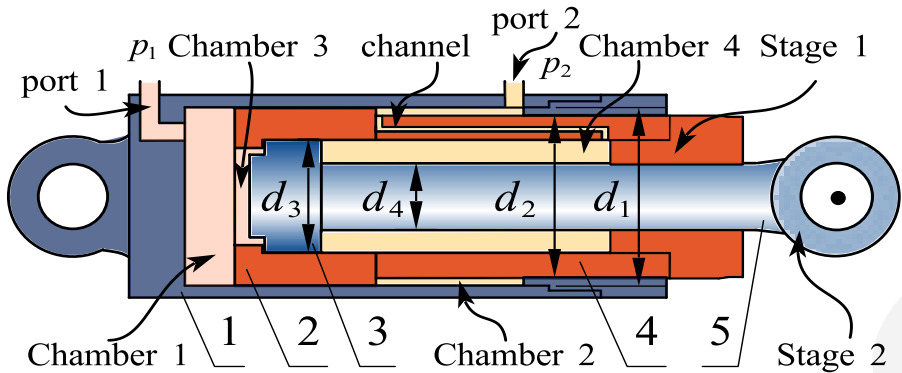


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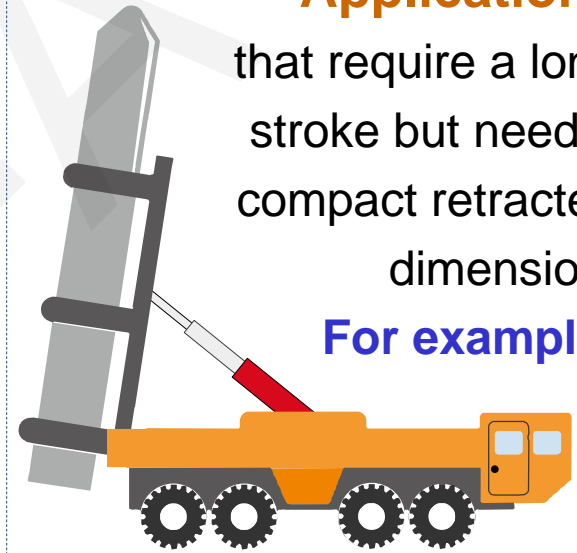
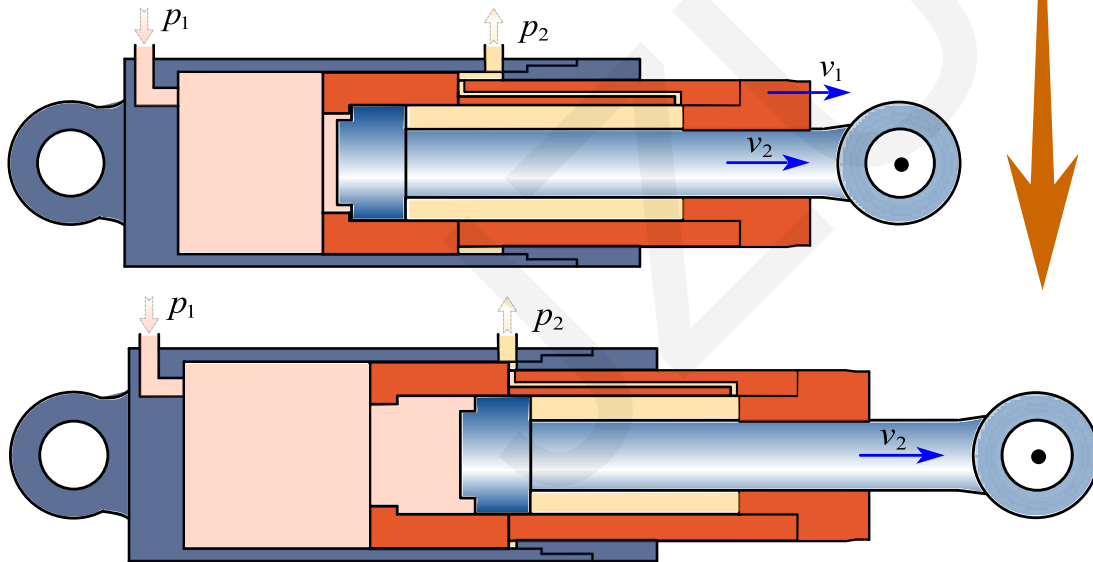
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# DATHC Description



Extension  
process

1-barrel, 2-piston 1, 3-piston 2, 4-piston rod 1, 5-piston rod 2 Figure 1 Schematic view of DATHC



**Applications**  
that require a long  
stroke but need a  
compact retracted  
dimension.

**For example:**

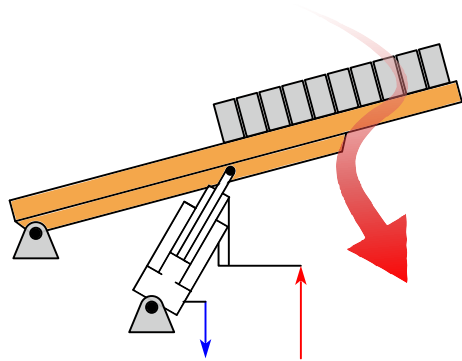
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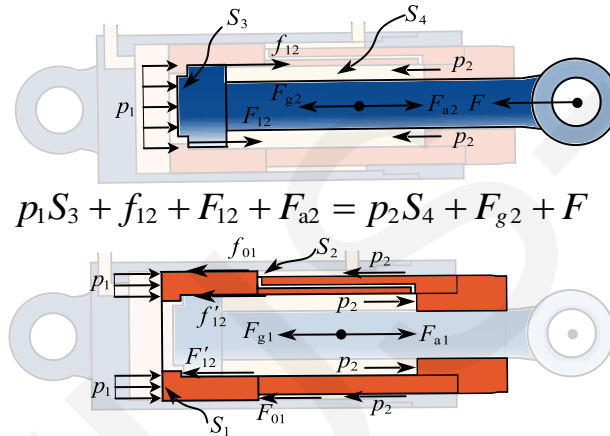
# Derivation of Design Constraint

Problem



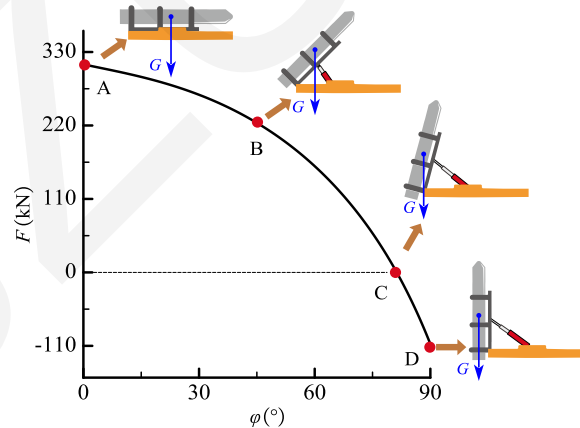
- The improper size of effective areas → **overspeed descent** → severe system damage
- Few related studies have been reported

Force analysis



$$p_1 S_3 + f_{12} + F_{12} + F_{a2} = p_2 S_4 + F_{g2} + F$$

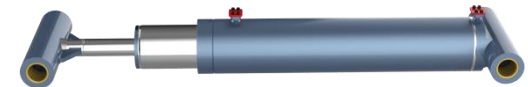
$$p_1 S_1 + p_2 S_4 + F_{a1} = p_2 S_2 + F'_{12} + f'_{12} + f_{01} + F_{01} + F_{g1}$$



External load-angle relationship

Constraint

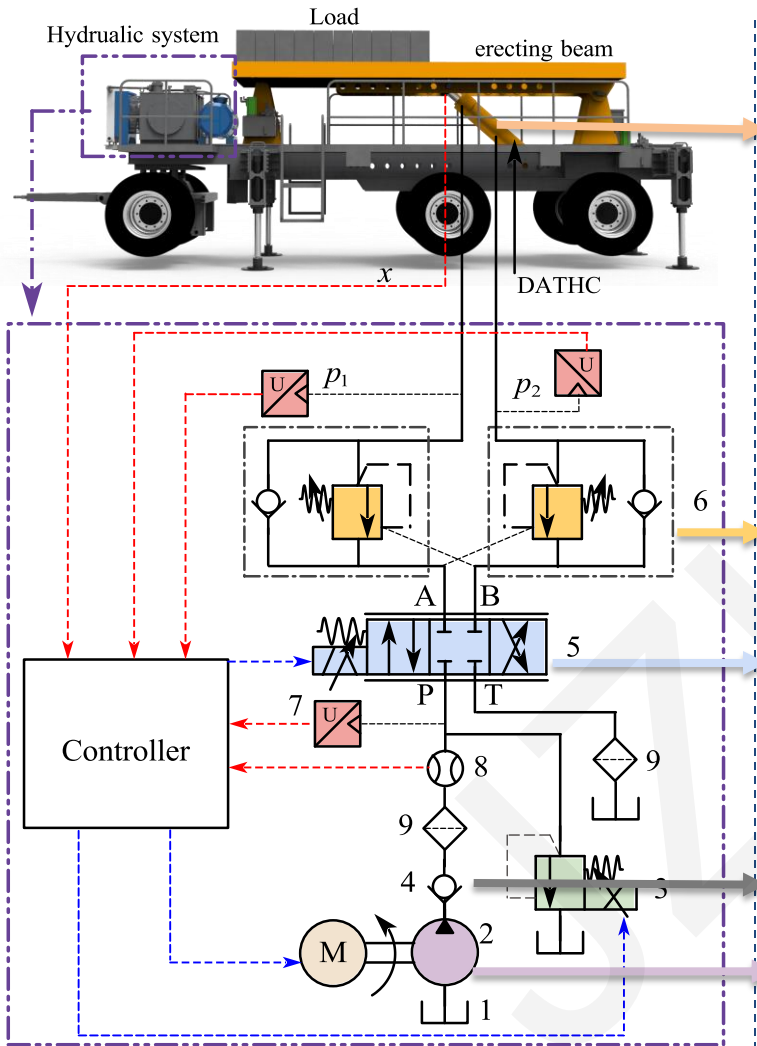
- Simplify and replace variables that are unknown at design :
  - load  $F \gg F_{g1}, F_{g2}$
  - smooth operation—  
—inertial force  $\approx 0$
  - Suppose  $f_{01} = f_{12} = f$



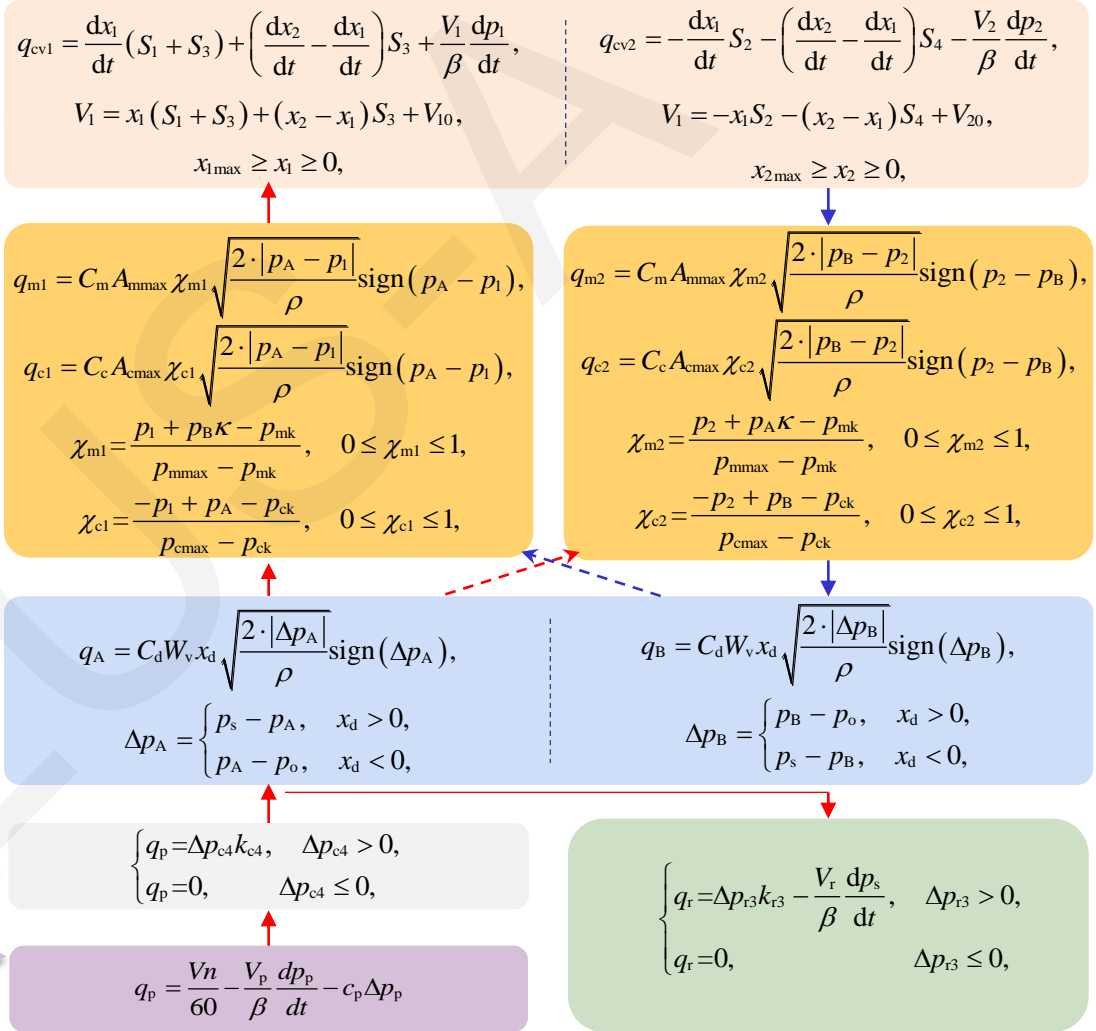
**Design constraint of a DATHC**

$$\lambda = \frac{d_1^2 d_4^2 - d_2^2 d_3^2}{(d_1^2 - d_3^2)(d_3^2 - d_4^2)} < -1$$

# Verified by Simulations → Modeling



Typical hydraulic erecting system

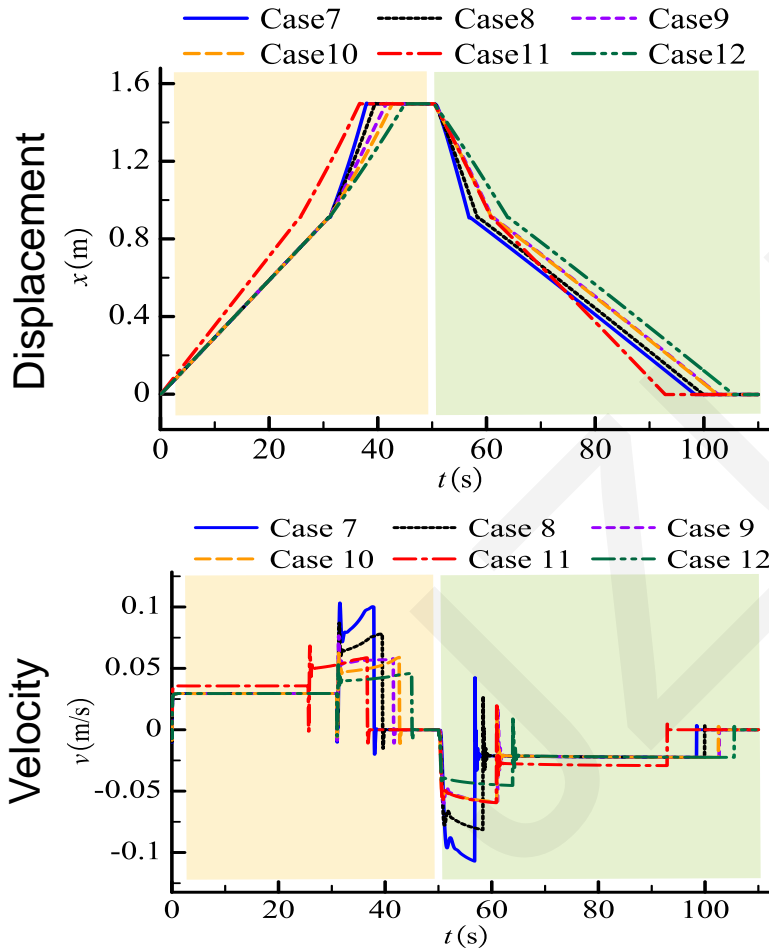


Model and data transmission diagram

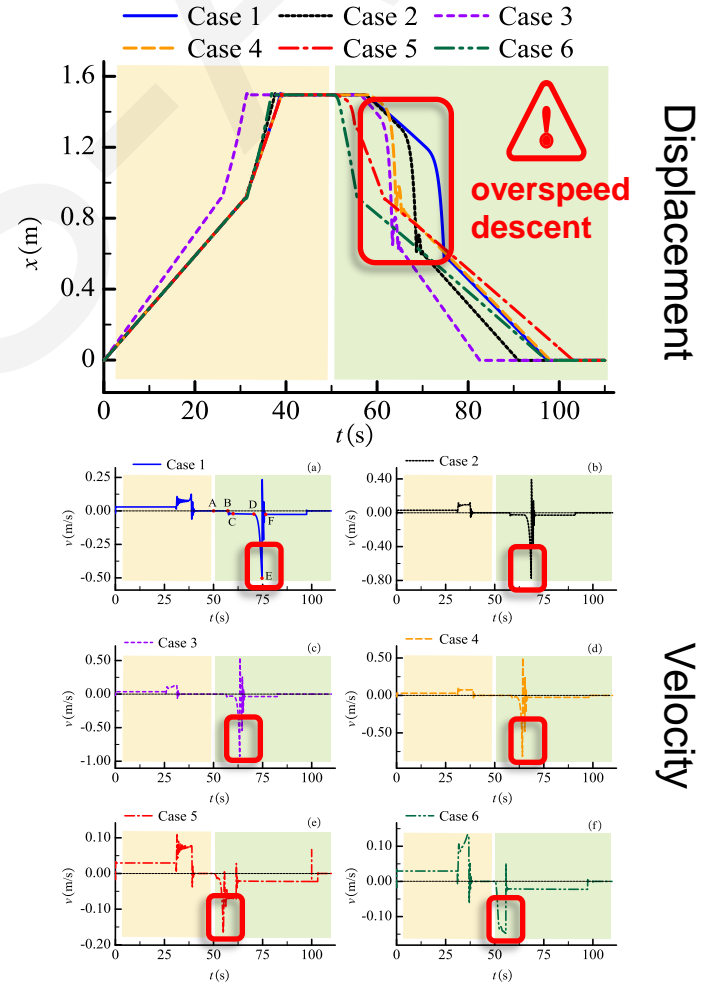
# Verified by Simulations → Results

## Effectiveness at different $\lambda$

$\lambda < -1 \rightarrow$  Meet the constraint



$\lambda > -1 \rightarrow$  Don't meet the constraint

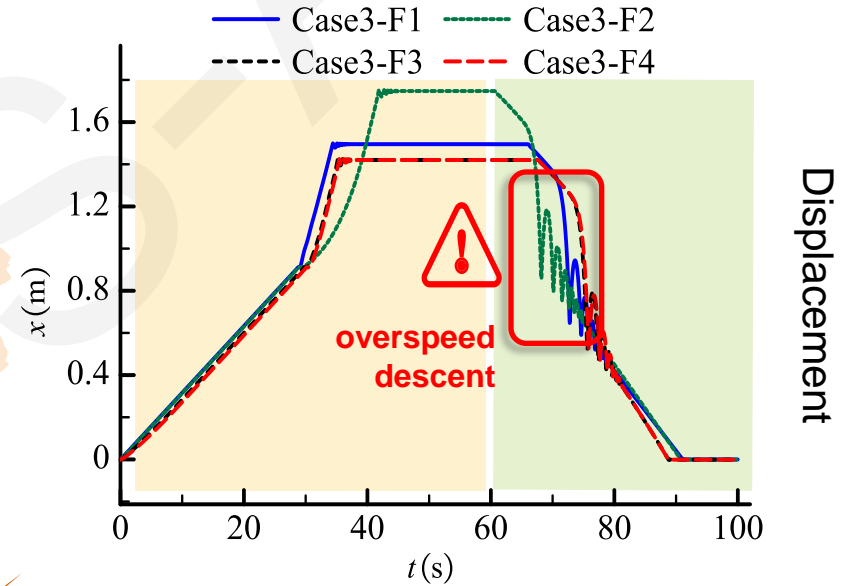
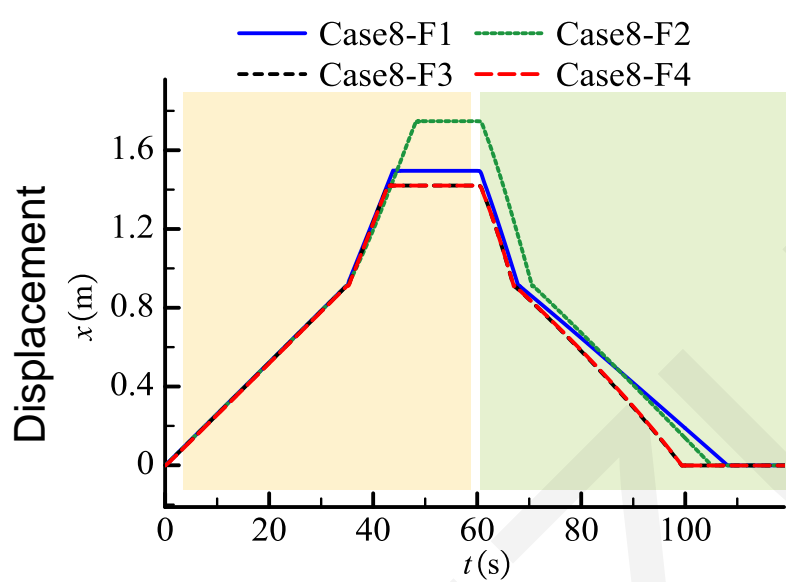


# Verified by Simulations → Results

## Effectiveness at different external loads F

$\lambda < -1 \rightarrow$  Meet the constraint

$\lambda > -1 \rightarrow$  Don't meet the constraint



The simulation results show :  
The proposed design constraint (  $\lambda < -1$  ) is always effective , even under different external loads !

# Verified by Experiments → Results

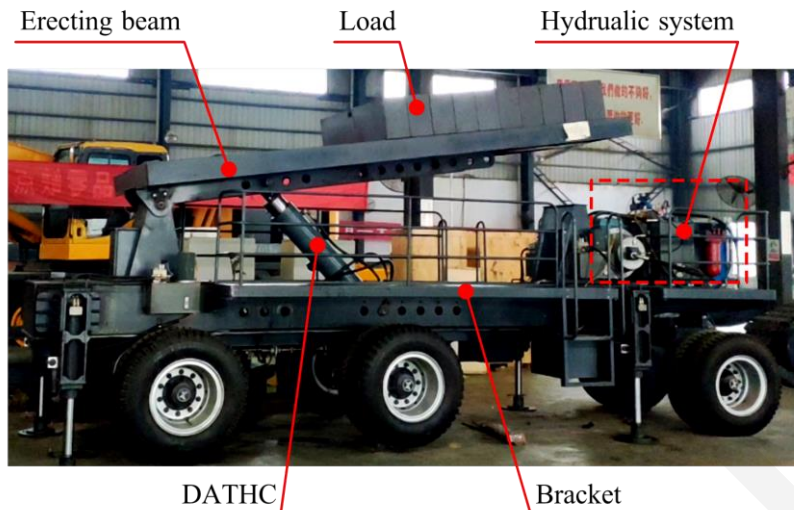
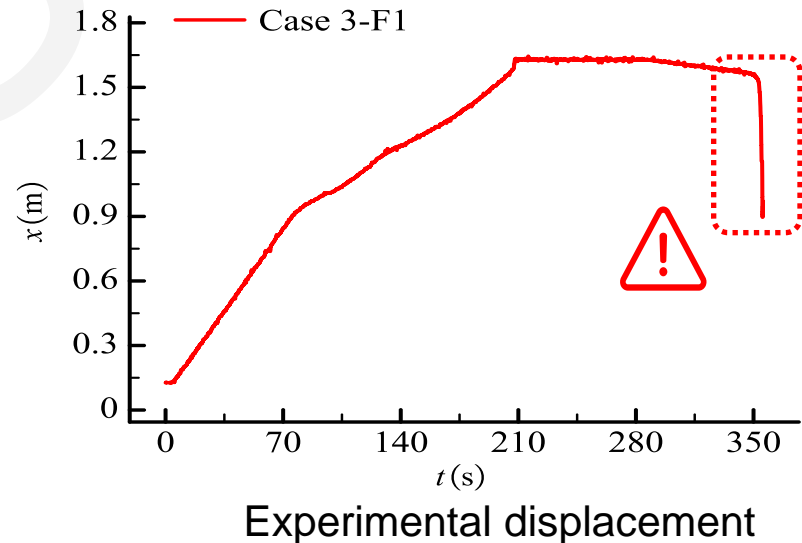
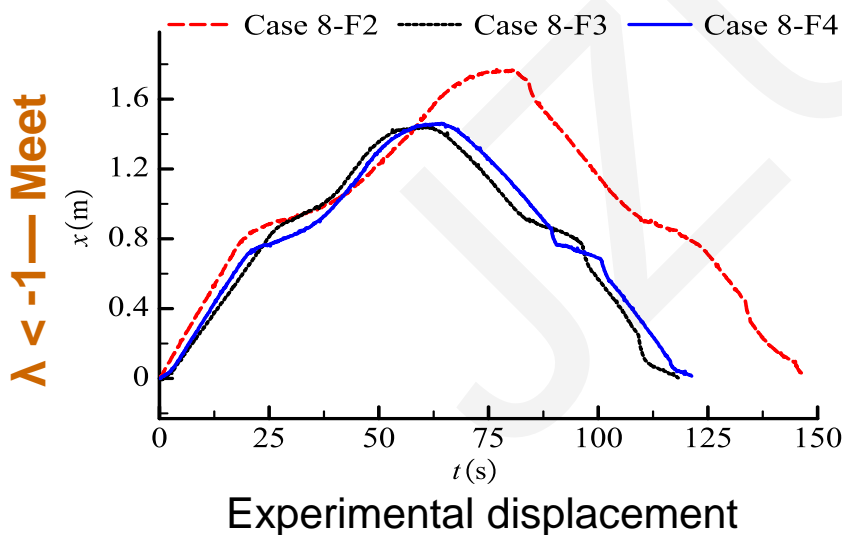


Photo of the experimental platform

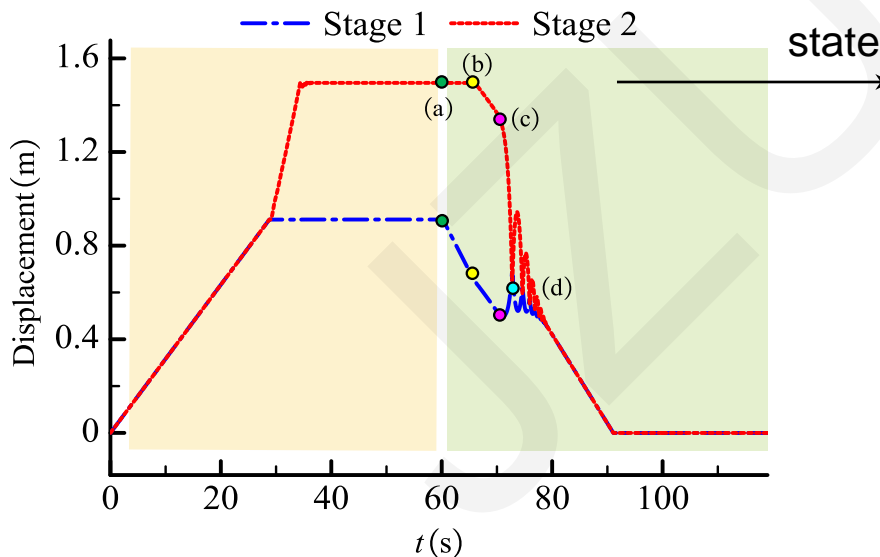
It is further verified that the proposed design constraint ( $\lambda < -1$ ) is effective. The simplified constraint is only related to diameters  $d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4 \rightarrow$  Easy to use!



**$\lambda > -1$  — Don't Meet**

# Further Discussion → Mechanism

**a)→b) Stage 1 first retracts.**  
**Beam does not rotate;**  
**b)→c) Stage 1 and Stage 2**  
**retract. Beam is lowered;**  
**c)→d) Stage 1 extends** ⇨  
**Stage 2 quickly retracts** →  
**overspeed descent**



Displacement of Stage 1 and Stage 2

