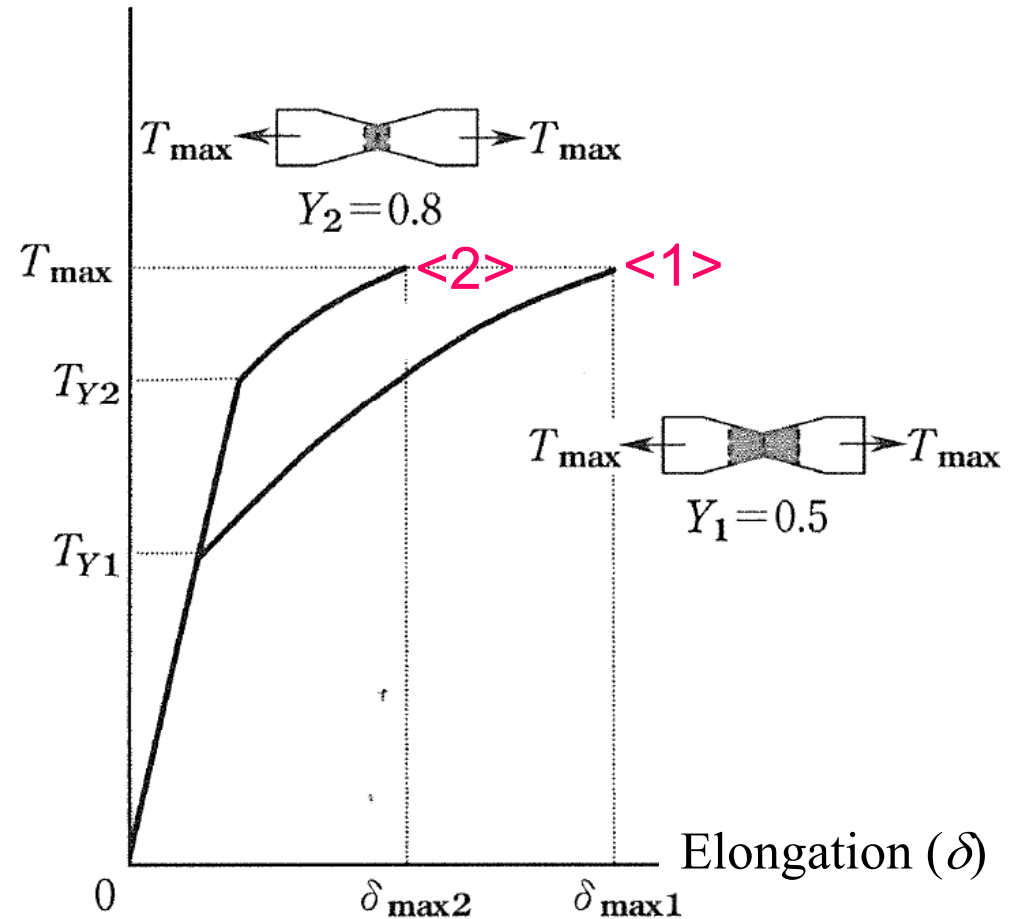
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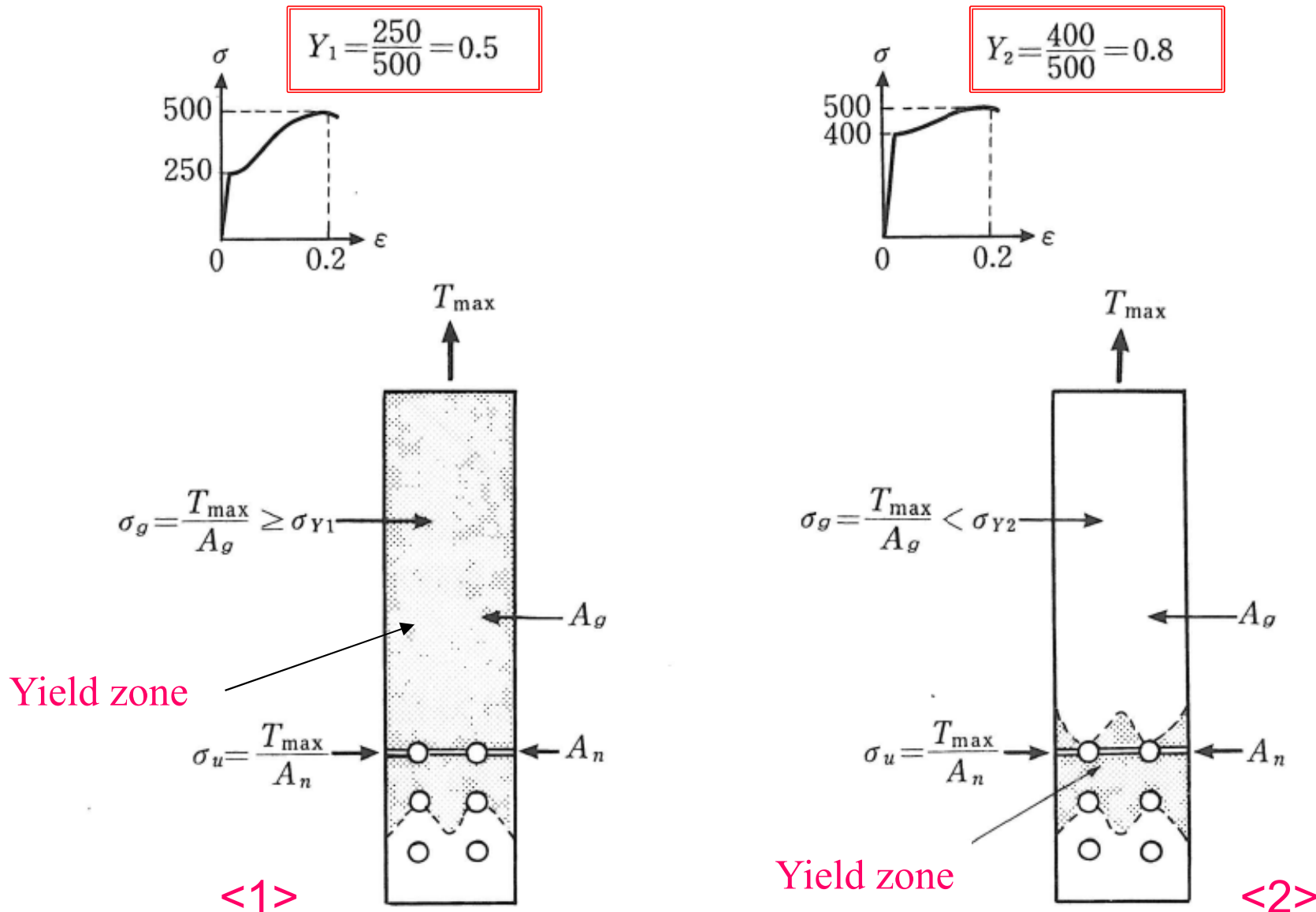
Yield zone

Tensile load (T)



(3) Yield Ratio

Yield zone does not extend if YR is high beyond bolt holes



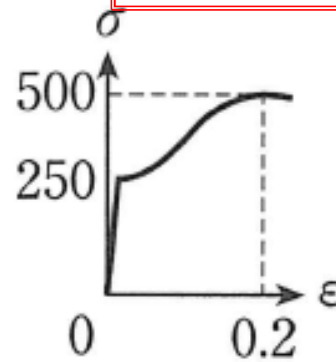
(3) Yield Ratio

Yield spreading at beam ends is also related to YR

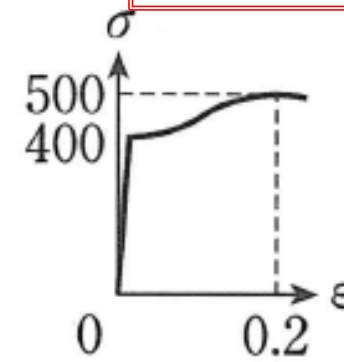
to ensure plastic deformation capacity of members

setting upper limit for yield ratio is crucial

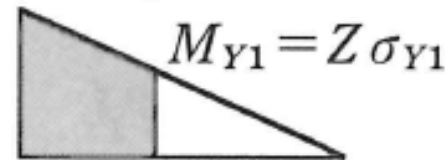
$$Y_1 = 0.5$$



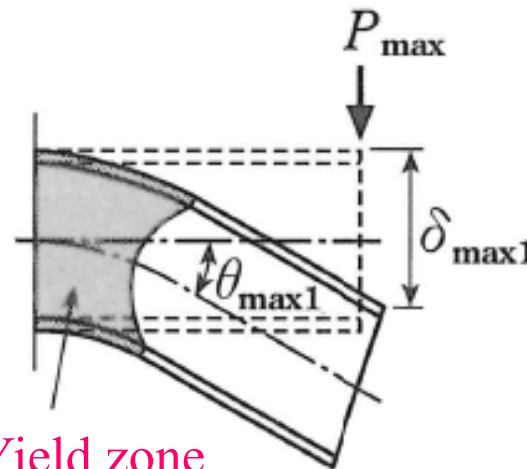
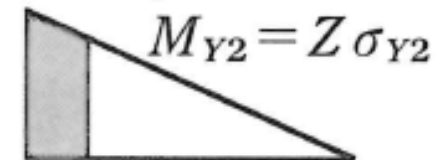
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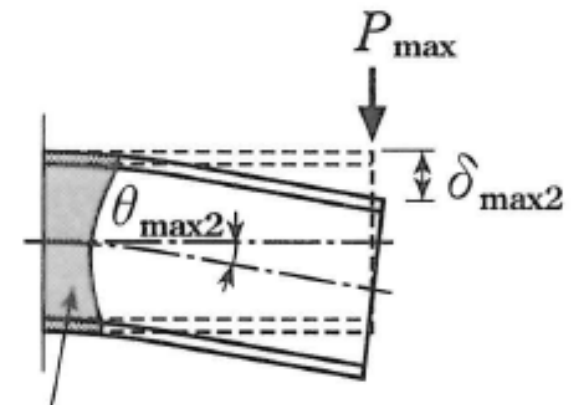
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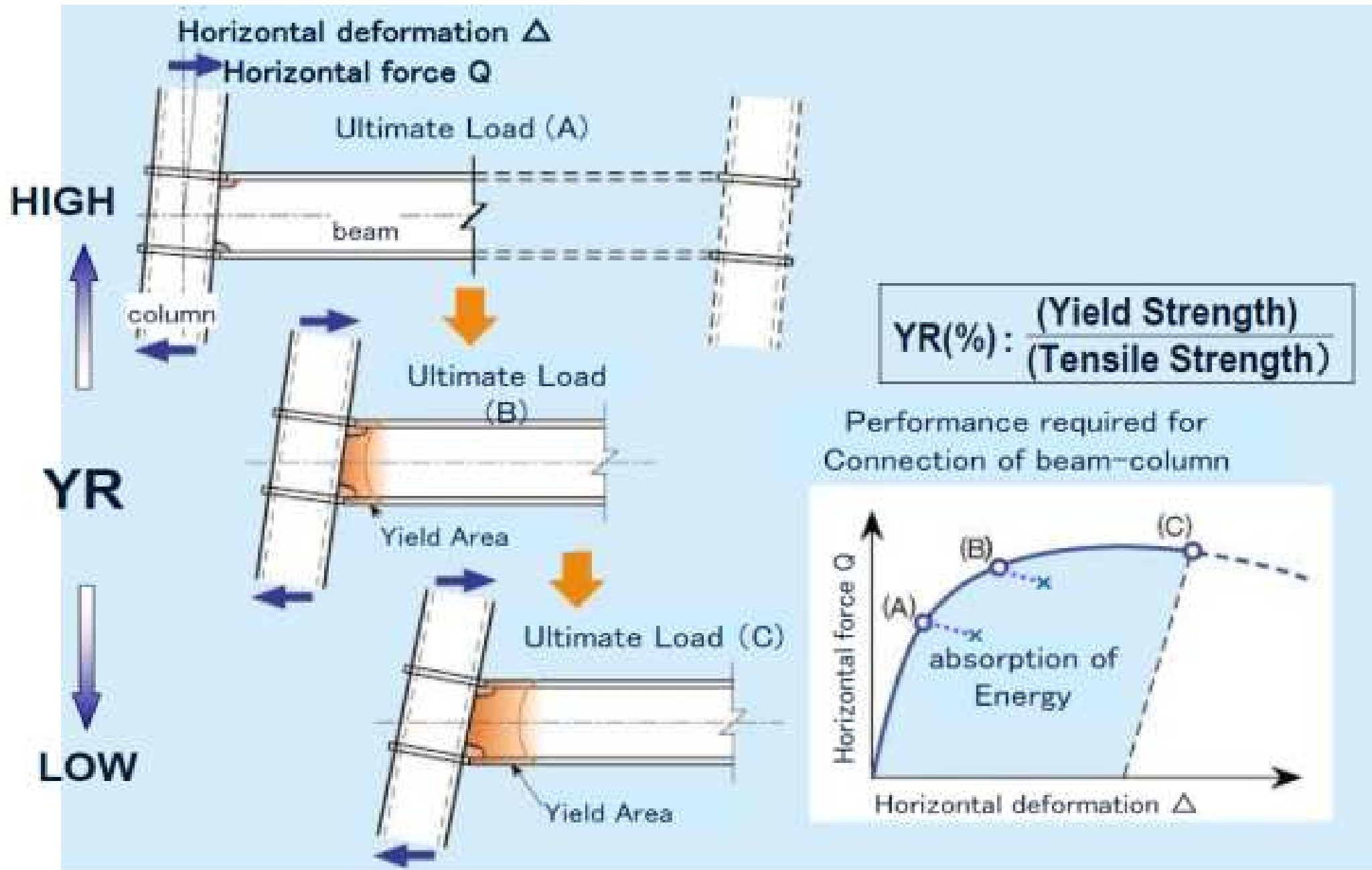


Yield zone



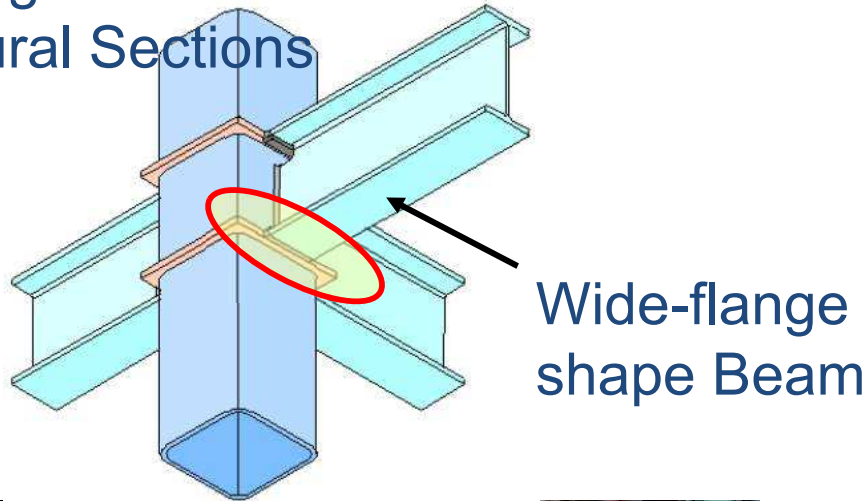
Yield zone

(3) Yield Ratio

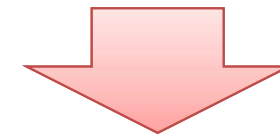


(4) Impact Property

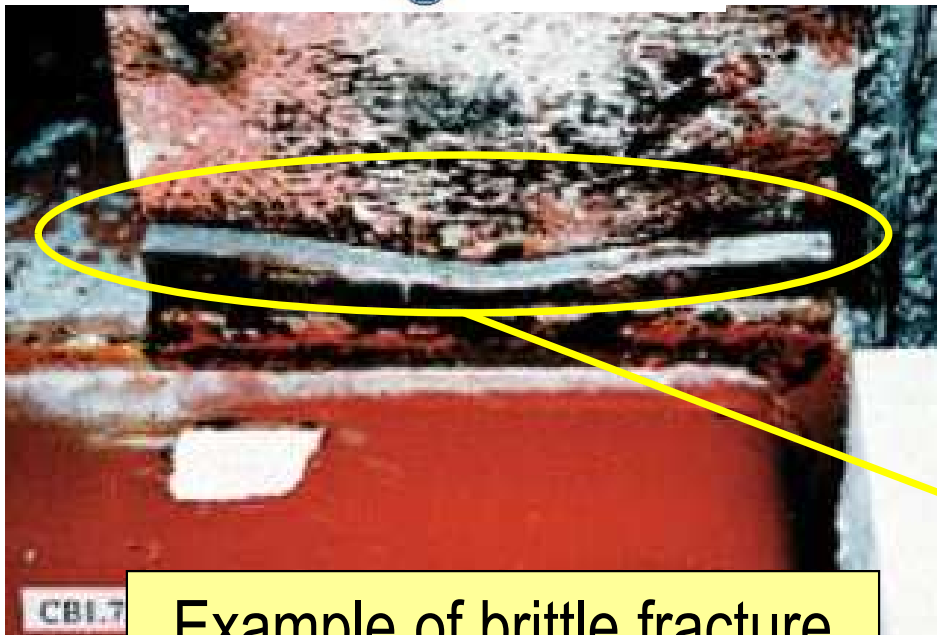
Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections



Prevention of occurrence and development of brittle fracture



Securement of Charpy absorption energy



Example of brittle fracture at the lower flange of beam

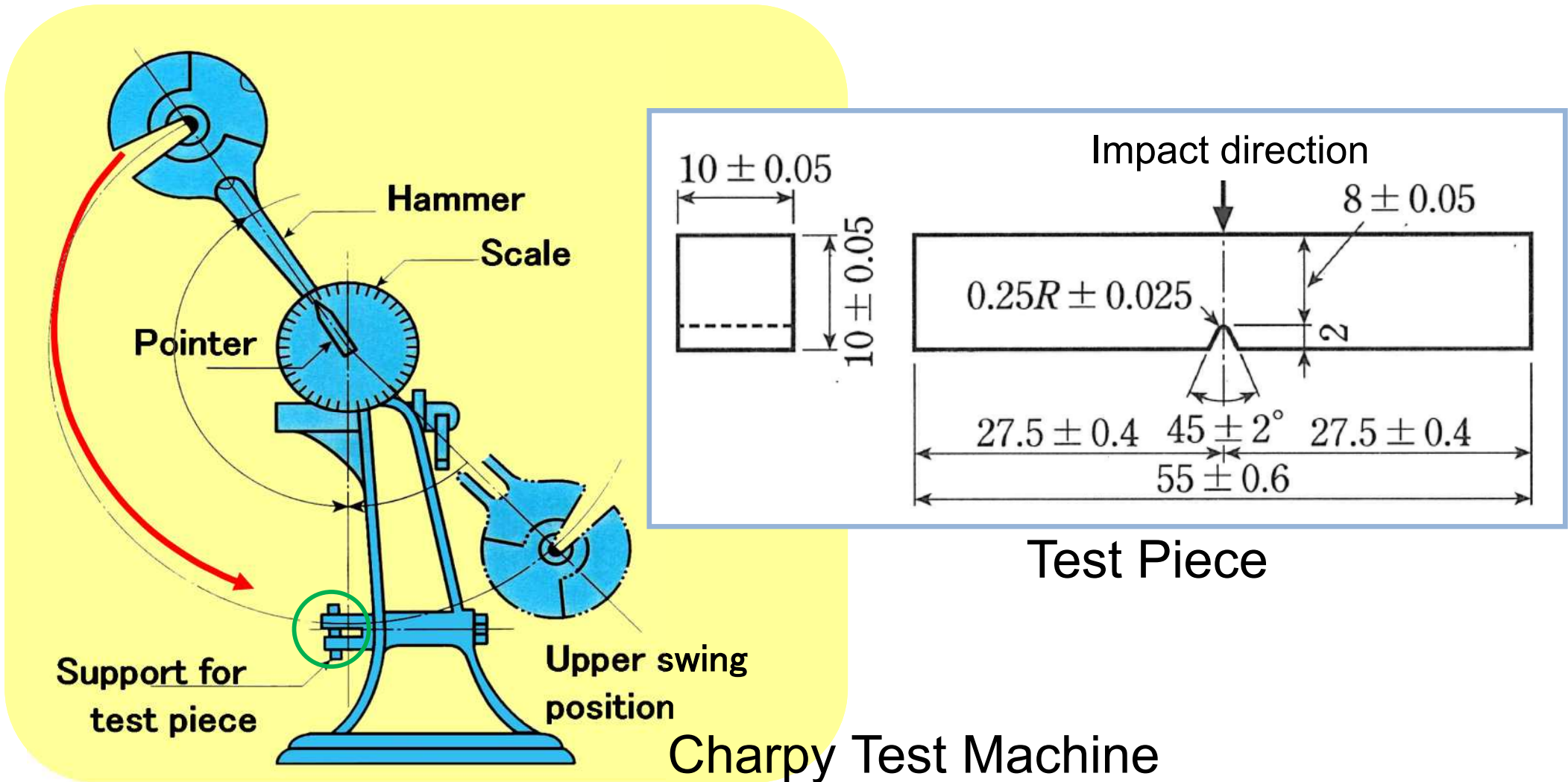


Fracture surface

(4) Impact Property

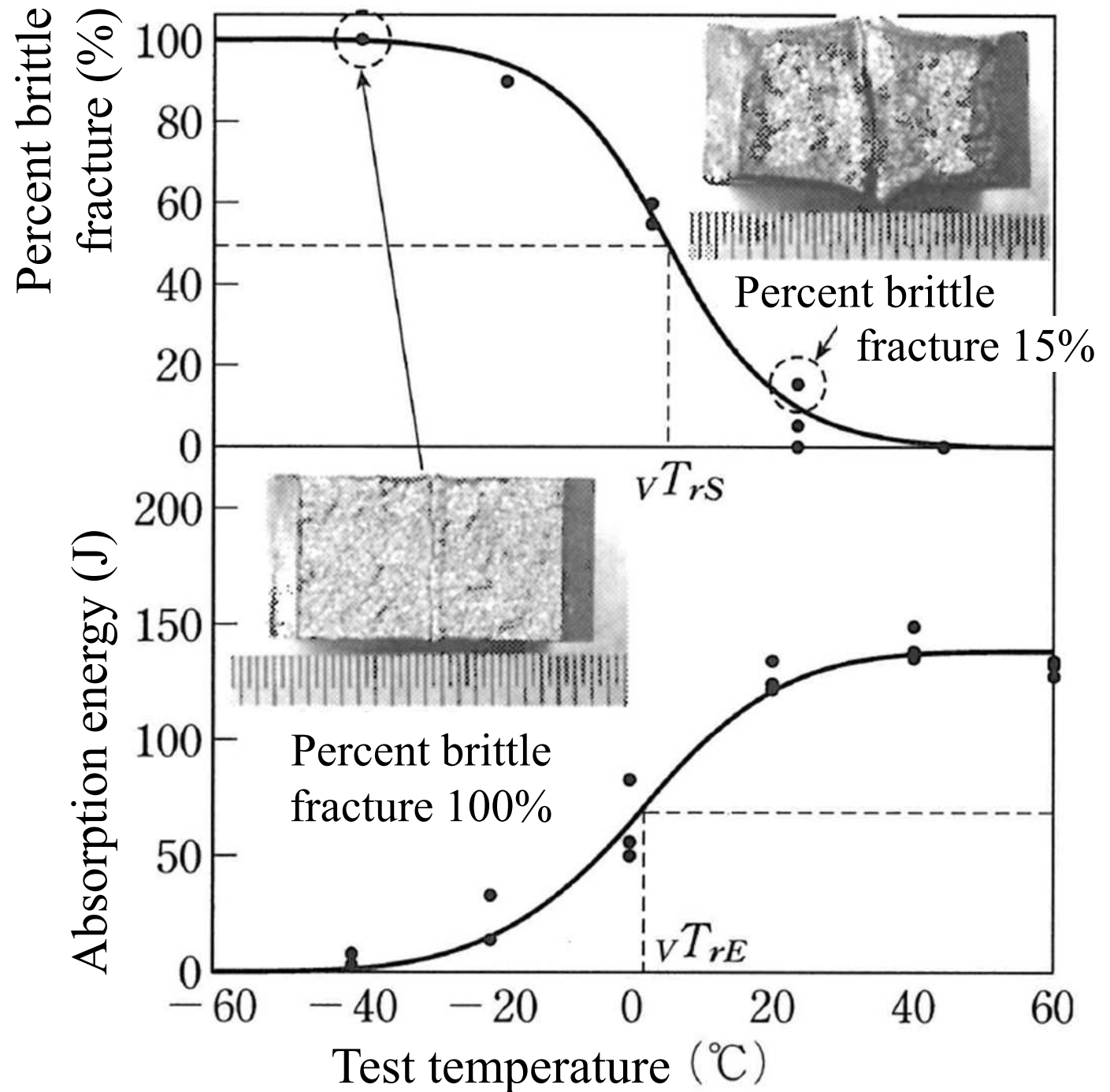
Impact Test for Charpy Absorption Energy

Energy required for splitting a test piece with a V notch



(4) Impact Property

Test temperature affects absorption energy and percent brittle fracture



4.4 Chemical Composition

(1) Features of Five Major Elements

	Advantage	Disadvantage
Carbon (C)	Strength of steel is increased.	Ductility (elongation, etc.) and impact property are impaired; Weldability is deteriorated and thus the inclusion amount is limited.
Silicon (Si)	Strength of steel is increased. It acts on deoxidization.	A large amount of addition (0.5% or more) lowers the impact property and ductility.
Manganese (Mn)	Strength of steel is increased. Ductility and impact property are improved. It acts on deoxidization.	A large amount of addition (1.6% or more) lowers the impact property and ductility.

(1) Feature of Five Major Element

Element	Advantage	Disadvantage
Phosphorus (P)	A large amount of addition (0.07% or more) enhances weather resistance.	Weldability, cold workability and impact property are deteriorated.
Sulfur (S)	Machinability is improved.	S combines with Mn contained in steel to form MnS-type nonmetallic inclusions; MnS elongates in rolling, thus deteriorating impact property and thickness-direction reduction of area. S forms a cause for lamellar-tear cracking.

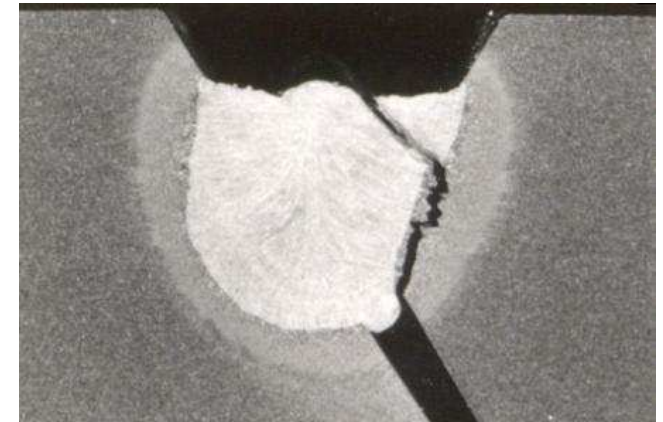
(2) Carbon Equivalent

◇ High carbon (C) content

Cracking is likely to occur during welding in steel-frame assembly.

✘ Increase of the maximum hardness of heat-affected zone

⇒ Occurrence of low-temperature cracking



◇ Effect of elements other than carbon

- Carbon equivalent (Ceq)
- Weld cracking sensibility composition (P_{CM})

✘ Ceq: Converted to carbon content in conformity with the level of the effect of elements other than carbon on weldability

$$\text{Ceq} = \text{C} + \frac{\text{Si}}{24} + \frac{\text{Mn}}{6} + \frac{\text{Ni}}{40} + \frac{\text{Cr}}{5} + \frac{\text{Mo}}{4} + \frac{\text{V}}{14} (\%)$$

5. Special Steel Products for Building

5.1 H Shapes with Fixed Outer Dimensions

5.2 Heavy H Shapes

5.3 High Strength Steel

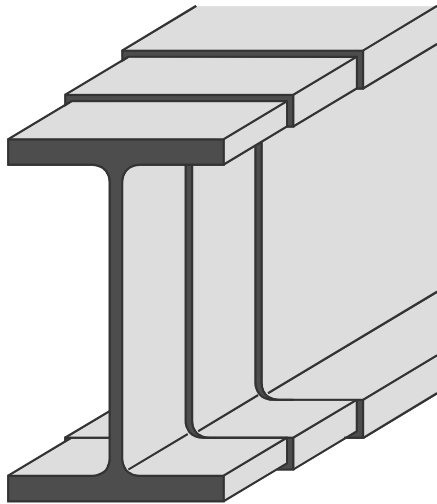
-TMCP Steel - -SA440/H-SA700-

5.4 Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections

5.5 Connections (bolt etc.)

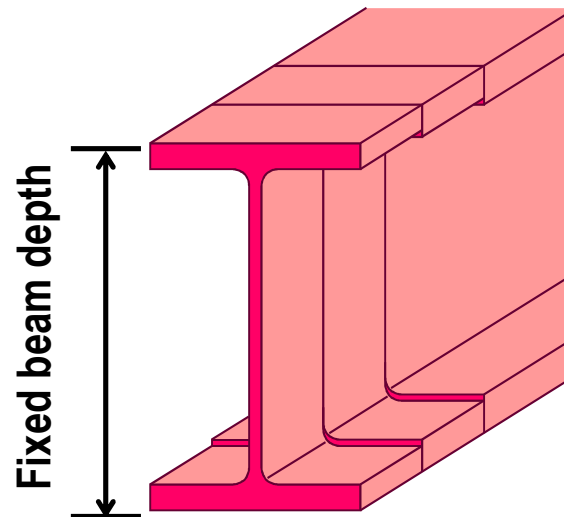
(1) Features

- ① **Constant beam depth and flange width in a same size series**
⇒ simplification of design and fabrication work
- ② **Wide variety of sizes**
⇒ optimal structural design and construction cost saving



Synchronous change of
beam depth and width

**Conventional H-beam
(fixed inner dimensions)**



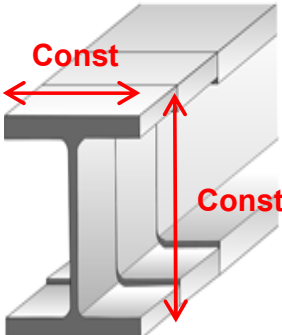
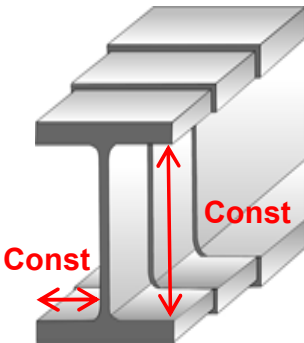
Fixed flange width

**H-beam with fixed
outer dimensions**



5.1 H Shapes with Constant Outer Dimensions

(2) Comparison with European Wide Flange Beams

		H shapes with COD	HE
Feature		<p>Constant outer depth</p> 	<p>Constant inner depth</p> 
Size range	Depth	400mm ~ 1000mm	91mm ~ 1118mm
	Width	200mm ~ 400mm	100mm ~ 314mm
	Flange thickness (tf)	12mm ~ 40mm	5.5mm ~ 64mm
	Web thickness (tw)	9mm ~ 19mm	4.2mm ~ 36mm
	Thickness ratio (tf / tw)	1.14 ~ 2.25	1.29 ~ 1.90

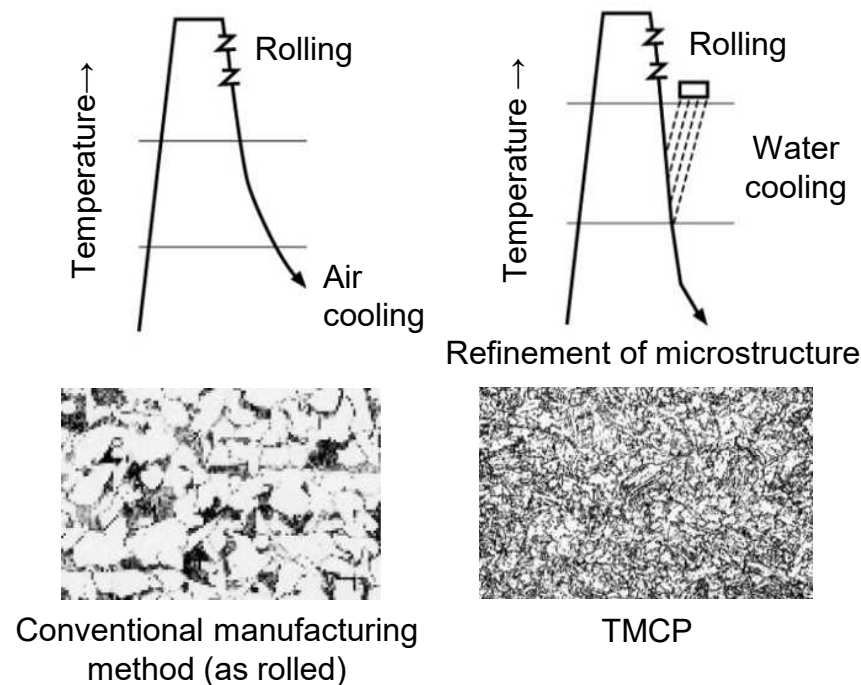
5.2 Heavy H Shapes

- ① 400 and 500 series have wide size variation
- ② 400 and 500 series have wider inner depth than W14x16

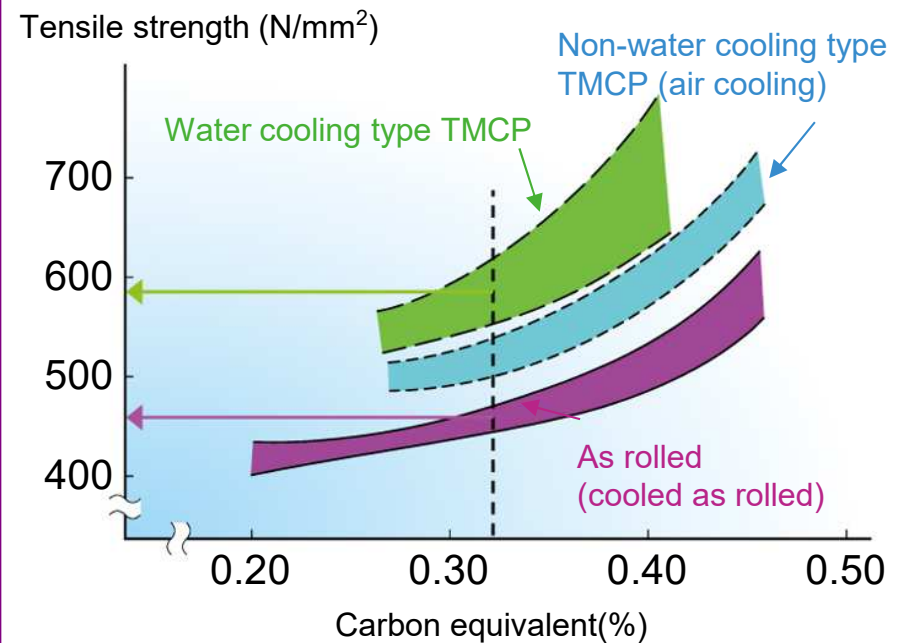
Series	ASTM	400	500
Size	W14x16x426	H508x432x45x75	H572x495x45x60
Mass	634 kg/m	638 kg/m	631 kg/m
A	806.5 cm ²	811.3 cm ²	803.2 cm ²
I _x	275,000 cm ⁴	325,000 cm ⁴	429,000 cm ⁴
r _y	11.0 cm	11.1 cm	12.3 cm

TMCP Steel achieve **higher strength & toughness** through **water cooling process**, not by adding the alloys.
⇒ result in **low C_{eq}** , which **improves weldability & reliability of welded joint**.

① Difference in manufacturing method



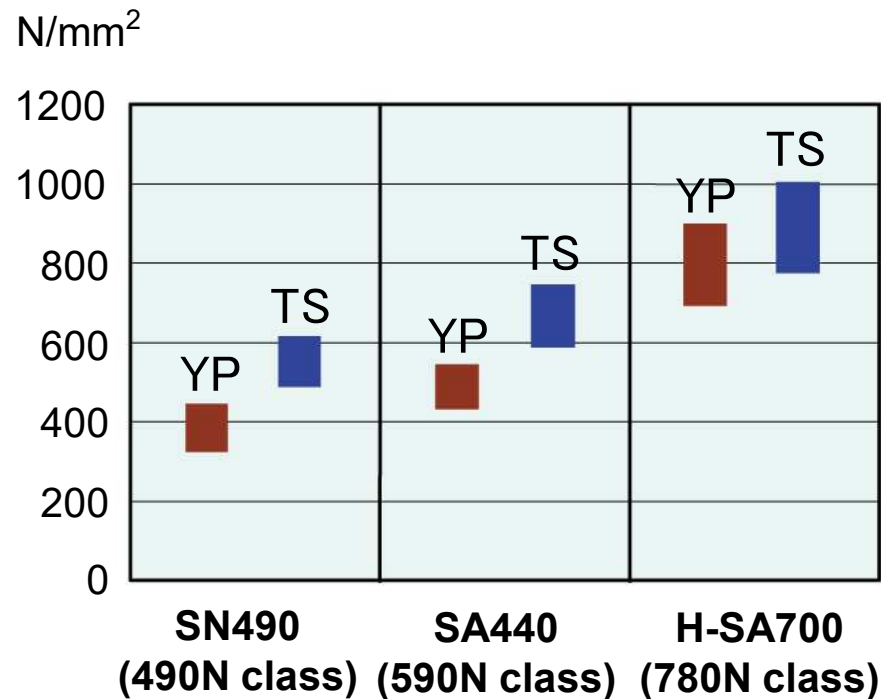
② Relationship between carbon equivalent and tensile strength of steel sheet



5.3 High Strength Steel -SA440/H-SA700-

Higher design strength enable the **smaller section size**, which leads to **the less welding volume**

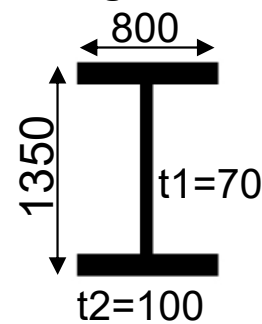
① Yield point, tensile strength of each steel material



- YP: yield point, TS: tensile strength
- Upper limit for yield point is provided so as to reduce variation of steel material strength.

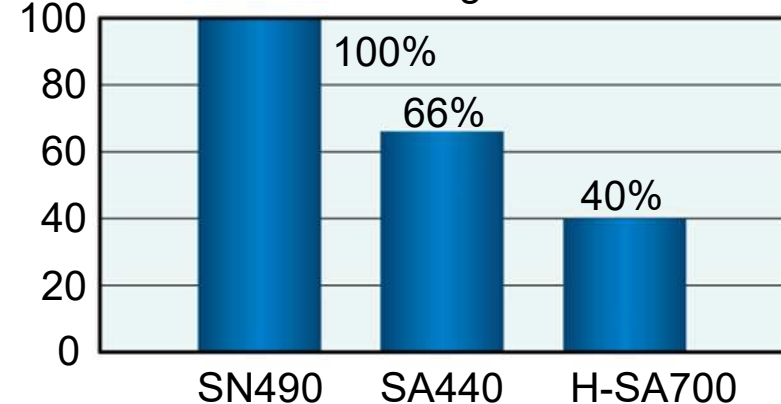
② Effect of reducing steel material weight by making it highly strong (example)

Original design: BH-1350×800×70×100(SN490)



	SN490	SA440	H-SA700
F value (N/mm ²)	295	440	700
t1 (mm)	70	45	28
t2 (mm)	100	65	38

(%) Steel material weight reduction rate



- It is possible to reduce plate thickness by making it stronger, thereby reducing steel material weight.

5.3 High Strength Steel –material standard-

Higher grade Steels

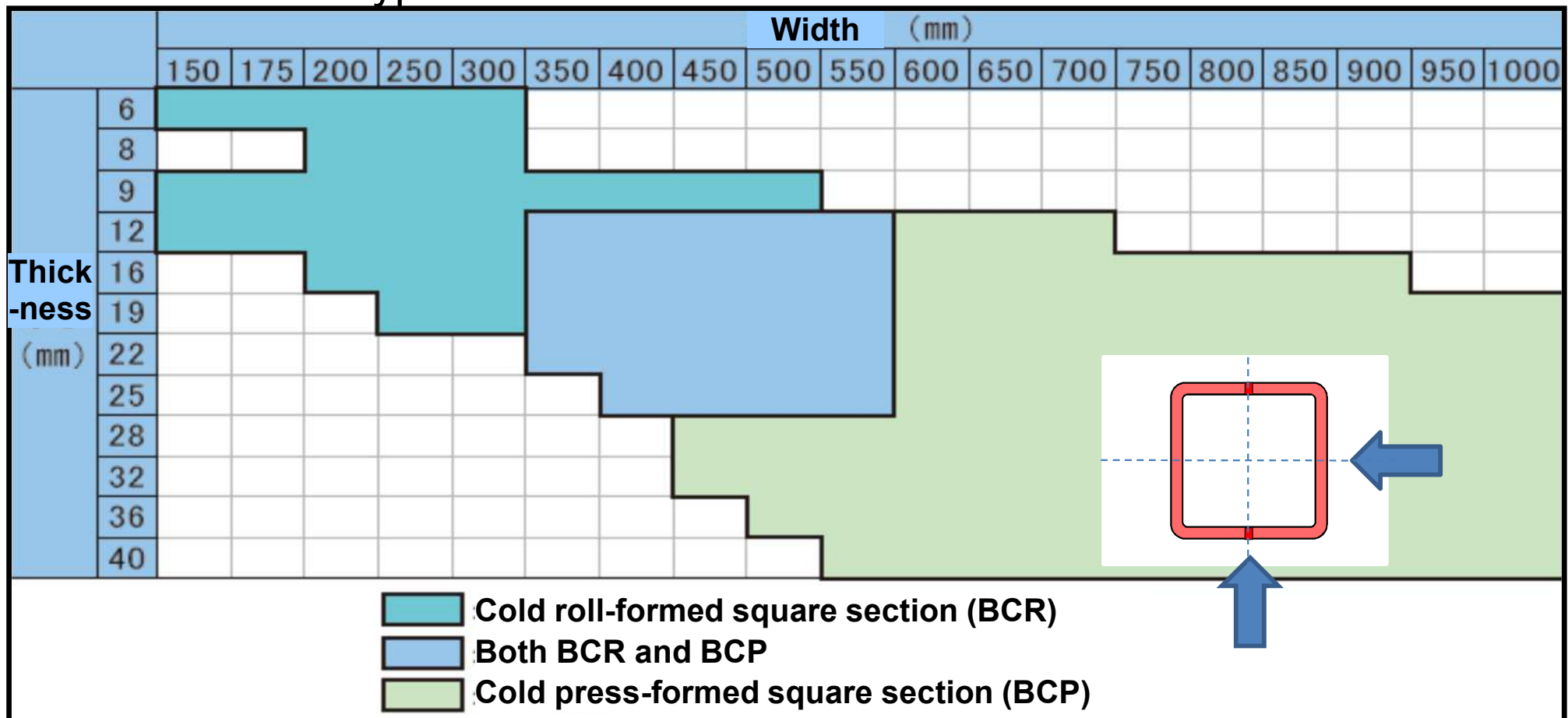
No	Designation	Thickness (mm)	Yield Strength (N/mm ²)	Tensile Strength (N/mm ²)	Yield Ratio (%)	Elongation (%)	Charpy (J)
1	(TMCP) A1066-Gr60	(t ≤ 100)	415 ≤	520 ≤	-	18 ≤	48 ≤ (-23°C)
2	(TMCP) EN10025-4 S460M	(40 < t ≤ 63) (63 < t ≤ 80) (80 < t ≤ 100)	430 ≤ 410 ≤ 400 ≤	530 ~ 710 510 ~ 690 500 ~ 680	-	17 ≤	40 ≤ (-20°C)
3	(TMCP) TMCP355B*	(t ≤ 100)	355 ~ 470	520 ~ 640	≤ 80	21 ≤	27 ≤ (0°C)
4	(TMCP) TMCP385B*	(t ≤ 100)	385 ~ 505	550 ~ 670	≤ 80	20 ≤	70 ≤ (0°C)
5	(TMCP) TMCP440B*	19 ~ 100	440 ~ 540	590 ~ 740	≤ 80	20 ≤	70 ≤ (0°C)
6	SA440C	19 ~ 100	440 ~ 540	590 ~ 740	≤ 80	20 ≤	47 ≤ (0°C)
7	630class*	(t ≤ 80)	630 ~ 750	780 ~ 930	≤ 85	17 ≤	47 ≤ (0°C)
8	H-SA700B	6 ~ 50	700 ~ 900	780 ~ 1000	≤ 98	16 ≤	47 ≤ (-20°C)

*These products are available by the proprietary brand names of the Japanese manufacturers

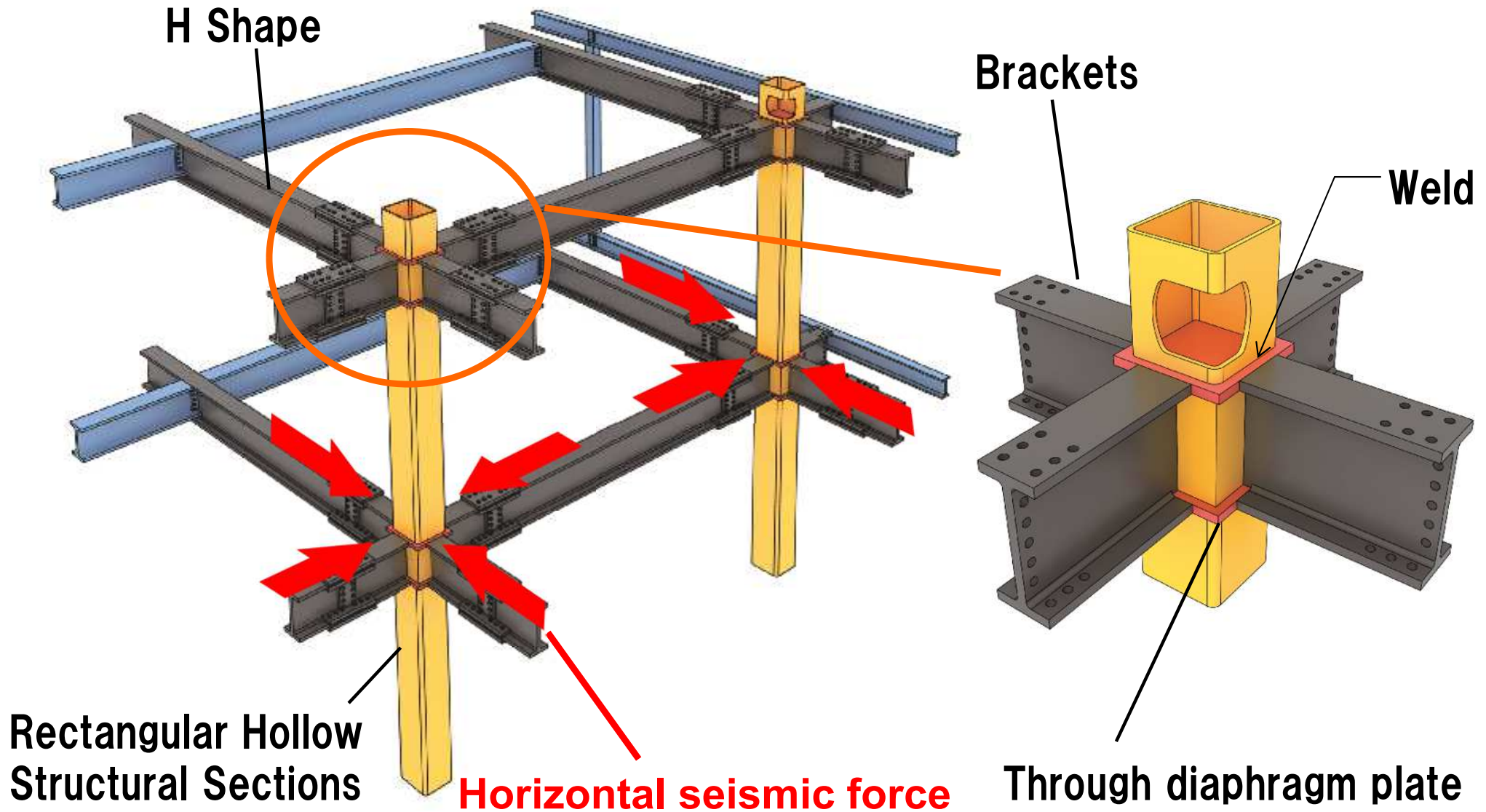
(1) Features and Size Variations

- ① **Same section properties for both directions**
 - ⇒ Most appropriate for moment frame structures without braces
- ② **Volume of panel in beam-to-column connection is large**
 - ⇒ No need for strengthening panel zones like H shape columns

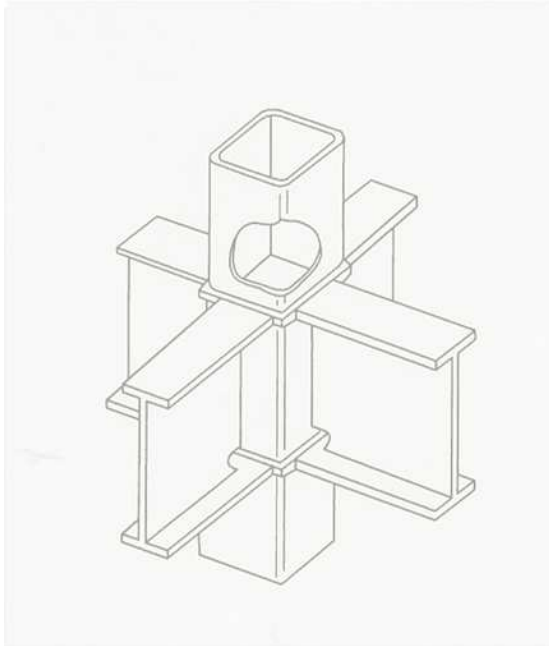
Typical Product size of cold-formed hollow section



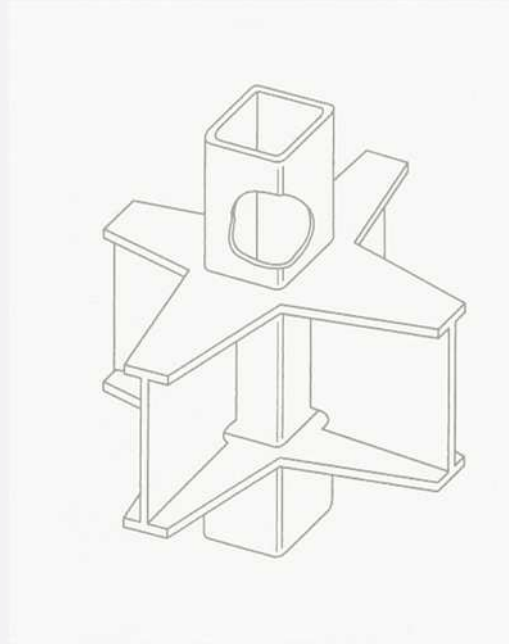
(2) Typical Moment Frame with Rectangular Hollow Structural Sections



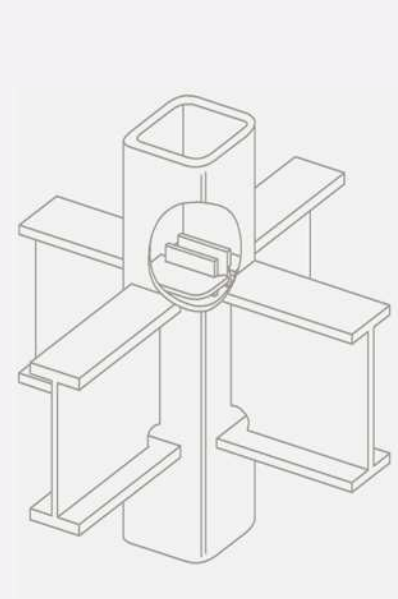
(3) Type of Column-Beam Connections



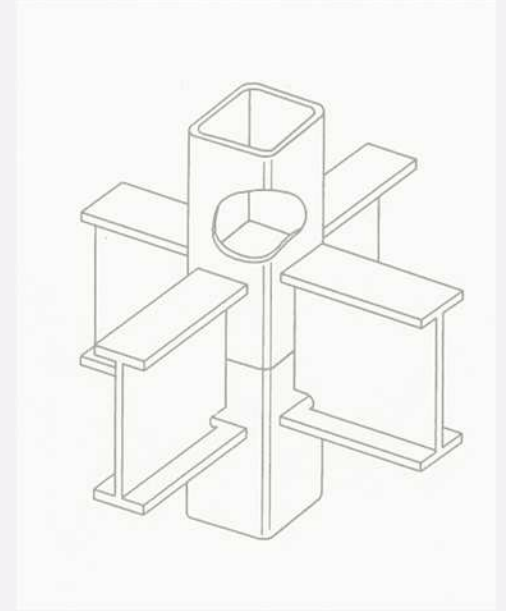
① Through diaphragm



② Outer diaphragm



③ Inner diaphragm
(Built-in diaphragm type)



④ Inner diaphragm
(Insertion diaphragm type)

(4) CO₂ Robotic Welding for Through Diaphragm

Robotic Welding of Column Shaft (CO₂ Automatic Welding)

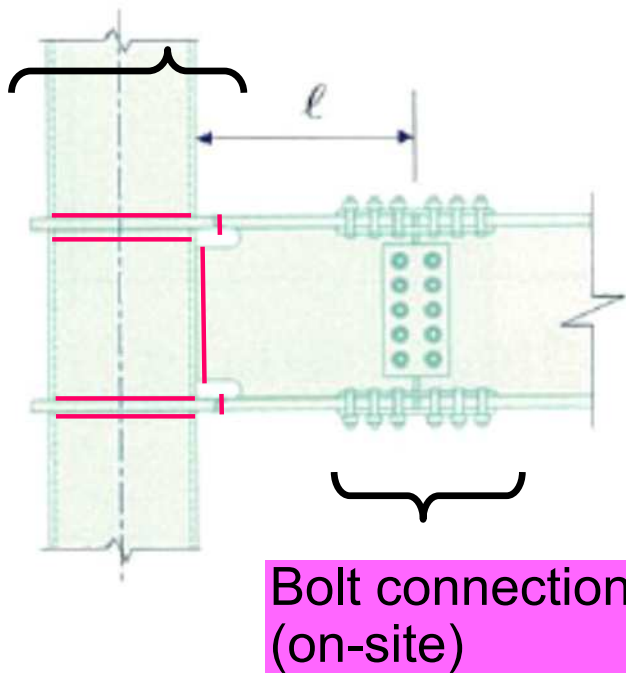


Precautions in robotic welding method

- ① Confirmation of dimensional and assembly accuracy for columns and other members
- ② Assembly welding of column to diaphragm using backing metal (The use of robotic welding must bear in mind that it cannot respond appropriately to a sudden change in shape in grooves and the like and small gaps and clearances as a result of a narrow groove.)
- ③ Robotic welding
(The actual groove profile of weld joint under restricted conditions in terms of welding heat input and interpass temperature, and welding conditions in tune with root gaps and radius at corner)
- ④ Certification as welding robot operator and the Japan Robot Association's type certification for welding robots for building structures

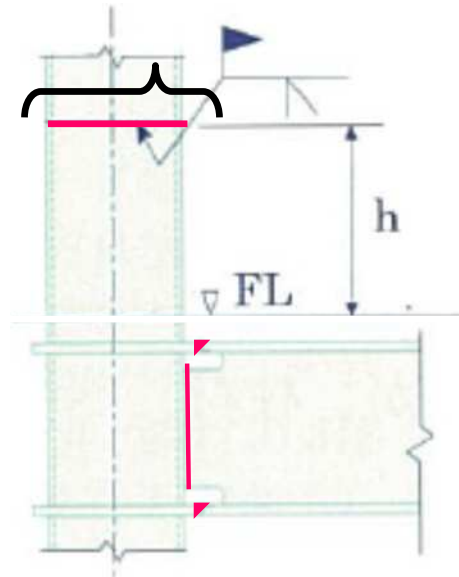
Types of Connections in Steel Framing

Shop welding

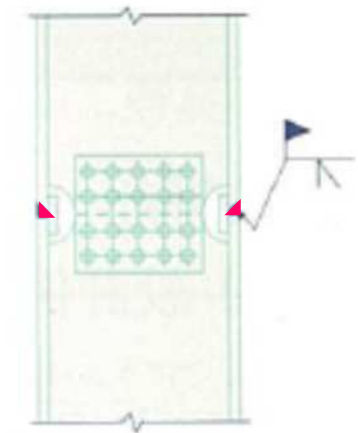


Beam Column connection

Site welding



Bolt Connection (on-site)



Bolt & Weld Connection (on-site)

Column butt joint

Types of Bolt connection

	Friction type (non-slip type)		Bearing Type	
Standard Designation	JIS B 1186 (ASTM A490 etc.)		JIS B1051 etc.	
Bolt Diameter	16 ~ 30mm*		12 ~ 30mm*	
Strength Grade	F8T	F10T	4.6	...
Yield Strength (N/mm ²)	min.640	min.900	min.240	...
Tensile Strength (N/mm ²)	800-1000	1000–1200	min.400	...

*Common size

Resistant strength of Friction type connection

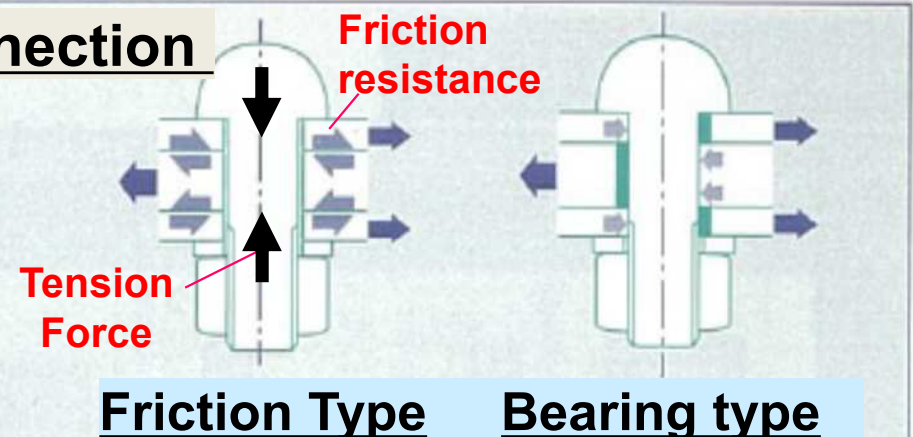
$$R_s = m \times \mu \times N_o$$

where

m : num. of friction surface

μ : **friction coefficient**

N_o : introduced **tension force**

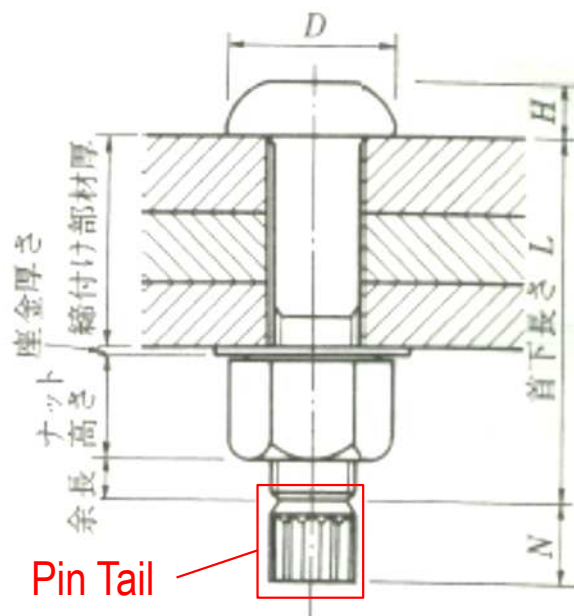


Special Friction Type Bolt “Torque Shear Bolt”

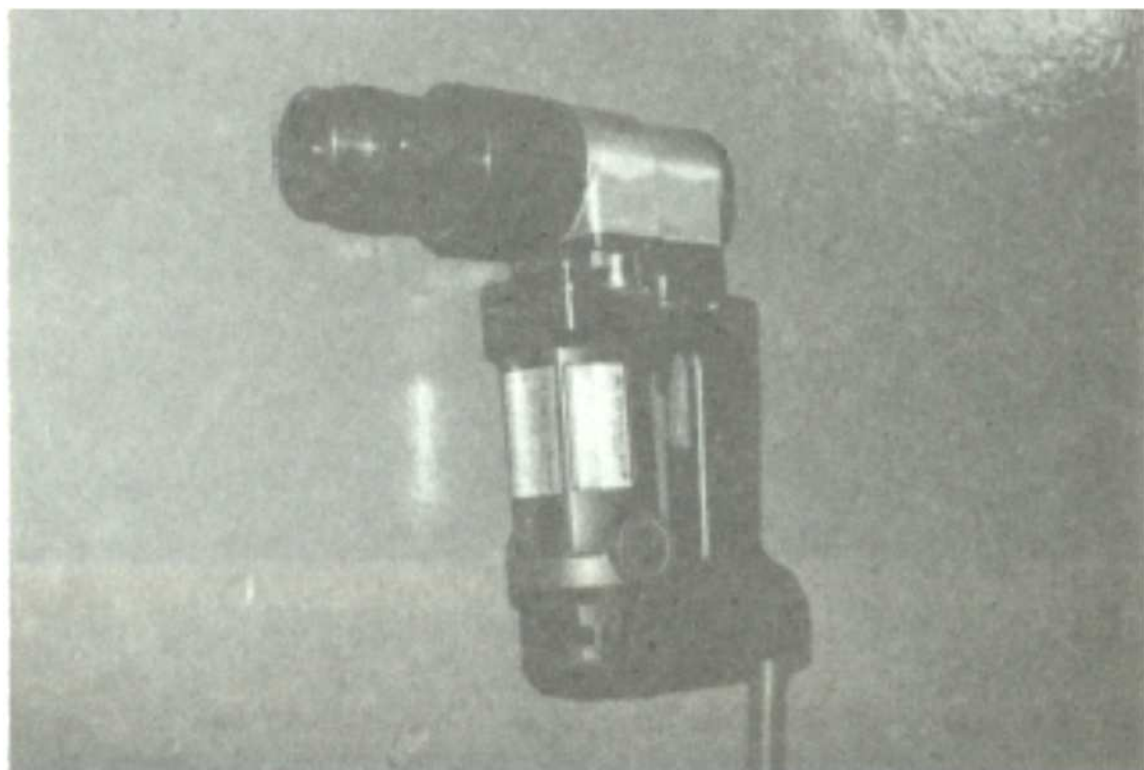


Profile & Sizes of Torque-shear Bolt

Special Tools “Shear Wrench” designed for Torque-shear Bolt



サイズ	D	H	N	L
M16	27	10	15	締付け部材厚+25
M20	34	13	18	" +30
M22	38.5	14	19	" +35
M24	43	15	20	" +40
M27	49	17	22	" +45



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