

## **Post-Earthquake Repairs, Part 2**

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Repair and Retrofit through

External Prestressing RETRO-BEL

- RetroBelt is a system of external prestressing concrete columns in transverse direction.
- Lateral force exerted by RetroBelt controls diagonal tension cracks while providing shear reinforcement, improving shear capacity.
- Lateral pressure exerted by RetroBelt, both active and passive, confines concrete and improves bond in splice regions, enhancing column ductility.

























































