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The following articles 'in press' have recently been made available online:

#### Seismic risk assessment of low rise RC frame structure

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### The sensitivity of bridge safety to spatial correlation of load and resistance

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## Geometrically and materially nonlinear creep behaviour of reinforced concrete columns

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### Unequally spaced lateral bracings on compression flanges of steel girders

Hassan Mehri, Roberto Crocetti and Per Johan Gustafsson Div. of Structural Engineering, Lund Univ., Lund, Sweden http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.istruc.2015.05.003

#### **Highlights**

- A simplified expression for critical moment of laterally braced girders is derived
- Solutions for rotational restraint of unequal spans between bracings are derived
- Applicability of the approach is examined by one comprehensive example
- Approach enables choosing more proper location and stiffness of lateral bracings
- Results verify that the approach can be very useful in pre-design stage

#### Experimental Response of Reinforced Concrete Frames With AAC Masonry Infill Walls to In-plane Cyclic Loading

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### Seismic Behaviour of Different Bracing Systems in High Rise 2-D Steel Buildings

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### Development of a nonlinear FE modelling approach for FRP-strengthened RC beam-column connections

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