

## Opinion Article

# A Literature Review based Research Status and Prospect of Steel Frame-Infill Wall Structure

**Abstract:** With the rapid development of China's economy, the state pays more and more attention to the development of assembled steel structure, which makes the proportion of assembled buildings in new houses higher and higher. However, there are still many problems in the current research on steel frame-fill wall structure, such as less research on steel pipe concrete columns and less research on lightweight insulated walls. In this paper, by comprehensively analyzing the research status of steel pipe concrete frame structure, ALC wall panel structure research status and frame infill wall research status at home and abroad, to overcome the shortcomings of assembled frame infill structure, assembled steel pipe concrete frame-sandwich insulation wall panel structure can be used. Under the condition of reasonable connection, the composite wall and the assembled lightweight steel pipe concrete frame work well together, and its seismic performance is better.

**Keywords:** Steel Tube Concrete Frame Structure; ALC Wall Panel Structure; Steel Frame - Infill Wall Structure

### 1.Introduction

In recent years, the floor area of rural housing in China has continued to grow. However, compared with increasingly sophisticated urban housing, rural housing construction is clearly lagging behind. There is a large gap between urban and rural dwellings in terms of seismic safety, heat preservation and energy conservation, construction waste treatment and construction methods, such as insufficient seismic performance, high energy consumption, imperfect construction waste treatment and sloppy construction methods.

The analysis results of some experimental studies at home and abroad show that filling the concrete wall panels into the steel frame can properly consider the interaction between the steel frame and the concrete wall panels, and most of the vertical loads of the structure are borne by the steel frame as a boundary member, while some of the horizontal shear forces are synergistically and jointly borne by the steel frame and the concrete wall panels. In China's "Code for Seismic Design of Buildings (2016 Edition)"<sup>[1]</sup>(GB50011-2010), only in the calculation of the self-resonance period of the structure by using the hypothetical vertex displacement method, a discount factor is introduced into the calculation considering that the infill

wall has a positive effect on the structural stiffness, while in other aspects, the infill wall is still only regarded as a non-structural member, and it only indicates that measures should be taken. However, in other aspects, the infill wall is still regarded as a non-structural member only, indicating only that measures should be taken to minimize the unfavorable impact on the main structure, and it is not regarded as one of the structural lateral force-resisting members. At the same time, under the strong support of the policy, the development of assembly building is faster, but the existing technical system still has a lot of imperfections, such as thermal insulation structure often exists as a load dependent on the frame, which is a kind of burden on the overall structure. And in recent years, the external wall insulation system of buildings around the cracking drums, peeling off, insulation material fire and other events have occurred repeatedly, causing great concern in society. It is of great significance to study the steel frame-filler wall structure.

## **2.Domestic and international research status**

### **2.1 Current Research Status of Steel Tube Concrete Frame Structures**

Concrete for steel tubes refers to the filling of concrete into steel tubes to form a structural element that allows the steel tube and the concrete inside to jointly support external loads. Concrete is strong in compression but weak in bending, while steel sections are strong in bending but prone to localized instability. By combining concrete and steel sections, the advantages of each can be realized: the concrete restrains the internal concrete and provides support in case of lateral compression, while the steel sections remain axially compressed due to the restraining effect of the concrete. Therefore, the structure combining concrete and steel sections not only has strong load-bearing capacity, but also can effectively improve the overall stability of the structure, which is widely used in domestic and foreign practical projects.

Wang Wenda et al.<sup>[2]</sup>(2006) conducted an experimental study on 12 frame specimens to investigate the seismic performance of steel-tube concrete column-steel beam planar frames. (2006) conducted an experimental study on 12 frame specimens with the aim of investigating the seismic performance of steel-tube concrete columns and steel beams planar frames, and the results showed that an increase in axial compression ratio and a decrease in steel content resulted in a decrease in the horizontal ultimate load carrying capacity of the frames as well as a decrease in displacement ductility and energy dissipation capacity; moreover, the circular cross-section column frames had an overall better seismic performance as compared to the square cross-section column frames.

Hoenderkamp JCD et al.<sup>[3]</sup>(2015) investigated the seismic performance of a square steel tubular column frame assembled with precast concrete infill wall panels by means of a proposed static test, analyzed the effect of each parameter on the seismic performance, and carried out numerical simulations to validate their conclusions.

Su Yisheng et al.<sup>[4]</sup>(2018) conducted low circumferential repeated loading tests on square steel pipe recycled concrete column-recycled concrete beam nodes, and the results of the study showed that measures such as increasing the node plate or

reinforcing rings could improve the load carrying capacity and initial stiffness of the specimens.

Han Fang<sup>[5]</sup> and Yu Jipo<sup>[6]</sup> (2019) investigated the seismic performance of steel-tube concrete column-frame-external composite wall panel structure by means of static test and finite element analysis, respectively, to study the force characteristics and damage mechanism of the specimens under horizontal load, and also carried out parametric analyses to study the influence of material and geometrical parameters on the structural force.

Zhou Zhongyi et al<sup>[7]</sup> (2021) conducted a study on the seismic performance and interaction mechanism of CFST (Concrete filled steel tube) frame-integral assembled infill wall, the results of the study showed that the flexible connection between infill wall panels and the frame weakened the load transmitted from the frame to the infill wall panels, and slowed down and mitigated the damage of the integral assembled infill wall panels, which showed an excellent seismic performance and safety reserve.

Xie Chuandong et al<sup>[8]</sup> (2023) designed four single-span two-story frame specimens and conducted a proposed static test study on the assembled self-replacing square steel-tube concrete frame with slotted energy dissipative panels, and the results showed that the frame exhibited good seismic and self-replacing performance, and the damages were mainly concentrated in the energy-dissipative panels that could be expected to be replaced; the frame could be repaired quickly by replacing the energy-dissipative panels after the earthquake.

Ai-Lin Zhang et al<sup>[9]</sup> (2022) proposed a new type of welded node for the field bolted node of steel-tube concrete columns and H-beams, the node diagram is shown in Fig. 1, and the effects of bolt diameter, beam flange cover, widened beam flange, and flange thickness on the seismic performance of the node were investigated through the cyclic loading test of four-bay foot-size specimens, and the new welded node was compared with the traditional welded node through tests and numerical simulations. The seismic performance of the new welded node is compared with that of the traditional welded node through tests and numerical simulations, and the simplified equations for the yield and ultimate bearing capacity of the new welded node are proposed.

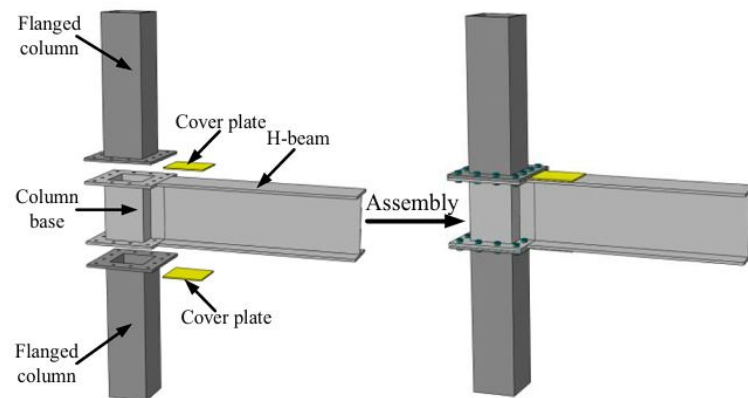


Fig. 1. Structural diagram of the joint.

Xiushu Qu et al<sup>[10]</sup> (2023) proposed a combined node of H-beam and steel-tube concrete columns, the node assembly flowchart is shown in Fig. 2, and the seismic performance of this node was investigated by low weekly load test. The finite element model of the node was established by numerical analysis method. On the basis of verifying the reasonableness of the finite element model, the influence of the end plate thickness and bolt diameter on the energy dissipation performance of the node was investigated through parametric analysis to give full play to the synergistic load-bearing mechanism of the column connectors and concrete.

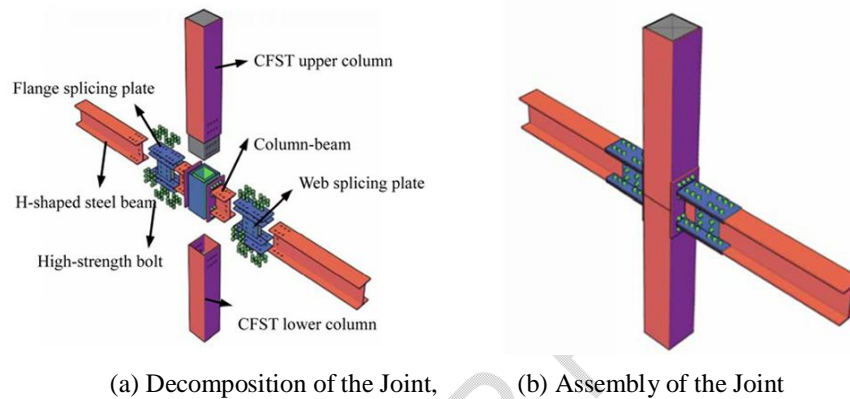


Fig. 2. The Assembly Flowchart

Currently, studies on steel-tube concrete frame structures have focused on the improvement of seismic performance, load carrying capacity, energy absorption capacity, and overall structural performance. These studies have addressed the interaction mechanism between CFST frames and infill walls, the effects of different materials and configurations on the structural performance, and the response under different seismic magnitudes and loading conditions. However, there are fewer studies on the detailed design and fire resistance of these structures. In particular, there is a lack of research on the details of CFST frame infill wall connections, such as the connections between steel tubes and concrete infill walls, and between steel frames and infill walls, which are essential to ensure structural integrity and avoid brittle damage during earthquakes. In terms of fire resistance, although steel-tube concrete structures have good fire resistance, there is a relative lack of specific research on frame infill wall structures, such as assessment of load-bearing capacity after fire and fire-resistant design methods.

## 2.2 ALC wall panel structure research status

ALC (Autoclaved Lightweight Aerated Concrete) board is a kind of porous concrete molding plate, the main raw materials include cement, lime, silica sand, etc., after high pressure steam curing and become, compared with the traditional cementitious materials, ALC board has many advantages and characteristics: firstly, ALC board contains a large number of pores, so it has a lighter weight, which makes it possible to reduce the overall load in the building structure, thus reducing the self-weight of the building. This reduces the overall load when used in the building structure, thus reducing the self-weight pressure of the building, which is conducive to

reducing the bearing pressure of the foundation and improving the seismic performance of the building; secondly, due to the rich pore structure, the panels have good heat preservation and insulation properties, which effectively reduces the energy consumption, improves the energy-saving performance of the building, and reduces the operating cost of the building; in addition, the ALC panels have good sound-absorbing and sound-insulating properties, which effectively reduce the noise of the interior and exterior of the building, providing a more comfortable and quieter environment. In addition, ALC panel has good sound-absorbing and sound-insulating properties, which can effectively reduce the noise inside and outside of the building and provide a more comfortable and quiet living environment, which is conducive to the health and quality of life of the occupants; moreover, because ALC panel adopts common raw materials such as cement, lime, silica sand, etc. and adopts the high-pressure steam curing technology during the manufacturing process, the production process is relatively environmentally friendly, and it can reduce the consumption of natural resources and reduce the pollution of the environment. Therefore, as a new type of building material, ALC panel has many advantages such as light weight, heat insulation, sound absorption and insulation, environmental protection, etc. It has a broad application prospect and development space, and will play an important role in the construction industry, bringing more choices and possibilities for the design and construction of buildings<sup>[11]</sup>.

Li<sup>[12]</sup>(2005) conducted an experimental study on steel framed structures with externally hung and embedded ALC wall panels and analyzed the hysteretic performance of the structural system.

Tian H et al<sup>[13]</sup>(2009) investigated the shear performance of autoclaved aerated lightweight concrete (ALC) composite wall panels by means of interfacial pure shear tests.

Bulingquan et al<sup>[14]</sup>(2010) investigated the seismic performance of a steel frame with embedded honeycomb sandwich composite wall panels.

Bo Wang et al<sup>[15]</sup>(2013) carried out low circumferential repeated load tests on structural specimens of steel-tube concrete frames with pure frames and steel-tube concrete frames with ALC slats and blocks, and investigated in detail the effects of parameters such as wall panel thickness, wall panel connection form and wall panel type on the seismic performance of the specimens. J F Wang et al<sup>[16]</sup>(2017) carried out horizontal low-cycle reciprocating load loading on ALC slab and block frame system and found that the two types of enclosing walls were connected reliably, which allowed the walls to work in concert with the frame and the structure to meet the safety requirements under seismic actions.

Hu Jingwu et al<sup>[17]</sup> ( 2018 ) implemented a shaking table test on steel frame-inserted spliced aerated concrete infill wall panel footing structure, and the frame and wall were connected through the pre-embedded parts in the wall panels, and the results showed that the connection node had a certain seismic damping effect, and the model had the maximum interstorey displacement angle of 1/49 in the 8 degree rare ground shaking, and only the wall panels had localized damage while the steel frame did not have any significant damage, and the structure had a good seismic

performance. The structural seismic performance is good.

Gokmen F et al<sup>[18]</sup>(2019) conducted a low weekly reciprocating load test and finite element simulation on a two-story wall panel structure in order to study the seismic performance of reinforced ALC wall panels, and the test results showed that the bottom floor of the building had a greater influence on the force performance of the whole structural system during the whole test loading process, and the members had good load carrying capacity and ductility.

Yinggang Zhang<sup>[19]</sup>(2021) constructed a hysteretic performance assessment model for steel frame-ALC wall panel structure by using ABAQUS software, and investigated the role of several factors such as mortar fill, span-height ratio, axial-compression ratio, wall panel dimensions (width and thickness), and strength of the ALC wall panels on the seismic capacity of the structure.

In order to investigate the cracking resistance of ALC panels with different connection methods in steel frames under horizontal loads and the cracking resistance of different finishes, Ruihua Huang et al. <sup>[20]</sup> (2022) designed and carried out low-cycle reciprocating load tests on three bays of full-size two-story single-span steel frames with embedded ALC wall panels. The results show that: the main damage mode of embedded ALC wall panels is cracking at the wall panel joints; the cracking resistance of wall panels with built-in anchors is better than that of the hook-and-bolt and sliding-bolt joints; the location of the wall panel joints with the steel frames is the weakest location for cracking resistance of the finish; the location of the wall panel joints is good for cracking resistance of the finish; and the cracking resistance of the caulked joints of the two-component sealant is better than that of the one-component sealant.

In order to study the effect of mortar fullness on the hysteretic properties of the external ALC panel-steel frame system and the crack resistance of ALC wall panels, Chen J et al. <sup>[21]</sup>(2023) established a finite element model based on the ABAQUS software and the Crack Expansion Finite Element Method (XFEM), as shown in Fig. 3, and analyzed the effects of the parameters of the ALC wall panel strength, wall panel thickness, wall panel width, axial compression ratio, and span-to-height ratio on the strength, thickness, width, axial compression ratio, and span-to-height ratio of ALC wall panels. The results show that: in terms of hysteretic performance, the ALC wall panels have a very good performance. The results show that, in terms of hysteretic performance, the bearing capacity and stiffness of the external ALC panel-steel span system decreased with the increase of axial compression ratio, while other parameters such as mortar fullness had less influence.

Li Zhihua and others<sup>[22]</sup> (2020) analyzed the causes and control of cracks in ALC energy-saving wall panels, ALC wall panels in the process of practical application, has good application characteristics, although the state has introduced relevant standards and atlases, but the actual application of the process due to the structure of the building and the system is different, need to be constructed according to the actual situation, control the quality of the panels.

At present, there are two main connection methods for ALC wall panels: external ALC wall panels are often attached to the frame as a load, which is a burden to the

overall structure; when ALC wall panels are embedded, there is continuous interaction between the wall and the frame under seismic action, and the wall has a great influence on the self-resonance period, lateral stiffness, load carrying capacity, energy dissipation characteristics of the frame, etc. If the wall is only regarded as a load in mechanical analysis, it will cause serious discrepancies between the calculation results and the actual forces on the structure. If the wall is only regarded as a load in the mechanical analysis, the calculation results will not be consistent with the actual stresses of the structure, and there are few studies on this aspect.

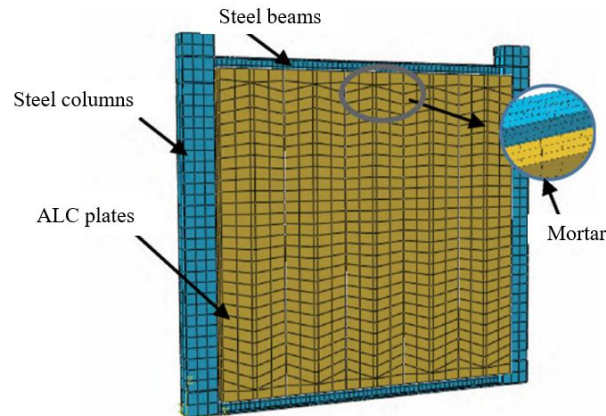


Fig 3. Finite element model of external ALC wall panel-steel frame system

### 2.3 Current status of frame infill wall research

China's "Code for Seismic Design of Buildings (2016 Edition)"<sup>[1]</sup>(GB 50011-2010) stipulates that the infill wall and partition wall should give priority to the use of lightweight wall materials, and try to take measures to minimize the adverse impact on the main structure, and should be set up with tie reinforcement, horizontal tie beams, ring beams, structural columns, etc. and the main structure of the reliable tie; the wall should be reliable tie with the main structure. Reliable ties should be provided between the walls and the main structure, which can adapt to the inter-story displacement in different directions of the main structure. In the process of structural design, the infill wall is designed as a non-structural member, and the empirical formula method is adopted to calculate the basic cycle of the frame structure, and then the influence of the infill wall on the overall stiffness is considered through the introduction of the discount factor, and the cycle discount factor of the frame structure can be taken to be 0.6~0.7.

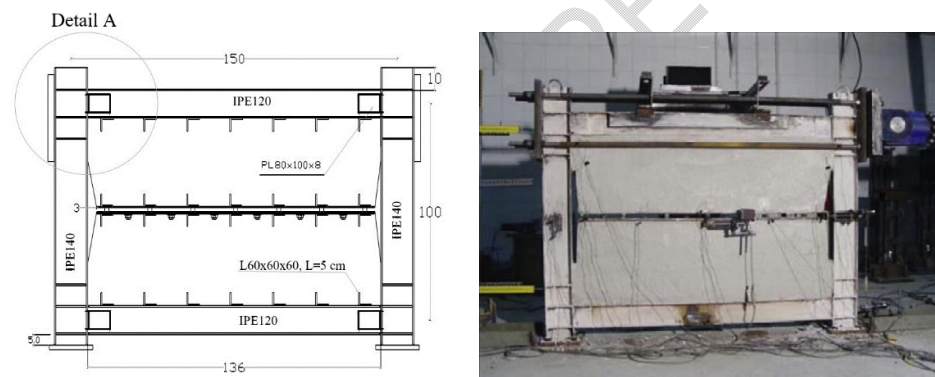
In the U.S. FEMA-356 specification<sup>[23]</sup>, the calculation method of infill walls in frame structures is clearly defined, and it is recommended to use the diagonal brace model to analyze the influence of infill walls on the stiffness and strength of frame structures, which is a simplified method to facilitate the numerical modeling and subsequent analysis and calculation of frame-infill wall structures.

In Eurocode<sup>[24]</sup>, all types of infill walls are considered as non-structural elements, and dynamic elastic-plastic analyses can be used to evaluate the seismic performance of frame-infill wall structures, and to study the interaction between infill walls and

reinforced concrete frames and the effects on their mechanical properties.

In the other view, the infill wall is considered as a nonstructural element with a greater impact on the frame structure, and therefore the influence of the infill wall on the overall seismic performance should be considered when the structure enters the elastic-plastic stage. However, it is difficult to determine the factors affecting the interaction between the infill wall and the frame structure, such as the material of the infill wall, the connection method, the stiffness of the wall, and so on, which leads to the complexity of the research and analysis. Therefore, further in-depth studies and research are needed to develop more scientific and reasonable design codes and engineering practice guidelines to ensure the coordination and safety between infill walls and framed structures.

Mohammadi et al.<sup>[25]</sup>(2010) designed a friction sliding fuse placed in the center of an infill wall, as shown in Figure 4, to limit or eliminate damage to the infill wall and frame; during an earthquake, the device allows the upper and lower walls to slide relative to each other, thus avoiding structural damage and dissipating energy, and tests have confirmed the hysteresis and ductility of the device to be superior to that of conventional infill wall framing



(a) Typical specimen construction (b) Typical specimen photo

Fig. 4

Morelli F et al.<sup>[26]</sup> (2019) developed a new energy-consuming structure (SRCW), as shown in Fig. 5, which is connected between a hybrid structural frame and a reinforced concrete infill wall by means of bolts. The effect of the number and distribution of bolts on the seismic performance of this structure was investigated through experiments, and the experimental results were verified by using a finite element analysis method, and finally a method for assessing the performance and energy dissipation capacity of a bolted structure is proposed.

Ghobadi M S et al.<sup>[27]</sup>(2019) investigated the effect of masonry infill walls on the structural performance of steel frames and the effectiveness of repair measures taken on damaged masonry infill walls by conducting three different experiments. The experimental results showed that these repair methods were effective in restoring the load carrying capacity, stiffness and ductility of the damaged infill walls.

LIU.Y et al.<sup>[28]</sup>(2012) conducted a proposed static test on one steel frame specimen and ten steel frame-concrete masonry infill wall specimens with different

parameters to study the effects of shear-to-span ratio, grouting range, opening rate, and wall-to-frame stiffness ratio on the mechanical properties and damage characteristics of the specimens and evaluated the reliability of the calculation method for frame-masonry infill wall structures in the current design codes of Canada and the United States on the basis of the test results. The reliability of the calculation methods in the current Canadian and US design codes was evaluated.



Fig. 5 Failure mode of SRCW specimen

Lignos D G et al.<sup>[29]</sup>(2014) used a large-scale hybrid simulation test to deeply analyze the force mechanism and damage characteristics of steel frame-steel fiber concrete panels, investigated the effect of steel fiber concrete panels on the seismic performance of steel frames, and suggested that such steel fiber concrete panels could be used as replaceable energy dissipation components after large earthquakes.

Senkardesler O et al.<sup>[30]</sup>(2017) investigated the seismic performance of cold-formed steel frame structures and cold-formed steel frame-infill wall structures by shaking table tests and horizontal low-cycle repeated tests, respectively. In the shaking table tests, the literature proposed the damage index as an index for structural performance evaluation by utilizing the reduction of structural self-resonance frequency and investigated the change rule of the structural damping ratio, interstory shear; in the horizontal low-cycle repeated tests, the damage index of structural damping ratio, interstory shear and the damage index of structural steel frame-infill wall structures were investigated. In the shaking table tests, the literature proposed the damage index as an index for structural performance evaluation by utilizing the reduction of structural self-resonance frequency, and investigated the change rule of structural damping ratio and inter-story shear.

In the 1970s, Yin Zhiqian<sup>[31]</sup> took the lead in the study of the effect of clay brick infill walls on the bearing capacity of frame structures under horizontal loads, and found that the distribution of stiffness between infill walls and frames affects the conclusions of the horizontal loads that can be borne by both of them, which opened the prelude to experimental research on infill wall frame structures in China.

Fang Mingji et al.<sup>[32]</sup>(2005) conducted foot-over-foot shaking table tests on steel frame-lightweight sand aerated concrete exterior wall panel structure and steel frame-block infill wall structure, focusing on the differences in the effects of lightweight sand wall panels and block walls on the seismic performance of steel frame structures, comparing the force mechanisms and weak points of the two, and

proposing design recommendations for this type of structure.

Zhao Yuliang<sup>[33]</sup>(2009) conducted shaking table tests on a scaled model of a steel frame-external prefabricated dense-ribbed wall panel structure. The results showed that the structural stiffness of the wall panels was increased, the amplification coefficient of the acceleration at the top level was lower than that of the frame-only specimen, and the connection with a rubber gasket had a certain seismic isolation and energy-consuming effect.

Gao Liang<sup>[34]</sup>(2015) used ABAQUS finite element software to investigate the effects of compressive strength of recycled concrete, yield strength of frame column sections, axial compression ratio, wall block strength, and wall aspect ratio on the seismic performance of profile recycled concrete frame-recycled block infill walls.

GuoHongchao et al.<sup>[35]</sup>(2017) conducted a proposed static test on steel frame-embedded recycled concrete wall structure, which mainly explored the distribution of internal forces between the wall and the frame under the horizontal load and the effect of beam-column node stiffness on the seismic capacity of the structure, and the test results revealed that the stiffness of the beam-column nodes has a limited effect on the structural capacity, and in comparison with the concrete material properties of the embedded wall, the stiffness of the beam-column nodes has a limited effect on the structural capacity and the seismic performance. The test results revealed that the stiffness of beam-column nodes had a limited effect on the load carrying capacity of the structure, whereas the concrete material properties of the embedded walls had a significant effect on the load carrying capacity and stiffness.

Dong Hongying et al.<sup>[37][37]</sup>(2019) conducted a two-story, single-span steel frame-external microcrystalline foamed wall panel foot-scale structural shaking table test to investigate the dynamic characteristic changes and seismic response of the structure, and the results showed that the structure meets the code requirements for seismic resistance, and the wall can reduce the inter-story displacement of the structure to a certain extent, and the preexisting joints between adjacent walls need to be added with flexible materials to mitigate the phenomena of mutual impacts and compression. Flexible materials need to be added to the joints between neighboring walls to reduce mutual impact and compression.

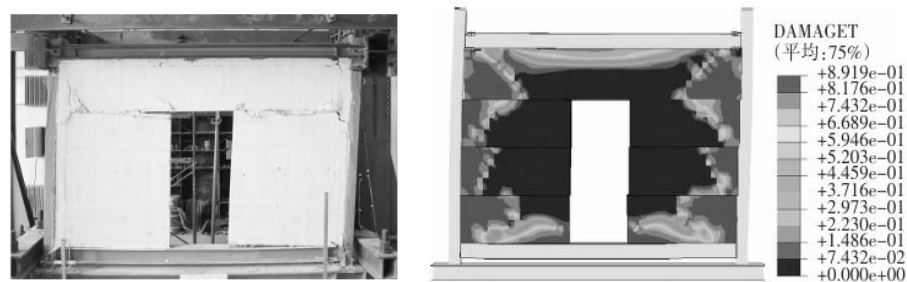
In order to investigate the effects of different types of reclaimed infill walls on the load carrying capacity, deformation capacity, ductility and energy dissipation capacity of the specimens, Yuchou Wang et al.<sup>[38]</sup>(2020) conducted low-cycle repeated loading tests on 5-bay frame-reclaimed infill wall specimens (including 1-bay pure frame and 1-bay wall specimens), which showed that the composition of wall materials of reclaimed infill walls had a greater effect on the seismic performance of the frame structures. The test results show that the wall material composition of reclaimed infill wall has a greater influence on the seismic performance of frame structures, and the performance of frame-reclaimed infill wall structures degrades faster after ultimate loads than that of frame-ordinary infill wall structures.

Yanqing Zhang<sup>[39]</sup>(2022) conducted low-cycle reciprocating loading tests by designing a 1-bay recycled concrete frame and a 2-bay recycled masonry infill wall-profile steel recycled concrete frame with the aim of investigating the seismic

performance of recycled masonry infill wall-profile steel recycled concrete frame structures, and the results of the tests showed that the frames with infill walls had better energy dissipation capacity than the pure frame specimens at the beginning of loading, but inferior to the pure frame specimens at the later stage due to the destruction of infill walls. The test results show that the frame with infill wall has better energy dissipation capacity than the pure frame specimen at the beginning of loading, but worse than the pure frame specimen at the end of loading due to the damage of infill wall.

JinliangBian et al.<sup>[40]</sup>(2022)proposed an assembled structure (CFST frame-ESP combination wall) consisting of a lightweight steel-tube concrete frame and embedded steel plate (ESP) combination wall. In order to investigate the seismic performance of the prefabricated structure, six full-size specimens were tested with low reverse cyclic loading to compare the damage characteristics, hysteresis characteristics, load carrying capacity, stiffness degradation, and energy dissipation capacity of the specimens.

Wu Tao et al.<sup>[41]</sup>(2024), in order to study the seismic performance of steel-tube concrete frame-ALC wall panel structure, used ABAQUS software to establish a finite element model of the structure and applied a low circumferential reciprocating load to analyze it, as shown in Fig. 6, to explore the influence of the key factors such as the dimensions and locations of the openings on the seismic performance of the steel-tube concrete frame-ALC wall panel structure, and compared with the results of the existing tests, to verify the validity of the modeling and analytical results. analyzed results, to verify the validity of the modeling and analysis results.



(a)Photographs of test wall panels (b)Numerical simulation of damage cloud

Fig. 6

### 3. Problems with existing research

From the above literature, combined with the previous researches at home and abroad in recent decades, it can be seen that there are many researches on steel frame-fill wall structures, but there are still some problems that need to be further investigated:

(1) Most of the steel frames used are H-type steel columns or steel beams, and there are fewer studies on steel pipe concrete columns;

(2) The research on frame infill wall mainly focuses on the node form of reinforced steel frames and the connection method with wall panels, and there are few researches on the synergistic deformation of wall panels and frames to reduce the

damage of walls by improving their ductility;

(3) The main wall panels of frame structures are mostly masonry infill walls, and there are fewer studies on lightweight heat preservation walls.

#### **4. Conclusion and future Prospect**

In order to overcome the above drawbacks of the assembled frame infill structure, so that both the light steel frame and the composite wall can play their respective advantages when a strong earthquake occurs, the assembled steel pipe concrete frame-sandwich insulated wall panel structure can be used<sup>[42]</sup>, which is a kind of assembled lightweight steel pipe concrete frame-composite wall seismic energy-saving structure, and the composite wall is divided into a wall without openings, a wall with window openings, and a wall with door openings. The bearing capacity, stiffness, ductility, hysteresis characteristics and energy consumption of the structure were comparatively investigated, and the joint working mechanism of the lightweight steel-tube concrete frame and composite wall was analyzed, and a practical calculation method for the horizontal bearing capacity of the structure was proposed. Wu Tao et al.<sup>[41]</sup> and used ABAQUS software to establish a finite element model of the structure and analyzed the structure by applying low circumferential reciprocating loads, and studied its effect on the seismic performance of the structure by modifying the size and location of the doorway in the frame wall panels. The results show that the composite wall and the assembled lightweight steel-tube concrete frame work well together under reasonable connection conditions; compared with the pure frame structure, the horizontal bearing capacity, stiffness and deformation capacity of the assembled lightweight steel-tube concrete-composite wall structure are significantly improved. There is a horizontal sliding phenomenon of the embedded strip composite wall panels, and the frictional energy dissipation generated by the sliding is able to increase the energy-consuming capacity of the structure.

The structure forms horizontal friction joints between the top and bottom of the beam and each layer of composite wall, and the foam concrete slurry embedded joints are used between the upper and lower layers of foam concrete on both sides. In this way, when a small earthquake occurs, due to the existence of bonding at the horizontal joints, no relative sliding occurs between the sandwich composite walls; when a large earthquake occurs, the mortar layer at the horizontal joints cracks, and relative horizontal sliding occurs between the wall panels, which can realize the coordination of deformation with the steel-tube concrete frame to avoid the frame columns from being subjected to too large a shear effect; on the other hand, the micro-amplitude misalignment between the wall panels can dissipate a part of the seismic energy and reduce the seismic response of superstructure. On the other hand, the slight misalignment between wall panels can dissipate part of the seismic energy and reduce the seismic response of superstructure. On the basis of ensuring its good seismic performance, realizing the integration of heat preservation and structure, reducing the energy consumption of the building, reducing the noise in the construction process and the pollution of the environment by waste concrete, saving a lot of time, and improving the efficiency of the construction, the study of the seismic principle of horizontal mismatch and friction

energy dissipation between wall panels has changed the destructive form of the traditional frame infill wall, and it is capable of guiding the construction of the specific project.

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