

# Can U-wraps Concurrently Serve as Supplemental Shear Reinforcement and Anchorage of Flexural CFRP in Shear-Deficient Reinforced Concrete Beams?

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# Overview

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- Objectives and Scope
- Specimen Design
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- Experimental Results
- Conclusions
- Future Work and Recommendations



# Objectives

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- Investigate combined shear and anchorage effect of U-wraps on RC beams strengthened with externally bonded CFRP laminates.
- Make design recommendations for the use of U-wraps.

## Scope

- Tested six (6) Large-Scale Control Beams: Three (3) Unstrengthened and Three (3) Strengthened with 2-ply of unanchored longitudinal CFRP.
- Tested six (6) Large-Scale Strengthened Beams Anchored with 1-ply and 2-ply U-Wraps.



# Specimen Design

## Materials:

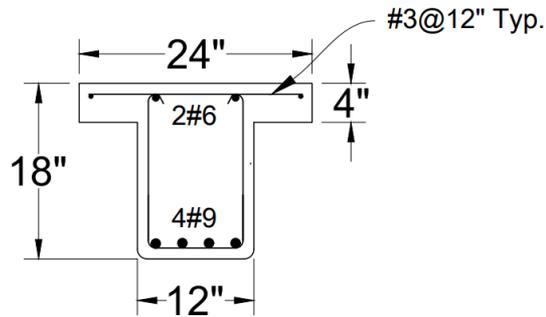
Actual Concrete Compressive Strength = 4,500-5000 psi

Actual Yield Strength of Steel ( $f_y$ ) = 61,000 psi (#2)

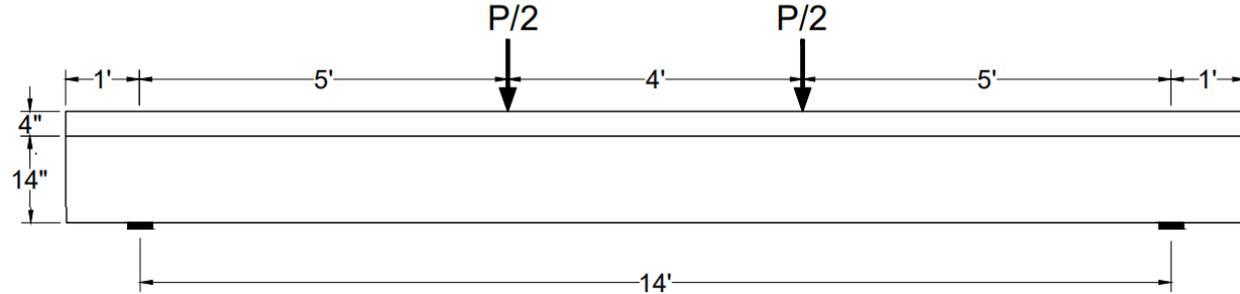
Actual Yield Strength of Steel ( $f_y$ ) = 70,000 psi

Longitudinal Steel Reinforcement Ratio ( $\rho$ ) = 2.20 %

Shear Span-to-Depth Ratio ( $a/d$ )=3.90



Cross-Section View

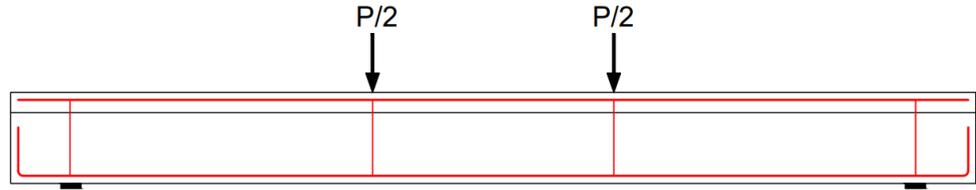


Elevation View

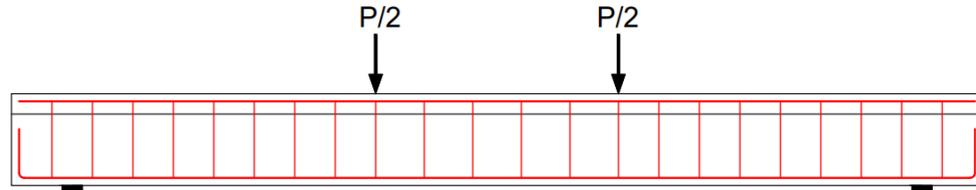


# Unstrengthened Control Beams

0S0: No Stirrups



2S8: #2@8" c/c ( $A_v=0.09 \text{ in}^2$ )  
(ACI  $A_{v,min}=0.08 \text{ in}^2$ )



4S8: #4@8" c/c ( $A_v=0.40 \text{ in}^2$ )



# Strengthened Control Beam

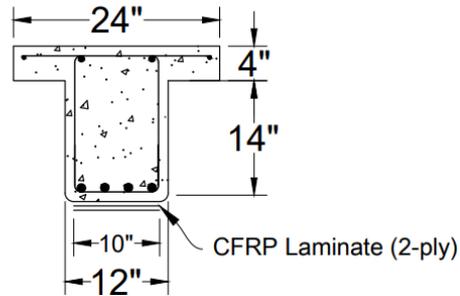
## CFRP: CSS-CUCF22

Modulus of Elasticity ( $E_f$ ) = 14,800 ksi

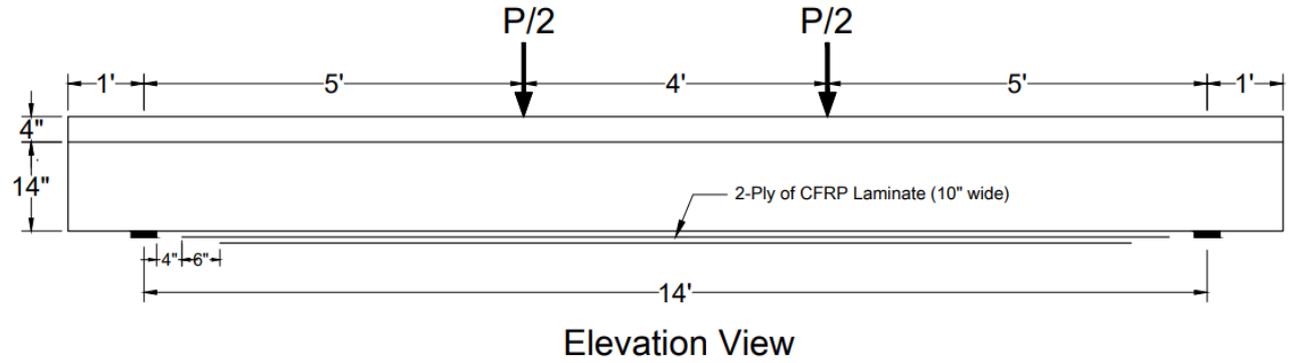
Rupture Strength ( $f_{fu}$ ) = 195 ksi

Rupture Strain ( $\epsilon_{fu}$ ) = 1.3 %

Nominal Thickness = 0.04 in



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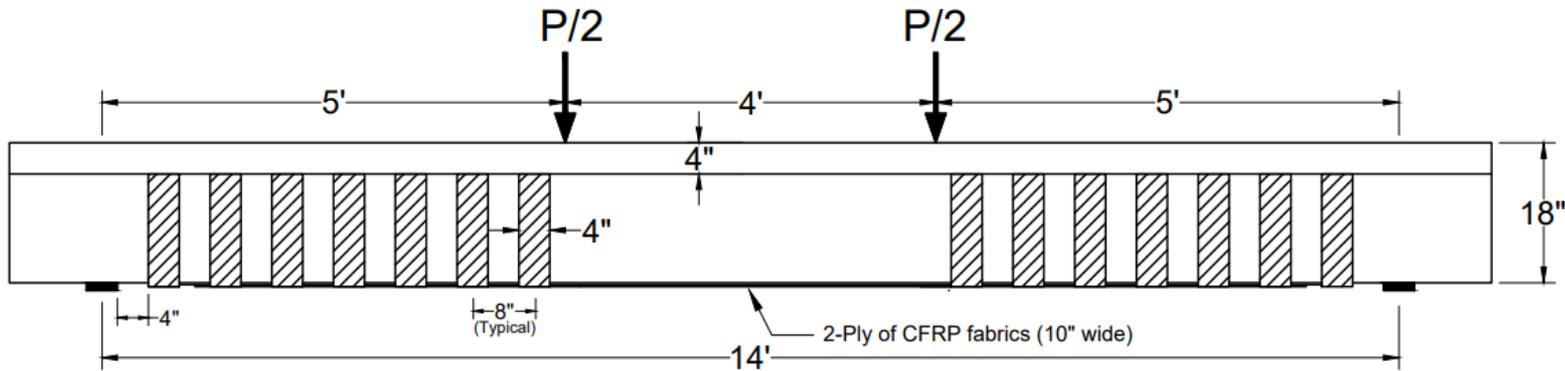
# Beam Nomenclature

2L1U-2S8

Number of Plies in Longitudinal CFRP

Number of Plies in 4" Wide U-Wraps

Diameter and Spacing of Stirrups in Shear Span (in)

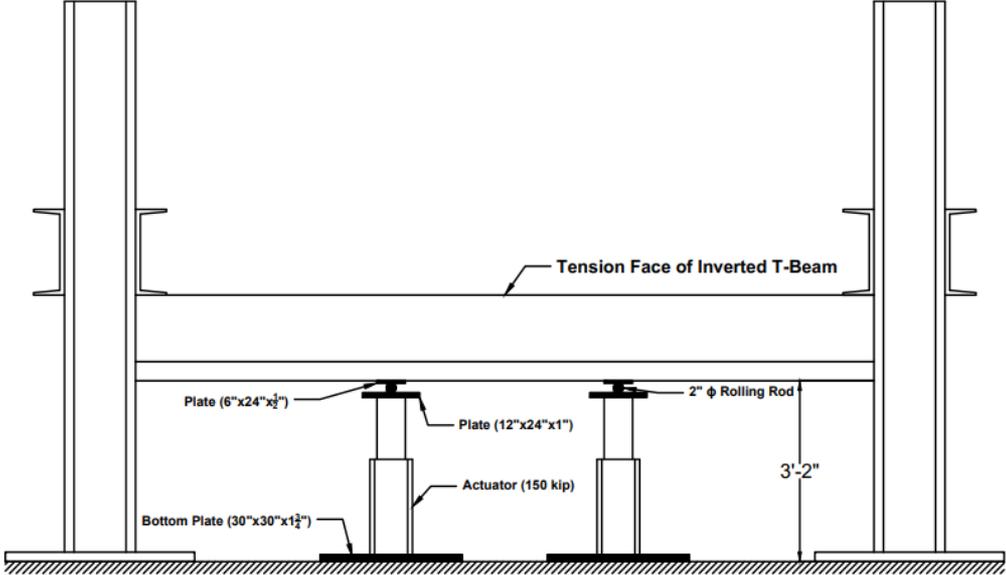
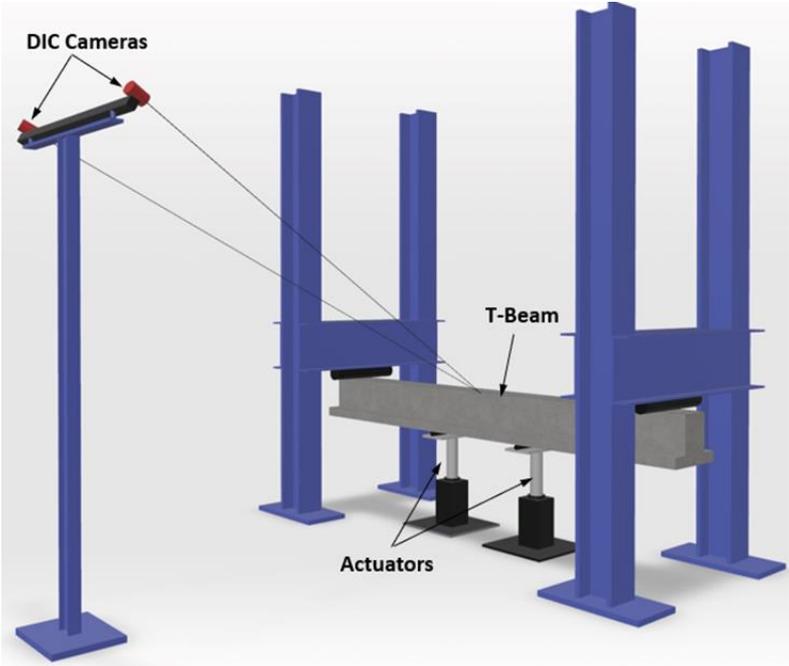


# Test Matrix

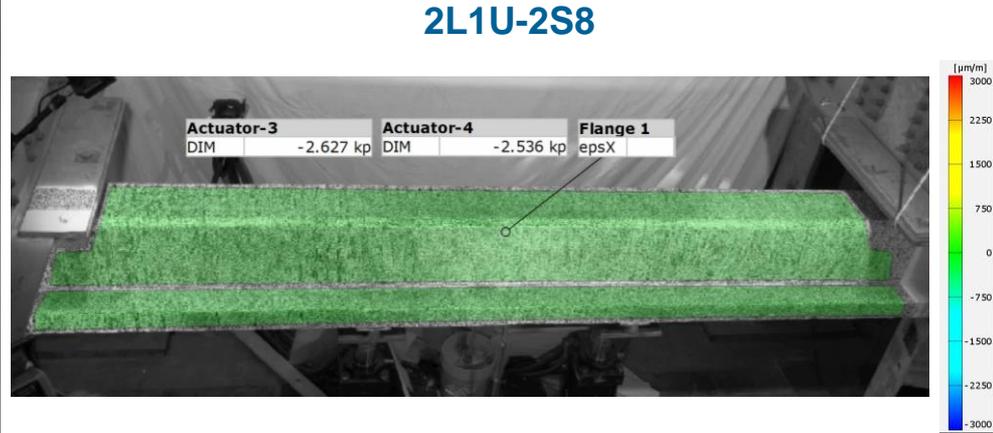
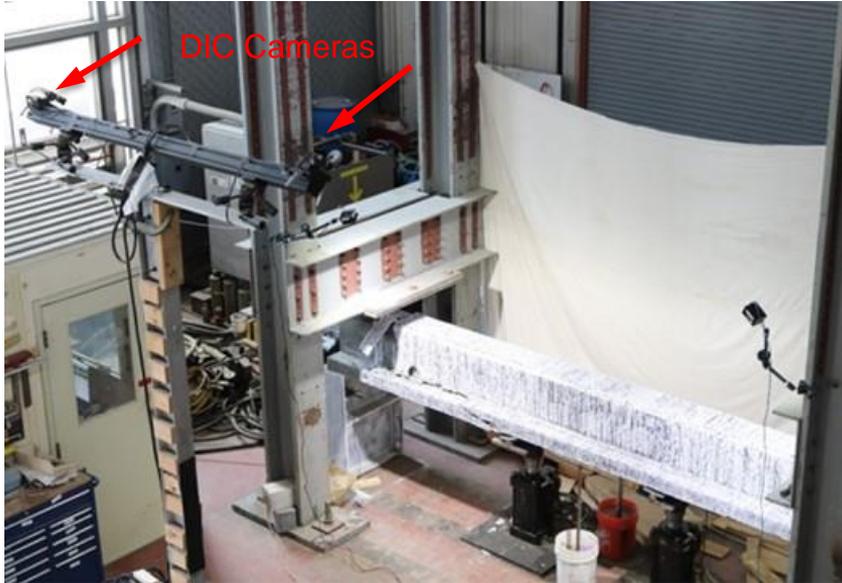
Group No.	Beam No.	Beam Designation	Type	Shear Steel Reinforcement	Shear Steel Ratio (ρ <sub>v</sub> )	Predicted Ultimate Load		Remarks
						Flexure (Kip)	Shear (Kip)	
A	1	0L0U-0S0	Unstrengthened Control	No Stirrups	0	136	68	Shear-Controlled
	2	2L0U-0S0	Strengthened Control	No Stirrups	0	169	68	Shear-Controlled
	3	2L1U-0S0	Strengthened (With U-wraps)	No Stirrups	0	185	100	Shear-Controlled
	4	2L2U-0S0	Strengthened (With U-wraps)	No Stirrups	0	194	112	Shear-Controlled
	5	2L1UA-0S0	Strengthened (With U-wraps+Spike Anchors)	No Stirrups	0	201	120	Shear-Controlled
	6	2L2UA-0S0	Strengthened (With U-wraps+Spike Anchors)	No Stirrups	0	201	172	Shear-Controlled
B	7	0L0U-2S8	Unstrengthened Control	#2@8"	0.0011	136	95	Shear-Controlled
	8	2L0U-2S8	Strengthened Control	#2@8"	0.0011	169	95	Shear-Controlled
	9	2L1U-2S8	Strengthened (With U-wraps)	#2@8"	0.0011	185	127	Shear-Controlled
	10	2L2U-2S8	Strengthened (With U-wraps)	#2@8"	0.0011	194	139	Shear-Controlled
	11	2L1UA-2S8	Strengthened (With U-wraps+Spike Anchors)	#2@8"	0.0011	201	147	Shear-Controlled
	12	2L2UA-2S8	Strengthened (With U-wraps+Spike Anchors)	#2@8"	0.0011	201	202	Flexure-Controlled
C	13	0L0U-4S8	Unstrengthened Control	#4@8"	0.0042	136	218	Flexure-Controlled
	14	2L0U-4S8	Strengthened Control	#4@8"	0.0042	169	218	Flexure-Controlled
	15	2L1U-4S8	Strengthened (With U-wraps)	#4@8"	0.0042	185	250	Flexure-Controlled
	16	2L2U-4S8	Strengthened (With U-wraps)	#4@8"	0.0042	194	262	Flexure-Controlled
	17	2L2U-4S8	Strengthened (With 24" U-wrap)	#4@8"	0.0042	194	270	Flexure-Controlled
	18	2L2UA-4S8	Strengthened (With 24" U-wrap+Spike Anchors)	#4@8"	0.0042	201	280	Flexure-Controlled



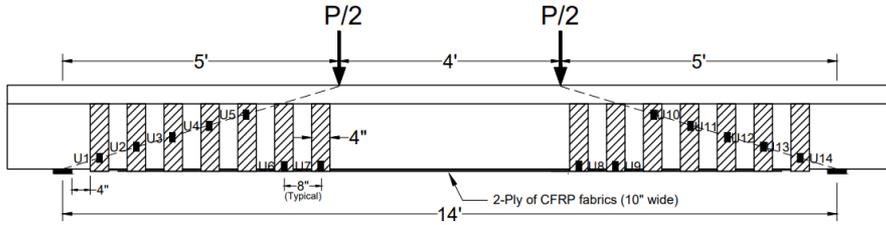
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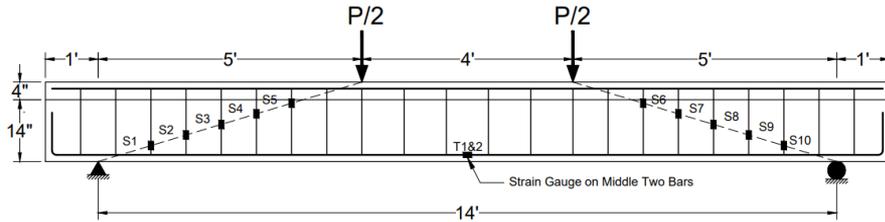
# Test Setup – DIC System



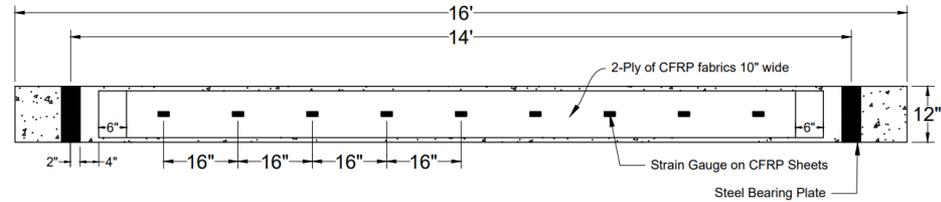
# Beam Instrumentation



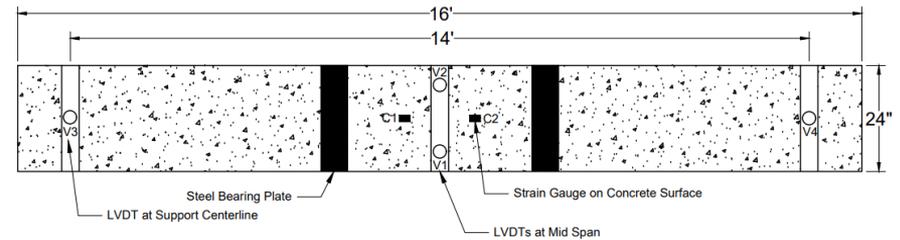
**Strain Gauges on U-Wraps**



**Strain Gauges on Internal Steel**



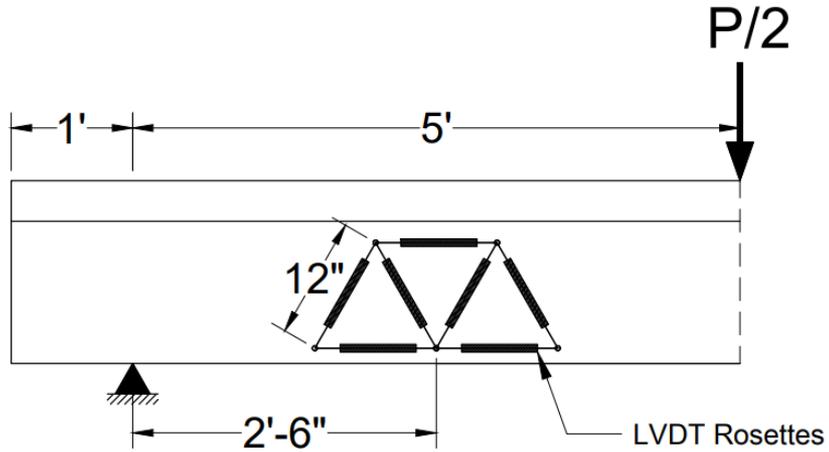
**Plan View (Tension Face)**



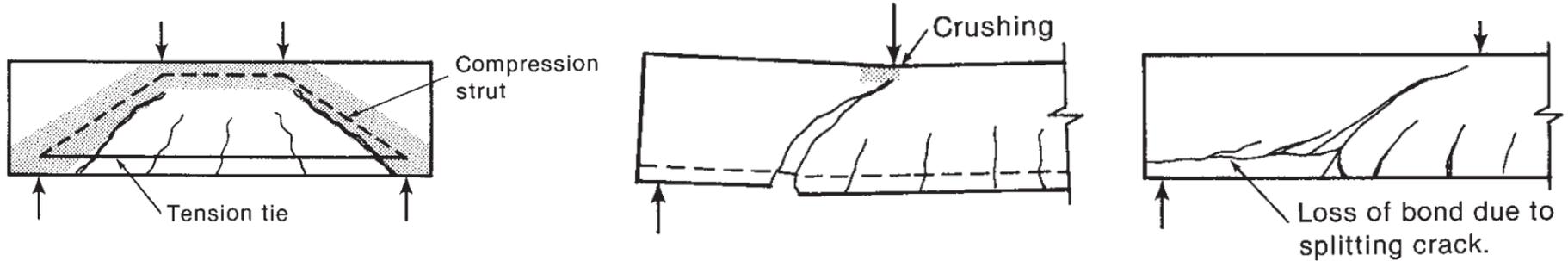
**Plan View (Compression Face)**



# Beam Instrumentation



# Expected Shear Failure Type



(i) Deep Beam Failure  
( $a/d < 1$ )

(ii) Shear-Compression Failure  
( $1 < a/d < 2.5$ )

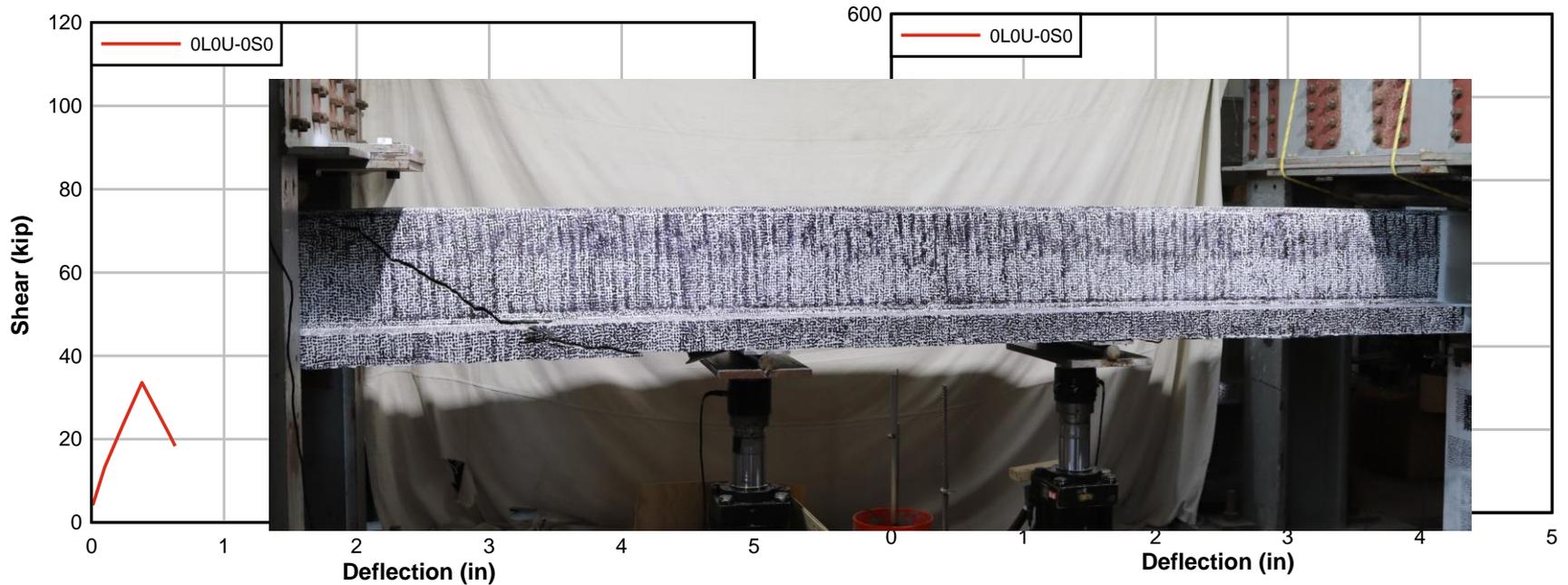
(iii) Shear-Tension Failure  
( $2.5 < a/d < 6$ )

Diagonal-tension failure was anticipated due to a shear Span-to-depth ratio ( $a/d = 3.90$ ) for all shear-critical beams.

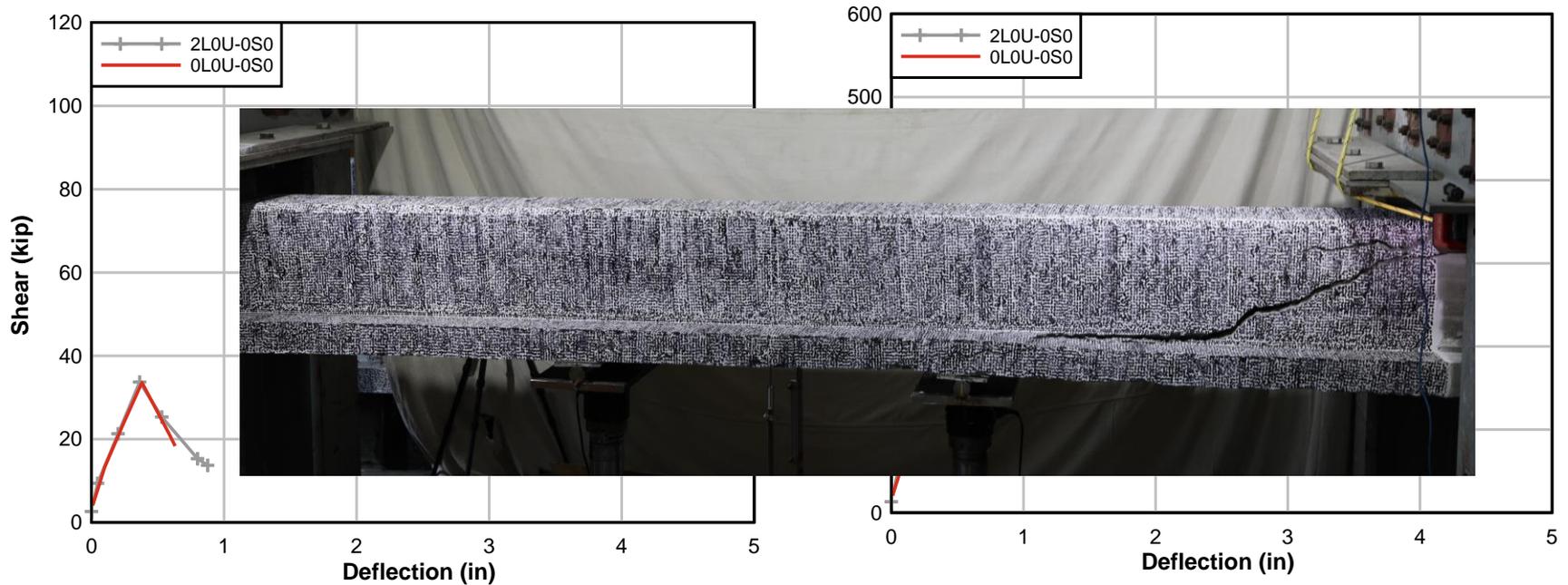
*(Adopted from Wight and MacGregor, 2012)*



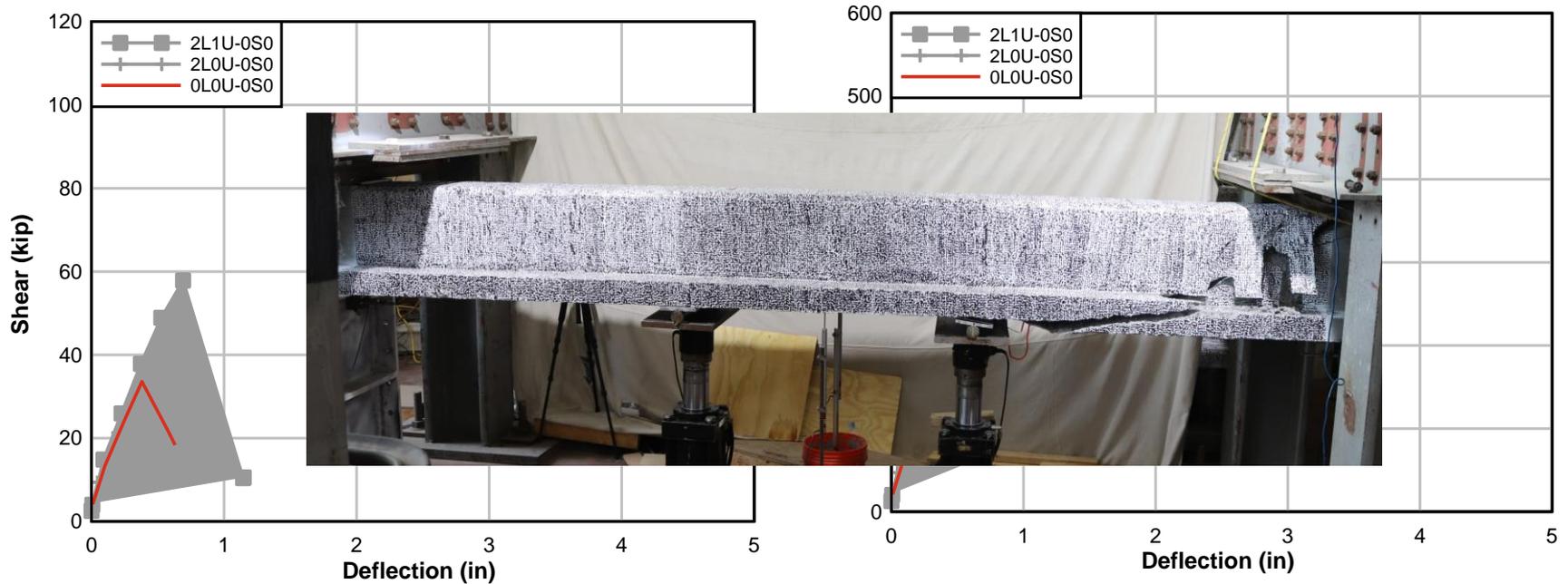
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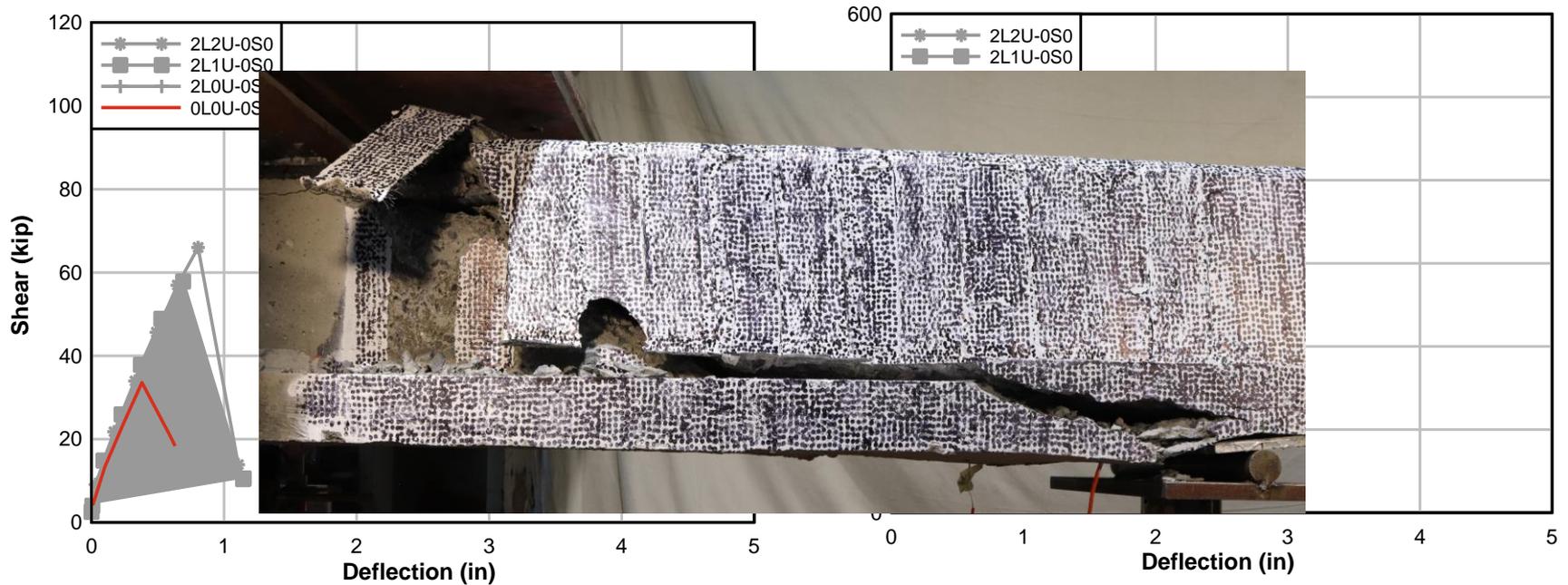
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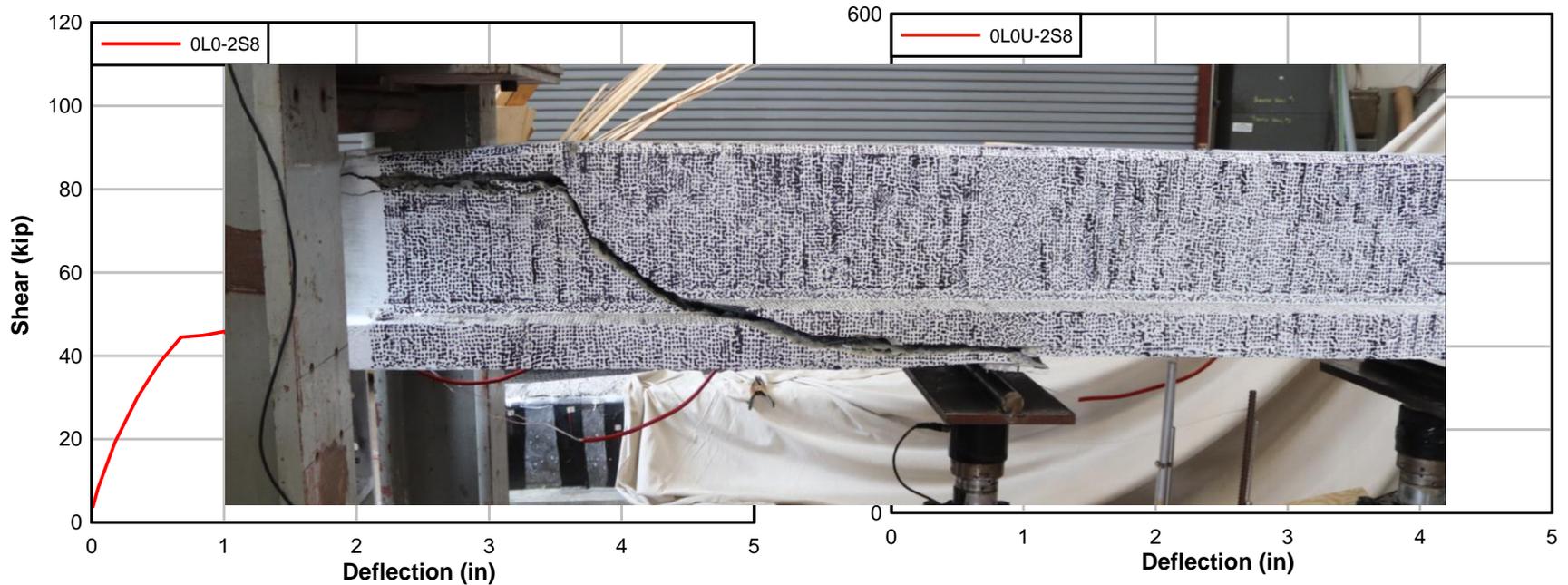
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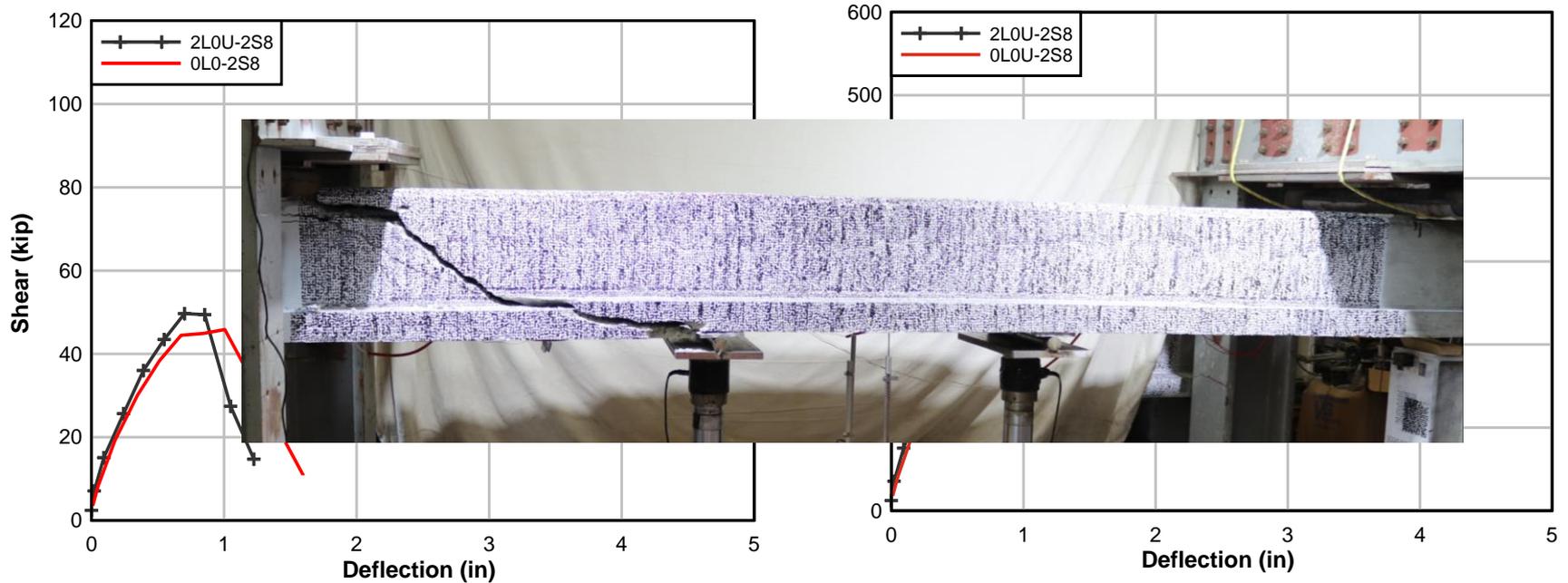
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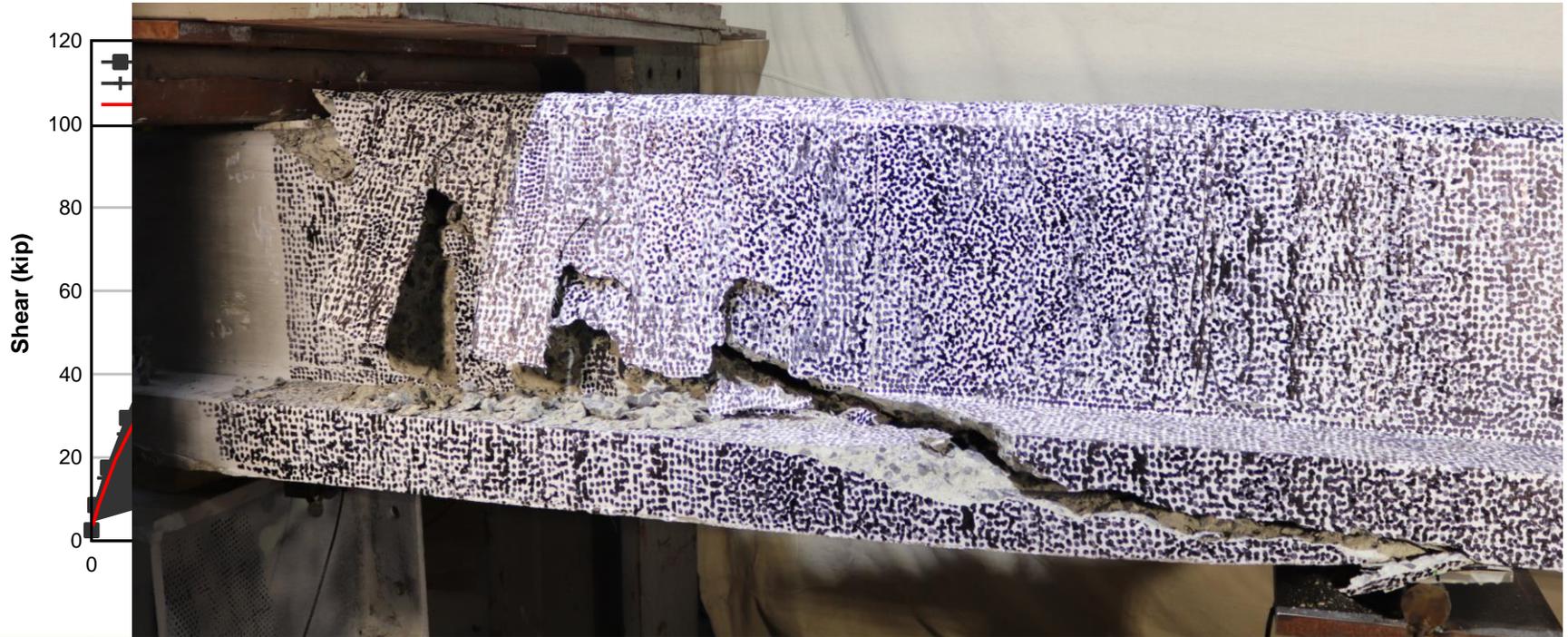
# Experimental Results: Group B



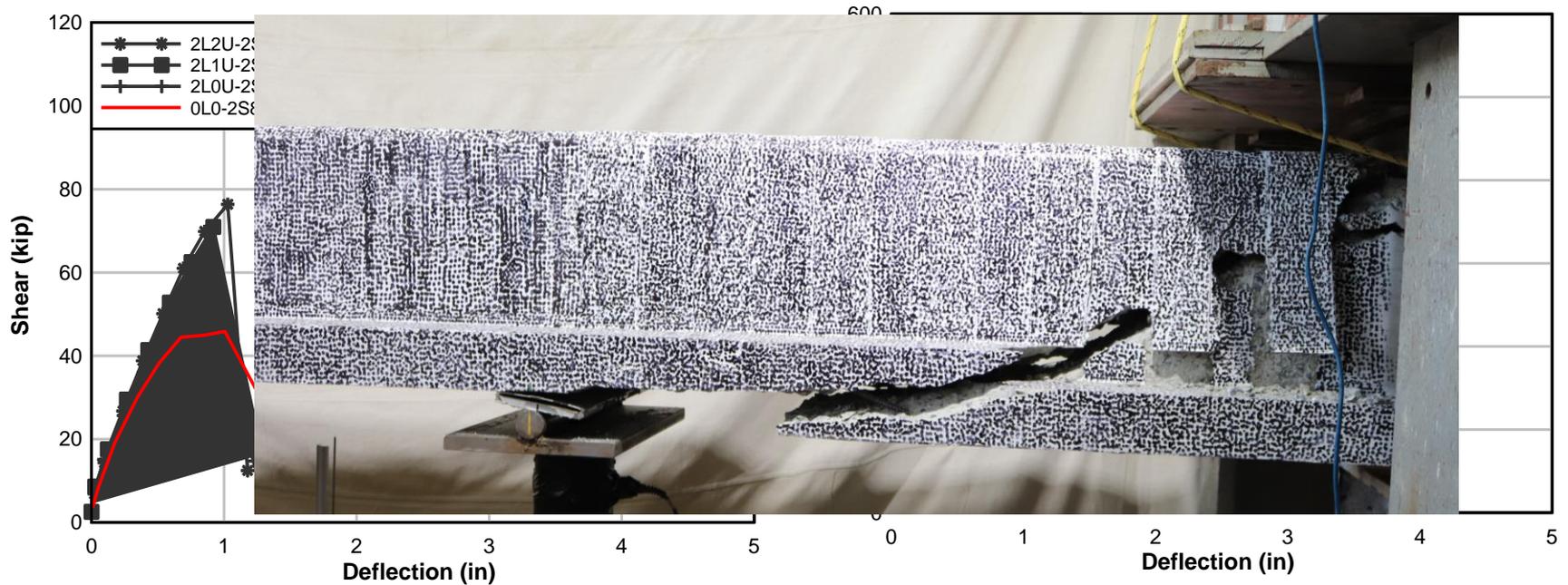
# Experimental Results: Group B



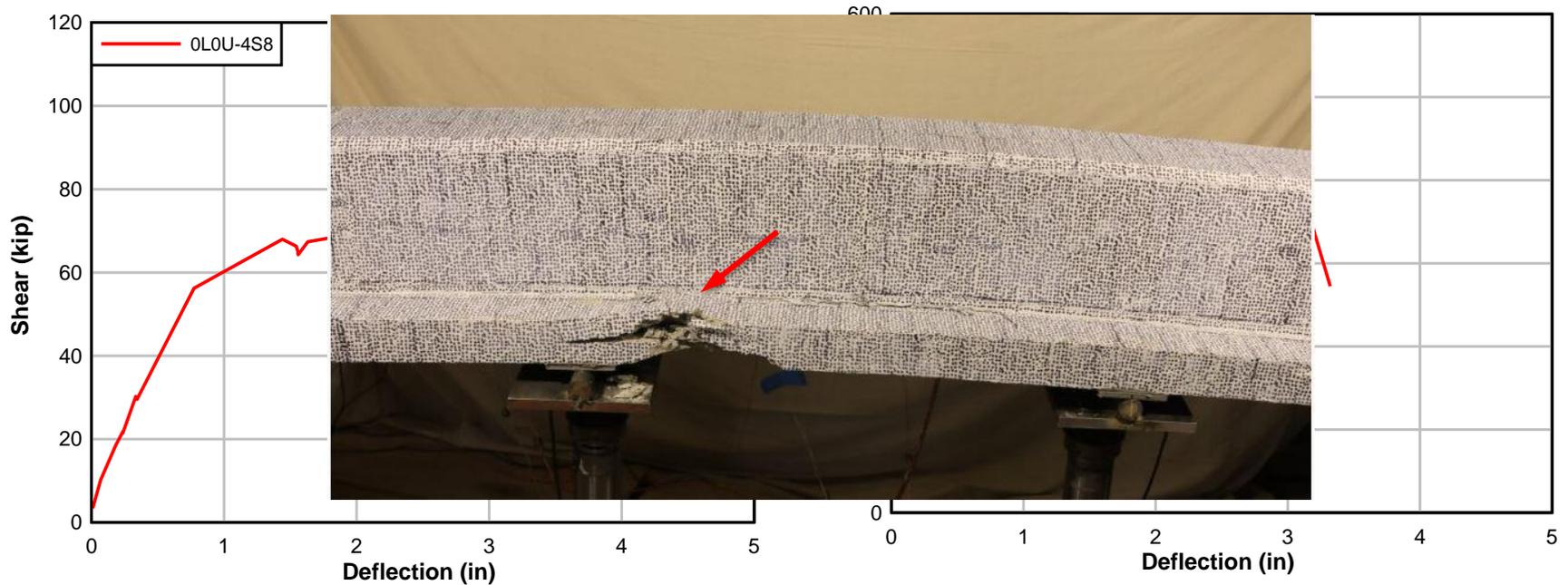
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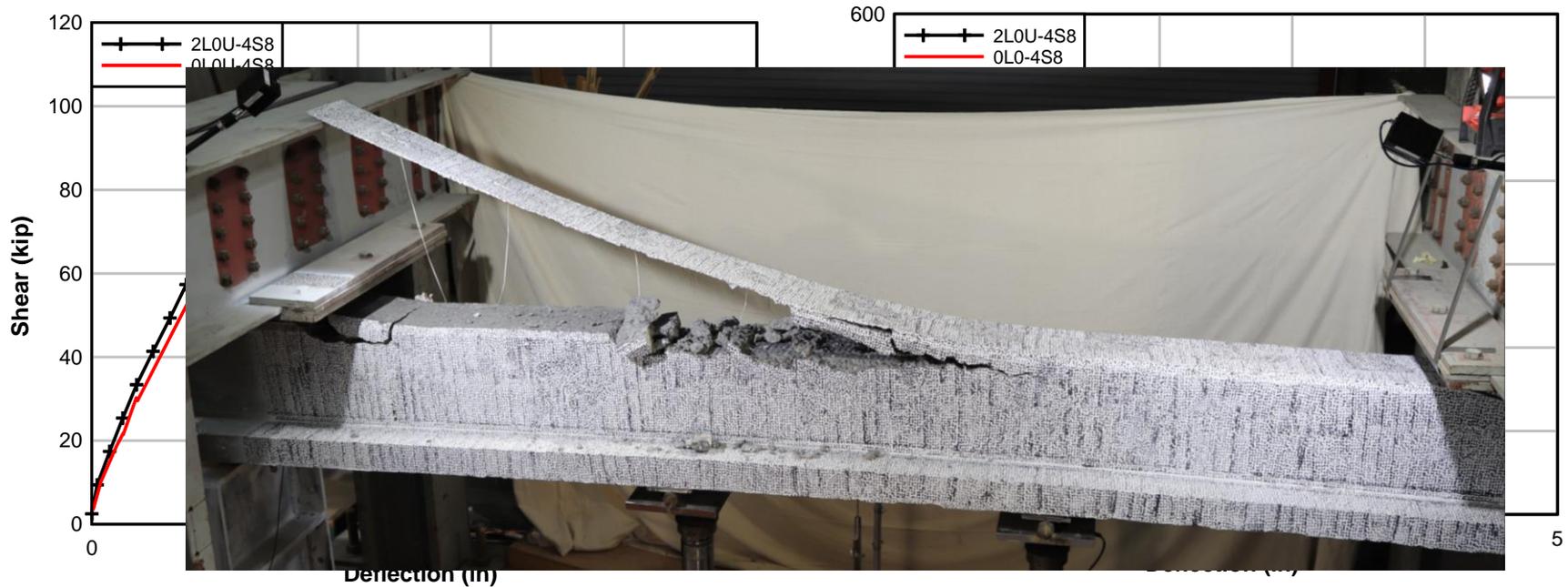
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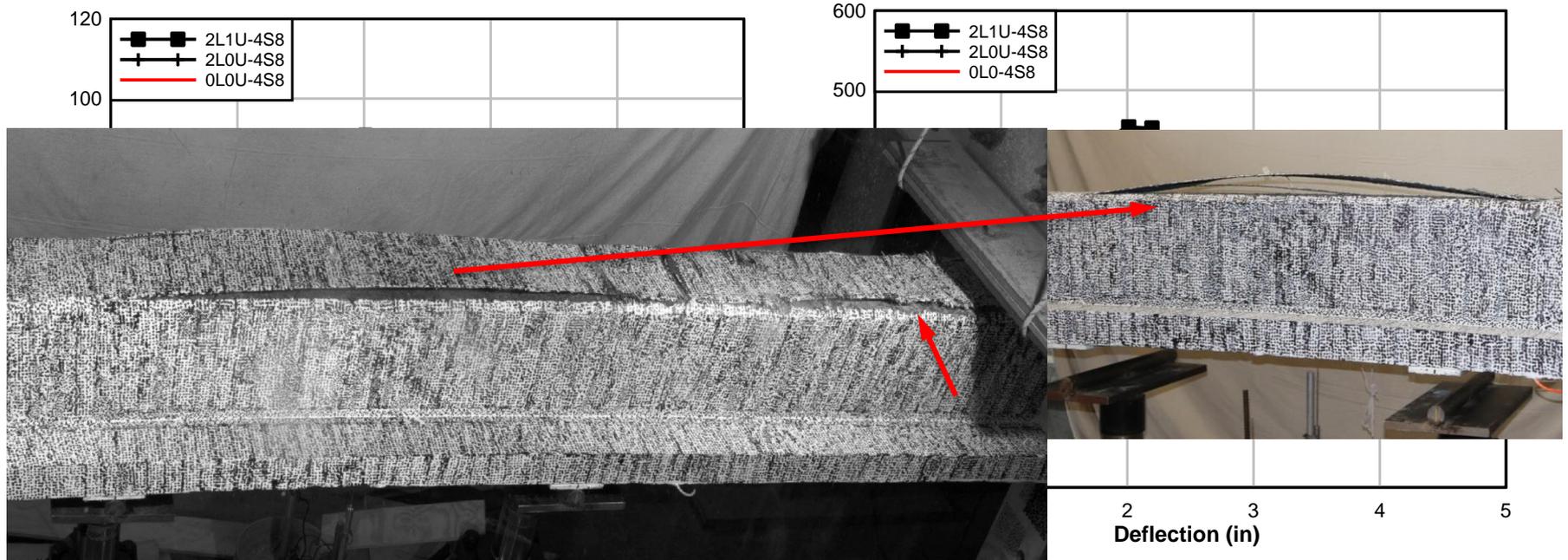
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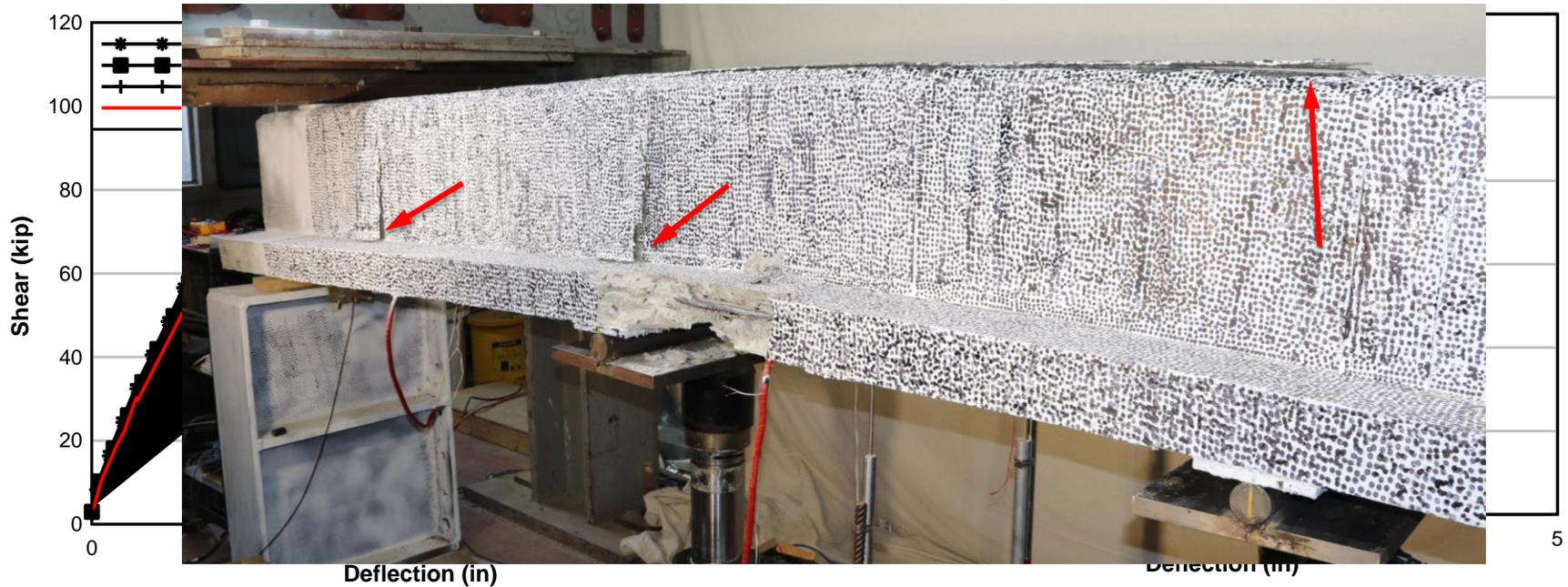
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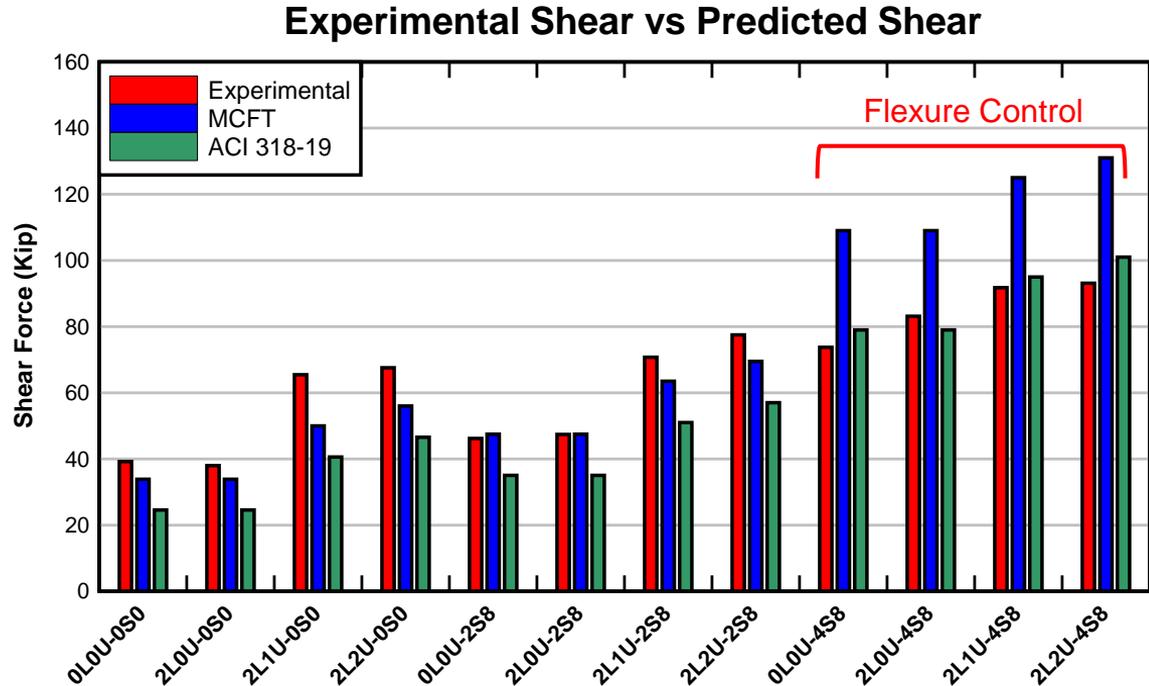


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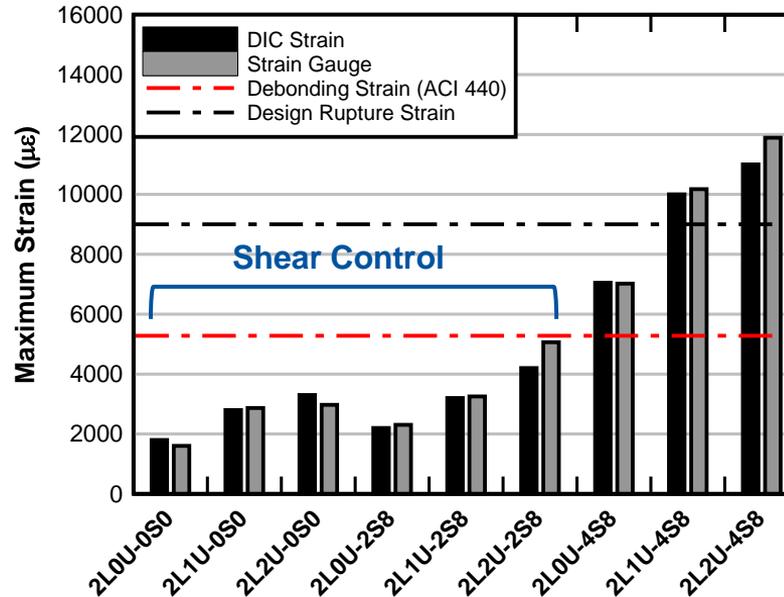
- The experimental shear capacity of all specimens is greater than the theoretically calculated value.
- ACI predicted values are more conservative compared to experimental and MCFT values.
- MCFT values are close to experimental values.



# Experimental Results

- U-Wraps allowed longitudinal CFRP to exceed the ACI debonding strain
- Increase in strain with the increase in the number of plies in the U-Wraps
- Shear-Control specimen experience low strain in longitudinal CFRP

Maximum Strain in Longitudinal CFRP at Ultimate Load



# Experimental Results

## Maximum Strain in Longitudinal CFRP at Ultimate Load

Beam	Experimental ( $\mu\epsilon$ )	Back Calculated ( $\mu\epsilon$ )*	Exp./Calculated
2L0U-0S0	1602	1440	1.11
2L1U-0S0	2868	2675	1.07
2L2U-0S0	2973	2835	1.05
2L0U-2S8	2305	2106	1.09
2L1U-2S8	3252	2969	1.10
2L2U-2S8	5064	4085	1.24
2L0U-4S8	7021	6776	1.04
2L1U-4S8	10175	9567	1.06
2L2U-4S8	11890	10100	1.18

\*Back calculated strains are computed from ACI 440 equations using experimental moment values



# Experimental Results

**U-wraps Shear Contributions in Shear-Critical Beams (kip)**

Beam	Experimental ( $V_{f,exp}$ )	ACI 440 ( $V_{f,th}$ )	$V_{f,exp}/V_{f,th}$
2L1U-0S0	26	16	1.63
2L2U-0S0	29	22	1.32
2L1U-2S8	25	16	1.56
2L2U-2S8	31	22	1.41

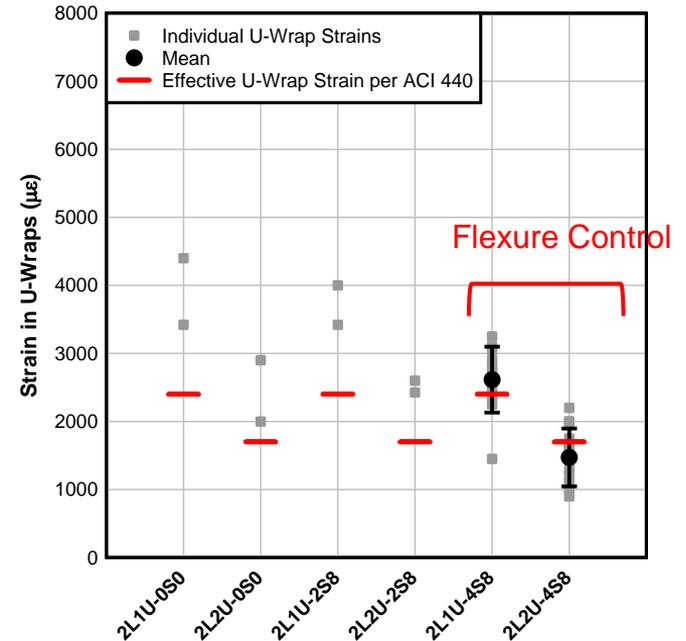
**U-Wrap Strain in Shear-Critical Beams ( $\mu\epsilon$ )**

Beam	Experimental (Mean)*	Back Calculated**	Exp./Back Calculated
2L1U-0S0	3911	4049	0.97
2L2U-0S0	2450	2188	1.12
2L1U-2S8	3710	3758	0.99
2L2U-2S8	2512	2396	1.05

\*Experimental strains are the average of the two U-wrap strain engaged at the shear failure plane.

\*\*Back calculated strains are computed from ACI 440 equation using experimental shear contribution of U-wraps

**Peak U-Wrap Strain at Ultimate Load**



# Conclusions

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- U-Wrap increases beam shear strength by 70% in shear-critical beams and moment strength by 28% in flexural control specimens.
- U-wraps resulted in an increase of maximum strain in the longitudinal CFRP by 137 % compared ACI 440 debonding strain.
- Shear contribution of 2-ply U-wraps was not significant compared to 1-ply; however, the failure mode changes from U-wrap rupture to debonding.
- U-Wraps shift failure mode from flexure CFRP debonding to rupture or U-wrap debonding in flexure control group.
- Strains in U-Wraps exceeded the ACI 440 effective strain in all shear critical beams.



# Future Work and Recommendations

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- To investigate the effect of inclined U-wrap configuration
- To investigate the performance of pre-cured CFRP plates
- To investigate the effect of different CFRP properties for U-wrap and flexure reinforcement



# Acknowledgements

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