

# Reliability Considerations for Steel Frames Designed with Advanced Analysis

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# Features of Advanced Analysis

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- Non-Linear Structural Analysis
  - e.g. Inelastic materials, P- $\Delta$  effects
- System Behavior
  - e.g. Frame stability
- Advantages over Existing Code
  - Individual Member Checking Not Required
  - Adjustment Factors Not Required
    - e.g. Effective length, Second-order effects, Interaction equations

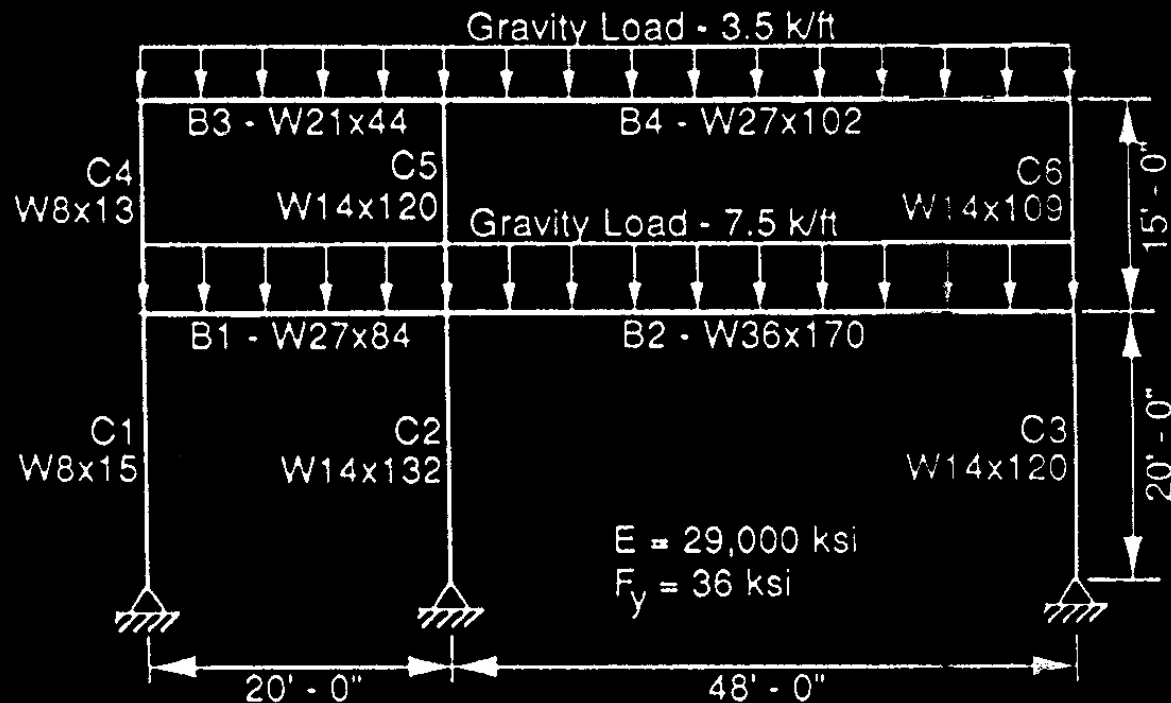
# Reliability & Advanced Analysis

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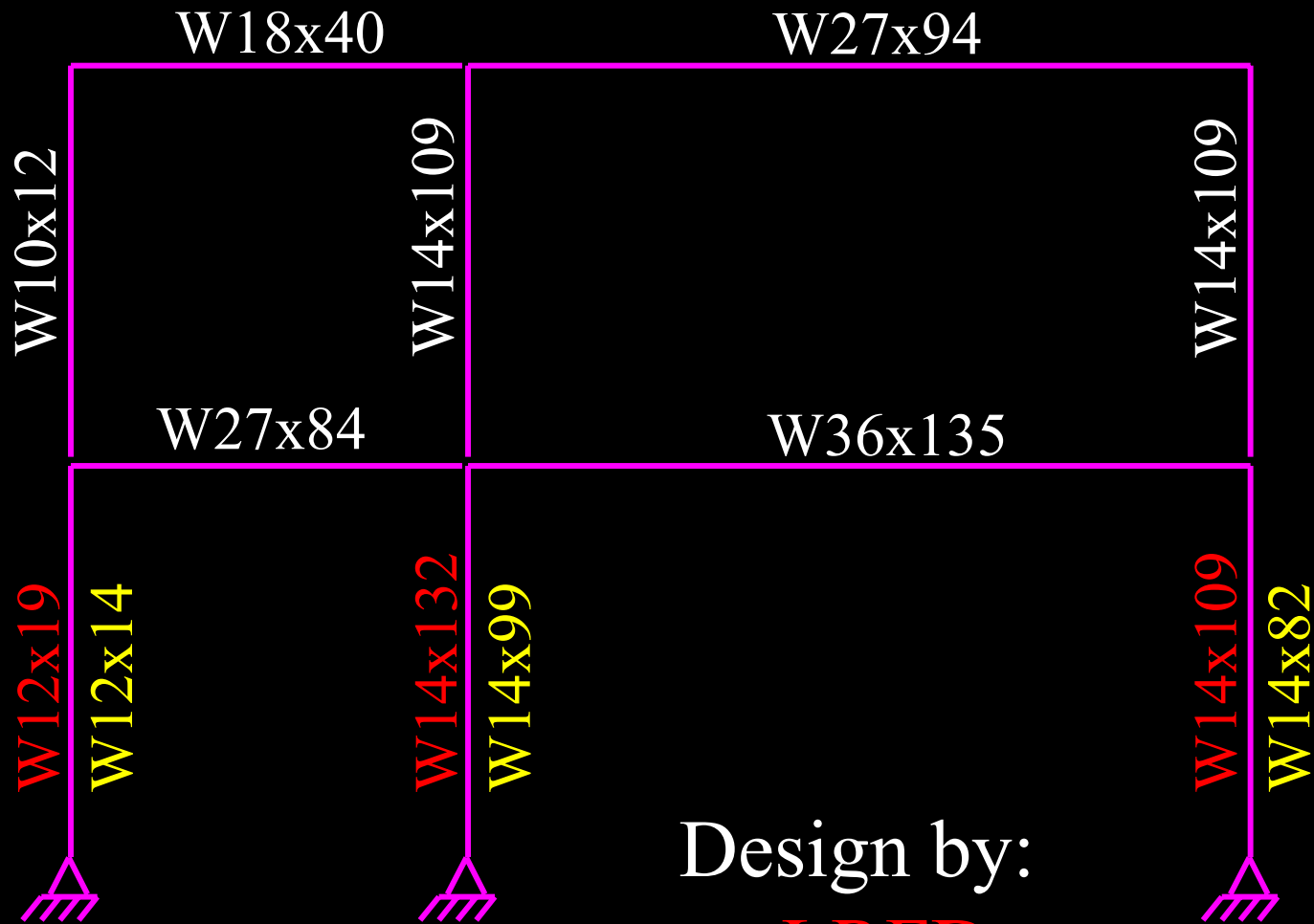
- Compare Reliability of Steel Frames  
Designed by LRFD vs. AA
- Compare Member (LRFD) vs. System (AA)  
Limit States
- Calculate Resistance Factors for AA

# Frames for Study

- Steel Frames from Ziemian et al. (1992)
- Designed by both LRFD (1986) and AA
- AA Design saves ~12% by weight



# Member Size Comparison













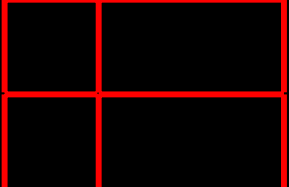
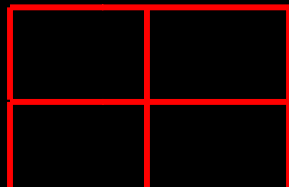


Design by:

LRFD

AA

# Frames for Study

1. Member Sizes:	LRFD or AA							
2. Yield Strength:	Uncorrelated and Correlated							
3. Base Fixity								
4. Gravity Load								
5. Geometry								

Total = 32 Frames Analyzed

# Frame Analysis Details

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- OpenSees (<http://opensees.berkeley.edu>)
  - Geometric Non-Linear
  - Fiber-Element Cross-Section
  - Elastic-Plastic Material
  - Out-of-Plumb Column Imperfection of  $H/400$
  - Out-of-Plane Behavior Restrained
  - No Residual Stresses
- Random Yield Strength and Gravity Loads

# Random Properties

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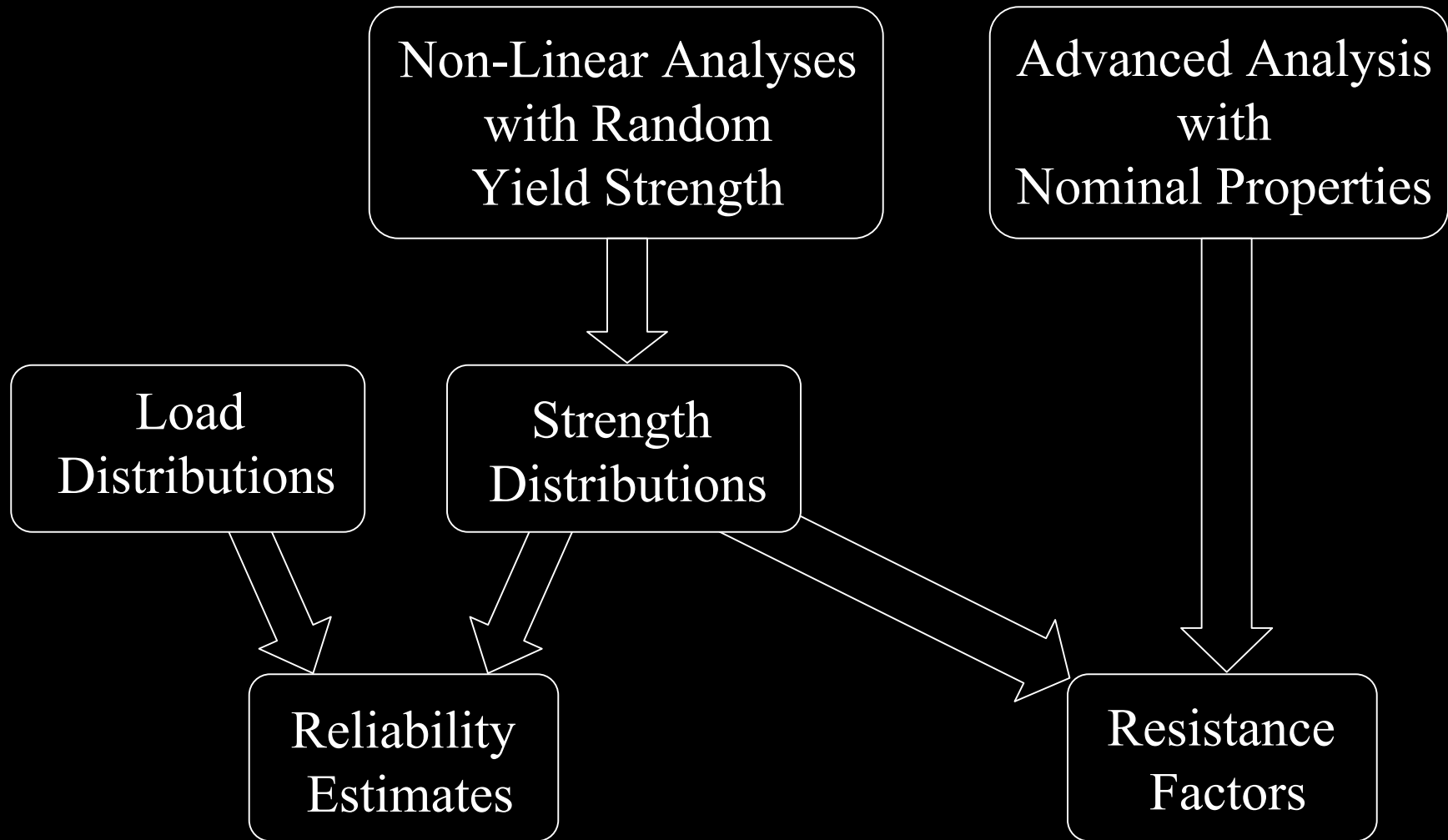
- Yield Strength
  - 50 ksi Nominal
  - Normal Distribution with  $COV=0.10$
  - Members Uncorrelated and Correlated
- Gravity Loads
  - Dead Load ~ Normal Distribution
  - Live Load ~ Extreme Type I Distribution
  - Both  $COV=0.10$
- Consistent with LRFD Assumptions

# Frame Simulation Details

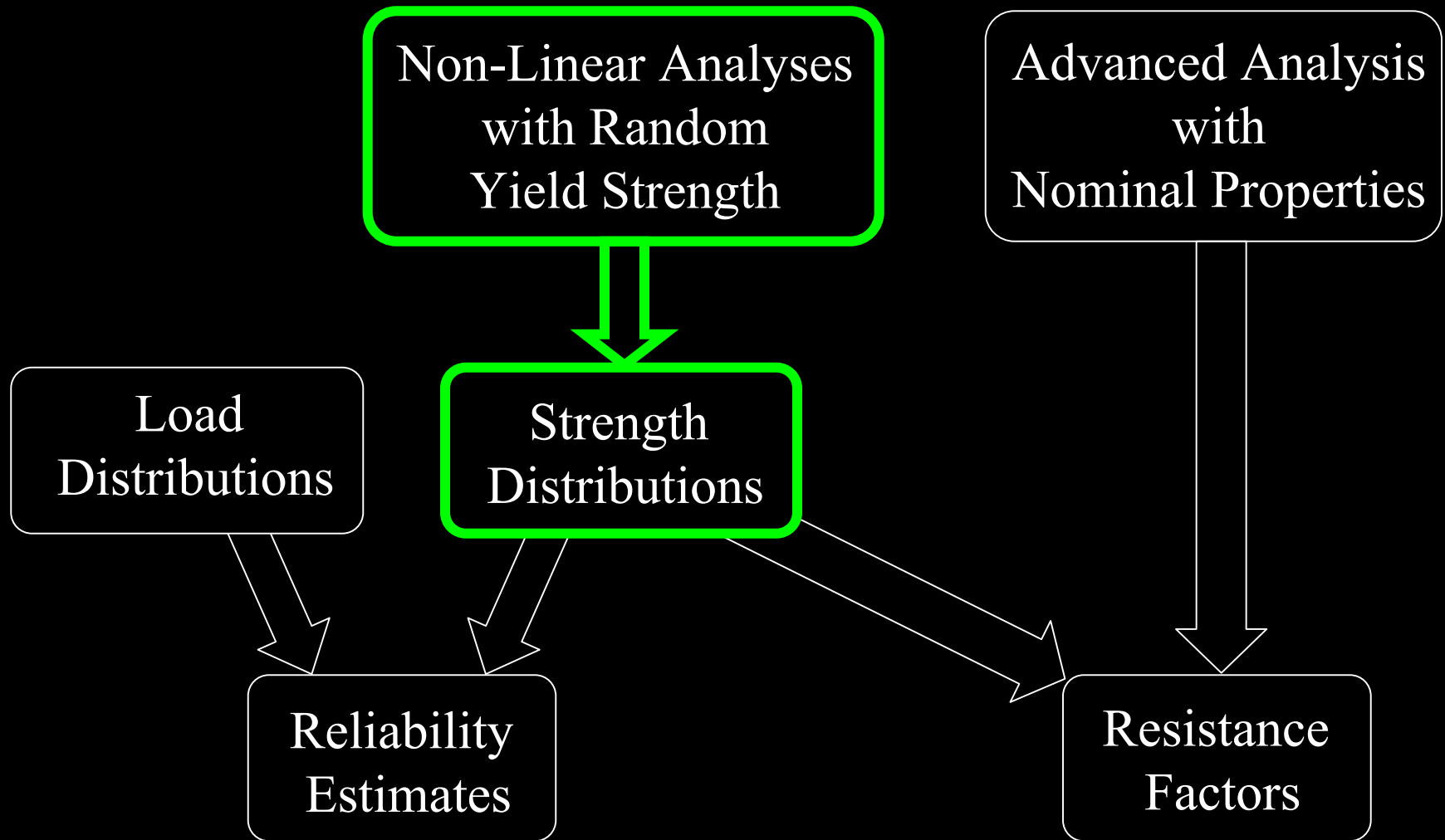
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- Each Frame of 32
  - 10,000 Samples with Random  $F_y$
- Each Sample
  - Load Increased Until Failure
  - Strength Limit States considered
    - 1st Plastic Hinge
    - Plastic Collapse

# Overview

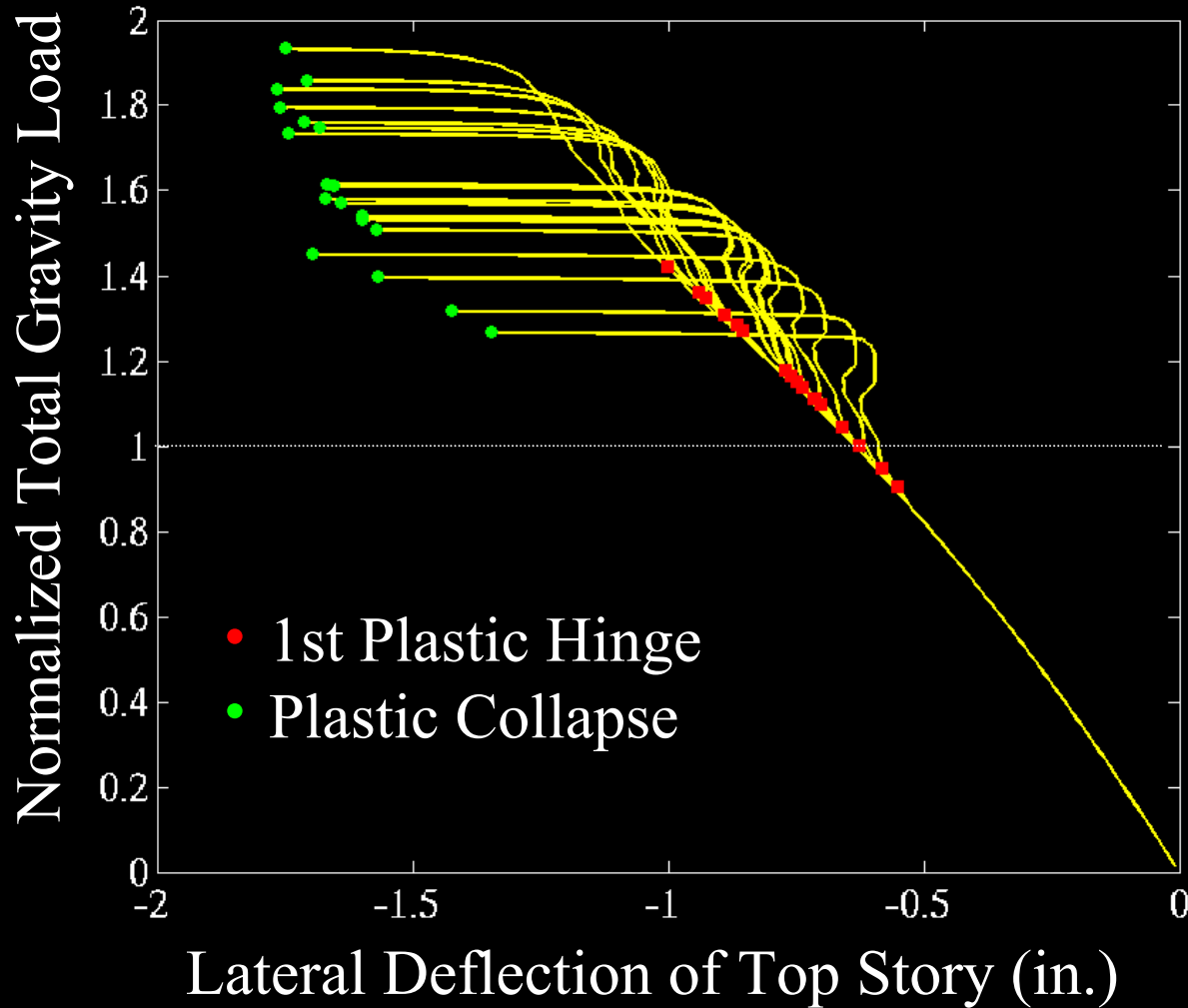


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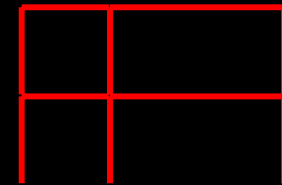




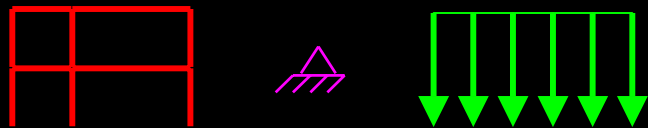
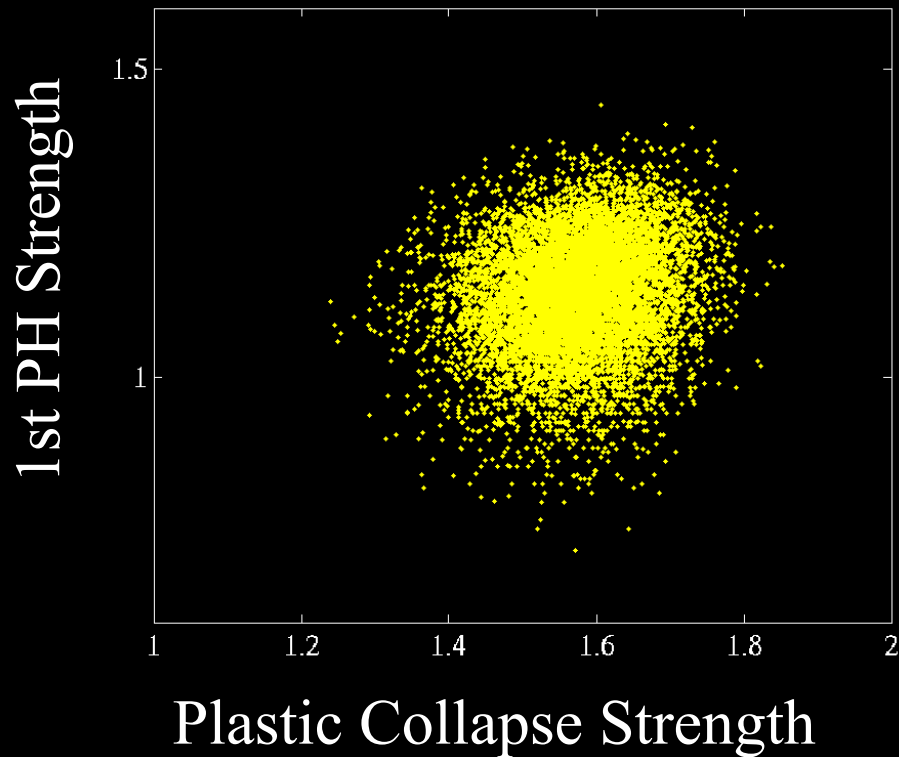
# Load-Deflection Behavior



Correlated  $F_y$   
AA Design

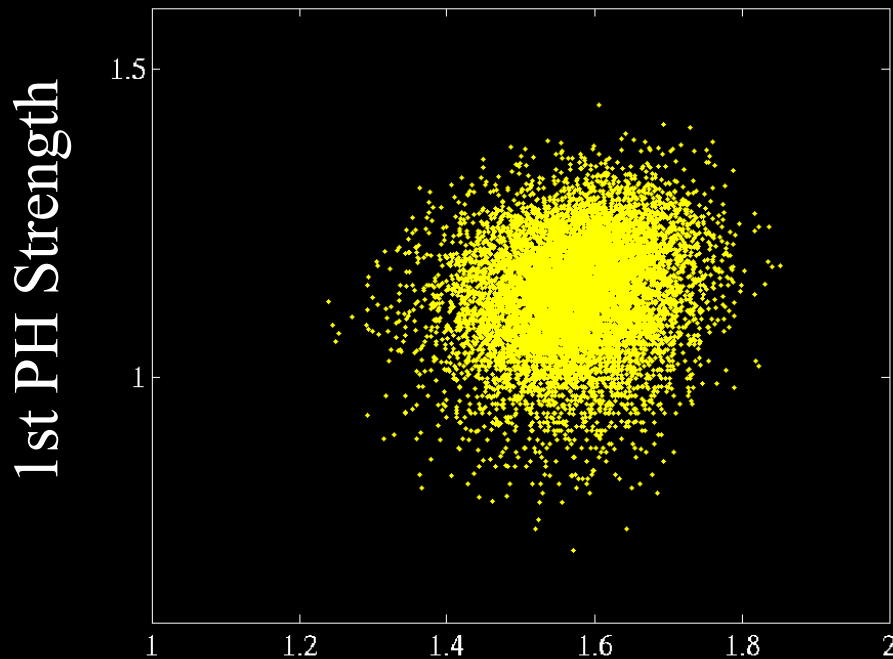


# Member vs. System Limit State



Uncorrelated  $F_y$   
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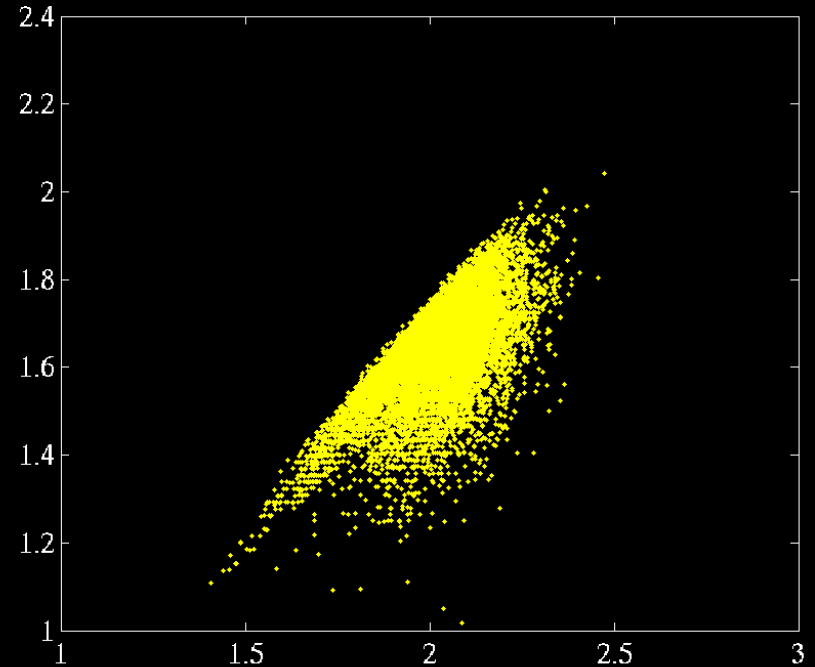
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Plastic Collapse Strength



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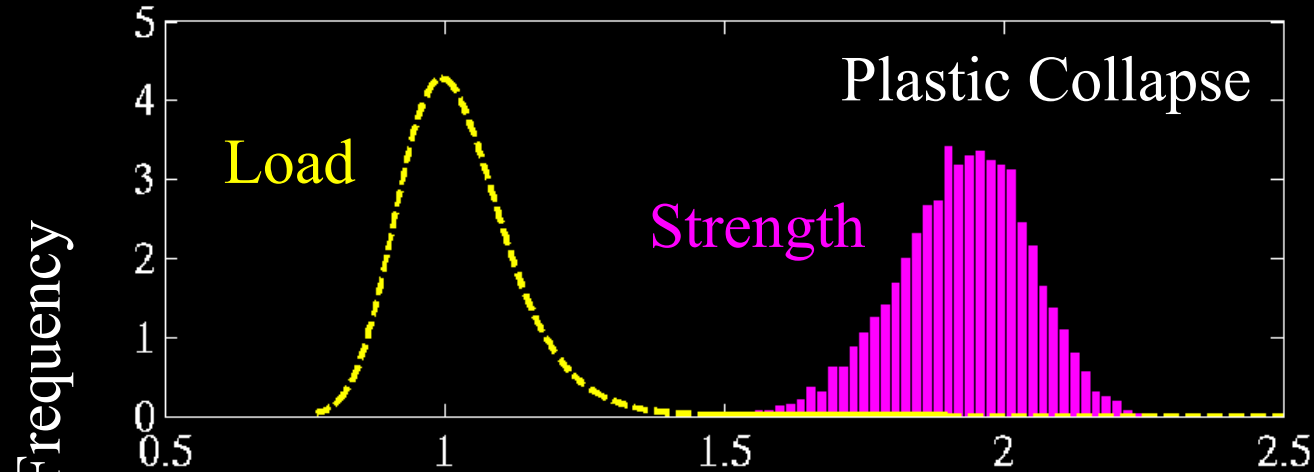


Plastic Collapse Strength

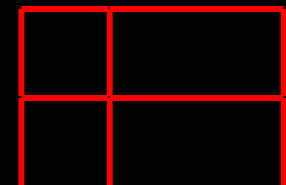


Uncorrelated  $F_y$   
LRFD Design

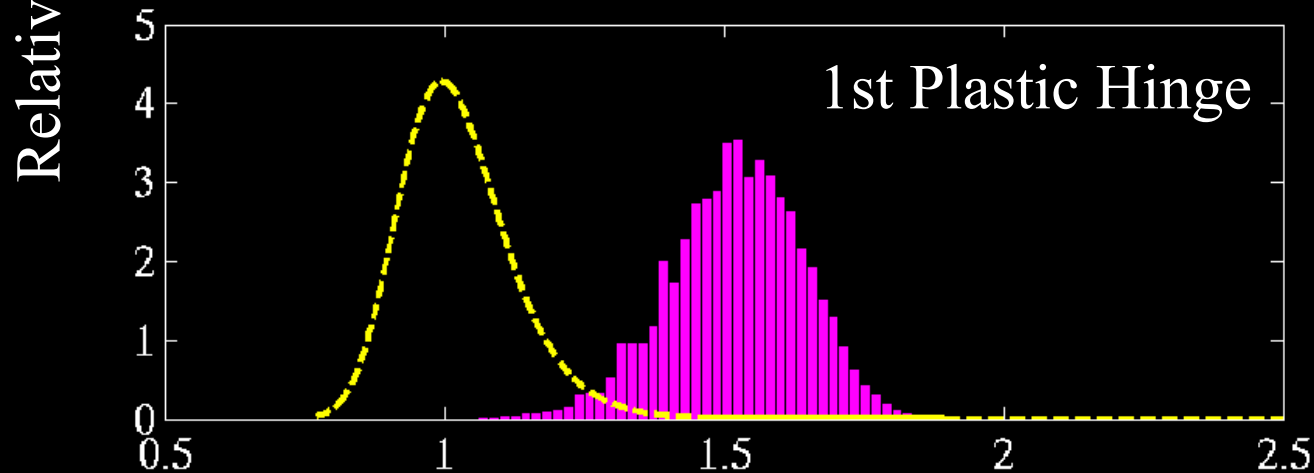
# Strength Distributions



Uncorrelated  $F_y$   
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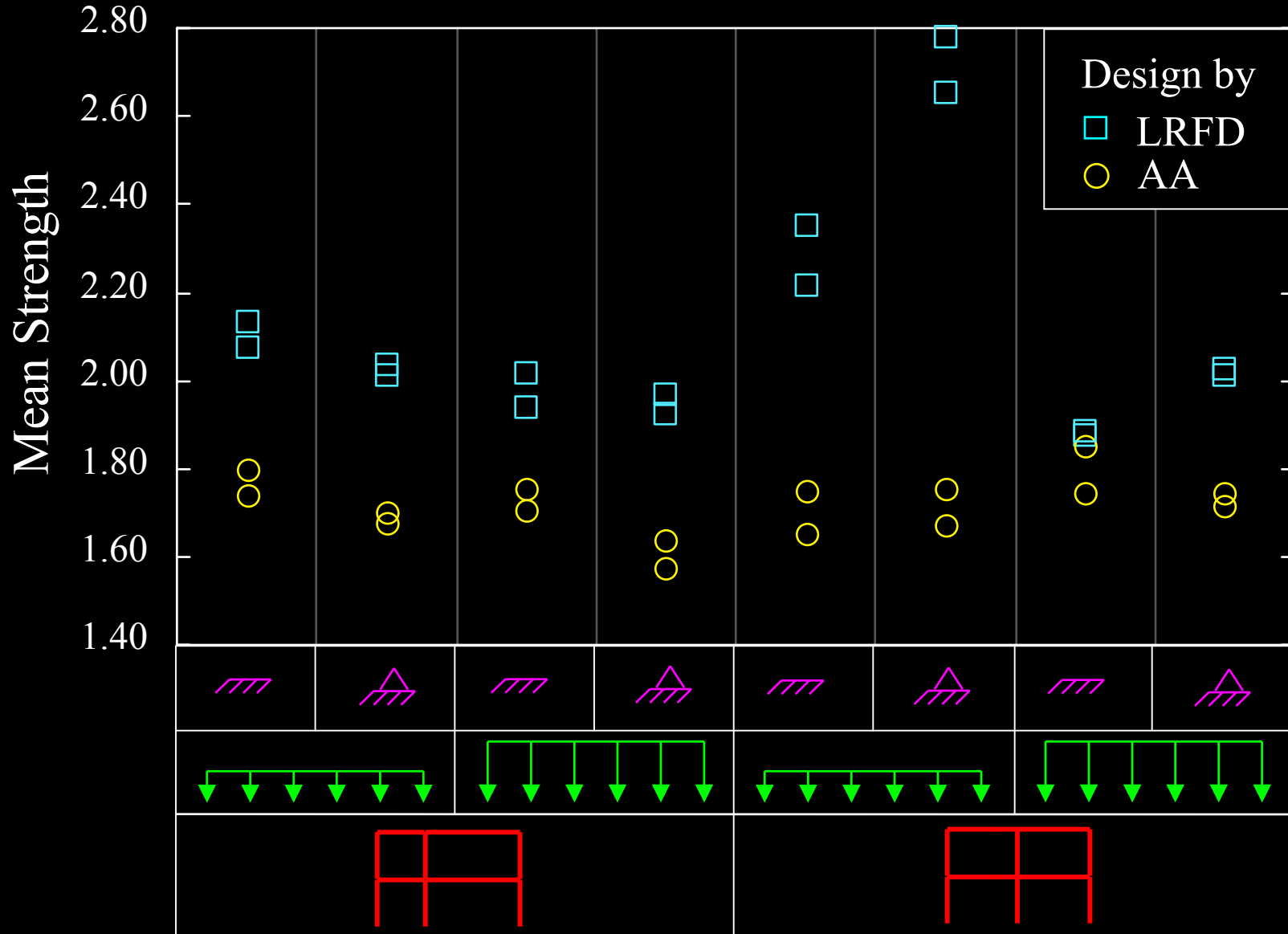


10,000 samples

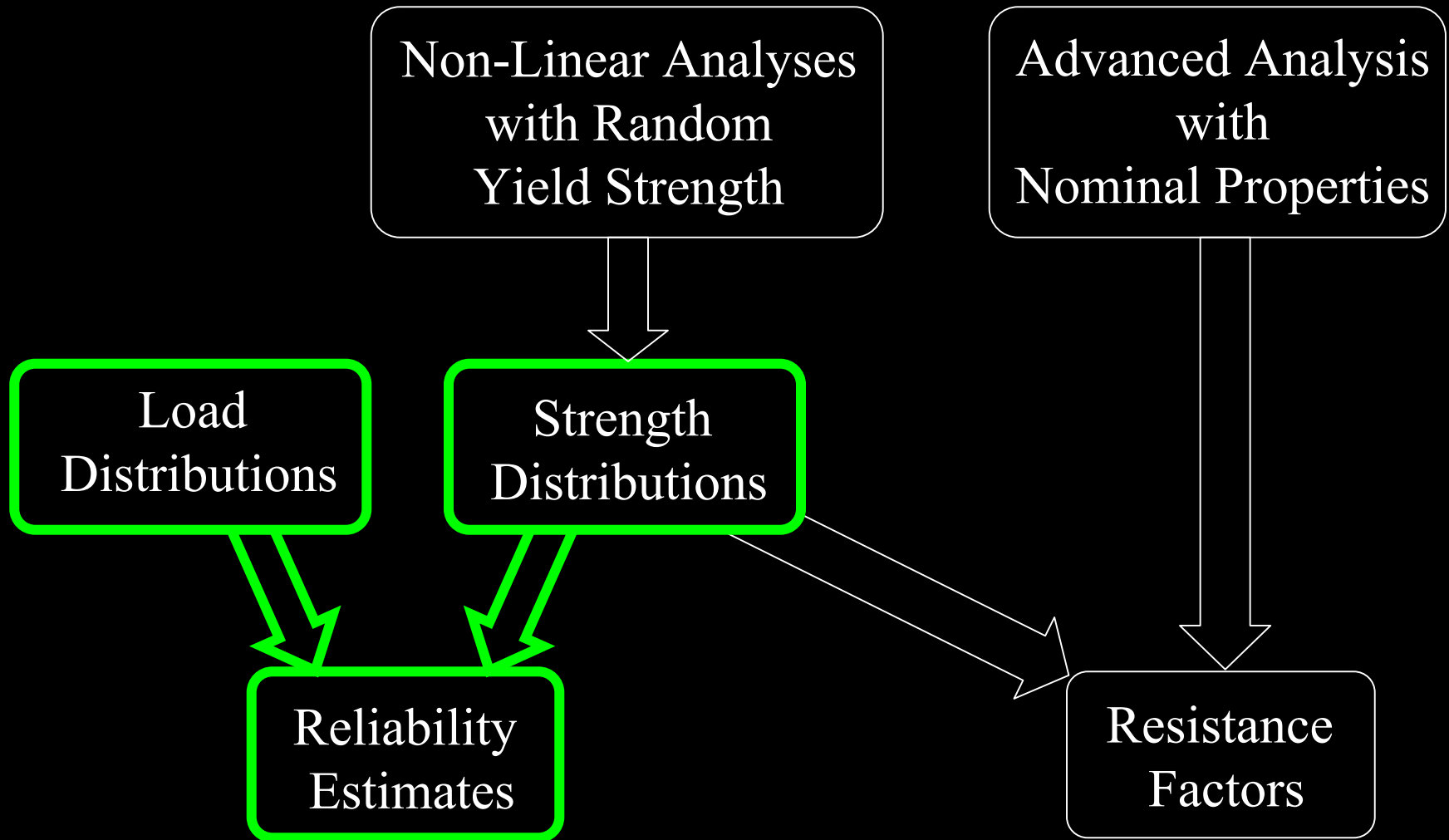


Normalized Strength and Load

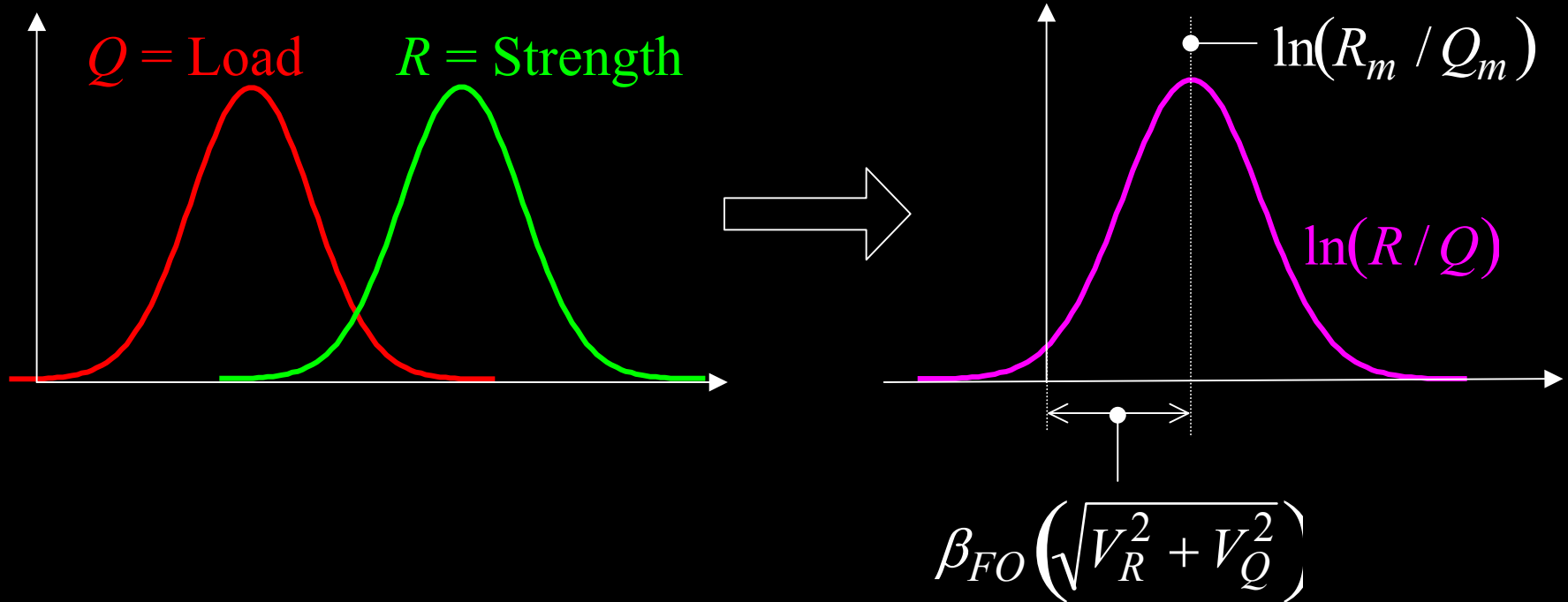
# Mean Strength at Plastic Collapse



# Overview



# Reliability and LRFD



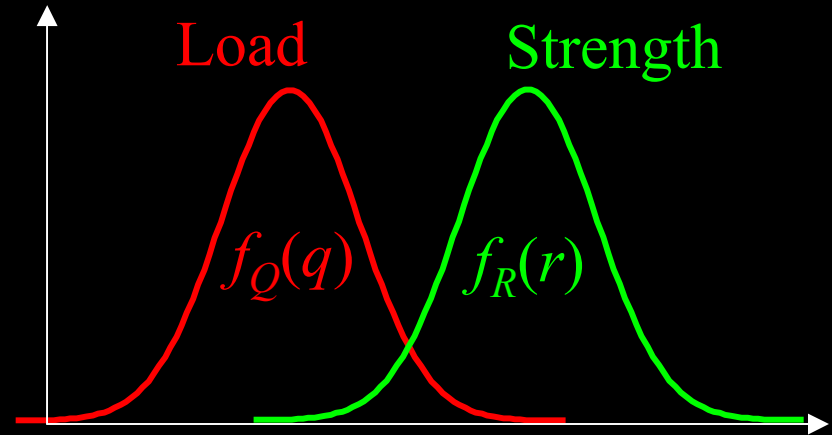
First-Order Reliability

$$\beta_{FO} = \frac{\ln(R_m / Q_m)}{\sqrt{V_R^2 + V_Q^2}}$$

# Reliability by Sampling

## Probability of Failure

$$P_f = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I(r, q) f_R(r) f_Q(q) dr dq$$
$$I(r, q) \begin{cases} = 1 & \text{for } R \leq Q \\ = 0 & \text{for } R > Q \end{cases}$$



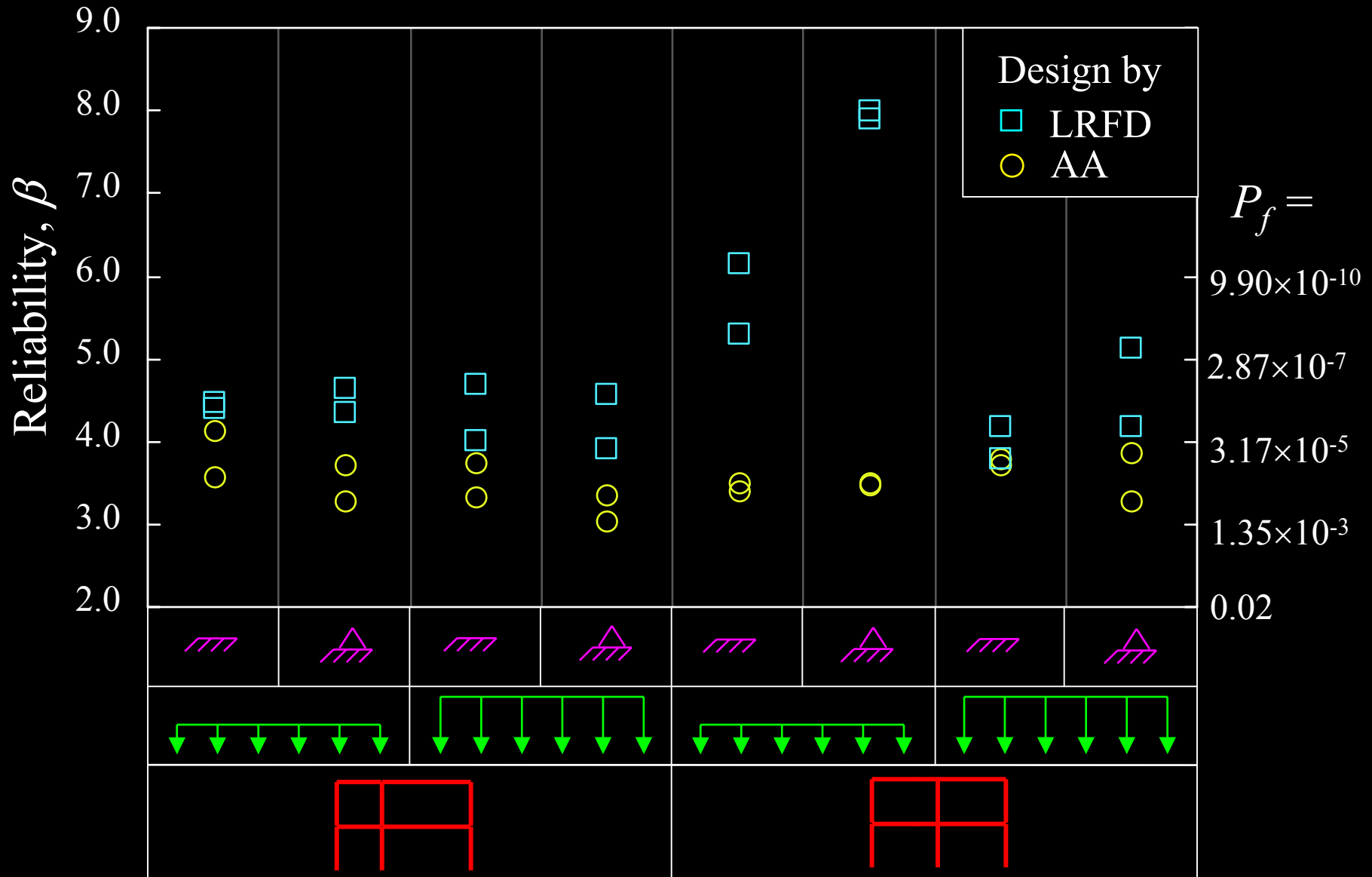
## Monte Carlo Estimate

$$\hat{P}_f = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N I(r_i, q_i)$$

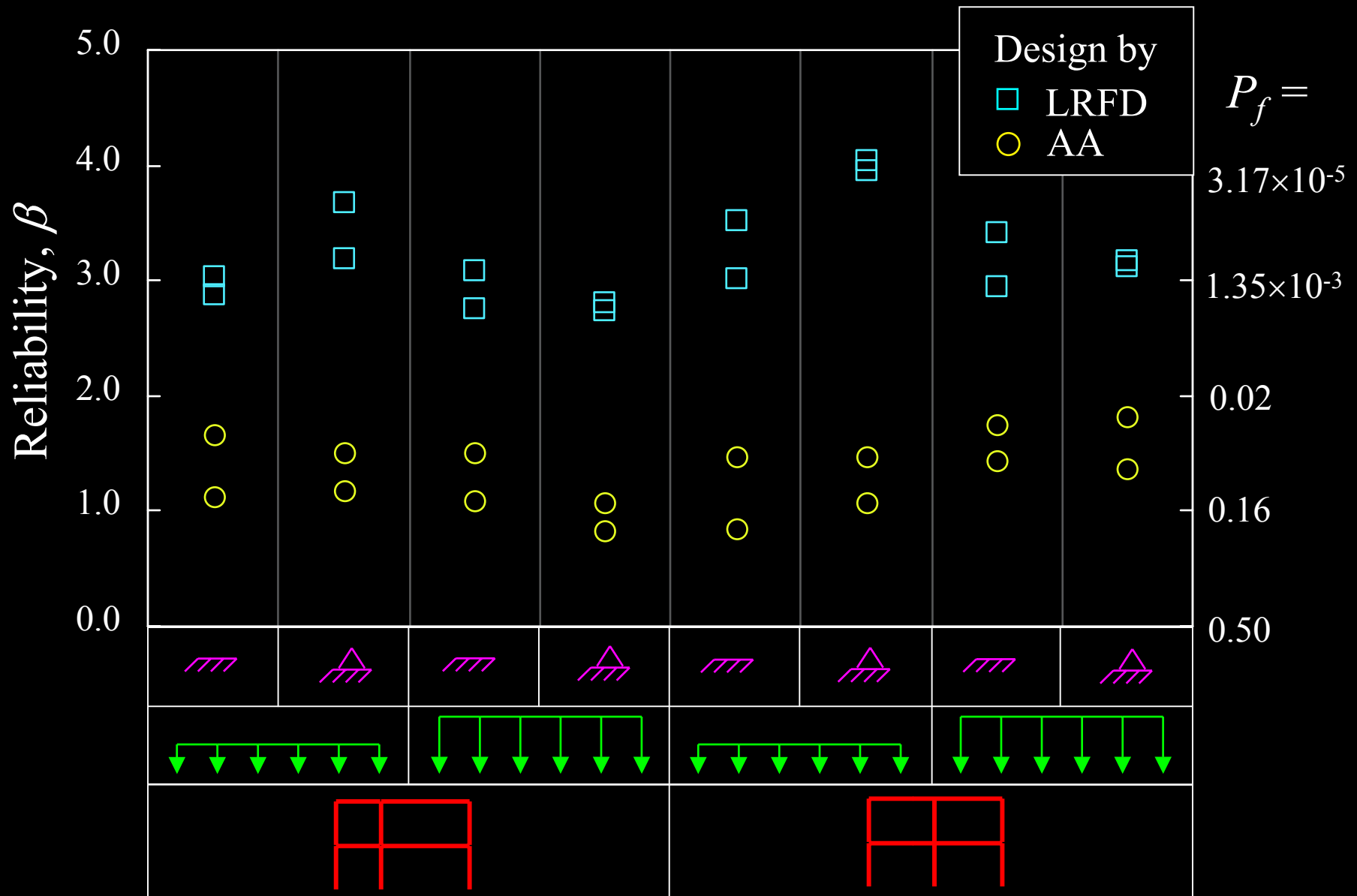
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 $q_i$  sampled from  $f_Q$

Reliability  $\beta = -\Phi^{-1}(\hat{P}_f)$

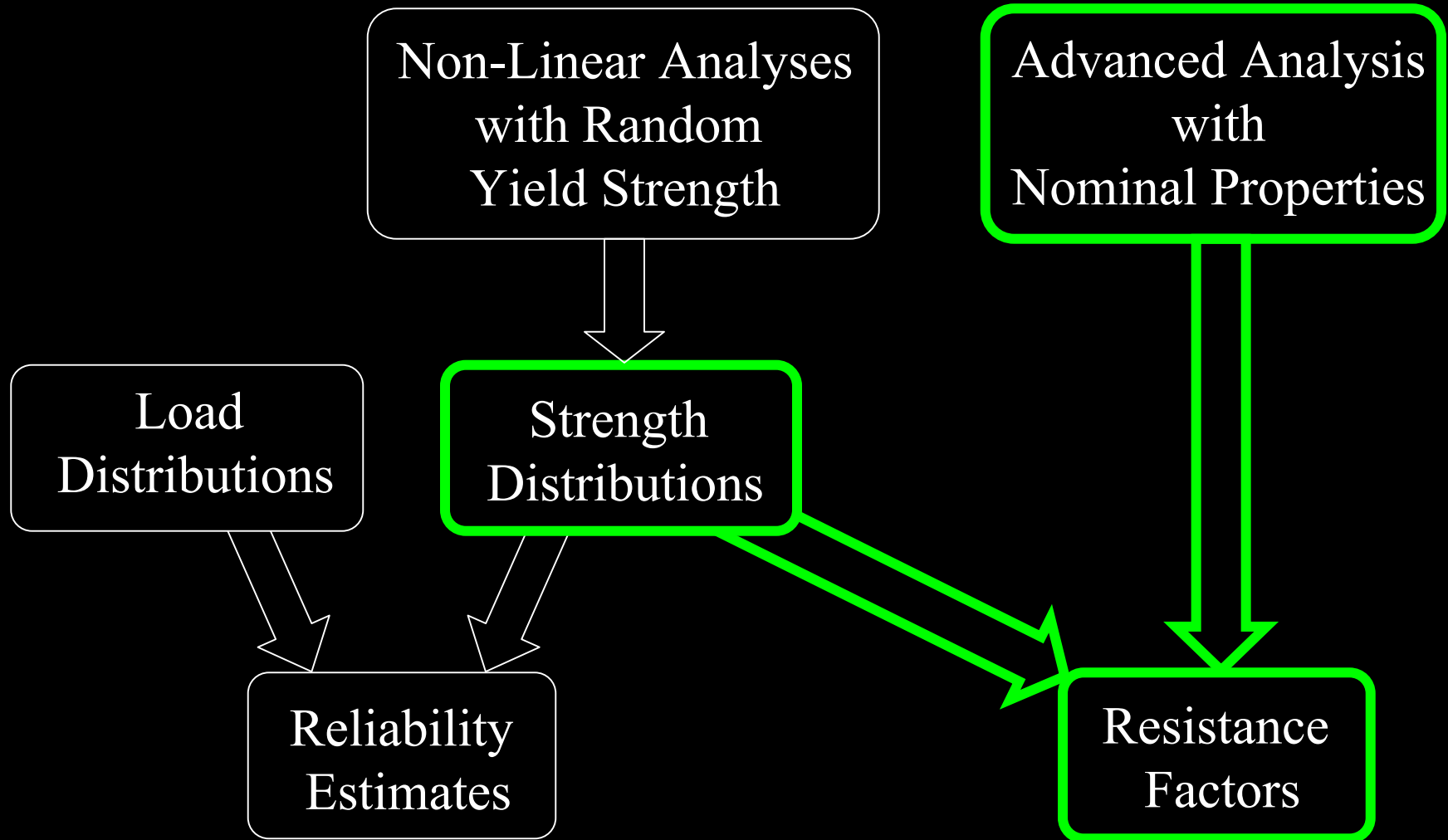
# Reliability at Plastic Collapse



# Reliability at 1st Plastic Hinge



# Overview



# Resistance Factors

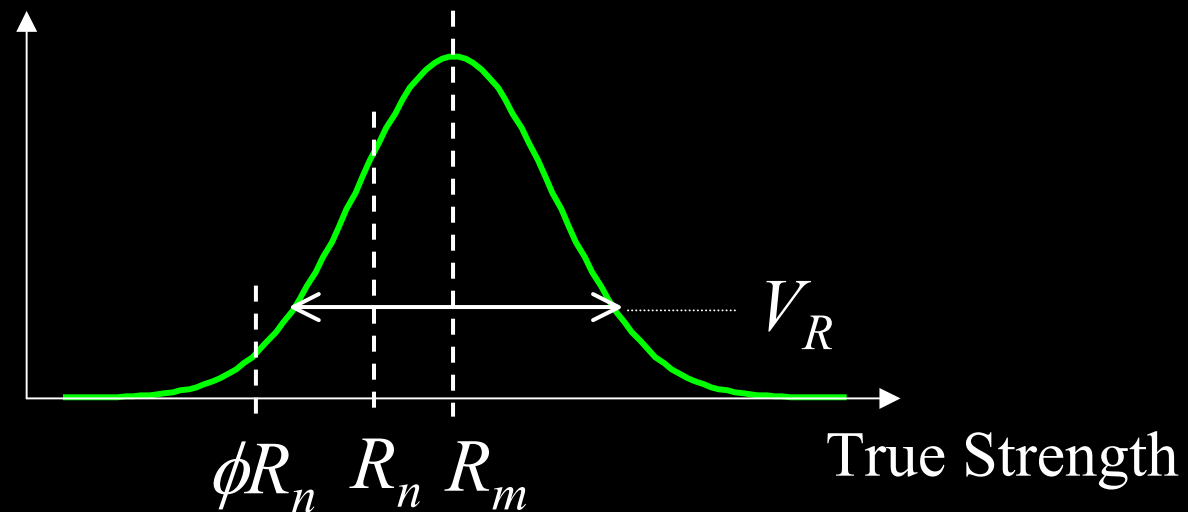
$$\phi = (R_m / R_n) \exp(-0.55 \beta_t V_R)$$

Mean  
of “True”  
Strength

Nominal  
Strength

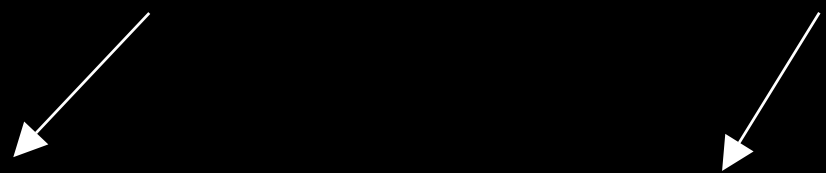
Target  
Reliability

Variation  
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Strength



# Resistance Factors of LRFD

$$\phi = (R_m / R_n) \exp(-0.55 \beta_t V_R)$$


$$R_m / R_n = \underbrace{P_m M_m F_m}_{\text{Means}} = 1.07 \quad V_R = \sqrt{\underbrace{V_P^2 + V_M^2 + V_F^2}_{\text{COVs}}} = 0.15$$

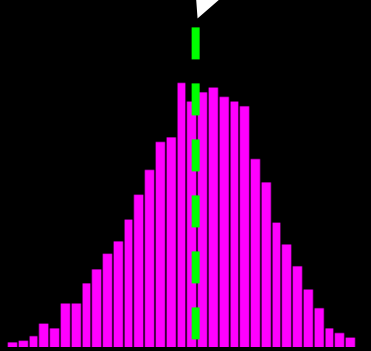
LRFD Bias Factors:  $P$  = Professional  
 $M$  = Material  
 $F$  = Fabrication

# Resistance Factors for AA

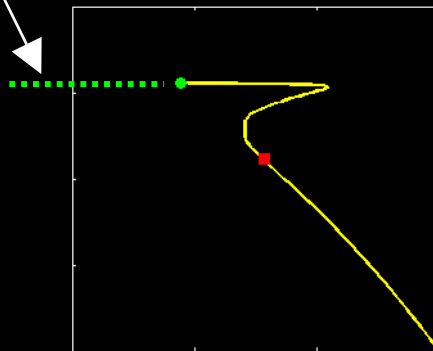
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$$R_m^{AA} / R_n^{AA} = B_m^{AA}$$

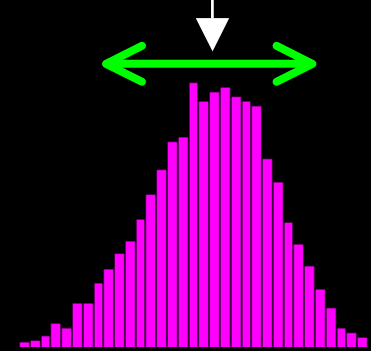
$$V_{B^{AA}} = \sqrt{V_{R^{AA}}^2 + V_F^2}$$



AA Strength  
Distribution

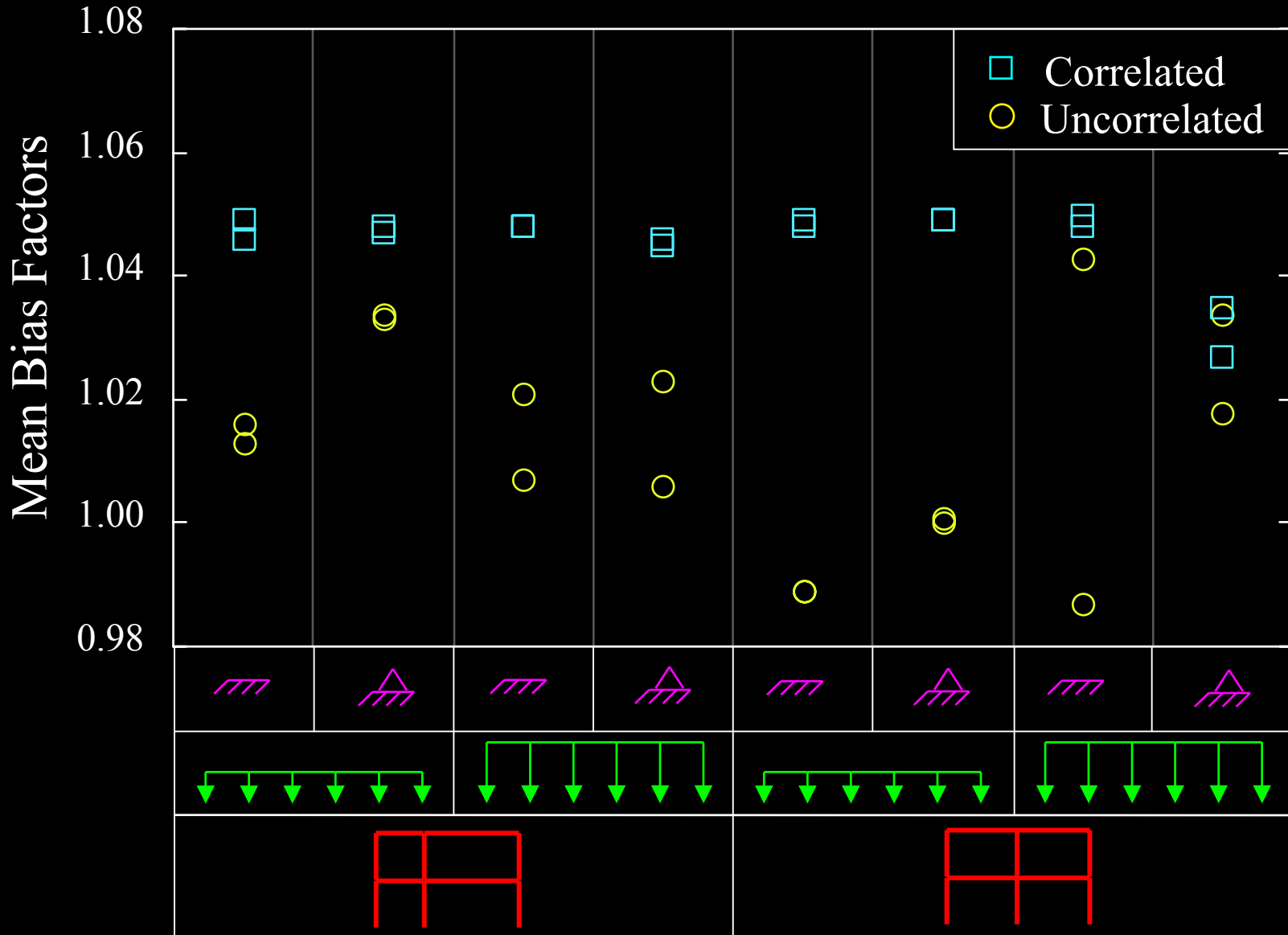


AA Nominal  
Strength

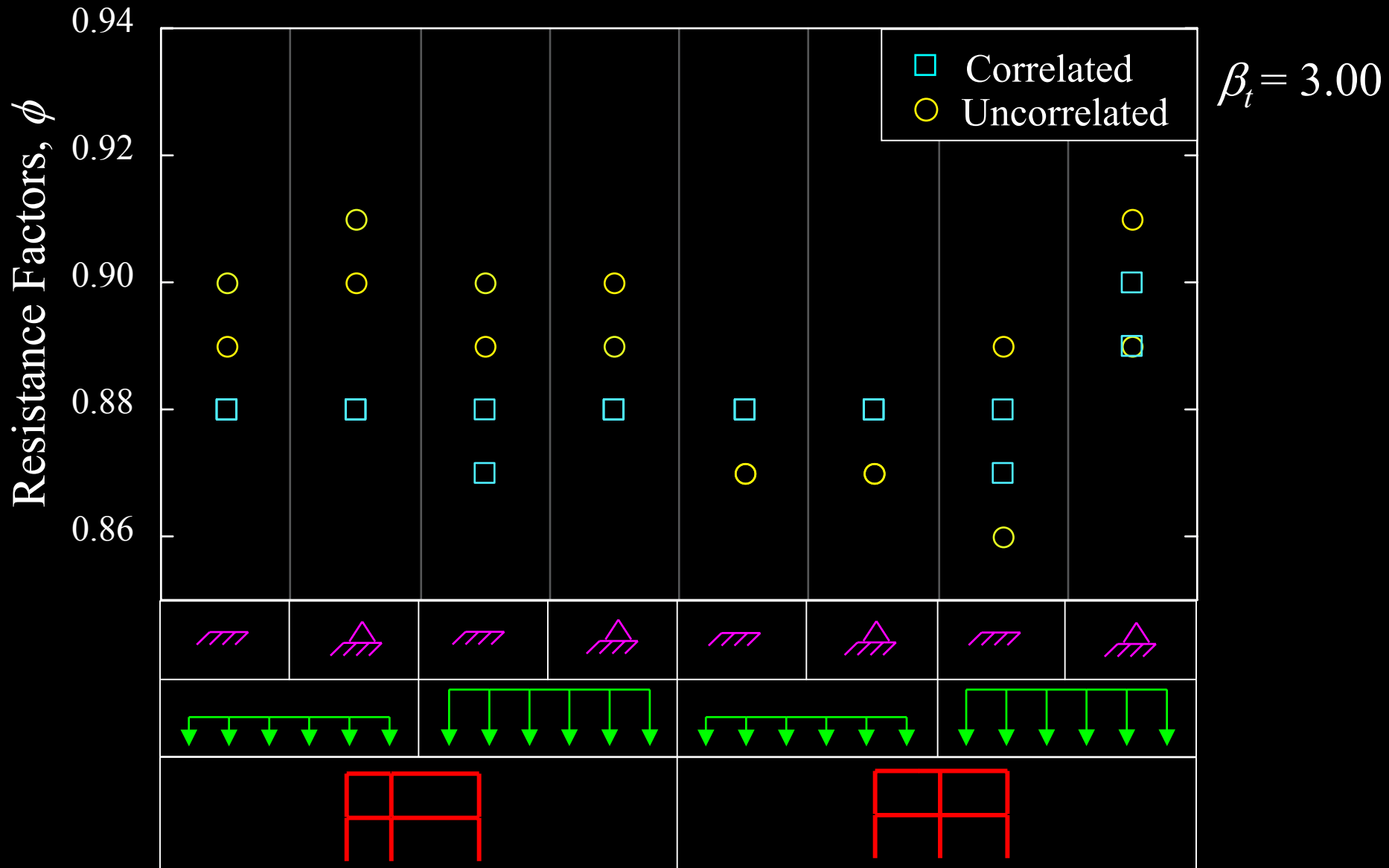


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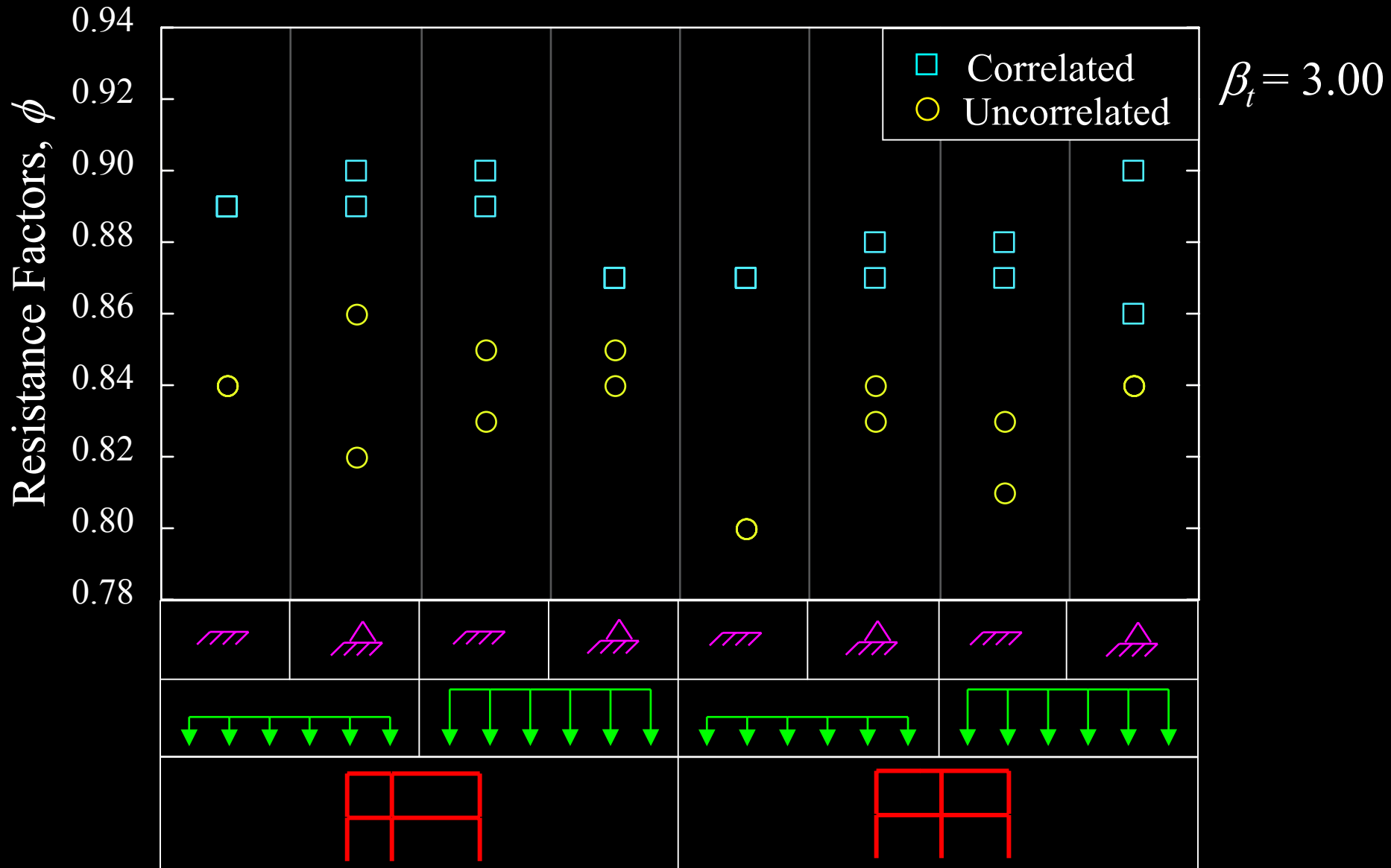
# Mean Bias Factors



# Resistance Factors for AA at PC



# Resistance Factors for AA at 1st PH



# Summary of Resistance Factors

Limit State	Plastic Collapse		1st Plastic Hinge	
	Uncorr.	Corr.	Uncorr.	Corr.
$F_y$				
Min	0.86	0.87	0.80	0.86
Mean	0.89	0.88	0.83	0.88
Max	0.91	0.90	0.86	0.90

Target Reliability,  $\beta_t = 3.00$

# Conclusions

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- Probabilistic Basis for AA Resistance Factors
- No Simple Transformation from Member to System Design Approach
- Increased Probability of 1st PH with Design by AA

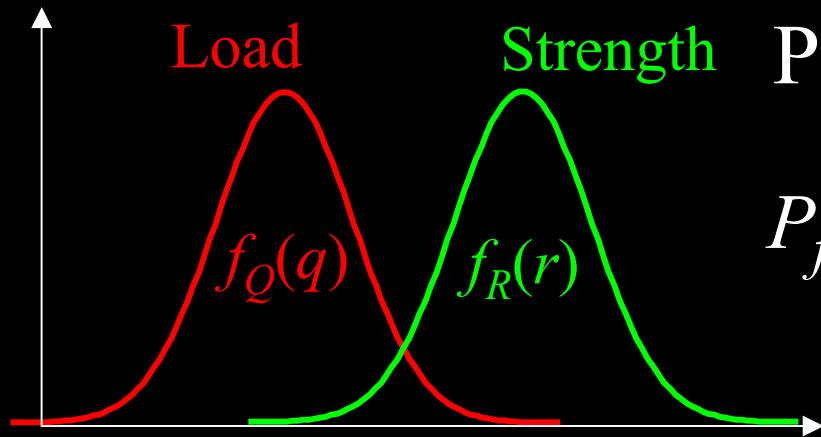
# Future Work

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- Serviceability Concerns due to Increased Probability of 1st PH with AA
- Is a Single  $\phi$  Appropriate for ALL Steel Frames?
- How to Apply  $\phi$  in AA?
  - To System Strength
  - To Member Properties



# Reliability by Sampling



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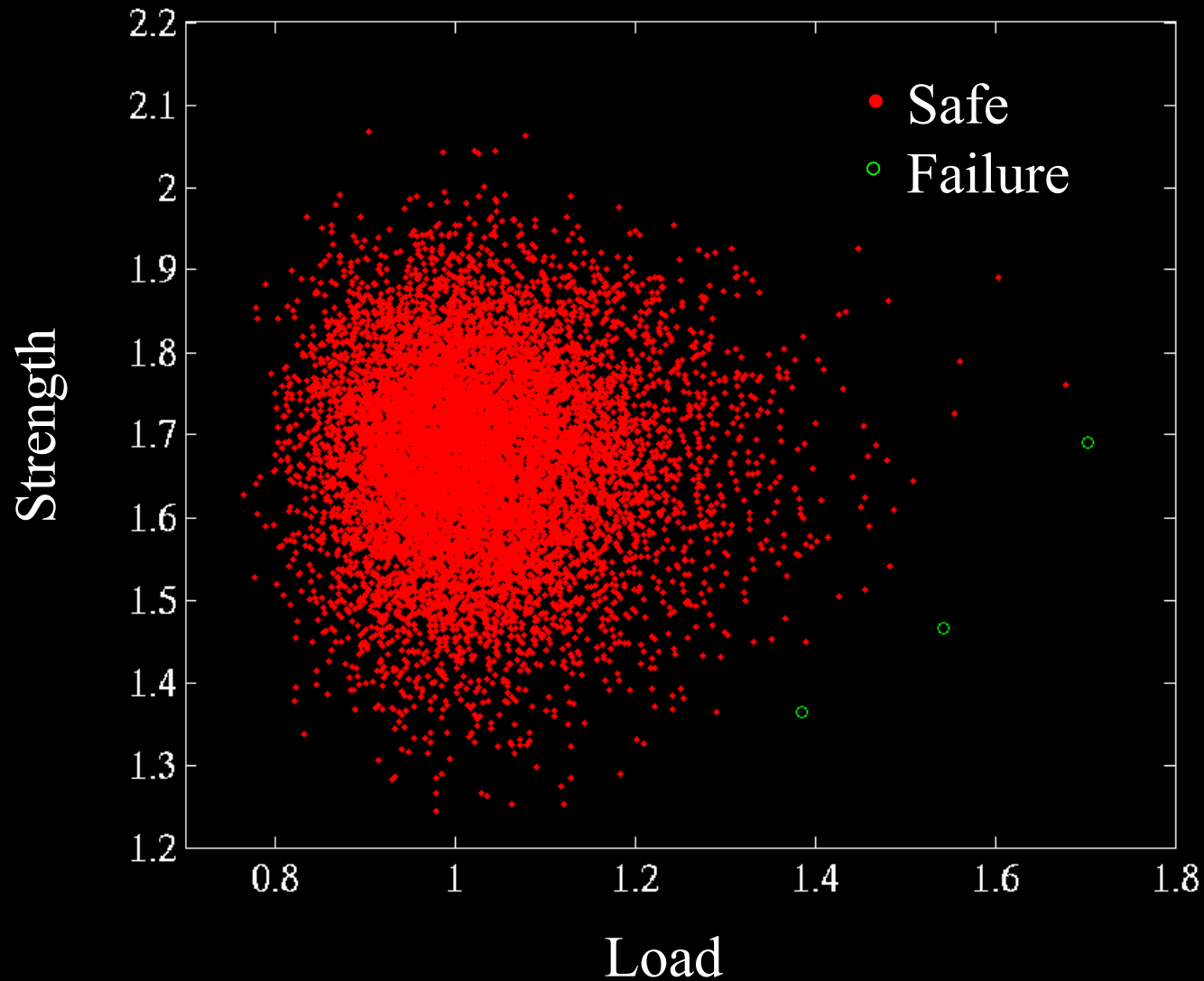
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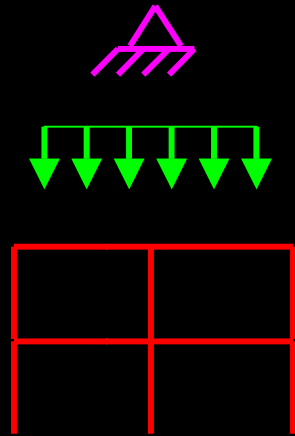
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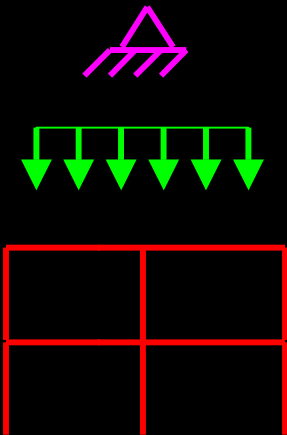
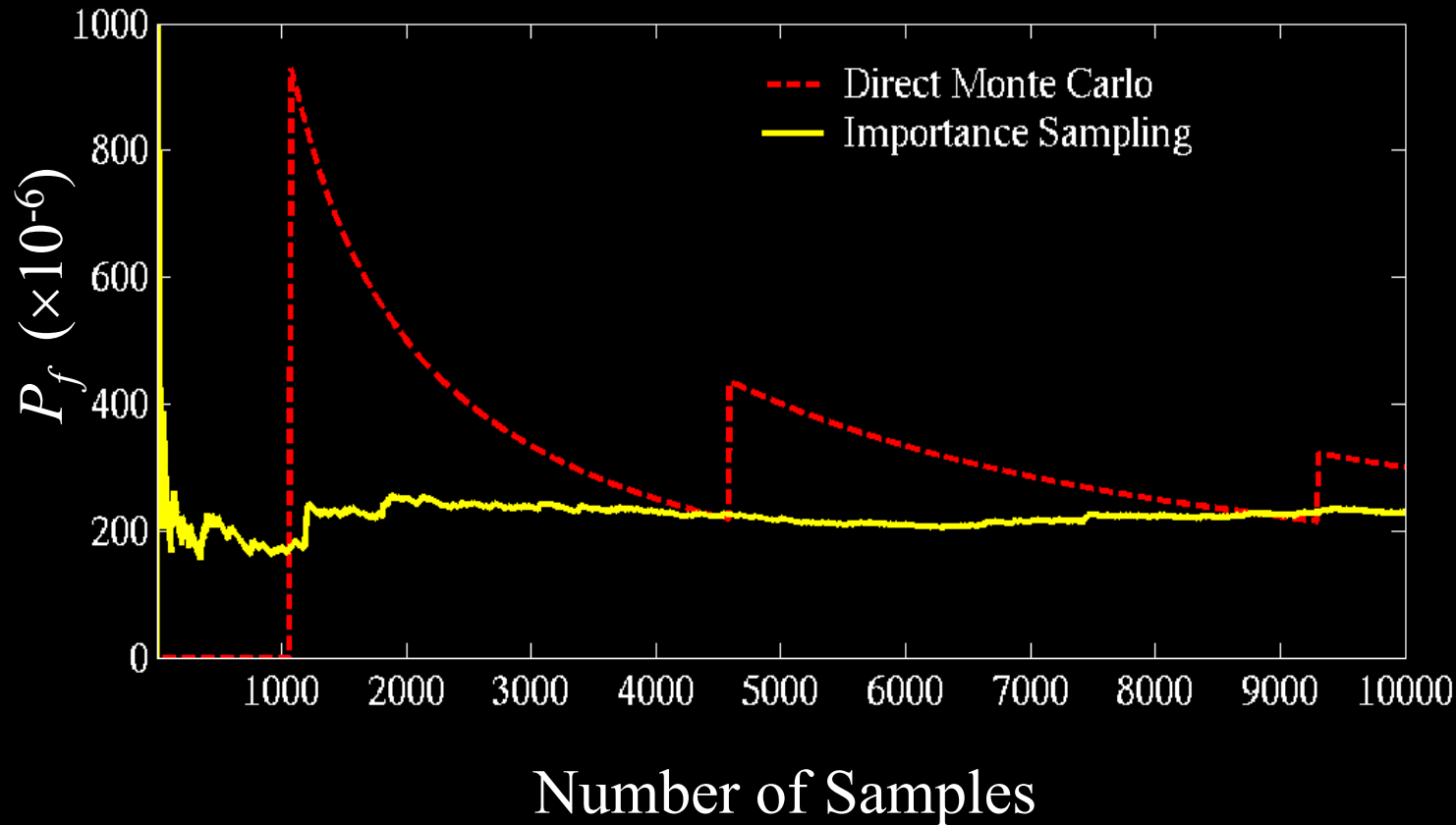


Uncorrelated  $F_y$   
AA Design



# Reliability by Sampling

Uncorrelated  $F_y$   
AA Design



	AA	LRFD
Uncorr.	○	□
Corr.	○	□

1. Member Sizes: LRFD or AA	
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	Design: AA	LRFD
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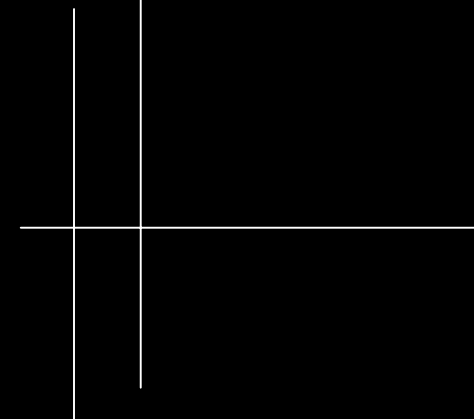
	Design by	
	AA	LRFD
Uncorr.	○	□
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Design by  
 □ LRFD  
 ○ AA

□ First-Order  
 ○ Monte Carlo

Design by  
 □ LRFD  
 ○ AA

□ Correlated  
 ○ Uncorrelated



# Simulation Results

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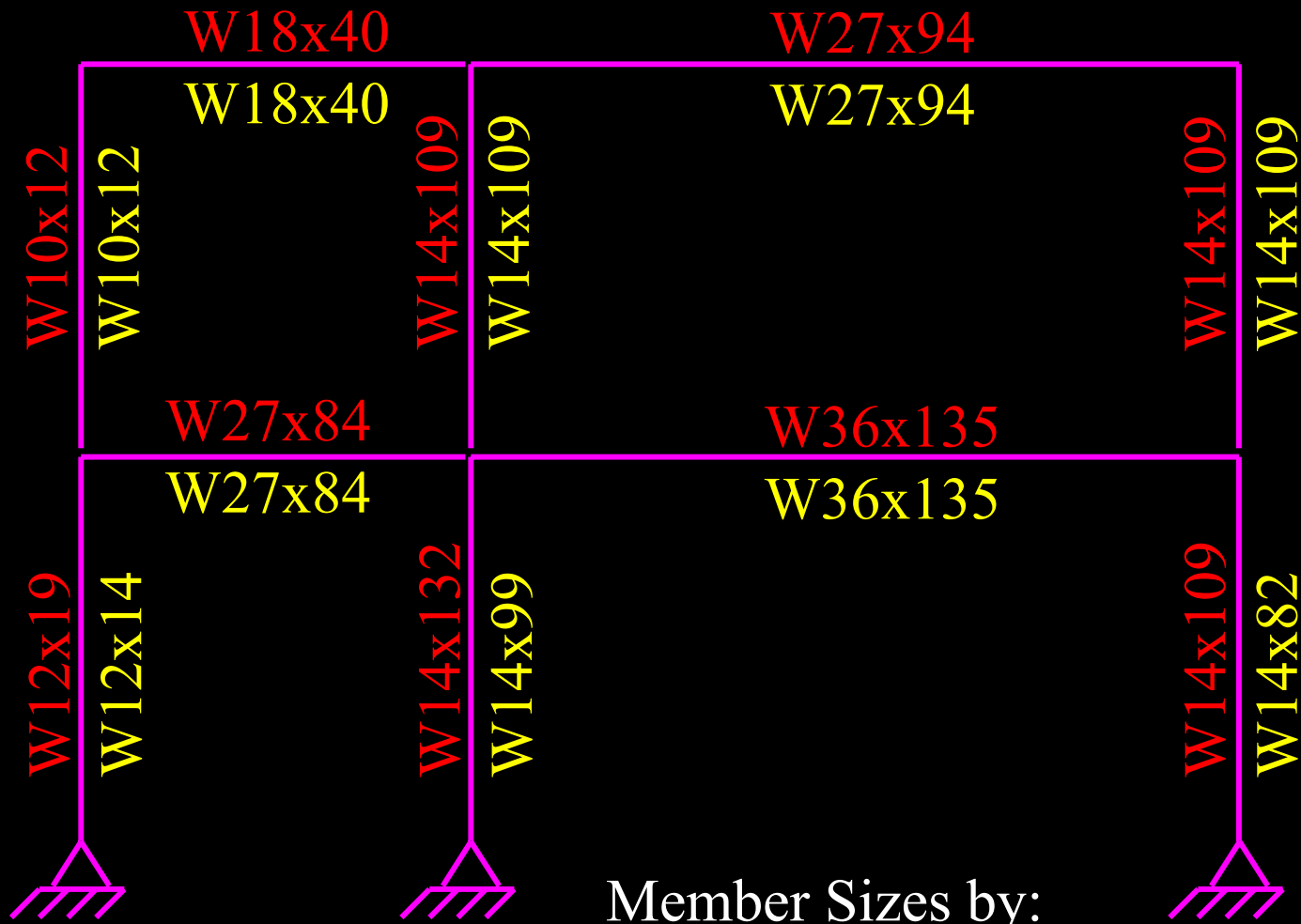
- Field of F-D curves
- Histograms of Strength, 1st PH
- Plots of mean, COV
- Estimates of Pf, beta
- Plots of Pf, beta
- Correlation of Strength, 1st PH

# Reliability and Advanced Analysis

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- What Reliability is Associated with Design by AA?
- Implications for Resistance Factor,  $\phi$

# Member Size Comparison

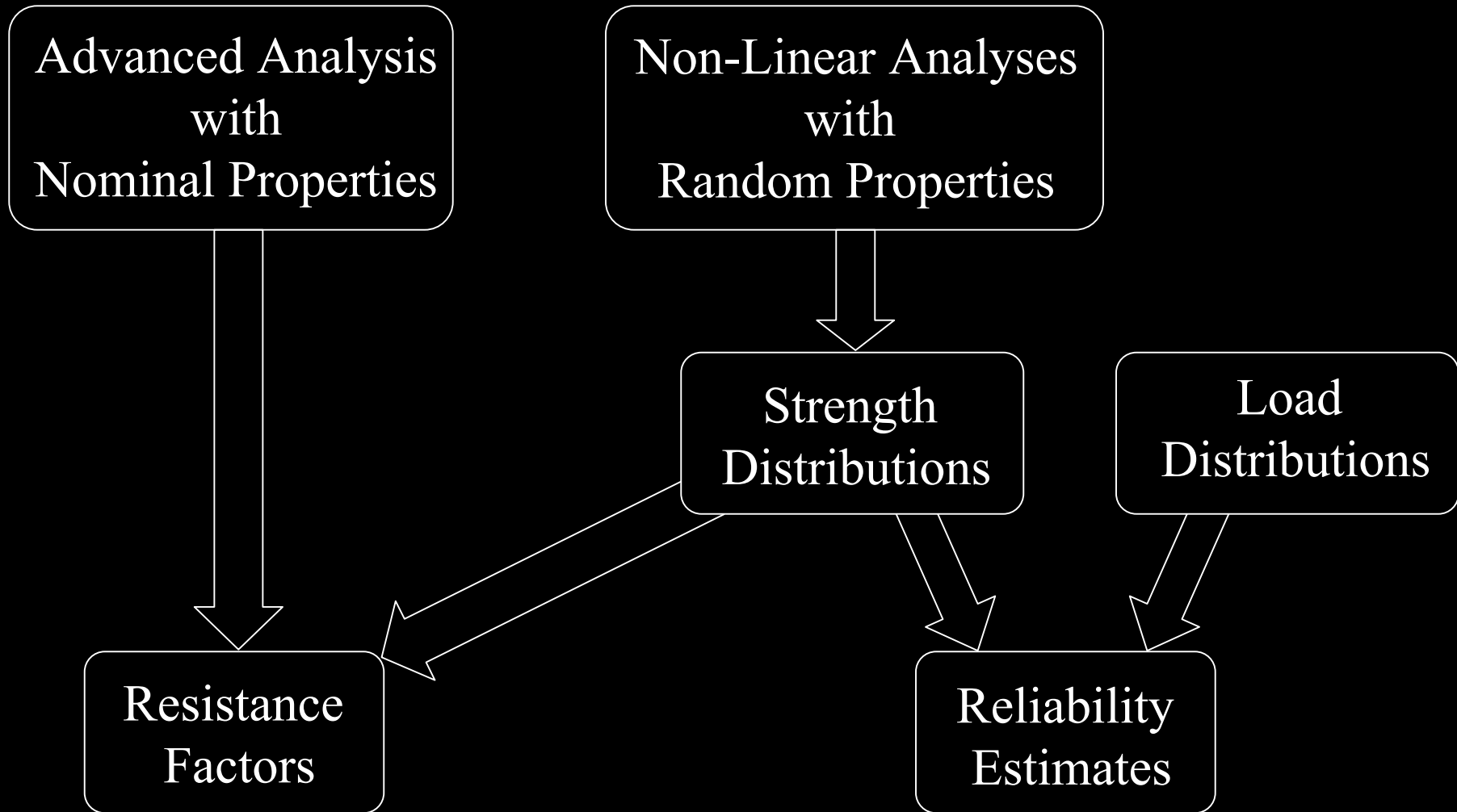


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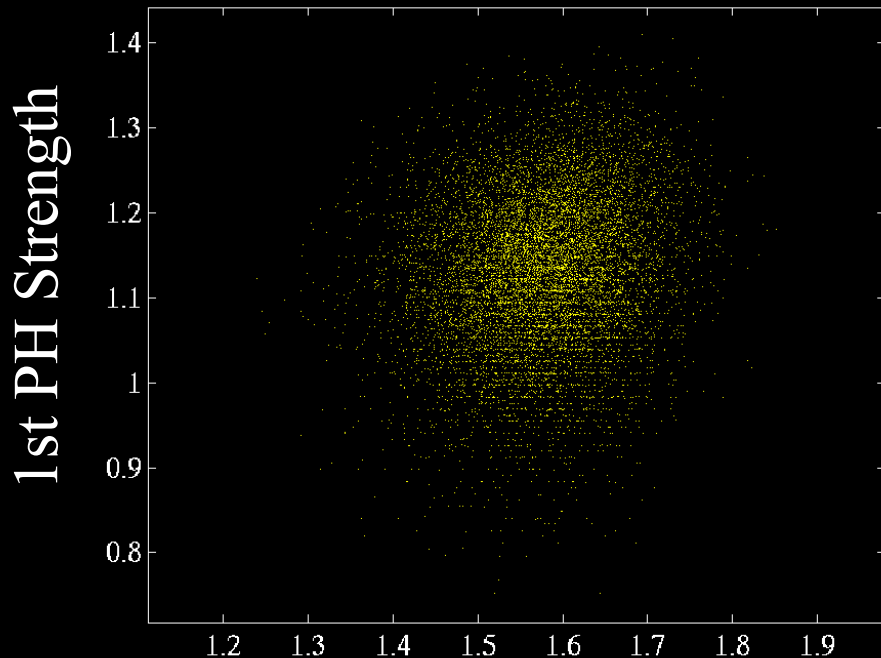
LRFD

Advanced Analysis

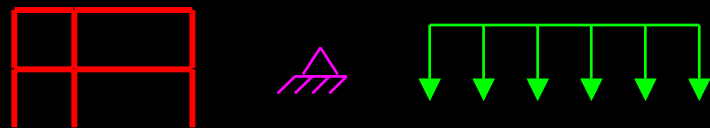
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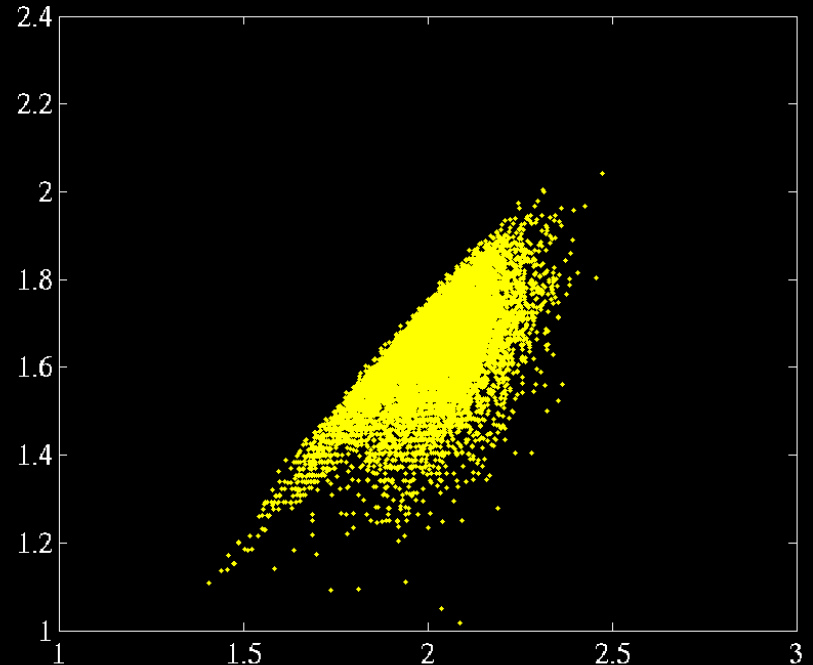
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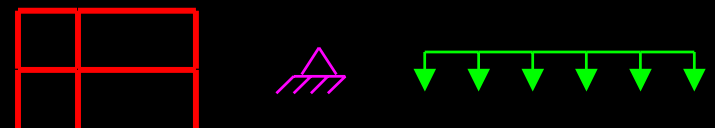
Plastic Collapse Strength



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AA Design

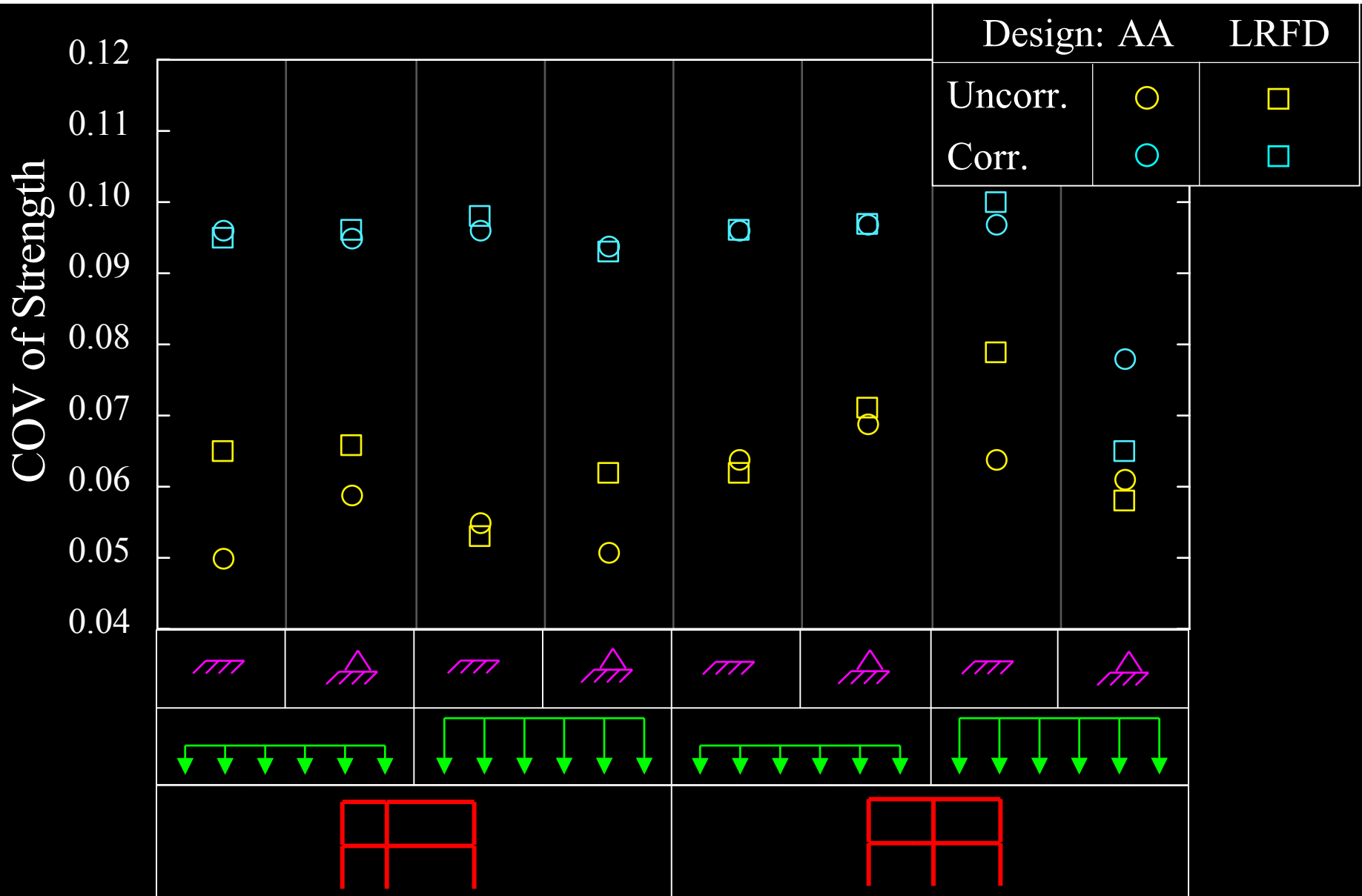


Plastic Collapse Strength



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LRFD Design

# COV of Strength at Plastic Collapse



# Reliability at Plastic Collapse

