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# Introduction of Hazard Resilient Ductile Iron Pipe

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Corporate

**KUBOTA Corporation**

name

Established

**1890**

Capital

**¥84.1 billion**

Revenue  
(consolidated)

**¥3,016.3 billion**

Employees  
(consolidated)

**52,094**

Global expansion

Over **120** areas

Overseas sales

**79.0%**

(as of December 31, 2024)



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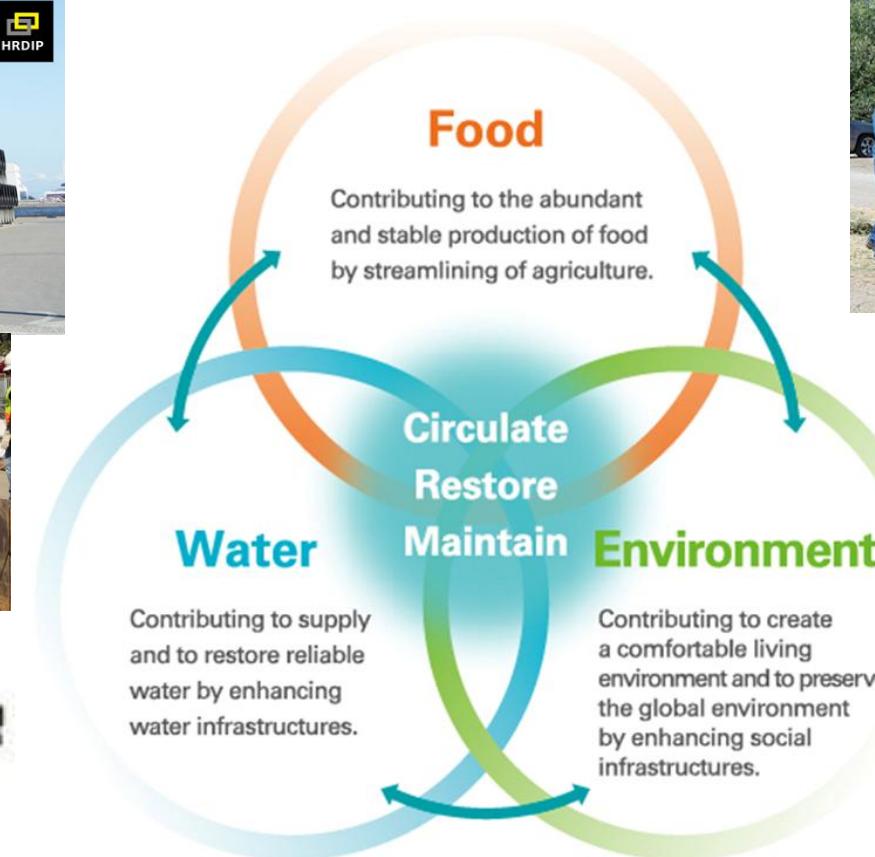


## Developing Businesses to Benefit Society Since our Founding

Kubota began its business by manufacturing and selling cast metal products. Since then, we have offered various products contributing to improving human lives and society.

135 years  
Founded in 1890

## Supporting the World's Food, Water, and Environment



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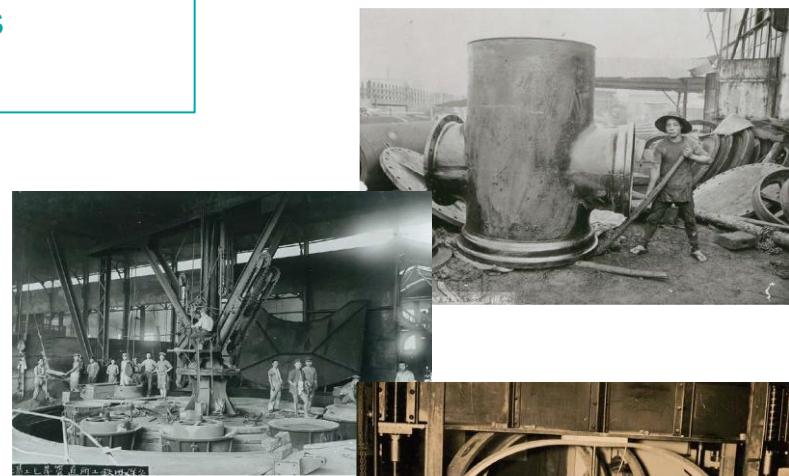
1890-1900s

Demand for Water Infrastructure Rose as Infectious Diseases, such as Cholera, Spread

**Until the Production of Domestic Iron Pipes**

Kubota started producing Cast Iron Pipes in 1893, then four years later, succeeded in manufacturing straight pipes.

Continuous efforts in inventing casting equipment and methods, Kubota succeeded to establish Centrifugal Casting in 1936.



1940-1950s

Water Infrastructure is Restored, Overcoming Resource Shortages

**Started Developing Waterworks Supplies -The Origin of Kubota's Water-Related Business**

A new material, ductile cast iron (DCI) developed in the U.S., shocked the industry in 1948. Kubota prepared for the full-scale mass production of iron pipes in 1950. **Kubota was the first in Asia in developing the Metal Mold Centrifugal Casting Technology.**

1950-1960s

Modernization and the Development of Larger Water Infrastructures Brought on by Rapid Economic Growth

**Challenge to Mass-Production of Large-Diameter Ductile Iron Pipes with Centrifugal Casting**



1970-1990s

Unprecedented Economic Growth Continued across the World

**Delivering World Class Water Infrastructure from Japan to Globe**

Kubota had a global market presence and has significantly expanded its global footprint. Today we support infrastructure in more than 70 countries.

High Quality of Kubota Pipes are respected for their durability and performance.

1990s-

Providing a Reliable Lifeline by Accurately Grasping the Changing Needs

**Developing Public Infrastructure in Preparation for Natural Disasters**

**In 1974, Kubota originated first Earthquake-Resistant Ductile Iron Pipe, “ERDIP”.**

Kubota developed GX-type earthquake-resistant pipe in 2010. It is characterized by its ease of installation and 100-year service life with high resistance to natural disasters.

Future...

*Kubota’s Technological Strength that Continues to Support World’s Water Infrastructure*



Year	Project	Size (mm)	Total length (m)
1987	The Project of Water Supply (Ngeremlengui-State)	150	900
1991-1992	The Project for Improvement of Water Supply	100-300	12,200
2016-2017	The Project for Improvement of Water Supply System	80-400	9,052

# Supply Record: Oceanian region

Year	Country	Project	Size (mm)	Total length (m)
1980	Papua New Guinea	Port Moresby	600-800	9,800
1982	Papua New Guinea	Port Moresby	300-1000	6,000
1987	Marshall	Project of Water Supply in Majuro Atoll	100-350	15,000
1995	Papua New Guinea	Project of Water Supply in Port Moresby	100-1100	5,196
2000	Tonga	-	150-500	13,872
2005	East Timor	Project for Improvement of Water Supply in Dili	80-250	16,114
2006-2007	East Timor	Project for Improvement of Water Supply in Same and Ainaro	80-300	24,322

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- Road collapse by typhoon
- Place: Shiga
- Pipe size: 100 and 150 mm (NS-type)



- Road collapse and Tsunami by the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake(M9.0)
- Place: Miyako-city, Iwate
- Pipe size: 200 mm (NS-type)



- Liquefaction caused by 1995 Kobe Earthquake (M7.3)
- Place: Kobe-city, Hyogo
- Pipe size: 700 mm(S-type)

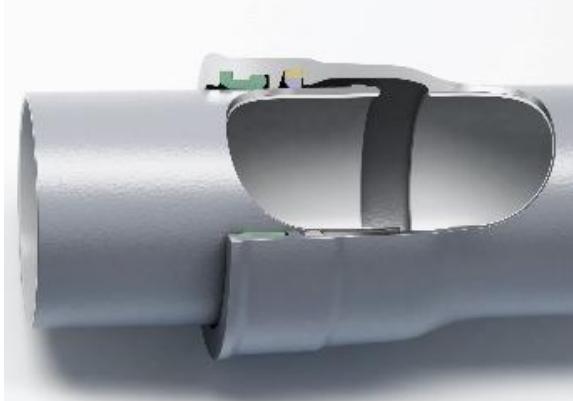
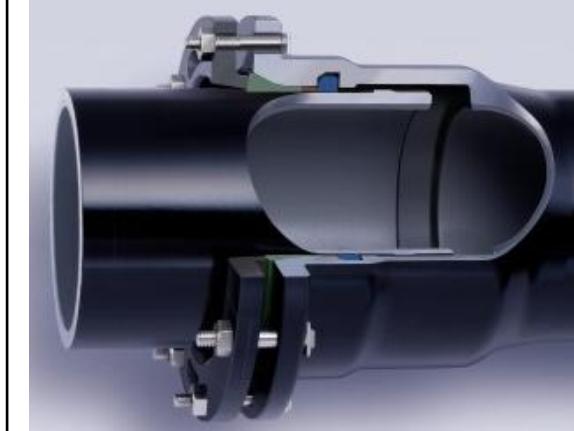


- We renamed HRDIP from ERDIP to reflect that these lineups can withstand not only earthquake but also other natural disasters in Japan.

# HRDIP

## Hazard Resilient Ductile Iron Pipe

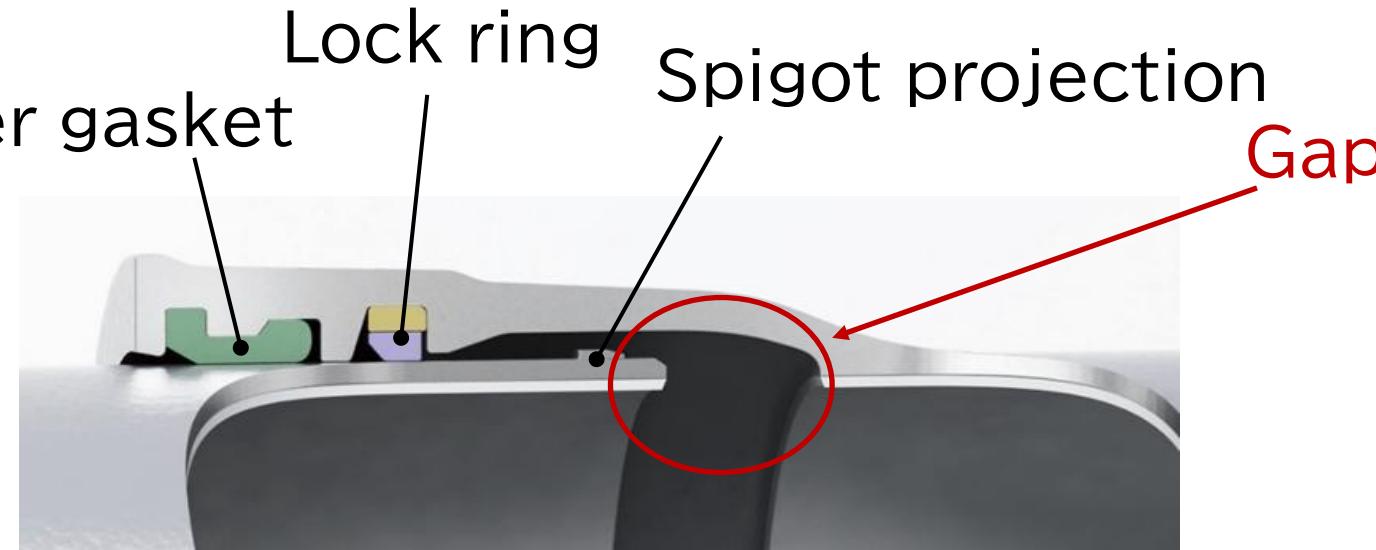


Diameter (mm)		
75-450	500-1000	1100-2600
<b>GX type <sup>2)</sup></b> 	<b>NS type</b> 	<b>S type</b> 

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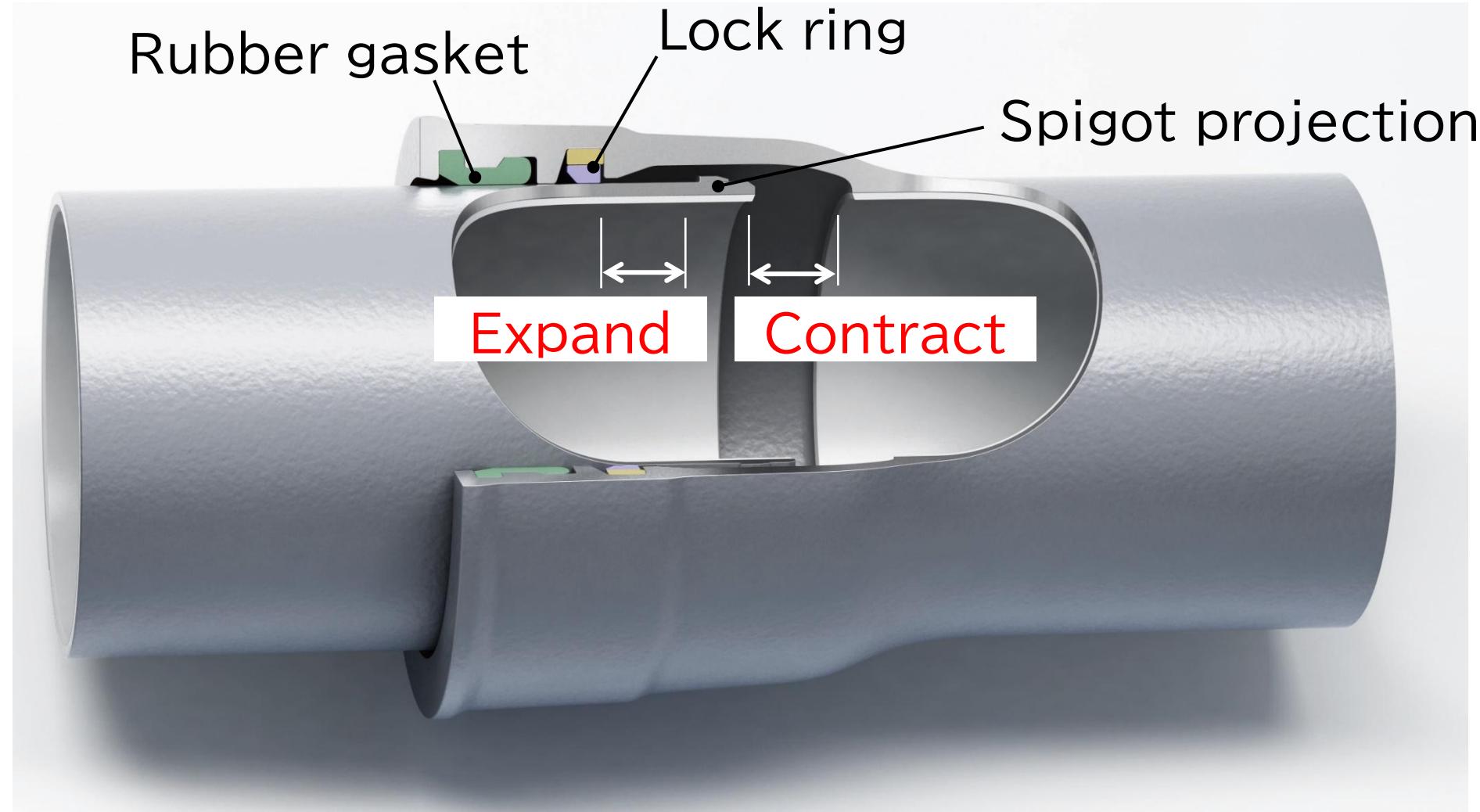
- 1) HRDIPs are conforming to JIS (Japanese Industrial Standards).  
GX type can provide 6", 8" and 12" AWWA size.
- 2) Metallic zinc alloy coating is applied to GX-type products.

HRDIP  
(GX type)



Standard  
pipe



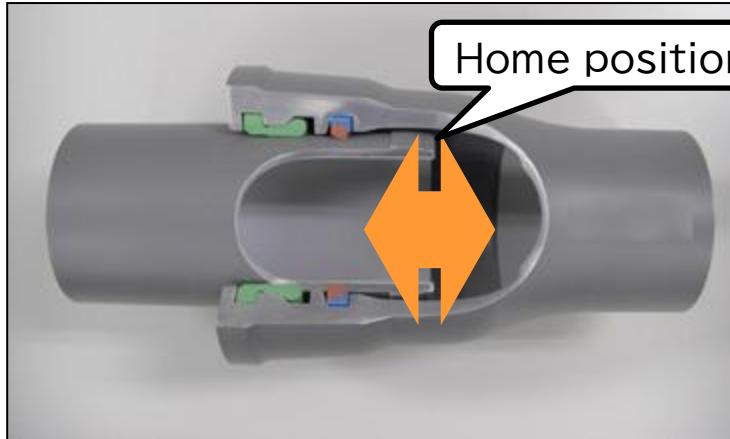


Parameter	Class	Component performance
Expansion/contraction Performance	S-1	$\pm 1\%$ of $L$ or more
	S-2	$\pm 0.5\%$ to less than $\pm 1\%$ of $L$
	S-3	Less than $\pm 0.5\%$ of $L$
Slip-out resistance	A	$3 d\text{ kN}$ or more
	B	$1.5 d\text{ kN}$ to less than $3 d\text{ kN}$
	C	$0.75 d\text{ kN}$ to less than $1.5 d\text{ kN}$
	D	Less than $0.75 d\text{ kN}$
Joint deflection angle	M-1	$\theta a$ or more
	M-2	$\theta a/2$ to less than $\theta a$
	M-3	Less than $\theta a/2$

$L$ : component length (mm)  $d$ : nominal diameter of pipe (mm)  
 $\theta a$ : joint deflection angle as shown below

Pipe size(mm)	80-400	450-1000	1100-1500	1600-2200	2400-2600
$\theta a$	$8^\circ$	$7^\circ$	$5^\circ 30'$	$4^\circ$	$3^\circ 30'$

## 1) Expansion and contraction



Performance:  $\pm 1\%$  of pipe length

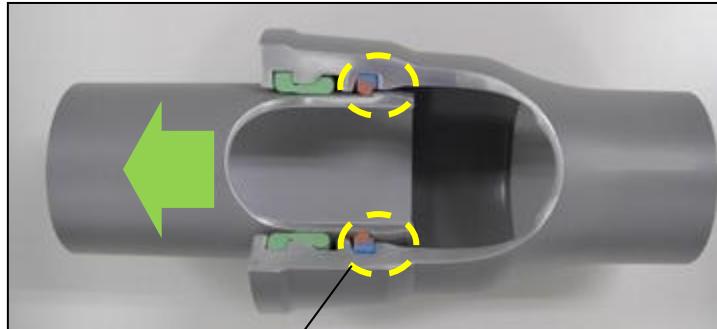
e.g. Size 100 mm pipe

Nominal pipe length: 4000 mm

-> Joint can expand / contract 40 mm.

Note: Fitting joint cannot expand or contract.

## 2) Slip-out resistance



Lock ring and spigot projection prevent the joint from being slipped out.

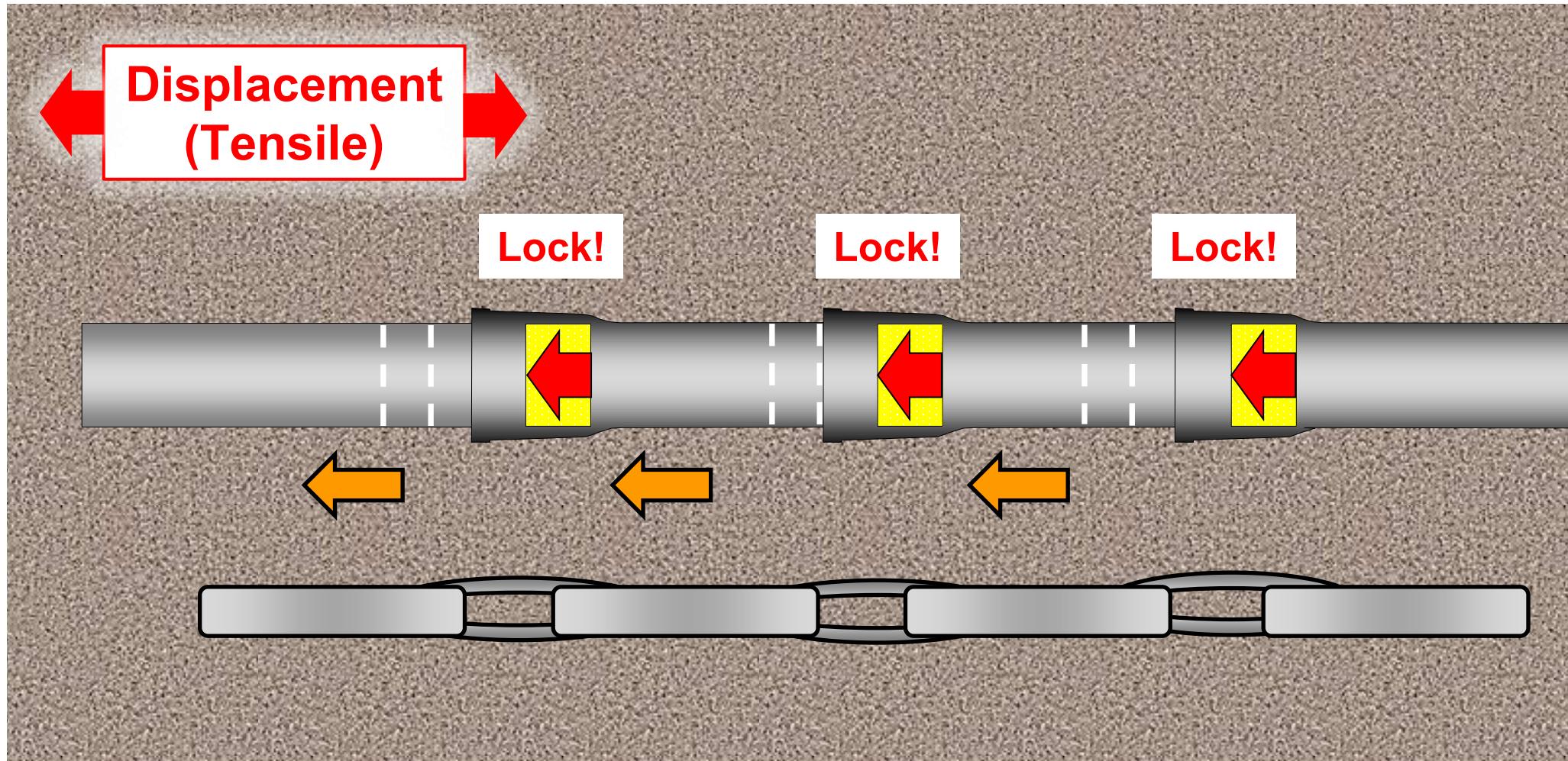
Performance: 3D kN

\* D: nominal pipe size in millimeters

e.g. Size 100 mm pipe

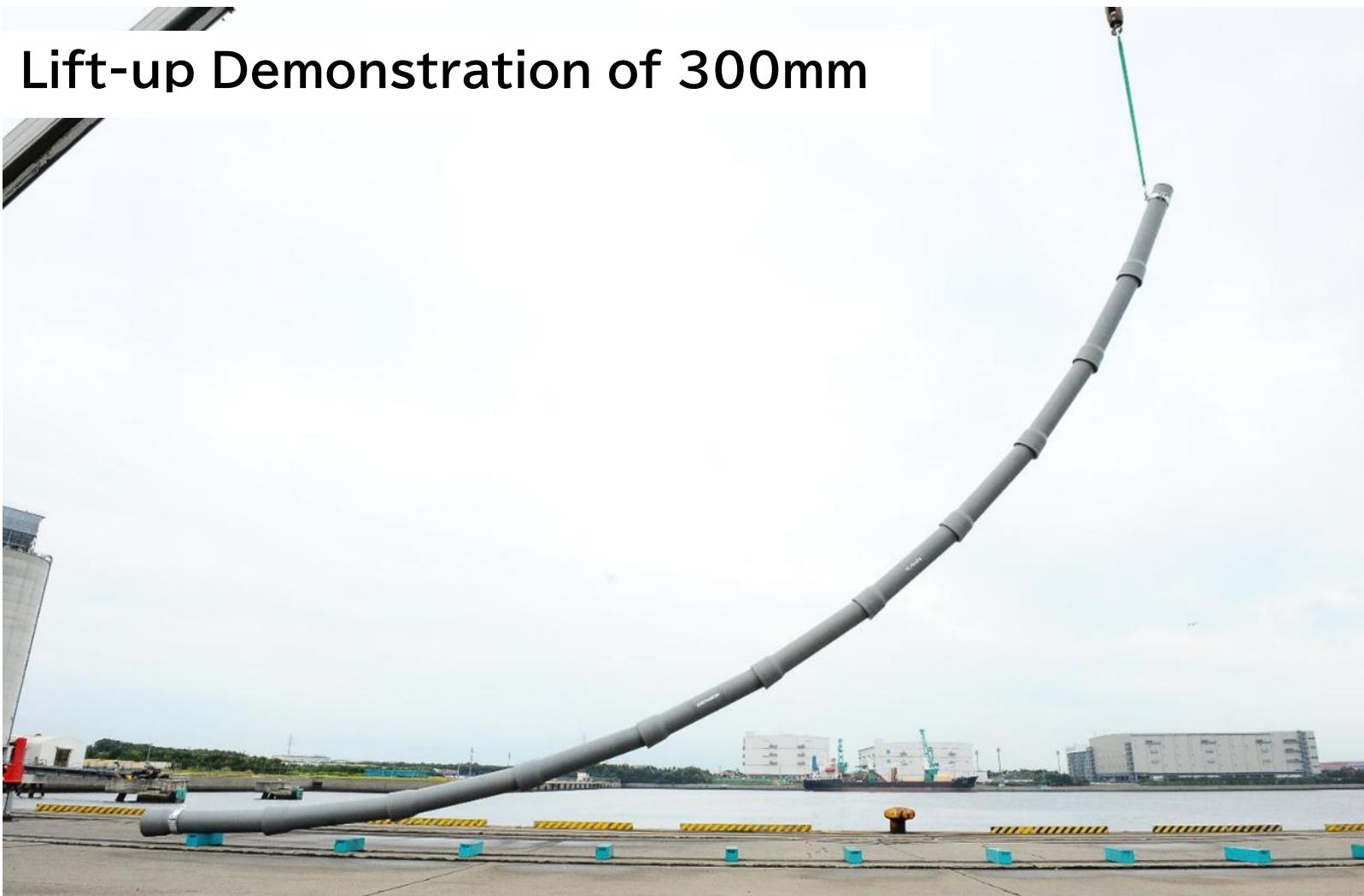
-> Slip-out resistance is  $3 \times 100 = 300\text{kN}$ .

Note: Fitting joint has the same slip-out resistance as pipe joint.



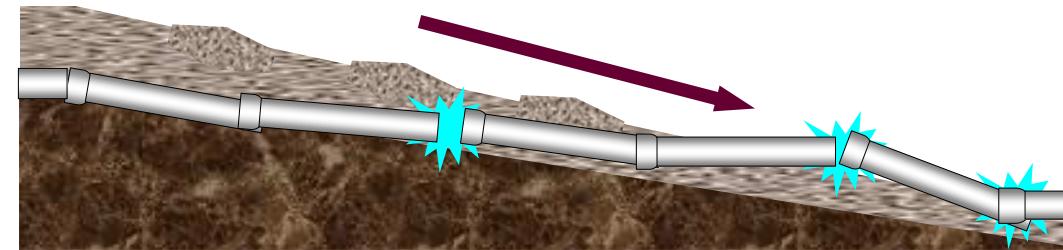
# Joint Deflection Angle

Pipe size (mm)	80-400	450-1000	1100-1500	1600-2200	2400-2600
Max. Joint Deflection Angle	8°	7°	5°30'	4°	3°30'

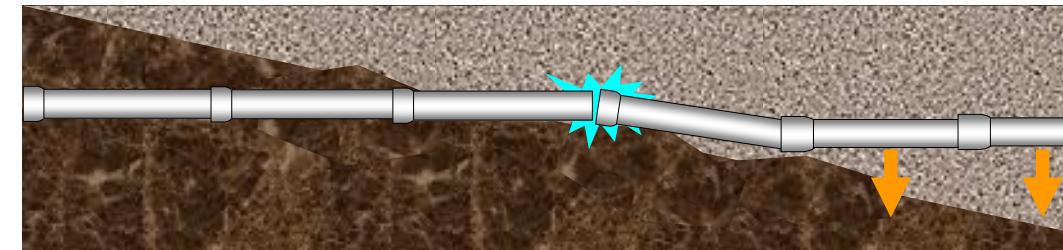


# 1) Weak Points in Pipeline

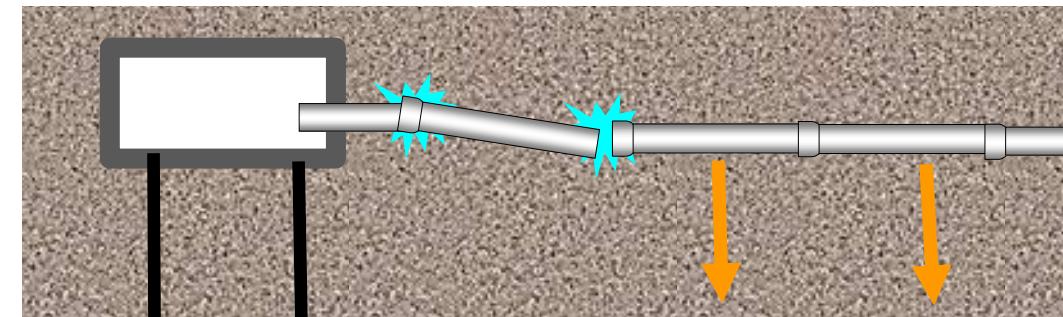
Slope  
(ground deformation)



Soft ground  
Uneven ground  
condition



Ground settlement  
near structure or  
chamber



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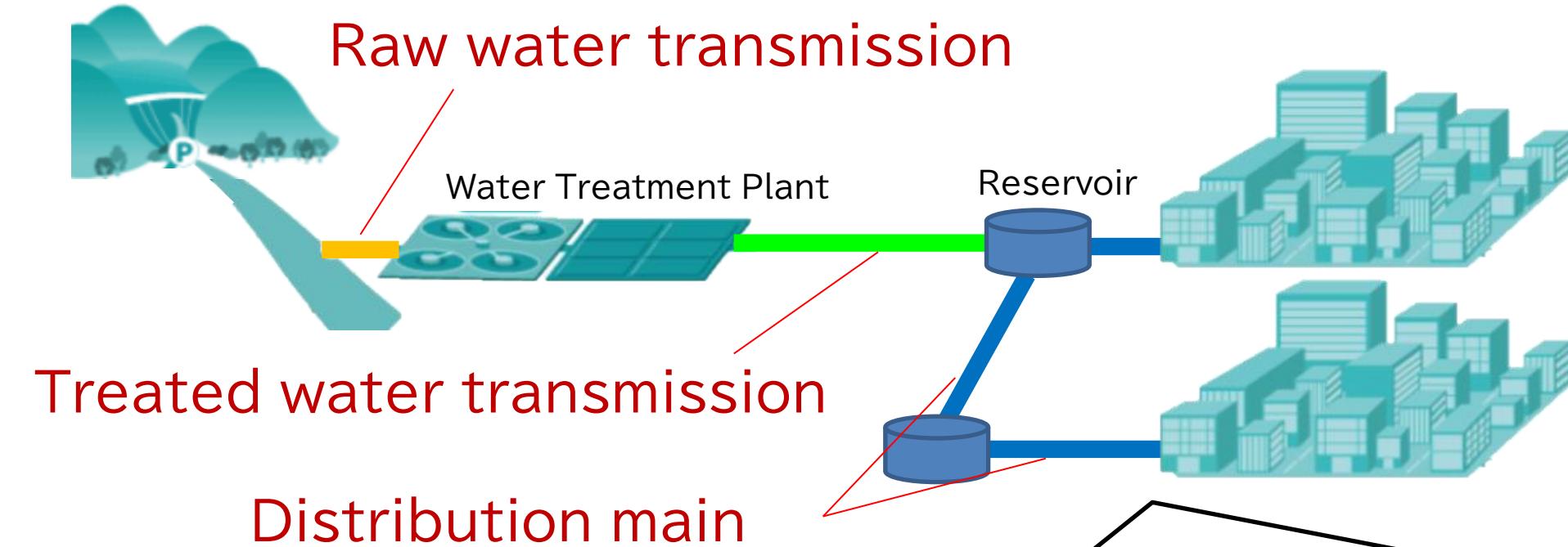
- Type: NS type
- Pipe size: 900mm



- For Fault crossing
- Type: S-type
- Pipe size: 2600mm



## 2) Mains and Critical areas



- Pipes to essential infrastructures for human life and livelihood
  - e.g. hospitals, evacuation centers, schools, transportation system, government office, city hall, fire hydrant, etc.
- Places where recovery work will be difficult in an accident
  - e.g. populated areas, busy trunk roads, river crossings, etc.

## 2) Mains and Critical areas (Santa Clara, USA)

- For Fault crossing
- Type: S type
- Size: 1500, 1650, and 1800 mm



## 2) Mains and Critical areas (San Francisco, USA)

- For Fire hydrant pipe
- Type: GX type and NS type
- Size: 200 to 600 mm



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# Supply Record: Singapore

- Issue: Water Leakage on the taxi way in Changi Airport
- Type: GX type
- Size: 300 and 350mm



# Supply Record: Canada

- Issue: Soft ground
- Type: GX type and NS type
- Size: 150 to 900 mm



# Supply Record: Nepal (ODA)

- Issue: Earthquake
- Type: GX type
- Size: 75 to 150 mm
- Total length: 20 km



- HRDIP can **withstand** not only earthquakes but also other natural disasters, such as tsunamis and landslides.
- HRDIP can **expand**, **contract**, and **deflect**, and it has a **great slip-out resistance**.
- Kubota provides technical support, including planning, design, and on-site training.

A photograph of a woman in an orange shirt and jeans and a young child in a striped shirt and green overalls watering a garden with a blue watering can. The garden is filled with various plants and flowers under a clear blue sky.

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Thank you  
ありがとうございました。

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