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CHAPTER 1

GENERAL

1-1. Purpose. This manual provides criteria and guidance for the design of structures to resist the effects of earthquakes.

1-2. Scope. This manual is a general approach for the seismic design of buildings, including architectural components, mechanical and electrical equipment supports, some structures other than buildings, and utility systems. Primary emphasis is given to the equivalent static force design procedure.

1-3. References. Appendix A contains a list of references used in this manual.

1-4. Design criteria. Preparation of seismic designs will be in accordance with the criteria and design standards herein.

a. The seismic design and detail requirements in this manual are based on the Structural Engineers Association of California (SEAOC) *Recommended Lateral Force Requirements and Commentary*. References to SEAOC are made throughout this manual and are discussed to expand or explain the application of SEAOC to the design of military facilities. It is necessary to have the requirements portion of that document, chapters 1 through 6 to use in conjunction with this manual. Appendix B contains information concerning the SEAOC manual.

b. Criteria and design standards in the agency manuals for ordinary or nonseismic design are applicable to seismic design except where criteria in this manual are more stringent. Details of construction shown in this manual represent those acceptable for conforming systems. Site adaptation of standard drawings will include design revisions for the seismic area as required. In overseas construction, where local materials of grades other than those stated herein are used, the working stresses, grades, and other requirements of this manual will be modified as applicable.

1-5. Organization of manual. The general provisions for seismic design are covered in this manual by chapters 2, 3, and 4: chapter 2 provides an introduction to the basic concepts of seismic design; chapter 3 contains the seismic design criteria; and chapter 4 provides a guide to the application of the seismic design criteria. Chapters 5 through 10 are concerned with seismic design in relation to structural materials, elements, and components, including foundations. Chapters 11

and 12 cover seismic provisions for nonstructural components such as architectural, mechanical, and electrical elements. Chapter 13 covers structures other than buildings, and chapter 14 gives some guidelines for designing for the effects of earthquakes on utility systems. The appendices provide examples of design calculations.

1-6. Preparation of project documents. Design analysis, drawings, specifications, and cost estimates will conform to agency standards and the following additional requirements:

a. Design analysis. The design analysis, to be furnished with the final plans, will include:

(1) *Basis of design.* The first part of the analysis, called the basis of design, will contain the following specific information:

(a) A statement of the seismic zone for which the structure will be designed.

(b) A description of the structural system selected for resisting lateral forces and a discussion of the reasons for its selection. If irregular features are involved, the application of configuration requirements will be established.

(c) A statement regarding compliance with this manual and the selected values of the design parameters R_w , C , S , T , I , and Z as defined in subsequent chapters.

(d) A statement defining the assignment of responsibilities for seismic design of structural and nonstructural elements and components of the building by architectural, mechanical, electrical, and other consultants.

(e) A description of any possible assumed future expansion for which provisions are made.

(2) *Computations.* The design analysis will include seismic design computations for the stresses in the lateral force resisting elements and their connections, and for the resulting lateral deflections and interstory drifts.

(3) *Computer analyses.* When computers are used to perform seismic design calculations, the analysis will include:

(a) *Computer applications.* Copies of computer data, accompanied by diagrams that identify supports, joints, and members according to the notations used in the data listings, will form integral parts of the design calculations in lieu of manual computations otherwise required. These listings will be augmented with intermediate results where applicable, so that sufficient informa-

tion is available to permit manual checks of final results.

(b) *Information.* The names and descriptions of the computer programs will be provided. Other information will be in sufficient detail so the method of solution and limitations may be identified. Designers are encouraged to use well-documented, widely accepted structural analysis programs that are continuously maintained and enhanced by an experienced computer service organization.

(c) *Confidential or proprietary information.* The use of confidential or proprietary information is not desirable and should be avoided. If proprietary or confidential computer programs are used, it is the responsibility of the designer to provide suitable documentation to the government. To verify the accuracy of the proprietary or confidential program, sample problems should be solved and the results compared with results from a widely accepted structural analysis program.

b. *Drawings.*

(1) Preliminary drawings will contain a statement that seismic design will be incorporated. The basis of design submitted with these drawings will give full information concerning the seismic loads that will be used and the assumptions that will be made in carrying out the seismic design.

(2) Construction drawings will include:

(a) A statement of the seismic zone and the R_w , C, S, T, I, and Z values.

(b) Wall elevations for all concrete and masonry shear walls showing openings and special reinforcing.

c. *Specifications.* Specifications will use applicable guide specifications or supplements. Specifications will include a QA plan identifying all ele-

ments of the lateral force resisting system requiring special inspection and testing.

d. *Cost estimates.* The special provisions required for seismic design generally result in an increase in construction costs of 1 percent to 5 percent. The amount of this increased cost depends on the overall concept and configuration of the building system and the geographical location of the building site. In some cases, a small increase in the number of reinforcing bars, anchors, or stiffener plates or a small increase in the amount of weld material may be all that is required to meet the seismic design provisions. In other cases, however, where the basic concept or configuration of the building does not provide an efficient system of lateral force resistance, the additional costs to provide seismic force resistance can be appreciable. In geographical locations where the local construction industry is not experienced with the special details of earthquake resistant construction, the differential costs for seismic design will generally be greater than they will in areas such as California, where this type of construction is the norm. For example, the premium for seismic construction will be higher for *reinforced masonry*, *special moment resisting reinforced concrete frames*, and *special moment resisting steel frames* in areas where these types of construction are not common.

e. *Items to be designed by the contractor.* For these items, the drawings and specifications will specify requirements for the following:

(1) Qualifications of the contractor's engineer.

(2) Criteria for the design: governing documents, required loads, limiting deflections, performance objectives.

(3) Mechanism for review and basis for acceptance of the proposed design.

CHAPTER 2

INTRODUCTION TO SEISMIC DESIGN

2-1. Introduction. This chapter provides an introduction to the basic concepts of designing buildings to resist inertia forces and related effects caused by earthquakes.

2-2. General. An earthquake causes vibratory ground motions at the base of a structure, and the structure actively responds to these motions. For the structure responding to a moving base there is an equivalent system: the base is fixed and the structure is acted upon by forces (called inertia forces) that cause the same distortions that occur in the moving-base system. In design it is customary to visualize the structure as a fixed-base system acted upon by inertia forces. Seismic design involves two distinct steps—determining (or estimating) the forces that will act on the structure, and designing the structure so as to both resist these forces and keep deflections within prescribed limits.

a. Determination of forces. There are two general approaches to determining seismic forces—an equivalent static force procedure, and a dynamic lateral force procedure. This manual illustrates the equivalent static force procedure.

b. Design of the structure. The structural designer must visualize the response of the structure to earthquake ground motions and provide a design that will accommodate the distortions and stresses that will occur in the building. In certain cases, some elements cannot accommodate these stresses and distortions. Examples may include rigid stairs, rigid partitions, and irregular wings of buildings. These elements should be isolated if necessary in order to reduce damage to themselves or to reduce the detrimental effects they have on the lateral force resisting system. The development of an adequate earthquake resistant design for a structure entails the following five procedures:

- (1) Selection of a workable overall structural concept.
- (2) Establishment of member sizes.
- (3) Structural analysis of the members to verify that stress and displacement requirements are satisfied.
- (4) Adjustment of member sizes based on allowable stresses and displacements. If significant member size changes are made, it will be necessary to reanalyze the structural system to verify stress and displacement requirements.

(5) Provision of structural and nonstructural details so that the building can perform as intended.

2-3. Ground motion. The response of a given building depends on the characteristics of the ground motion; therefore it would be highly desirable to have a quantitative description of the ground motion that might occur at the site of the building during a major earthquake. Unfortunately, there is no one description that fits all the ground motions that might occur at any particular site. The characteristics of the ground motion are dependent on the magnitude of the earthquake (i.e., the energy released), the distance from the source of the earthquake (depth as well as horizontal distance), the distance from the surface faulting (this may or may not be the same as the horizontal distance from the source), the nature of the geological formations between the source of the earthquake and the building, and the nature of the soil in the vicinity of the building site (e.g., hard rock or alluvium). Although fully accurate prediction of ground motion is not possible, the art of ground motion prediction has progressed in recent years to the point that design criteria have been established in areas where historical earthquake records and geological information are available. For more information on ground motion, refer to TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A.

2-4. Structural response. If the base of a structure is suddenly moved, as in the case of seismic ground motion, the upper part of the structure will not respond instantaneously but will lag because of inertial resistance. The amount of lag depends primarily on the flexibility of the structure. This concept is illustrated in figure 2-1 which shows the motion in one plane. The stresses and distortions in the building will be the same as if the base of the structure were to remain stationary while time-varying horizontal forces were applied to the upper part of the building. These forces are equal to the product of the mass of the structure and the acceleration, or $F = ma$. (Mass is equal to weight divided by the acceleration of gravity.) Because the ground motion at a point on the earth's surface is three-dimensional (one vertical and two horizontal components), the structures affected will deform in a three-dimensional manner. Generally, however, the inertia forces generated by the horizontal components of ground mo-

tion require the greater consideration for seismic design; adequate resistance to the vertical components is usually provided by the member capacities required for gravity load design. For ordinary structures within the scope of this manual, the inertia forces are represented by equivalent static forces. However, buildings can be idealized by the use of simplified models that represent the dynamic characteristics of the structure. For special structures the idealized models are subjected to time history, response spectrum, or other dynamic analyses, and the results are used to determine the forces in the building. For more information on dynamic analysis procedures, refer to TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A.

2-5. Behavior of buildings. Buildings are composed of horizontal and vertical structural elements that resist lateral forces. The horizontal elements, diaphragms, and horizontal bracing are used to distribute the lateral forces to vertical elements. The vertical elements that are used to transfer lateral forces to the ground are shear walls, braced frames, and moment resisting frames.

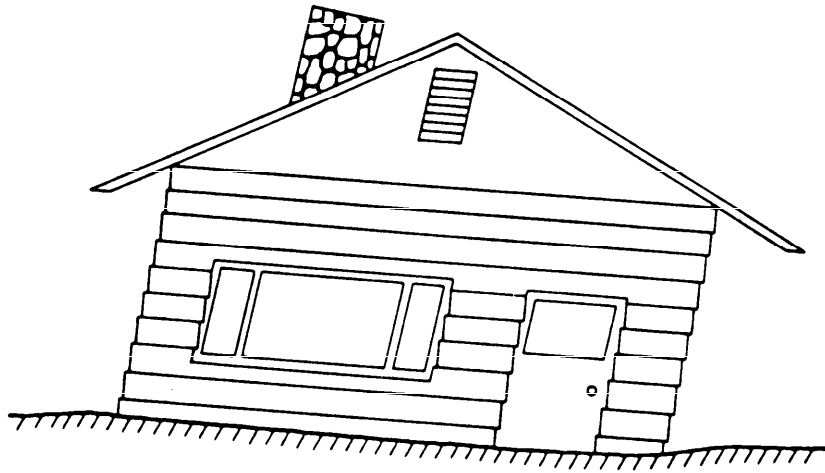
a. Demands of earthquake motion. The loads or forces that a structure sustains during an earthquake result directly from the distortions induced in the structure by the motion of the ground on which it rests. Ground motion is characterized by displacements, velocities, and accelerations that are erratic in direction, magnitude, duration, and sequence. Earthquake loads are inertia forces related to the mass, stiffness, and energy-absorbing (e.g., damping and ductility) characteristics of the structure. During the life of a structure located in a seismically active zone, it is generally expected that the structure will be subjected to many small earthquakes, some moderate earthquakes, one or more large earthquakes, and possibly a very severe earthquake. In general, it is uneconomical or impractical to design buildings to resist the forces resulting from the very severe or maximum credible earthquake within the elastic range of stress; instead, the building is designed to resist lower levels of force, using ductile systems. When the earthquake motion is large to severe, the structure is expected to yield in some of its elements. The energy-absorbing capacity (ductility) of the yielding structure will limit the degree of life-threatening damage: buildings that are properly designed and detailed can survive earthquake forces substantially greater than the design forces associated with allowable stresses in the elastic range. Seismic design concepts must consider building proportions and details for their ductility

and for their reserve energy-absorbing capacity for surviving the inelastic deformations that would result from the maximum expected earthquake. Special attention must be given to the connections that hold together the elements of the lateral force resisting system.

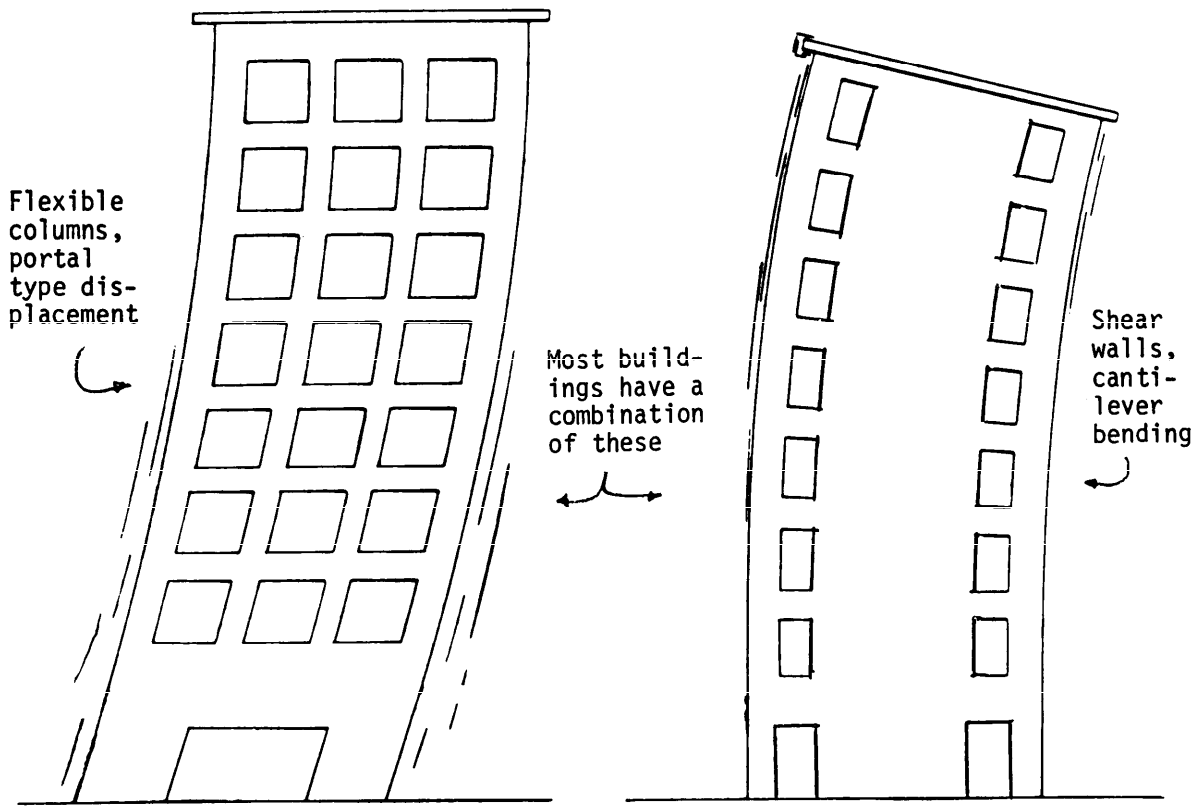
b. Response of buildings. For dynamic analysis of the response of a building to ground motion, the structural properties of the building are represented by a mathematical model that consists of an assembly of masses interconnected by springs and dampers. At each floor, tributary masses are lumped into a single mass. The force-deformation characteristics of the lateral force resisting walls or frames between floor levels are transformed into equivalent story stiffnesses. An appropriate degree of damping is assumed. Because of the complexity of the calculations for dynamic analysis methods, the use of a computer program is generally necessary; these complex methods of analysis are generally used for essential structures. Most buildings, however, are designed by the equivalent static force procedure prescribed in this manual. For buildings that require a dynamic analysis approach, refer to TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A.

c. Response of elements attached to the building. Elements attached to the floors of the building (e.g., mechanical equipment, ornamentation, piping, nonstructural partitions) respond to floor motion in much the same manner that the building responds to ground motion. However, the floor motion may vary substantially from the ground motion. The high-frequency components of the ground motion tend to be filtered out at the higher levels in the building, while the components of ground motion that correspond to the natural periods of vibration of the building tend to be magnified. If the elements are rigid and are rigidly attached to the structure, the forces on the elements will be in the same proportion to the mass as the forces on the structure, or $F = ma$ (i.e., the accelerations of the elements will be about the same as the acceleration of the floor on which they are supported). However, elements that are flexible and have periods of vibration close to any of the predominant modes of the building vibration will experience forces substantially greater than the forces on the structure (i.e., accelerations of elements will be greater than floor accelerations).

2-6. Nature of seismic codes. Codes and criteria are established from limited testing, design experience, and the observed performance of buildings in past earthquakes. A code represents the consensus of a committee: the generalized statements arrived at by compromise to cover uncertainties and limi-



(a) Schematic of Low-Rise Building Instantaneous Distortion During Ground Motion



Flexible columns, portal type displacement

Most buildings have a combination of these

Shear walls, cantilever bending

(b) Schematic Showing Shear-Type Distortion

(c) Schematic Showing Bending-Type Distortion

Figure 2-1. Schematic showing building distortions.

tations. Codes must of necessity be short and relatively simple; therefore they do not account for all aspects of the complex phenomena of the response of actual structures to actual earthquakes. Seismic codes provide a set of design forces to represent the dynamic response of a structure subject to a complex earthquake ground motion.

a. Purpose. The basic purpose of a building code is to provide for public safety. The seismic provisions of this manual (chap 3) are based on the requirements portion of the 1990 edition of the *Recommended Lateral Force Requirements and Commentary* of the Structural Engineers Association of California. Excerpts from the commentary portion of that publication are reprinted below:¹

(1) The primary function of these Recommendations is to provide minimum standards for use in building design regulation to maintain public safety in the extreme earthquakes which may occur at the building's site. These Recommendations primarily are intended to safeguard against major failures and loss of life, not to limit damage, maintain functions, or provide for easy repair. It is emphasized that the purpose of these recommended design procedures is to provide buildings that are *expected* to meet this life safety objective.

(2) The specified design forces given herein are based on the assumption that a significant amount of inelastic behavior may take place in the structure due to a major level of earthquake ground motion. As a result, these design forces and the related elastic deformations are much lower than those that would occur if the structure were to remain elastic. For a given structural system, the design provisions are intended to provide for the necessary inelastic behavior, and representations of the element force levels and deformations in the fully responding inelastic structure are given as appropriate multiples of the values found by the linear elastic analysis of the structure under the specified design forces.

(3) Structures designed in conformance with these Recommendations should, in general, be able to:

(a) Resist a minor level of earthquake ground motion without damage;

(b) Resist a moderate level of earthquake ground motion without structural damage, but possibly experience some nonstructural damage;

(c) Resist a major level of earthquake ground motion having an intensity equal to the strongest either experienced or forecast for the

building site, without collapse, but possibly with some structural as well as nonstructural damage.

(4) It is expected that structural damage, even in a major earthquake, will be limited to a repairable level for structures that meet these provisions. The level of damage depends upon a number of factors, including the configuration, type of lateral force resisting system, materials selected for the structure, and care taken in construction.

(5) Conformance to these Recommendations does not constitute any kind of guarantee or assurance that significant structural damage will not occur in the event of a maximum level of earthquake ground motion. In order to fulfill the life safety objective of these Recommendations, there are requirements that provide for structural stability in the event of extreme structural deformations; provisions protect the vertical load carrying system from fracture or buckling at these extreme states. While damage to the primary structural system may be either negligible or significant, repairable or virtually irreparable, it is reasonable to expect that a well-planned and constructed structure will not collapse in a major earthquake. The protection of life is reasonably provided, but not with complete assurance.

(6) Conformance to these Recommendations will not limit or prevent damage due to earth movements including earth slides such as those that occurred in Anchorage, Alaska, or due to soil liquefaction such as occurred in Nigata, Japan. These Recommendations are intended to provide the minimum required resistance to earthquake ground shaking.

b. Design provisions. The seismic design provisions furnish a method for establishing the forces, describe acceptable structural systems, set limits on deformation, and specify the allowable stresses and/or strengths of the materials. The seismic design provisions are minimum requirements, and emphasis must be placed on structural concepts and detailing techniques as well as on stress calculations. The provisions are not all-inclusive: they work best for regular, symmetrical buildings. Unusual or large buildings require alternatives to the static provisions that rely on dynamic analyses and/or greater application of engineering judgment and experience in seismic design. Guidelines are given in this manual for determining when alternative procedures are required. TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A provides alternative procedures.

2-7. Fundamentals of seismic design. The type of structural system used will determine the magnitude of the design lateral forces. The decision as

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to the type of structural system to be used will be based on the merits and relative costs for the individual building being designed. There are innovative systems available for particular structural configurations and conditions, such as eccentric braced frames, seismic isolation, friction devices, and other response control systems. These systems are described below.

a. Lateral force resisting systems. Over a dozen approved lateral force resisting systems are described in chapter 3. All of the systems rely basically on moment resisting frames within a complete, three-dimensional space frame, a coordinated system of shear walls or braced frames with horizontal diaphragms, or a combination of these two systems. The vertical elements of the lateral force resisting systems are illustrated in figure 2-2.

(1) In buildings where a moment resisting frame resists the earthquake forces, the columns and beams act in bending (*a* of fig 2-2). During a large earthquake, story-to-story deformation (story drift) may be a matter of inches without causing failure of columns or beams. However, the drift may be sufficient to damage elements that are rigidly tied to the structural system, such as brittle partitions, stairways, plumbing, exterior walls, and other elements that extend between floors. For this reason buildings can have substantial interior and exterior nonstructural damage, possibly approaching 50 percent of the total building value, and still be considered structurally safe. Moment frames are desirable architecturally because they are relatively unobtrusive compared with shear walls or braced frames, but they may be a poor economic risk unless special damage control measures are taken.

(2) Buildings with shear walls (*b* of fig 2-2) are usually rigid compared with buildings with moment resisting frames. With low design stress limits in shear walls, deformation due to shear forces (for low buildings) is negligible. Shear wall construction is an excellent method of bracing buildings to limit damage to nonstructural components, but architectural considerations may limit its applicability. Shear walls are usually of reinforced unit masonry or reinforced concrete but may be of wood in wood-frame buildings up to and including three stories. Shear wall design is relatively simple except when the height-to-width ratio of a wall becomes large. Then overturning may be a problem, and if the foundation soil is relatively soft, the entire shear wall may rotate, causing localized damage around the wall. Another diffi-

cult case is the shear wall with openings such that it may respond more like a frame than a wall.

(3) Braced frames (*c* of fig 2-2) generally have the stiffness associated with shear walls, but are somewhat less restrictive architecturally. It is usually difficult to find room for doorways within a frame; however, braces may be less obtrusive than solid walls. The concern for overturning, mentioned above for shear walls, applies also to braced frames.

(4) Structural systems may be used in various combinations. There may be different systems in the two directions, or systems may be combined in any one direction, or may be combined vertically.

(5) A building is not merely a summation of parts (walls, columns, trusses, and similar components) but is a completely integrated system or unit that has its own properties with respect to lateral force response. The designer must trace the forces through the structure into the ground and make sure that every connection along the path of stress is adequate to maintain the integrity of the system. It is necessary to visualize the response of the complete structure and to keep in mind that the real forces involved are not static but dynamic, are usually erratically cyclic and repetitive, may be significantly larger than the design forces, and can cause deformations well beyond those determined from the design forces.

b. Configuration. A great deal of a building's resistance to lateral forces is determined by its plan layout. The objective in this regard is symmetry about both axes, not only of the building itself but of its lateral force resisting elements and of the arrangement of wall openings, columns, shear walls, and so on. It is most desirable to consider the effects of lateral forces on the structural system from the start of the layout, since this may save considerable time and money without detracting significantly from the usefulness or appearance of the building. Experience has shown that buildings that are asymmetrical in plan have greater susceptibility to earthquake damage than symmetrical structures. The effect of asymmetry is to induce torsional oscillations of the structure and stress concentrations at re-entrant corners. Asymmetry in plan can be eliminated or improved by separating L-, T-, and U-shaped buildings into distinct units by use of seismic joints at the junctions of the individual wings. It should be noted, however, that this causes two new problems: providing floor joints that are capable of bridging gaps large enough to preclude adjacent structures from pounding each other, and providing wall and roof joints that are capable of keeping out the weather. Asymmetry caused by the eccen-

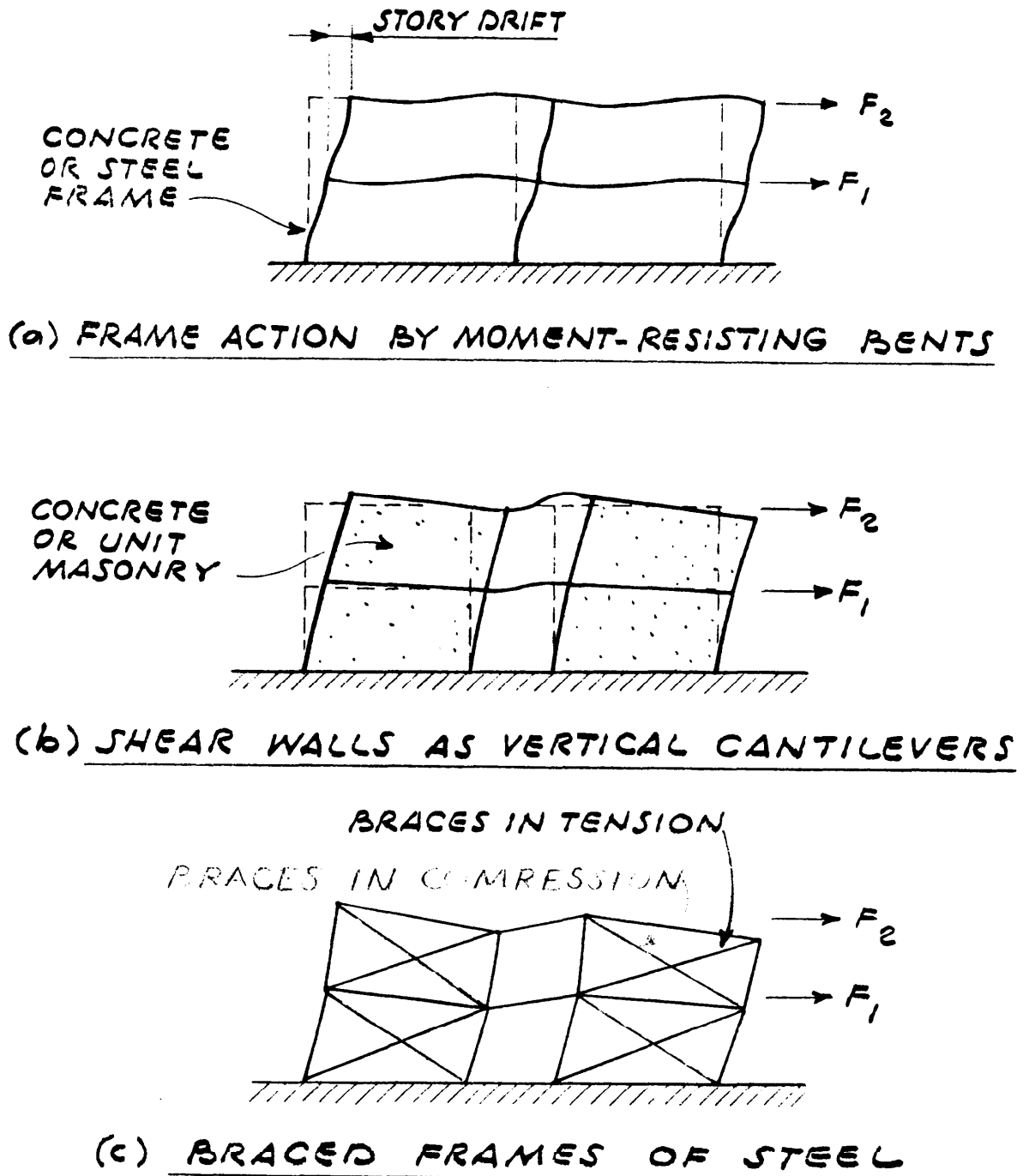


Figure 2-2. Vertical elements of the lateral force resisting systems.

tric location of lateral force resisting structural elements—such as in the case of a building that has a flexible front because of large openings and an essentially stiff (solid) rear wall—can usually be avoided by better conceptual planning. For example, modify the stiffness of the rear wall or add rigid structural partitions to make the center of rigidity of the lateral force resisting elements close to the center of mass. When a building has irregular features, such as asymmetry in plan or vertical discontinuity, the assumptions used in

developing seismic criteria for buildings with regular features may not apply. For example, planners often omit partitions and exterior walls in the first story of a building to permit an open ground floor; in this case the columns at the ground level are the only elements available to resist lateral forces, and there is an abrupt change in the rigidity of the vertical elements of the lateral force resisting system at that level. This condition, generally referred to as a soft story, is undesirable. It is advisable to carry all shear walls down to the

foundation. It is best to avoid creating buildings with irregular features; however, when irregular features are unavoidable, special design considerations are required to account for the unusual dynamic characteristics and the load transfer and stress concentrations that occur at abrupt changes in structural resistance.

c. Ductility. For practical design purposes, ductility is defined as the capacity of building materials, systems, or structures to absorb energy by deforming in the inelastic range. Ductility allows structures to withstand large earthquake forces when they have been designed economically on an elastic basis to lower, code-level forces. Structural steel is a ductile material, but when steel members are joined to make a lateral force resisting frame, special details are needed in order to ensure ductile behavior of the assembly. Brittle materials such as concrete and unit masonry can be reinforced with steel to provide strength, but they need additional details to achieve the ductility characteristics necessary to resist large seismic forces. In concrete columns, for example, the combined effect of flexure (due to frame action) and compression (due to the action of the overturning moment of the structure as a whole) produces a common mode of failure: buckling of the vertical steel and spalling of the concrete cover near the floor levels. In columns with proper spiral reinforcing or closely spaced hoops, the reinforcing has a confining effect that produces greater reserve strength and ductility.

d. Redundancy. Redundancy is a highly desirable characteristic for earthquake resistant design. When the primary element or system yields or fails, the lateral force can be redistributed to secondary elements or systems to prevent progressive failure.

e. Connectivity. It is essential to tie the various structural elements together so that they act as a unit. The connections between the elements are at least as important as the elements themselves. Prevention of collapse during a severe earthquake depends upon the inelastic energy absorbing capacity of the structure, and this capacity should be governed by the elements rather than by their connections; in other words, connections should not be the weak link in the structure. As a general guide, if no other requirements are specified, connections should be adequate to develop the useful strength of the structural elements connected, regardless of the calculated stress due to the prescribed seismic forces.

f. Nonstructural participation. For both analysis and detailing, the effects of nonstructural partitions, filler walls, and stairs must be considered. The nonstructural elements that are rigidly tied to

the structural system can have a substantial influence on the magnitude and distribution of earthquake forces. Such elements act somewhat like shear walls, stiffening the building and causing a reduction in the natural period and an increase in the lateral forces and overturning moments. Any element that is not strong enough to resist the forces that it attracts will be damaged; it should be isolated from the lateral force resisting system.

g. Damage control features. The design of a structure in accordance with the seismic provisions of this manual will not fully ensure against earthquake damage because the horizontal deformations from design forces are lower than those that can be expected during a major earthquake. However, without increasing construction costs, a number of things can be done to limit earthquake damage that would be expensive to repair. In considering a building's response to earthquake motions, it is important to keep in mind the structural system and the geometry of the building. It should be assumed that deformation (story drift) during a major earthquake may be several times that resulting from the design lateral forces. A list of features to minimize damage follows:

(1) Details that allow structural movement without damage to nonstructural elements can be provided. Damage to such items as piping, glass, plaster, veneer, and partitions may constitute a major financial loss. To minimize this type of damage, special care in detailing, either to isolate these elements or to accommodate the movement, is required.

(2) Glass windows should be isolated with adequate clearance and flexible mountings at edges to allow for frame distortions.

(3) Rigid nonstructural partitions should have room to move at the top and sides.

(4) In piping installations, the expansion loops and flexible joints used to accommodate temperature movement are often adaptable to accommodating seismic deflections.

(5) Freestanding shelving can be fastened to walls to prevent toppling. Shelves can be provided with lips or edge restraints to prevent contents from falling off in an earthquake.

2-8. Alternatives to the prescribed provisions.

Alternatives to the seismic provisions of this manual are permitted if they can be properly substantiated. The most common alternative is dynamic analysis. Dynamic analysis may be required for such cases as irregular buildings and buildings with setbacks. The provisions herein will indicate when dynamic analysis is required. Dynamic analysis may be used as an option for such cases as making a more efficient design or design-

ing to a particular earthquake ground motion. In any case, using dynamic loading and computer analysis, one can more accurately predict how a proposed building will act and deform under ground motions from a specific earthquake. The resulting deformations may sometimes cause joint rotations and stresses quite different from those determined from the prescribed static loadings. Before proceeding with the equivalent static force procedure, the designer should make sure that there are no special conditions that would warrant or require the use of more rigorous methods.

a. Elastic dynamic analysis. For most buildings requiring an alternative design method, an elastic dynamic analysis procedure is sufficient to determine load distribution and member forces for design earthquake motion. A response spectrum analysis with the modes combined by the square-root-of-the-sum-of-the-squares (SRSS) method or by some other approved method is generally sufficient for an elastic analysis. A time history analysis may be used if necessary.

b. Inelastic dynamic analysis. For major buildings, for which added assurance is required that the building can withstand a major earthquake without collapse or within a limited range of damage, an inelastic dynamic analysis may be used. This usually is a time history analysis; however, other approximate procedures that can estimate inelastic effects may be used.

c. Seismic design guidelines for essential buildings. When authorized by the approval agency, TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A will be used as a supplement to this manual for dynamic analysis procedures.

d. Innovative systems. There are new systems and devices for controlling and/or limiting the response of structures to earthquake ground motion. The best known of these systems are seismic isolation systems (sometimes called base isolation systems). Seismic isolation is based on the premise that the structure can be substantially decoupled from potentially damaging earthquake motions. By decoupling the structure from the ground motion, seismic isolation reduces the level of response in the structure from the level that would otherwise occur in a conventional fixed-base building, or conversely, offers the advantage of designing with a reduced level of earthquake load to achieve the same degree of seismic protection and reliability as a conventional fixed-base building. Tentative provisions for seismic isolation are given in the SEAOC Commentary, Appendix 1L. The subject is not covered in this manual because it requires the knowledge of specialists. Provisions for other innovative systems such as damping devices are not

covered in this manual; they are in various stages of development, ranging from concept to implementation.

2-9. Future expansion. When future expansion of a building is contemplated, it is generally better to plan for horizontal expansions rather than for vertical growth because there will be greater freedom in planning the future increment, there will be less interruption of existing operations when additions are made, and the first increment will not have to bear a large share of the cost of the second increment. For future vertical expansion, the foundation, floor/roof system, and structural frame must be proportioned for both the initial and the future design loadings, including the seismic forces. For future horizontal expansion, either a complete structural separation between the two phases must be provided, or the first increment must be designed for its share of the loads under both conditions: the first increment and the expansion. Many buildings that have been designed for expansion under past seismic criteria do not satisfy the present criteria; if these buildings are to be expanded in the future, they will have to be evaluated to determine if upgrading is necessary. High cost may be incurred if seismic strengthening is required, especially in high seismic zones.

2-10. Existing buildings. Existing buildings may be upgraded, altered, or enlarged.

a. Upgrades. The upgrading of existing buildings is covered in TM 5-809-10-2/NAVFAC P-355.2/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec B.

b. Alterations. When a building is altered, it will be subject to upgrading if the alteration would reduce the vertical and/or lateral load carrying system capacity or if an alteration in function puts the building in an essential or hazardous occupancy category.

c. Additions. Vertical and horizontal extensions can have a drastic effect on the performance of the building. Therefore, additions should be kept structurally separate from the existing building whenever possible. When the addition is not separated and a significant change occurs in the total weight, in the weight distribution, or in the building lateral force resisting system's rotational or translational stiffness, an upgrade will be done.

2-11. Major checkpoints. The process of achieving an adequate building must start with conceptual planning and be carried through all phases of the design and construction program. The major check points include site investigation; coordination of the work of the architect and engineers (structural, mechanical, and electrical), to estab-

lish the plan, the system, and the materials of construction; establishment of design criteria for the specific facility; identification and location of primary structural elements; determination and distribution of lateral seismic forces; preparation of design calculations; detailing of connections;

detailing of nonstructural parts for damage control; preparation of clear, complete contract drawings and specifications; checking of shop drawings; quality control inspection; and surveillance over any change in conditions during the entire construction period.

CHAPTER 3

DESIGN CRITERIA

3-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for the seismic design of buildings and other structures based on an equivalent static force procedure.

3-2. General. The seismic design of buildings and other structures will be in accordance with the criteria and design standards herein. The structural system or type of construction will be based on a rational analysis in accordance with established principles of mechanics. Structures will be designed for dead, live, snow, wind, and seismic forces. The dead, live, snow, and wind loads will be as given in TM 5-809-1/AFM 88-3, Chap 1. Every building or structure and every portion thereof will be designed and constructed to resist stresses produced by lateral seismic forces in combination with dead and live loads as provided in this chapter. Materials and details will conform to the seismic provisions, applicable guide specifications, and criteria herein. The provisions of this chapter apply to the structure as a unit and also to all of its parts. In Zone 1, if the seismic base shear is less than one-third of the total lateral wind forces on the building, a seismic design is not required. In Zone 0 there are no seismic requirements.

3-3. Seismic design provisions. The seismic provisions of this manual are in accordance with SEAOC, except as modified herein. They are obtained from the following sources—

a. Structural Engineers Association of California (SEAOC). The 1990 edition of the SEAOC recommendations, which includes recommendations, appendixes, and commentary, is the basic reference document. The SEAOC recommendations are discussed at appropriate places in this manual. References in this manual to SEAOC provisions have the following format: "SEAOC 1D8a" refers to Section 1D8a of the SEAOC provisions. Detailed explanations of the SEAOC provisions will be found in the SEAOC commentary.

b. American Concrete Institute (ACI). ACI 318 is the basic reference for concrete construction in this manual. Chapter 21 of ACI 318-89 is the basic reference for seismic provisions. References in this manual to ACI provisions have the following format: "ACI 21.3.1" refers to Section 3.1 of Chapter 21 of ACI 318-89. The SEAOC recommendations are based on ACI 318-83, including ACI Appendix A as amended by SEAOC. These amendments, given in SEAOC Chapter 3, have been superseded. Refer to appendix C in this manual for

equivalent amendments to Chapter 21 of ACI 318-89. In ACI 21.2.1, regions of moderate seismic risk should be understood to be Seismic Zone 2; regions of high seismic risk, Zones 3 and 4.

c. American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC). The *Manual of Steel Construction* is the basic reference for steel construction in this manual. Because the SEAOC recommendations were completed before the 9th edition was published, the provisions for seismic design of steel frames given in SEAOC Chapter 4 reference the 8th edition of the AISC manual. The SEAOC references to AISC have to do with exceptions to AISC regarding such things as allowable stresses and width-thickness ratios. References in this manual to the AISC manual have the following format: "AISC 1.4.1" refers to Section 1.4.1 of the specifications in the AISC manual. To use the 9th edition of the AISC ASD manual, refer to the conversion table on AISC in the specifications.

d. International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO). The SEAOC provisions refer to the *Uniform Building Code (UBC)*, published by ICBO.

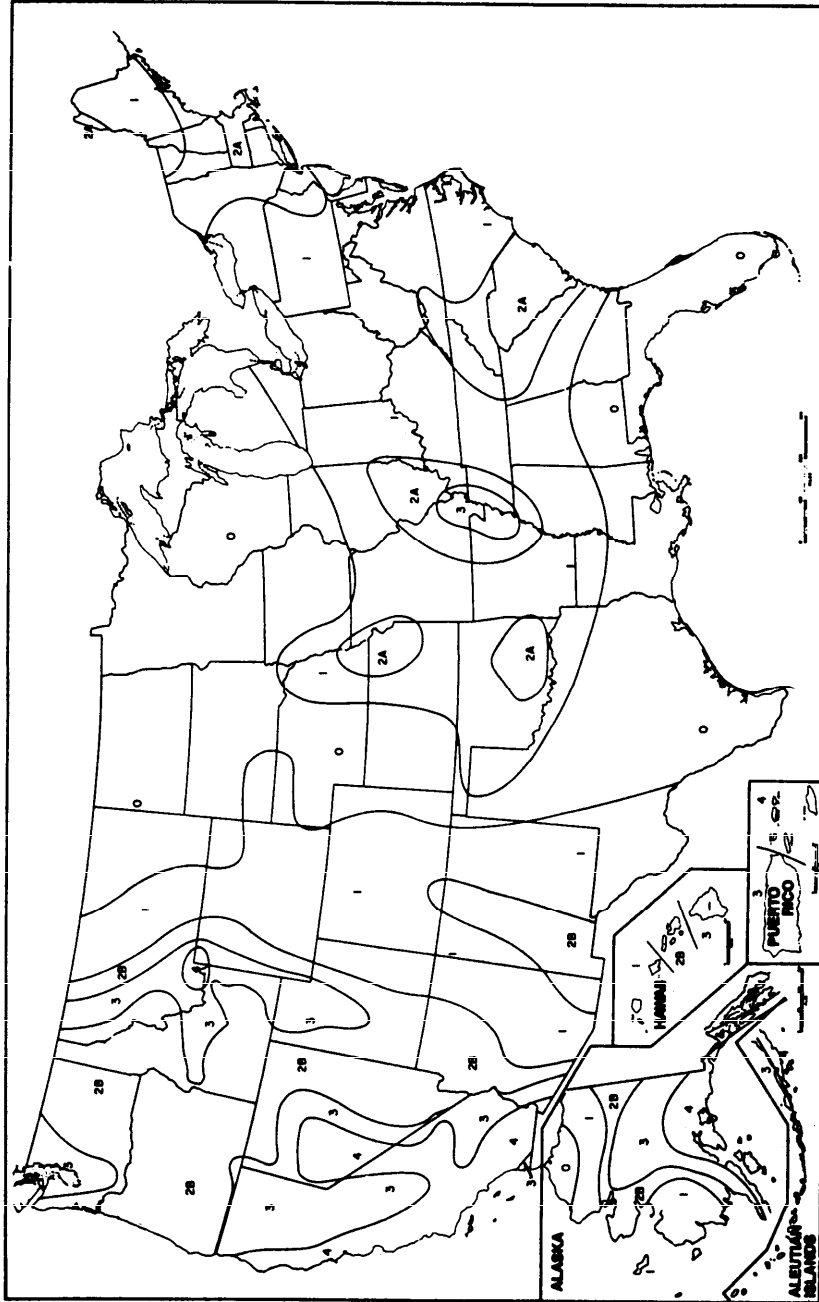
3-4. Seismic zone map. The seismic zones used to determine the factor Z are shown in figure 3-1. Seismic zones for specific areas are tabulated in tables 3-1 and 3-2 for localities within and outside the United States, respectively. Table 3-1 takes precedence over the map. For sites not covered by the tables, note that the map boundary lines are approximate, and in the event of any conflict or uncertainty regarding the applicable zone of any particular site, the higher zone will be used.

3-5. Seismic zone factor, Z . The factor Z is determined by the seismic zone:

- Zone 4, $Z = 0.40$
- Zone 3, $Z = 0.30$
- Zone 2B, $Z = 0.20$
- Zone 2A, $Z = 0.15$
- Zone 1, $Z = 0.075$

3-6. Types of occupancy. The following descriptions of military service occupancy categories supplement or modify SEAOC 1D4 unless other directions are given by the user agency. Refer to SEAOC Table 1-C for SEAOC occupancy categories.

a. Category I—Essential Facilities. These are critical facilities that are necessary for postdisaster recovery and must be kept operating contin-



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Figure 3-1. Seismic zone map of the United States.

ALABAMA		COLORADO		ILLINOIS (cont'd)	
Anniston	2A	USAF Academy	1	Savanna AD	1
Maxwell AFB	0	Fort Carson	1	Scott AFB	2A
Birmingham	2A	Denver	1		
Huntsville	1	Fitzsimmons AMC	1	INDIANA	
Mobile	0	Peterson Field	1	Fort Ben Harrison	2A
Montgomery	0	Pueblo	1	Fort Wayne	2A
Fort Rucker	0			Grissom AFB	1
		CONNECTICUT		Indiana AAP	2A
ALASKA		Hartford	2A		
Adak Island	4	New Haven	2A	IOWA	
Anchorage	4	New London	2A	Burlington	0
Aleutian Islands	4			Cedar Rapids	0
Barrow	1	DELAWARE		Des Moines	0
Bethel	2B	Dover AFB	1	Sioux City	1
Eielson AFB	3	Wilmington	2A		
Elmendorff AFB	4			KANSAS	
Fairbanks	3	FLORIDA		Kansas AAP	1
Fort Greely	3	Eglin AFB	0	Fort Leavenworth	2A
Juneau	3	Homestead AFB	0	McConnell AFB	1
Kodiak Island	4	Jacksonville	1	Fort Riley	2A
Nome	1	Key West	0	Sunflower AAP	2A
		MacDill AFB	0		
ARIZONA		Miami	0	KENTUCKY	
Fort Huachuca	2B	Orlando	0	Fort Campbell	2A
Luke AFB	1	Patrick AFB	0	Lexington	1
Navajo AD	1	Pensacola	0	Louisville	2A
Phoenix	1	Tampa	0	Fort Knox	2A
Tucson	1	Tyndall AFB	0		
Williams AFB	1			LOUISIANA	
Yuma	4	GEORGIA		Fort Polk	0
Yuma Proving Grounds	3	Albany	1	Lake Charles	1
		Atlanta	2A	Louisiana AAP	1
ARKANSAS		Fort Benning	1	New Orleans	0
Eaker AFB	3	Fort Gordon	2A	Shreveport	1
Fort Chaffee	1	Hunter AFB	2A		
Little Rock AFB	1	Macon	1	MAINE	
Pine Bluff	1	Robins AFB	1	Bangor	1
		Savannah	2A	Brunswick	2A
		Fort Stewart	1	Cuttler	2A
CALIFORNIA				Loring AFB	1
Castle AFB	3	HAWAII		Winter Harbor	1
China Lake	4	Barbers Point, Oahu	2B		
Edwards AFB	4	Hickam AFB	2B	MARYLAND	
Hamilton AFB	4	Hilo, Hawaii	4	Aberdeen Proving Ground	1
Hunter-Liggett MR	4	Honolulu, Oahu	2B	Andrews AFB	1
Long Beach	4	Kaneohe Bay, Oahu	2B	Annapolis	1
Los Angeles	4	Lihue, Kauai	1	Baltimore	1
March AFB	4	Schofield Barracks	2B	Fort Detrick	1
Mare Island	4	Wheeler AFB	2B	Fort Meade	1
Norton AFB	4	Wailuku, Maui	3	Fort Ritchie	1
Oakland	4				
Fort Ord	4	IDAHO		MASSACHUSETTS	
Camp Pendleton	4	Idaho Falls	2B	Boston	2A
Port Hueneme	4	Mountain Home AFB	2B	Fort Devens	2A
Sacramento	3			L.G. Hanscom Field	2A
San Diego	4	ILLINOIS		Otis AFB	2A
San Francisco	4	Chanute AFB	1	Westover AFB	2A
Sharpe AD	3	Chicago	1		
Sierra AD	3	Great Lakes TC	1	MICHIGAN	
Travis AFB	4	Joliet AAP	1	Detroit	1
Vandenberg AFB	4	O'Hare IAP	1	Kincheloe AFB	1
		Rock Island Arsenal	1		

Table 3-1. Seismic zone tabulation—United States.

MICHIGAN (cont'd)		NORTH CAROLINA		SOUTH DAKOTA	
K.I. Sawyer AFB	0	Fort Bragg	1	Ellsworth AFB	1
Selfridge AFB	1	Charlotte	2A	Pierre	0
Wurtsmith AFB	0	Camp Lejeune	1	Sioux Falls	0
MINNESOTA		Greensboro	2A	TENNESSEE	
Duluth	0	Pope AFB	1	Chattanooga	2A
Minneapolis	0	Seymour Johnson	1	Holston AAP	2A
Osceola AFB	0	Sunny Point Ocean		Memphis	3
		Terminal	1	Milan AAP	3
MISSISSIPPI		NORTH DAKOTA		Millington	3
Biloxi	0	Bismarck	0	Nashville	1
Columbus AFB	1	Fargo	0	TEXAS	
Jackson	1	Grand Forks AFB	0	Austin/Bergstrom AFB	0
Keesler AFB	0	Minot AFB	0	Brooks AFB	0
Meridan	1	OHIO		Carswell AFB	0
MISSOURI		Cincinnati	1	Corpus Christi	0
Kansas City	2A	Cleveland	1	Dallas	0
Lake City AAP	2A	Columbus	1	Dyess AFB	0
Fort Leonard Wood	1	Ravenna AAP	1	Ellington AFB	0
St. Louis	2A	Wright-Patterson AFB	1	El Paso	1
Richards Gebaur AFB	2A	OKLAHOMA		Fort Bliss	1
Whiteman AFB	1	Enid/Vance AFB	1	Fort Sam Houston	0
MONTANA		Fort Sill	1	Galveston	0
Helena	3	Tinker AFB	2A	Goodfellow AFB	0
Malmstrom AFB	2B	Tulsa	1	Fort Hood	0
Missoula	2B	McAlester AAP	2A	Fort Worth	0
NEBRASKA		Altus AFB	1	Houston	0
Cornhusker AAP	1	OREGON		Kelly AFB	0
Lincoln	1	Coos Bay	2B	Lackland AFB	0
Offutt AFB	1	Eugene	2B	Laughlin AFB	0
NEVADA		Portland	2B	Lone Star AAP	1
Carson City	3	Umatilla AD	2B	Longhorn AAP	1
Fallon	4	PENNSYLVANIA		Randolph AFB	0
Hawthorne	4	Carlisle Barracks	1	Red River AD	1
Las Vegas	2B	Harrisburg	1	Reese AFB	0
NEW HAMPSHIRE		Letterkenny AD	1	San Antonio	0
Hanover	2A	Philadelphia	2A	Sheppard AFB	1
Pease AFB	2A	Pittsburgh	1	Wichita Falls	0
Portsmouth	2A	Scranton	2A	UTAH	
NEW JERSEY		NEW MEXICO		Dugway P.G.	2B
Atlantic City	1	Albuquerque	2B	Hill AFB	3
Bayonne	2A	Cannon AFB	1	Salt Lake City	3
Picatinny Arsenal	2A	Holloman AFB	1	Tooele Army Depot	3
McGuire AFB	1	White Sands MR	1	VERMONT	
Fort Monmouth	2A	Kirtland AFB	2B	All	2A
NEW YORK		Sacramento PK	1	VIRGINIA	
Albany	2A	RHODE ISLAND		Fort Belvoir	1
Buffalo	2A	Newport	2A	Fort Eustis	1
Fort Drum	2A	Providence	2A	Fort Meyer	1
Griffiss AFB	2A	SOUTH CAROLINA		Norfolk	1
New York	2A	Beaufort	3	Petersburg/Fort Lee	1
Niagara Falls IAP	2A	Charleston	3	Quantico	1
Plattsburg AFB	2A	Fort Jackson	2A	Radford AAP	2A
Syracuse	1	Parris Island	3	Richmond	1
West Point Military		Shaw AFB	2A	Vint Hill Farms	
Reservation	2A			Station	2A
Watervliet	2A			Warrenton	2A

Table 3-1. Continued.

WASHINGTON	
Bremerton	3
Fairchild AFB	2B
Fort Lewis	3
McChord AFB	3
Seattle	3
Walla Walla	2B
Yakima	2B
WASHINGTON, DC	
Bolling AFB	1
Fort McNair	1
Walter Reed AMC	1
WEST VIRGINIA	
All	1
WISCONSIN	
All	0
WYOMING	
Cheyenne	1
Yellowstone	3

Table 3-1. Continued

uously during and after an earthquake. This category includes facilities where damage from an earthquake may cause significant loss of strategic and general communications and critical mission response capability. In addition to the items in SEAOC Table 1-C, the following are categorized as essential facilities:

(1) Facilities involved in handling or processing sensitive munitions, nuclear weaponry or materials, gas and petroleum fuels, and chemical or biological contaminants.

(2) Facilities involved in operational missile control, launch, tracking, or other critical defense capabilities.

(3) Mission-essential and primary communication or data-handling facilities.

b. Category II—Hazardous Facilities. These are defined in SEAOC Table 1-C.

c. Category III—Special Occupancy Structures. These are structures where primary occupancy is for assembly of a large number of people, where the primary use is for people who are confined (e.g., prisons), or where services are provided to a large area or large number of other buildings. Buildings in this category may suffer damage in a large earthquake but are recognized as warranting a higher level of safety than the average building. An example of a special occupancy structure is one having high-value equipment when justification is provided by the using agency.

d. Category IV—Standard Occupancy Structures. This category includes all facilities not included in the categories above.

e. Multiple occupancies. Buildings with multiple occupancies will be categorized according to the

most important occupancy unless the portion of the building that houses the most important occupancy can be shown to satisfy the requirements for that occupancy.

3-7. Importance factors. The importance factor is a multiplier that increases the design lateral force levels for certain occupancies. Values of I-factors for all occupancy categories are given in SEAOC Table 1-D. Use of these I-factors requires that specific quality control requirements be met. These requirements are discussed in SEAOC.

3-8. Approved systems. Any building designed within the scope of this manual must qualify under one or more of the classifications under general categories A, B, C, and D in SEAOC Table 1-G. If there is doubt as to which of two classifications governs, the one with the smaller value of R_w should be used. If the building does not appear to be covered by any of the classifications, the structural system must be modified to conform to one of the classifications, or justification must be made for the argument that the structural system will satisfy the intent of the seismic design provisions as prescribed in SEAOC 1D9b.

3-9. Dynamic analysis. TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A, will be used instead of SEAOC 1F when the dynamic analysis procedure is used.

3-10. Quality control.

a. General. The SEAOC provisions require that a certain level of quality control be provided. Observation of actual structural performance in earthquakes has indicated that the details of

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design and construction often dominate the seismic performance. The SEAOC provisions are based on the premise that special design, construction review, inspection, and observation can improve the performance of the structure more effectively than reliance on increased design force levels. In Zones 2, 3, and 4, for Occupancy Categories I, II, and III,

SEAOC 1K requires that special quality control requirements be exercised during both the design phase and the construction phase of a project. When standard Department of Defense (DOD) quality control procedures do not meet the SEAOC 1K requirements, supplemental procedures should be initiated to meet these requirements.

AFRICA:

Algeria:			
Alger	.....	3	
Oran	.....	3	
Angola:			
Luanda	.....	0	
Benin:			
Cotonou	.....	0	
Botswana:			
Gaborone	.....	0	
Burundi:			
Bujumbura	.....	3	
Cameroon:			
Douala	.....	0	
Yaounde	.....	0	
Cape Verde:			
Praia	.....	0	
Central African Republic:			
Bangui	.....	0	
Chad:			
Njamena	.....	0	
Congo:			
Brazzaville	.....	0	
Djibouti:			
Djibouti	.....	3	
Egypt:			
Alexandria	.....	2A	
Cairo	.....	2A	
Port Said	.....	2A	
Equatorial Guinea:			
Malabo	.....	0	
Ethiopia:			
Addis Ababa	.....	3	
Asmara	.....	3	
Gabon:			
Libreville	.....	0	
Gambia:			
Banjul	.....	0	
Ghana:			
Accra	.....	3	
Guinea:			
Bissau	.....	1	
Conakry	.....	0	
Ivory Coast:			
Abidjan	.....	0	
Kenya:			
Nairobi	.....	2A	
Lesotho:			
Maseru	.....	2A	
Liberia:			
Monrovia	.....	1	
Libya:			
Tripoli	.....	2A	
Wheeler AFB	.....	2A	
Malagasy Republic:			
Tananarive	.....	0	
Malawi:			
Blantyre	.....	3	
Lilongwe	.....	3	
Zomba	.....	3	
Mali:			
Bamako	.....	0	
Mauritania:			
Nouakchott	.....	0	
Mauritius:			
Port Louis	.....	0	
Morocco:			
Casablanca	.....	2A	
Port Lyautcy	.....	1	
Rabat	.....	2A	
Tangier	.....	3	
Mozambique:			
Maputo	.....	2A	
Niger:			
Niamey	.....	0	
Nigeria:			
Ibadan	.....	0	
Kaduna	.....	0	
Lagos	.....	0	
Republic of Rwanda:			
Kigali	.....	3	
Senegal:			
Dakar	.....	0	
Seychelles:			
Victoria	.....	0	
Sierra Leone:			
Freetown	.....	0	
Somalia:			
Mogadishu	.....	0	
South Africa:			
Cape Town	.....	3	
Durban	.....	2A	
Johannesburg	.....	2A	
Natal	.....	1	
Pretoria	.....	2A	
Swaziland:			
Mbabane	.....	2A	
Tanzania:			
Dar es Salaam	.....	2A	
Zanzibar	.....	2A	
Togo:			
Lome	.....	1	
Tunisia:			
Tunis	.....	3	
Uganda:			
Kampala	.....	2A	
Upper Volta:			
Ougadougou	.....	0	
Zaire:			
Bukavu	.....	3	
Kinshasa	.....	0	
Lubumbashi	.....	2A	
Zambia:			
Lusaka	.....	2A	
Zimbabwe:			
Harare	.....	
(Salisbury)	.....	3	
ASIA:			
Afghanistan:			
Kabul	.....	4	
Bahrain:			
Manama	.....	0	
Bangladesh:			
Dacca	.....	3	
Brunei:			
Bandar Seri Begawan	.....	1	
Burma:			
Mandalay	.....	3	
Rangoon	.....	3	
China:			
Canton	.....	2A	
Chengdu	.....	3	
Nanking	.....	2A	
Peking	.....	4	
Shanghai	.....	2A	
Shengyang	.....	4	
Tihwa	.....	4	
Tsingtao	.....	3	
Wuhan	.....	2A	
Cyprus:			
Nicosia	.....	3	
Hong Kong:			
Hong Kong	.....	2A	
India:			
Bombay	.....	3	
Calcutta	.....	2A	
Madras	.....	1	
New Delhi	.....	3	
Indonesia:			
Bandung	.....	4	
Jakarta	.....	4	
Medan	.....	3	
Surabaya	.....	4	
Iran:			
Isfahan	.....	3	
Shiraz	.....	3	
Tabriz	.....	4	
Tehran	.....	4	
Iraq:			
Baghdad	.....	3	
Basra	.....	1	
Israel:			
Haifa	.....	3	
Jerusalem	.....	3	
Tel Aviv	.....	3	
Japan:			
Fukuoka	.....	3	
Itazuke AFB	.....	3	
Misawa AFB	.....	3	
Naha, Okinawa	.....	4	
Osaka/Kobe	.....	4	
Sapporo	.....	3	
Tokyo	.....	4	
Wakkanai	.....	3	
Yokohama	.....	4	
Yokota	.....	4	
Jordan:			
Amman	.....	3	
Korea:			
Kwangju	.....	1	
Kimhae	.....	1	
Pusan	.....	1	
Seoul	.....	0	
Kuwait:			
Kuwait	.....	1	

Table 3-2. Seismic zone tabulation—outside United States.

Laos:	
Vientiane	1
Lebanon:	
Beirut	3
Malaysia:	
Kuala Lumpur	1
Nepal:	
Kathmandu	4
Oman:	
Muscat	2A
Pakistan:	
Islamabad	4
Karachi	4
Lahore	2A
Peshawar	4
Qatar:	
Doha	0
Saudi Arabia:	
Al Batin	1
Dhahran	1
Jiddah	2A
Khamis Mushayf	1
Riyadh	0
Singapore:	
All	1
South Yemen:	
Aden City	3
Sri Lanka:	
Colombo	0
Syria:	
Aleppo	3
Damascus	3
Taiwan:	
All	4
Thailand:	
Bangkok	1
Chiang Mai	2A
Songkhla	0
Udorn	1
Turkey:	
Adana	2A
Ankara	2A
Istanbul	4
Izmir	4
Karamursel	3
United Arab Emirates:	
Abu Dhabi	0
Dubai	0
Viet Nam:	
Ho Chi Minh City(Saigon)	0
Yemen Arab Republic:	
Sanaa	3

ATLANTIC OCEAN AREA:

Azores:	
All	2A
Bermuda:	
All	1

CARIBBEAN SEA:

Bahama Islands:	
All	1

Cuba:	
All	2A
Dominican Republic:	
Santo Domingo	3
French West Indies:	
Martinique	3
Grenada:	
Saint Georges	3
Haiti:	
Port au Prince	3
Jamaica:	
Kingston	3
Leeward Islands:	
All	3
Puerto Rico:	
All	2B
Trinidad & Tobago:	
All	3

CENTRAL AMERICA:

Belize:	
Belmopan	2A
Canal Zone:	
All	2A
Costa Rica:	
San Jose	3
El Salvador:	
San Salvador	4
Guatemala:	
Guatemala	4
Honduras:	
Tegucigalpa	3
Nicaragua:	
Managua	4
Panama:	
Colon	3
Galeta	2B
Panama	3
Mexico:	
Ciudad Juarez	2A
Guadalajara	3
Hermosillo	3
Matamoros	0
Mazatlan	2A
Merida	0
Mexico City	3
Monterrey	0
Nuevo Laredo	0
Tijuana	3

EUROPE:

Albania:	
Tirana	3
Austria:	
Salzburg	2A
Vienna	2A
Belgium:	
Antwerp	1
Brussels	2A

Bulgaria:	
Sofia	3
Czechoslovakia:	
Bratislava	2A
Prague	1
Denmark:	
Copenhagen	1
Finland:	
Helsinki	1
France:	
Bordeaux	2A
Lyon	1
Marseille	3
Nice	3
Paris	0
Strasbourg	2A
Germany, Federal Republic:	
Berlin	0
Bonn	2A
Bremen	0
Dusseldorf	1
Frankfurt	2A
Hamburg	0
Munich	1
Stuttgart	2A
Vaihigen	2A
Greece:	
Athens	3
Kavalla	4
Makri	4
Rhodes	3
Sauda Bay	4
Thessaloniki	4
Hungary:	
Budapest	2A
Iceland:	
Keflavick	3
Reykjavik	4
Ireland:	
Dublin	0
Italy:	
Aviano AFB	3
Brindisi	0
Florence	3
Genoa	3
Milan	2A
Naples	3
Palermo	3
Rome	2A
Sicily	3
Trieste	3
Turin	2A
Luxembourg:	
Luxembourg	1
Malta:	
Valletta	2A
Netherlands:	
All	0
Norway:	
Oslo	2A
Poland:	
Krakow	2A
Poznan	1
Warszawa	1

Table 3-2. Continued.

Portugal:
 Lisbon 4
 Opporto 3
 Romania:
 Bucharest 3
 Spain:
 Barcelona 2A
 Bilbao 2A
 Madrid 0
 Rota 2A
 Seville 2A
 Sweden:
 Goteborg 2A
 Stockholm 1
 Switzerland:
 Bern 2A
 Geneva 1
 Zurich 2A
 United Kingdom:
 Belfast 0
 Edinburgh 1
 Edzell 1
 Glasgow/Renfrew 1
 Hamilton 1
 Liverpool 1
 London 2A
 Londonderry 1
 Thurso 1
 U.S.S.R.:
 Kiev 0
 Leningrad 0
 Moscow 0
 Yugoslavia:
 Belgrade 2A
 Zagreb 3

Brazil:
 Belem 0
 Belo Horizonte 0
 Brasilia 0
 Manaus 0
 Porto Allegre 0
 Recife 0
 Rio de Janeiro 0
 Salvador 0
 Sao Paulo 1
 Bolivia:
 La Paz 3
 Santa Cruz 1
 Chile:
 Santiago 4
 Valparaiso 4
 Colombia:
 Bogata 3
 Ecuador:
 Quito 4
 Guayaquil 3
 Paraguay:
 Asuncion 0
 Peru:
 Lima 4
 Piura 4
 Uruguay:
 Montevideo 0
 Venezuela:
 Maracaibo 2A
 Caracas 4

Samoa:
 All 3
 Wake Island:
 All 0

NORTH AMERICA:

Greenland:
 All 1
 Canada:
 Argentia NAS 2A
 Calgary, Alb 1
 Churchill, Man 0
 Cold Lake, Alb 1
 Edmonton, Alb 1
 E. Harmon, AFB 2A
 Fort Williams, Ont 0
 Frobisher N.W.Ter 0
 Goose Airport 1
 Halifax 1
 Montreal, Quebec 3
 Ottawa, Ont 2A
 St. John's Nfld 3
 Toronto, Ont. 1
 Vancouver 3
 Winnipeg, Man. 1

SOUTH AMERICA:

Argentina:
 Buenos Aires 0

PACIFIC OCEAN AREA:

Australia:
 Brisbane 1
 Canberra 1
 Melbourne 1
 Perth 1
 Sydney 1
 Caroline Islands:
 Koror, Paulau Is. 2A
 Ponape 0
 Fiji:
 Suva 3
 Johnson Island:
 All 1
 Mariana Islands:
 Guam 3
 Saipan 3
 Tinian 3
 Marshall Islands:
 All 1
 New Zealand:
 Auckland 3
 Wellington 4
 Papua New Guinea:
 Port Moresby 3
 Phillipine Islands:
 Cebu 4
 Manila 4
 Baguio 3

Table 3-2. Continued.

CHAPTER 4

APPLICATION OF CRITERIA

4-1. Introduction. This chapter provides guidance for the application of the criteria specified in chapter 3. Chapter 4 is concerned with the building as a whole. Procedures for designing and detailing of the structural elements of a building are discussed in chapters 5 through 10. Detailed examples for specific types of structures are included in appendix D of this manual.

a. Expected performance. The general objectives are approached with reference to a major level (or maximum expected level) of earthquake ground motion having a 10 percent probability of exceedance in 50 years. This ground motion is characterized by a peak ground acceleration, Z , and a site spectrum, ZC , that are functions of the fundamental period of vibration, T . ZC sets the force for a structure that remains elastic at 5 percent of critical damping during this ground motion. It is impracticable to design for this level of force; moreover, it is not necessary because a building that is designed to reach its elastic limit at lower force levels can survive the earthquake by yielding and absorbing energy. SEAOC recommendations provide criteria for structural systems that are expected to safeguard against major failures and loss of life at the ground motion represented by ZC , when designed to a force level that is reduced through a response modification coefficient, R_w . The designer must be aware that designing the lateral force resisting elements for the reduced force level does not, in itself, necessarily ensure satisfactory performance. Special details for structural elements and connections are required to enable the structure to deform beyond the elastic limits of the materials. For buildings that may have unusual behavior, additional design criteria may be required to develop satisfactory performance.

b. Overview of the design procedure. The design procedure follows the general pattern listed below—

- (1) The building as a whole.
 - (a) Geologic conditions: Z , S . (para 4-2)
 - (b) Facility conditions: I , H . (para 4-3)
 - (c) Selection of method of analysis. (para 4-4)
 - (d) Selection of structural system. (para 4-5)
 - (e) C-factor and period: C , T . (para 4-6)
 - (f) Base shear and weight: V , W . (para 4-7)
 - (g) Principal axes of building. (para 4-8)
 - (h) Distribution of lateral forces. (para 4-9)
 - (i) Consideration of vertical forces. (para 4-10)

- (j) Detailed design requirements. (para 4-11)
- (k) Deformation requirements. (para 4-12)
 - 1. Connections. (para 4-13)
 - 2. The diaphragms. (para 4-14)
 - 3. The elements and components. (para 4-15)
 - 4. Nonbuilding structures. (para 4-16)
 - 5. Design procedure.
 - (a) Planning. (para 4-17)
 - (b) Design. (para 4-18)

c. Basis of design. When developing seismic design criteria, there must be consistency on both sides of the demand versus capacity equation. Demand represents the applied forces resulting from the earthquake (i.e., the demands of the earthquake). Capacity represents the ability of the structural elements to resist the earthquake forces (i.e., the capacity of the structure). The basis for earthquake design is to supply sufficient capacity to satisfy the demands, that is, capacity equal to or greater than the demand. There are three general bases of design that are used in seismic design:

(1) *Allowable stress.* For this basis of design, the demands of the earthquake are reduced to a level that is consistent with working stress or service level procedures for calculating capacity. The factor R_w is used to reduce the site spectrum to a building design spectrum, with the subscript w representing working stress. For steel (under ASD) and wood, capacities are calculated on the basis of allowable stresses, which are set at some fraction of the strength of the material. For reinforced concrete, the demand is increased by load factors because capacities are calculated on a strength basis, and the load factors are set so that the basis of design is consistent with the working-stress basis for the other materials. This working-stress procedure is the basis for seismic design used in this manual.

(2) *Strength.* For this basis of design, the demands of the earthquake are reduced to a lesser degree for consistency with the strength basis for calculating the capacity of the structural elements. The factor R is used to reduce the site spectrum, and no load factors are applied to the seismic demand. (R_w is approximately equal to $1.5R$.) This is the basis of design that was used for Applied Technology Council document ATC 3-06 which was the forerunner of the National Earthquake Hazard Reduction Program (NEHRP) seismic design provisions Federal Emergency Management

Agency (FEMA 95). For reinforced concrete, member capacities are calculated on the strength basis, in the same way they are under the working-stress basis of design, but R is used rather than R_w , and there is no load factor. For the other materials, which do not as yet have strength procedures, member capacities are calculated on a working-stress basis but with higher allowable stresses which are intended to be consistent with the use of R rather than R_w . It can be expected that when strength procedures are developed for wood, steel, and masonry, the working-stress basis will be abandoned. It should be noted that TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A uses a strength basis for meeting the demand of EQ-I. There is no reduction factor R , but EQ-I is a smaller earthquake than that assumed in the other bases of design, and some yielding of structural elements is accepted.

(3) *Performance.* For this basis of design, there is no reduction of the forces associated with the site spectrum, but the structure is evaluated for its ability to absorb energy, deform inelastically, and exhibit ductile behavior. TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A uses this basis of design for meeting the demand of EQ-II.

4-2. Site conditions. Guidance on the determination of Z and S is given in the following paragraphs.

a. Zone factor. The Z -factor represents the seismicity of the site. It is a measure of the effective peak ground acceleration having a 10 percent probability of exceedance in 50 years. The value of Z ranges from 0.40 in Seismic Zone 4 to 0.075 in Zone 1. The Z values and the seismic zone map are obtained from chapter 3. The SEAOC Seismic Zone 2 has been subdivided for assignment of the Z -factor: Zone 2A on the map, in the eastern and midwestern states, uses $Z = 0.15$; Zone 2B on the map, in the western states, uses $Z = 0.20$. The other SEAOC requirements for Zone 2 apply to both Zone 2A and Zone 2B on the map.

b. Soil factor. The value of S is determined from the characteristics of the soil profile at the building site. The soil profile will be established from properly substantiated geotechnical data, and the S -factor will be determined from SEAOC Table 1-B. Generally, the value of S will vary from 1.0 to 1.5. In special cases it may be equal to 2.0.

(1) When geotechnical data are not available, the S -factor will be taken as 1.5.

(2) The S_4 profile was established in recognition of the potential for soft site effects such as those that exist in portions of Mexico City and those that were experienced to a lesser extent in

some areas of the San Francisco Bay Area during the October 17, 1989, Loma Prieta earthquake. Soft sites such as filled-in lake beds or filled-in waterfront property may exhibit characteristics that amplify earthquake ground motion in the moderate-to-long structural period range (e.g., 1.0 to 3.0 seconds). When there is evidence that such a condition may exist, a geotechnical investigation will be required. Refer to SEAOC 1D8b(4) and 1F2d.

4-3. Facility conditions. The building occupancy and height categories are required at the initial stages of seismic design.

a. The occupancy categories are defined in SEAOC Table 1-C as modified in chapter 3. The importance factor, I , is determined from SEAOC Table 1-D.

b. The height of the building, H , is involved in a number of system limitations. Height limits that trigger various requirements are 65, 120, 160, and 240 feet, as shown in SEAOC Table 1-G and other parts of SEAOC.

4-4. Selection of method of analysis. The SEAOC recommendations prescribe two lateral force procedures (SEAOC 1D8): one is the static lateral force procedure; the other is the dynamic lateral force procedure. As will be seen in the summary below, most structures will be designed by the static lateral force procedure of SEAOC 1E. Structures that do not qualify for the static lateral force procedure will require a dynamic analysis. Instead of using the provisions of SEAOC 1F, the dynamic analysis will be done according to TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A. All structures located on Soil Profile Type S_4 and having a period greater than 0.7 seconds, will have a dynamic analysis. The other provisions of SEAOC 1D8 are summarized below.

a. Zone 1. The static procedures of SEAOC 1E may be used for all structures unless in soil S_4 and period greater than 0.7 seconds.

b. Zone 2, Occupancy Category IV. The static procedures of SEAOC 1E may be used for all structures unless in S_4 and period greater than 0.7 seconds.

c. Zone 2, Occupancy Categories I, II, and III. The same provisions as used in Zones 3 and 4.

d. Zones 3 and 4. The static procedures of SEAOC 1E may be used for the following structures.

(1) Regular structures under 240 feet in height with lateral resistance provided by systems listed in SEAOC Table 1-G, unless in S_4 and period greater than 0.7 seconds.

(2) Irregular structures not more than 5 stories or 65 feet in height.

(3) Structures having a tower on a platform, as defined in SEAOC 1D8a(4).

4-5. Building systems.

a. Space frame. Basic to understanding the structural systems is the concept of the space frame. The term *space frame* refers to the three-dimensional assemblage of structural elements. A complete space frame is one that consists of beams and columns that carry all of the gravity loads. When some of these frame elements are designed to resist seismic forces as well, the designated

elements make up the frames that become the moment frames of the lateral force resisting system. Refer to figure 4-1. In an "incomplete" space frame, some frame elements are missing and floor framing is carried by shear walls or braced frames that are part of the lateral force resisting system. In other words, if the walls and braces are removed there will not be a complete gravity support system.

b. Structural systems.

(1) Bearing wall system (category A, SEAOC Table 1-G). This system is characterized by shear wall or braced frame lateral force resisting elements that also support vertical loads (i.e., gravity

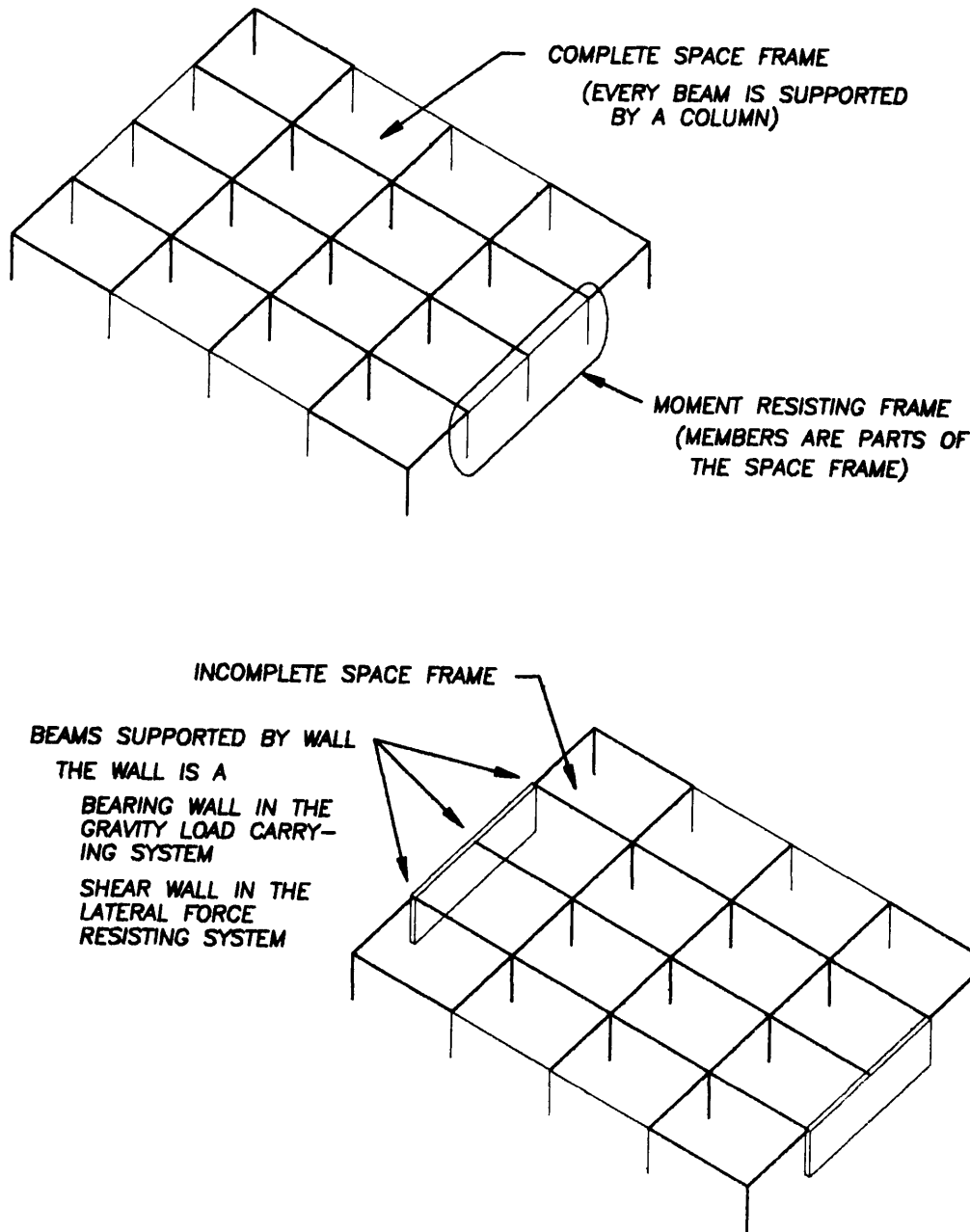


Figure 4-1. The space frame and the designated seismic moment resisting frame.

loads). If these elements fail due to lateral loads, there will be a loss of the vertical load capacity of a portion of the structure that can lead to a partial collapse or to vertical instability of the building.

(2) Building frame system (category B, SEAOC Table 1-G). This system consists of a complete vertical load carrying space frame, with lateral load resistance provided by braced frames or nonbearing shear walls. This definition requires that the vertical load carrying frame be essentially complete. However, some exceptions are acceptable, such as minor load bearing walls around a stairwell if they do not significantly influence the lateral force characteristics or the vertical load capacity of the building. Also, basement walls below the level considered the base of the building may be bearing for loads originating at that level. The test for qualifying as a vertical load carrying space frame is to determine whether or not the building can support the vertical loads if the shear walls or braces are seriously damaged during an earthquake. While there is no requirement to provide lateral resistance in the vertical load framing, it is strongly recommended that nominal moment resistance be incorporated in the vertical load frame design. In structural steel, this might be in the form of nominal moment resisting beam flange and/or web connections to the columns. In reinforced concrete, the nominal moment resistance inherent in cast-in-place concrete may be considered sufficient to qualify for this system, while most types of precast concrete systems would not.

(3) Moment resisting frame system (category C, SEAOC Table 1-G). The lateral force resisting systems are moment resisting frames. As in the case of the building frame system, the vertical load carrying frame must be essentially complete. The moment resisting frames must be capable of resisting the entire lateral force.

(4) Dual systems (category D, SEAOC Table 1-G). Dual systems are interactive combinations of shear walls or braced frames with moment frames. Generally, for tall buildings with a dual system, the shear walls, if they were to act independently, would deflect as vertical cantilevers, with greater interstory displacements occurring at the top, while the frames would deflect at a more uniform rate or with greater interstory displacements at the bottom (see fig 4-2). Usually in buildings that have a dual system, the diaphragms are rigid. With rigid diaphragms there is a forced compatibility of frame and wall deflection at each story, and this induces interaction forces between shear walls and frames. The pattern of these forces is such that the shear walls tend to support the frame at the lower stories and the frame tends to

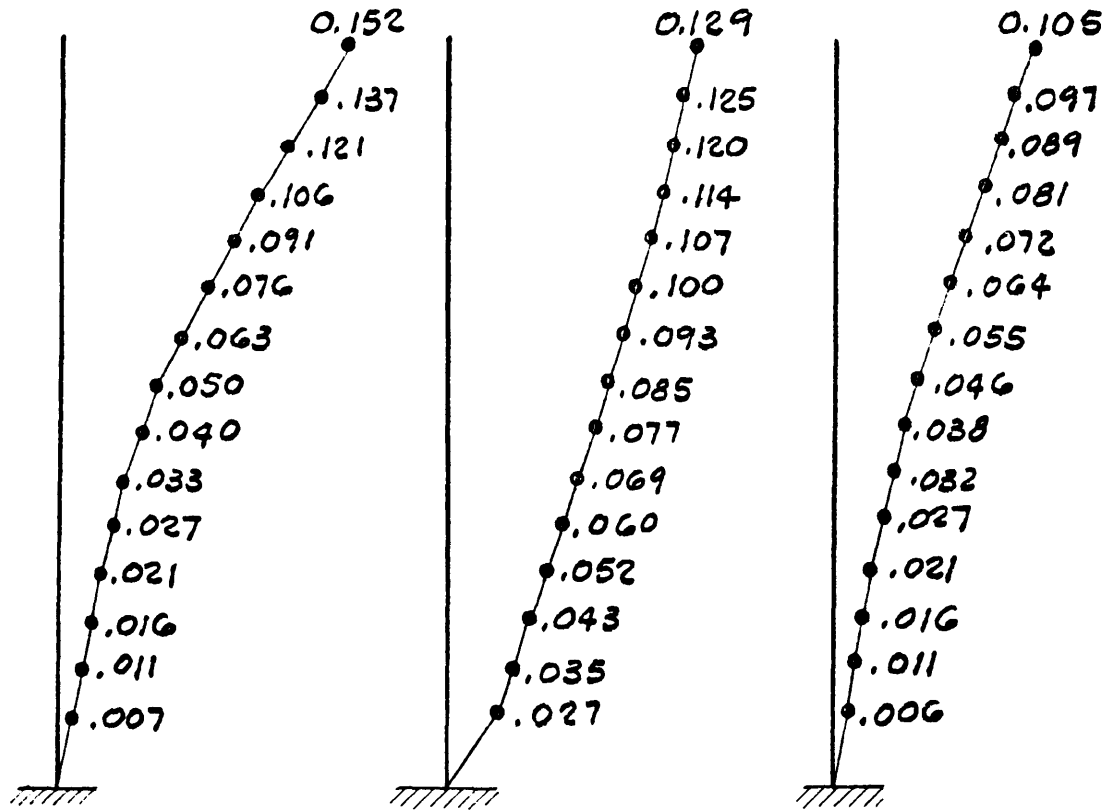
support the shear walls at the upper stories. In order to qualify as a dual system, the vertical load carrying space frame must be substantially complete. Special details are required according to the R_w value and seismic zone. The shear wall or braced frame and moment resisting systems will conform to both of the following criteria—

(a) The frame and shear walls or braced frames shall resist the total required lateral force in accordance with relative rigidities considering the interaction of the walls and frames as a single system. This analysis shall be made in accordance with the principles of structural mechanics considering the relative rigidities of the elements and torsion effects in the system. Deformations imposed upon members of the frame by the interaction with the shear wall or braced frame shall be considered in this analysis.

(b) The special moment resisting frame acting independently shall be capable of resisting not less than 25 percent of the total required lateral force, including torsion effects. Columns of the frame system may also function as the boundary elements of shear walls. As such, these columns must be designed to resist the vertical forces resulting from overturning moment in the shear wall along with the load effects associated with the frame system.

(5) *Undefined systems.* Undefined systems are those not listed in SEAOC Table 1-G; they are assigned to category E in the table. This category includes such structures as A-frames, three-hinged arches, and rigid frames of wood. Such structures must have their basis of design justified in accordance with SEAOC 1D9b.

c. R_w -factor. Each of the four categories A, B, C, and D has a set of systems that are defined by their materials and characterized by a particular response modification coefficient, R_w . The R_w -factor represents the type of structural system and the nature of the structure itself. The value of R_w , which is obtained from SEAOC Tables 1-G and 1-I, varies from 4 to 12 for buildings and from 3 to 5 for nonbuilding structures. Buildings that are considered to possess considerable inelastic deformation ability and/or have inherent redundancy are assigned the higher R_w values. Buildings that tend to be more brittle and lack redundancy are assigned the lower R_w values. Damping, to a certain extent, is also considered in the R_w value. Whereas buildings generally have a multiplicity of nonstructural and noncomputed resisting elements that effectively increase the resistance of the structure, structures other than buildings (i.e., nonbuilding structures) generally do not have such elements or have low damping characteristics and are assigned lower R_w values. Although the selec-



- a.) SHEAR WALL ACTING INDEPENDENTLY (deflection shown for total building forces)
- b.) MOMENT FRAME ACTING INDEPENDENTLY (deflections allow for 25% of total building forces)
- c.) DUAL SYSTEM SHEAR WALL AND MOMENT FRAME LINKED TOGETHER BY RIGID DIAPHRAGMS. (deflection shown for total building forces)

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Figure 4-2. Dual-system deformations.

tion of the R_w value is generally a simple process, for some buildings it may be complicated by unusual combinations of materials, height limitations, and special detailed system design requirements.

d. *System limitations.* System limitations involve building configuration, vertical and plan irregularities, combinations of systems, and height limits.

(1) *Configuration requirements.* The designer is required to designate the structure as either regular or irregular (SEAOC 1D5). Irregular fea-

tures include, but are not limited to, those described in SEAOC Tables 1-E and 1-F. The irregularity of a building should be obvious: the definitions given in the tables were developed only to meet a need for definite limits. The designer is not expected to make these calculations routinely, but only when needed to resolve doubts in marginal cases. Irregularities have certain consequences that are summarized below. It should be noted that where dynamic analysis is mentioned it is a general requirement, but most buildings are exempted under SEAOC 1D8.

(2) *Vertical irregularities* (SEAOC Table 1-E).

(a) *Stiffness*. Note the exception of SEAOC 1D5b(1). The presence of a stiffness irregularity requires dynamic analysis, except for buildings exempted under SEAOC 1D8.

(b) *Weight*. Note the exception of SEAOC 1D5b(1). The presence of a weight irregularity requires dynamic analysis, except for buildings exempted under SEAOC 1D8.

(c) *Geometry*. Geometric irregularities require dynamic analysis, except for buildings exempted under SEAOC 1D8.

(d) *Discontinuities*. In-plane discontinuities in buildings in Zones 2, 3, and 4 invoke the overturning requirements of SEAOC 1E7b.

(e) *Weak stories*. Weak stories invoke the system limitations of SEAOC 1D9a.

(3) *Plan irregularities* (SEAOC Table 1-F).

(a) Torsion invokes the requirement for amplification of accidental torsion of SEAOC 1E6d, the orthogonal effects of SEAOC 1H1c, and, in Zones 3 and 4, the diaphragm requirements of SEAOC 1H2j(4).

(b) Re-entrant corners invoke the diaphragm requirements of SEAOC 1H2j(4) and (5).

(c) Diaphragm discontinuity in Zones 3 and 4 invokes the diaphragm requirement of SEAOC 1H2j(4).

(d) Out-of-plane offsets invoke, in Zones 2, 3, and 4, the overturning requirements of SEAOC 1E7b and, in Zones 3 and 4, the diaphragm requirements of SEAOC 1H2j(4).

(e) Nonparallel systems are subject to the requirements of SEAOC 1H1c concerning orthogonal effects.

(4) *Combinations of structural systems*. A building can utilize two or more systems in combination. Combinations may be horizontal or vertical or both. An example of a vertical combination is a building having shear walls in a base structure with a moment frame tower above. A horizontal combination means different systems in the two directions (e.g., moment frames in one direction and shear walls in the other). Each direction (system) is treated individually, with due regard for effects that result from interaction, such as torsional effects.

(a) *Vertical combinations*. Generally the R_w value is constant throughout the height of the building. When a change of structural system does occur (e.g., a steel frame on concrete shear walls, a wood box system on a concrete box system), the R_w value at the lower level cannot be greater than the R_w value of the system above, and special consid-

eration must be given to the transition from one system to the other to ensure sufficient load transfer capacity and inelastic deformation capability. Refer to SEAOC 1E3a.

(b) *Combinations in plan*. The lateral load resisting system parallel to one axis may be different from that along the other axis (e.g., shear walls or braced frames in the north-south direction and moment frames in the east-west direction). There is an important restriction relating to bearing wall systems: if the structural system in one direction is a bearing wall system (category A in SEAOC Table 1-G), then no matter what the system is in the other direction, the R_w used in that other direction may not be greater than the value prescribed for the bearing wall system. For example, a concrete bearing wall system in the north-south direction (system A2a, SEAOC Table 1-G, $R_w = 6$) and a steel special moment resisting frame (SMRF) in the east-west direction (system C1a, SEAOC Table 1-G, $R_w = 12$) will require $R_w = 6$ in both directions. Refer to SEAOC 1E3b. In SEAOC, this applies to Seismic Zones 3 and 4. For this manual it will apply to all zones.

(5) *Height limits*. In Seismic Zones 3 and 4, some approved structural systems are restricted by height limitations. For example, buildings over 160 feet in height must be special moment resisting frames or dual systems of steel or concrete with SMRF. Refer to SEAOC Table 1-G for applicable height limits. Note the exceptions of SEAOC 1D7.

4-6. C-factor and the building period, T.

a. *General*. For a given value of the site coefficient, S, the factor C is dependent on the period of vibration, T, of the structure, as shown in SEAOC equation 1-2. Table 4-1 gives values of C as a function of T for four site profiles (S_1 , S_2 , S_3 , and S_4). Figure 4-3 illustrates the relationship of C to T graphically. The plateau of the plot shown in figure 4-3 represents the maximum value of C, which is 2.75. The period of vibration is the time required for one complete cycle of oscillation of an elastic structure in a particular mode of vibration. The building period referred to in the seismic provisions of this manual is the fundamental period of vibration for each of the two translational directions of the building (the transverse and the longitudinal). The value of T may be determined by Method A or Method B. Method A may be used for all buildings, without qualification. There are limitations on the use of Method B.

PERIOD T Seconds	$C = 1.25S/T^{2.0}$			
	$S_1 = 1.00$	$S_2 = 1.20$	$S_3 = 1.50$	$S_4 = 2.00$
0.25	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.75
0.30	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.75
0.35	2.53	2.75	2.75	2.75
0.40	2.31	2.75	2.75	2.75
0.45	2.13	2.56	2.75	2.75
0.50	1.99	2.39	2.75	2.75
0.60	1.76	2.11	2.64	2.75
0.70	1.59	1.90	2.38	2.75
0.80	1.45	1.74	2.18	2.75
0.90	1.34	1.61	2.01	2.68
1.00	1.25	1.50	1.88	2.50
1.10	1.17	1.41	1.76	2.35
1.20	1.11	1.33	1.66	2.21
1.30	1.05	1.26	1.57	2.10
1.40	1.00	1.20	1.50	2.00
1.50	0.95	1.14	1.43	1.91
1.75	0.86	1.03	1.29	1.72
2.00	0.79	0.94	1.18	1.57
2.50	0.68	0.81	1.01	1.35
3.00	0.60	0.72	0.90	1.20
3.50	0.54	0.65	0.81	1.08
4.00	0.49	0.59	0.74	0.99

Table 4-1. C vs T for $S_1, S_2, S_3,$ and S_4 .

b. *Method A.* To calculate T by Method A, only the height of the building (h_n) and the value of C_t need be known for use of SEAOC equation 1-3. C_t is determined from the type of lateral force resisting system (e.g., steel moment frame, reinforced concrete moment frame, eccentric braced steel frame). An alternative for concrete or masonry shear wall systems may be used (SEAOC eq 1-4) if the shear wall dimensions are known.

c. *Low-rise buildings.* Short buildings have short periods of vibration. Without any calculation, it can be assumed that C equals 2.75 (the maximum value). Table 4-2 gives the value that T must

exceed for C to be less than 2.75. If only Method A is used, table 4-3 may be used to estimate the height that the building must exceed to have C less than 2.75 for each of the values of C_t in SEAOC equation 1-3. For example, if a reinforced concrete special moment resisting frame building ($C_t = 0.030$) with an S-factor equal to 1.5 is 50 feet in height, by Method A, C equals 2.75 (table 4-3). However, if Method B is used and T is calculated to be greater than 0.56 second (table 4-2), C may be less than 2.75. But in no case can the value of C be less than 80 percent of 2.75 (that is, the minimum value of C is 2.2).

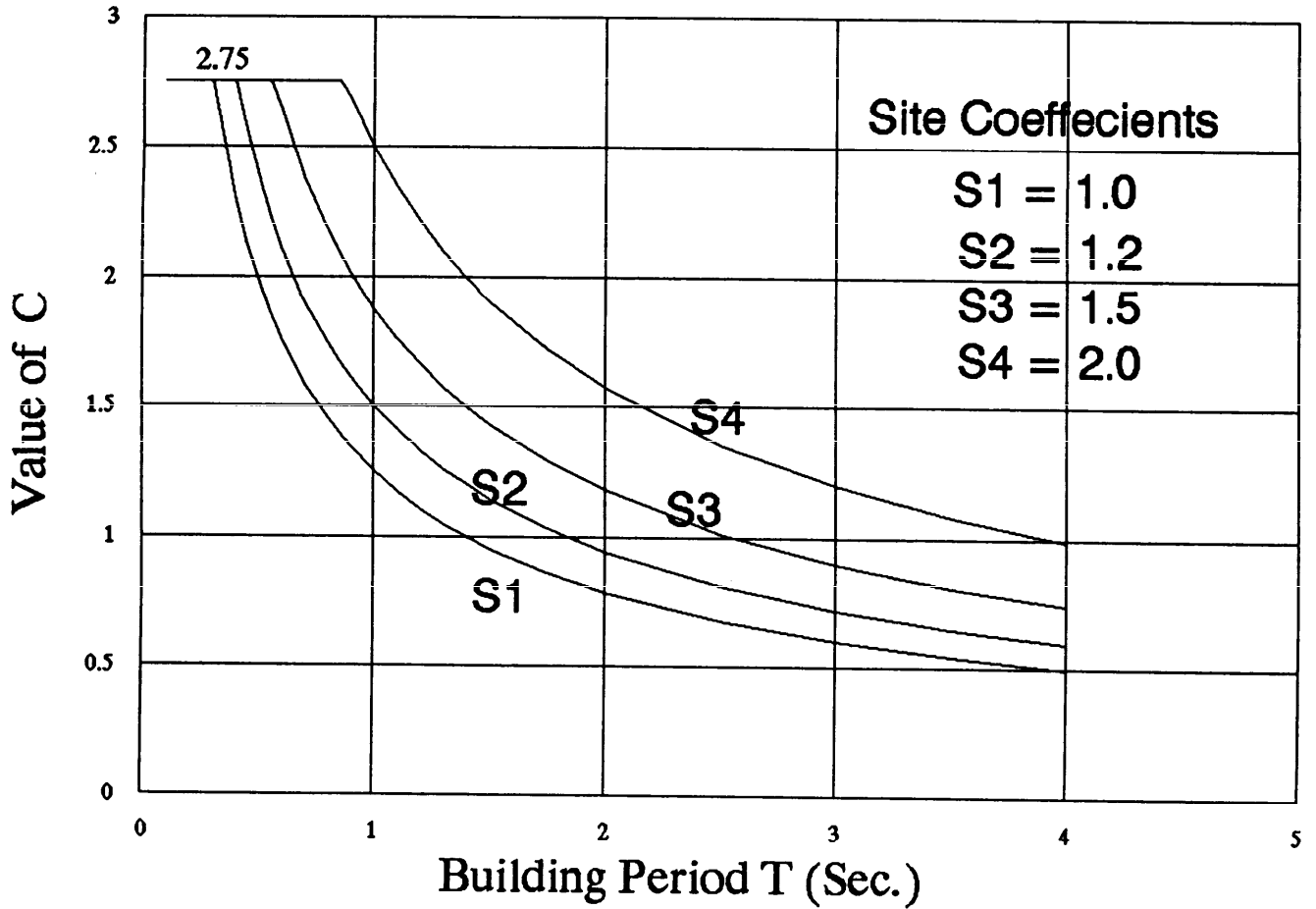


Figure 4-3. C vs T.

Soil Profile	S ₁	S ₂	S ₃	S ₄
Site Coefficient, S	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.0
Period T* (sec)	0.31	0.40	0.56	0.87

*If the structure period is less than this value, C = 2.75. If it is greater, C < 2.75. (See SEAOC Formula 1-2.)

Table 4-2. Value of T to be exceeded for C to be less than 2.75 when using Method A.

Site Coefficient, S	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.0	
h_n** (ft)	C _t =0.035	18	26	40	72
	C _t =0.030	23	32	50	90
	C _t =0.020	38	54	85	150

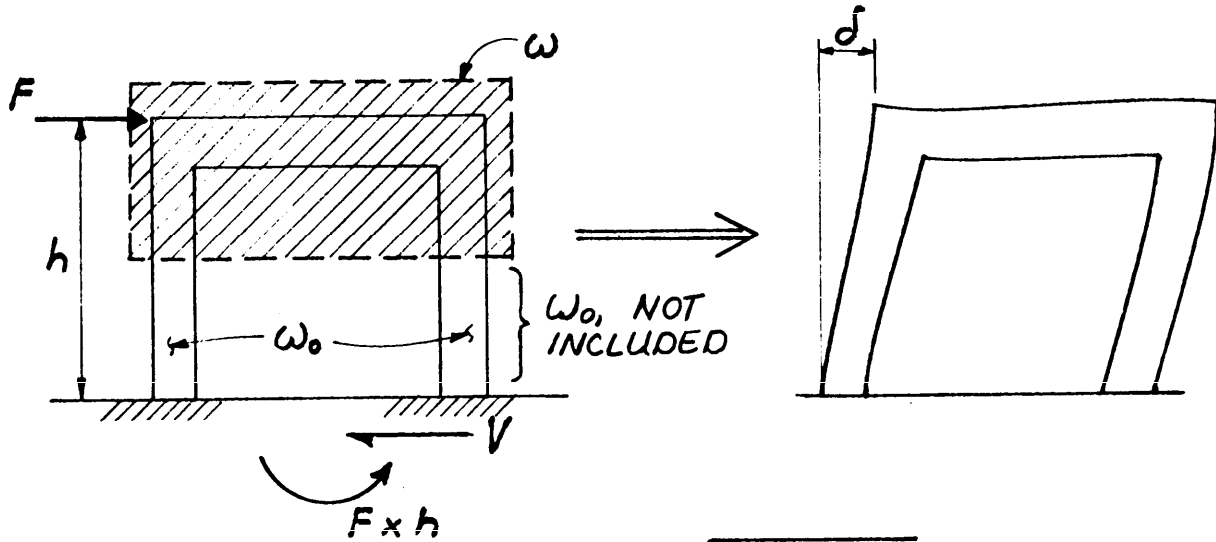
**If height of building is less than this value, C = 2.75. If greater, C < 2.75 (see SEAOC Formulas 1-2 and 1-3)

$$h_n = 0.207 s^2 / C_t^{4/3}$$

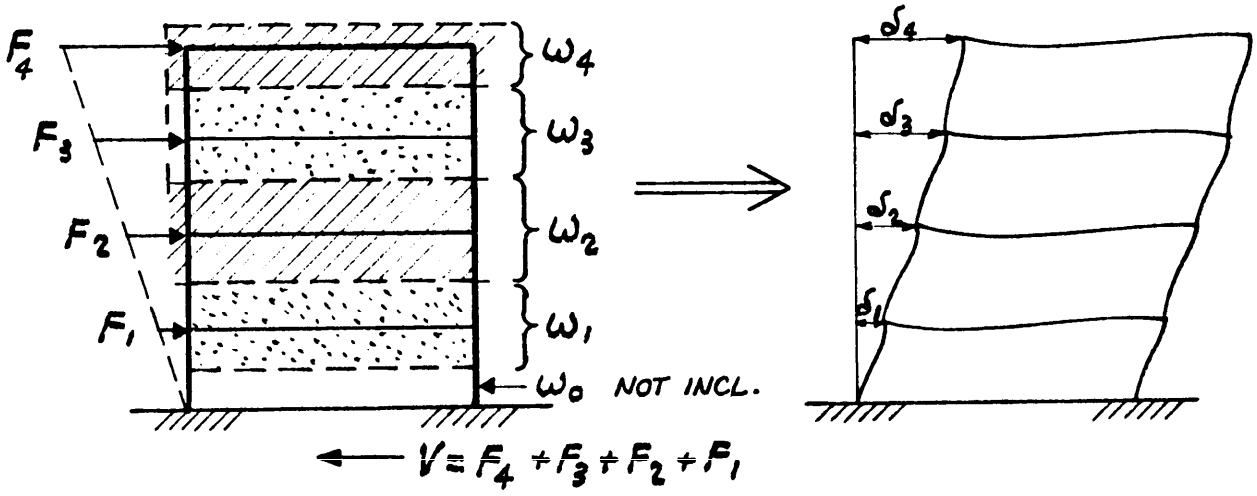
Table 4-3. Height to be exceeded for C to be less than 2.75 when using Method A.

d. Method B. When SEAOC equation 1-5 is employed (see fig 4-4), the most difficult challenge is the determination of the story displacements, δ_i . The story weights, w_i , are relatively simple to estimate, and almost any set of story forces, f_i , can be used (for example, the inverted triangular distribution obtained from SEAOC equation 1-8 usually gives good results), but the corresponding

lateral story displacements must be calculated. The basic objective must be a realistic approach to calculating the actual period—rather than the manipulation of the structural model so as to obtain a “calculated” but nonvalid long period and low base shear. For simple structures, the lateral displacements required for SEAOC equation 1-5 can be obtained by hand calculation methods. For



$$(a) \quad T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{w \times \delta^2}{g F \delta}}$$



$$(b) \quad T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1}{g} \left[\frac{w_4 \delta_4^2 + w_3 \delta_3^2 + w_2 \delta_2^2 + w_1 \delta_1^2}{F_4 \delta_4 + F_3 \delta_3 + F_2 \delta_2 + F_1 \delta_1} \right]}$$

Figure 4-4. Period calculation by Method B.

complex structures, the calculations for lateral displacements become lengthy, so the aid of a computer program is normally used. Some programs that calculate member forces and frame deflections include a calculation of periods and mode shapes. Calculations must take into account all elements that stiffen the structure, even if they are not part of the seismic lateral force resisting system. Guidelines for developing a mathematical model of the structure to calculate structure periods can be found in TM 5-809-10-1/NAVFAC P-355.1/AFM 88-3, Chap 13, Sec A. It should be noted that assumptions that make the structure stiffer give a conservative result for calculating the design lateral force, but that the result is not conservative for drift calculations.

e. Lateral forces. Using an unrealistically long period for calculating the coefficient C can result in unconservative design forces. Because of the many parameters involved, it is difficult to establish a hard-and-fast rule for what the maximum value of the period T should be. In order to avoid a complex set of rules to limit the value of T for calculating C , a simple criterion was established. First, the period is calculated by using SEAOC equation 1-3; this is called Method A. In Method A, the period is designated T_A , the resulting C -factor is designated C_A , and the design base shear is designated V_A . Next, the period may be calculated using structural properties and deformation characteristics (SEAOC eq 1-5). This is called Method B, and the resulting values are designated T_B , C_B , and V_B . The rule is that the design base shear V may not be less than $0.8 V_A$. Because C is inversely proportional to $T^{2/3}$ (see SEAOC eq 1-2), if T_A exceeds the values in table 4-2, the $0.8 V_A$ limit will be reached when T_B exceeds $1.4 T_A$ —that is, $(1.0/0.8)^{3/2}$.

(1) Maximum value of C . SEAOC equation 1-2 was developed by a curve-fitting process for determining the design base shear. It was proportioned in a manner to reach an upper plateau of $C = 2.75$ as shown in figure 4-3. Therefore, the maximum value of C is 2.75. It should be noted that SEAOC 1E2a states that the "value of C need not exceed 2.75." This is a form of code language that relates to this being a minimum standard; nothing in these recommendations prohibits the use of larger forces.

(2) Minimum value of C . As stated in SEAOC 1E2a, the minimum value of the ratio C/R_w is 0.075. In other words, C may not be less than $0.075 R_w$. For example, if a building is designed with $R_w = 4$, C will not be less than 0.30. If $R_w = 12$, C will not be less than 0.90. SEAOC 1E2a states an exception for when code forces are scaled up by $3(R_w/8)$. This statement can be misleading.

It means that the minimum value of C applies before the introduction of a $3(R_w/8)$ multiplier. The $3(R_w/8)$ multiplier does not apply to C . It is a multiplier applied after the base shear forces are calculated.

f. Lateral displacements. The maximum and minimum values prescribed above apply to lateral forces applied to the structure to determine the stresses in the structural elements and the required strengths. However, for some structures, member sizes are controlled by limits on lateral drift (SEAOC 1E8) rather than by stress limitations. This condition generally applies to structural steel moment resisting space frame systems with nonparticipating walls and partitions. SEAOC 1E8c states that for satisfying the drift limitations, the 80 percent limitations and the 0.075 for C/R_w limits may be neglected. As an example, assume that a steel moment frame structure is designed by Method B, limited by 80 percent of Method A, and satisfies all the lateral force requirements except that the drift limits are exceeded. As an aid to illustrating this example, the following values are given for a building in an S_2 soil:

$$T_A = 0.65 \text{ sec, } C_A = 2.0, \text{ and for}$$

$$T_B = 1.30 \text{ sec, } C_B = 1.26$$

(1) Eight percent of C_A equals 1.6. Therefore, $C = 1.6$ was used to determine the design forces.

(2) For $C = 1.6$, it is calculated that the drift limits are exceeded by 30 percent. This would mean that the structure would have to be stiffened by about 30 percent to satisfy the drift requirements.

(3) However, the applied forces were not consistent for this structure, which has a calculated period of 1.30 seconds. The applied forces were based on $C = 1.6$, which represents a structure with a period of 0.91 seconds (see table 4-1).

(4) If the forces were determined from $C = 1.25$ to be consistent with the period of 1.30 seconds, the calculated drifts would be reduced by about 20 percent. Thus, the structure would only have to be stiffened by 10 percent to satisfy the drift requirements.

(5) Note that the result of using this procedure has the net effect of reducing both the stresses and the drift, but does not require an undue increase in the sizes of the structural elements to satisfy the limits imposed by an empirical equation (SEAOC eq 1-3) based on approximations.

(6) This procedure is valid only if the period calculated by Method B is properly substantiated.

g. Calculation of F_t . The period T is also used to calculate F_t in SEAOC equation 1-7. The value of

T used for F_t will be consistent with the T used for the value of C.

(1) If the value of C is obtained by using T from Method A, then T from Method A will be used for calculating F_t .

(2) If the value of C is obtained by using T from Method B, without triggering the 80 percent limit in SEAOC 1E2b(2), then T from Method B will be used for calculating F_t .

(3) If the value of C is limited by 80 percent of the value obtained from Method A, then T will be determined by reversing SEAOC equation 1-2 to solve for the value of T:

$$T = (1.25 S/C)^{3/2} \tag{eq 4-1}$$

where C is 80 percent of the value obtained by using T from Method A. Note that the value of T will be greater than that obtained by Method A and less than that obtained by Method B.

4-7. Base shear. For most buildings, seismic design utilizes the static lateral force procedure, in which the dynamic response of the building is represented by an equivalent static lateral force. The base shear, the total lateral force on the building, is discussed in this paragraph; the distribution of this force over the height of the building is discussed below.

a. Design base shear equation. The design base shear, V, may be expressed by the equation

$$V = C_s \times W \tag{eq 4-2}$$

where

C_s = the design base shear coefficient = V/W

W = the weight of the building

The design base shear coefficient of SEAOC equation 1-1 may be written

$$C_s = (ZC/R_w) I \tag{eq 4-3}$$

where

ZC = the site spectrum

R_w = the response modification factor

I = the importance factor

b. Site spectrum. The site spectrum is ZC, where Z is the zone factor. $C = 1.25 S/T^{2/3}$, from SEAOC equation 1-2, where S = the site soil factor and T = the building period. Thus,

$$ZC = (1.25 Z S/T^{2/3}) \tag{eq 4-4}$$

Recognizing that a spectrum is a function of period, T, we call the quantity ZC, when plotted against period for a particular site with known values of Z and S, the site spectrum. A sample plot is shown in figure 4-5.

c. Building design spectrum. The site spectrum, ZC, would be used for design if the building were expected to remain elastic in the design event. Usually, however, we utilize the ductility and

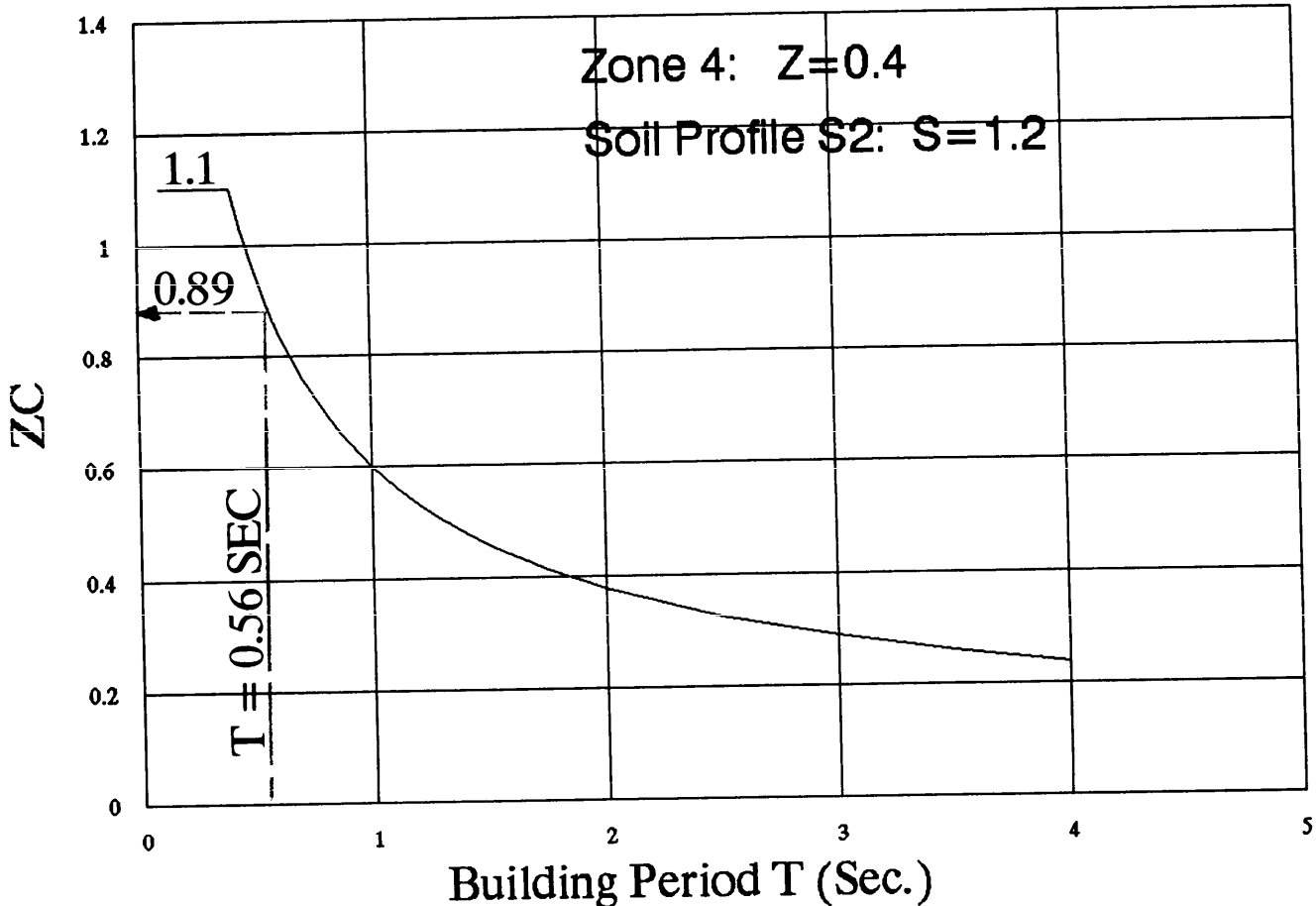


Figure 4-5. Sample site spectrum.

energy-absorbing characteristics of known structural systems to allow elastic design at a lower force level with the expectation of acceptable performance in the design event at a post-yield, nonlinear, inelastic level. This is accomplished by means of the response modification factor, R_w . The building base shear coefficient is ZC/R_w . The R_w -factor represents the ability of the structural system to dissipate energy without collapse while subjected to loads in excess of strength limits. The R_w values of SEAOC Table 1-G were selected by a consensus process based on past observations and judgment of the code-writing committee. They bring the base shear spectrum down to a level consistent with design forces used in past codes. When one of the basic structural systems is selected, the R_w -factor is determined and the building base shear coefficient (ZC/R_w) can be plotted against period. Figure 4-6 is a sample building design spectrum.

d. *Design base shear.* To develop a trial design for a particular structure, create a building design spectrum for the chosen system characterized by R_w . The period, T , of this structure is calculated, and for that value of T , the building design spectrum gives a base shear coefficient of ZC/R_w .

For example, in figure 4-6, for $T=0.56$, $ZC/R_w = 0.11$. The design base shear is determined from SEAOC equation 1-1, which may be written $(ZC/R_w)IW$. The value of the factor I is determined from the occupancy categories of SEAOC Table 1-C. The values range from 1.0 to 1.25. Examples of various occupancy categories are given in chapter 3. When there is some doubt regarding the proper value of the I -factor, the decision will be made by the Agency Proponent. The factor W is the weight of the building as defined in SEAOC 1C and discussed in the following paragraph.

e. *Weight.* W , the total dead load and applicable portions of other loads, represents the total mass of the building. It includes the weight of the structural slabs, beams, columns, and walls, as well as nonstructural components such as partitions, ceilings, floor topping, roofing, fireproofing material, and fixed electrical and mechanical equipment. When partition loads are included in the design, their estimated weights will be used, but the value will not be less than 10 pounds per square foot of floor space. Miscellaneous items such as ducts, typical piping, and conduits can be covered by an additional 1 or 2 pounds per square foot. In storage areas, 25 percent of the design live

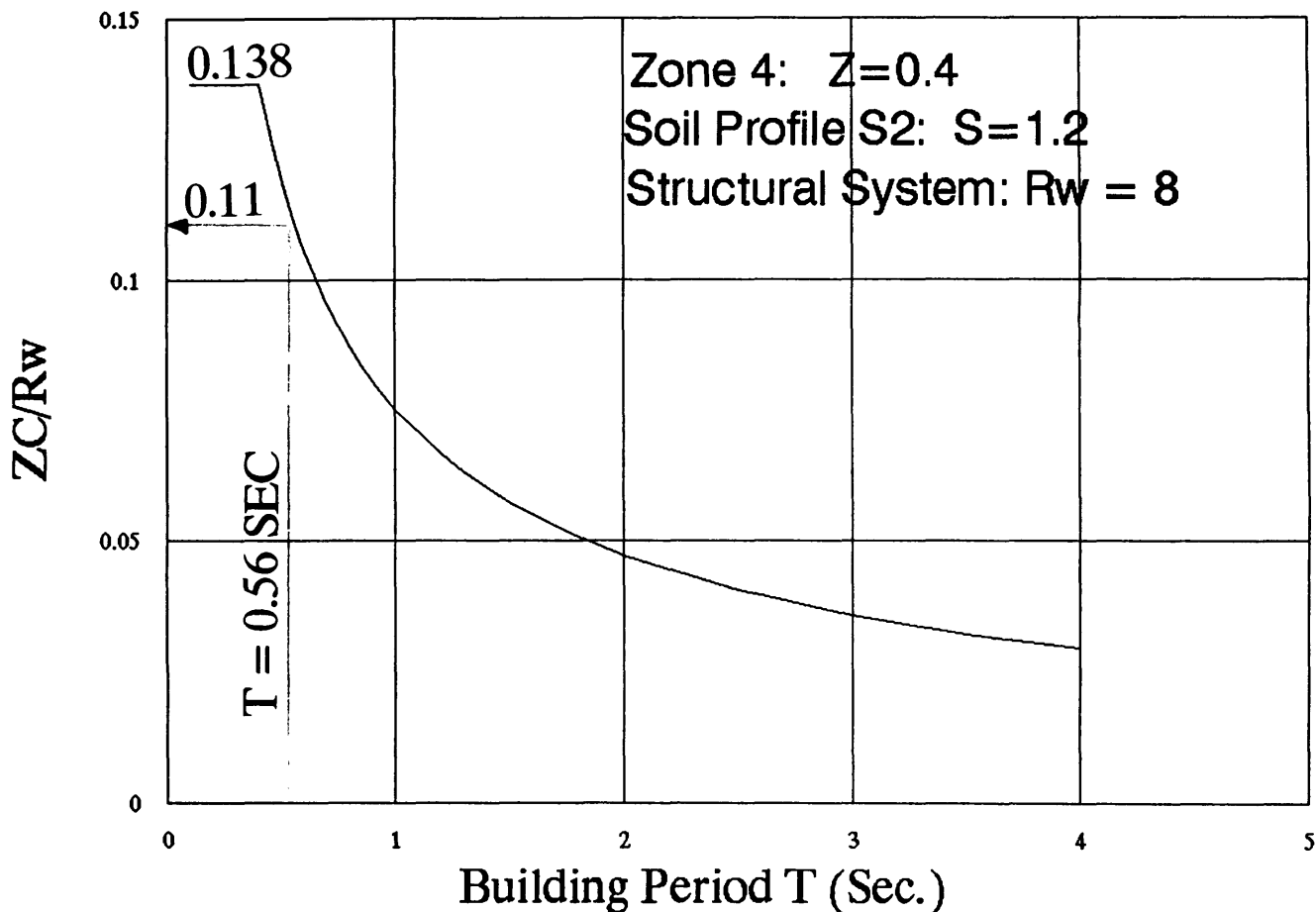


Figure 4-6. Sample building design spectrum.

load shall be included in the seismic weight W . In areas of heavy snow loads, some or all of the design snow load must be included. At the initial stage of design, the estimated weights of the structural members will be used. After the final sizes of structural members are selected, the actual weights must be compared with the estimated weights. In addition to determining the overall weight W , the designer must determine tributary weights that are to be assigned to each floor, and also how these are to be distributed horizontally in the plan of the floor. Therefore, the calculations for W must be done in an orderly manner so that these tributary weights and their plan distributions can be accounted for.

(1) *Vertical distribution.* For vertical distribution, the weight w_x that contributes to story level x is calculated separately for each floor (refer to SEAOC 1E4). This generally includes the weight of the complete floor system, plus one-half the weight of the story walls and columns above the floor level and one-half of the weight of the story walls and columns below the floor level. If partitions are laterally supported top and bottom, their weight is divided between the two floor levels; however, if the partitions are freestanding, the total weight is included with the supporting floor level. Note that this discussion relates to the building as a whole: diaphragms are designed on a different basis.

(2) *Horizontal distribution.* The horizontal distribution of weight at each floor level is required in order to calculate the center of mass (SEAOC 1E5) and the diaphragm forces (SEAOC 1H2j). The weight of the diaphragm and the elements tributary thereto (designated w_{px} in SEAOC eq 1-11) include the floor system, tributary weights of walls and partitions, and other elements attached to the diaphragm. When designing diaphragms, it is assumed that lateral forces due to the weights of the shear walls stay in plane and need not be included in the analysis of the diaphragm that acts in the same direction. If, however, there is a vertical discontinuity in the vertical elements of the lateral force resisting system (e.g., if a wall does not extend to the base but stops at an upper level or has a reduction in stiffness), then the diaphragm is required to redistribute lateral forces. See SEAOC 1H2j(1)(b). The horizontal distribution generally consists of a combination of uniform and concentrated weights along the length of the floor plus concentrated weights tributary to the shear walls at the shear walls (see fig 4-7).

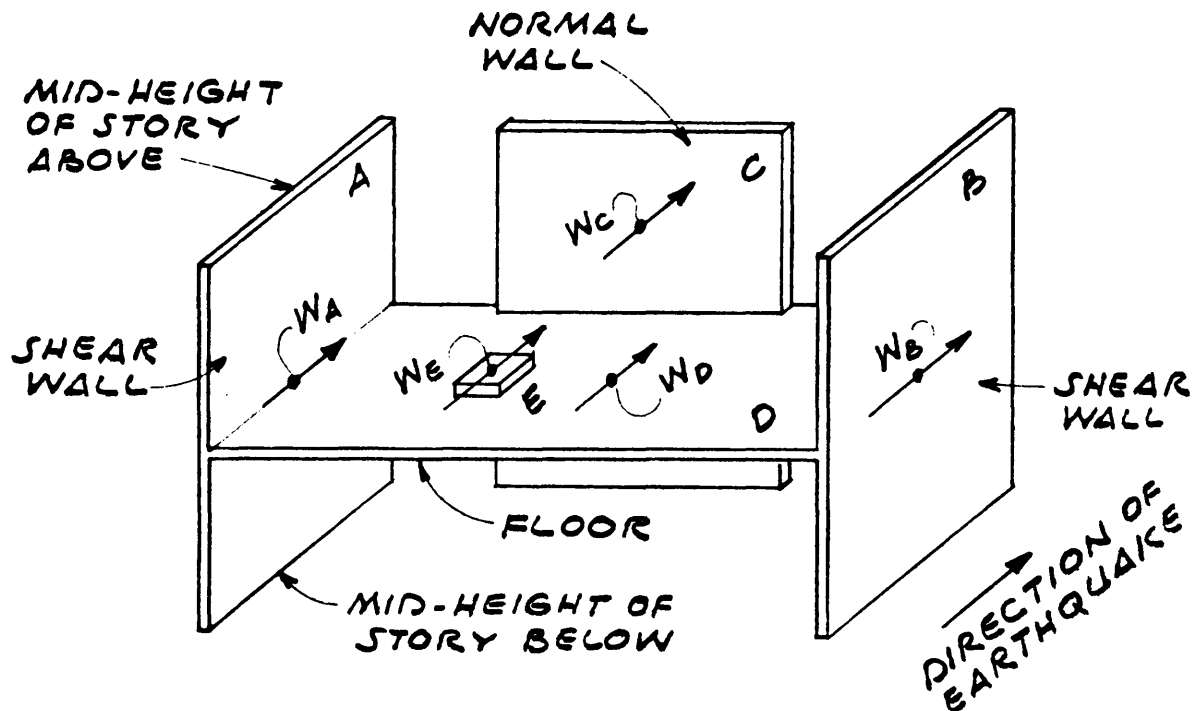
(3) *Summation.* The sum of the horizontal distribution of weights (in each direction of motion) will be equal to the story weight, and the

sum of the story weights will equal the total weight W of the building, except that the bottom half of the first story generally distributes itself directly to the base and is not required to be included in the weight W (fig 4-3).

f. Snow loads. When the ground snow load is 30 psf or less, the effects of snow will not be combined with the seismic effects. When the ground snow load is greater than 30 psf, the effects of snow will be combined with the seismic effects. When snow and seismic effects are combined, 25 percent of the balanced snow load (i.e., 25% of the flat or sloped roof snow load) will be included. Unbalanced loads, drift loads, sliding snow, and rain-on-snow need not be included. For the seismic provisions, snow is considered an additional weight.

g. Wind loads. When wind governs, structures are ordinarily designed to remain elastic with stresses at an allowable level. Where seismic loads govern, structures are designed with ductile systems and increased loads on nonductile elements; the structures are expected to survive actual earthquake forces about three times as large as the design forces. This difference in approach reflects the relatively longer return period of the design earthquake compared with the design wind; accordingly, wind and seismic design are not comparable. The question of which loading governs arises in zones of low seismicity. As a rule, seismic loading should not be ignored unless the seismic base shear is less than one-third of the total wind force on the building.

h. The quantity $3(R_w/8)$. The building base shear coefficient (ZC/R_w) represents a force level for design, using ductile systems that are expected to have acceptable performance. As discussed in paragraph c above, the building base shear coefficient is obtained from the site spectrum ZC by means of the reduction factor R_w . During the earthquake, the building behaves in an inelastic manner such that the period lengthens, damping increases, other dynamic characteristics change, and the building will be subjected to forces less than those represented by ZC . The code implies that the forces will be reduced to about $\frac{1}{3} ZC$. Thus, the level of force and deflection that should be expected in the earthquake is approximately $3R_w/8$ times design or three times that used in the design of a basic frame building with an $R_w = 8$. For components and connections that do not have the ductility of the system represented by R_w , there is a trade of strength for ductility: such components and connections are designed to have sufficient strength to withstand a higher force level. The SEAOC requirement is to modify the design loads



STORY WEIGHT FOR CALCULATION OF LATERAL FORCES:

$$W_x = \text{WALLS} + \text{FLOOR} + \text{EQUIPMENT}$$

$$= W_A + W_B + W_C + W_D + W_E$$

WEIGHT FOR DESIGN OF DIAPHRAGM

$$W_{P_x} = \text{NORMAL WALLS} + \text{FLOOR} + \text{EQUIPMENT}$$

$$= W_C + W_D + W_E$$

NOTE :

FLOOR WEIGHT W_D , INCLUDES FLOOR STRUCTURE, SUSPENDED CEILING, MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT (UNLESS TAKEN SEPARATELY AS W_E), AND (IF APPLICABLE) 20 PSF FOR PARTITIONS.

Figure 4-7. Tributary weights at a story.

by a factor that is three times $R_w/8$. There are several areas in which $3(R_w/8)$ should be considered.

(1) *Deflections.* The story drift limits of SEAOC 1E8 are design requirements for seismic systems, but the designer should be aware that in an earthquake drifts, of $3(R_w/8)$ times the calculated drift can be expected. This is recognized in the requirements for deformation compatibility (SEAOC 1H2d) and building separations (SEAOC 1H21), and it should be recognized when detailing nonstructural items such as windows.

(2) *Design forces.* The $3(R_w/8)$ -factor appears as

a multiplier in the load combinations for discontinuous elements subject to overturning (SEAOC 1E7b), steel columns in frames (SEAOC 4D1), and in the design forces for exempted braced frames in low steel buildings (SEAOC 4G4).

(3) *Connections.* The $3(R_w/8)$ -factor appears as a multiplier on the design forces for certain connections, for example, girder-column connections of steel ordinary moment frames (SEAOC 4E) and special moment frames (SEAOC 4F1b(2)), and the braces and related elements of light framed wall systems (SEAOC 4I3). The requirements for connections of bracing in braced frames (SEAOC

4G2(a) depend on whether or not the higher force level is used.

(4) *Other cases.* The $3(R_w/8)$ -factor appears in other detailed requirements related to the basic categories in the foregoing paragraphs; for example, in eccentric braced frames, the limitation on the rotation of the link beam is tied to frame deflection at $3(R_w/8)$ times the drift due to the prescribed seismic forces (SEAOC 4H11b). In some cases, basic requirements are relaxed if the higher force level is provided for. Requirements concerning girder-column joint restraint are modified in SEAOC 4F7a(2)(d) and 4F7b(1)(a). The basic requirement of SEAOC 4G1c relating to the distribution of tension and compression braces in a line of bracing is modified by an exception to the requirement when the compression bracing acting alone has the strength for the higher force level.

4-8. Direction of forces. In general, the horizontal design earthquake forces are applied nonconcurrently in the direction of each of the main axes of the structure (SEAOC 1E1). In some cases a more severe condition may occur when the forces are applied in a horizontal direction not parallel to the main axes. The corner column of a building with a perimeter frame is an example of such an element. For some elements of a building the effects of concurrent motion about both principal axes should be investigated. These orthogonal effects are covered by SEAOC 1H1c. In the case of irregular buildings, the critical directions are determined by a process of iteration. The analysis is begun with any convenient pair of directions and is repeated until the critical directions are found.

a. Buildings. An independent design about each of the principal axes will generally provide adequate resistance for forces applied in any direction. Special consideration must be made at outside corners and re-entrant corners for the vulnerable effects of concurrent motions about both principal axes.

b. Structures other than buildings. For nonbuilding structures circular in plan, such as tanks, towers, and stacks, the design should be equally resistant in all directions. For four-legged structures substantially square in plan, 70 percent of the prescribed forces should be applied concurrently in the directions of the two principal axes, especially for purposes of designing for overturning effects on columns and foundations.

4-9. Distribution of forces. The total lateral force is distributed throughout the building in a manner that simulates the behavior of the building during an earthquake.

a. Path of forces. All of the inertia forces originating from the masses on and within the structure must be transmitted from their source to the base of the structure (see figs 4-8 and 4-9).

(1) Forces normal to the plane of a wall must be transferred either vertically to the floors above and below or horizontally to columns that are capable of transferring the forces vertically to the floors above and below. Normal walls are treated as elements of structures. The design forces will be governed by SEAOC equation 1-10.

(2) Diaphragms acting as horizontal beams must transfer inertia forces to the frames and/or shear walls. The design forces will be governed by SEAOC equation 1-11. The distribution of these forces is discussed in paragraph *d*.

(3) Frames and shear walls must transfer forces contributed from the diaphragms as well as their own inertia forces to the foundations. The design forces will be governed by SEAOC equations 1-1, 1-6, and 1-8.

(4) Forces applied to the foundations by the shear walls and frames must be transmitted into the ground. See chapter 10 for design of foundations.

(5) Connections between all elements must be capable of transferring the applied forces from one element to another. Special design requirements for connections are reviewed in paragraph 4-13.

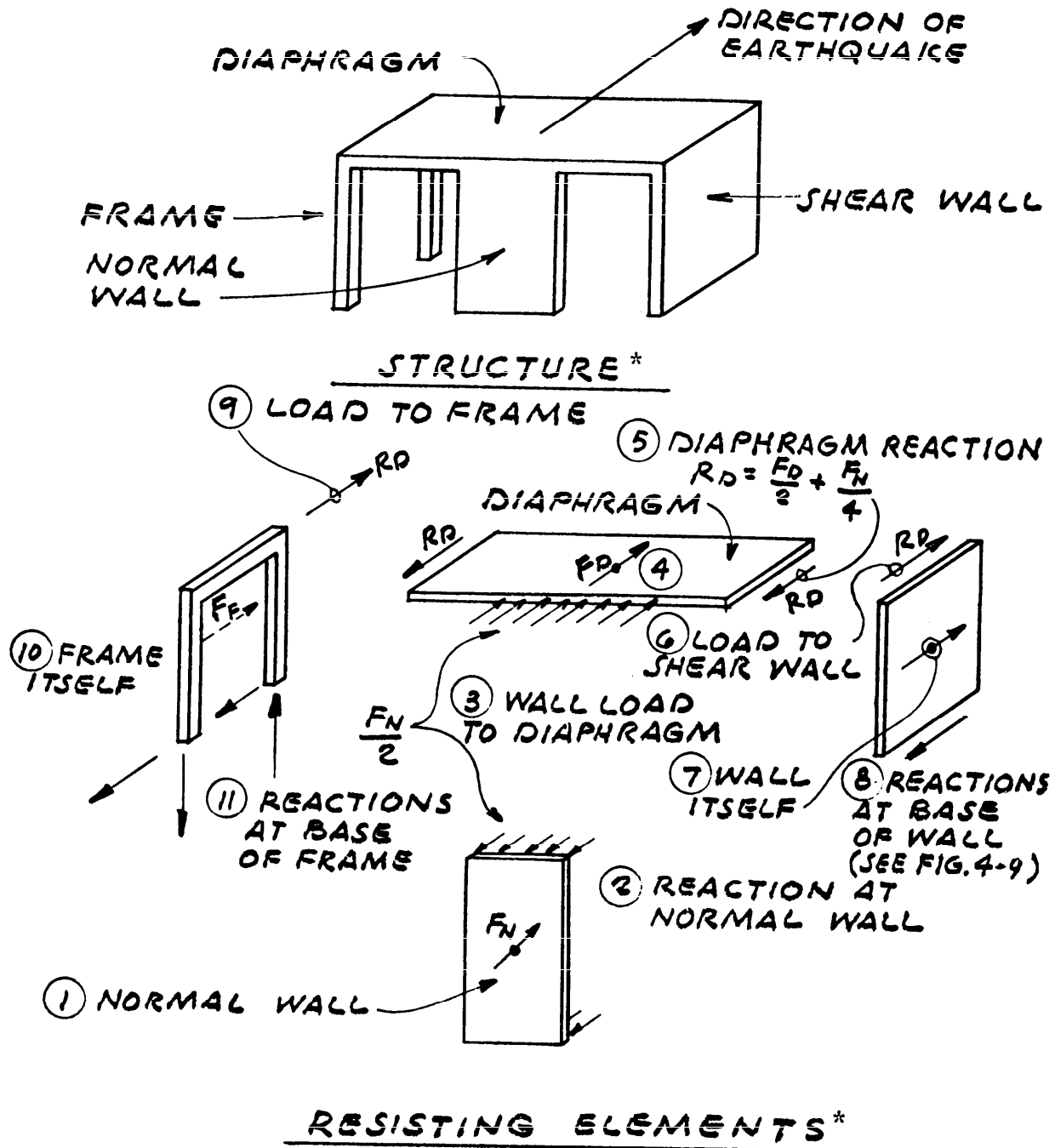
b. Vertical distribution of base shear. The total lateral force on the building is resisted by a shear and a moment at the base. Instead of calculating the forces and finding the base shear as the sum of these forces, the base shear is calculated (by SEAOC eq 1-1) and this force is distributed over the height of the building (by SEAOC eq 1-6). The application of seismic forces to a building is shown in figure 4-10. A sample format for determining story forces is shown in table 4-4. The procedure given is based on the assumption of a uniform building and is aimed at a reasonable evaluation of the relative maximum story shear (e.g., column (9) in table 4-4) envelope that will occur.

(1) *Regular buildings with T equal to or less than 0.7 second.* When the period of the building is equal to or less than 0.7 second, F_t will be equal to zero. Then SEAOC equation 1-8, the vertical distribution equation, will reduce to the following:

$$F_x = \frac{w_x h_x}{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i h_i} V \quad (\text{eq 4-5})$$

The story force F_x is distributed horizontally at level x in proportion to the weight distribution at that level (refer to fig 4-10).

(2) *Regular building with T greater than 0.7 second.* When the period of the building is greater



*Note: Example shows flexible diaphragm. For rigid diaphragm, relative rigidities and torsion will be considered.

Figure 4-8. Path of forces.

than 0.7 second, a lateral force, F_t , is applied to the top level of the structure, usually the roof. F_t equals 0.7T times the lateral force V, as determined by SEAOC equation 1-7. F_t will vary from 5 percent ($T = 0.7$ second) to 25 percent ($T = 3.6$ seconds) of the lateral force V. The value of T is discussed in paragraph 4-6g. The remaining portion of the force ($V - F_t$) is distributed throughout the height of the structure in accordance with

SEAOC equation 1-8. The total applied force at the top level of the structure will be $F_t + F_n$, where F_n is the value of F obtained from SEAOC equation 1-8 for the top level n (see fig 4-10).

(3) *Additional comments on F_t .* The rationale for F_t is based on the following assumption: For buildings with periods greater than 0.7 second (e.g., tall and/or flexible structures), the combined mode shape may depart from the straight-line

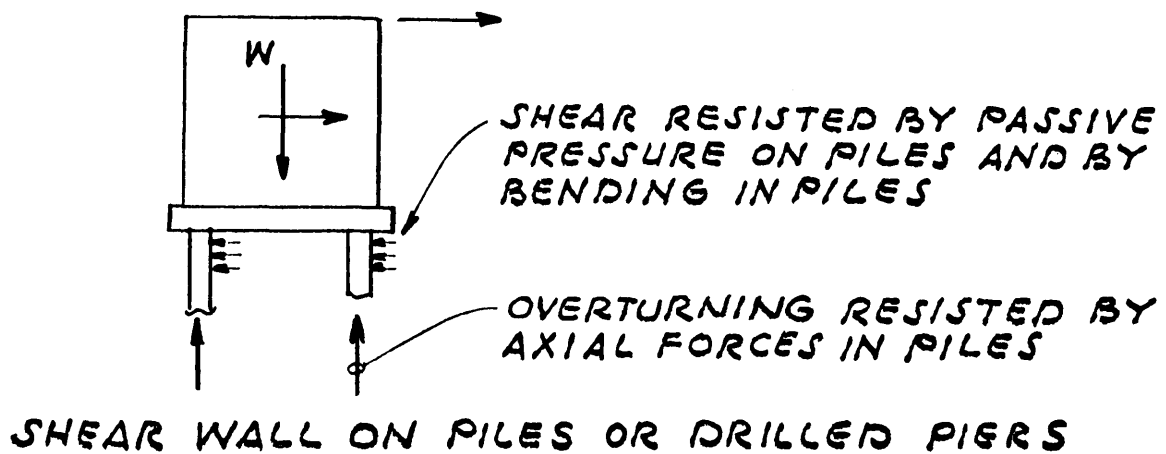
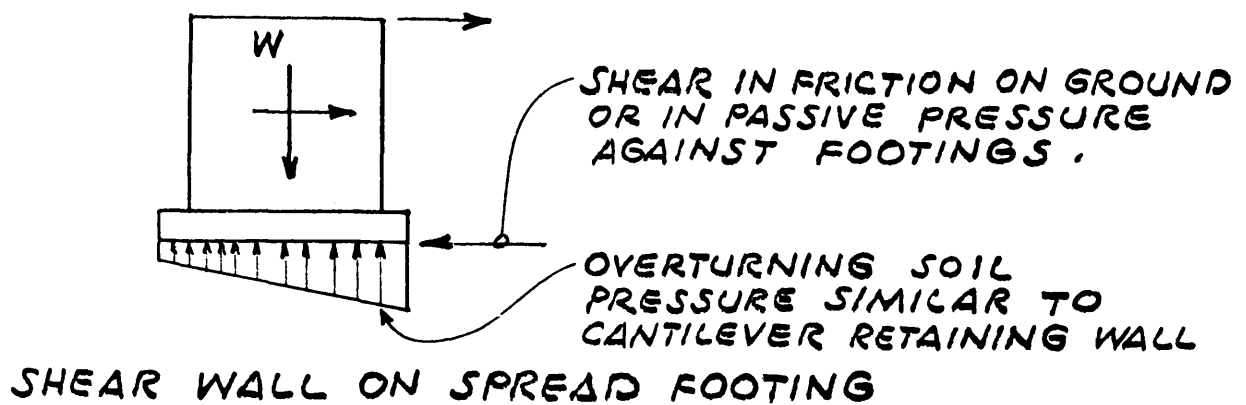
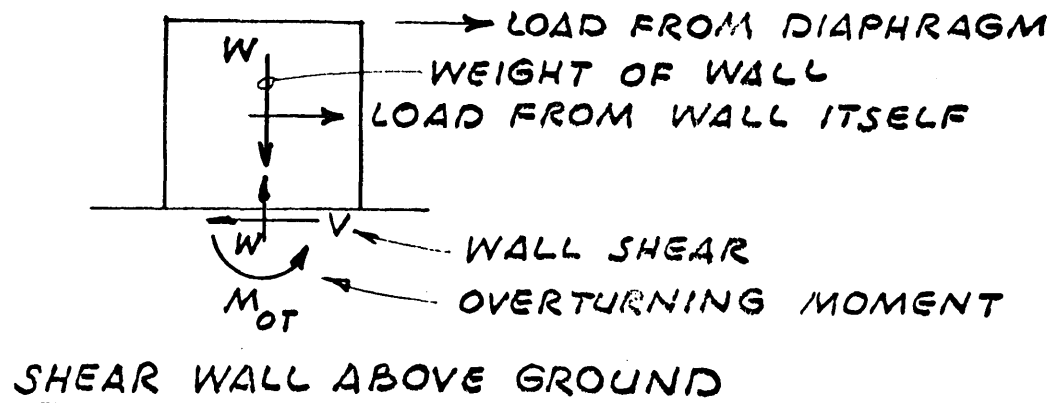
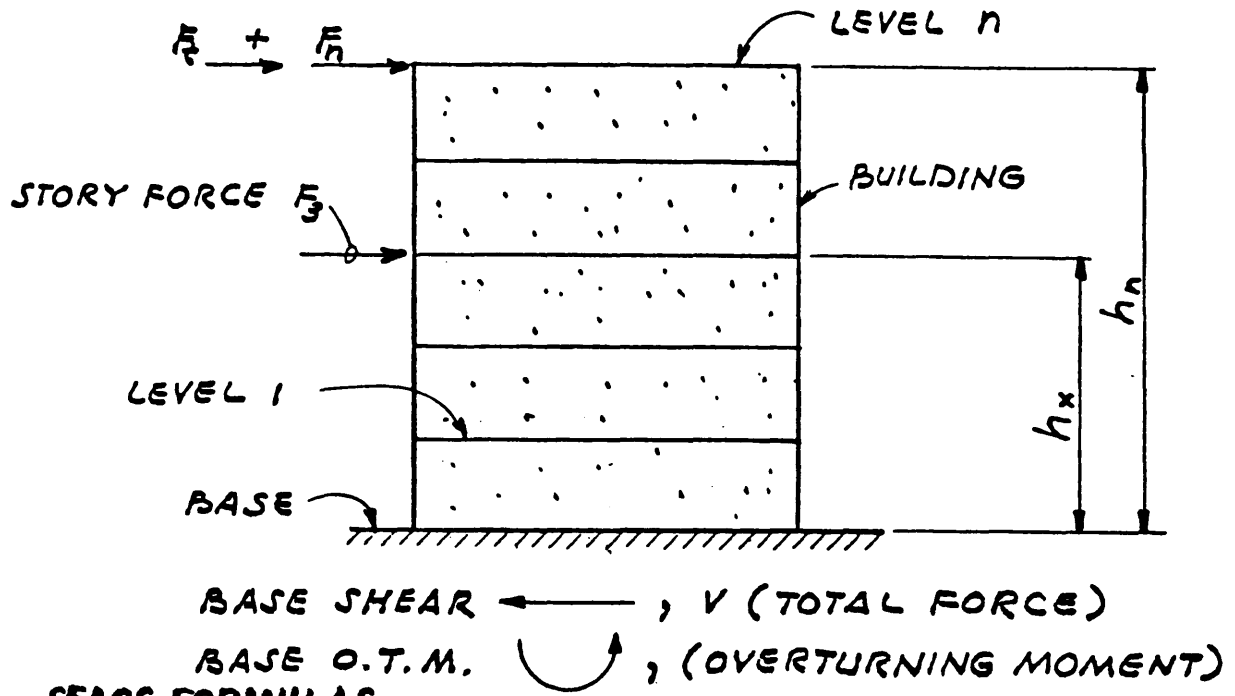


Figure 4-9. Transfer of forces to ground.

assumption (eq 4-3), and the effects of higher modes of vibration may become more significant. To account for this, a greater portion of the lateral force is assigned to the top of the structure by use of F_t from SEAOC equation 1-7. This additional force is intended to increase the shear force and the equivalent story acceleration at the upper

stories; however, in some cases the strict application of F_t may result in excessive forces for roof diaphragms and excessive overturning moments at foundations. To lessen these effects for diaphragms, SEAOC 1H2j places a limit of $0.75ZIw_{px}$ on the required diaphragm force. A better approximation of the force distribution may be made by



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$$F_e = 0.07 TV \text{ ----- (1-7)}$$

$$F_n = \frac{(V - F_e) w_n h_n}{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i h_i} \text{ ----- (1-8)}$$

$$F_x = \frac{(V - F_e) w_x h_x}{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i h_i} \text{ ----- (1-8)}$$

$$V = \frac{ZIC}{R_w} W \text{ (1-1)}$$

$$= F_e + \sum_{i=1}^n F_i \text{ (1-6)}$$

$$OTM = (F_e + F_n) h_n + \sum_{i=1}^n F_i h_i$$

NOTE:
 IN SOME CASES WIND
 MAY GOVERN

SUBSCRIPT DESIGNATIONS

n = NUMBER OF STORIES . IN THIS EXAMPLE **n** = 5

x = THE STORY LEVEL UNDER CONSIDERATION AS IN THE FORCE **F_x** AT LEVEL **x** = 3

i = STORY LEVELS USED IN SUMMATIONS RANGING FROM **i** = 1 AT THE FIRST LEVEL ABOVE THE BASE TO **i** = **n** AT THE UPPERMOST LEVEL

Figure 4-10. Seismic forces.

using the principles of dynamics, which include the significant modes of vibration (see below).

(4) *Irregular structures.* For structures with irregular configuration or framing systems, the lateral force distribution procedures for uniform buildings that are described above and prescribed by SEAO C equations 1-7 and 1-8 are not applicable; lateral force must be distributed by a rational procedure that takes into account the stiffness properties of the lateral force resisting system, the

mass distribution, and the principles of dynamics.

c. *Overtuning.* The overturning effects are determined by applying the story forces obtained from SEAO C equations 1-7 and 1-8, as illustrated in table 4-4 and figure 4-10. The structure must resist these forces in accordance with SEAO C 1E7. Other loading provisions related to overturning moment effects are SEAO C 1H1b, 1J4, 3B1, and 4D1b. In moment resistant frame structures, the overturning is resisted by a combination of coupled

Building: 7-story building Direction: Longitudinal (N-S)
 $Z = 0.4$; $I = 1.0$; $R_w = 12$; $S = 1.5$; $h = 65.7$; $W = 10,540$
 $C_t = 0.030$; $T_A = 0.69$; $C_A = 2.41$; $0.8C_A = 1.93$; $T_B = 0.76$; $C_B = 2.26$
 $C = 2.26$; $T = 0.76$; $V = (ZIC/R_w)W = 0.075 W = 791$.
 $F_t = 0.07 TV = 0.054 V$; $F_x = (V-F_t)wh/\Sigma wh = 0.946 V(wh/\Sigma wh)$

Level	h ft.	Δh ft.	w kips	Σw	(2)x(4) wh	$\frac{wh}{\Sigma wh}$	F kips	$\Sigma(8)$ V kips	(3)x(9) ΔOTM kip-ft	$\Sigma(10)$ OTM kip-ft	(9)+(5) $F_t + \Sigma E_i$ Σw_i (12)*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)*
Roof	65.7		1,410		92,637	0.228	$F_t = 43$ 171				
		8.7		1,410				214	1,862		0.152
7	57.0		1,460		83,220	0.205	153			1,862	
		8.7		2,870				367	3,193		0.128
6	48.3		1,460		70,518	0.174	130			5,055	
		8.7		4,330				497	4,324		0.115
5	39.6		1,460		57,816	0.142	106			9,379	
		8.7		5,790				603	5,246		0.104
4	30.9		1,460		45,114	0.111	83			14,625	
		8.7		7,250				686	5,968		0.095
3	22.2		1,460		32,412	0.080	60			20,593	
		8.7		8,710				746	6,490		0.086
2	13.5		1,830		24,705	0.061	46			27,083	
		13.5		10,540				792	10,692		0.075
GRD.	0									37,775**	
Σ			<u>10,540</u>		<u>406,422</u>	<u>1.001</u>	<u>792</u>		<u>37,775</u>		

*For use in SEAOC Eq 1-11.
 **For foundation overturning moments, this value may be reduced by 2825 kip-ft (43x65.7) when F_t is neglected. See SEAOC 1J4.

Table 4-4. Force distribution.

axial column forces and bending moments in the column. In shear wall buildings, the overturning moments are resisted by flexure in the shear walls. The application of the static design forces can create an apparent overturning instability condition that is difficult to reconcile with observations in earthquakes where actual loadings are

cyclic and dynamic. SEAOC 1J allows the force F_t to be omitted for determining overturning at the foundation-soil interface.

d. Horizontal distribution of story shear.

(1) Horizontal forces. At each level the diaphragm distributes lateral forces from above to shear walls and frames below. The nature of the

distribution depends on the relative rigidities of the diaphragm and the resisting elements below. To account for uncertainties in the locations and distribution of weights that contribute to the earthquake forces, the calculated center of mass will be assumed to be shifted by five percent of the building dimension in either direction (SEAO 1E5b). For rigid diaphragms, an additional eccentricity may be required.

(2) *Horizontal torsional moments.* For rigid diaphragms (i.e., not flexible per SEAO 1E6a), where the center of rigidity of the vertical elements of the lateral force resisting system (frames or shear walls) is not coincident with the center of mass, provisions must be made for this eccentricity plus an additional "accidental" eccentricity of 5 to 15 percent of the building dimension which is intended to account for uncertainties. For a symmetrical building, a minimum eccentricity of 5 percent of the building dimension perpendicular to the direction of force is required. When torsional irregularities exist, an amplification factor determined by SEAO equation 1-9 is applied to the 5 percent eccentricity (see chapter 5).

(3) *Distribution between shear walls and frames (dual systems).* When a dual bracing system is used (SEAO Table 1-G, Category D), a rigidity analysis must be made to determine the interaction between the walls and the frames.

e. Orthogonal effects. SEAO 1H1c refers to the effects on a structure due to forces induced in directions not parallel to the direction of resistance under consideration. It does not refer to torsion in general; that is covered by SEAO 1E6. Orthogonal effects are involved in the following case—

(1) The vertical elements of the lateral force resisting system are not parallel to or not symmetric about the major orthogonal axes of the lateral force resisting system (plan irregularity Type E of SEAO Table 1-F).

(2) The structure has torsional irregularities (Type A of SEAO Table 1-F) for both major axes.

(3) An element is common to two intersecting systems. The most common example is the corner column of a perimeter frame; the maximum overturning force on the column occurs when the direction of force is oblique to the main axes of the frame.

f. Participating elements. Elements that are not designated as lateral force resisting elements may nevertheless participate in resisting lateral forces. All gravity load carrying elements not designed to be part of the lateral force resisting system must be analyzed to determine if they are compatible with the lateral force resisting system (see SEAO 1H2d). Any element that is not strong enough to resist the forces that it attracts or the

interstory drifts that occur will be damaged unless it is isolated from the lateral force resisting system.

4-10. Vertical seismic forces. Vertical components of ground motion are not usually calculated. Stresses are considered to fall within the usual one-third increase that is allowed for earthquake effects. In cases where gravity load is depended on for stability, and where seismic load tends to reduce the total load, there are special provisions for using reduced dead loads. Such provisions include the 0.85 factor for dead load in SEAO 1H1b. These reduced loads apply to axial compression due to gravity in concrete columns and walls when subjected to seismic overturning moments and uplift forces and to beam bending moments due to gravity when combined with seismic bending moments in the opposite direction (i.e., bending moment reversal).

a. Horizontal elements. In Zones 3 and 4, special considerations must be given to the effects of vertical accelerations on horizontal prestressed elements (especially those with draped prestressing) and horizontal cantilevers (SEAO 1E10). For investigating the effects of vertical accelerations on horizontal prestressed elements an approved procedure is to rely on only 50 percent of the dead load as a minimum gravity load when applying the lateral forces. Horizontal cantilever elements should be checked for the capacity of the elements to resist a net upward force of 20 percent of the dead load.

b. Hold-downs. In Seismic Zones 3 and 4, the design of hold-downs to resist overturning moments and uplift forces will use a maximum of 0.85 of the dead load for gravity resistance. The load provisions related to hold-down resistance are in SEAO, 1E7, 1H1b, 3B1, and 4D1b.

4-11. Detailed design requirements. SEAO 1H is intended to cover a variety of concerns other than the determination of lateral forces on the building as a whole (SEAO 1E) and the parts of the building (SEAO 1G). These topics are discussed at appropriate places in the manual. Some requirements and details for satisfactory performance under earthquake conditions are enumerated and discussed in the following paragraphs. Also, refer to the discussion of damage control features in chapter 2.

a. Separation of structures (SEAO 1H21). In past earthquakes the mutual hammering received by buildings in close proximity to one another has caused significant damage. The simplest way to prevent damage is to provide sufficient clearance so that free motion of the two structures will

result. The motion to be provided for is produced partly by the deflections of the structures themselves and partly by the rocking or settling of foundations. The gap must equal the sum of the total deflections from the base of the two buildings to the top of the lower building.

(1) In the case of a normal building less than 80 feet in height using concrete or masonry shear walls, the gap shall be not less than the arbitrary rule of 1 inch for the first 20 feet of height above the ground plus $\frac{1}{2}$ inch for each 10 feet of additional height.

(2) For higher or more flexible buildings, the gap or seismic joint between the structures should be based on $3(R_w/8)$ times the sum of the deflections determined from the required (prescribed) lateral forces. If the design of the foundation is such that rotation is expected to occur at the base due to rocking or due to settlement of foundations, this additional deflection (as determined by rational methods) will be included.

b. Seismic joints. Junctures between distinct parts of buildings, such as the intersection of a wing of a building with the main portion, are often designed with flexible joints that allow relative movement. When this is done, each part of the building must be considered as a separate structure that has its own independent bracing system. The criteria for separation of buildings in paragraph a above will apply to seismic joints for parts of buildings. Seismic joint coverages will be made flexible, waterproof, and architecturally acceptable.

c. Elements that connect buildings. Certain types of structures commonly found in industrial installations are tied together at or near their tops by connecting parts such as piping, conveyors, and ducts. The support of these elements will allow for the relative movement between buildings.

d. Bridges between buildings. Clusters of buildings are often connected by bridges. In most cases it would not be economically feasible to make bridges sufficiently rigid to force both buildings to vibrate together. A sliding joint at one or both ends of the bridge can usually be installed.

e. Stairways. Concrete stairways often suffer seismic damage because they act like struts between the connected floors. This damage can be avoided by anchoring the stair structure at the upper end and providing a slip joint at the lower end of each stairway, or by tying stairways to stairway shear walls.

f. "Short column" effects. Whenever the lateral deflection of any column is restrained, when full-height deflections were assumed in the analysis, it will carry a larger portion of the lateral forces than assumed. In past earthquakes, column fail-

ures have frequently been inadvertently caused by the stiffening (shortening) effect of deep spandrels, stairways, partial-height filler walls, or intermediate bracing members. Unless considered in the analysis, such stiffening effects will be eliminated by proper detailing for adequate isolation at the junction of the column and the resisting elements.

4-12. Deformation requirements. Deformations will be governed by the provisions for story drift limitations (SEAOC 1E8), building separations (SEAOC 1H21, and para 4-11a), deformation compatibility (SEAOC 1H2d), diaphragm deformation (SEAOC 1H2j and chap 6, and exterior elements (SEAOC 1Hd(2)).

a. Elements to be included. For determining compliance with the deformation provisions, only structural elements should be considered in the stiffness calculations. It is unconservative to include the stiffness participation of nonstructural elements without substantiated data. This is in contrast with the assumptions used in the period calculation for obtaining values for C. Thus, it is not uncommon to have one set of stiffness assumptions for calculating the total design lateral forces and another set of stiffness assumptions for calculating the design lateral displacements. It is acceptable to calculate the lateral deformations based on lateral forces corresponding to a building period calculated by Method B, even if the resulting forces are smaller than 80 percent of the lateral forces of Method A specified in SEAOC 1E2. An example is given in paragraph 4-6f.

b. P-delta effects. The secondary effects of lateral deformation (P-delta effects), when significant, must be investigated to ensure lateral stability. Criteria for inclusion of P-delta effects are prescribed in SEAOC 1E9.

4-13. Connections between elements. The various elements of the lateral force resisting system will be connected to each other by positive means so as to make the load path complete, and the connections will be adequate and consistent with the basic assumptions and distribution of forces.

a. Continuity.

(1) *Portions of structures.* When a building consists of two or more portions, such as larger/smaller or center/wings, the portions will be tied as prescribed in SEAOC 1H2e(1).

(2) *Horizontal capacity.* At supports for beams, girders, and trusses, a horizontal capacity will be provided as prescribed in SEAOC 1H2e(2).

(3) *Collectors.* Collector elements will be provided where needed to transfer forces from a point of origin at one place in the building to a point of

resistance in another place, as prescribed in SEAOC 1H2f.

b. Forces to be considered. Joints and connections will be designed for forces consistent with all possible combinations of loadings. In addition to the prescribed forces and load combinations, the designer will consider additional load effects due to settlement, shrinkage, creep, and thermal expansion, temporary erection loads, and differential settlements. Rotational effects or torsions resulting from eccentric connections must be considered. In general, elements and members should be detailed so that torsion and secondary moments are held to a minimum at the connections.

c. The strength of connections.

(1) Connections between diaphragms and vertical elements of the lateral force resisting system. Diaphragm shears, based on SEAOC equation 1-11, will be transferred to shear walls and frames by means of appropriate connectors, such as bolts, embedded bolts, and welded studs.

(2) Connections within systems. Members of the horizontal and vertical systems (diaphragms, shear walls, and frames) will be connected as provided at appropriate places in this manual.

(3) Special loads. In some cases, design forces for connections are increased by a multiplier. The forces obtained from analysis based on SEAOC equation 1-1, 1-10, or 1-11, are multiplied by a particular number or by the quantity $3(R_w/8)$. The purpose of these multipliers is to ensure that the capacity of the building is governed by its elements, not by its connections. In these cases, the intention is to provide greater strength in the connection to offset its lack of ductility compared with the resisting system, which has an assigned R_w value.

d. Special elements. Special design requirements are included in SEAOC 1H for exterior panels (SEAOC 1H2d(2)), anchorage of concrete or masonry walls (SEAOC 1H2h), and wood diaphragms used for lateral support of concrete or masonry walls (SEAOC 1H2j(3)).

e. Details. Details of connections will admit to a rational analysis in accordance with well-established principles of mechanics.

4-14. Diaphragms. Diaphragms will be designed to resist forces prescribed by SEAOC 1H2j. Not only does a diaphragm transfer forces, but it must resist the inertia forces of its own weight, w_{px} . The design forces, given by SEAOC equation 1-11, are different from building story forces because diaphragms tend to respond as sub-elements within the building structure. Diaphragms are discussed in detail in chapter 5.

4-15. Elements and components. Parts of buildings other than the major horizontal and vertical elements of the lateral force resisting system will be designed to resist forces prescribed by SEAOC 1G and to transfer these forces to the structural system of the building through proper connections. SEAOC 1G is concerned with elements when they are loaded by inertia forces due to their own weight rather than by forces they carry as part of a lateral force resisting system. Three sets of things are considered in SEAOC 1G: elements of structures (referred to below as structural elements), permanent nonstructural components and their attachments (referred to below as architectural components), and the attachments for permanent equipment supported by structures (referred to below as mechanical and electrical components).

a. Structural elements. These elements, also called "parts and portions of structures," use the horizontal force factors (C_p value) of Part I of SEAOC Table 1-H. Structural elements include walls and parapets with lateral loads normal to the flat surface. These out-of-plane effects are discussed in chapter 6.

b. Architectural components. These components use the C_p value of Part II of SEAOC Table 1-H. These components include partitions, ornamentation, suspended ceilings, exterior panels, and storage racks. They are covered in chapter 11.

c. Mechanical and electrical components. These components, which use the C_p value of Part III of SEAOC Table 1-H, are covered by chapter 12 and include chimneys and smokestacks, as well as equipment and machinery.

4-16. Nonbuilding structures. This manual is primarily concerned with the design of buildings; however, provisions are also included for some structures other than buildings. When these structures are designed in accordance with SEAOC equation 1-1 in SEAOC 1E2, an R_w value of 3 to 5 is used, as specified in SEAOC Table 1-I. These lower values are justified by the assumption that these structures will generally have lower damping characteristics, less inelastic deformation capacity, and less redundancy than typical buildings. Procedures and guidelines for nonbuilding structures are included in chapter 13.

4-17. Planning. Planning involves predesign studies and preliminary design. Design development and final design are discussed in paragraph 4-18.

a. Predesign studies.

(1) *Site planning.* Site planning considers geologic, foundation, and tsunami (sea-wave) hazards as well as seismicity. Structures will not be sited

over active geologic faults, in areas of instability subject to landslides, where soil liquefaction is likely to occur, or in areas subject to tsunami damage.

(a) *Seismic zones.* The probability of the severity, frequency, and potential damage from ground shaking varies in different geographic regions. Regions with similar hazard factors are identified as seismic zones.

(b) *Fault zones.* Damage that is directly or indirectly caused by ground distortions or ruptures along a fault cannot be eliminated by design and construction practices; therefore site planning must avoid these particularly hazardous locations.

(c) *Tsunami protection.* Each region along the Pacific coast must be separately and carefully investigated for its tsunami-generating characteristics. Particular coastlines, inlets, and bays of the Pacific Ocean boundary are resonators of tsunami waves and may greatly amplify the effects. Assuming that tsunami warning services can ensure the safety of human life, there is as yet no hard-and-fast rule for establishing safety and economic standards. Where feasible, power plants, oil storage tanks, and other strategic facilities should be located on high ground, out of reach of high water.

(d) *Other hazards.* Other hazards associated with earthquakes include subsidence and settlement due to consolidation or compaction, landslides, and liquefaction. Liquefaction is a common occurrence in relatively loose, cohesionless sands and silts with a high water table. The earthquake motions can transform the soil into a liquefied state as a consequence of the increase in pore pressure. This can result in a loss of strength in bearing capacity of the soil supporting a building, causing considerable settling and tilting. Also, this loss of strength can occur in a subsurface layer, causing lateral movement of surficial soil masses of several feet, along with ground cracks and differential vertical displacements. These movements have severed pipelines and damaged bridges and buildings. There are several ways to stabilize the ground, such as providing drainage wells, pressure grouting, or removing the liquefiable zone, but often the susceptible area is too extensive for an economical solution. The exposure to these hazards varies with the geography, geology, and soil conditions of the site and the type of structure to be constructed. The professional judgment of geologists, geotechnical engineers, and structural engineers will be used to establish reasonable standards of safety.

(2) *Conceptual planning.* Collaboration of the architect and structural, mechanical, and electrical engineers is necessary to establish a concept for the overall building system, to establish design

criteria for the specific facility, to select the materials of construction, and to reconcile the conflicting requirements of architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical systems. A quick estimate of the design lateral earthquake forces should be made to establish approximate component sizes and the layout of the lateral force resisting system. The locations of seismic joints and the possibility of future expansion must be considered at this stage.

b. Preliminary design.

(1) *Selection of system.* Before selecting the structural system, it is essential that the planners be familiar with the fundamentals of seismic design. Consideration should be given to the architectural and functional requirements, the need for future modifications related to use, the need for damage or drift control, and an evaluation of the economics and availability of the specific materials and the construction practices at the site.

(2) *Redundancy.* It is strongly recommended that the lateral force resisting system be made as redundant as possible; multiple lines of resistance are preferable to perimeter resistance only, and multiple bents or bays of resistance in each bracing line are much more desirable than a single bent or bay. Good torsional rigidity is also essential. The object is, first, to create a system that will have its inelastic behavior distributed nearly uniformly throughout the plan and elevation of the system and, second, to have such a degree of redundancy that softening or failure of a particular element can result in load redistribution to the associated redundant elements without the possibility of collapse.

(3) *Damage control considerations.* Damage to the structure and reparability of the structure were not prime considerations in the development of the R_w -factors. Thus, it may be appropriate for the engineer to consider these concerns and increase the level of loading, stiffness, and detailing requirements if it is desired to control the amount of damage and/or decrease the cost of repairing the damage resulting from the earthquake.

(4) *Selection of trial structural member size.* Some of the structural members of a building are governed by the gravity load design, and their size selection may not be affected by the addition of the seismic loads. For these members the sizes will have been determined by the usual requirements for dead and live loads. For the sizes of members that form the seismic lateral force resisting system, a trial-and-error process is generally required because of the relationship between design lateral forces, structure periods, and lateral drift limitations. For the first trial design, lateral forces are obtained from approximations of period and

weight. SEAOC equation 1-3 may be used for periods. The base shear and story forces are determined. Next, trial member sizes are selected by using approximate calculations and judgment. Finally, a preliminary analysis is made, and the trial sizes are confirmed or revised. If there are substantial revisions to the initial trial sizes, the structure period and the lateral drift will change, and a reanalysis may be required.

4-18. Design.

a. Design development. This phase of the design process involves identification and location of primary structural elements, determination and distribution of lateral seismic forces, preparation of design calculations, detailing of connections, detailing of nonstructural parts for damage control, and preparation of clear, complete contract drawings and specifications.

b. Final design considerations. After the structural elements have been selected and analyzed, a final design check must be made to verify that the initial assumptions are correct, and whether or not the resulting structure satisfies the intent of the seismic provisions.

(1) Comparison of final sizes with initial estimates.

(a) *Weights.* It is necessary to compare the final weights of the building with the weight used to determine the seismic forces. If the weight has increased significantly (say, over 5 percent), redesign will be necessary.

(b) *Stiffness.* If the final member sizes are substantially different from the initial estimates, a re-evaluation of the design will be necessary. If the relative stiffnesses of the varying elements have changed significantly, the distribution of lateral forces must be re-evaluated.

(c) *Period.* If the initial period was determined by Method B using structural properties and deformation characteristics, such as in SEAOC equation 1-5, the initial stiffness and weight properties must be compared with the final properties of the structure. If the final period is shorter than the initial period that was used to calculate the lateral forces, a new set of forces must be calculated and applied to the structure.

(d) *Displacements.* If the final stiffness, period, or forces have changed substantially, displacements will have to be recalculated to check for compliance with the various provisions for drift and deformation.

(2) *Path of forces.* Upon completion of the design, a final check will be made to determine that all the inertia forces can be transmitted without instability from their source to the base of the structure.

(3) *Details.* It is necessary to check the structural details to ensure that the intent of the design calculations and the seismic design detailing is properly provided for on the construction drawings.

(4) *Specifications.* The specifications must be checked to ensure that the intent of the design calculations, material strength assumptions, and seismic design detailing is properly provided for in the job specifications.

CHAPTER 5

DIAPHRAGMS

5-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for the design of horizontal diaphragms and horizontal bracing of buildings in seismic areas, indicates principles and factors governing the horizontal distribution of lateral forces and resistance to lateral forces, gives certain design data, and illustrates typical details of construction.

5-2. General.

a. Function. Floors and roofs, acting as diaphragms, are the horizontal resisting elements in a building. Diaphragms are subject to lateral forces due to their own weight plus the tributary weight of walls connected to them. The diaphragms distribute the lateral forces to the vertical elements, the shear walls or frames, which resist the lateral forces and transfer them to lower levels of the building and finally to the ground. If floors or roofs cannot be made strong enough, their diaphragm function can be accomplished by horizontal bracing. In an industrial building, horizontal bracing can be the only resisting element. Where there is a horizontal offset between resisting vertical elements above and below, the diaphragm transfers lateral forces between the. Diaphragms are treated in this chapter; the resisting vertical elements are treated in subsequent chapters.

b. Horizontal elements. There are two types of horizontal elements: diaphragms and horizontal bracing.

(1) *Diaphragms.* Usually the roof and the floors of the building perform the function of distributing lateral forces to the vertical resisting elements (such as walls and frames). These elements, called diaphragms, make use of their inherent strength and rigidity, supplemented, when needed, by chords and collectors. A diaphragm is analogous to a plate girder laid in a horizontal plane (or inclined plane, in the case of a roof). The floor or roof deck functions as the girder web, resisting shear; the joists or beams function as web stiffeners; and the chords (peripheral beams or integral reinforcement) function as flanges, resisting flexural stresses (fig 5-1). A diaphragm may be constructed of any material of which a structural floor or roof is made. Some materials, such as cast-in-place reinforced concrete and structural steel, have well-established properties and present no problems for diaphragm design once the loading and reaction system is known. Other materials, such as wood sheathing and metal deck, have

properties that are well established for vertical loads but not so well established for lateral loads. For these materials, tests have been required to demonstrate their ability to resist lateral forces. Moreover, where a diaphragm is made up of units such as sheets of plywood or metal deck, or precast concrete units, the characteristics of the diaphragm are, to a large degree, dependent upon the connections that join one unit to another and to the supporting members.

(2) *Horizontal bracing.* A horizontal bracing system may also be used as a diaphragm to transfer the horizontal forces to the vertical resisting elements. A horizontal bracing system may be of any approved material. A common system that is not recommended is the rod or angle bracing used in industrial buildings. The general layout of a bracing system and the sizing of members must be determined for each individual case in order to meet the requirements for load resistance and deformation control. The bracing system will be fully developed in both directions so that the bracing diagonals and chord members form complete horizontal trusses between vertical resisting elements (fig 5-2). Horizontal bracing systems will be designed using diaphragm design principles.

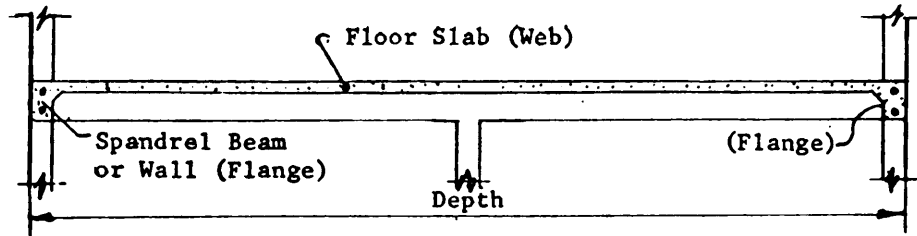
c. Seismic loadings.

(1) *Principal load.* Floors and roofs used as diaphragms will be designed to resist the lateral forces specified in SEAOC 1H2j, acting in any horizontal direction. This load is for the diaphragm as a whole and its connections to the resisting shear walls or frames. The load represents the inertia forces originating from the weight of the diaphragm and the walls and other elements attached thereto.

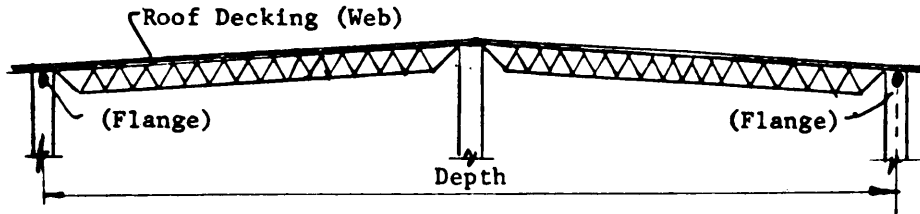
(2) *Transfer forces.* The diaphragm design will also provide for transfer of forces from vertical resisting elements above to vertical resisting elements below where there is an offset or change of stiffness between the upper and lower walls (SEAOC 1H2j(1)(b)). (The designer is urged to be cautious in the use of computer analysis of structures with offsets in the vertical elements.)

(3) *Collectors.* The diaphragm will also be provided with collectors. These members collect diaphragm forces that are distributed along a portion of the depth of the diaphragm and transfer them as a concentrated load to a resisting wall or frame (SEAOC 1H2f).

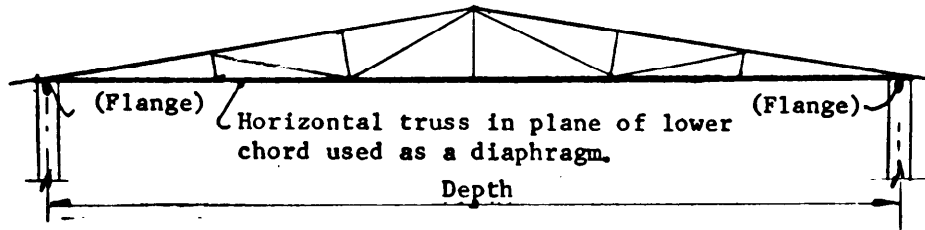
(4) *Deformational compatibility.* When diaphragms move, they carry with them the tops of



a. Floor Slab Diaphragm



b. Roof Deck Diaphragm



c. Truss Diaphragm

Figure 5-1. Diaphragms.

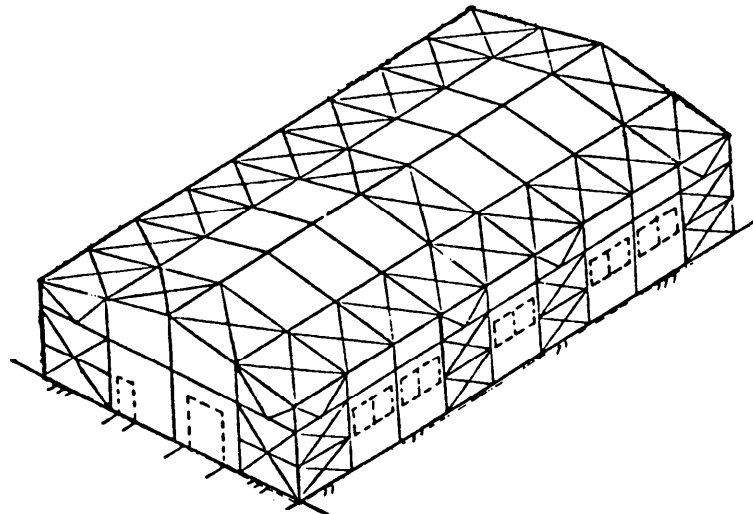


Figure 5-2. Bracing an industrial building.

other vertical elements, ones that are not part of the lateral force resisting system. Such elements are subject to the requirement for deformational compatibility. Columns, for example, are subject to side-sway moments when the diaphragms at the top and the bottom of the column have a relative displacement, and the columns have sufficient

ultimate strength to sustain such moments when the diaphragm displacement is $3(R_w/8)$ times the displacements due to design forces for the diaphragm.

d. *Diaphragm selection.* Roofs and floors are usually utilized as diaphragms; therefore, diaphragm requirements must be considered when

the overall structural system is selected. The diaphragm system must be compatible with the criteria governing the vertical load carrying capacities and the fire-resistant qualities. Relative costs of various types of suitable diaphragms should be investigated to achieve the greatest economy. Special considerations for diaphragm selection are summarized below.

(1) *Metal building systems.* For buildings with vertical moment resisting frames in the transverse direction, the systems connecting these frames are only nominal bracing with little or no computed stress, since each frame can be designed to carry its tributary lateral force. However, in the longitudinal direction, where only the exterior walls resist seismic forces, the diaphragm must span from side wall to side wall. Tension-only bracing may be used only if the structure is very light.

(2) *Multistory frame structures.* For multistory buildings with moment resisting frames, diaphragms will be rigid enough to distribute horizontal forces and torsion in proportion to the relative rigidities of the frames. A more flexible diaphragm on such structures is to be avoided because it would permit portions of the building to vibrate out of phase with the rest of the structure.

5-3. Diaphragm flexibility.

a. Relative flexibility. The diaphragm design forces at any level include the forces tributary to the diaphragm and forces brought down to the diaphragm by vertical resisting elements above the diaphragm. The forces will be distributed to the various vertical elements below the diaphragm according to the relative flexibility of the diaphragm, i.e., the flexibility of the diaphragm relative to the flexibility of the vertical elements that provide the lateral support below the diaphragm. Diaphragms are classified as rigid or flexible. The difference between flexible and rigid diaphragms is illustrated in figure 5-3. As shown in figure 5-3, part a, the example building has two bays with shear walls of various rigidities.

(1) *Flexible diaphragm.* In one extreme case (fig 5-3, part b), the resisting vertical elements are perfectly rigid and have no deformation. In this case, diaphragm deflections occur between supports that do not move. The diaphragm deflections are in the same direction as the design loads. The diaphragm acts as like a continuous beam: the diaphragm moments and shears are obtained by familiar procedures for continuous beams. For a given direction of design forces, the vertical elements that are perpendicular to this direction move with the diaphragm and so are subject to out-of-plane deformations, but these elements take no part in the resistance to lateral forces: the

lateral resistance is provided only by the elements parallel to the lateral forces. Of course, no wall or frame is perfectly rigid; for design purposes however, a diaphragm is assumed to fit this case if it is only relatively flexible compared with the walls or frames. SEAOC 1E6a provides the deflection criterion for determining when the diaphragm is to be considered flexible. This is illustrated in figure 5-4. The wood diaphragm is an example of a relatively flexible diaphragm. It is customary to design wooden diaphragms as flexible diaphragms whether the vertical elements are concrete walls, steel moment or braced frames, or plywood shear walls. Unfilled metal-deck roof diaphragms are also considered relatively flexible when the vertical elements are concrete walls or steel frames. Flexible diaphragms are usually designed by a simple procedure that ignores continuity in the beam and treats each diaphragm as a simple beam between resisting walls or frames. This is the "tributary area" model (fig 5-3, part c). In this method it is customary to proportion the chords for the simple-beam moments, but then to detail them to be continuous over the length of the building so as to preclude damage in the walls where the beam-end rotations of the simple beams would make the chord ends separate or compress. This procedure is simple and cost-effective because the simple-beam chord forces are generally larger than those that would be developed from a continuous-beam analysis.

(2) *Rigid diaphragm.* In the other extreme case, the diaphragm is perfectly rigid and has no deformations (fig 5-3, part d). In this case the distribution of forces in the diaphragm depends on the stiffness of the resisting vertical elements. In the example shown in figure 5-3, each end wall has twice the rigidity of the center wall: this means that the reaction at each end wall is twice that of the center wall, and the diaphragm shears are determined from these reactions. Just as there are no perfectly rigid walls, there are no perfectly rigid diaphragms, but relatively rigid diaphragms fit this case. Concrete diaphragms and concrete-filled metal-deck diaphragms are usually considered to be relatively rigid.

(3) *Diaphragm of intermediate flexibility.* Between the two extremes discussed above, there are cases where the diaphragm is flexible enough to have significant deflection under lateral load but is stiff enough to distribute a portion of its load to vertical elements in proportion to the rigidities of the vertical resisting elements. The action is analogous to a continuous concrete beam system of appreciable stiffness of yielding supports. The support reactions are dependent on the relative stiffnesses of both the diaphragm and the vertical

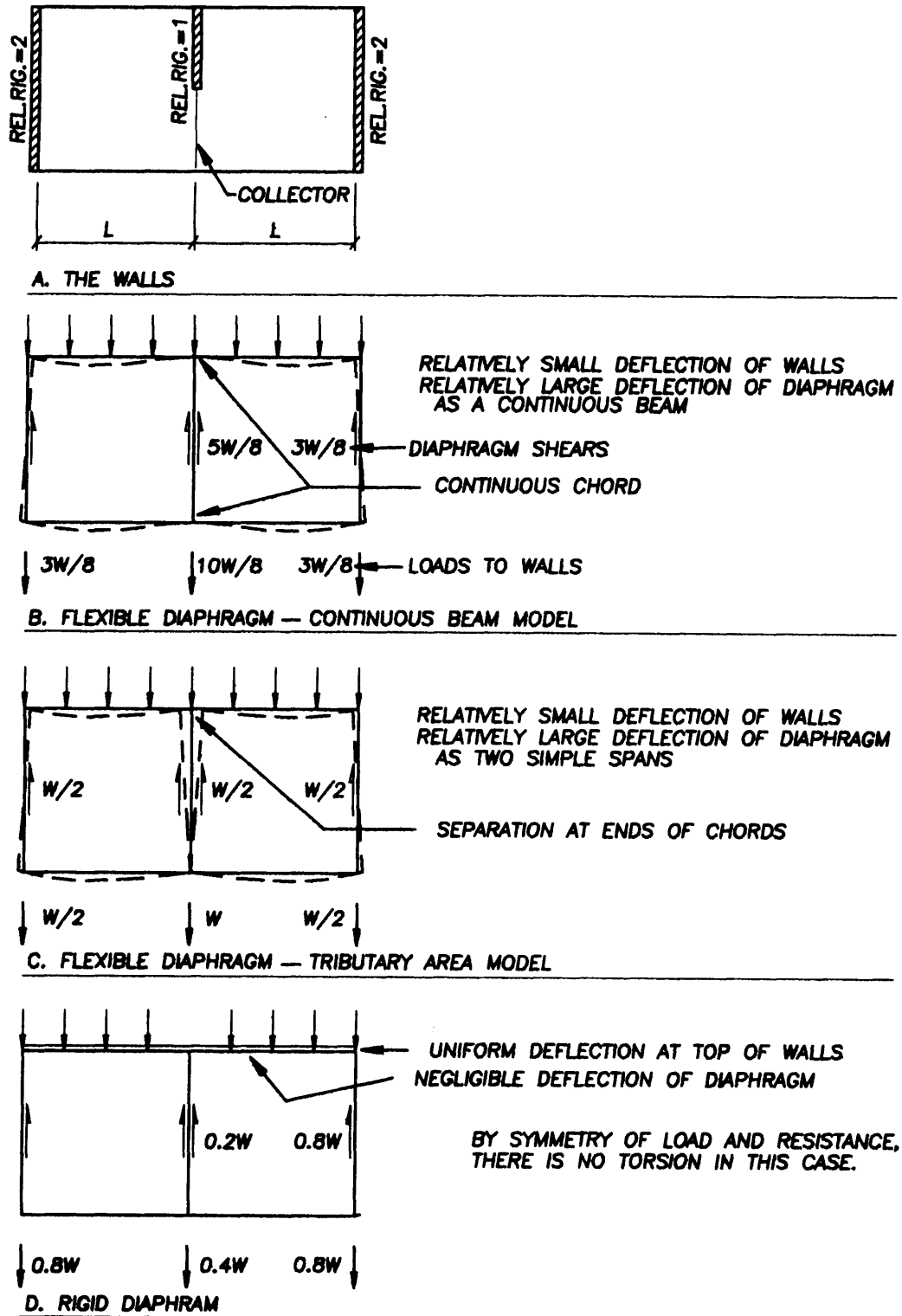


Figure 5-3. Diaphragm flexibilities.

elements. A rigorous analysis is usually very time-consuming and is seldom justifiable in terms of the doubtful accuracy of the results; at best, the results are no better than the assumptions (flexible and rigid) that must be made. In such cases the design can be based on two sets of assumptions

that reasonably bracket the likely range of reactions and deflections.

b. *Rotation.* The example of figure 5-3 involves simple cases of diaphragms that have symmetry of load and reaction. In cases where there is a lack of symmetry, either in the load or the reaction, the

IF a IS GREATER THAN $2b$, THE DIAPHRAGM IS CONSIDERED FLEXIBLE.

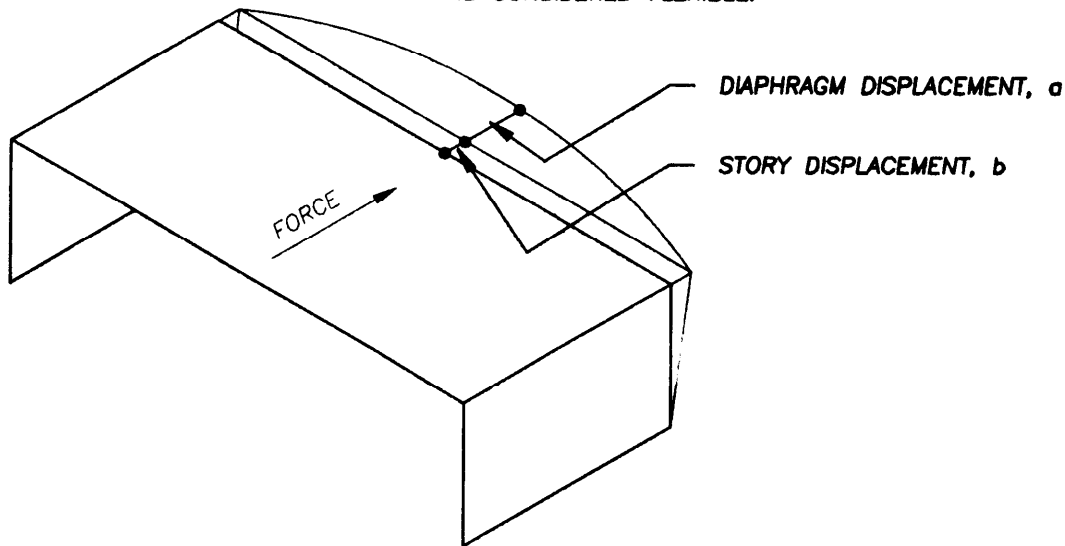


Figure 5-4. Flexible diaphragm.

diaphragm will experience a rotation. Rotation is of concern because it can lead to vertical instability. This is illustrated in the following cases: the cantilever diaphragm and the diaphragm supported on three sides.

(1) *Building with a cantilever diaphragm.* An example is shown in figure 5-5. The layout of the resisting walls is shown in figure 5-5, part a. If the backspan is flexible relative to the walls (fig 5-5, part b), the forces exerted on the backspan by the cantilever are resisted by walls B, C, and D, provided there are adequate collectors. If the backspan is relatively rigid (fig 5-5, part c), the load from the cantilever is resisted by all four walls (A, B, C, and D). A rigidity analysis is needed in order to determine the forces in the walls.

(2) *Building with walls on three sides.* An example is shown in figure 5-6. For transverse (north-south) forces (fig 5-6, part a), this is a simple case: because of symmetry of load and reactions, the end walls share the load equally. For longitudinal (east-west) forces (fig 5-6, part b), there is an eccentricity between the resultant of the load and the centerline of the one east-west resisting wall, wall C. The analysis is simplified by treating the load as a combination of the load, W , acting directly on the wall, and the couple $M = WD/2$ (fig 5-6, part c). The direct force induces a direct shear, W , on the diaphragm and a reaction, W , in wall C (fig 5-6, part d); the moment, M , is resisted by walls A and B (fig 5-6, part e), causing a counterclockwise rotation of the diaphragm. A particular concern with this type of building is the deflection at the corners at the open side. In figure 5-3, part a, there is an eastward deflection of the

south edge of the diaphragm, and if this is excessive it can lead to vertical instability in the southwest and southeast corners.

(a) *Flexible diaphragm.* In an all-wood building, the concern about rotation is met by limitations on the size and proportions of the diaphragm. In buildings with walls of concrete or masonry, the greater weight causes greater concern for rotation, and there are special limitations on the diaphragms. The limitations are discussed in paragraph 5-10.

(b) *Rigid diaphragm.* If the diaphragm is rigid, the design of the building will consider the effects of torsion. The concept of orthogonality does not apply.

5-4. Torsion. Torsion, in a general sense, occurs in a building whenever the location of the resultant of the lateral forces, i.e., the center of mass, cm , at and above a given level does not coincide with the center of rigidity, cr , of the vertical resisting elements at that level. If the resisting elements have different deflections, the diaphragm will rotate. Torsion, in this general sense of rotation, occurs regardless of the stiffness properties of the diaphragms and the walls or frames. For purposes of design, however, the procedure for dealing with torsion does depend on these stiffness properties.

a. *Flexible diaphragms.* Flexible diaphragms such as wooden diaphragms can rotate but cannot develop torsional shears. For example, a single-span diaphragm with a relatively stiff shear wall at one end and a more flexible frame at the other end will rotate because the two resisting elements

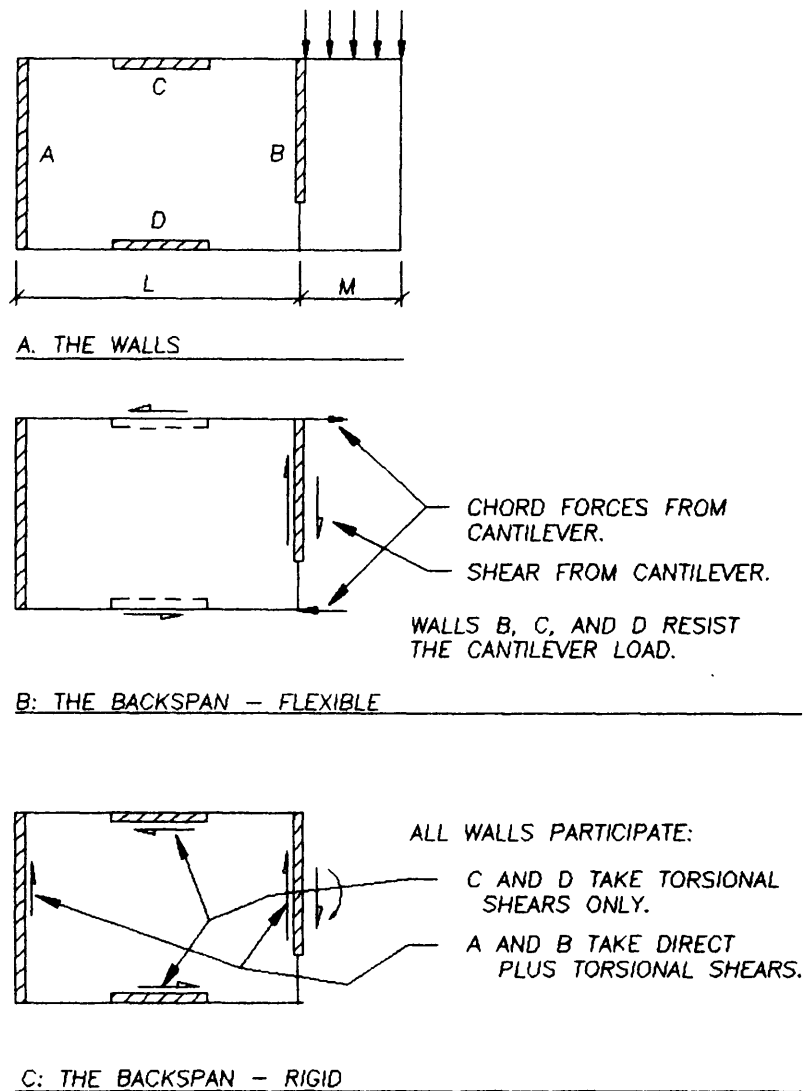


Figure 5-5. Cantilever diaphragm.

have different deflections. Flexible diaphragms, however, are considered incapable of inducing forces in the walls or frames that are perpendicular to the direction of the design forces; i.e., flexible diaphragms are said to be incapable of taking torsional moments. All of the lateral load is taken by the walls that are parallel to the lateral forces; none is taken by the other walls. (The building with walls on three sides is a special case and entails special limitations, as discussed above.) Lateral loads are usually distributed to the resisting walls by using the continuous beam analogy. There is no rigidity analysis, no calculation of the cm and the cr. If there are uncertainties about the locations of the loads and the rigidities of the structural elements, the design can be adjusted to bracket the range of possibilities.

b. Rigid diaphragms. When rigid diaphragms rotate, they develop shears in all of the vertical resisting elements. In the example of figure 5-7

there is an eccentricity in both directions, and all five walls develop resisting forces via the diaphragm.

c. Deformational compatibility. When a diaphragm rotates, whether it is rigid or flexible, it causes displacements in all elements attached to it. For example, the top of a column will be displaced with respect to the bottom. Such displacements must be recognized and addressed. The design condition is covered by SEAOC 1H2d.

d. Flexibility criterion. Provision for torsional moment is required only where diaphragms are not flexible. The criterion for flexibility (SEAOC 1E6a) is illustrated in figure 5-4.

e. Analysis for torsion. The method of determining torsional forces is indicated in figure 5-7. The diaphragm load, F_{px} , which acts through the cm, is replaced by an equivalent set of new forces. By adding equal and opposite forces at the cr, the diaphragm load can now be described as a combi-

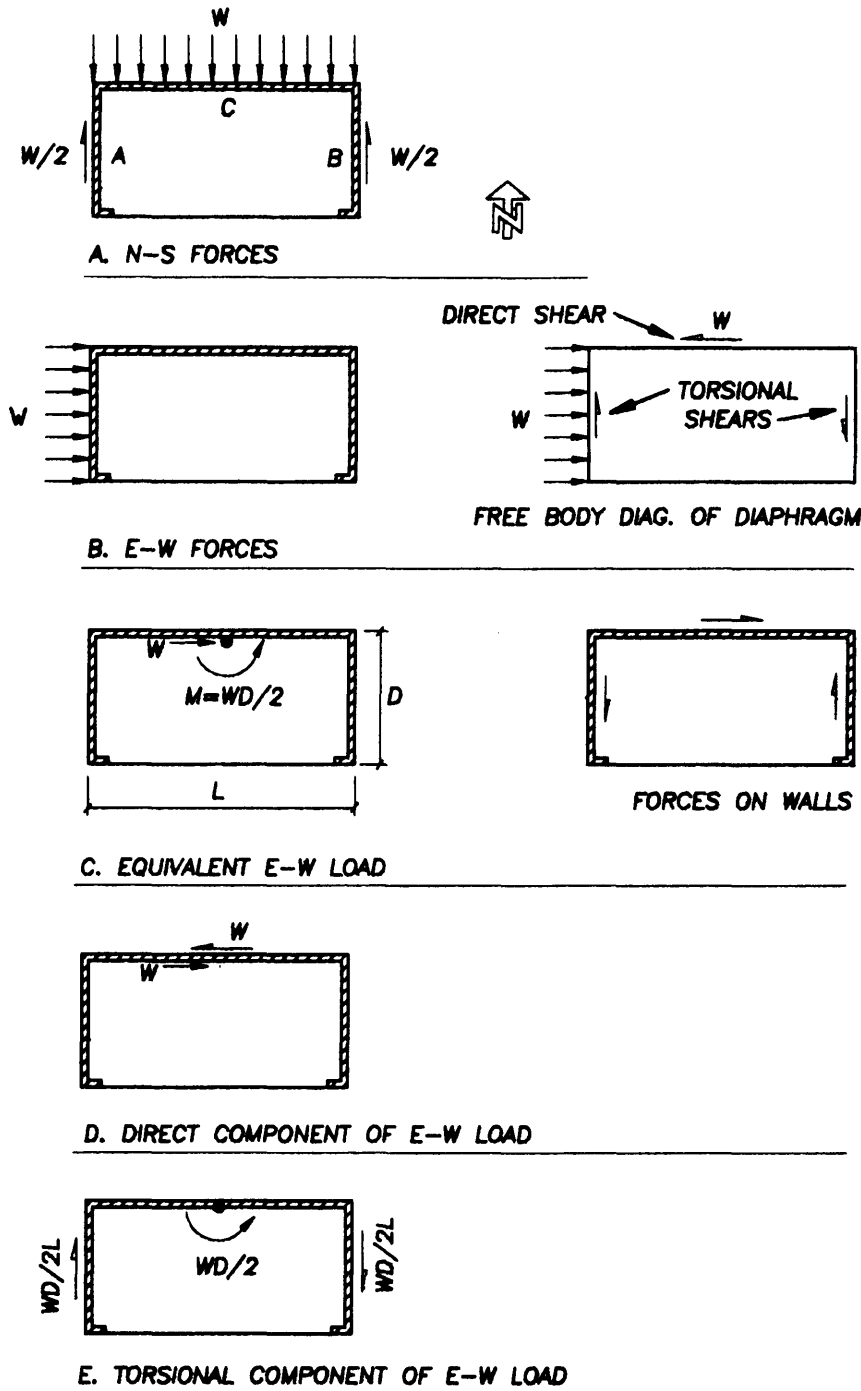
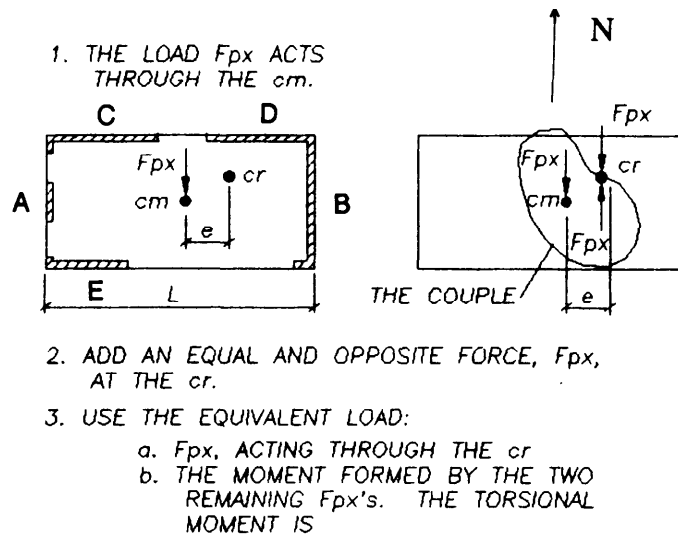


Figure 5-6. Building with walls on three sides.

nation of a force component, F_{px} , (which acts through the cr) and a moment component (which is formed by the couple of the two remaining forces F_{px} separated by the eccentricity e). The moment, called the torsional moment, M_T , is equal to F_{px} times e . The torsional moment is often called the "calculated" torsion because it is based on a calculated eccentricity; also this name distinguishes it from the "accidental" torsion which is described below. In the modified loading, the force

F_{px} acts through the cr instead of the cm; therefore, it causes no rotation and it is distributed to the walls which are parallel to F_{px} in proportion to their relative rigidities. The torsional moment is resolved into a set of equivalent wall forces by a procedure which is similar to that used for finding forces on bolts in an eccentrically loaded group of bolts. The formula is analogous to the torsion formula $\tau = Tc/J$. Thus the torsional shear forces can be expressed by the formula $F_t = M_T kd / \Sigma kd^2$,



$$M_T = F_{px} \times e$$

Figure 5-7. Calculated torsion.

IF Δ_{MAX} IS GREATER THAN $1.2 \times \Delta_{AVE}$ USE SEAOC FORMULA 1-9.

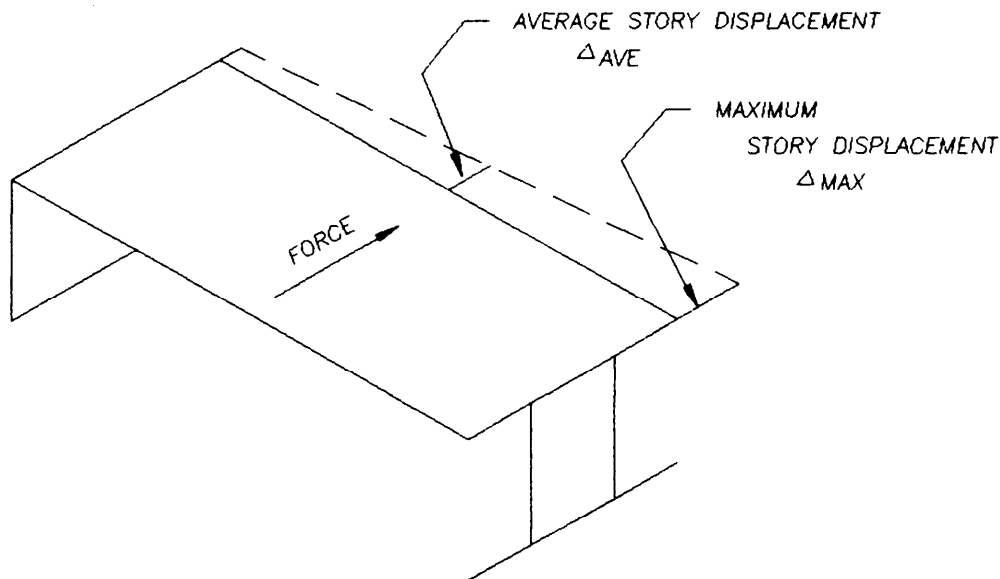


Figure 5-8. Accidental torsion amplification factor.

where k is the stiffness of a vertical resisting element, d is the distance of the element from the center of rigidity, and Σkd^2 represents the polar moment of inertia. For the wall forces, the direct components due to F_{px} at the *cr* are combined with the torsional components due to M_T . In the example of figure 5-7, the torsional moment is counterclockwise and the diaphragm rotation will be counterclockwise around the *cr*. The direct component of the load is shared by walls A and B, while the torsional component of the load is resisted by walls A, B, D, C, and E. Where the direct and

torsional components of wall force are in the same direction, as in wall A, the torsional component adds to the direct component; where the torsional component is opposite to the direct component, as in wall B, the torsional component subtracts from the direct. Walls C, D, and E carry only torsional components; in fact, their design will most likely be governed by direct forces in the east-west direction.

f. Accidental torsion. Accidental torsion is intended to account for uncertainties in the calculation of the locations of the *cm* and the *cr*. The

accidental torsional moment, M_A , is obtained using an eccentricity, e_{acc} , equal to 5% of the building dimension perpendicular to the direction of the lateral forces (SEAOC 1E6); in other words, $M_A = F_{px} \times e_{acc}$. For the example of figure 5-7, the accidental torsion for forces in the north-south direction is $M_T = F_{px} \times 0.05L$. In hand calculations, M_A is treated like M_T except that absolute values of the resulting forces are used so that the accidental torsion increases the total design force for all walls. In computer calculations, the accidental torsion may be handled by running one analysis, using for eccentricity the calculated eccentricity plus the accidental eccentricity, then running a second analysis, using the calculated minus the accidental eccentricity, and finally, selecting the larger forces from the two cases.

g. Amplification of accidental torsion. When a torsional irregularity exists, the accidental torsion may be required to be increased. See SEAOC 1E6d and figure 5-8.

5-5. Flexibility limitations. The deflecting diaphragm imposes out-of-plane distortions on the walls that are perpendicular to the direction of lateral force. These distortions are controlled by proper attention to the flexibility of the diaphragm. A diaphragm will be designed to provide such stiffness that walls and other vertical elements laterally supported by the diaphragm can safely sustain the stresses induced by the response

of the diaphragm to seismic motion.

a. Empirical rules. Direct design is not feasible because of the difficulty of making reliable calculations of the diaphragm deflections; instead, diaphragms are usually proportioned by empirical rules. The design requirement is considered to be met if the diaphragm conforms to the span and span/depth limitations of table 5-1. These limitations are intended as a guide for ordinary buildings. Buildings with unusual features should be treated with caution. The limits of table 5-1 may be exceeded, but only when justified by a reliable evaluation of the strength and stiffness characteristics of the diaphragm. For use of table 5-1, the flexibility category in the first column of the table can be determined with little or no calculation: concrete diaphragms are rigid; gypsum diaphragms are semirigid; metal deck diaphragms can be semirigid, semiflexible, or flexible; plywood diaphragms can be very flexible, flexible, or semiflexible; special diaphragms of diagonal wood sheathing are flexible; and conventional diaphragms of diagonal wood sheathing and diaphragms of straight wood sheathing are very flexible. (Very flexible diaphragms are seldom used in new construction because of their small capacities.) Each flexibility category of table 5-1 is associated with a range of values for the flexibility factor, F , and criteria for stiffness are specified in terms of the F -values given in the second column of table 5-1. When a value of F is needed in order to determine a flexibility category, it is obtained

Flexibility Category	F	Allowable Span of Diaphragm (feet)	Diaphragm Span/Depth Limitations	
			Concrete or Masonry Walls ¹	Other Walls
Very Flexible ²	Over 150	50	Not to be used	2:1
Flexible	70-150	100	2:1	3:1
Semi-flexible	10-70	200	2½:1	4:1
Semi-rigid	1-10	300	3:1	4:1
Rigid	Less than 1	400	4:1	4:1

Notes:

¹Walls in concrete and unit-masonry are classified as brittle; in all cases, check allowable drift before selecting type of diaphragm.

²For Zones 1 and 2, diagonally sheathed and plywood diaphragms in the "Very Flexible" category may be used for lateral support of masonry and concrete walls in one-story buildings where the diaphragm is not required to act in rotation.

Table 5-1. Flexibility limitation on diaphragms.

by procedures presented in the following section. Given either the flexibility category or the F-value, the maximum span is obtained from the third column of table 5-1, and span/depth limitations are given in the fourth column.

b. *F-factor*. When an F-factor is needed, it will be calculated by the following procedure. The flexibility factor, F, is equal to the average deflection in micro inches (millionths of an inch) of the diaphragm web per foot of span stressed with a shear of 1 pound per foot. Expressed as a formula, this becomes

$$F = \frac{\Delta_w \times 10^6}{q_{ave} L_1} \quad (\text{eq 5-1})$$

where

L_1 = distance in feet from the adjacent vertical resisting element (such as a shear wall) and the point to which the deflection is to be determined

q_{ave} = average shear in diaphragm in pounds per foot over length L_1

Δ_w = web component of diaphragm deflection

Note that for a diaphragm with a single span of length, L, and a uniformly distributed load, W, the average shear to be used in calculating q_{AVE} is $W/4$, and $L_1 = L/2$. The procedures for calculating F, given in paragraphs 5-4 through 5-8, are summarized as follows

(1) *Concrete diaphragms*. The F-factor is obtained from conventional beam theory for shearing deflection. Using the procedure given in paragraph 5-7, one can calculate the shearing procedure given in paragraph 5-7, one can calculate the

shearing deflection without having to know the beam theory. It should be noted that because concrete (and concrete-filled steel deck) diaphragms are generally rigid, deflections are seldom calculated.

(2) *Steel deck diaphragms*. The F-factor is obtained from formulas that were derived from tests. Values for F for common types of diaphragms are given in tables in this manual. Some manufacturers provide values in their literature. When the F-factor is not available, it can be calculated by using the procedures of paragraph 5-6. In most cases formulas for F have been published only in the literature of the companies supplying these materials. These formulas have usually been based on a limited number of tests and have been derived empirically to fit the test data applicable to them. As more and more tests were run, the formulas were altered to incorporate the new data. This has led to many somewhat similar formulas for identical diaphragm components supplied by different manufacturers. The formulas used in this manual have been developed by using as a basis all of the test data made available to the Tri-Service Seismic Design Committee at the time of the 1973 edition of this manual and may be subject to some revision in the future as new data are obtained.

(3) *Plywood diaphragms*. A formula for F is given in paragraph 5-10.

(4) *Wood-sheathed diaphragms*. Values for F are given in table 5-2.

HORIZONTAL WOOD DIAPHRAGMS	F	ALLOWABLE SHEAR lbs./lin.ft.(q_D)
1" Straight Sheathing	1,500	50
2" Straight Sheathing	1,500	40
Conventional 1" Diagonal Sheathing - 1x6 & 1x8	250	300
Conventional 2" Diagonal Sheathing	250	400
Special Construction	75	600
Note: The allowable shears shown in Table are basic values to which the factors for species shown in Figure 6-19 will be applied.		

Table 5-2. Flexibility and allowable shears.

c. *Diaphragm deflections.* When a deflection calculation is needed, the following procedure will be used.

(1) *Deflection criterion.* The total deflection of the diaphragm under the prescribed static forces will be used as the criterion for the adequacy of the stiffness of a diaphragm. The limitation on deflection is the allowable amount prescribed for the relative deflection (drift) of the walls between the level of the diaphragm and the floor below. Refer to chapter 6 and figure 6-5.

(2) *Deflection calculations.* The total computed deflection of diaphragms (Δ_d) under the prescribed static seismic forces consists of the sum of two components: the first component is the flexural deflection (Δ_f); the second component is the shearing deflection (Δ_w). When beams are designed, the flexural component is usually all that is calculated, but for diaphragms, which are like deep beams, the shearing component must be added to the flexural component.

(a) *Flexural component.* This is calculated in the same way as for any beam. For example, for a simple beam with uniform load, the flexural component is obtained from the familiar formula $\Delta_f = 5wL^4/384EI$. The only question is the value of the moment of inertia, I. For diaphragms whose webs have uniform properties in both directions (concrete or a flat steel plate) the moment of inertia is simply that of the diaphragm cross-section. For diaphragms of fluted steel deck, or diaphragms of wood, whose stiffness is influenced by nail slip and chord-joint slip, the flexural resistance of the diaphragm web is generally negligible and the moment of inertia is based on the properties of the diaphragm chords. For a diaphragm of depth D with chord members each having area A, the moment of inertia, I, equals $2A(D/2)^2$, or $AD^2/2$.

(b) *Shearing component.* If a reliable F-factor is known, the shearing component of deflection can be derived from equation 5-1 as follows:

$$\Delta_w = \frac{q_{ave}L_1F}{10^6} \quad (\text{eq 5-2})$$

This equation is directly applicable to steel-deck diaphragms for which values of F are available and to concrete decks for which F is obtained by a simple calculation. If a reliable F-factor is not known, the calculation is based on conventional beam theory. For example, for a diaphragm with a single span of length, L, with a uniformly distributed load, W, the shearing deflection is $\Delta_w = \frac{\alpha WL}{8AG}$,

where α is a form factor, A is the area of the web, and G is the shear modulus. Noting that $W = \frac{4q_{ave}A}{t}$

where t is the thickness of the web, the formula for shearing deflection can be expressed as $\Delta_w =$

$q_{ave}L_1 \frac{(a)}{tG}$. As noted above, this is applicable only

to webs of uniform properties. The procedure for concrete (given in para 5-7) is based on this equation, with $\alpha = 1.5$, $G = 0.4E$, $E = 33w^{1.5} \sqrt{f'_c}$,

$$\Delta_w = \frac{q_{ave}L_1}{(8.8tw^{1.5}\sqrt{f'_c})}$$

slab in inches. This is equation 5-2 with F as given by equation 5-3.

5-6. Design of diaphragms. A deep-beam analogy is used in the design. Diaphragms are envisioned as deep beams with the web (decking or sheathing) resisting shear and the flanges (spandrel beams or other members) at the edges resisting the bending moment.

a. *Unit shears.* Diaphragm unit shears are obtained by dividing the diaphragm shear by the length or area of the web, and are expressed in pounds per foot (for wood or metal deck) or pounds per square inch (for concrete). These unit shears are checked against allowable values for the material. Webs of precast concrete units or metal-deck units will require details for joining the units to each other and to their supports so as to distribute shear forces.

b. *Flexure.* Diaphragm flexure is resisted by members called chords. The chords are often at the edges of the diaphragm but may be located elsewhere. The design force is obtained by dividing the diaphragm moment by the distance between the chords. The chords must be designed to resist direct tensile or compressive stresses, both in the members and in the splices at points of discontinuity. Usually chords are easily developed. In a concrete frame, continuous reinforcing in the edge beam can be used. In a steel frame building, the spandrel beams can be used as chords if they have adequate capacity and have adequate end connections where they would otherwise be interrupted by the columns; or special reinforcing can be placed in the slab. Chords need not actually be in the plane of the diaphragm as long as the chord forces can be developed between the diaphragm and the chord. For example, continuous chord reinforcing can be placed in walls or spandrels above or below the diaphragm. In masonry walls, the chord requirements tend to conflict with the control joint requirements. At bond beams, control joints will have to be dummy joints so that reinforcement can be continuous, and the marginal connections must be capable of resisting the flexural and shear stresses developed.

c. *Openings.* A diaphragm with openings such as cut-out areas for stairs or elevators will be treated as a plate girder with holes in the web. The diaphragm will be reinforced so that forces

that develop on the sides of the opening can be developed back into the body of the diaphragm.

d. L- and T-shaped buildings. L- and T-shaped buildings will have the flange (chord) stresses developed through or into the heel of the L or T. This is analogous to a girder with a deep haunch.

5-7. Concrete diaphragms.

a. General design criteria. The criteria used to design concrete diaphragms will be ACI 318 as modified by SEAOC 3B. Concrete diaphragm webs will be designed as concrete slabs; the slab may be designed to support vertical loads between the framing members, or the slab itself may be supported by other vertical load carrying elements, such as precast concrete elements or steel decks. If shear is transferred from the diaphragm web to the framing members through steel deck fastenings, the design will conform to the requirements in paragraph 5-9.

b. Span and anchorage requirements. The following provisions are intended to prevent diaphragm buckling.

(1) *General.* Where reinforced concrete slabs are used as diaphragms to transfer lateral forces, the clear distance (L_v) between framing members or mechanical anchors shall not exceed 38 times the total thickness of the slab (t).

(2) *Cast-in-place concrete slabs not monolithic with supporting framing.* When concrete slabs are not monolithic with the supporting framing members (e.g., slabs on steel beams), the slab will be anchored by mechanical means at intervals not exceeding 4 feet on center along the length of the supporting member. This anchorage is not a computed item and should be similar to that shown in figure 5-9, detail A. For composite beams, anchorages provided in accordance with AISC provisions for composite construction will meet the requirements of this paragraph.

(3) Cast-in-place concrete diaphragms vertically supported by precast concrete slab units. If the slab is not supporting vertical loads but is supported by other vertical load carrying elements, mechanical anchorages will be provided at intervals not exceeding $38t$. Thus, the provisions above will be satisfied by defining L_v as the distance between the mechanical anchorages between the diaphragm slab and the vertical load carrying members. This mechanical anchorage can be provided by steel inserts or reinforcement, by bonded cast-in-place concrete lugs, or by bonded roughened surface, as shown in figure 5-10. Positive anchorage between cast-in-place concrete and the precast deck must be provided to transmit the lateral forces generated from the weights of the precast

units to the cast-in-place concrete diaphragm and then to the main lateral force resisting system.

(4) *Precast concrete slab units.* If precast units are continuously bonded together as shown in figure 5-11, they may be considered concrete diaphragms and designed accordingly as described hereinbefore; see SEAOC 3E6 and 3E7. Intermittently bonded precast units or precast units with grouted shear keys will not be used as a diaphragm. In Seismic Zone 1 (fig 5-12), there is an exception permitting the use of hollow-core planks with grouted shear keys and the use of connectors, in lieu of continuous bonding, for precast concrete members. The exception is permitted if the following considerations and requirements are satisfied:

(a) Procedure conforms with PCI-MNL-120 seismic design requirements.

(b) Shear forces for diaphragm action can be effectively transmitted through the connectors. The shear is uniformly distributed throughout the depth or length of the diaphragm with reasonably spaced connectors rather than with a few which will have localized concentration of shear stresses.

(c) Connectors are designed for $3(R_w/8)$ times the prescribed shear force.

(d) Detailed structural calculations are made including the localized effects in concrete slabs attributed from these connectors.

(e) Sufficient details of connectors and embedded anchorage are provided to preclude construction deficiency.

(5) *Metal-formed deck.* Where metal deck is used as a form, the slab shall be governed by the requirements of paragraph (2) above. Refer to paragraph 5-9d, where the deck is used structurally.

c. Special reinforcement. Special diagonal reinforcement will be placed in corners of diaphragms, as indicated in figure 5-13. Typical chord reinforcement and connection details are shown in figure 5-14.

d. Flexibility factor. The web stiffness factor, F , will be determined by the following formula:

$$F = \frac{10^6}{8.5 tw^{1.5}\sqrt{f'_c}} \quad (\text{eq 5-3})$$

where

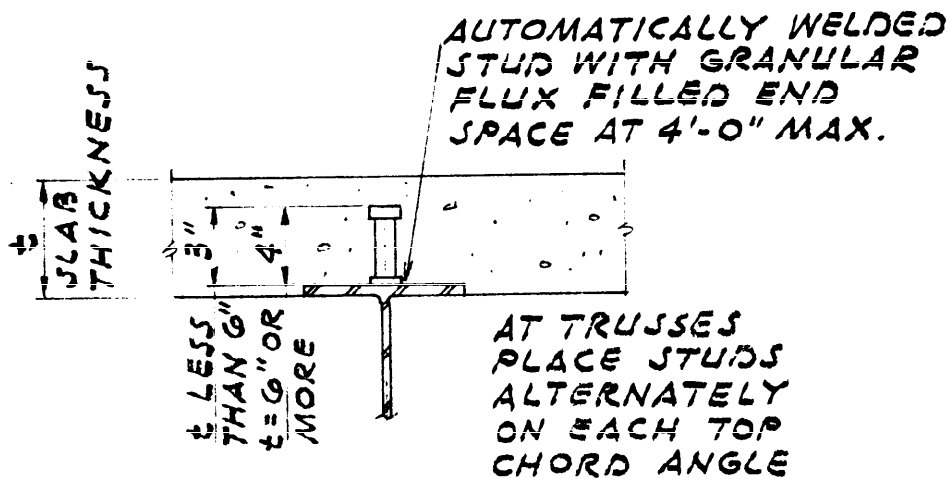
t = thickness of the slab in inches

w = weight of concrete in pounds per cubic foot, minimum value of w will be 90 pounds per cubic foot

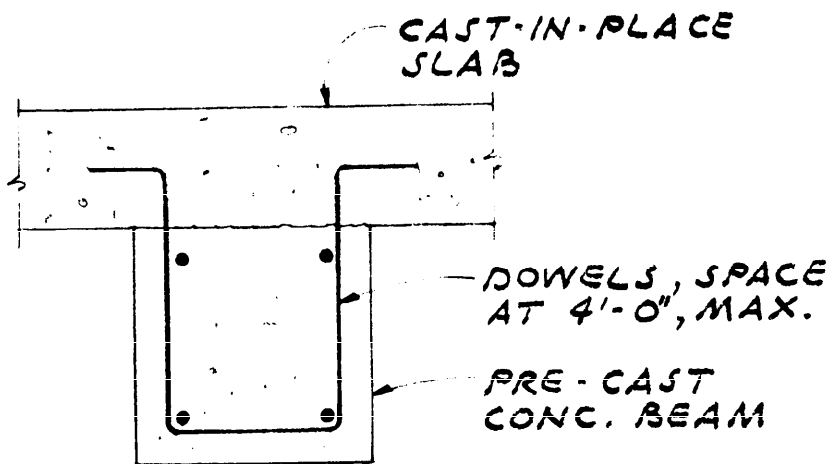
f'_c = compressive strength of concrete at 28 days in pounds per square inch

Diaphragms of this type are in the rigid category of stiffness and usually have a limitation only on deflection, as specified in SEAOC 1H2j.

e. Electrical raceways. The placement of electrical raceways in concrete topping slabs may make the slab ineffective as a diaphragm. The effect of



DETAIL A



DETAIL B

Slabs Not Monolithic with Supporting Framing

Figure 5-9. Anchorage of cast-in-place concrete slabs.

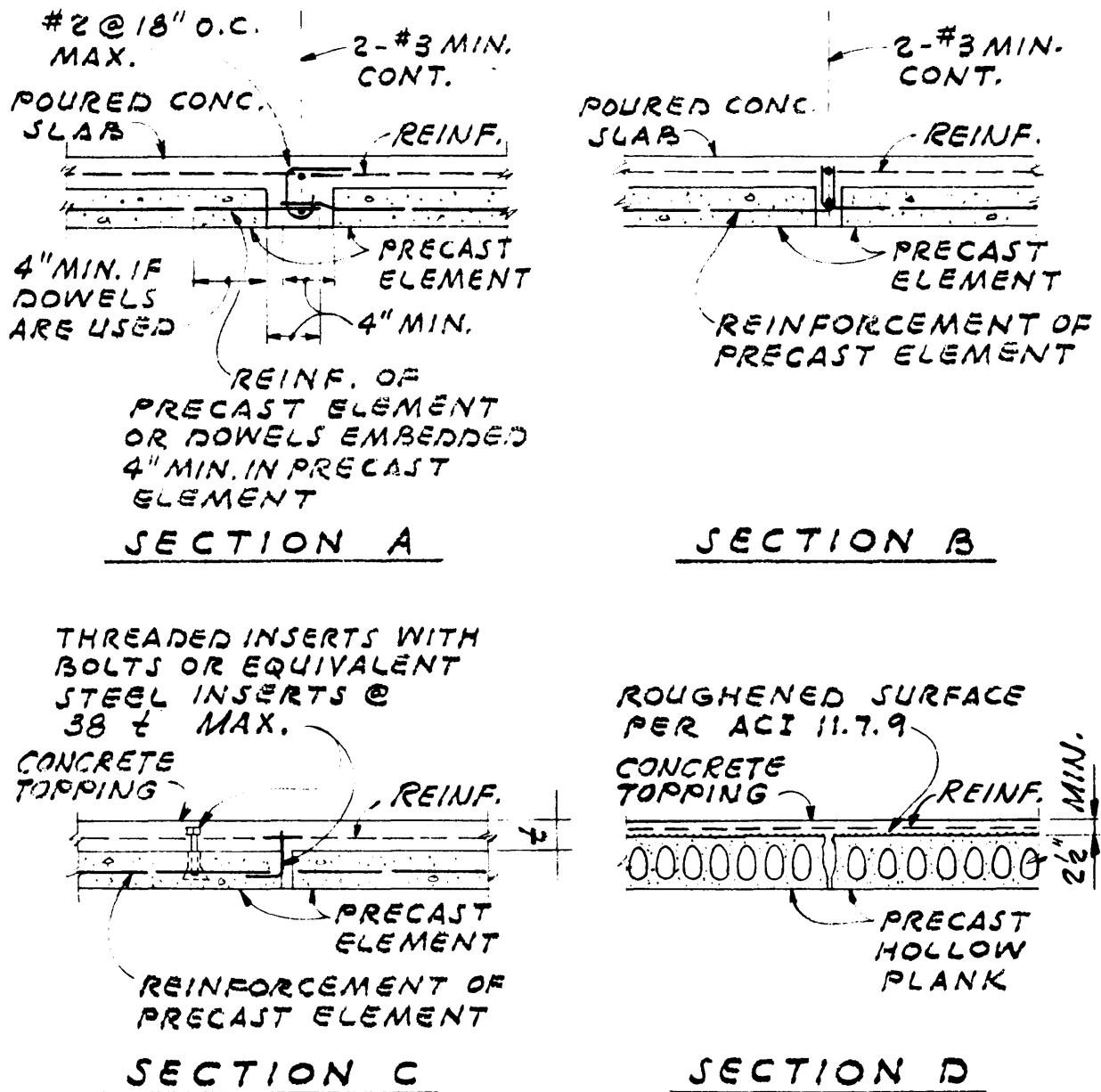


Figure 5-10. Attachment of superimposed diaphragm slab to precast slab units.

the loss of concrete section will be considered. Coordination of structural diaphragm slab with electrical plans will be provided.

5-8. Gypsum diaphragms, cast-in-place.

a. General design criteria. The following criteria will be used to design cast-in-place gypsum diaphragms.

b. Shear capacity.

(1) The allowable diaphragm shear on poured gypsum concrete diaphragms will be as shown in tables 5-3, 5-4, and 5-5 for roof systems using subpurlins and welded wire fabric.

(2) In lieu of tables 5-3 and 5-4, the following

formula will be used to determine the allowable shear of the diaphragm:

$$q_D = [1.6f_g t C_1 + 1,000(k_1 d_1 + k_2 d_2)] C_2 \quad (\text{eq 5-4})$$

where

q_D = allowable maximum shear per foot on diaphragm in pounds per linear foot, the one-third increase usually permitted to working stresses in seismic design is not applicable

f_g = oven-dry compressive strength of gypsum in pounds per square inch, as determined by tests conforming to ASTM C472-73

C_1 = 1.0 for Class A gypsum concrete; 1.5 for Class B gypsum concrete

C_2 = 1.4 for Class A gypsum concrete; 1.0 for Class B gypsum concrete

t = thickness of gypsum between subpurlins, in inches

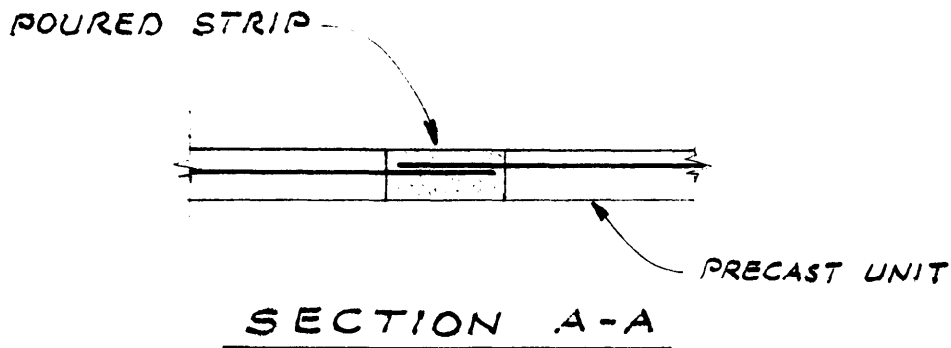
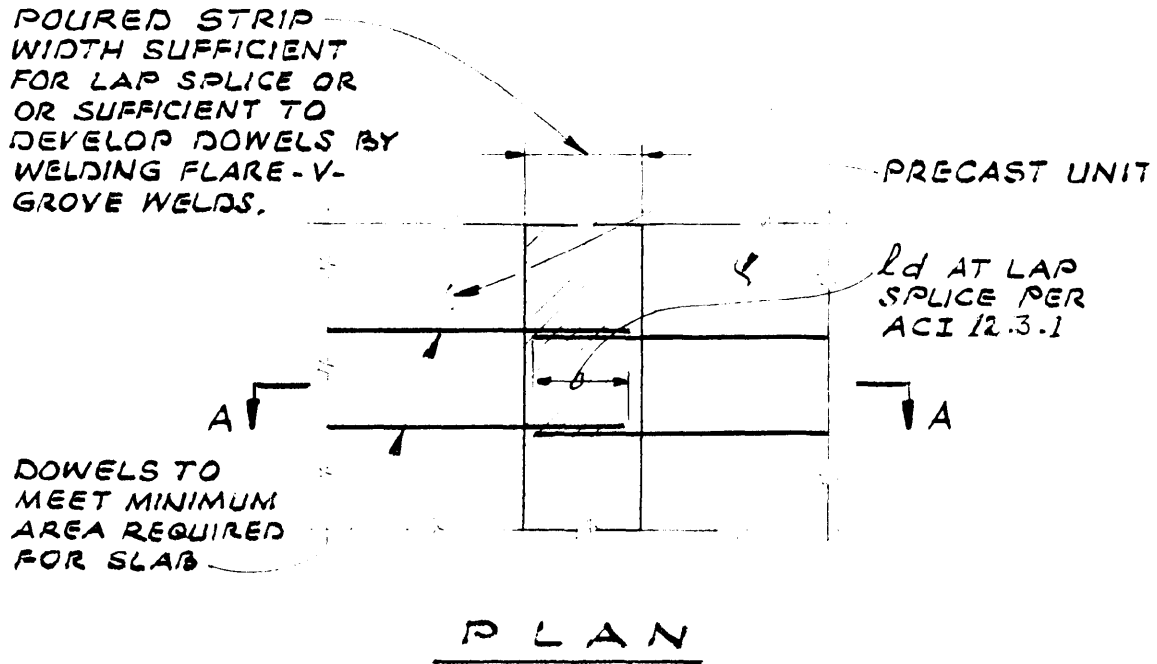


Figure 5-11. Precast concrete diaphragms using precast units.

k_1 = number of welded wire fabric wires per foot passing over subpurlins

d_1 = diameter of welded wire fabric wires passing over subpurlins, in inches

k_2 = number of welded wire fabric wires per foot parallel to subpurlins

d_2 = diameter in inches of welded wire fabric wires parallel to subpurlins

c. *Flexibility factor.* The factor F for determination of diaphragm stiffness and deflections will be determined by the formula

$$F = \frac{140}{\sqrt{q_D}} \quad (\text{eq 5-5})$$

where

q_D = the allowable shear specified in tables 5-3 and 5-4 or equation 5-4, in pounds per foot

This indicates that the diaphragm will be in the semirigid category; however, the span depth and span limitations of the semiflexible diaphragm

should be used for this type of diaphragm.

d. *Typical details.* Refer to figure 5-15.

5-9. Steel deck diaphragms (single- and multiple-sheet decks).

a. *General design criteria.* The following criteria will be used to design steel deck diaphragms. The three general categories of steel deck diaphragms are Type A, Type B and decks with concrete fill. Design data from industry sources such as the Steel Deck Institute and the Research Reports of the International Conference of Building Officials may be used subject to the approval of the Agency Proponent.

(1) *Typical deck units and fastenings.* Deck units will be composed of a single fluted sheet or a combination of two or more sheets fastened together with welds. The special attachments used

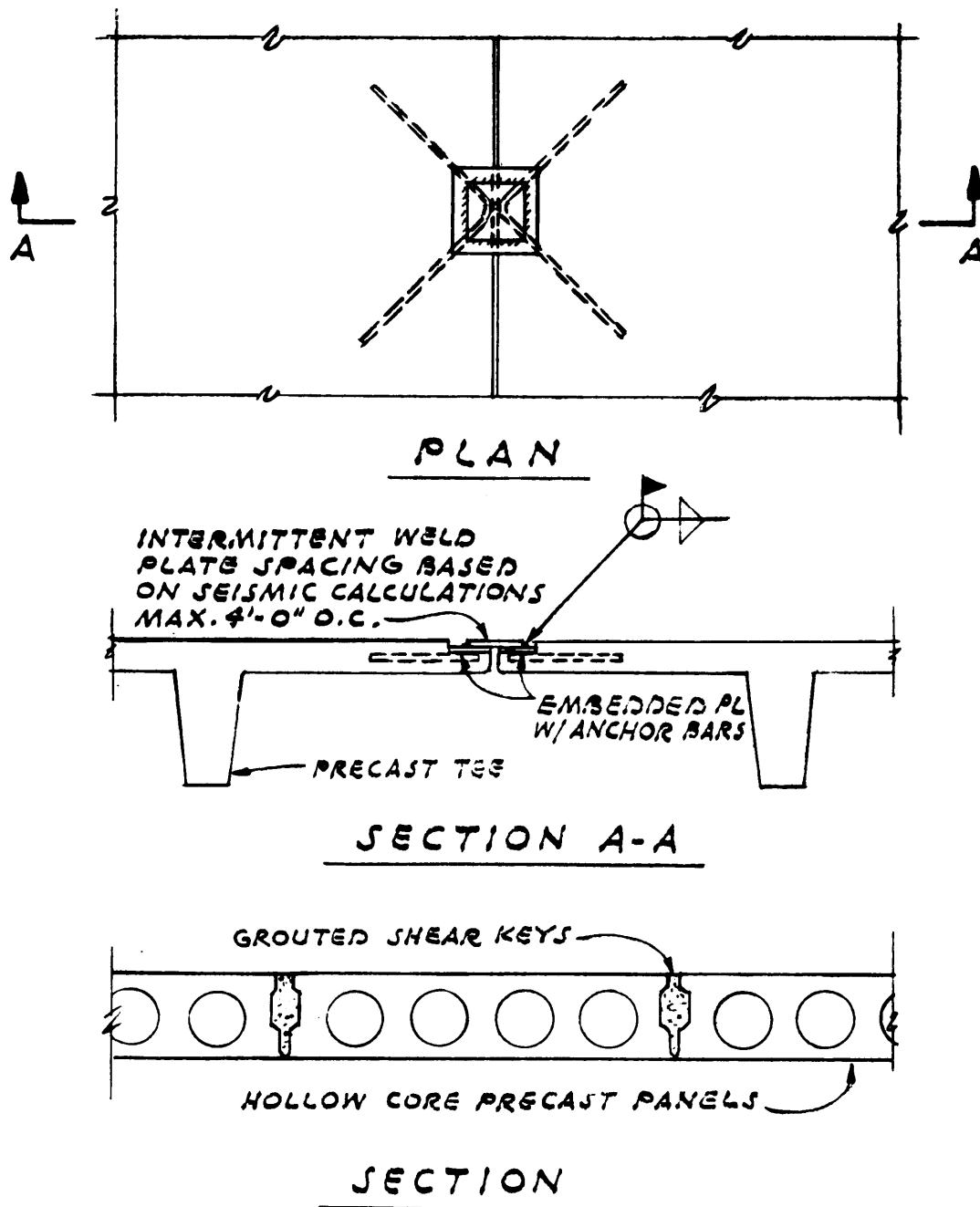


Figure 5-12. Concrete diaphragms using precast units—details permitted in Seismic Zone 1 only.

for field attachment of steel decks are shown in figure 5-16. In addition to those shown, standard fillet (1/8-inch by 1-inch) and butt welds are also used. The depth of deck units will not be less than 1 1/2 inches.

(2) *Definitions of special symbols.* Definitions of the special symbols used in the determination of the working shears and flexibility of steel deck diaphragms are as follows—

a = number of seam attachments in span L_v along a seam

- a_p = average spacing of profile channel closures, in feet
- a_s = center-to-center spacing of seam welds in feet, usually L_v/a
- a_w = spacing of marginal welds in feet
- b = width of deck unit in feet
- C_1 = 1
- C_2 = 1 for button-punched seams; $40t_s^{1/2}1'_w$ for welded seams
- C_3 = 1 for button-punched seams; $150t_s^{1/2}1'_w$ for welded seams
- C_4 = 1 for button-punched seams; $6/L_v$ for welded seams
- C_5 = 1.2 for continuous angle closure; 1 for continuous zee closure; $1.44/a_p$ for profile channel closure

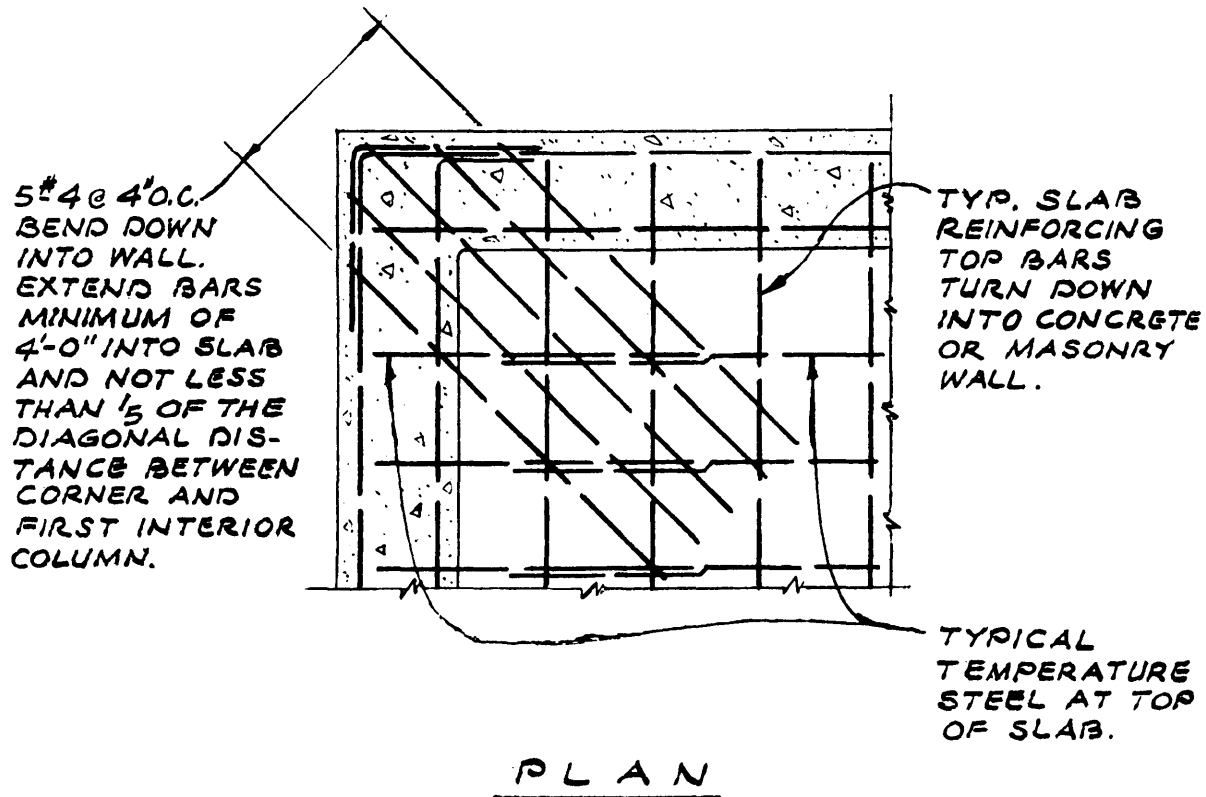


Figure 5-13. Corner of monolithic concrete diaphragm.

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| <p>d = distance in feet between outermost puddle welds attaching a deck unit to the supporting framing member</p> <p>F_1, F_2, \dots = components contributing to the flexibility factor $F = \sum F_n$</p> <p>f'_c = compressive strength of fill concrete at 28 days in pounds per square inch</p> <p>h = height of fluted elements in inches (1½ inch minimum)</p> <p>I_D = gross moment of inertia of deck unit about vertical centerline axis through unit, in inches to the fourth power</p> <p>I_x = gross moment of inertia of deck unit about the horizontal neutral axis of the deck cross-section per foot of width, in inches to the fourth power</p> <p>L_1 = distance in feet between vertical resisting element (such as shear wall) and the point to which the deflection is to be determined</p> <p>L_2 = average length of each deck unit in feet</p> <p>l_3 = length of edge lip on deck panel in inches (see detail G in fig 5-16)</p> <p>L_R = distance in feet between shear transfer elements</p> <p>L_v = vertical load span of deck units in feet</p> <p>l_1 = minimum length in inches of seam weld</p> <p>l'_w = effective length in inches of seam weld; the ratio of l'_w/l_w for the various types of seam welds is given in figure 5-16</p> <p>n = average number of vertical deck elements per foot which are laterally restrained at the bottom by puddle welds</p> <p>q_D = working shear in pounds per foot; the one-third increase usually permitted on working stresses is not applicable to this value</p> <p>q_1, q_2, \dots = components or limiting values of working shear in pounds per foot</p> | <p>q_{ave} = average shear in diaphragm over length L_1 in pounds per foot</p> <p>$R = L_v/L_2$</p> <p>S = section modulus in feet of puddle weld group at supports (each weld assumed as unit area)</p> <p>t_1 = thickness of flat sheet elements in inches (22-gauge minimum)</p> <p>t_2 = thickness of fluted element in inches (22-gauge minimum)</p> <p>t'_2 = effective thickness of fluted elements in inches; see figure 5-16 for ratio of t'_2/t_2</p> <p>t_c = thickness of closure element in inches</p> <p>f_r = thickness of fill over top of deck in inches</p> <p>t_s = thickness in inches of deck sheet at seams</p> <p>w = unit weight of fill concrete in pounds per cubic foot</p> <p>(3) Connections at ends and at supporting beams. Refer to Type A and Type B details, paragraphs 5-9b and 5-9c.</p> <p>(4) Connections at marginal supports. Marginal welds for all types of steel deck diaphragms will be spaced as follows—</p> <p style="text-align: center;">$a_w = \frac{35,000(t_1 + t'_2)C_1}{q}$ for puddle welds (eq 5-6)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">$a_w = \frac{1,200l'_w}{q}$ for fillet welds and seam welds (eq 5-7)</p> <p>In no case will the spacing be greater than 3 feet. See figure 5-17.</p> <p>(5) <i>Nonwelded fasteners.</i> Fastening methods other than welds—such as self-drilling, powder-actuated, or pneumatically driven fasteners—may be used provided that equivalence to the welded</p> |
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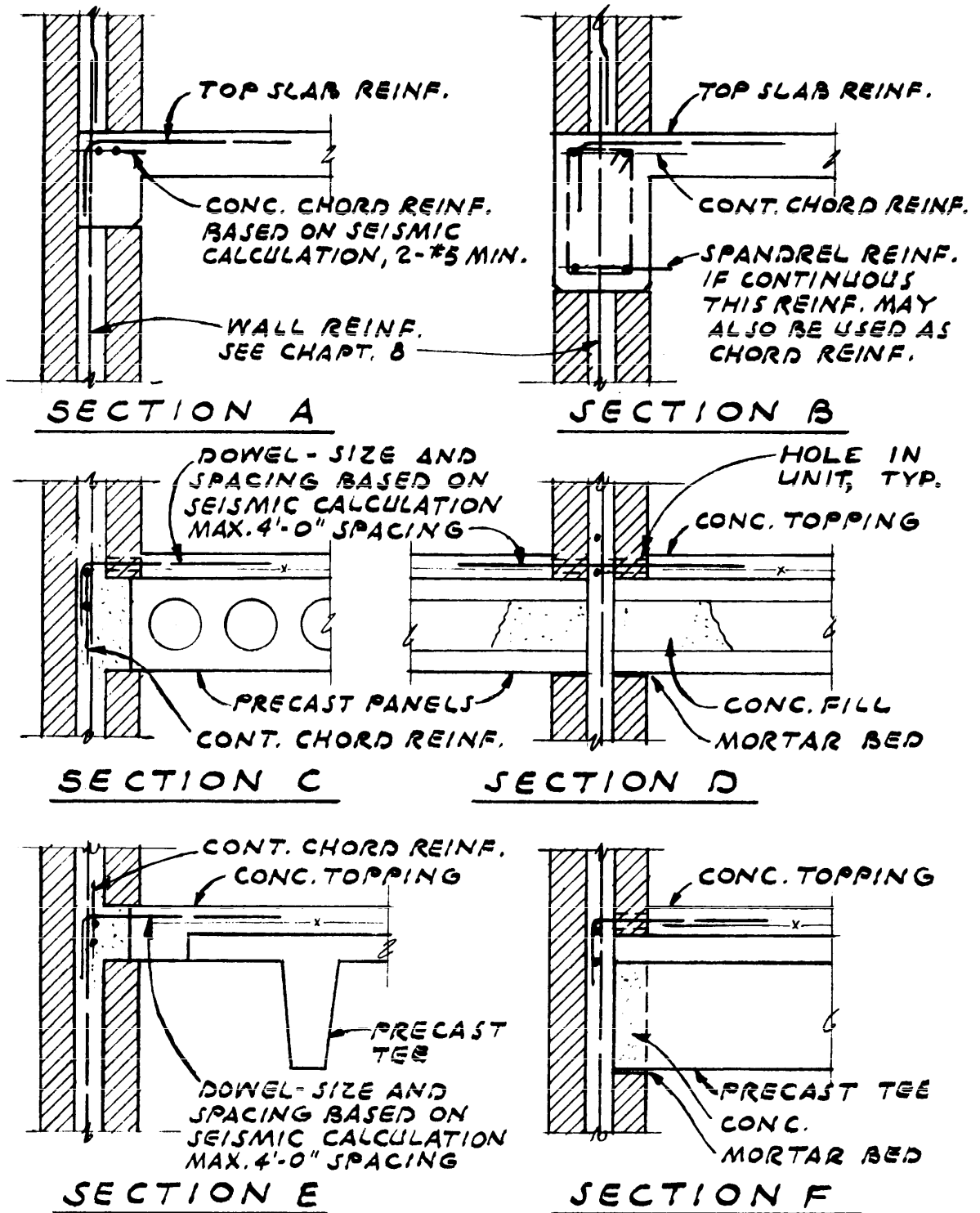


Figure 5-14. Concrete diaphragms—typical connection details.

method can be shown by approved test data. The results of such test data will be presented by means of equations or tables for q_D and F in a manner similar to that used in paragraphs 5-9b, 5-9c, and 5-9d.

(6) *Maximum effective thicknesses and weld lengths.* Even though greater thicknesses and weld

lengths may be installed, the maximum values for use in determining the working shears in each type of diaphragm will be as follows:

$$t_1 = t_2 = t_3 = 0.060 \text{ inch}$$

$$t_c = 0.075 \text{ inch}$$

$$l_w = 2 \text{ inches}$$

(7) *Thickness of steel.* The thickness of steel

Class	Compressive Strength	Poured Gypsum Thickness	Welded Wire Fabric	*ALLOWABLE SHEAR VALUES (q _D)	
				Bulb Tees	Trussed Tees
A	500	2½"	$\frac{4 \times 8}{\#12 - \#14}$	Not Allowed	890
A	500	2½"	$\frac{6 \times 6}{W1.4 \times W1.4}$	Not Allowed	1,040
B	1,000	2½"	$\frac{4 \times 8}{\#12 - \#14}$	1,040	1,040
B	1,000	2½"	$\frac{6 \times 6}{W1.4 \times W1.4}$	1,140	1,140

NOTE: *1/3 increase usually permitted on working stresses in seismic design not applicable.

Table 5-3. Shear values of poured gypsum diaphragms.

Bolt or Dowel Size (Inches)	Embedment (Inches)	Shears (Pounds)
3/8 Bolt	5	250
1/2 Bolt	5	350
5/8 Bolt	5	500
3/8 Deformed Dowel	6	250
1/2 Deformed Dowel	6	350

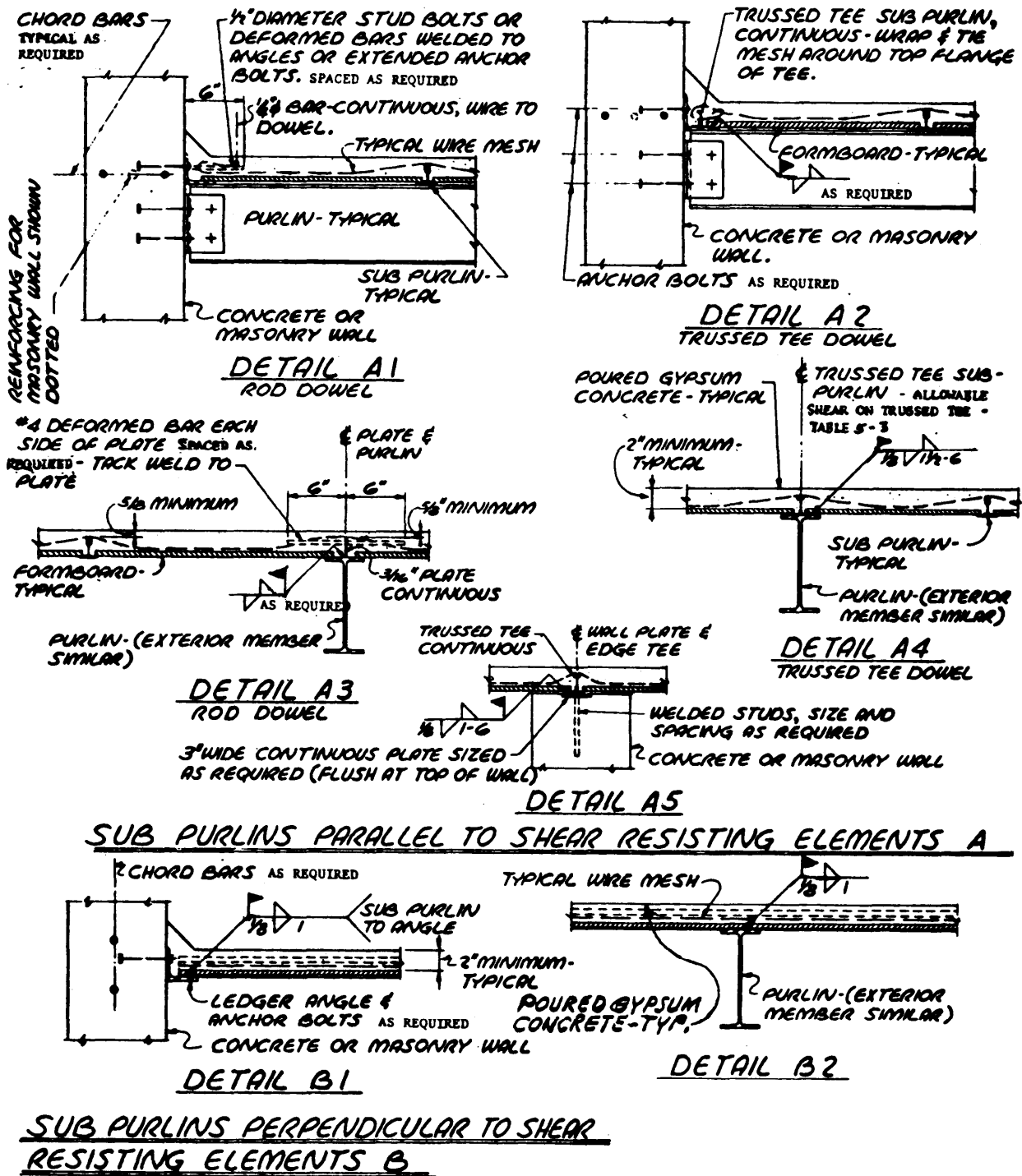
Notes: *1/3 increase usually permitted on working stresses in seismic design is not applicable.
See Details A2 and A3 in Figure 5-15.

Table 5-4. Shear on anchor bolts and dowels—reinforced gypsum concrete.

Class A	840 pounds per foot
Class B	1,140 pounds per foot

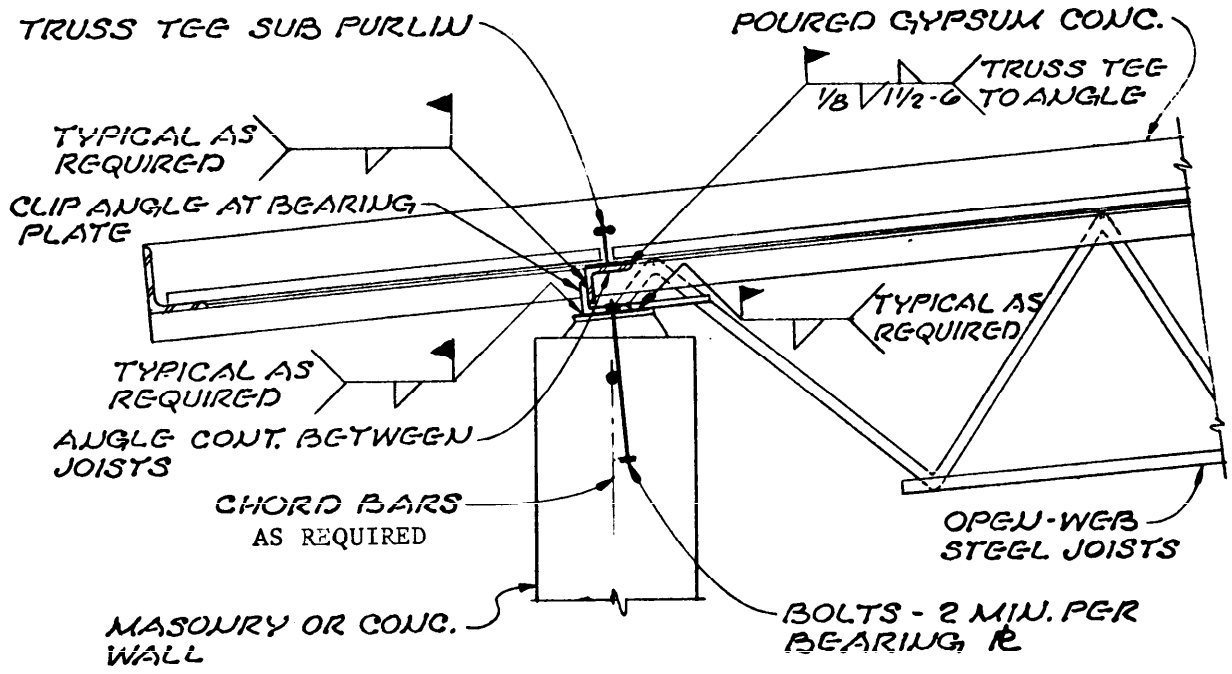
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Table 5-5. Maximum shear on trussed tees.

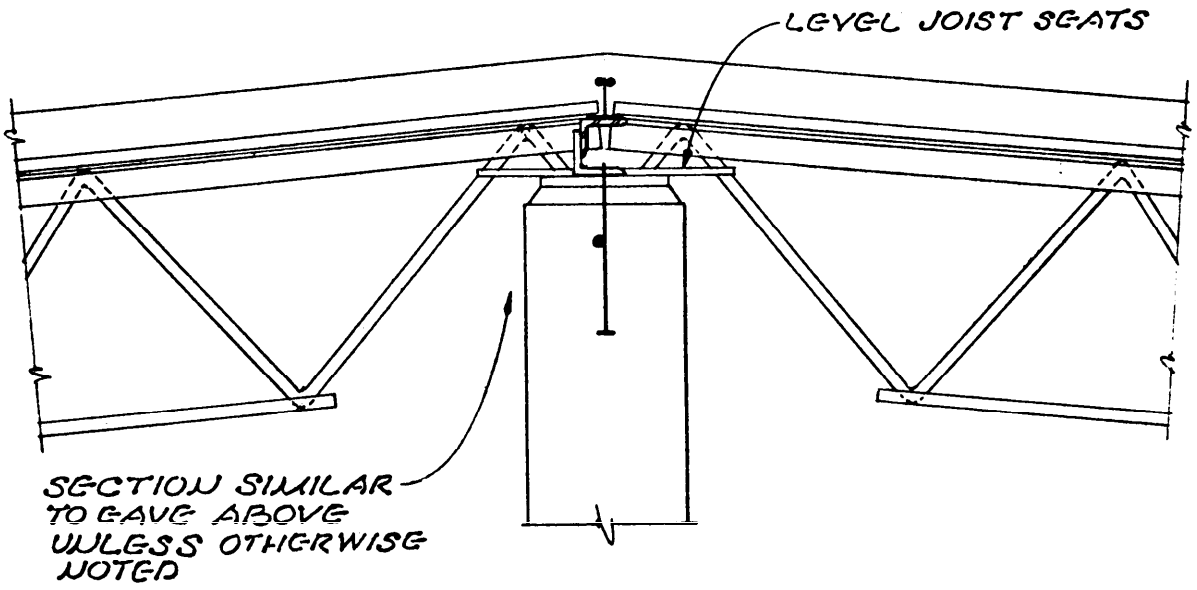


NOTE:
 DETAILS WITH SLOPE OF ROOF SIMILAR.

Figure 5-15. Poured gypsum diaphragms—typical details.



DETAIL A
EAVE



DETAIL B
RIDGE

Figure 5-15. Continued.

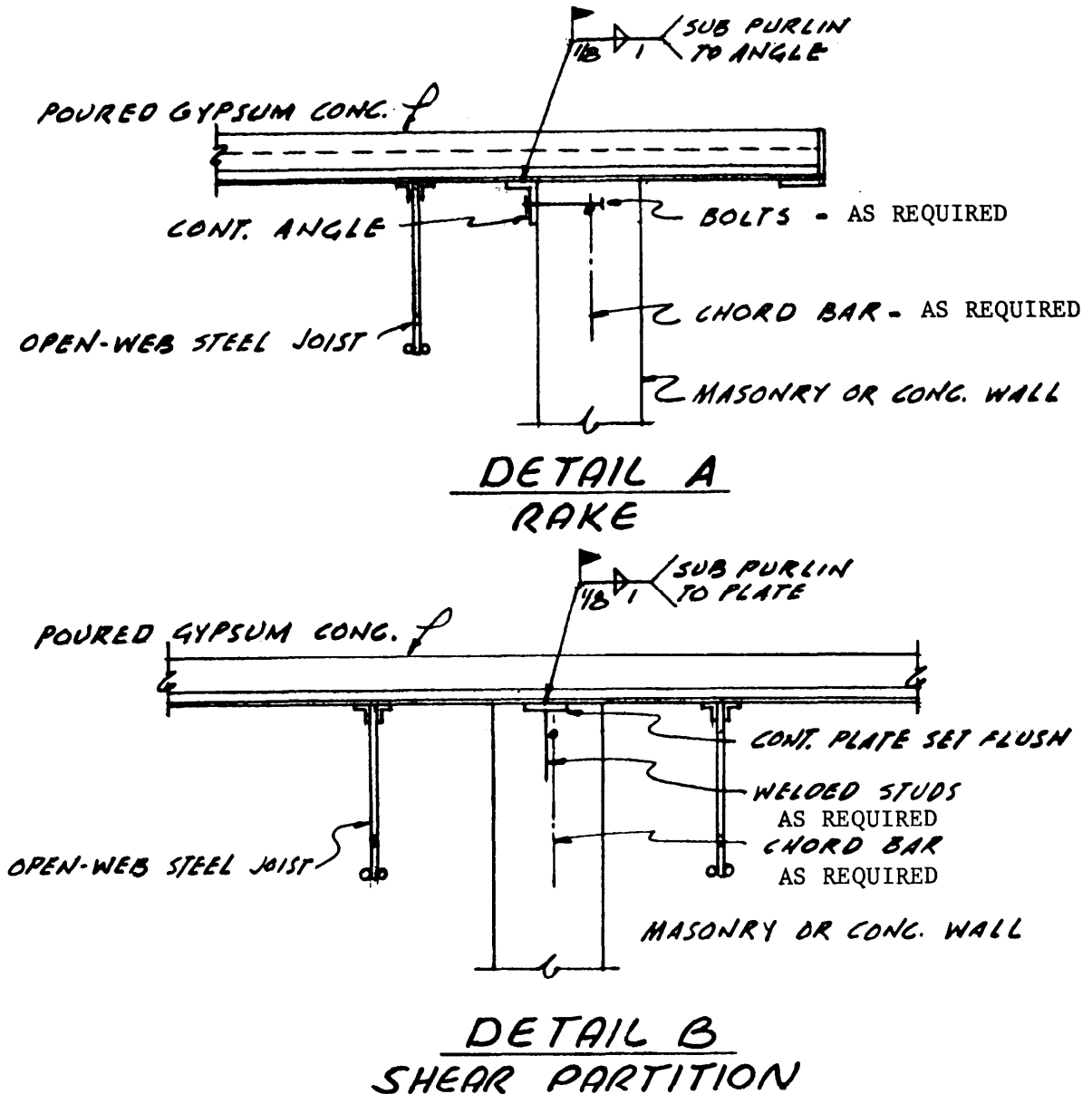


Figure 5-15. Continued.

before coating with paint or galvanizing shall be in accordance with the following table. The thickness of the uncoated steel shall not at any location be less than 95% of the design thickness.

Gauge	Design Thickness	Minimum Thickness
22	0.0295	0.028
20	0.0358	0.034
18	0.0474	0.045
16	0.0598	0.057

b. Type A diaphragms—decks having shear transfer elements directly attached to framing. Multiple-plate steel decks with the flat element

adjacent to framing members and single-plate steel decks fall into this category of diaphragms when each deck unit is attached to the framing by at least two puddle welds or equivalent fasteners, as described in figure 5-16. Thicknesses t_1 , t_2 , and t_s will not be less than 22 gauge. Seam attachments will be made at least at midspan of L_v , but the spacing of attachments between supports will not exceed 3 feet on center. Typical details of Type A diaphragms and attachments are shown in figure 5-18.

(2) Shear capacity. The working shear will be limited to that determined by the following formulas—

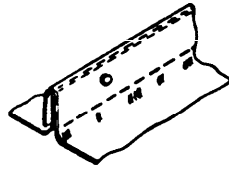
NOTE: MAXIMUM SPACING OF SEAM WELDS OR BUTTON PUNCHES 3'-0". MINIMUM LENGTH OF SEAM WELDS - 1" FOR DETERMINING SHEARS ON DIAPHRAGMS. MINIMUM SPACING OF SEAM WELDS OR BUTTON PUNCHES - 1'-0". MAXIMUM LENGTH OF SEAM WELDS - 2"

WELD SHALL ENGAGE THE INNER LIP

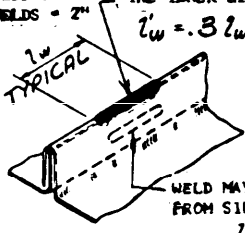
$l_w = .8 l_w$

WELD MAY ALSO BE MADE FROM SIDE AS INDICATED

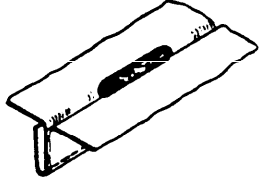
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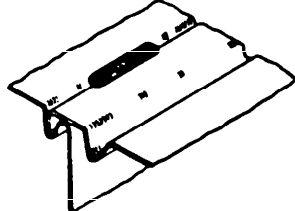
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BUTTON PUNCH



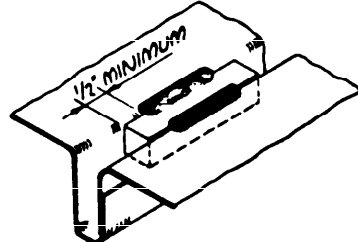
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SEAM WELD



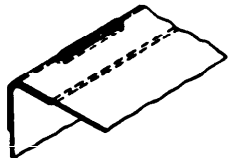
DETAIL C
SEAM WELD
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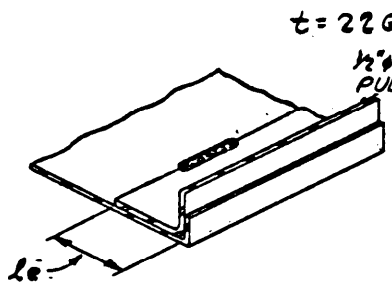
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SEAM WELD
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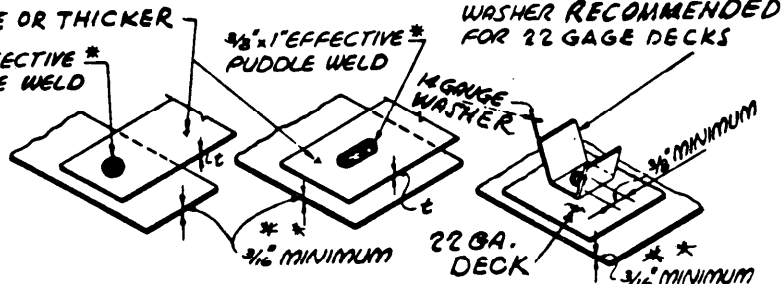
DETAIL E
SEAM WELD
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DETAIL F
SEAM WELD
 $l_w = .5 l_w$



DETAIL G
SEAM WELD
 $l_w = .4 l_w$



DETAIL H
PUDDLE WELDS

* NOTE: EFFECTIVE SIZE OF PUDDLE WELD INDICATES SIZE OF FUSION AREA OF WELD METAL ON FRAMING MEMBERS.

** NOTE: MINIMUM THICKNESS MAY BE WAIVED BY DESIGN AGENCY BASED ON MANUFACTURERS STANDARDS PRODUCTS.

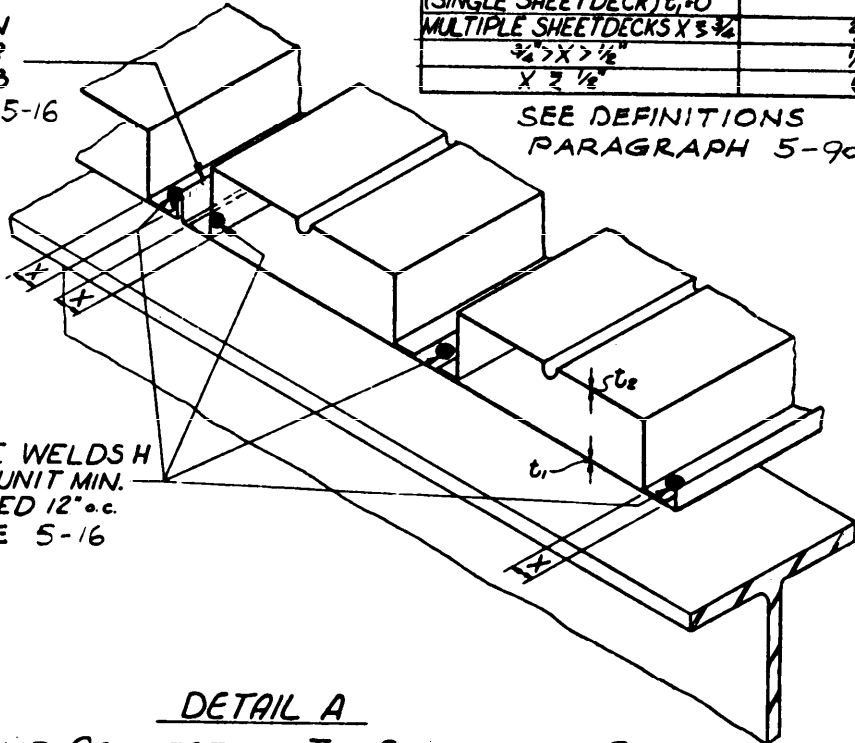
Figure 5-16. Steel deck diaphragms—typical details of fastenings.

SEAMS BUTTON
PUNCHED A OR
SEAM WELDS B
SEE FIGURE 5-16

DECK SECTION	t_2/t_1
(SINGLE SHEET DECK) $t_1=0$	1
MULTIPLE SHEET DECKS $X \geq 3/4$	$3/8$
$3/4 > X > 1/2$	$1/4$
$X \leq 1/2$	0

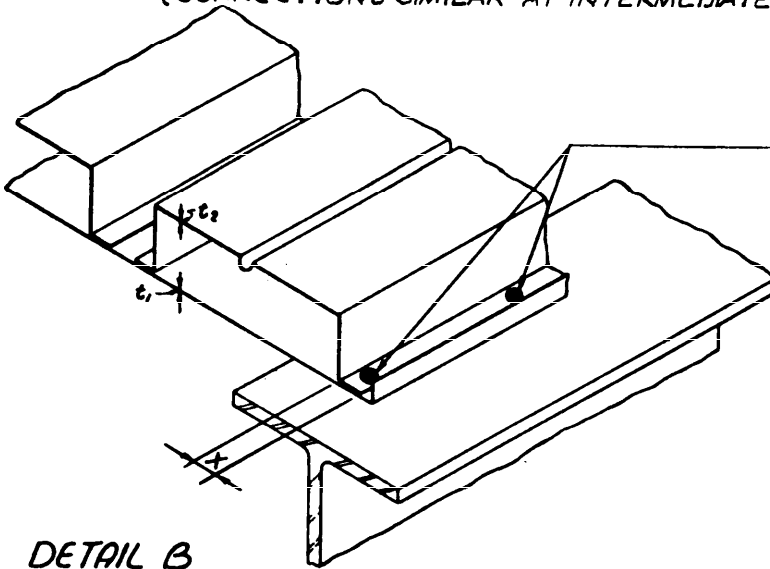
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END PUDDLE WELDS H
2 EACH DECK UNIT MIN.
NOT TO EXCEED 12" o.c.
SEE FIGURE 5-16



DETAIL A

END CONNECTION TO SUPPORTING BEAMS
(CONNECTIONS SIMILAR FOR DECKS WITH SINGLE SHEETS)
(CONNECTIONS SIMILAR AT INTERMEDIATE SUPPORT BEAMS)

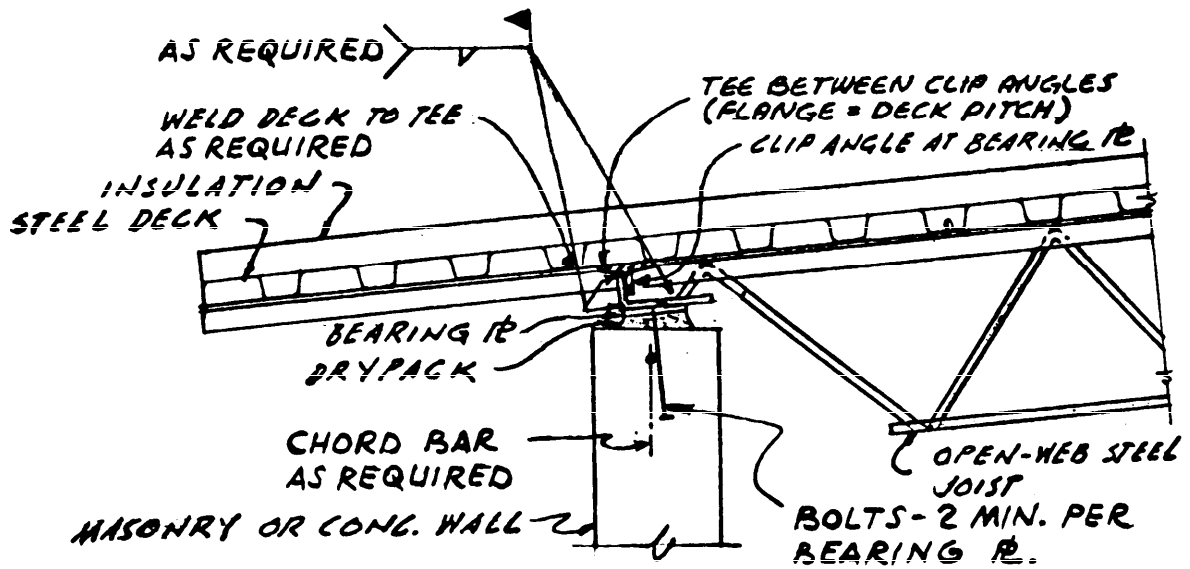


MARGINAL
PUDDLE WELDS
@ 3'-0" o.c. MAX.
SPACE AS REQUIRED
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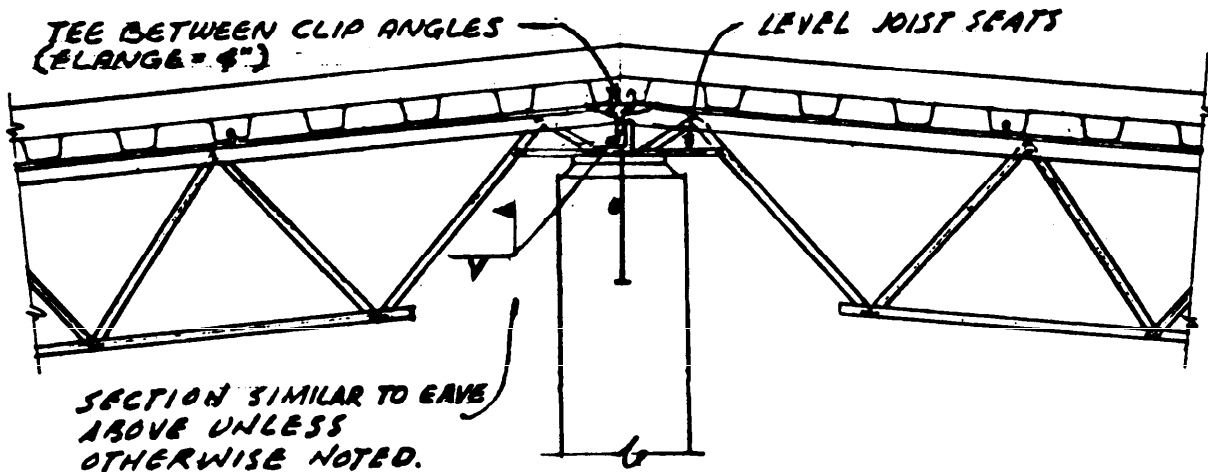
DETAIL B

CONNECTION TO MARGINAL BEAMS

Figure 5-17. Steel deck diaphragms Type A—typical attachments.



DETAIL A
EAVE



DETAIL B
RIDGE

Figure 5-18. Steel deck diaphragms Type A—typical details with open-web joists.

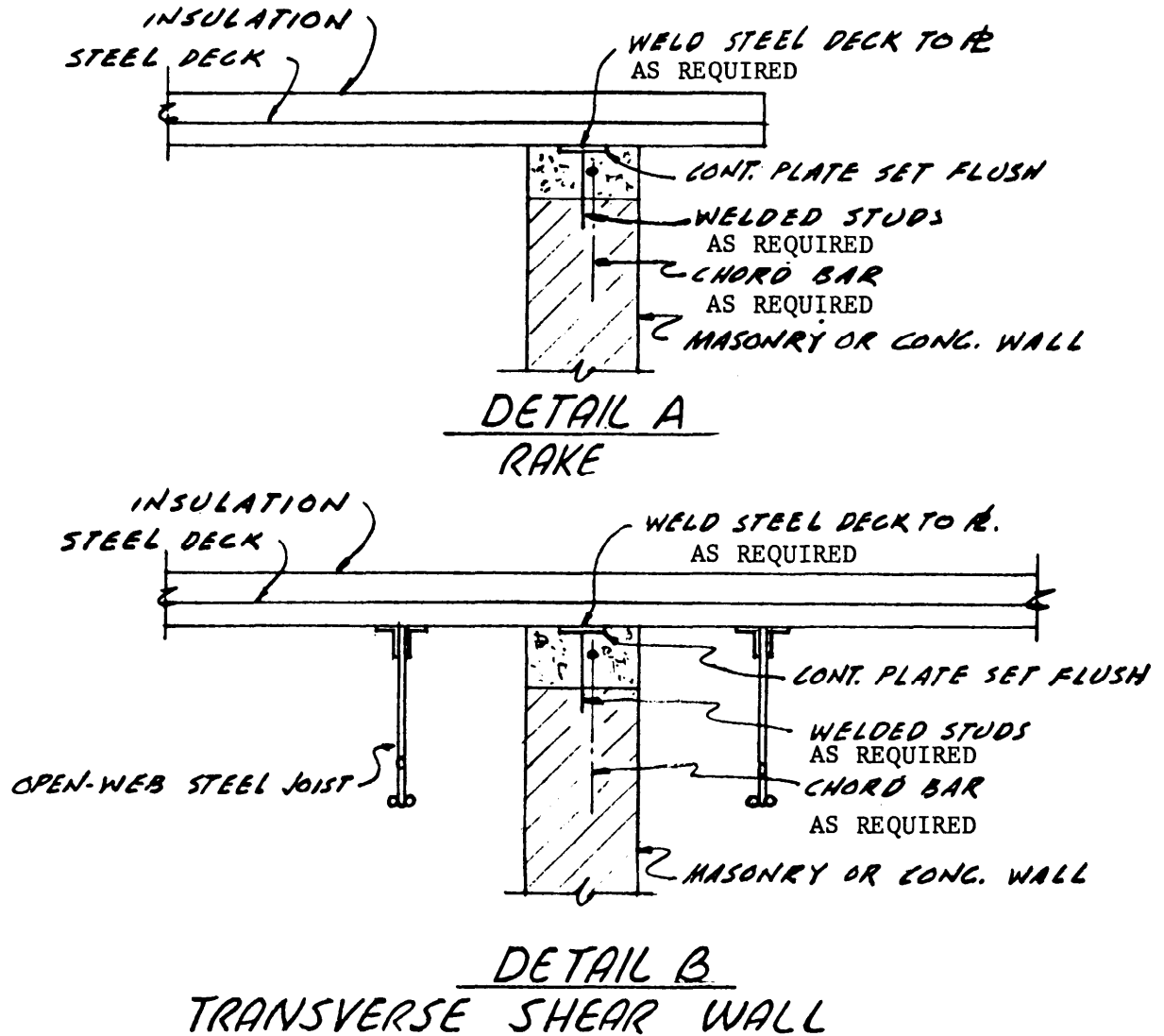


Figure 5-18. Continued

$$q_D = (q_1 + q_2) \frac{q_3}{q_2} \quad (\text{eq 5-8})$$

where $q_3/q_2 \leq C_1$, but q_D is not to exceed

$$\frac{I_x \times 10^6}{2L_v^2} \quad (\text{eq 5-9})$$

nor

$$1.5 \sqrt{\frac{10^4}{L_v(F_1 + F_2 + \frac{F_3 L_2}{12})}} \quad (\text{eq 5-10})$$

Equation 5-10 applies only when $1_e < \frac{1}{2}$ inch; refer to Detail G in figure 5-16.

$$q_1 = \frac{92S(t_1 + t_2)K}{bL_v} \quad (\text{eq 5-11})$$

where

$$K = \left[\frac{1,000}{1 + S \left[\frac{1}{\left(\frac{(t_1 + t_2)t_1}{t_2^2} + 100n^{1/4}t_2 \sqrt{\frac{43}{h}} \left(\frac{t_2}{t_1 + t_2} \right)^3} \right)^2} \right]} \right]^{1/2} \quad (\text{eq 5-12})$$

$$q_2 = \frac{abt_s^{1/4}C_2}{2} \left[q_1 \left[\frac{500}{I_D} + \frac{1}{L_v dS(t_1 + t_2)^2} \right] \right]^{1/4} \quad (\text{eq 5-13})$$

$$q_3 = \frac{3600t_s a C_3}{L_v} \quad (\text{eq 5-14})$$

(2) Flexibility factor. The flexibility factor, F , will be determined by the following formulas:

$$F = F_1 + F_2 + F_3 \quad (\text{eq 5-15})$$

where

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12(t_1 + t_2)} \quad (\text{eq 5-16})$$

$$F_2 = \frac{bL_v^2 C_4}{160} \left[\frac{500}{I_D} + \frac{1}{L_v dS(t_1 + t_2)^2} \right] \frac{q_1}{q_1 + q_2} \quad (\text{eq 5-17})$$

$$F_3 = \frac{R}{L_v \left(t_1 + \frac{12.5n^2 C_1^2 t_2^3}{h} \right)} \quad (\text{eq 5-18})$$

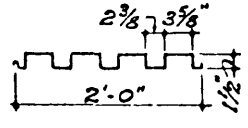
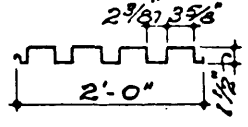
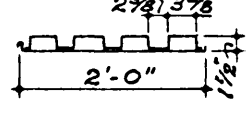
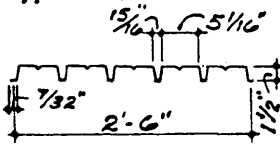
The flexibility of these diaphragms will vary within a wide range. Arrangements can be used

that fall into the semirigid, semiflexible, and flexible categories.

(3) Sample calculations and tables. Summaries of allowable shear (q_d) and flexibility factors

(F) for some of the more common cross sections are shown in figure 5-19. Sample calculations using the formulas for these cross sections are given in figure 5-20.

TABLE OF ALLOWABLE SHEAR (q_d) AND FLEXIBILITY FACTOR (F)

SECTION	WELDS *	SEAM FASTENING	GAGE	SPAN (L _v)						
				4'-0"	5'-0"	6'-0"	7'-0"	8'-0"	9'-0"	10'-0"
	3	** BUTTON PUNCH @ 24" o.c.	16	q_d 1260	1030	870	760	680	620	560
				F 5.7+	7.0+	8.3+	9.6+	11+	12+	14+
			18	q_d 900	740	630	550	500	450	410
				F 8.1+	9.9+	12+	13+	15+	17+	19+
			20	q_d 520	430	370	320	290	260	240
				F 13+	15+	18+	21+	23+	26+	28+
			22	q_d 340	280	240	210	190	180	160
				F 17+	20+	23+	27+	30+	32+	35+
	5	** BUTTON PUNCH @ 24" o.c.	16	q_d 1650	1340	1130	980	870	790	720
				F 5.0+	6.1+	7.3+	8.5+	9.8+	11+	13+
			18	q_d 1220	990	840	730	660	580	520
				F 7.1+	8.5+	10+	12+	14+	15+	17+
			20	q_d 700	560	470	410	360	320	290
				F 11+	13+	16+	18+	21+	23+	26+
			22	q_d 450	370	310	270	240	220	200
				F 15+	18+	21+	24+	27+	30+	32+
	3	** BUTTON PUNCH @ 24" o.c.	18-18	q_d 1963	1265	1068	927	822	741	676
				F 3.1+	3.8+	4.6+	5.5+	6.5+	7.5+	8.6+
			16-16	q_d 1968	1590	1340	1161	1028	925	842
				F 2.2+	2.8+	3.4+	4.1+	4.8+	5.6+	6.5+
			16-18	q_d 1911	1545	1302	1129	1000	900	820
				F 2.5+	3.1+	3.8+	4.5+	5.3+	6.1+	7.0+
			20-20	q_d 1168	948	792	673	585	517	463
				F 4.7+	5.8+	7.0+	8.3+	9.7+	11.1+	12.6+
	6	1/2" SEAM WELD @ 18" o.c.	18	q_d 990	890	820	760	710	680	650
				F 5.7+	5.5+	5.4+	5.3+	5.2+	5.1+	5.0+
			20	q_d 710	640	590	550	520	490	460
				F 8.5+	8.1+	7.8+	7.6+	7.3+	7.1+	6.9+
			22	q_d 480	420	380	350	330	310	300
				F 11+	10+	9.7+	9.3+	8.9+	8.6+	8.3+

5. See Figure 5-19, sheet 2 of 2 * SEAM WELDS ARE PREFERABLE.

*Number of welds at end and at intermediate support beams.

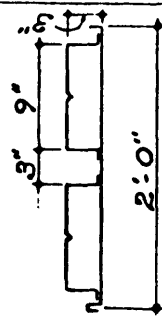
NOTE:

THE GAGES FOR MULTIPLE SHEET DECKS ARE DESIGNATED WITH THE GAGE OF THE FLAT SHEET FIRST AND FLUTED SHEET SECOND.

Figure 5-19. Steel deck diaphragm Type A—allowable shears and flexibility factors.

TABLE OF ALLOWABLE SHEAR (QD) AND FLEXIBILITY FACTOR (F)

SECTION	EWD WELDS	SEAM FASTENINGS	GAGE	SPAN (L _v)										
				4'-0"	5'-0"	6'-0"	7'-0"	8'-0"	9'-0"	10'-0"	11'-0"	12'-0"	13'-0"	
5.	3	BUTTON PUNCH @ 24" c.	18-18	Q _b 1180	960	810	710	630	570	520	480	450	420	
				F 3.0+	3.7+	4.5+	5.4+	6.3+	7.3+	8.3+	9.3+	10.4+	11.6+	
				F 5.01R	4.01R	3.34R	2.87R	2.57R	2.23R	2.01R	1.82R	1.67R	1.54R	
				Q _b 1480	1200	1010	880	780	700	640	590	550	520	
				F 2.1+	2.6+	3.2+	3.8+	4.5+	5.2+	5.9+	6.7+	7.5+	8.4+	
				F 3.93R	3.14R	2.62R	2.25R	1.97R	1.75R	1.57R	1.43R	1.31R	1.21R	
			18-16	Q _b 1160	940	800	690	620	560	510	470	440	410	
				F 2.5+	3.1+	3.8+	4.5+	5.3+	6.2+	7.0+	7.9+	8.9+	9.9+	
				F 4.84R	3.87R	3.22R	2.77R	2.42R	2.15R	1.94R	1.76R	1.61R	1.49R	
				Q _b 1510	1230	1040	900	800	720	660	610	570	530	
				F 2.5+	3.1+	3.7+	4.4+	5.1+	5.9+	6.7+	7.6+	8.5+	9.4+	
				F 4.04R	3.23R	2.69R	2.31R	2.02R	1.80R	1.62R	1.47R	1.35R	1.24R	



NOTE:
THE GAGES FOR MULTIPLE SHEET DECKS ARE DESIGNATED WITH THE GAGE OF THE FLAT SHEET FIRST AND FLUTED SHEET SECOND.

Figure 5-19. Continued.

SAMPLE CALCS. NO. 1 FOR TYPE
A DIAPHRAGM.

$$q_0 = (q_1 + q_2) \frac{q_3}{q_2} \quad (\text{PARA. 5-9b})$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 S (t_1 + t_2) K}{b L_v}$$

$$q_2 = \frac{a b t_2^{1/2} C_2}{2} \left\{ q_1 \left[\frac{500}{I_D} + \frac{1}{L_v d S (t_1 + t_2)^2} \right] \right\}^{1/2}$$

$$K = \frac{1000}{\left\{ 1 + S \left[\frac{1}{\frac{(t_1 + t_2) t_1}{t_2^2} + 100 n^{1/2} t_2^2 \sqrt{\frac{73}{\pi}} \left(\frac{t_2}{t_1 + t_2} \right)^3} \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}}$$

$$q_3 = \frac{3600 t_s a C_3}{L_v}$$

$$K = \frac{1000}{\left\{ 1 + 1.92 \left[\frac{1}{100 \sqrt{2} (.036)^2 \sqrt{\frac{73}{1.5}}} \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}} = \frac{1000}{1.73} = 578$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 \times 1.92 \times .036 \times 578}{2 \times 10} = 184$$

$$q_2 = \frac{5 \times 2 \sqrt{.036}}{2} \left\{ 184 \left[\frac{500}{68} + \frac{1}{10 \times 1.92 \times 1.92 \times (.036)^2} \right] \right\}^{1/2}$$

$$= .945 \sqrt{5250} = 68.4$$

$$q_3 = \frac{3600 \times .036 \times 5}{10} = 64.8$$

$$\frac{q_3}{q_2} = \frac{64.8}{68.4} = 0.95$$

$$q_0 = (184 + 68.4) \cdot 0.95 = 240$$

$$\frac{I_x \times 10^6}{2 L_v^3} = \frac{.23 \times 10^6}{2 \times 10^3} = 1150 > 240 \text{ O.K.}$$

$$q_0 = 240 \text{ (FIGURE 5-19: } L_v = 10', 20 \text{ ga.)}$$

$$F = F_1 + F_2 + F_3$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12(t_1 + t_2)} = \frac{1}{12 \times .036} = 2.32$$

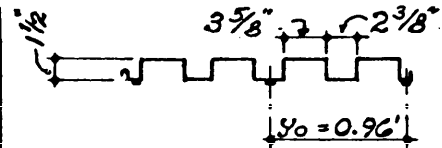
$$F_2 = \frac{b L_v^3 C_4}{160} \left[\frac{500}{I_D} + \frac{1}{L_v d S (t_1 + t_2)^2} \right] \frac{q_1}{q_1 + q_2} = \frac{2 \times 100}{160} \left[7.35 + 21.1 \right] \frac{184}{252.4} = 25.9$$

$$F_3 = \frac{R}{L_v \left(t_1 + \frac{12.5 n^2 t_2^3 C_3^2}{\pi} \right)} = \frac{R}{10 \left(\frac{12.5 \times 4 \times .036^3}{1.5} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{R}{10 \times .00156} = 64R$$

$$F = 2.32 + 25.9 + 64R = 28.2 + 64R$$

$$\text{(SEE FIGURE 5-19: } L_v = 10', 20 \text{ ga.)}$$



20 GAGE SINGLE PLATE
DECK, BUTTON PUNCH
SEAMS @ 24" o.c., 3 END
WELDS

$$t_1 = 0$$

$$t_2 = t_2' = t_3 = 0.036"$$

$$S = \frac{\sum y^2}{y_0} = \frac{2 \times .96^2}{.96} = 1.92'$$

$$I_x = .23$$

$$b = 2' \quad h = 1.5'$$

$$L_v = 10'-0" \quad a = L_v/2$$

$$n = 4/2 = 2 \quad d = 1.92 = 2 y_0$$

$$I_D = 68$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C_4 = 1$$

Figure 5-20. Steel deck diaphragm Type A—sample calculation.

SAMPLE CALC. NO. 2 FOR TYPE A DIAPHRAGM

18 GAGE SINGLE PLATE DECK.
 BUTT JUNCTION SEAMS @ 24" o.c.
 5 END WELDS
 $L_v = 9'-0"$

$$K = \left[1 + 2.44 \left[\frac{1}{100 \times 2 (0.048)^2 \sqrt{43}} \right] \right]^{1/2} = \frac{1000}{1.18} = 845$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 \times 2.44 \times 0.048 \times 845}{2 \times 9} = 505$$

$$q_2 = \frac{9 \times 0.048^{1/2}}{2} \left\{ 505 \left[\frac{500}{91} + \frac{1}{9 \times 1.92 \times 2.44 (0.048)^2} \right] \right\}^{1/2} = 87.9$$

$$q_3 = \frac{3600 \times 0.048 \times 4.5}{9} = 86.5 \quad \frac{q_3}{q_2} = \frac{86.5}{87.9} = 0.985$$

$$q_D = (505 + 87.9) \cdot 0.985 = 584$$

$$\frac{I_x \times 10^6}{2L_v^2} = \frac{.34 \times 10^6}{2 \times 9^2} = 2099 > 584 \text{ O.K.}$$

$$q_D = 580 \text{ (FIGURE 5-19: } L_v = 9', 18 \text{ ga.)}$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12 \times 0.048} = 1.74$$

$$F_2 = \frac{2 \times 9^2 (15.8) 505}{160 \times 592.9} = 13.7$$

$$F_3 = \frac{R}{9 \left(\frac{12.5 \times 16 (0.048)^3}{1.5} \right)} = \frac{R}{9 \times 0.0147} = 7.55R$$

$$F = 1.74 + 13.7 + 7.55R = 15.4 + 7.6R$$

(SEE FIGURE 5-19: $L_v = 9', 18 \text{ ga.}$)

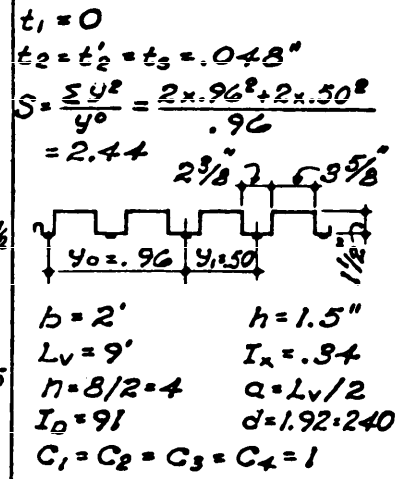


Figure 5-20. Continued.

c. *Type B diaphragms.* These are decks having an elevated plate of shear transfer. Multiple steel decks with fluted elements adjacent to framing members and single-plate steel decks with fluted elements incapable of being welded to framing with at least two puddle welds or equivalent fasteners per unit fall into this category of diaphragm. This type of diaphragm has only welded seam attachments. The units will be composed of sheets not less than 20 gauge. Seam attachment spacing will not exceed 3 feet on center. Typical details of Type B diaphragms and attachments are shown in Figure 5-21.

(1) *Shear capacity.* The working shear will be limited to that determined by the following formulas—

$$q_D = q_3, q_4, \text{ or } q_5 \text{ whichever is lesser, but not to exceed 1,050 pounds per foot.} \quad (\text{eq 5-19})$$

$$q_3 = \frac{0.6 t_2^2 a l'_w}{L_v} \quad (\text{eq 5-20})$$

$$q_4 = \frac{t_s}{10} \left(\frac{1}{a_s} \right)^2 \times 10^6 \quad (\text{eq 5-21})$$

$$q_5 = \frac{C_5 t_c^2 \times 10^6}{2h^{3/4}} \quad (\text{eq 5-22})$$

(2) *Flexibility factor.* The flexibility factor, F, will be determined by the following formulas—

$$F = F_1 + F_4 + F_5 \quad (\text{eq 5-23})$$

where

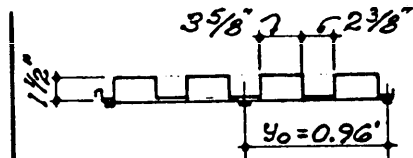
$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12(t_1 + t_2)} \quad (\text{eq 5-24})$$

$$F_4 = \frac{20,000}{L_R q_5} \quad (\text{eq 5-25})$$

$$F_5 = \frac{20,000}{L_R q_5} \quad (\text{eq 5-26})$$

These diaphragms will fall into the semirigid and semiflexible categories.

SAMPLE CALCS. NO. 3 FOR TYPE
A DIAPHRAGM



16-18 GAGE MULTIPLE
PLATE DECK, BUTT
PUNCH SEAMS @ 2'-4" O.C.,
3 END WELDS.

$$t_1 = 0.060 \quad t_2 = 2/3 \times 0.048 = 0.032$$

$$S = \frac{\sum y^2}{y_0} = \frac{2 \times .96^2}{.96} = 1.92$$

$$I_x = .603$$

$$b = 2' \quad h = 1.5$$

$$L_v = 8'-0" \quad a = L_v/2$$

$$n = \frac{4}{2.0} = 2 \quad d = 1.92 = 2y_0$$

$$I_D = 155$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C_4 = 1$$

$$K = \frac{1000}{\left\{ 1 + 1.92 \left[\frac{1}{\frac{(.060 + .048)(.060)}{(.048)^2} + 100 \times \sqrt{2} \times (.048)^2 \sqrt{\frac{43}{1.5}} \left(\frac{.048}{.048 + .06} \right)^3 \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{1000}{1.1} = 910$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 \times 1.92 \times .092 \times 910}{2 \times 8} = 920$$

$$q_2 = \frac{8 \times .060^{1/2}}{2} \left\{ 920 \left[\frac{500}{155} + \frac{1}{8 \times 1.92 \times 1.92 \times (.092)^2} \right] \right\}^{1/2} = 79.6$$

$$q_0 = 920 + 79.6 = 999.6$$

$$\frac{I_x \times 10^6}{2 L_v^2} = \frac{.603 \times 10^6}{2 \times 8^2} = 4711 > 999.6 \text{ O.K.}$$

$$q_0 = 1000 \text{ (FIGURE 5-19: } L_v = 8', 16-18 \text{ ga.)}$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12 \times .108} = 0.77$$

$$F_2 = \frac{2 \times 64 (6.13)}{160} \frac{920}{999.6} = 4.51$$

$$F_3 = \frac{R}{8 \left[.060 + \left(\frac{12.5 \times 4 \times .048^2}{1.5} \right) \right]} = \frac{R}{8 \times .0637} = 1.96R$$

$$F = 0.77 + 4.51 + 1.96R = 5.3 + 1.96R$$

(FIGURE 5-19: $L_v = 8'$, 16-18 ga.)

Figure 5-20. Continued.

SAMPLE CALCS. NO. 4 FOR TYPE
A DIAPHRAGM

$$K = \left[1 + 3.5 \left[\frac{1}{100 \times 2 \cdot (.048)^2 \sqrt{\frac{4.3}{1.5}}} \right]^2 \right]^{1/2} = 796$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 \times 3.5 \times .048 \times 796.0}{2.5 \times 5} = 984.2$$

$$q_2 = \frac{3.33 \times 2.5 \times .048^{1/2} \times 5.26}{2}$$

$$\left[984.2 \left[\frac{500}{189} + \frac{1}{5 \times 2.5 \times 3.5 \times .048^2} \right] \right]^{1/2} = 535$$

$$q_3 = \frac{3600 \times .048 \times 3.33 \times 4.32}{5} = 497.2$$

$$\frac{q_3}{q_2} = \frac{497.2}{535} = .93$$

$$q_0 = (984.2 + 535) \cdot 93 = 1413$$

$$\frac{I_x \times 10^6}{2L_v^2} = \frac{.212 \times 10^6}{2 \times 5^2} = 4240 > 1413 \text{ O.K.}$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12 \times .048} = 1.74$$

$$F_2 = \frac{2.5 \times 5^2 \times 1.2}{160} \left[\frac{500}{189} + \frac{1}{5 \times 2.5 \times 3.5 \times .048^2} \right] \frac{984.2}{984.2 + 535} = 3.84$$

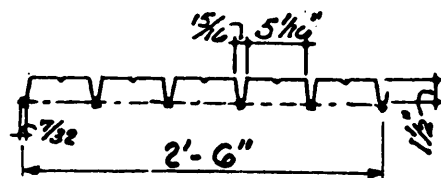
$$F_3 = \frac{R}{5 \left(\frac{12.5 \times 16 \times .048^3}{1.5} \right)} = 13.6R$$

$$F = 1.74 + 3.84 + 13.6R = 5.58 + 13.6R$$

(FIGURE 5-19: $L_v = 5'$, 18 ga.)

$$q_0 = \frac{10^4}{1.5 \sqrt{5 \left(\frac{5.58 + 13.6 \times 5}{12} \right)}} = 889.0 < 1413$$

$$q_0 = 890 \text{ (FIGURE 5-19: } L_v = 5', 18 \text{ ga.)}$$



18 GAGE SINGLE PLATE
DECK, 1 1/2" WELDED
SEAMS @ 18" o.c.
6 END WELDS

$$t_1 = 0$$

$$t_2 = t_3 = t_5 = .048$$

$$S = \frac{\sum y^2}{y_0} = \frac{2 \times .25^2 + 2 \times .75^2 + 2 \times 1.25^2}{1.25}$$

$$= 3.5$$

$$I_x = .212$$

$$b = 2.5$$

$$h = 1.5$$

$$L_v = 5'$$

$$a = 5/1.5 = 3.33$$

$$n = \frac{10}{2.5} = 4$$

$$d = 2.5 = 2y_0$$

$$I_0 = 189$$

$$I_u = 4I_w = 4 \times 1.5 = 6$$

$$C_1 = 1$$

$$C_2 = 40t_s^{1/2} I_w = 40 \times .048^{1/2} \times 6 = 5.26$$

$$C_3 = 150t_s I_w = 150 \times .048 \times 6 = 4.32$$

$$C_4 = 6/L_v = 6/5 = 1.2$$

Figure 5-20. Continued.

d. *Steel decks with concrete fill.* This type of diaphragm is composed of a galvanized steel deck with a superimposed fill of concrete having a minimum f'_c of 2,500 psi at 28 days and a minimum weight of 90 pounds per cubic foot. Minimum concrete fill over the deck will be 2 1/2 inches. Temperature reinforcement will be used in the fill with the minimum 6x6-W1.4xW1.4 welded wire fabric. Steel decks less than 1 1/2 inches in depth do not qualify as diaphragms; thus only the concrete is considered as the diaphragm, per paragraph (1) below. To satisfy the anchorage requirements of paragraph 5-7b, positive interlocking between the steel deck and the concrete can be achieved by either deck embossments or indentations, transverse wires attached to the deck corru-

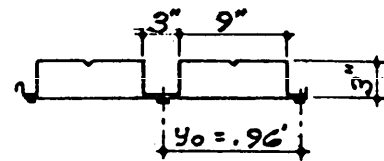
gations, holes placed in the corrugations, or deck profile in which the fluted elements are placed up so that the fill is keyed with the deck. If interlocking between the deck and the concrete is not achieved, then mechanical anchorages will be required to anchor the fill to the supporting member, as prescribed in paragraph 5-7b(2).

(1) *Concrete as a diaphragm.* If the diaphragm is loaded and reacted without shear stresses passing through the deck or its attachments, the diaphragm is a concrete diaphragm as described in paragraph 5-7. Typical attachment details are shown in figure 5-22, details A and B.

(2) *Steel deck as a diaphragm.*

(a) *Shear capacity.* If the diaphragm shears pass through the deck and its attachments, the

SAMPLE CALCS. NO. 5 FOR TYPE
A DIAPHRAGM



16-18 GAGE MULTIPLE
PLATE DECK, BUTTON
PUNCH SEAMS @ 2-4" O.C.
3 END WELDS.

$$t_1 = t_3 = .060$$

$$t_2 = .048 \quad t_2' = \frac{1}{4} \times .048 = .012$$

$$S = \frac{\sum y^2}{y_0} = \frac{2 \times .96^2}{.96} = 1.92$$

$$I_x = 2.35$$

$$b = 2' \quad h = 3$$

$$L_v = 10' \quad a = L_v/2$$

$$n = \frac{t_1}{t_2} = 2 \quad d = 1.92 = 2y_0$$

$$I_0 = 160$$

$$C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C_4 = 1$$

$$q_3 = \frac{3600 \times .060 \times 5}{10} = 108$$

$$\frac{q_3}{q_2} = \frac{108}{84.6} = > 1.0$$

(NOTE: q_2 COMPUTED BELOW)

$$K = \frac{1000}{\left\{ 1 + 1.92 \left[\frac{1}{2.81 + (.926 \times 3.78 \times .0882)} \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}} = \frac{1000}{\sqrt{1 + .226}} = \frac{1000}{1.107} = 904$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 \times 1.92 \times (.072) \times 904}{2 \times 10} = 575$$

$$q_2 = \frac{10 \times .060^{1/2}}{2} \left[575 \left(\frac{500}{160} + \frac{1}{10 \times 1.92 \times 1.92 \times (.072)^2} \right) \right]^{1/2} = 84.6$$

$$q_0 = (575 + 84.6) \times 1.0 = 659.6$$

$$\frac{I_x \times 10^6}{2L_v^2} = \frac{2.35 \times 10^6}{2 \times 10^2} = 11750 > 659.6 \quad \text{O.K.}$$

$$q_0 = 660 \quad (\text{FIGURE 5-19 : } L_v = 10', 16-18 \text{ ga.})$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{12 \times .108} = 0.77$$

$$F_2 = \frac{2 \times 10^2}{160} (5.45) \times \frac{575}{660} = 5.94$$

$$F_3 = \frac{R}{10(.060 + \frac{12.5 \times 4(.048)^2}{3})} = \frac{R}{10 \times .0618} = 1.62R$$

$$F = .77 + 5.94 + 1.62R = 6.71 + 1.62R$$

$$(\text{FIGURE 5-19 : } L_v = 10', 16-18 \text{ ga.})$$

Figure 5-20. Continued.

working shear will be determined by the following formulas—

$$q_D = q_1 + q_6 \quad (\text{eq 5-27})$$

where

$$q_1 = \frac{92S(t_1 + t_2)K}{bL_v} \quad (\text{eq 5-28})$$

$$q_6 = q_6' + q_6'' \quad (\text{eq 5-29})$$

where

$$q_6' = \frac{t_p w^{1.5} \sqrt{F_c}}{200} \quad (\text{eq 5-30})$$

and

$$q_6'' = 2 \sqrt{\frac{Kb}{d(t + t_2)}} \quad (\text{eq 5-31})$$

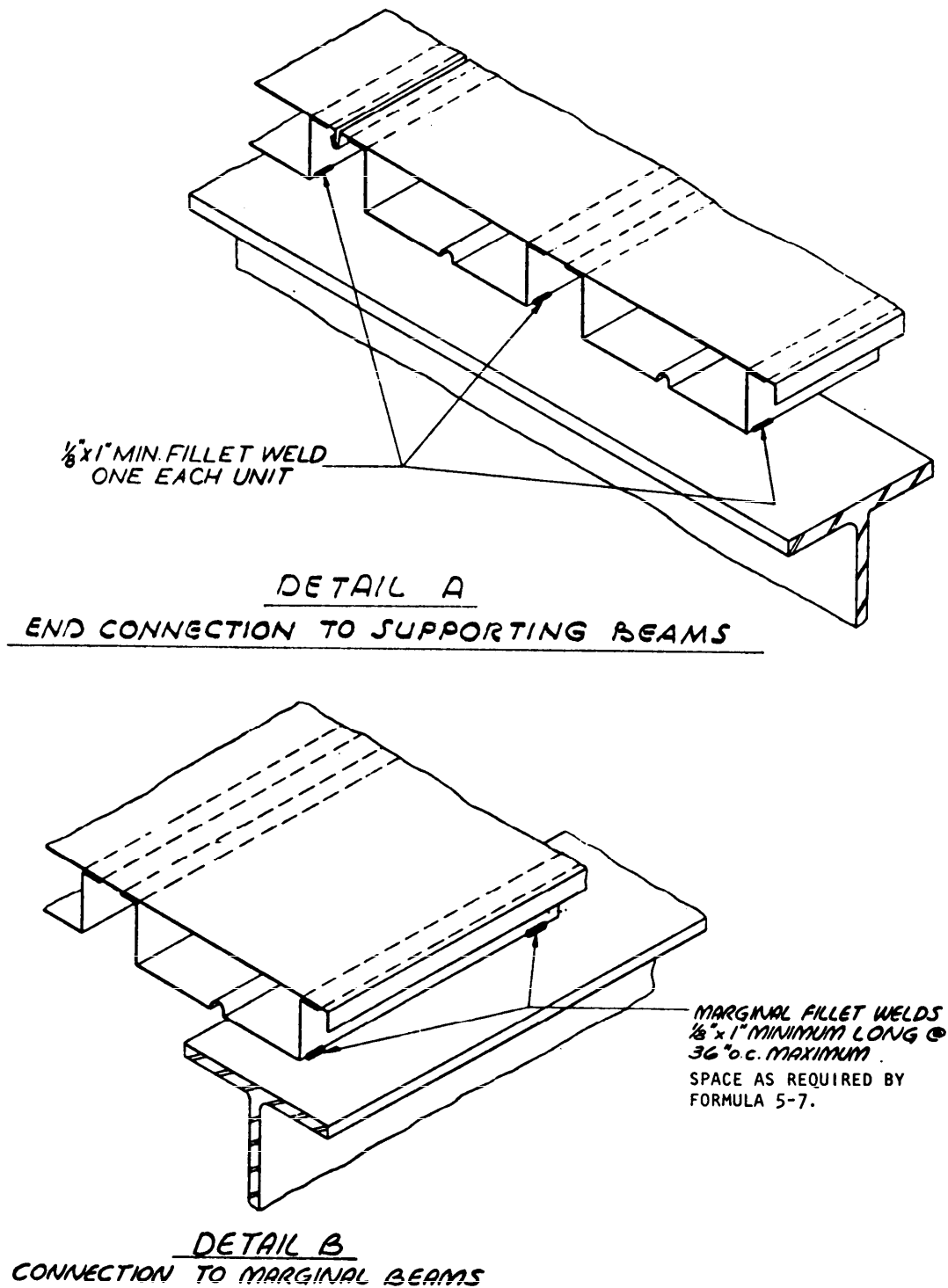


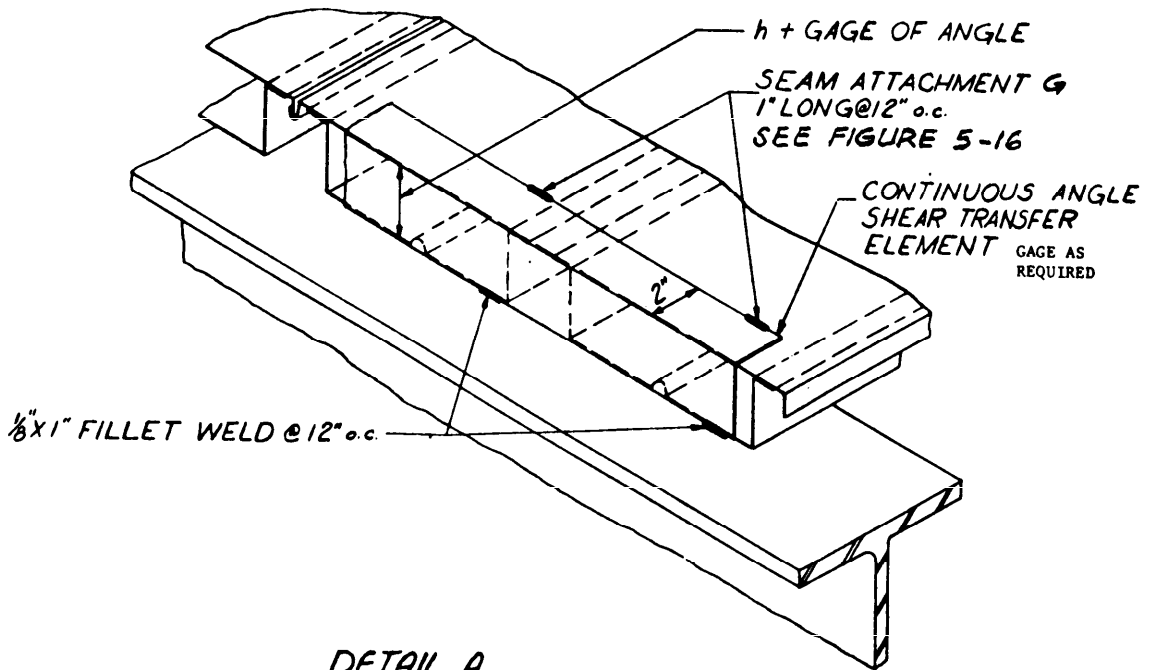
Figure 5-21. Steel deck diaphragms Type B—typical attachments to frame.

(b) *Flexibility factor.* The flexibility factor, F , will be determined by using the formula

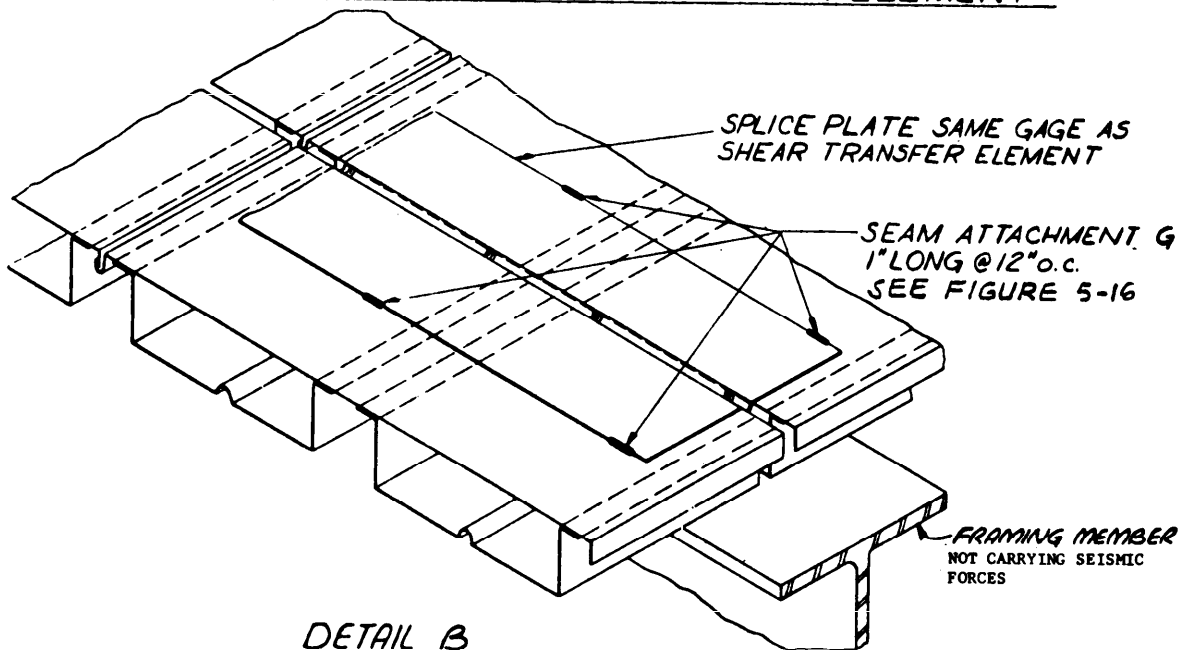
$$F = \frac{20q'_e}{b^2 q_D} \quad (\text{eq 5-32})$$

These diaphragms usually fall into the rigid category.

(c) *Sample calculation and table.* Typical attachment details are shown in figure 5-22, details C and D. A summary of allowable shears (q_d) and flexibilities (F) for a typical cross section is shown in figure 5-22, sheet 2. A solution to the formulas for a typical cross section of this type of diaphragm is given in figure 5-22, sheet 3.

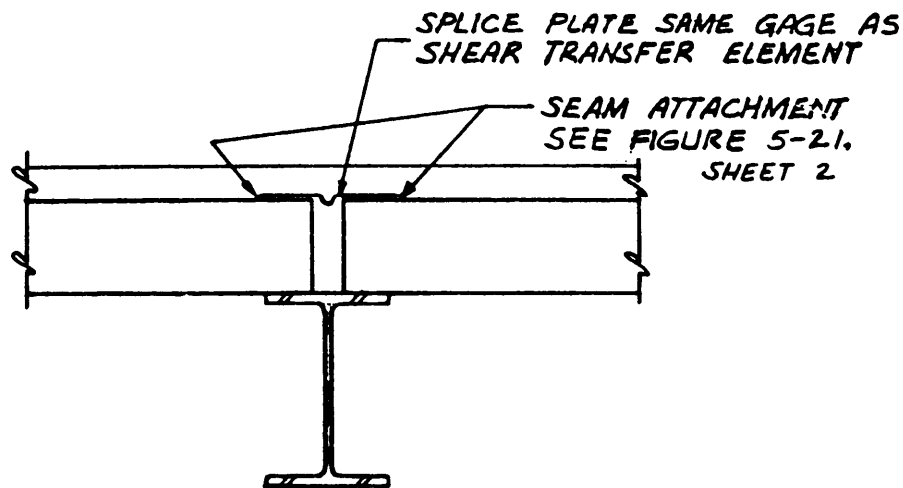


DETAIL A
CONTINUOUS ANGLE SHEAR TRANSFER ELEMENT



DETAIL B
CONTINUOUS SPLICE PLATE
(SEE SHEET 3 FOR CROSS SECTION)

Figure 5-21. Continued



DETAIL C
SPLICE AT SUPPORT

Figure 5-21. Continued.

5-10. Wood diaphragms.

a. General design criteria. Wood diaphragms will be designed with reference to SEAOC 1H2j, SEAOC Chapter 5, and the additional criteria of this section.

b. Wood diaphragms in concrete and masonry buildings. Refer to SEAOC 5C1d.

c. Wood buildings with walls on three sides. Provide for rotation as discussed in paragraph 5-3b(2). Straight sheathing will not be used to resist shears in rotation. The depth of the diaphragm normal to the open side will not exceed 25 feet or two-thirds of the diaphragm width, whichever is the smaller depth.

d. Exceptions.

(1) One-story wood-frame structures with the depth normal to the open side not greater than 25 feet may have a depth equal to the width.

(2) Where calculations show that diaphragm deflections can be tolerated, the depth normal to the open end may be increased to a depth-to-width ratio not greater than 1½:1 for diagonal sheathing or 2:1 for special diagonally sheathed or plywood diaphragms.

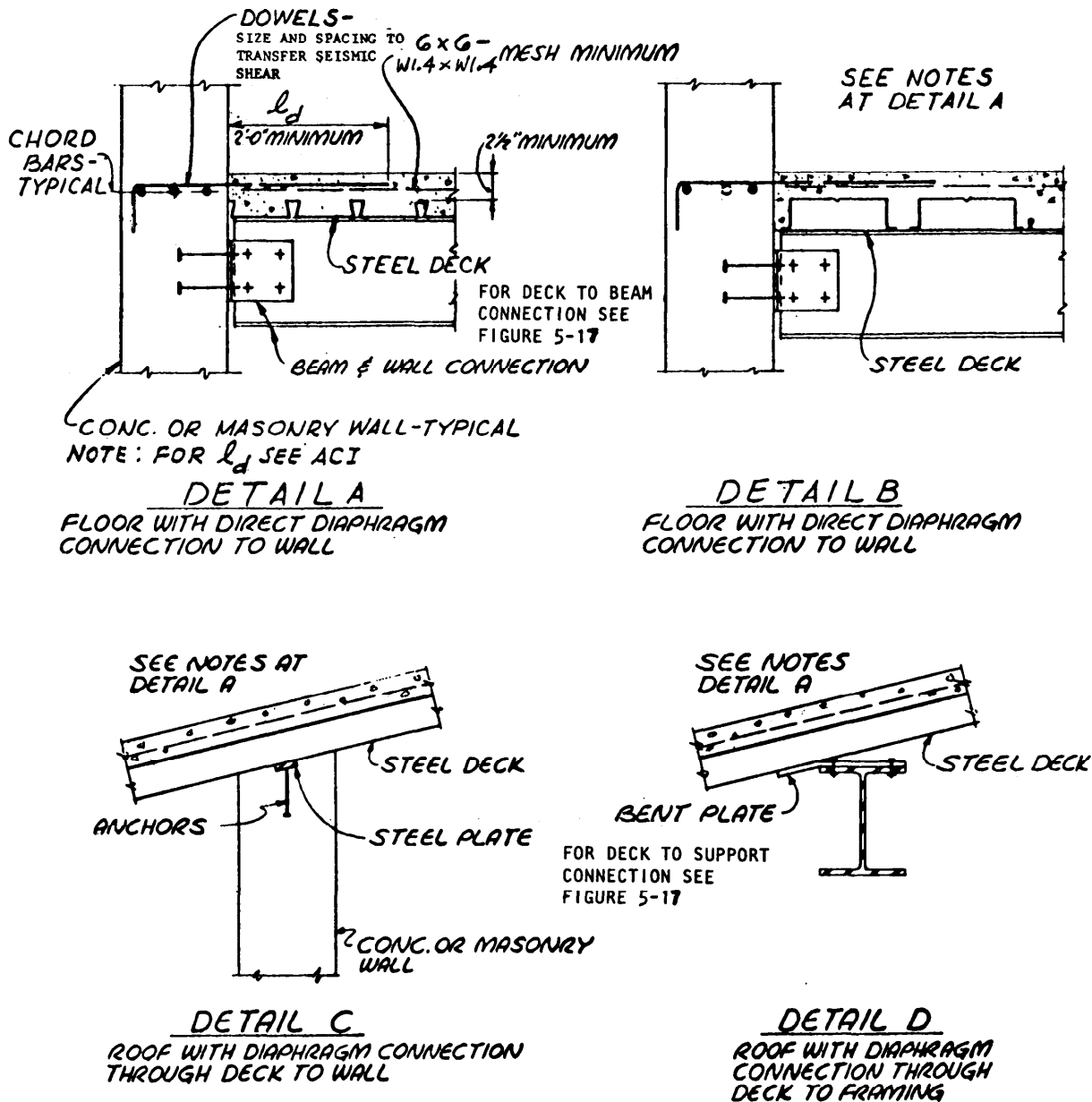
e. Material requirements.

(1) *Straight sheathing.* Straight sheathing diaphragms will be constructed of 1- or 2-inch nominal boards, 6 or 8 inches nominal in width, with boards laid at right angles to the rafters or joists. Boards will be nailed to each rafter or joist and to peripheral blocking with two 8d common nails for 1-inch by 6-inch and 1-inch by 8-inch sheathing. For 2-inch sheathing, nails will be three 16d. End

joints of adjacent boards will be separated by at least two joist or rafter spaces with at least two boards between joints on the same support. The diaphragm shear value will be as indicated in table 5-2. Diaphragms of this category will have a value of F in the order of 1,500 and will be considered very flexible. They will not be used for the lateral support of masonry, concrete, or other walls that would be seriously affected by high floor-to-floor deflection.

(2) *Diagonal sheathing.* The one-third increase usually permitted on working stresses in seismic design is not applicable to the working shears given in this subparagraph.

(a) *Conventional construction.* These diaphragms will be made up of 1-inch nominal sheathing boards laid at an angle of approximately 45 degrees to supports. Sheathing boards will be nailed directly to each intermediate bearing member with not less than two 8d nails for 1- by 6-inch boards and three 8d nails for boards 8 inches or wider, and in addition three 8d nails and four 8d nails will be used for 6-inch and 8-inch boards, respectively, at the diaphragm boundaries. End joints in adjacent boards will be separated by at least two joist or stud spaces, and there will be at least two boards between joints on the same support. The boundary or chord members at the edges of diaphragms will be designed to resist direct tensile and compressive chord stresses. Conventional wood diaphragms may be used to resist shears not exceeding 300 pounds per lineal foot of width. Two-inch nominal diagonally sheathed dia-



NOTE: WHEN DECKS ARE ATTACHED AT ALL SHEAR TRANSFER POINTS SIMILAR TO DETAILS A AND B, THE DIAPHRAGMS WILL BE DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 5-7, CONCRETE DIAPHRAGMS. WHEN SHEAR TRANSFER IS THROUGH THE WELDS BETWEEN THE STEEL DECK AND FRAMING, THE DIAPHRAGM WILL BE DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 5-9d(2), FORMULAS 5-27 and 5-32.

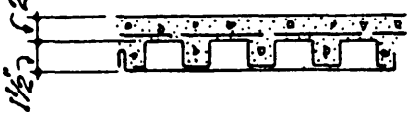
Figure 5-22. Steel deck diaphragms with concrete fill.

phragms may be used with a maximum design shear of 400 pounds per lineal foot if 16d common nails are used in lieu of the 8d nails specified for 1-inch nominal sheathing. This category of diaphragms has a value of F of approximately 250 and will be considered very flexible; such diaphragms will not be used for the lateral support of masonry or concrete walls.

(b) *Special construction.* Special diagonally

sheathed diaphragms will include two adjoining layers of 1-inch nominal sheathing boards laid diagonally and at 90 degrees to each other. Special diagonally sheathed diaphragms also include single-layered diaphragms, conforming to conventional construction and which, in addition, will have all elements designed in conformance with the following provision: Each chord or portion thereof may be considered as a beam loaded with a

TABLE OF ALLOWABLE SHEAR (q_D) AND FLEXIBILITY FACTOR (F)

SECTION	GAGE	SPAN (L_v)							
		4'-0"	5'-0"	6'-0"	7'-0"	8'-0"	9'-0"	10'-0"	
CONCRETE FILLED $f'_c = 3,000$ P.S.I. $W = 145$ P.C.F. 	20-20	q_D	2780	2510	2340	2210	2120	2040	1980
		F	.47	.53	.56	.59	.62	.66	.66
	18-18	q_D	3190	2830	2600	2430	2300	2200	2130
		F	.36	.40	.44	.47	.50	.51	.53
	16-16	q_D	3600	3160	2870	2660	2500	2380	2280
		F	.28	.32	.36	.38	.41	.43	.45
	16-18	q_D	3440	3030	2760	2560	2420	2310	2220
		F	.31	.35	.38	.41	.44	.46	.48

NOTES:

1. BUTTON PUNCH @ 36" O.C.
2. THE GAGES FOR MULTIPLE SHEET DECKS ARE DESIGNATED WITH THE GAGE OF THE FLAT SHEET FIRST AND FLUTED SHEET SECOND.
3. DECK SECTIONS ARE MADE FROM GALVANIZED SHEETS
4. END WELDS CONSIST OF 3 PUDDLE WELDS AT EACH SUPPORT.

Figure 5-22. Continued.

uniform load per foot equal to 50 percent of the unit shear due to diaphragm action. The load will be assumed as acting normal to the chord in the plane of the diaphragm and either toward or away from the diaphragm. The span of the chord, or portion thereof, will be the distance between structural members of the diaphragm, such as joists or blocking, which serve to transfer the assumed load to the sheathing. Special diagonally sheathed diaphragms may be used to resist shears due to seismic forces, provided such shears do not stress the nails beyond their allowable safe lateral strength and do not exceed 600 pounds per lineal foot of width. For approximating deflections, a value of F of 75 will be used. Thus special diagonally sheathed diaphragms fit into the category of flexible diaphragms.

(3) Plywood sheathing.

(a) Boundary members. All boundary members will be proportioned and spliced where necessary to transmit direct stresses. The nominal width of the framing members will be at least 2 inches. In general, panel edges will bear on the framing members and butt along their centerlines. Nails will be placed not less than 3/8 inch in from the panel edge, not more than 12 inches apart along intermediate supports, and 6 inches along panel edge bearings and will be firmly driven into the framing members. No unblocked panels less

than 12 inches wide will be used.

(b) Stiffness. The stiffness of plywood diaphragm webs varies with the thickness of the plywood, the nailing, and the joint blocking. These variables also occur in the determination of the working shear values of the diaphragm. An F value for determining the stiffness category and for estimating deflections will be determined using the following formula:

$$F = \frac{33,000 q_{ave}}{q_D^2} \tag{eq 5-33}$$

where

q_D = allowable shear specified in table 5-6 in pounds per foot

(c) Flexibility. For plywood diaphragms the tabular values of q_D range from 110 pounds per foot to 820 pounds per foot. From this, the value of F can be determined to range between 300 and 20. Thus, plywood diaphragms can be very flexible, flexible, or semiflexible diaphragms depending on the selection of the type of diaphragm to be used.

(d) Nailing. The use of pneumatically or mechanically driven steel wire staples with a minimum crown width of 7/16 inch is an acceptable alternative method of attaching diaphragms. The crown of the staple must be installed parallel to the framing member.

SAMPLE CALCS NO. 6 FOR TYPE
A DIAPHRAGM WITH CONC. FILL

$$q_D = q_1 + q_2$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92S(t_1 + t_2')K}{bL_v} \quad K = 1,000$$

$$q_2 = q_2' + q_2''$$

$$q_2' = \frac{t_f W^{1.5} \sqrt{f_c'}}{200}$$

$$q_2'' = 2 \sqrt{\frac{K_b}{d(t_1 + t_2')}}}$$

$$q_1 = \frac{92 \times 1.92 (0.06 + 0.032) 1,000}{2 \times 6} = 1354.2$$

$$q_2' = \frac{2.5 \times 145 L_v^{1.5} \sqrt{3,000}}{200} = 119.5$$

$$q_2'' = 2 \sqrt{\frac{1000 \times 2}{1.92 (0.06 + 0.032)}} = 212.8$$

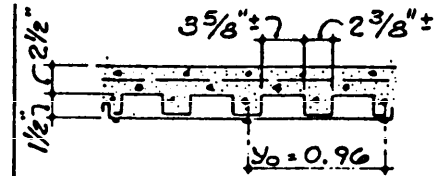
$$q_D = 1354.2 + 119.5 + 212.8 = 2762$$

($q_D = 2760$ IN FIGURE 5-22 FOR $L_v = 6'$ AND GAGE = 16-18)

$$F = \frac{20 q_D''}{b^2 q_D} = \frac{20 \times 212.8}{2^2 \times 2760} = .385 \text{ (SEE FIGURE 5-22, 2 OF 3)}$$

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Figure 5-22. Continued.



16-18 GAGE MULTIPLE
PLATE DECK WITH 2 1/2"
CONC. FILL. 3 END WELDS

$$t_f = 2.5''$$

$$t_1 = .060 \quad t_2' = \frac{2}{3} \times .048 = .032''$$

$$S = \frac{E Y^2}{Y_0} = \frac{2 \times .96^2}{.96} = 1.92$$

$$I_x = .603$$

$$b = 2' \quad h = 1.5''$$

$$L_v = 6'-0'' \quad d = 1.92 = 2 Y_0$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$W = 145 \text{ PCF} \quad f_c' = 3,000 \text{ PSI}$$

Common Wire Nail	Staple	Minimum Staple Penetration in Framing Member
6d	14 gauge	1 inch
8d	13 gauge	1 inch
10d	12 gauge	1 1/4 inch

e. Typical details. Refer to figure 5-23.

5-11. Horizontal bracing.

a. *Diaphragms.* Diaphragms may be made of horizontal steel bracing. Usually the bracing consists of members added at the top or bottom plane of a system of floor or roof trusses or beams.

Transverse elements are added for components perpendicular to the trusses or beams, and diagonal members are added to form a triangulated plane of bracing. As with other kinds of diaphragms, the design force will be obtained from SEAOC 1H2j. The bracing members and connections will be treated like vertical braced frames under SEAOC 4G.

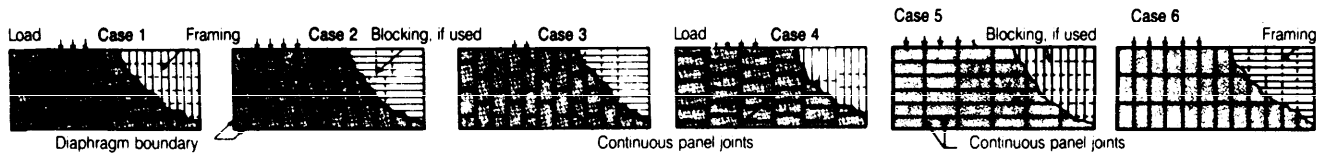
b. *Secondary bracing.* Components of the horizontal bracing system should be coordinated with bridging and other bracing members that are provided for lateral bracing of trusses and girders, for steadying columns, and for transferring lateral forces to other systems at a lower level.

Recommended Shear (pounds per foot) for Horizontal APA Panel Diaphragms with Framing of Douglas-Fir, Larch or Southern Pine^(a) for Wind or Seismic Loading

Panel Grade	Common Nail Size	Minimum Nail Penetration in Framing (inches)	Minimum Nominal Panel Thickness (inch)	Minimum Nominal Width of Framing Member (inches)	Blocked Diaphragms				Unblocked Diaphragms	
					Nail Spacing (in.) at diaphragm boundaries (all cases), at continuous panel edges parallel to load (Cases 3 & 4), and at all panel edges (Cases 5 & 6) ^(b)				Nails Spaced 6" max. at Supported Edges ^(b)	
					6	4	2 1/4 ^(c)	2 ^(c)	Case 1 (No unblocked edges or continuous joints parallel to load)	All other configurations (Cases 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)
					Nail Spacing (in.) at other panel edges (Cases 1, 2, 3 & 4)					
6	6	4	3							
APA STRUCTURAL I grades	6d	1-1/4	5/16	2 3	185 210	250 280	375 420	420 475	165 185	125 140
	8d	1-1/2	3/8	2 3	270 300	360 400	530 600	600 675	240 265	180 200
	10d ^(d)	1-5/8	15/32	2 3	320 360	425 480	640 720	730 820	285 320	215 240
APA RATED SHEATHING, APA RATED STURD-I-FLOOR and other APA grades except Species Group 5	6d	1-1/4	5/16	2 3	170 190	225 250	335 380	380 430	150 170	110 125
			3/8	2 3	185 210	250 280	375 420	420 475	165 185	125 140
	8d	1-1/2	3/8	2 3	240 270	320 360	480 540	545 610	215 240	160 180
			7/16	2 3	255 285	340 380	505 570	575 645	230 255	170 190
			15/32	2 3	270 300	360 400	530 600	600 675	240 265	180 200
	10d ^(d)	1-5/8	15/32	2 3	290 325	385 430	575 650	655 735	255 290	190 215
			19/32	2 3	320 360	425 480	640 720	730 820	285 320	215 240

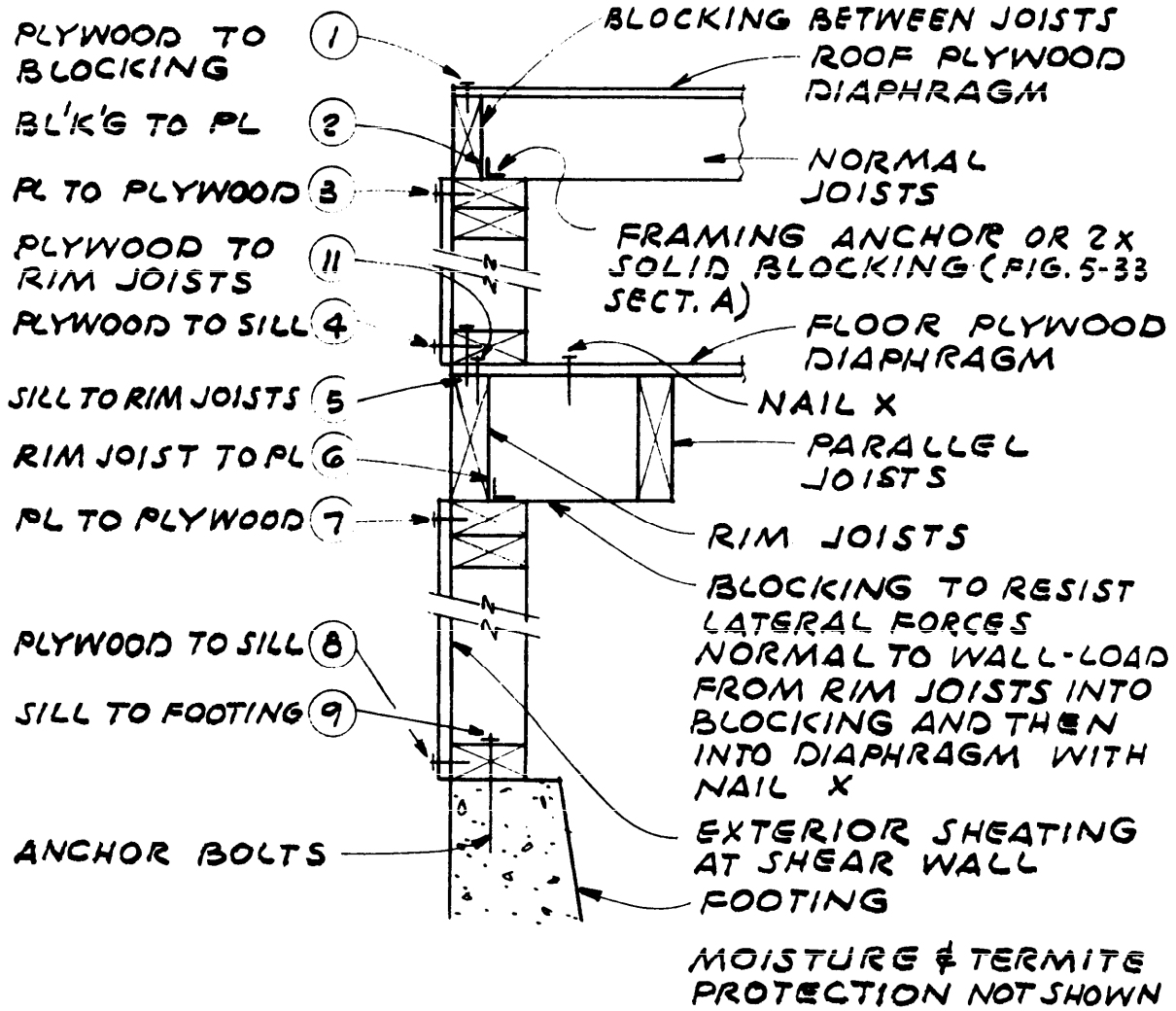
- (a) For framing of other species: (1) Find species group of lumber in NFPA National Design Spec. (2) Find shear value from table above for nail size for Structural I panels (regardless of actual grade). (3) Multiply value by 0.82 for Lumber Group III or 0.65 for Lumber Group IV.
- (b) Space nails 12 in. oc along intermediate framing members (6 in. oc when supports are spaced 48 in. oc). (Applicable building codes may require 10 in. oc nail spacing at intermediate supports for floors.)

- (c) Framing at adjoining panel edges shall be 3-in. nominal or wider, and nails shall be staggered where nails are spaced 2 inches oc or 2-1/2 inches oc.
 - (d) Framing at adjoining panel edges shall be 3-in. nominal or wider, and nails shall be staggered where 10d nails having penetration into framing of more than 1-5/8 inches are spaced 3 inches oc.
- Notes:** Design for diaphragm stresses depends on direction of continuous panel joints with reference to load, not on direction of long dimension of sheet. Continuous framing may be in either direction for blocked diaphragms.



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Table 5-6. Horizontal diaphragm shear.



① - ⑨ PATH OF FORCES FROM ROOF TO FOUNDATION

⑪, ⑥ - ⑨ PATH FOR FORCES FROM FLOOR DIAPHRAGM

DETAILS ABOVE ARE SCHEMATIC. THE PURPOSE IS TO SHOW THE PATH OF FORCES IN A PARTICULAR ARRANGEMENT OF FRAMING ELEMENTS.

Figure 5-23. Wood details.

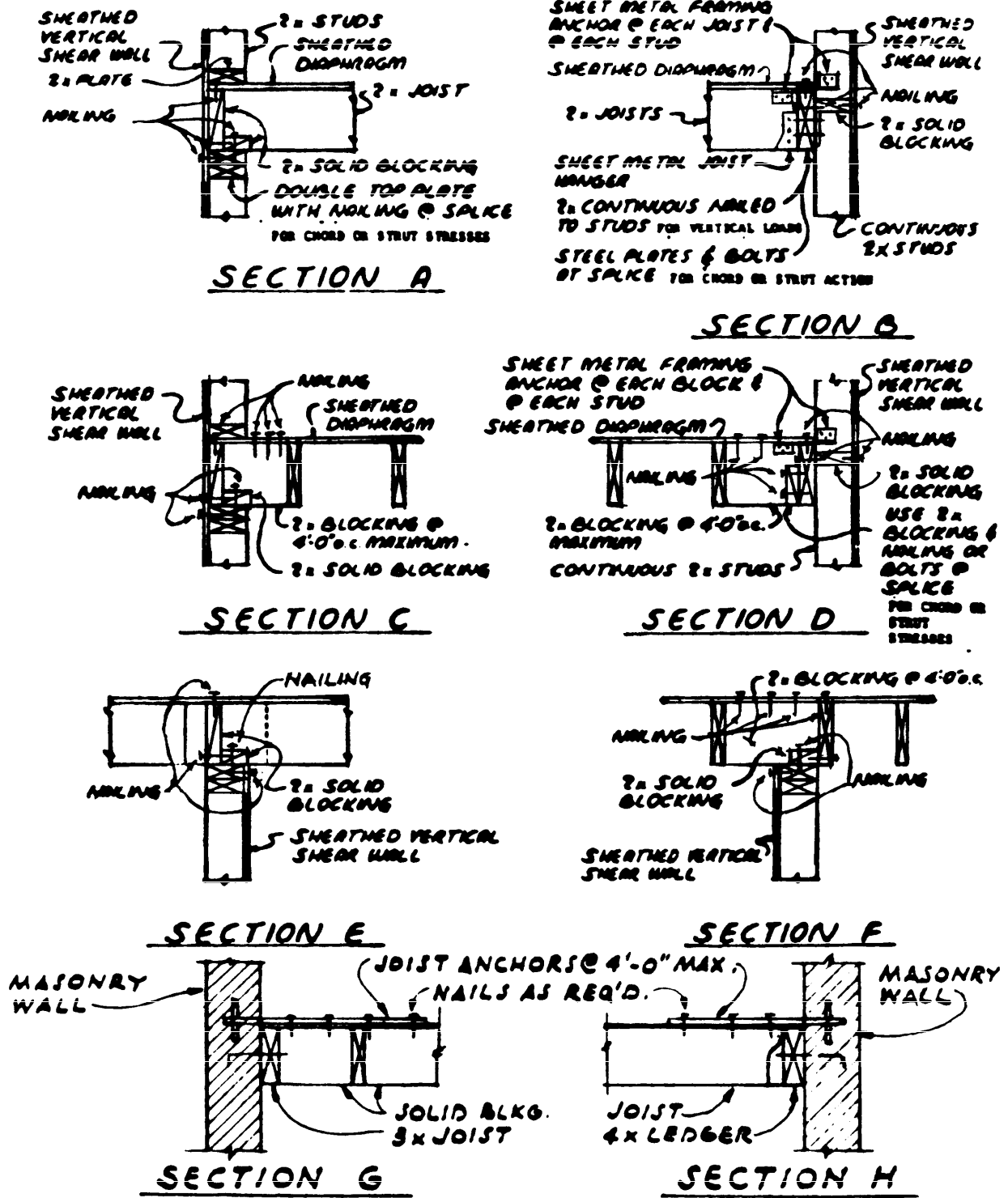
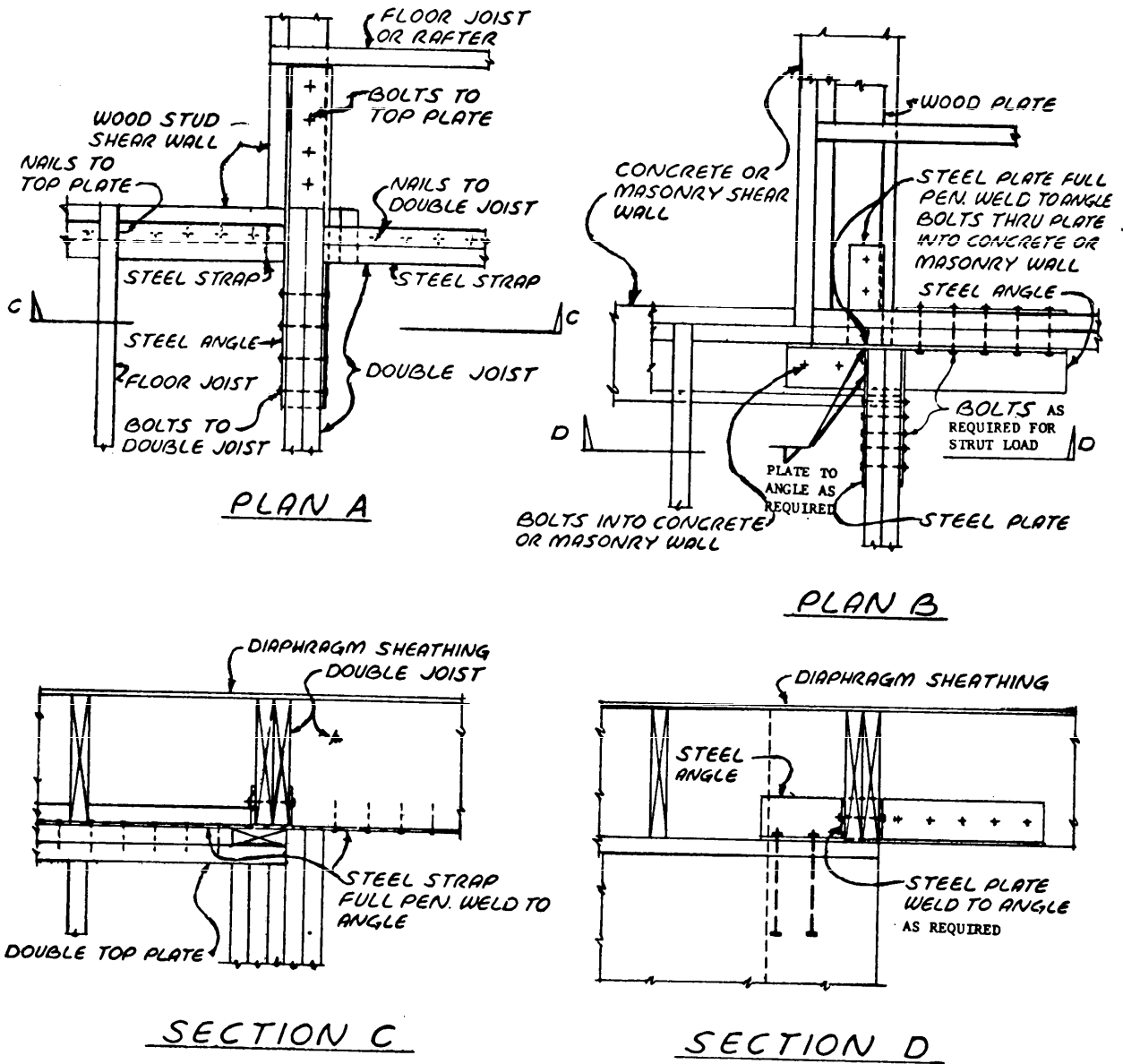
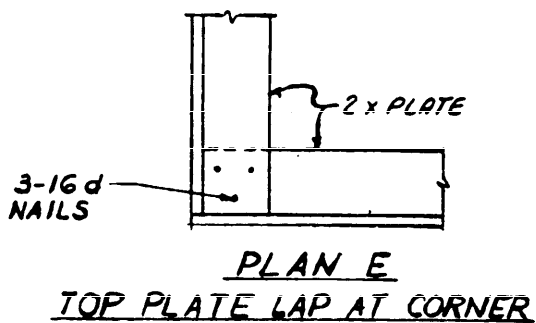
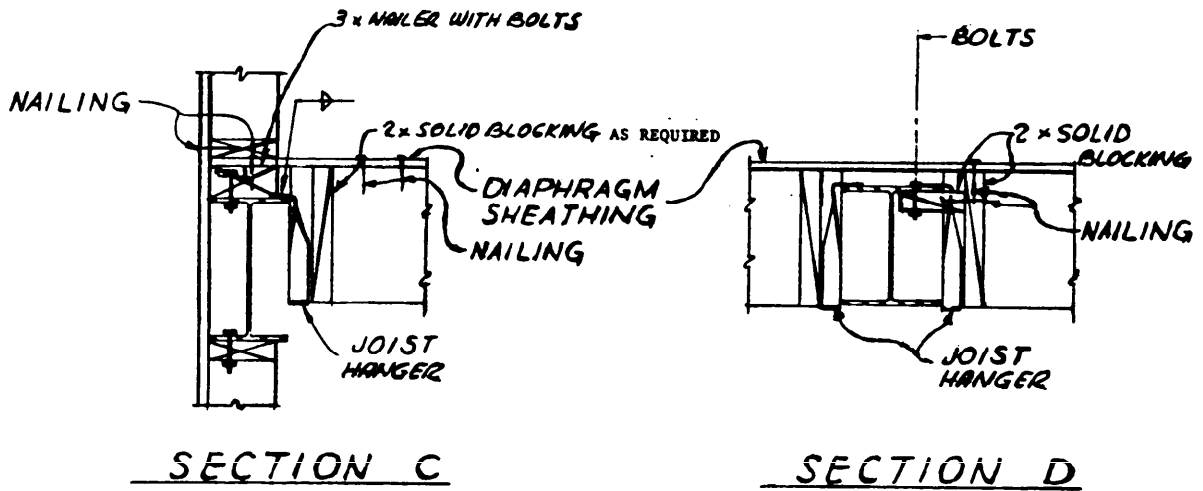
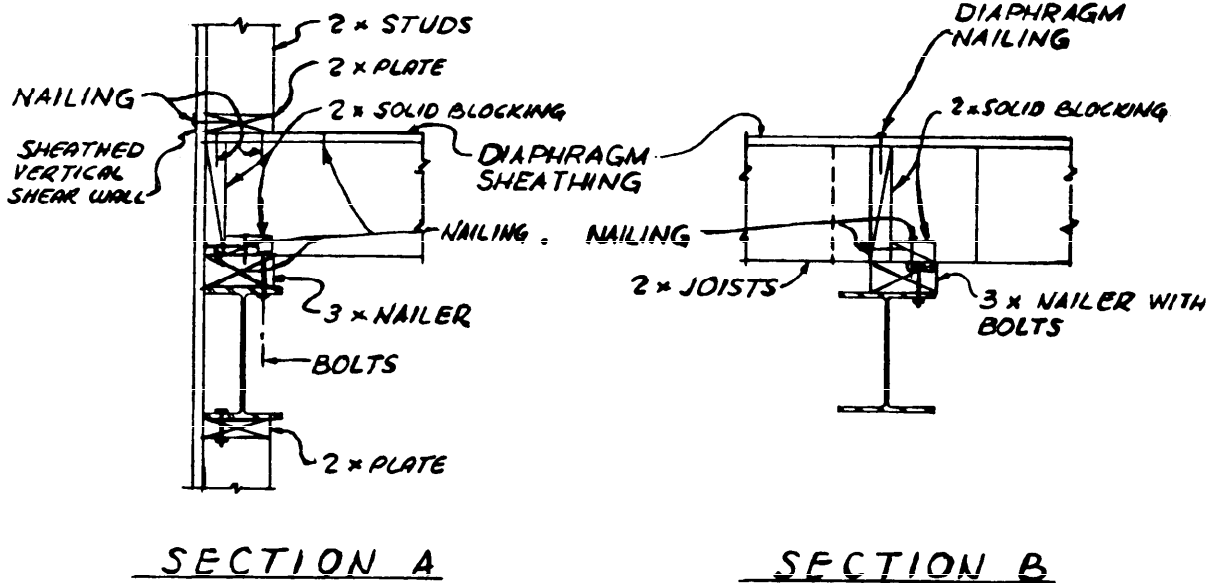


Figure 5-23. Continued.



NOTE:
 BOLTS AND NAILING TO BE DESIGNED FOR
 DIAPHRAGM STRUT OR CHORD LOADS. ROOF
 CONNECTIONS WILL BE SIMILAR BUT MODIFIED
 BECAUSE OF ROOF SLOPE.

Figure 5-23. Continued.



NOTE:
NAILS AND BOLTS SHOWN ON DETAILS WILL BE DESIGNED TO RESIST THE PRESCRIBED SEISMIC SHEARS AND WALL ANCHORAGES. ROOF CONNECTIONS WILL BE SIMILAR BUT MODIFIED BECAUSE OF ROOF SLOPE.

Figure 5-23. Continued.

CHAPTER 6

SHEAR WALLS

6-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for the design of walls of buildings in seismic areas; indicates the principles and factors governing the application of horizontal forces normal to the plane of walls and parallel to the plane of walls; gives certain design data; and illustrates typical details of construction. A wall that carries a vertical load other than its own weight, and/or that resists a horizontal force parallel to the wall, other than seismic shears resulting from its own weight, is classified as a structural wall. Other walls and partitions are classified as nonstructural and are treated in chapter 11.

6-2. General.

a. Function. Shear walls are vertical elements in the lateral force resisting system. They transmit lateral forces from the diaphragm above to the diaphragm below or the foundation.

b. Shear wall types. Two basic shear wall systems are defined in SEAOC Table 1-G; light, framed walls with shear panels of plywood and certain other materials, and shear walls of reinforced concrete and reinforced masonry.

c. Design criteria. General discussions of shear walls are presented in paragraphs 6-3 through 6-6. The details of concrete shear walls are covered in paragraph 6-7, precast concrete shear walls in 6-8, masonry shear walls in 6-9, wood stud shear walls in 6-10, and steel stud shear walls in 6-11.

6-3. Design forces. Walls may be subjected to both vertical (gravity) and horizontal (wind or earthquake) forces. The horizontal forces are both in plane and out of plane. When considered under their in-plane loads, walls are called shear walls; when considered under their out-of-plane loads they are called normal walls. Walls will be designed to withstand all vertical loads and horizontal forces, both parallel to and normal to the flat surface, with due allowance for the effect of any eccentric loading or overturning forces generated. Any wall, whether or not intended as part of the lateral force resisting system, is subjected to lateral forces unless it is isolated on three sides (both ends and top), in which case it is classified as nonstructural. Any wall that is not isolated will participate in shear resistance to horizontal forces parallel to the wall, since it tends to deform under stress when the surrounding framework deforms.

6-4. Wall components. Reinforced concrete and reinforced masonry shear walls are seldom simple walls. Whenever a wall has doors, windows, or other openings, the wall must be considered as an assemblage of relatively flexible components (column segments and wall piers) and relatively stiff elements (wall segments).

a. Column segments. A column segment is a vertical member whose height exceeds three times its thickness and whose width is less than two and one-half times its thickness. Its load is usually predominantly axial. Although it may contribute little to the lateral force resistance of the shear wall, its rigidity must be considered. When a column is built integral with a wall, the portion of the column that projects from the face of the wall is called a pilaster. Column segments shall be designed according to ACI 318 for concrete and TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3 for masonry.

b. Wall piers. A wall pier is a segment of a wall whose horizontal length is between two and one-half and six times its thickness and whose clear height is at least two times its horizontal length.

c. Wall segments. Wall segments are components that are longer than wall piers. They are the primary resisting components in the shear wall.

6-5. In-plane effects. Horizontal forces at any floor or roof level are generally transferred to the ground (foundation) by using the strength and rigidity of shear walls (and partitions). A shear wall may be considered analogous to a cantilever plate girder standing on end in a vertical plane where the wall performs the function of a plate girder web, the pilasters or floor diaphragms function as web stiffeners, and the integral reinforcement of the vertical boundaries functions as flanges. Axial, flexural, and shear forces must be considered in the design of shear walls. The tensile forces on shear wall elements resulting from the combination of seismic uplift forces and seismic overturning moments must be resisted by anchorage into the foundation medium unless the uplift can be counteracted by gravity loads (e.g., 0.85 of dead load) mobilized from neighboring elements. A shear wall may be constructed of materials such as concrete, wood, unit masonry, or metal in various forms. Design procedures for such materials as cast-in-place reinforced concrete and reinforced unit masonry are well known and present no problem to the designer once the loading and reaction system is determined. Other materials

frequently used to support vertical loads from floors and roofs have well-established vertical load carrying characteristics but have required tests to demonstrate their ability to resist lateral forces. Various types of wood sheathing and metal siding fall into this category. Where a shear wall is made up of units such as plywood, gypsum wallboard, tilt-up concrete units, or metal panel units, its characteristics are, to a large degree, dependent upon the attachments of one unit to another and to the supporting members.

a. *Rigidity analysis.* For a building with rigid diaphragms, there is a torsional moment, and a rigidity analysis is required. Refer to chapter 5. It is necessary to make a logical and consistent distribution of story shears to each wall. An exact determination of wall rigidities is very difficult but is not necessary because only *relative* rigidities are needed. Approximate methods in which the deflections of portions of walls are combined usually are adequate.

(1) *Wall deflections.* The rigidity of a wall is usually defined as the force required to cause a unit deflection. Rigidity is expressed in kips per inch. The deflection of a concrete shear wall is the sum of the shear and flexural deflections. See figure 6-1. In the case of a solid wall with no openings, the computations of deflection are quite simple. However, where the shear wall has openings, as for doors and windows, the computations for deflection and rigidity are much more complex. An exact analysis, considering angular rotation of elements, rib shortening, etc., is very time-consuming. For this reason, several short-cut approximate methods involving more-or-less valid assumptions have been developed. These do not

always give consistent or satisfactory results. A conservative approach and judgment must be used.

(2) *Deflection charts.* The calculation of deflections is facilitated by the use of the deflection charts. See figure 6-4 for fixed-ended corner and rectangular piers. Curves 5 and 6 are for cantilever corner and rectangular piers. The corner pier curves are for the special case where the moment of inertia, I , of the corner pier is 1.5 times that of a rectangular pier. For other I -values the bending portion of the deflection would be proportional. The deflections shown on the charts are for a horizontal load, P , of 1,000,000 pounds. The deflections shown on the charts are reasonably accurate. The formulas written on the curves can be used to check the results. However, the charts will give no better results than the assumptions made in the shear wall analysis. For instance, the point of contraflexure of a vertical pier may not be in the center of the pier height. In some cases the point of contraflexure may be selected by judgment and an interpolation made between the cantilever and fixed conditions.

(3) *Foundation effects.* The rotation at the foundation can greatly influence the overall rigidity of a shear wall because of the very rigid nature of the shear wall itself; however, the rotational influence on relative rigidities of walls for purposes of horizontal force distribution may not be as significant. Considering the complexities of soil behavior, a quantitative evaluation of the foundation rotation is generally not practical, but a qualitative evaluation, recognizing the limitations and using good judgment, will be provided.

(4) *Framework effects.* The relative rigidity of concrete or unit masonry walls with openings is

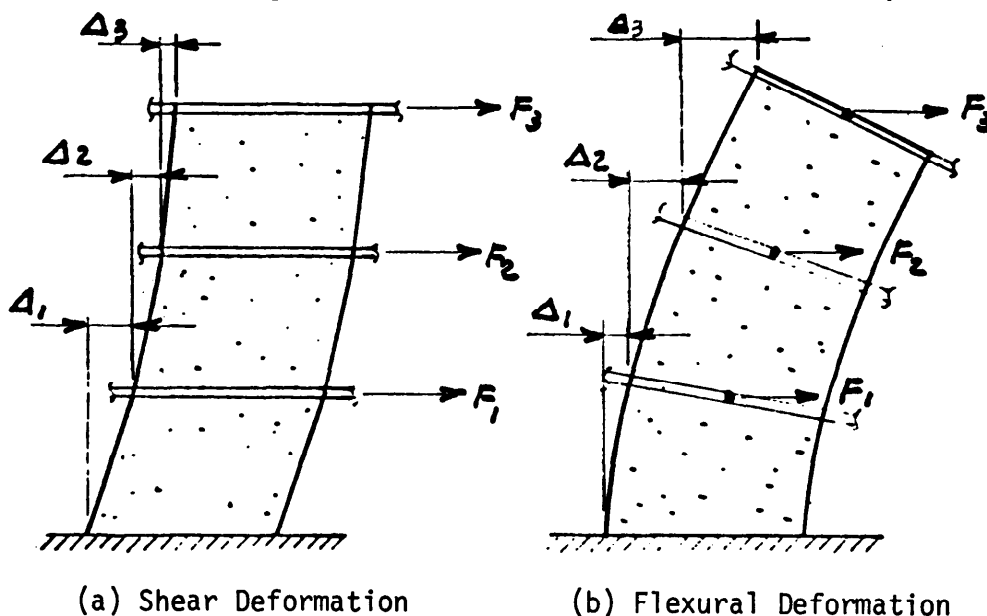


Figure 6-1. Shear wall deformation.

usually much greater than that of the building framework. Thus, the walls tend to resist essentially all or a major part of the lateral force.

b. *Effect of openings.* The effect of openings on the ability of shear walls to resist lateral forces must be considered. If openings are very small, their effect on the overall state of stress in a shear wall is minor. Large openings have a more pronounced effect and, if large enough, result in a system in which typical frame action predominates. Openings commonly occur in regularly spaced vertical rows throughout the height of the wall, and the connection between the wall sections is provided by either connecting beams (or spandrels), which form a part of the wall, or floor slabs, or a combination of both. If the openings do not line up vertically and/or horizontally, the complexity of the analysis is greatly increased. In most cases, a rigorous analysis of a wall with openings is not required. In the design of a wall with openings, the deformations must be visualized in order to establish some approximate method for analyzing the stress distribution to the wall. Figures 6-1 and 6-2 give some visual descriptions of such deformations. The major points that must be considered are the lengthening and shortening of the extreme sides (boundaries) due to deep beam action, the stress concentration at the corner junctions of the horizontal and vertical components between openings, and the shear and diagonal tension in both the horizontal and vertical components.

(1) *Relative rigidities of piers and spandrels.* The ease of methods of analysis for walls with openings is greatly dependent on the relative rigidities of the piers and the spandrels, as well as the general geometry of the building. Figure 6-3 shows two extreme examples of relative rigidities of exterior walls of a building. In figure 6-3 the piers are very rigid and the spandrels are very flexible. Assuming a rigid base, the shear walls act as vertical cantilevers. When a lateral force is applied, the spandrels act as struts that flexurally deform to be compatible with the deformation of the cantilever piers. It is relatively simple to determine the forces on the cantilever piers by ignoring the deformation characteristics of the spandrels. The spandrels are then designed to be compatible with the pier deformations. In figure 6-3, the piers are relatively flexible compared with the spandrels. The spandrels are assumed to be infinitely rigid, and the piers are analyzed as fixed-ended columns. The spandrels are then designed for the forces induced by the columns. The overall wall system is also analyzed for overturning forces that induce axial forces into the columns. The calculations of relative rigidities for both cases shown in figure 6-3 can be aided by the charts in figure 6-4. For cases of relative spandrel and pier rigidities other than those shown, the analysis and design become more complex.

(2) *Methods of analysis.* Approximate methods for analyzing walls with openings are generally

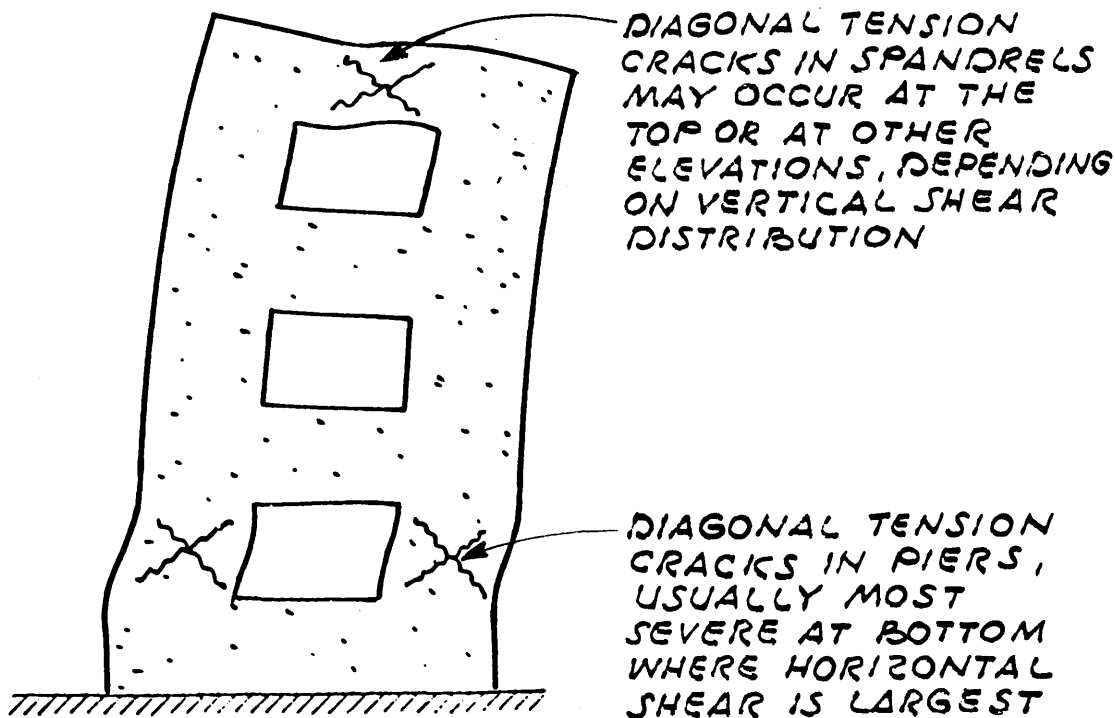


Figure 6-2. Deformation of shear wall with openings.

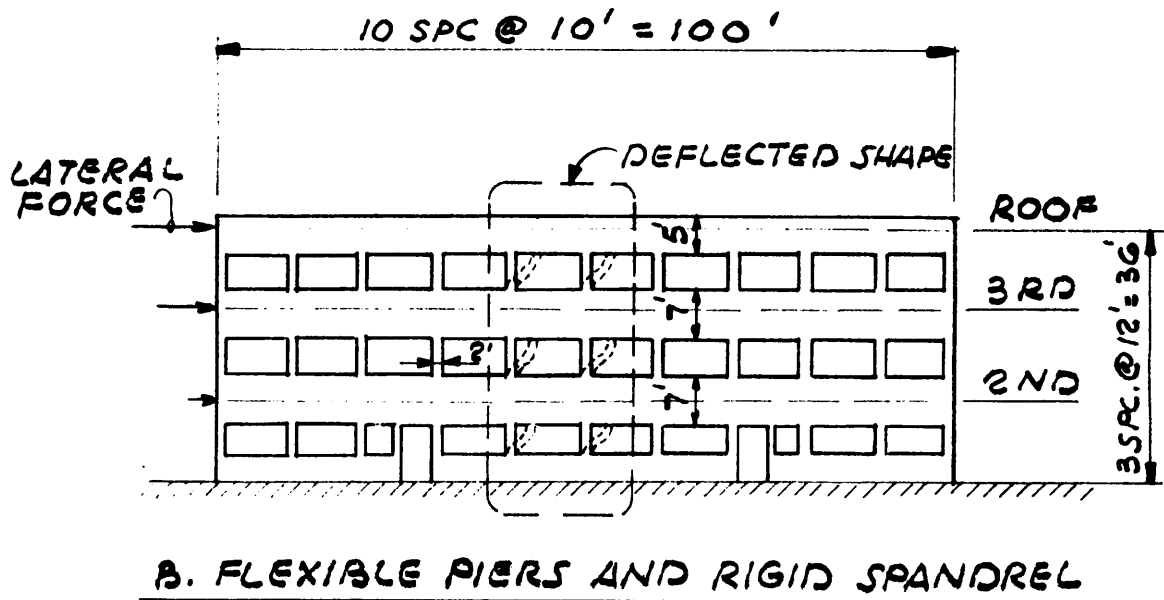
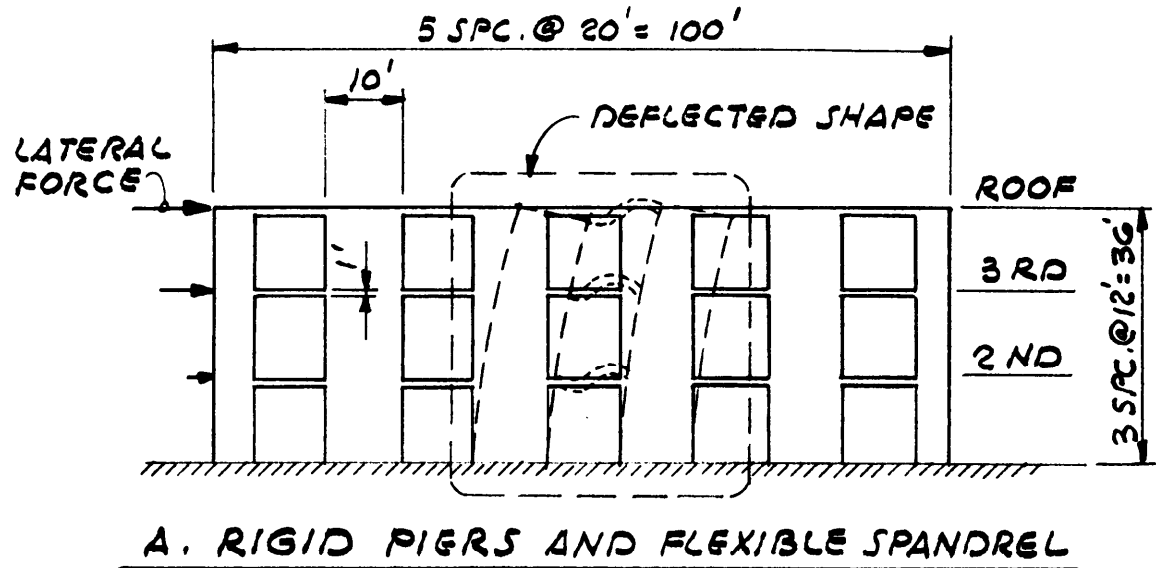


Figure 6-3. Relative rigidities of piers and spandrels.

acceptable. For the extreme cases shown in figure 6-3, the procedure is straightforward. For other cases, a variety of assumptions may be used to determine the most critical loads on various elements, thus resulting in a conservative design. (Note: In some cases a few additional reinforcing bars, at little additional cost, can greatly increase the strength of shear walls with openings.) However, when the reinforcement requirements or the resulting stresses of this approach appear excessively large, a rigorous analysis may be justified.

c. *Coupled shear walls.* When two or more shear walls in one plane are linked together by coupling beams, interactive forces are transmitted to the shear walls by the beams. In addition to these axial forces, the beams develop moments and

shears that contribute to the resistance of the walls to overturning. The magnitude of the resisting beam bending moments and vertical shears is dependent on the relative stiffnesses of the walls and the coupling beams. It should be noted that the foundation itself functions as a coupling beam. Accurate determination of the resisting forces can be complex; therefore, approximate methods are generally used. One method may be used for calculating the axial forces and another method may be used for calculating bending moments and shears to ensure that the structural elements are not underdesigned.

d. *Construction joints and dowels.* The contact faces of shear wall construction joints have exhibited slippage and related drift damage in past

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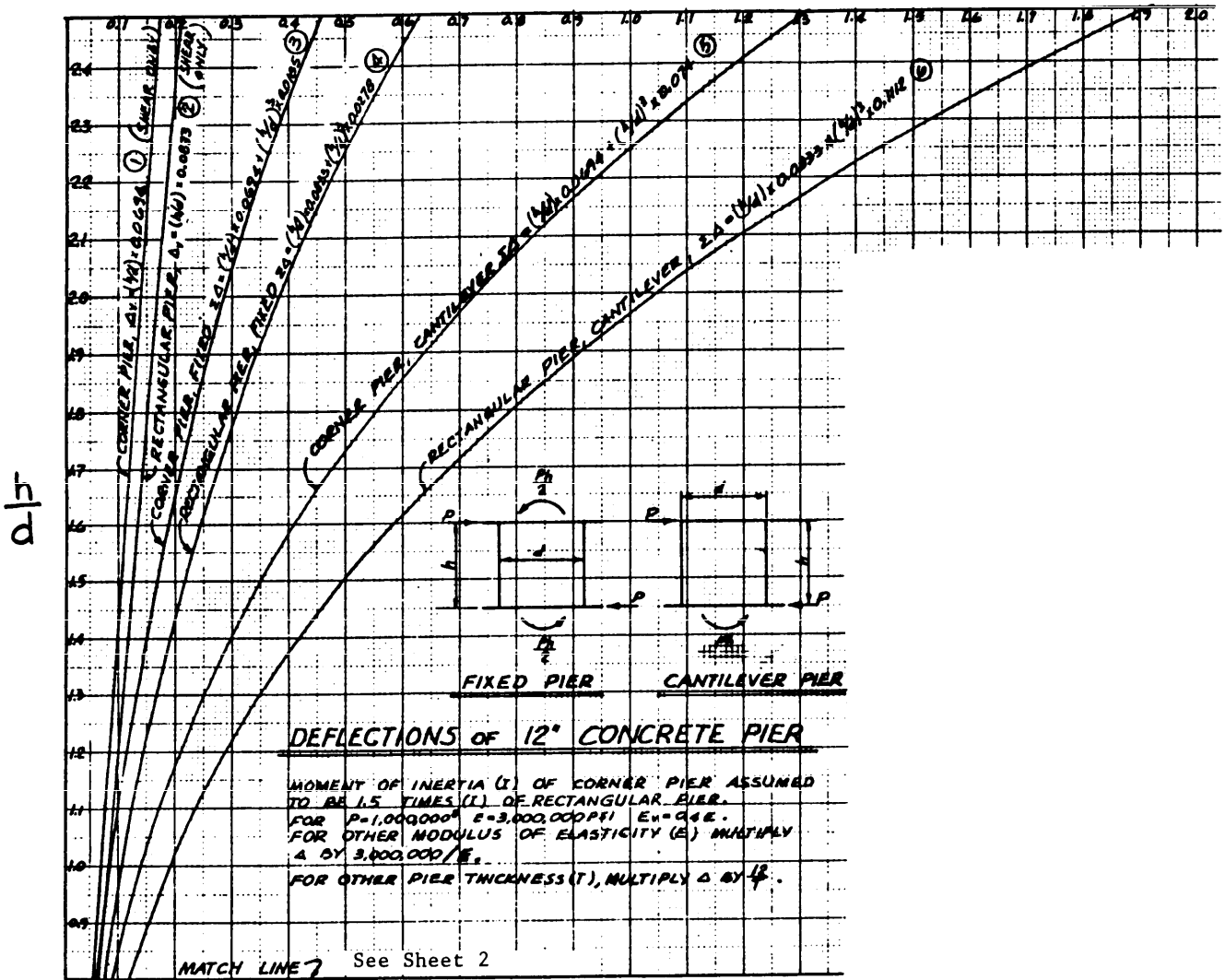


Figure 6-4. Design curves for masonry and concrete shear walls.

earthquakes. Consideration must be given to the location and details of construction joints. They must be clean and roughened. Shear friction reinforcement may be utilized in accordance with ACI 11.7. For this procedure a coefficient of friction of 0.6 is suggested for seismic effects.

6-6. Out-of-plane effects.

a. *Lateral forces.* Walls and partitions must safely resist horizontal seismic forces normal to their flat surface (fig 6-5, part a). At the same time they must resist moments and shears induced by relative deflections of the diaphragms above and below (fig 6-5, part b). The normal force on a wall is a function of its weight. The equation given in SEAOC 1G is $F_p = ZIC_p W_p$ with $C_p = 0.75$;

however, wind forces, other forces, or interstory drift will frequently govern the design. (For cantilevered walls, see paragraph c below.) The design force will be applied to the wall in both inward and outward directions.

b. *Wall behavior.* Walls usually distribute normal forces vertically to the horizontal resisting elements above or below. They may also distribute normal forces to frames or other walls or frames. A wall may be either continuous or discontinuous across its supports.

c. *Cantilevered walls.* Where walls, such as parapets, are cantilevered, the anchorage for reaction and cantilever moment is required to be fully developed (fig 6-5, part c). C_p for this condition is

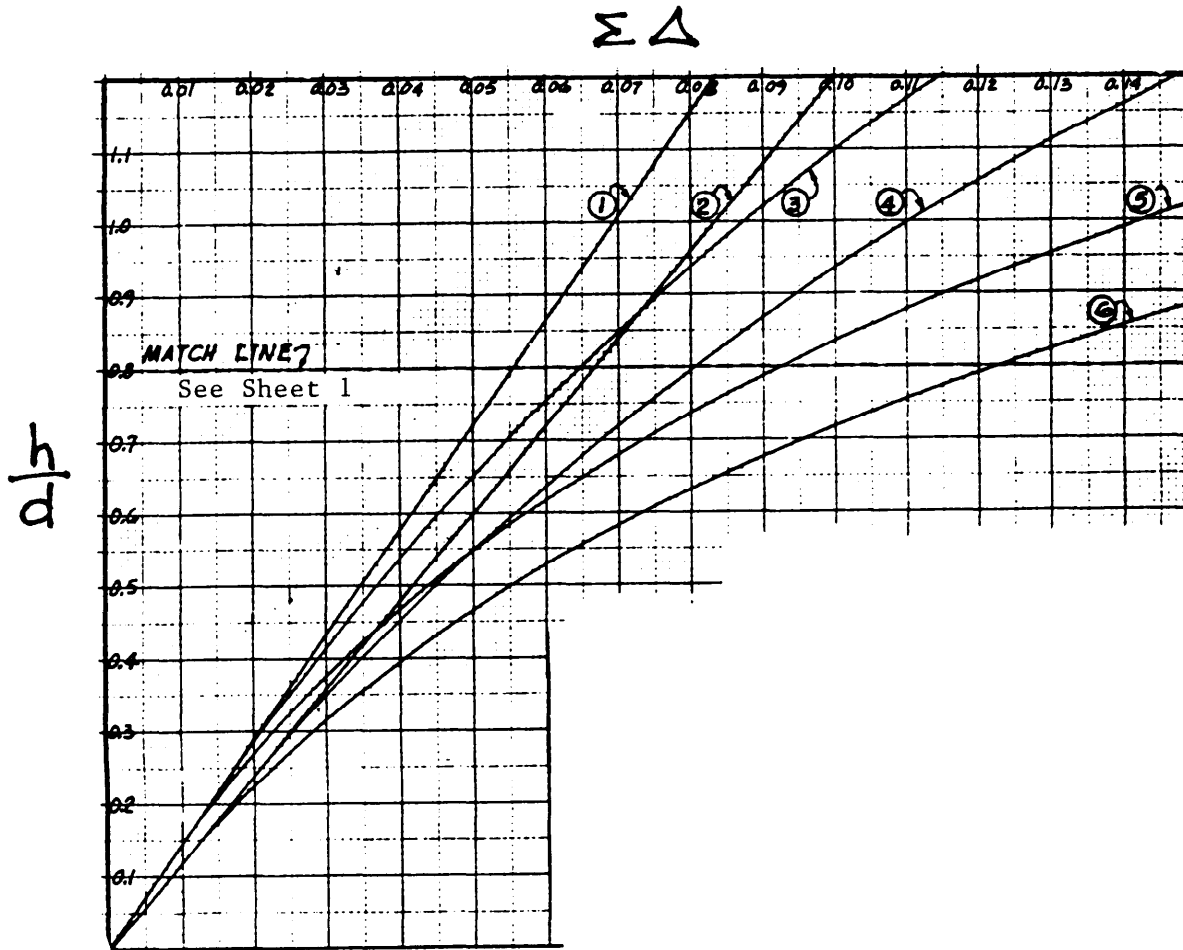


Figure 6-4. Continued

2.00, per SEAOC Table 1-H. Where a parapet wall is anchored to a concrete roof slab and is not a continuation of a wall below, the roof slab will be designed for the cantilever moment. Where the parapet is a continuation of a wall below, the cantilever moment will be divided between the concrete slab and the wall below in proportion to their relative stiffnesses. Where the parapet is an extension of a wall below and is anchored to a roof or floor of wood, metal deck, or other similar materials the moment at the base of the parapet will be developed into the wall below. In this case the anchorage force to the roof will be determined by the usual methods of analysis, assuming a pinned condition for the connection of the roof to the wall.

d. *Connections.* Walls will be anchored to the structural frame or diaphragm by dowels, anchor bolts, or other approved methods to withstand the design forces, but in no case less than 200 pounds per lineal foot. Dovetail anchors are inadequate for this purpose. Nonstructural partitions will be isolated from exterior walls and shear partitions so as to prevent buttress action, which would restrict

shear walls from deflecting with the diaphragms. Isolated partitions will be braced to overhead construction or anchored to other isolated cross walls to ensure lateral stability under out-of-plane loading.

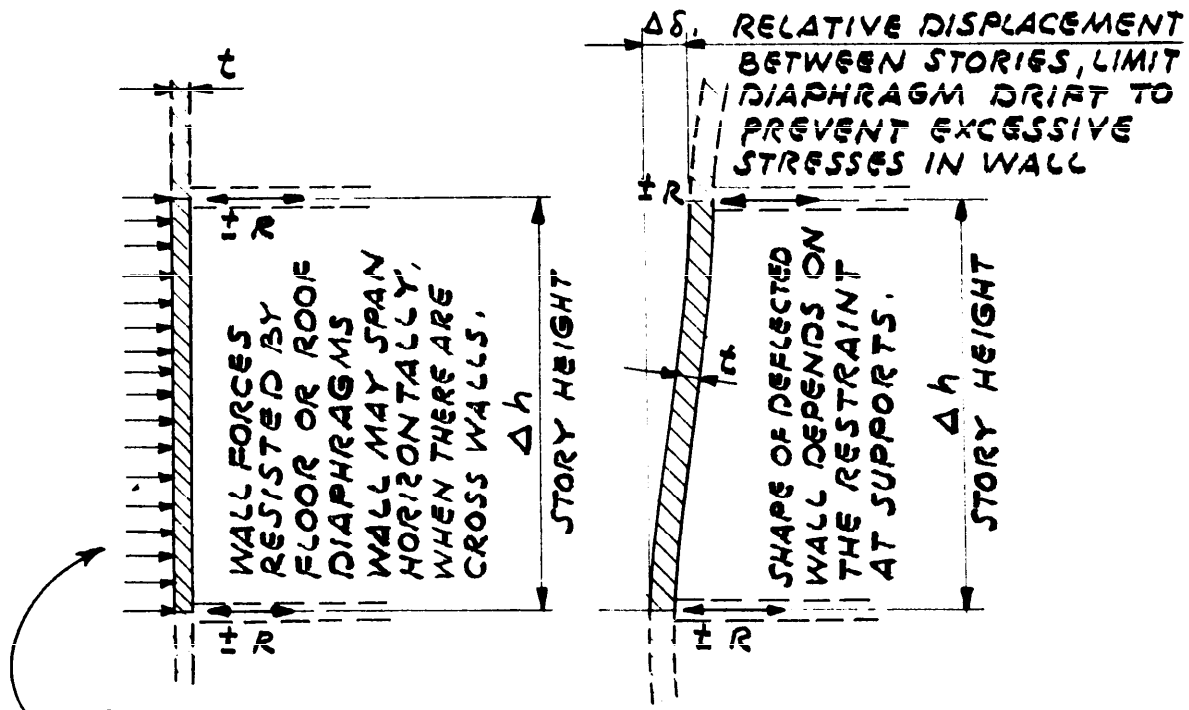
6-7. Cast-in-place concrete shear walls.

a. *General design criteria.* The criteria used to design reinforced concrete shear walls will be ACI 318 as modified by the amendments given in appendix C. For tilt-up and other precast concrete shear walls, refer to paragraph 6-8. For details of reinforcement, see figures 6-6 and 6-7.

b. *Boundary element requirements.*

(1) ACI 21.5.3 prescribes when boundary elements are required at the boundaries and edges around openings of shear walls and also specifies that these elements be designed to carry the factored gravity and seismic overturning forces. The elements may be either special reinforced concrete columns (ACI 21.5.3.2) or structural steel columns (SEAOC 3E4).

(2) Boundary elements are required when the gross-section compressive stress due to factored

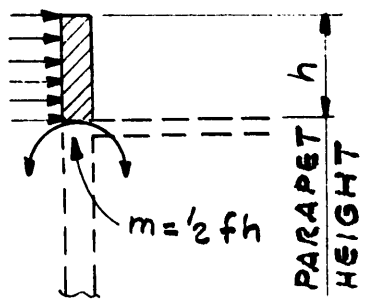


$f = ZIC_p w_p = 0.75 ZI w_p$
 (DESIGN WALL FOR FORCES IN OPPOSITE DIRECTION ALSO.)

b. Deflections
 Induced by Relative Deflections of Diaphragms (Refer to Chapter 5)

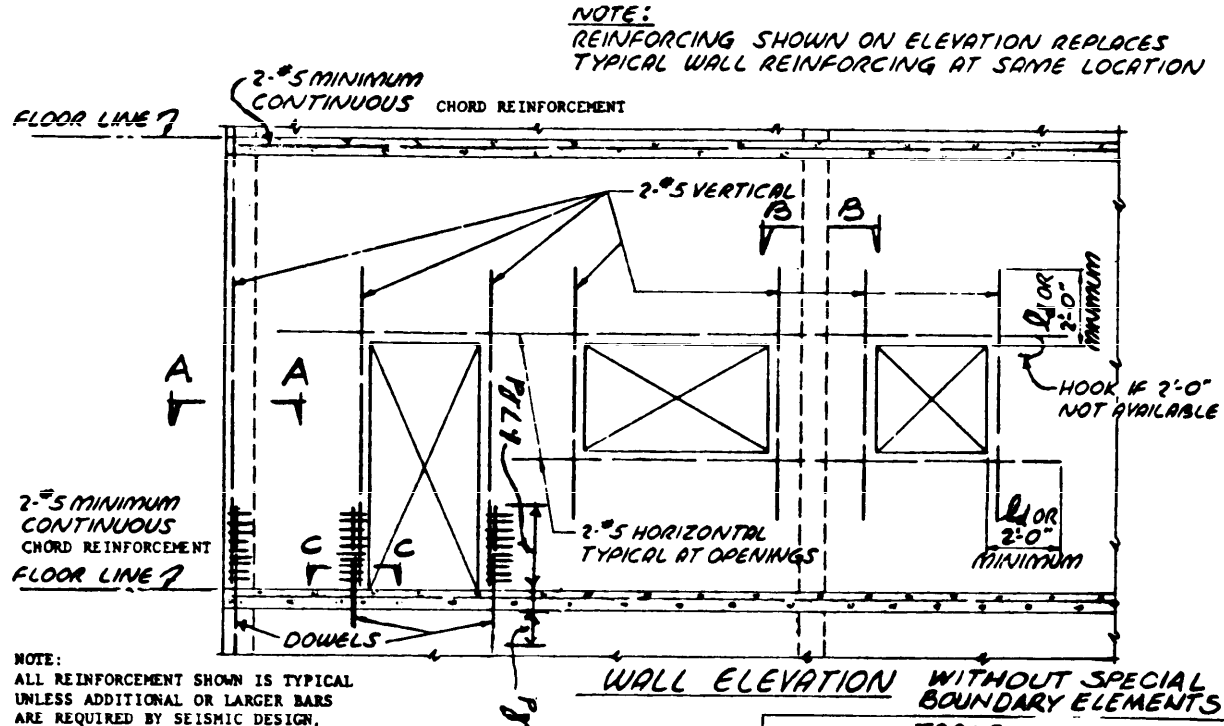
a. Load Normal to Wall

$f = ZIC_p w_p = 2.0 ZI w_p$
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c. Parapet Loading

Figure 6-5. Out-of-plane effects.

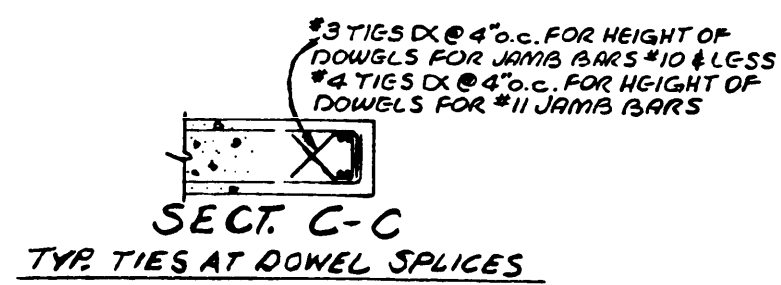
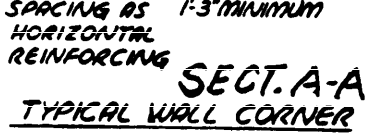
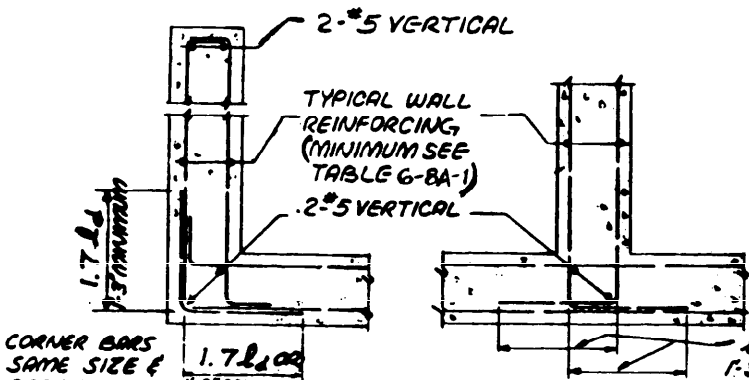


TABLE

MINIMUM CONCRETE WALL REINFORCING

WALL THICKNESS	VERTICAL & HORIZONTAL REINFORCING, \varnothing
8"	#4 @ 18" o.c. BOTH FACES
9"	#4 @ 18" o.c. BOTH FACES
10"	#4 @ 16" o.c. BOTH FACES
12"	#4 @ 13" o.c. BOTH FACES

\varnothing MAX. SPACING = $\frac{\varnothing}{3}$, WHERE \varnothing IS DIMENSION OF THE WALL PIER PARALLEL TO SHEAR FORCE



NOTES:
FOR L_d DEVELOPMENT LENGTH IN TENSION, SEE ACI 318-89, SECT. 12.2.
REFER TO FIG. G-8 FOR SPECIAL BOUNDARY ELEMENTS REQUIRED BY ACI 318-89, SECT. 21.5.3

Figure 6-6. Minimum concrete shear wall reinforcement (two curtains).

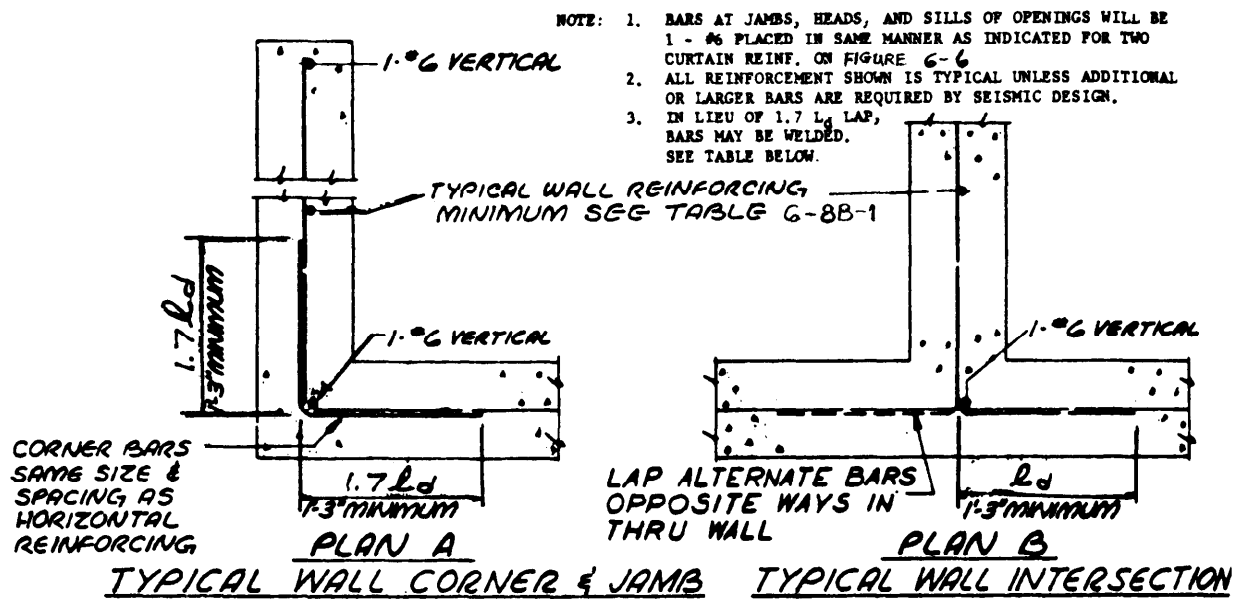


TABLE 6-8B-1

MINIMUM CONCRETE WALL REINF.	
WALL THICKNESS	VERTICAL & HORIZONTAL REINFORCING ○
5"	#4 @ 16" o.c. IN CENTER
6"	#4 @ 13" o.c. IN CENTER
7"	#4 @ 11" o.c. IN CENTER
8"	#4 @ 10" o.c. IN CENTER

TABLE 6-8B-2

MINIMUM LENGTH OF STANDARD AWS. FLARE GROOVE WELDS TO DEVELOP LAPPED REINFORCING BARS	
BAR	WELD LENGTH (EACH SIDE)
3	2"
4	2½"
5	3"
6	3½"
7	4"

○ SPACING OF BARS NOT TO EXCEED $\frac{d}{3}$ WHERE d IS DIMENSION OF THE WALL PIER PARALLEL TO SHEAR FORCE

Figure 6-7. Minimum concrete shear wall reinforcement (one curtain).

forces exceeds $0.2 f_c$ at the edge of the wall boundary or opening.

(3) Wall boundary elements may also occur in the building frame system and the dual system (systems B3a and D1a and b in SEAOC Table 1-G), where the usual configuration is to place the shear walls within the bays between the frame columns. See figure 6-8 for details of shear walls with boundary elements.

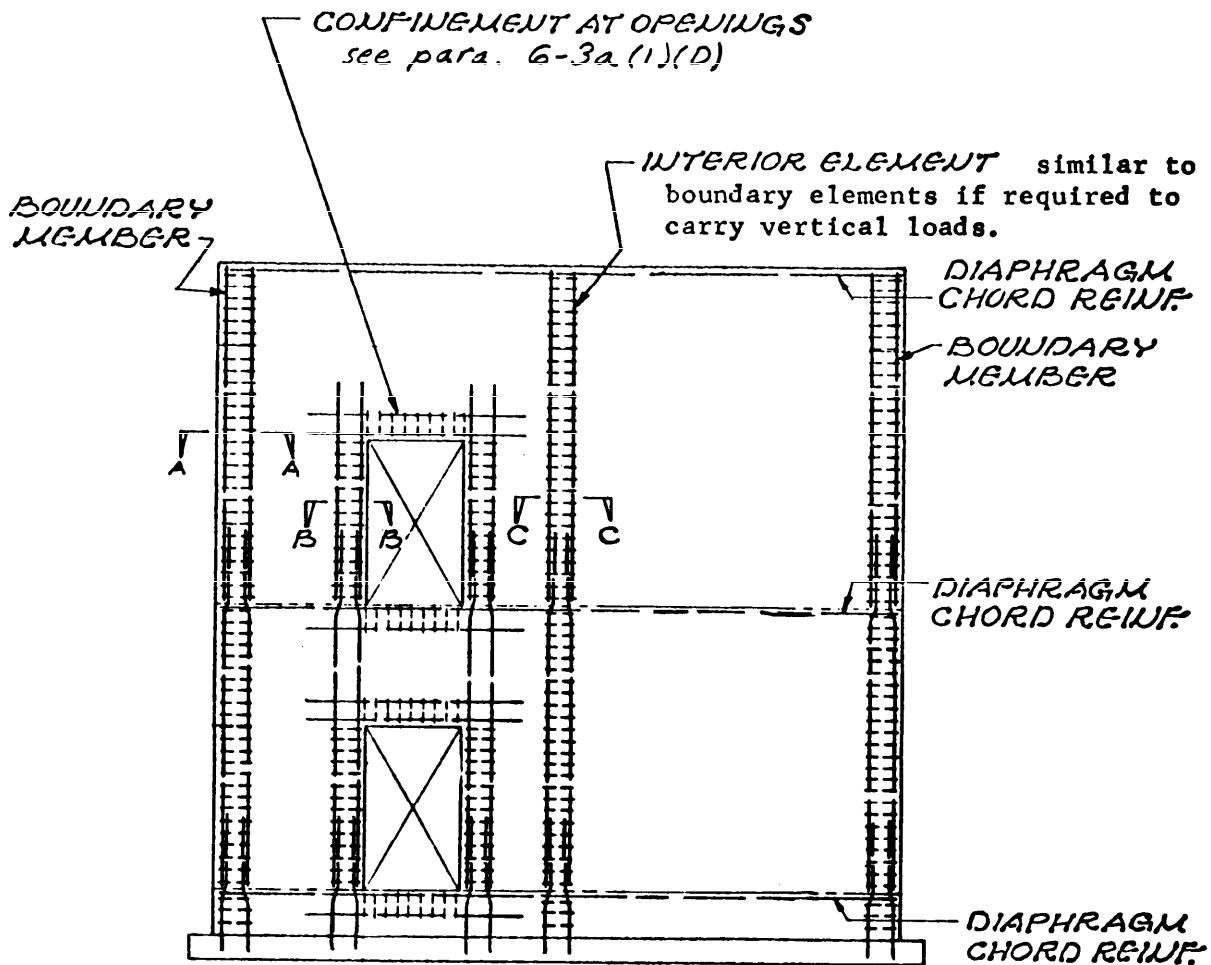
(4) When boundary elements are not required (when gross-section compressive stress is less than or equal to $0.2 f_c$), then only a minimum amount of boundary and edge steel is required by SEAOC 3E2 and 3E3. Details are shown in figures 6-6 and 6-7.

c. Wall piers. Refer to appendix C, paragraph C-19, for design.

6-8. Tilt-up and other precast concrete shear walls.

a. *Analysis.* Where tilt-up or precast concrete walls are used as shear walls, the analysis is similar to that for walls of cast-in-place concrete; however, in this case the boundary conditions become critical, and the shears between precast and cast-in-place elements must be analyzed. Shears between two precast elements or between a precast element and a cast-in-place element may be developed by shear keys, dowels, or welded inserts. The contact joint itself is a cold joint and will be given no shear or tension value.

b. *Joints.* Precast concrete elements tend to be structurally separate, one element from another. In the case of precast wall construction, for instance, one might have a series of concrete ele-



WALL ELEVATION WITH SPECIAL BOUNDARY ELEMENTS

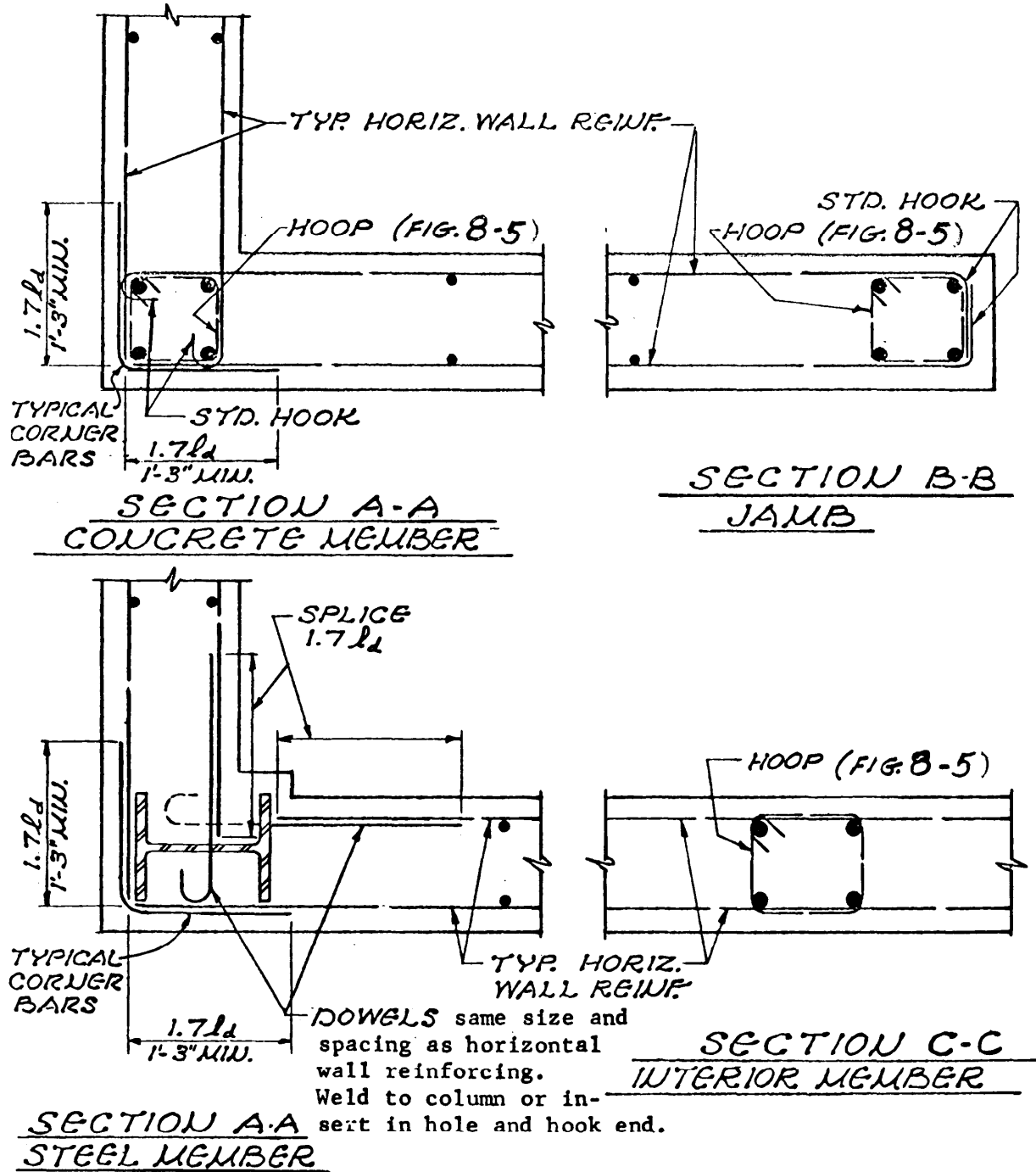
NOTES: For Sections A-A, B-B, and C-C, see Figure 6-8.2 of 2. Special vertical boundary members, as shown above, shall be provided at the edges of concrete shear walls in Zones 3 and 4 when required by ACI 318-89, Sect. 21.5.3

Figure 6-8. Shear wall with special boundary members.

ments tied together at top and bottom but structurally separated from each other by vertical joints. Since all elements in a line are tied together at the top, they must have equal horizontal deflections; therefore, a horizontal force parallel to the line of units will be resisted by the individual elements in proportion to relative rigidities. Such elements may not have equal rigidities, since some may contain large openings or may be of different height-width ratios. Some elements may deflect primarily in shear and others primarily in flexure. Where significant dissimilar deflections are found, the building elements tying the individual units

together must be analyzed to determine their ability to resist or accept such deformations, including angular rotation, without losing their ability to function as ties or diaphragm chords or footings. Mechanical keys or sleeved dowels may be used to assist in eliminating differential movement of adjacent precast panels separated by control joints where appearance and weather-tightness are otherwise satisfactorily provided.

c. *Connectors for shear walls.* Past earthquakes have shown that the performance of weld plates or other nonductile connectors has often been poor, and in many cases they have resulted in failures.



NOTES: For location of sections, see Figure 6-8, SHEET 1
 For l_d , development length in tension, SEE ACI 12.2

Figure 6-8. Continued.

These connectors have been weak links in the shear wall connection. It is important that the load bearing shear walls be more stringently or conservatively designed, since any connector failure during an earthquake may result in progressive failure to collapse. Therefore, all connectors for load-bearing and non-load-bearing walls will be designed for $3(R_w/8)$ times the actual seismic shear forces. The shear force will be uniformly distrib-

uted throughout the height or length of the shear wall with reasonably spaced connectors (maximum spacing 4 feet) rather than with a few that will have localized concentration of stresses. Detailed calculations will be made, including the localized effects in concrete walls attributed from these connectors. Sufficient details of connectors and embedded anchorage will be provided to preclude construction deficiency.

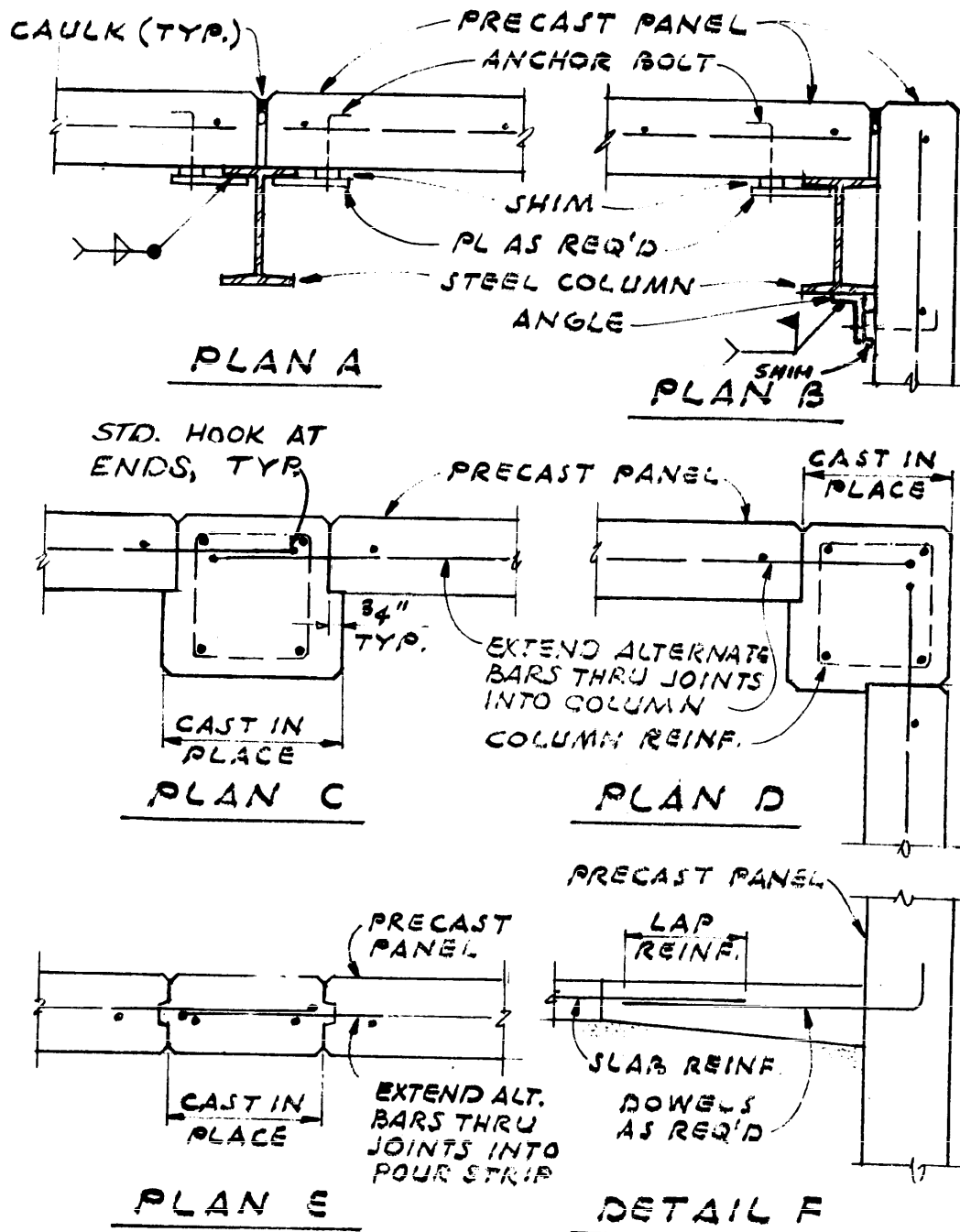


Figure 6-9. Tilt-up and other precast concrete walls—typical details of attachments.

d. Typical details. Refer to figure 6-9 for typical details of attachments.

6-9. Masonry shear walls.

a. General design criteria. This section prescribes the criteria for the structural design of shear walls of unit masonry construction. The basic reference document is TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3. For calculation of shearing stress, masonry shear walls will be designed to resist 1.5 times the forces determined in accordance with SEAOC 2E2.

b. Basic requirements. Unit masonry will be

reinforced with deformed bars for axial, flexural, shear, and diagonal tension stresses as determined by design calculations. Additional reinforcing bars are prescribed for use around openings, at corners, at anchored intersections, and at the ends of wall panels (for example, at control joints). The minimum reinforcement prescribed in the manual is intended to provide empirical requirements relative to damage control (ductility and boundary conditions). Layout and details of construction will be compatible with the application of the rules for modular measure.

c. Special requirements.

(1) *Excluded materials.* The following materials will not be used as part of the structural frame:

(a) In Zone 2, glass block, non-load-bearing masonry units, plastic cement, masonry cement, and mortar with more than 1-¼ parts by volume of hydrated lime or lime putty per one part of portland cement.

(b) In Zones 3 and 4, glass block, non-load-bearing masonry units, plastic cement, masonry cement, and mortar with more than ½ part by volume of hydrated lime or lime putty per one part of portland cement.

(2) *Stacked bond.* Since a running bond pattern is the strongest and most economical, the criteria in this manual are based upon each wythe of masonry being constructed in a running bond pattern. The use of a stacked bond pattern will be restricted to reinforced walls essential to the architectural treatment. Filled-cell masonry or grouted masonry will be used. For filled-cell masonry, open end blocks will be used and so arranged that closed ends are not abutting and all head joints are made solid, and bond beam units shall be used to facilitate the flow of grout.

(3) *Height limit.* Unit masonry construction will not be used for shear walls where the height of the building exceeds the limits given in SEAOC Table 1-G.

(4) *Joint reinforcement.* Joint reinforcement will not be used in the calculation of shear strength.

(5) *Mechanical splices.* Mechanical splices will develop 125 percent of the specified yield strength of the bar in tension, except that for compression bars in columns that are not part of the seismic system and are not subject to flexure, the compressive strength only need be developed.

(6) *Cavity walls.* Cavity walls are not practical for use as shear walls because each wythe individually, and both wythes acting together in proportion to their relative rigidities, must be capable of carrying the required loads. It is usually much more economical to construct a two-wythe cavity type wall by using an interior structural wythe and an exterior nonstructural anchored veneer wythe. See chapter 11 for requirements for anchored veneer.

(7) *Drawings.* The locations of control joints and the identification of structural and nonstructural walls and partitions for all masonry construction will be shown on preliminary and contract drawings. On contract drawings, complete details for masonry, reinforcement, and connections to other elements will be shown. Detailing procedures outlined in ACI-315 are generally applicable to reinforced masonry.

(8) *Frame qualifications.* Masonry columns or pilasters will not be used to qualify a structure for a complete vertical load carrying space frame so as to increase the R_w -factor above that of a bearing wall system. Masonry columns will not be used in rigid frame construction.

d. Types of reinforced masonry walls. Masonry will conform to one of the following basic types: reinforced grouted masonry, reinforced hollow masonry, or reinforced filled-cell masonry.

(1) Reinforced grouted masonry is that type of construction made with two wythes of masonry units in which the collar joint between is reinforced and filled solidly with concrete grout. The grout may be placed as the work progresses or after the masonry units are laid. Collar joints will be reinforced with deformed bars, both vertical and horizontal. Reinforcement and embedded items such as structural connections and electrical conduit shall be positioned so as to allow proper placement of grout. All units will be laid in running bond with full shoved head and bed mortar joints. Masonry headers will not project into grout spaces. Clipped-brick headers will be used where the appearance of masonry headers is required. See figure 6-10.

(2) Reinforced hollow masonry is that type of construction made with a single wythe of hollow masonry units (concrete or clay blocks), reinforced vertically and horizontally with steel bars, and cores and voids containing reinforcing bars or embedded items are filled with grout as the work progresses. See figure 6-11.

(3) Reinforced filled-cell masonry is that type of construction made with a single wythe of hollow masonry units, reinforced vertically and horizontally with deformed steel bars, and *all* cores and voids are filled solidly with grout after the wall is laid. See figure 6-12.

e. Bond beams. Bond beams will be located as indicated in figure 6-13. Reinforcement bars in bond beams will be lapped as prescribed in TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-33, Chap 3 at splices, at intersections, and at corners. Bar splices will be staggered. Bond beams will be provided at top of masonry foundation wall stems, below and at top of openings or immediately above lintels, at floor and roof levels, and at top of parapet walls. Intermediate bond beams will be provided as required to conform to the maximum spacing of horizontal bars. However, whenever the height is not a multiple of this normal spacing, the spacing may be increased up to a maximum of 24 inches, provided the bond beams are supplemented with joint reinforcement. One line of joint reinforcement will be provided for each 8-inch increase in the spacing. No additional bond beam will be required

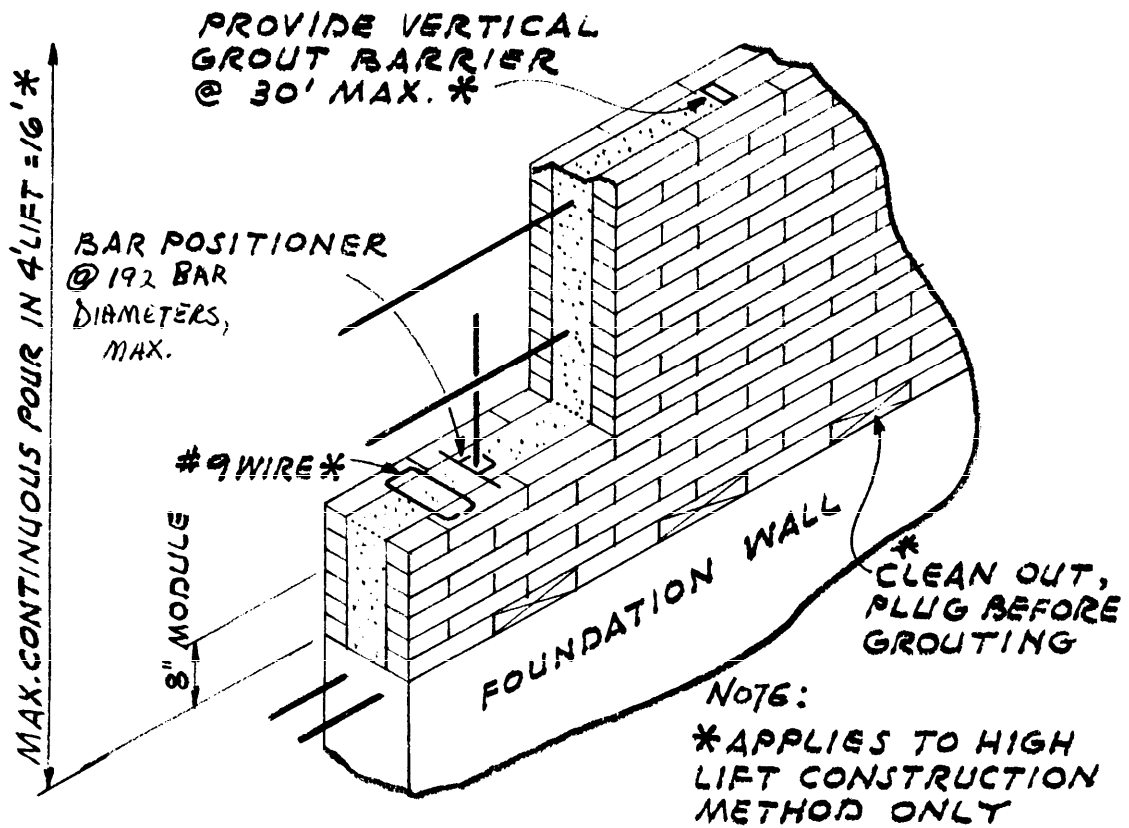
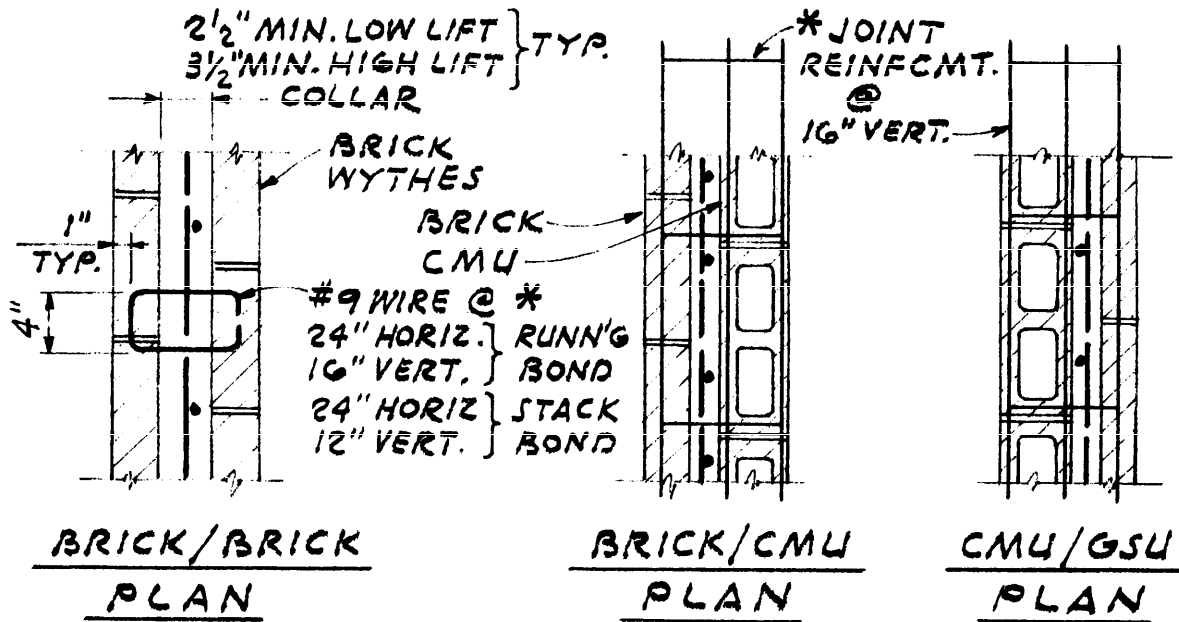


Figure 6-10. Reinforced grouted masonry.

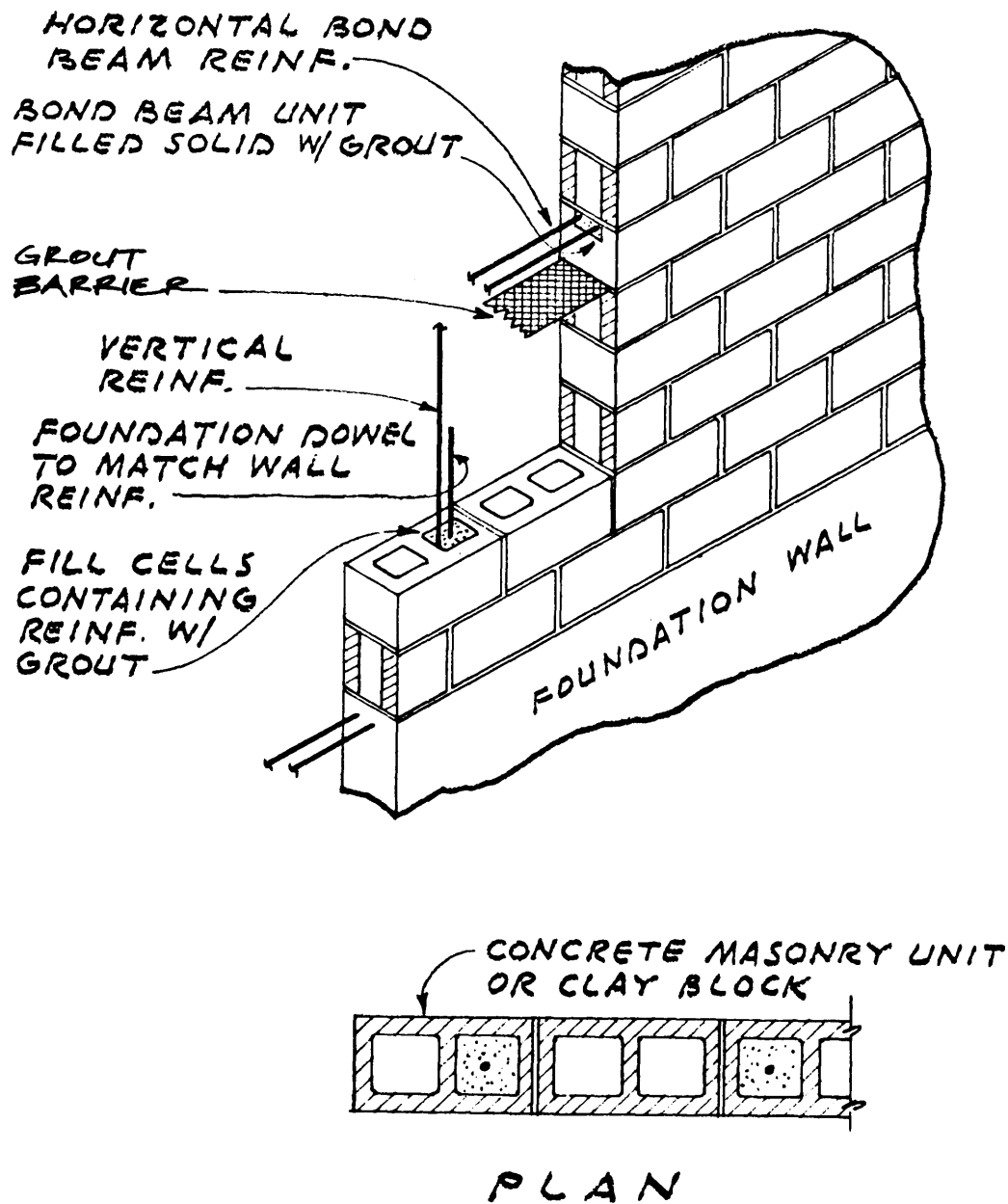


Figure 6-11. Reinforced hollow masonry.

between window openings that do not exceed 6 feet in height, provided the prescribed supplemental joint reinforcement is installed. To facilitate the placement of steel or concrete core fill, the top bond beam for filler walls or partitions may be placed in the next-to-top course. The area of bond beam reinforcement will be included as part of the minimum horizontal steel.

f. *Control joints.* Control joints may be required under the provisions of TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3. The placement of control joints must be coordinated with the seismic design. Because the control joints provide a complete separation of the masonry, the location of control joints fixes the length of wall panels and, in turn, the rigidity of

the walls, the distribution of seismic forces, and the resulting unit stresses. Therefore, adding, eliminating, or relocating control joints will not be permitted once the structural design is complete. Control joints will never be assumed to transfer bending moments or diagonal tension across the joint: joint reinforcement and bars in nonstructural bond beams will be terminated at control joints. Deformed bars in structural bond beams (those acting as chords and collectors) will be made continuous for the length of the diaphragm. Refer to figure 6-14.

g. *Design considerations.*

(1) *Wall weights.* Refer to TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3 for the average weight of concrete

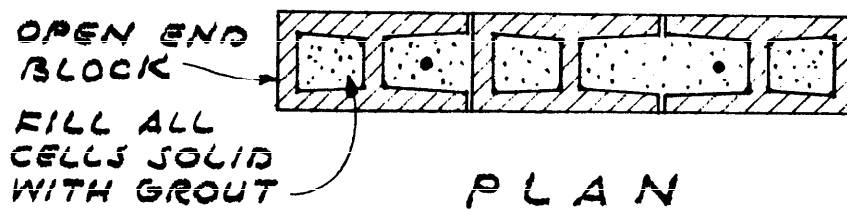
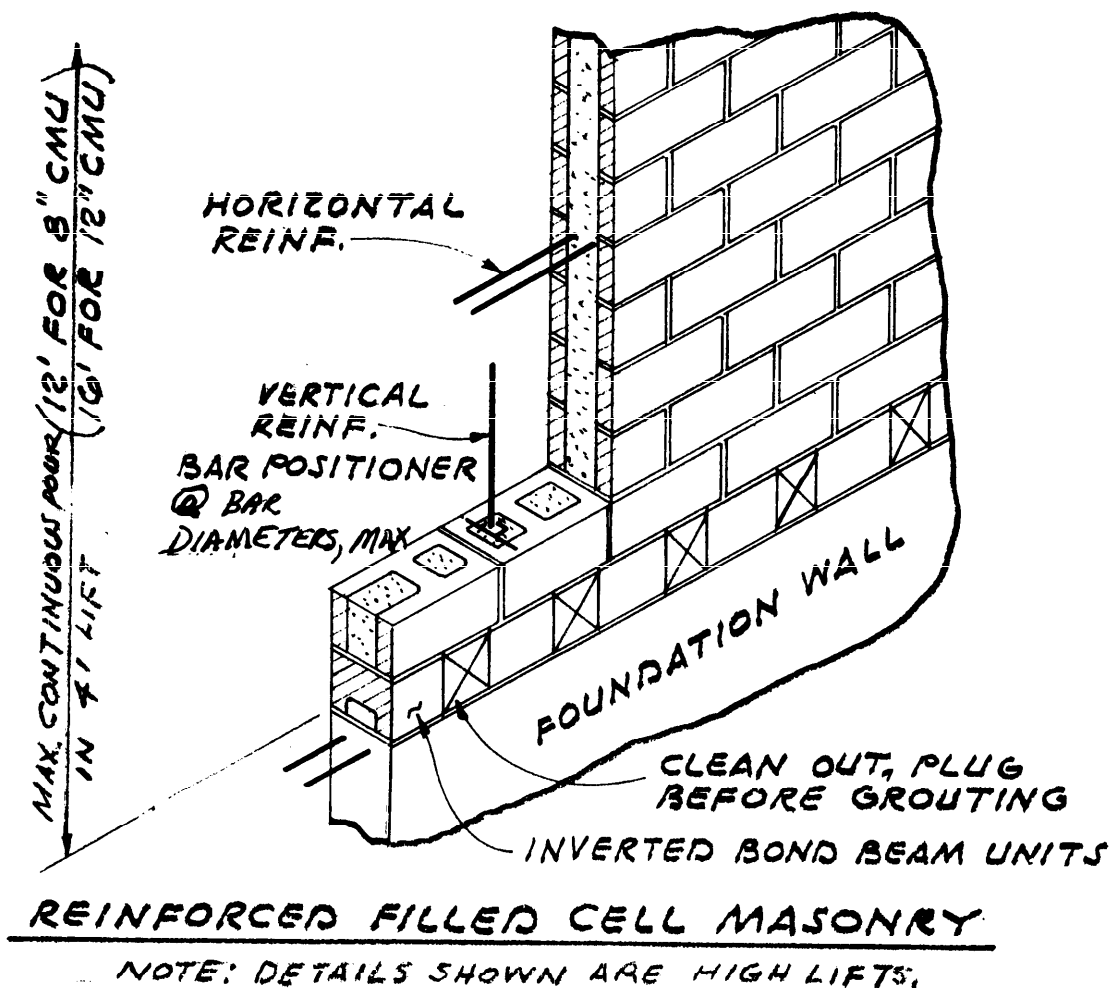


Figure 6-12. Reinforced filled-cell masonry.

masonry units and the average weight of completed walls.

(2) *Shearing stresses in hollow masonry.* Refer to TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3 for the assumed effective area for hollow masonry and the equivalent thickness of hollow masonry for computing stress due to shear parallel to the face.

(3) *Boundary elements.* When masonry shear walls are used as part of a dual system (i.e., systems D1c and D1d in SEAOC Table 1-G), special vertical boundary elements are required. These elements will be composed of structural

steel or reinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 21.5.3.

h. Reinforcing. Typical reinforcement is shown in figure 6-14.

(1) *Minimum reinforcing.* Unit masonry must be reinforced not only for structural strength but to provide ductile properties and to hold it together in the event of severe seismic disturbance. All walls and partitions will be reinforced as required by structural calculations, but in no case with less than the minimum area of steel and the maximum spacing of bars prescribed below. The

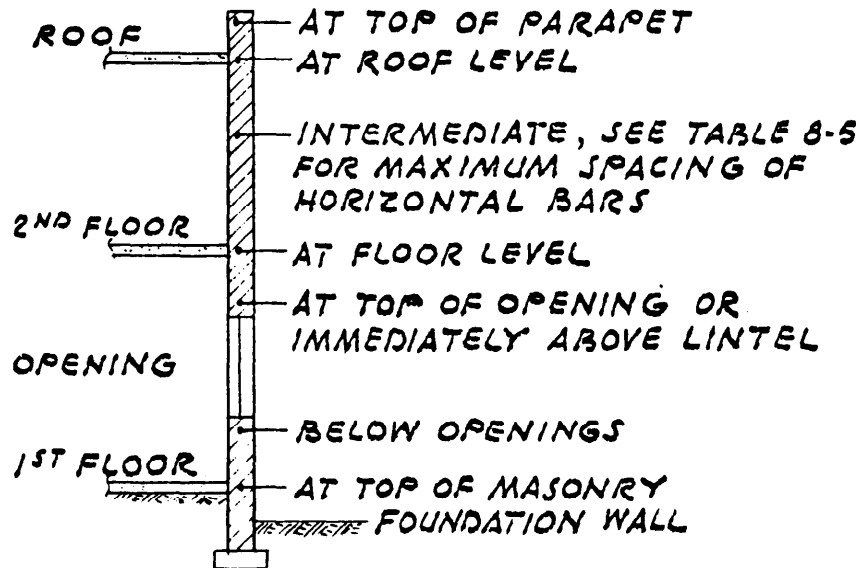


Figure 6-13. Location of bond beams.

minimum reinforcement and the maximum spacing of bars is controlled by the type of wall and the seismic zone. Table 6-1 applies. Only reinforcement that is continuous in any wall panel will be considered in computing the minimum area of reinforcement. Joint reinforcement used for crack control or mechanical bonding may be considered as part of the total minimum horizontal reinforcement but will not be used to resist computed stresses. (For Zone 1 structures, the exception for wall reinforcement under table 6-1 applies. Where the exception applies, masonry construction will conform to TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3. Further additional bars will be provided around openings, at corners, at anchored intersections in wall piers, and at ends of wall panels as prescribed elsewhere in this chapter. Vertical bars in walls will be spliced as prescribed in TM 5-809-3/AFM 88-3, Chap 3.

(2) *Reinforcing in shear walls.* In Zones 3 and 4, reinforcement required to resist in-plane shear will be terminated with a standard hook or with an extension of proper embedment length beyond the reinforcing at the end of the wall section. The hook or extension may be turned up, down, or horizontally. Provisions will be made not to obstruct grout placement. Wall reinforcement terminating in columns or beams will be fully anchored into these elements.

(3) *Reinforcing in wall piers.* Horizontal reinforcement will be in the form of ties as shown in figure 6-14.

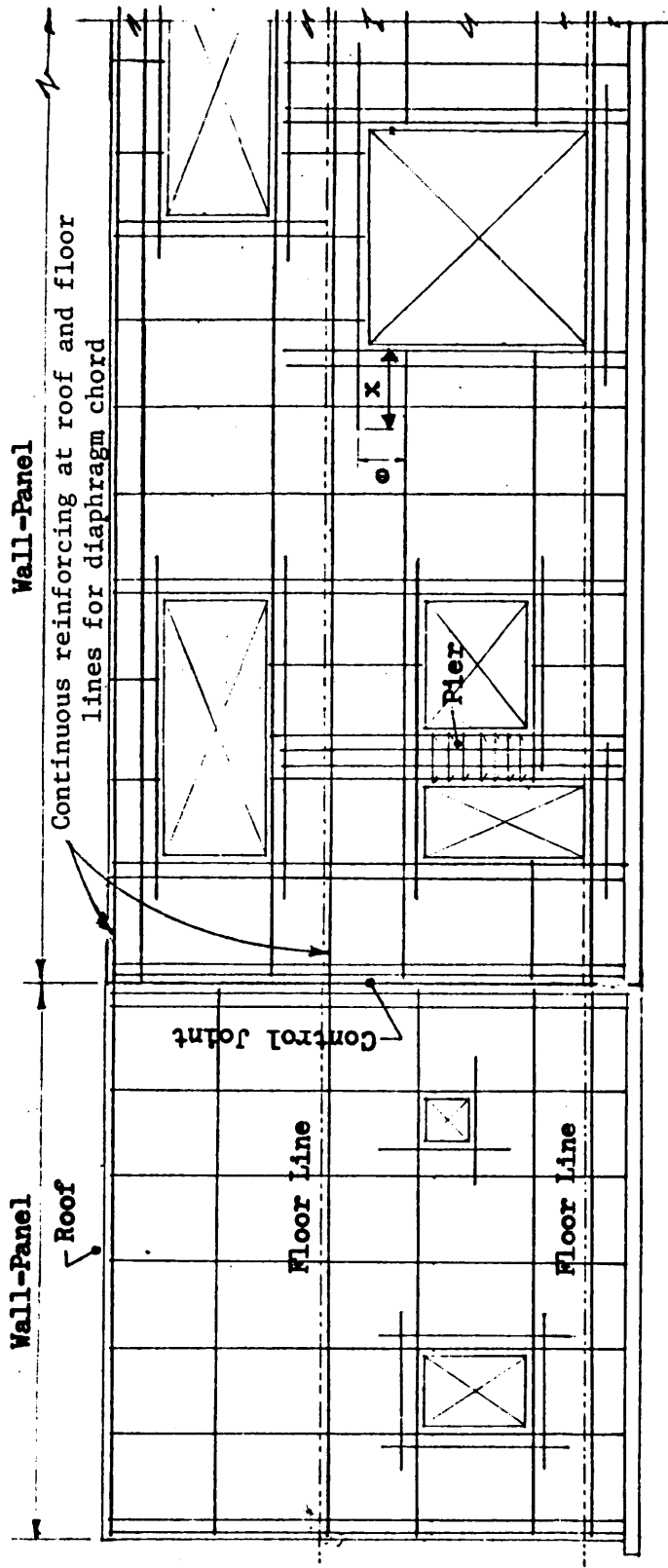
(4) *Column ties.* In Zones 3 and 4, the spacing of column ties will not be more than: 8 inches the full height for columns stressed by tensile or compressive axial overturning forces due to the

seismic loads of chapter 3; 8 inches for the tops and bottoms of all other columns for a distance of one-sixth of the clear column height, but not less than 18 inches nor the maximum column dimension. Tie spacing for the remaining column height will be not more than 16 bar diameters, 48 tie diameters, or the least column dimension, but not more than 18 inches. Hooks in column ties will have a minimum turn of 135 degrees plus an extension of at least six bar diameters, but not less than 4 inches at the free end of the bar, except that where the ties are placed in the horizontal bed joints, the hook will consist of a 90-degree bend having a radius of not less than four bar diameters plus an extension of 32 bar diameters.

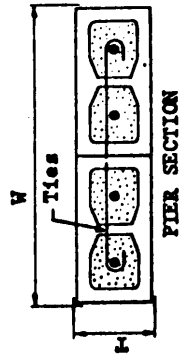
(5) *Reinforcing in stacked bond.* In Seismic Zone 2, the minimum horizontal reinforcement ratio shall be .0007 bt. This ratio shall be satisfied by uniformly distributed joint reinforcement fully embedded in mortar or by horizontal reinforcement spaced not over 4 feet and fully embedded in grout. In Seismic Zones 3 and 4 the minimum horizontal reinforcement ratio shall be .015 bt. If open end units are used and grouted solid, then the minimum horizontal reinforcement ratio shall be .0007 bt.

(6) *Reinforcing at wall openings.* Since the area around wall openings is vulnerable to failure, supplemental reinforcement is prescribed herein. For purposes of this paragraph, the term *jamb bars* will mean bars of the same size, number, extent, and anchorages as the typical vertical stud reinforcement in that wall, and in no case less than one bar, #4 or larger. Refer to figure 6-15.

(a) *Case I.* Case I applies to all openings in nonstructural partitions over 100 square inches,



ELEVATION OF A TYPICAL WALL



$x = 20 + \text{SPICE LENGTH}$
 BUT NOT LESS THAN 24"

Figure 6-14. Typical wall reinforcement—reinforced masonry.

	Total Minimum Reinforcement (percent) ^{1,2}			Maximum spacing of bars (inches)					
				Vertical bars			Horizontal bars		
	Seismic Zone			Seismic Zone			Seismic Zone		
	4&3	2	1 ³	4&3	2	1 ³	4&3	2	1 ³
Structural	0.20	0.20	0.15	24	36	60	48	60	72
Nonstructural	0.15	0.15	0.15	48	60	72	84	84	96

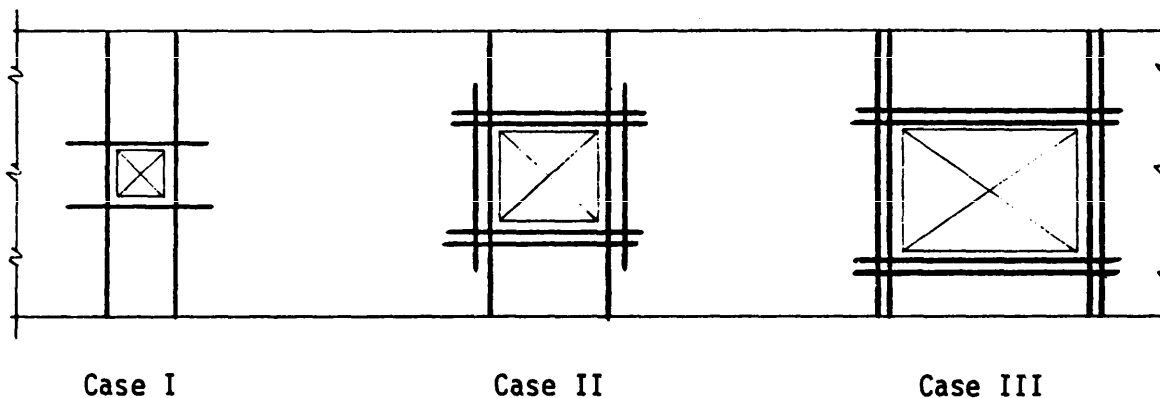
NOTES

¹The total minimum reinforcement is the sum of the vertical and horizontal reinforcement; not less than 1/3 of the prescribed total minimum reinforcement will be used in either direction.

²The percentage of area reinforcement is based on gross area of wall (nominal dimensions).

³Exception: In seismic zone 1, one-story structures with eave heights not exceeding 14 feet; and two-story and three-story structures with story heights not exceeding 12 feet, the maximum spacing of vertical reinforcement in structural and nonstructural walls will be 6 feet and 8 feet, respectively. Vertical reinforcement will also be provided at each side of each opening and each corner. Horizontal reinforcement will be provided at top of footings and at the bottom and top of openings. These walls must be capable of resisting seismic zone 1 loads.

Table 6-1. Minimum wall reinforcement.



Refer to paragraph 6-9h (2) for application of Cases I, II, and III.

Figure 6-15. Reinforcement around wall openings.

and any opening in structural partitions or exterior walls that is 2 feet or less both ways but over 100 square inches. Jamb bars will be provided on each side of the opening and at least one bar, #4 or larger, will be provided at top and bottom of the opening. The lintel bars above the opening may serve as the top horizontal bar, and a bond beam bar at the bottom of the opening may serve as the bottom horizontal bar.

(b) Case II. Case II applies to exterior walls and structural partitions for any opening that exceeds 2 feet but is not over 4 feet in any

direction. The perimeter reinforcement will be the same as in Case I plus additional reinforcement as follows: at least one bar, #4 or larger, will be provided on all four sides of the opening in addition to the bars required in Case I and shall extend not less than 40 bar diameters or 24 inches, whichever is larger, beyond the corners of the opening.

(c) Case III. Case III applies to any opening that exceeds 4 feet in either direction in exterior walls or structural partitions. The perimeter reinforcement will be the same as in Case II, except

that vertical jamb bars will be provided in lieu of the shorter vertical bars.

i. Additional details. See figure 6-16.

6-10. Wood stud shear walls.

a. General design criteria. The criteria used to design wood stud shear walls are presented in SEAOC, chapter 5 and the additional criteria in this section.

b. Allowable shears for plywood. Details of plywood sheathed walls are shown in figure 6-17, and the allowable shears are shown in figure 6-18. The usual one-third increase for short-term seismic loads is not applicable to these allowable shear values. When a combination of plywood and other materials is used, the shear strength of the walls will be determined by the values permitted for plywood alone.

c. Allowable shears for sheathing other than plywood. Figure 6-19 gives in tabular form the maximum height-width ratios and allowable shear per lineal foot for wood stud shear walls with various types of sheathing or plaster except for plywood sheathed walls. The usual one-third increase for short-time seismic loads is not applicable to these allowable shear values. The strength of any wood stud shear wall may be made up of a combination of the materials listed. In no case shall the allowable shears for combinations of materials exceed 600 pounds per lineal foot.

d. Deflections. Procedures for calculating the deflection of wood frame shear walls are not yet available. The maximum height-width limitations given herein are presumed to satisfactorily control deflections. Relative stiffnesses of wood stud shear walls will be measured by the effective lineal width of walls or piers between openings.

e. Let-in brace. Except when used in combination with diagonal sheathing or plywood, a 1-inch by 4-inch brace let into the studs may be used to resist an additional horizontal force not exceeding 1,000 pounds, provided the total value of the shear wall does not exceed 600 pounds per foot. Each such brace shall be nailed to each stud and to the top and bottom plates with two 8d nails.

f. Wall tie-down. The end studs of any plywood sheathed shear wall and/or shear wall pier will be tied down in such a manner as to resist the overturning forces produced by seismic forces parallel to the shear wall. This overturning force is sometimes of sufficient magnitude to require special steel attachment details. A commonly used detail is shown on figure 6-20. Tie-downs will be computed using the required stresses for wood and its fastenings increased one-third for seismic forces.

6-11. Steel stud shear walls.

a. Description of system. Steel studs may be used in lieu of wood studs in structural bearing walls. To function as shear walls, steel-stud walls need bracing. In principle, plywood sheathing could be used, but there are no available allowable shear values. Instead, it is customary to use diagonal braces made of steel straps welded to the face of the steel studs. Sheathing such as plywood or gypsum board may be used to serve architectural purposes such as containing insulation and backing up finishes.

b. Design criteria. This is system A3 in SEAOC Table 1-G: the R_w -value is 4. In this manual this category envisions structures with lateral forces that come from a roof and the upper part of walls, and that are small in magnitude. The system is limited to buildings of one story. The system will not be used for lateral support of masonry or precast panels.

c. Detailed design requirements. Figure 6-21 shows a few typical details for this light construction. Figure 6-21, sheet 1, shows a steel-strap brace that can be used to resist a maximum load of 1,000 pounds per brace. Note several essential features of that detail:

(1) The end of the diagonal strap is concentric with the stud and track and is welded all around to those two members.

(2) The vertical component of force is transmitted into the base via a structural steel angle whose upstanding leg is welded to the stud at locations very close to the flanges of the stud. This angle detail holds the base of the stud and prevents stresses and deflections that would occur in the track if the stud were connected solely to the track with the anchor bolt at some distance away.

(3) At least two straps are needed in each wall, arranged so that there is sufficient tension capacity in both directions of design force.

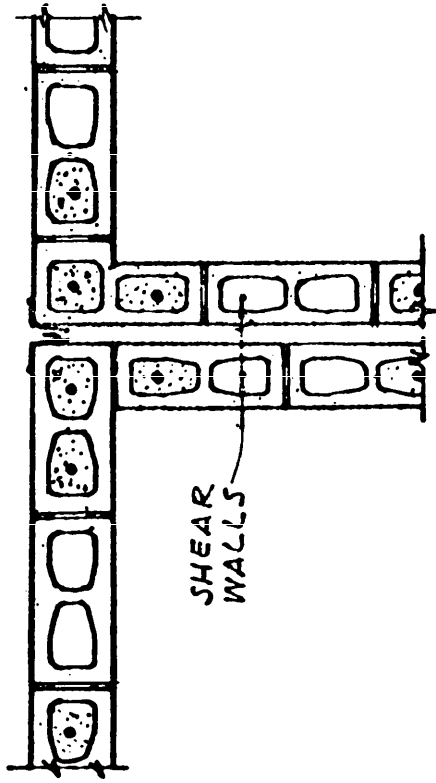
(4) The bottom track cannot be used to resist uplift by bending of the track web (as noted in the paragraph above concerning the brace detail).

(5) Both flanges of all studs must be braced against torsional buckling.

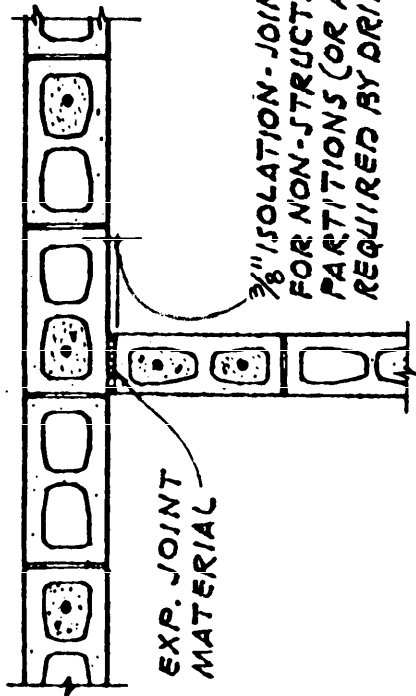
(6) Screws may not be used to resist forces in pullout.

(7) Provisions must be made for pretensioning the straps or otherwise ensuring that they are not loose.

(8) There will be some sheathing that will provide additional stiffening and some redundancy; if there is no sheathing, the designer should provide remedial solutions.



SHEAR WALLS

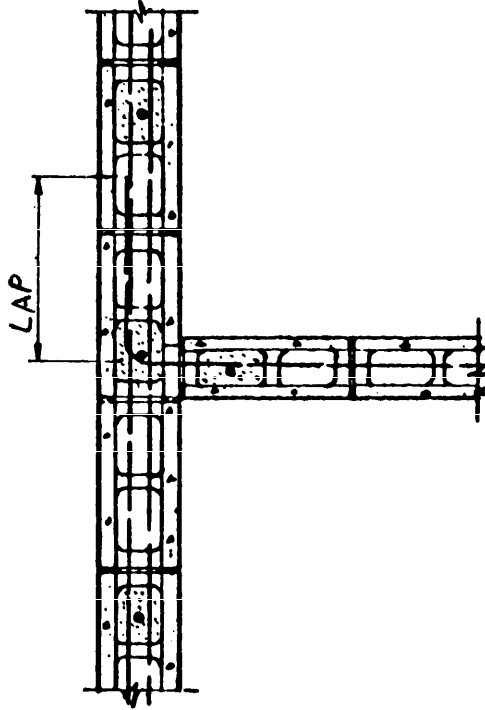


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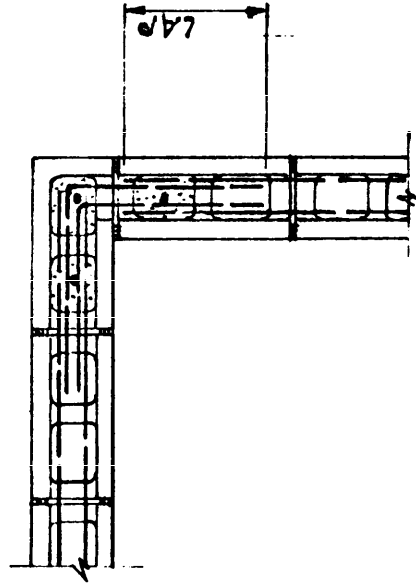
3/8" ISOLATION JOINT FOR NON-STRUCT. PARTITIONS (OR AS REQUIRED BY DRIFT)

a. PARTITION ABUTTING STRUCTURAL WALL

c. SEISMIC JOINT

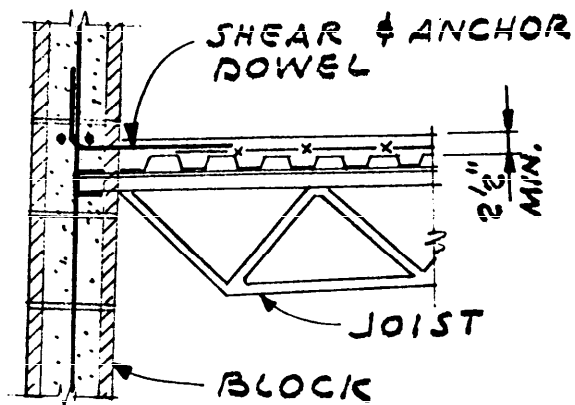


b. INTERSECTION OF STRUCTURAL BOND BEAMS

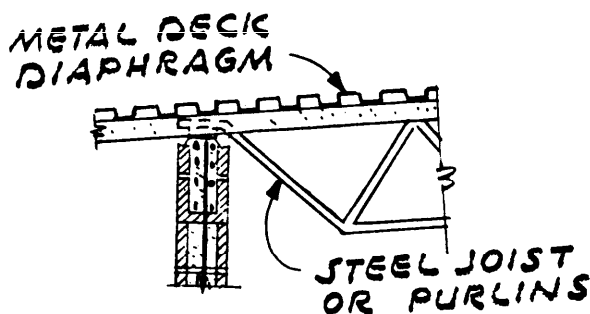


d. CORNER DETAIL

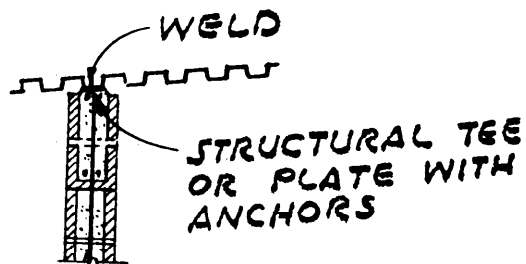
Figure 6-16. Masonry wall details.



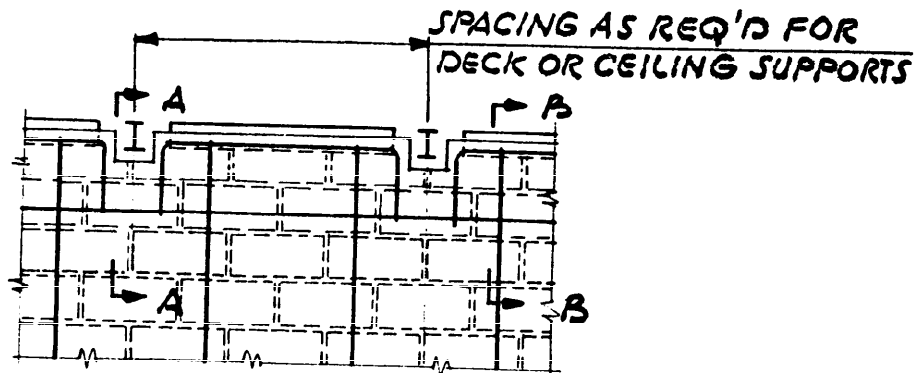
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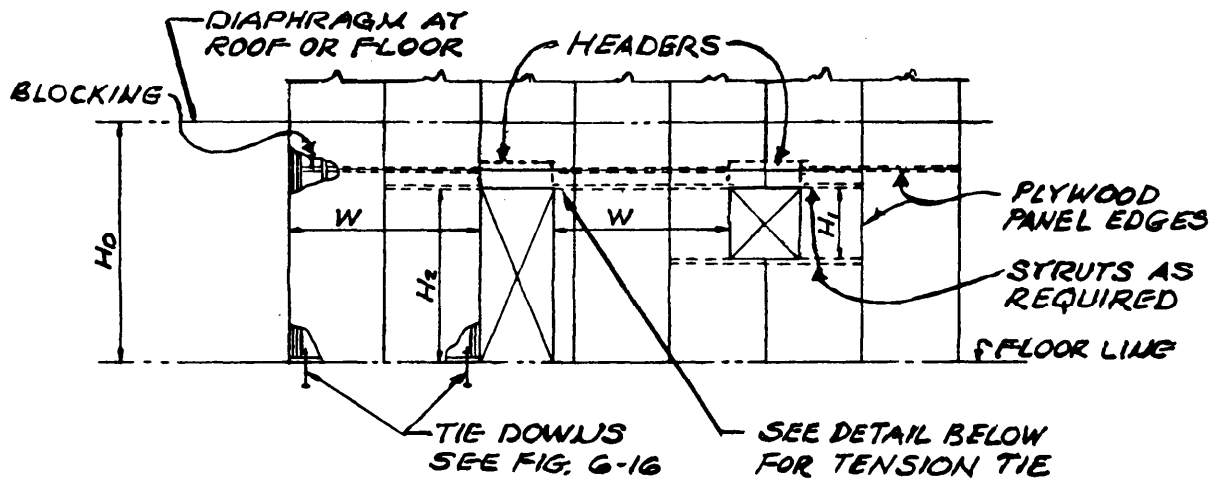


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ELEVATION
MASONRY WALL TO METAL DIAPHRAGM

Figure 6-16. Continued.



NOTES:

1. FOR VALUES OF PLYWOOD SHEATHED SHEAR WALLS, SEE FIG. 6-15.
2. HEIGHT-WIDTH RATIO OF PLYWOOD SHEATHED SHEAR WALLS WILL BE LIMITED TO $3\frac{1}{2}$ TO 1. H_0/W WILL BE USED FOR THE HEIGHT-WIDTH RATIO UNLESS STRUTS ARE DEVELOPED AT THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF THE OPENINGS IN WHICH CASE H_1/W OR H_2/W MAY BE USED.
3. THESE SHEAR WALLS SHALL NOT BE USED TO RESIST FORCES DUE TO CONCRETE OR MASONRY MASSES, EXCEPT FOR VESTIBLES, SHOWER STALLS AND MINOR CONCRETE FILLS SUCH AS EQUIPMENT BASES.
4. THE USUAL $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ INCREASE FOR SHORT-TIME SEISMIC LOADS IS NOT APPLICABLE TO THE ALLOWABLE SHEAR VALUES GIVEN IN FIG. 6-22.

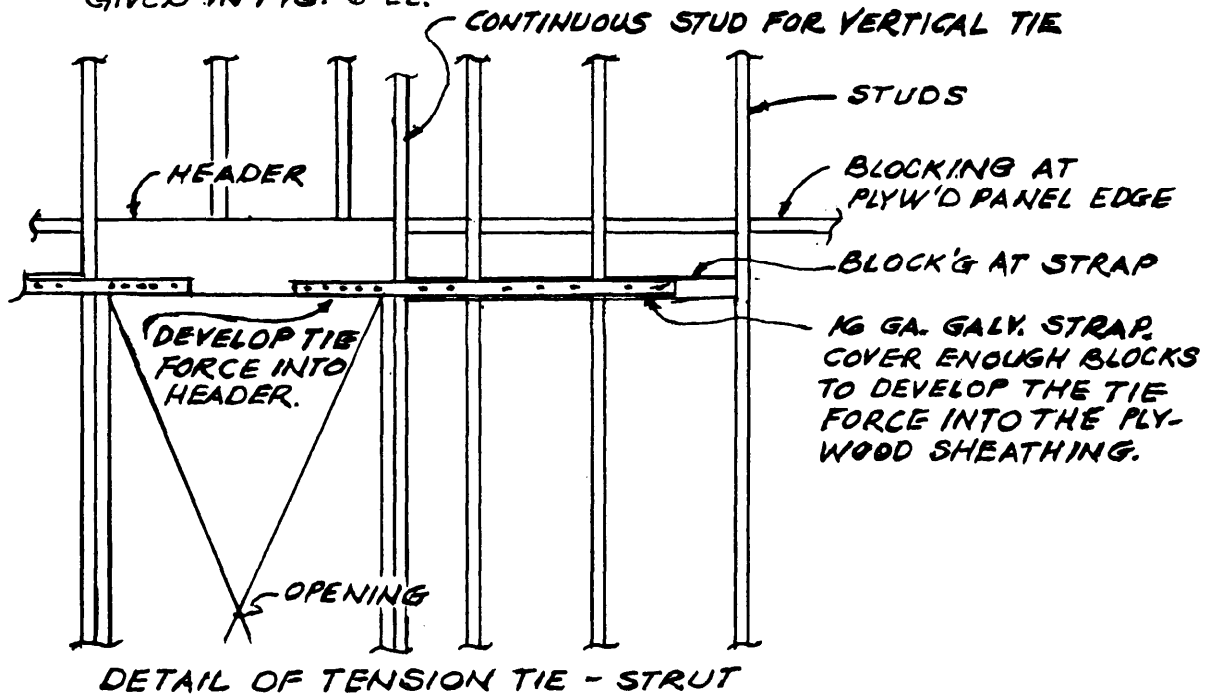


Figure 6-17. Plywood-sheathed wood stud shear walls.

Recommended Shear (pounds per foot) for APA Panel Shear Walls with Framing of Douglas-Fir, Larch, or Southern Pine ^(a) for Wind or Seismic Loading ^(b)												
Panel Grade	Minimum Nominal Panel Thickness (in.)	Minimum Nail Penetration in Framing (in.)	Panels Applied Direct to Framing					Panels Applied Over 1/2" or 5/8" Gypsum Sheathing				
			Nail Size (common or galvanized box)	Nail Spacing at Panel Edges (in.)				Nail Size (common or galvanized box)	Nail Spacing at Panel Edges (in.)			
				6	4	3	2 ^(e)		6	4	3	2 ^(e)
APA STRUCTURAL I grades	5/16	1-1/4	6d	200	300	390	510	8d	200	300	390	510
	3/8	1-1/2	8d	230 ^(d)	360 ^(d)	460 ^(d)	610 ^(d)	10d ^(f)	280	430	550	730
	7/16			255 ^(d)	395 ^(d)	505 ^(d)	670 ^(d)		—	—	—	—
	15/32	1-5/8	10d ^(f)	280	430	550	730	—	—	—	—	
APA RATED SHEATHING; APA RATED SIDING ^(g) and other APA grades except species Group 5.	5/16 or 1/4 ^(c)	1-1/4	6d	180	270	350	450	8d	180	270	350	450
	3/8			200	300	390	510		200	300	390	510
	3/8	1-1/2	8d	220 ^(d)	320 ^(d)	410 ^(d)	530 ^(d)	10d ^(f)	260	380	490	640
	7/16			240 ^(d)	350 ^(d)	450 ^(d)	585 ^(d)		—	—	—	—
	15/32	1-5/8	10d ^(f)	260	380	490	640	—	—	—	—	
	15/32			310	460	600	770	—	—	—	—	
	19/32			340	510	665	870	—	—	—	—	
APA RATED SIDING ^(g) and other APA grades except species Group 5	5/16 ^(c)	1-1/4	Nail Size (galvanized casing)	140	210	275	360	Nail Size (galvanized casing)	140	210	275	360
			6d	8d	8d	8d	8d	8d	8d	8d	8d	
	3/8	1-1/2	8d	160	240	310	410	10d ^(f)	160	240	310	410

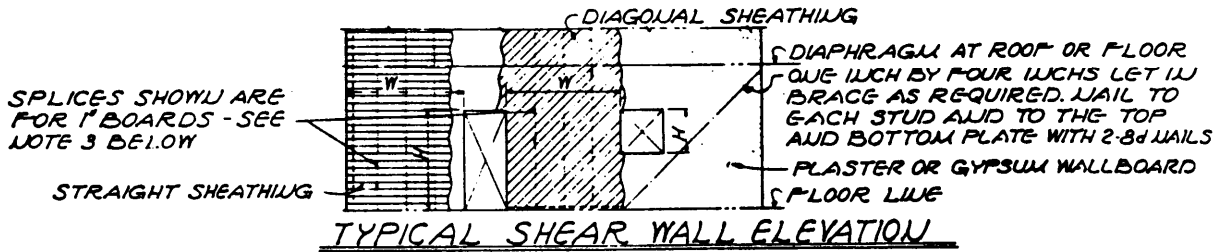
- (a) For framing of other species: (1) Find species group of lumber in the NFPA National Design Spec. (2) (a) For common or galvanized box nails, find shear value from table above for nail size for STRUCTURAL I panels (regardless of actual grade). (b) For galvanized casing nails, take shear value directly from table above. (3) Multiply this value by 0.82 for Lumber Group III or 0.65 for Lumber Group IV.
- (b) All panel edges backed with 2-inch nominal or wider framing. Install panels either horizontally or vertically. Space nails 6 inches oc along intermediate framing members for 3/8-inch and 7/16-inch panels installed on studs spaced 24 inches oc. For other conditions and panel thicknesses, space nails 12 inches oc on intermediate supports.
- (c) 3/8-inch or APA RATED SIDING - 16 oc is minimum recommended when applied direct to framing as exterior siding.
- (d) Shears may be increased to values shown for 15/32-inch sheathing with same nailing provided (1) studs are spaced a maximum of 16 inches oc, or (2) if panels are applied with long dimension across studs.
- (e) Framing at adjoining panel edges shall be 3-inch nominal or wider, and nails shall be staggered where nails are spaced 2 inches oc.
- (f) Framing at adjoining panel edges shall be 3-inch nominal or wider, and nails shall be staggered where 10d nails having penetration into framing of more than 1-5/8 inches are spaced 3 inches oc.
- (g) Values apply to all-veneer plywood APA RATED SIDING panels only. APA RATED SIDING - 16 oc plywood may be 11/32-inch, 3/8-inch or thicker. Thickness at point of nailing on panel edges governs shear values.

Typical Layout for Shear Walls



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Figure 6-18. Allowable stresses for plywood-sheathed wood stud walls.



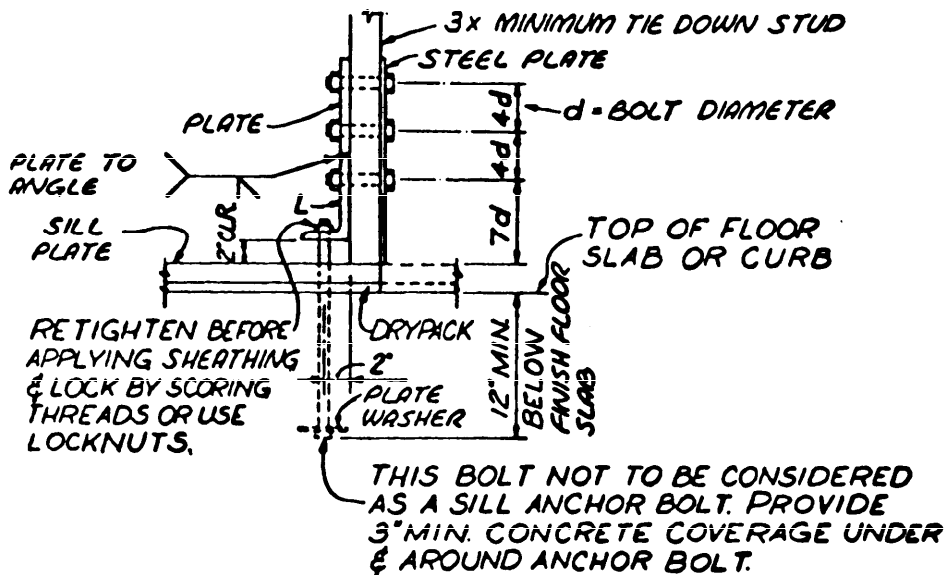
VERTICAL SHEAR WALLS ONE SIDE ONLY	NAILING @ EACH BEARING COMMON UNLESS NOTED	MAXIMUM PIER HEIGHT-WIDTH RATIOS (H/W)	ALLOWABLE SHEAR $\frac{LBS}{LW. FT.}$
1" STRAIGHT SHEATHING	2 - 8d	2:1	50
2" STRAIGHT SHEATHING	3 - 16d	2:1	40
CONVENTIONAL 1" DIAGONAL SHEATHING } 1"x6"	2-8d(3-8d AT BOUNDARIES)	2:1	300
DIAGONAL SHEATHING } 1"x8"	3-8d(4-8d AT BOUNDARIES)	3 1/2:1	600
SPECIAL DIAGONAL SHEATHING	3 - 16d	2:1	100
LATH & GYPSUM PLASTER	1 1/2" UO. 13 GAUGE 7/16" DIAMETER HEAD BLUED NAIL @ 5" o.c.	2:1	100
METAL LATH & PORTLAND CEMENT PLASTER	4d BLUED BOX NAILS @ 6" o.c. OR 1 1/2" UO. 11 GAUGE 7/16" DIA. HEAD BARBED NAILS @ 6" o.c.	2:1	200
GYPSUM LATH, PLAIN OR PERFORATED 3/8" WITHOUT BLOCKING & 1/2" PLASTER	1 1/2" UO. 13 GAUGE 7/16" DIAMETER HEAD BLUED NAIL @ 5" o.c.	1 1/2:1	100
GYPSUM SHEATHING BOARD 1/2"x2'x8" WITHOUT BLOCKING	1 1/2" UO. 11 GAUGE 7/16" DIAMETER HEAD DIAMOND POINT GALVANIZED @ 4" o.c.	1 1/2:1	75
GYPSUM SHEATHING BOARD 1/2"x4" WITH BLOCKING	1 1/2" UO. 11 GAUGE 7/16" DIAMETER HEAD DIAMOND POINT GALVANIZED @ 4" o.c.	1 1/2:1	175
GYPSUM WALLBOARD (DRYWALL) 1/2" WITHOUT BLOCKING	5d OR @ 7" o.c. 1 1/4"x.098 GA. @ 4" o.c.	1 1/2:1	100
GYPSUM WALLBOARD (DRYWALL) 1/2" WITH BLOCKING	5d OR @ 7" o.c. 1 1/4"x.098 GA. @ 4" o.c.	1 1/2:1	125
GYPSUM WALLBOARD (DRYWALL) 5/8" WITH BLOCKING	6d @ 4" o.c.	1 1/2:1	175
GYPSUM WALLBOARD (DRYWALL) 5/8" TWO-PLY WITH BLOCKING	6d @ 9" o.c. BASE PLY 8d @ 7" o.c. FACE PLY	1 1/2:1	250

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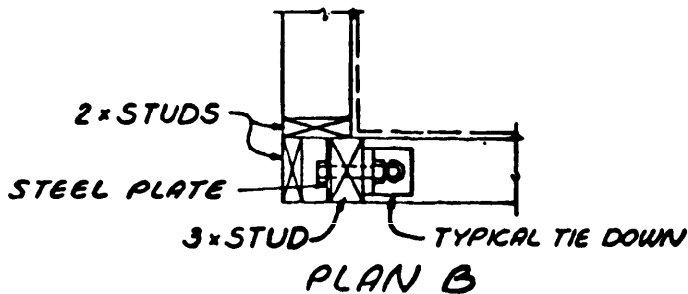
- VALUES SHALL BE MODIFIED FOR PARTICULAR SPECIES OF WOOD IN ACCORDANCE WITH PERCENTAGES BELOW

SPECIES % OF TABULATED VALUES	SPECIES % OF TABULATED VALUES	SPECIES % OF TABULATED VALUES
DOUGLAS FIR (WEST COAST & WILSON) 100%	SPRUCE (SITKA) 75%	PIKE (POUNDEROSA) 65%
LARCH 100%	FIR (WHITE) 70%	PIKE (SUGAR) 65%
HEMLOCK (WESTERN) 85%	CEDAR (WESTERN RED) 65%	PIKE (LODGEPOLE) 65%
REDWOOD 80%	PIKE (IDAHO WHITE) 65%	SPRUCE (BUGLEMANU) 65%
- IF USED UNDER CONDITIONS OTHER THAN CONTINUOUSLY DRY, VALUES FOR WOOD SHEAR WALLS SHALL BE REDUCED TO 67% OF THE TABULATED VALUES.
- DIAGONAL OR STRAIGHT SHEATHING - END JOINTS OF ADJACENT BOARDS WILL BE SEPARATED BY AT LEAST TWO JOIST OR RAFTER SPACES WITH AT LEAST TWO BOARDS BETWEEN JOINTS ON SAME SUPPORT.
- SPECIAL DIAGONAL SHEATHING SHALL CONSIST OF TWO LAYERS OF 1" CONVENTIONAL DIAGONAL SHEATHING AT 90° TO EACH OTHER AND ON THE SAME FACE OF STUDS.
- TYPE OF NAILS, SEE APPLICABLE AGENCY GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS.
- THESE SHEAR WALLS SHALL NOT BE USED TO RESIST FORCES DUE TO CONCRETE OR MASONRY MASSES, EXCEPT FOR VEEGERS, SHOWER STALLS AND MINOR CONCRETE PILLS SUCH AS EQUIPMENT PADS.
- THE USUAL 33 1/3% INCREASE FOR SHORT-TIME SEISMIC LOADS IS NOT APPLICABLE TO THESE ALLOWABLE SHEAR VALUES.

Figure 6-19. Typical wood stud shear walls of various materials other than plywood.



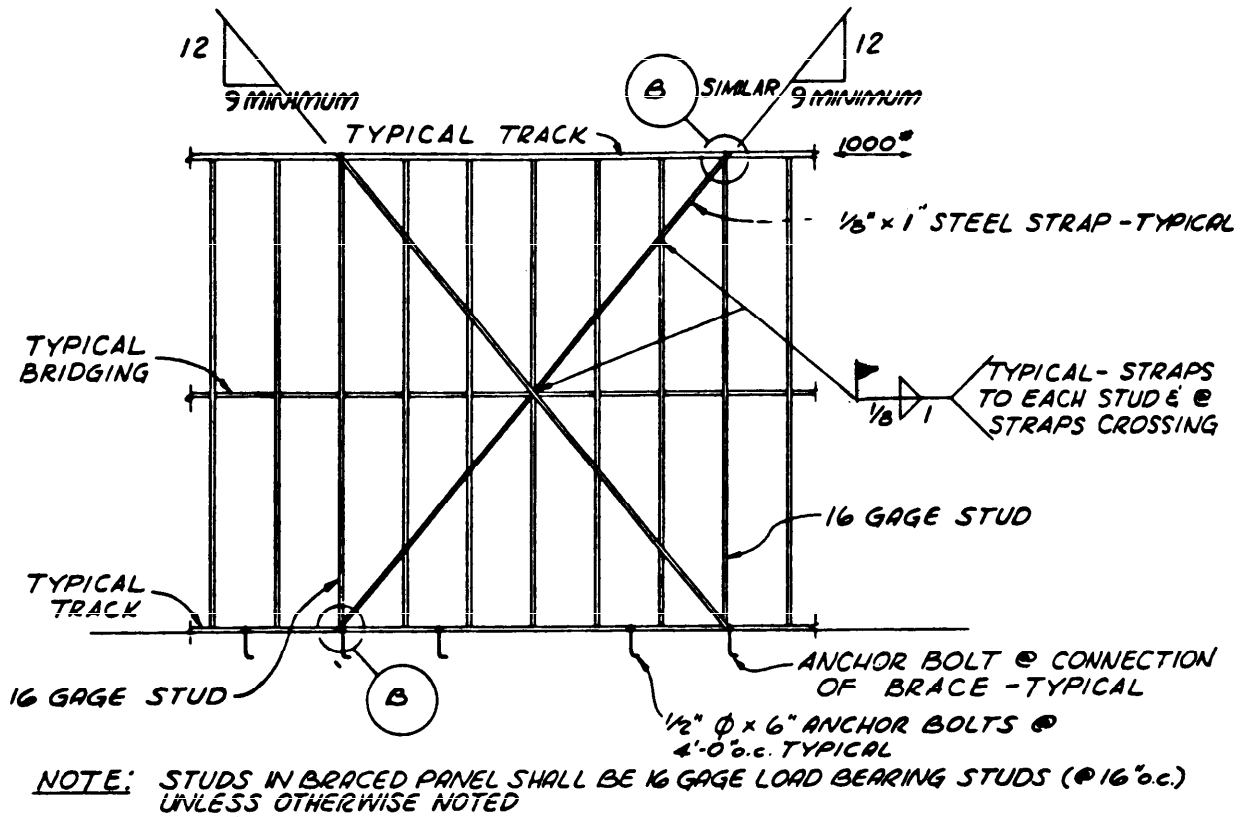
TYPICAL TIE-DOWN DETAIL A



CORNER DETAIL AT TIE-DOWN

NOTE: Angle, bolts, plates, posts, footings, etc., to be designed for uplift.

Figure 6-20. Wood stud walls—typical tie-down details.



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TYPICAL BRACED STEEL STUD WALL.

EACH BRACED SECTION WILL RESIST 1000 POUND HORIZONTAL LOAD APPLIED HORIZONTALLY AT TOP TRACK

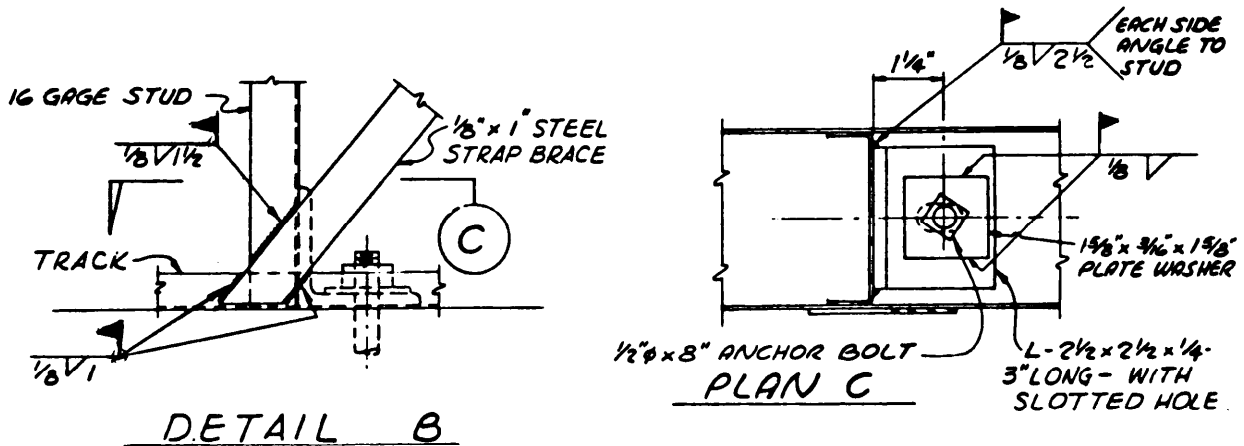


Figure 6-21. Steel stud shear walls—typical details.

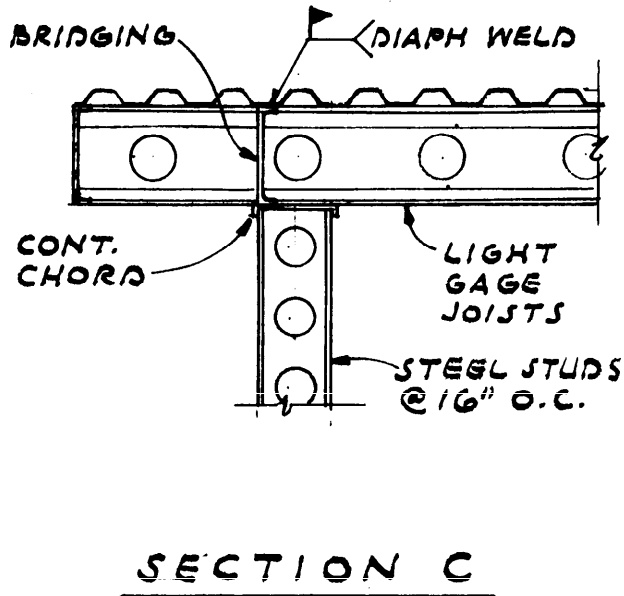
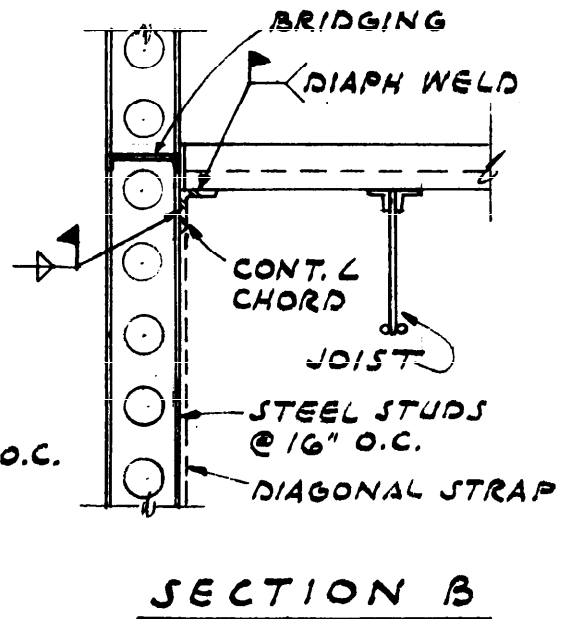
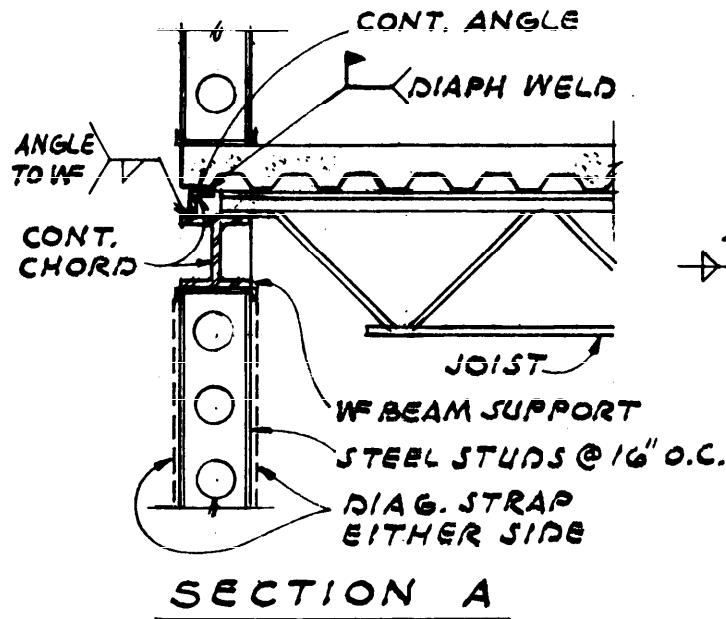


Figure 6-21. Continued.

CHAPTER 7

BRACED FRAMES

7-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for the design of vertical braced frames in seismic areas, indicates principles and factors governing the design, and illustrates typical details of construction.

7-2. General.

a. Function. Vertical braced frames are used to transmit lateral forces from the diaphragm above to the diaphragm below or to the foundations. They are similar to shear walls in their general function and their stiffness compared to the other type of vertical element, the moment resisting frame.

b. Definition of braced frame. In SEAOC 1B, a braced frame is defined as an essentially vertical truss system of the concentric or eccentric type that is provided to resist lateral forces. Note that for braced frames, as for shear walls, the R_w -value depends on whether the frame is in a bearing-wall or building-frame system.

c. Redundancy. A sufficient number of braced frames should be provided so that a failure of a single member or connection will not result in instability of the entire lateral force resisting system.

d. Braced frame types. The principal types of braced frame are the familiar concentric braced frame (CBF), the relatively new eccentric braced frame (EBF), and the knee-braced frame (KBF).

e. Design criteria. The criteria governing the design of vertical braced frames will be as prescribed in this chapter.

(1) *Structural steel braced frames.* Structural steel braced frames will conform to the requirements of SEAOC 4G for concentric braced frames and SEAOC 4H for eccentric braced frames.

(2) *Reinforced-concrete braced frames.* Concentric braced frames, permitted only in Zones 1 and 2, will conform to the requirements of ACI 21.5. No procedures have been developed for eccentric braced frames of reinforced concrete, because such frames would not be likely to demonstrate desirable performance.

(3) *Wood braced frames.* Wood braced frames will be designed by using normal procedures illustrated in many easily obtainable texts and are not covered in this manual. The National Forest Products Association's *National Design Specification for Wood Construction* applies.

7-3. Concentric braced frames (CBF).

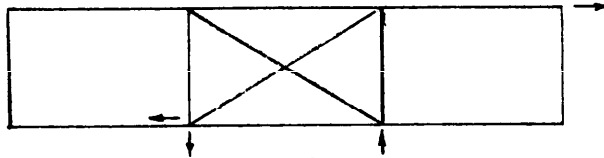
a. Eccentricities. Although the frame is called "concentric", there may be minor eccentricities between member centerlines at the joints, and these eccentricities are provided for in the design. Such eccentricities do not mean that the frame is an EBF: the EBF has unique properties and design methods.

b. Concentric braced frame types. Frames are usually of steel and may be of various forms. The X-braced panels, consisting of diagonal tension members and vertical compression members, are frequently used (fig 7-1, part a). Trussed portal bracing or K-bracing is frequently used to permit unobstructed openings (fig 7-1, part b). See restrictions in SEAOC 4G3b. Braced frames with single diagonal members capable of taking compression as well as tension are used to permit flexibility in the location of openings (fig 7-1, part c). See restrictions in SEAOC 4G1c. Chevron bracing is also a common system for buildings (fig 7-1, part d and fig 7-2). The deflection of braced frames is readily computed using recognized methods.

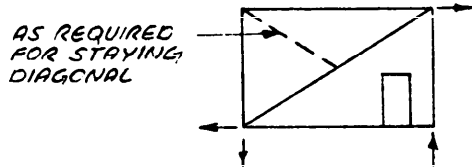
c. Materials. CBFs are usually made of steel. There are no SEAOC provisions for concrete frames; in fact, CBFs of concrete are not permitted in Zones 3 and 4 (SEAOC Table 1-G).

d. Direction of brace force. Braces that are designed for compression will, of course, act also in tension. Braces may be designed for tension only, but the use of such braces is discouraged because they tend to stretch under earthquake tension, then go slack during the load reversal, then snap when tension is applied in a subsequent cycle. SEAOC requires a minimum slenderness ratio (SEAOC 4G1a) with certain exceptions for manufactured metal buildings and nonbuilding structures.

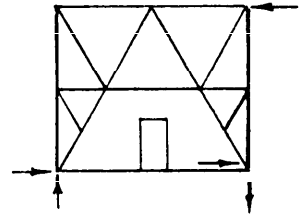
e. Effect of bracing on columns. The vertical component of brace force is transferred into the column and adds to the gravity load on the column. When brace forces are relatively small and the column design is governed by the gravity loads, the frame should be considered a building system, using R_w of 8 as prescribed in SEAOC Table 1-G. When braces are few and heavily loaded, their vertical components may govern the design of the columns. In such cases the frame should be considered a bearing wall system, using smaller R_w -factors as given in SEAOC Table 1-G. The concern with braces of the bearing wall category is that their true, as-built ultimate capac-



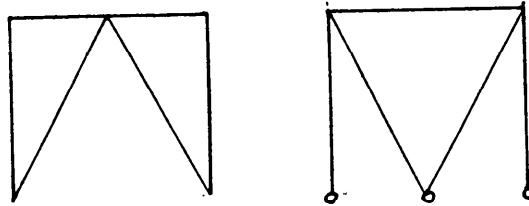
a. X-BRACED FRAME (diagonals in tension; verticals in tension or compression).



c. BRACED FRAME (diagonals and verticals in compression or tension).



b. PORTAL BRACED FRAME



d. CHEVRON BRACING

Figure 7-1. Braced frames.

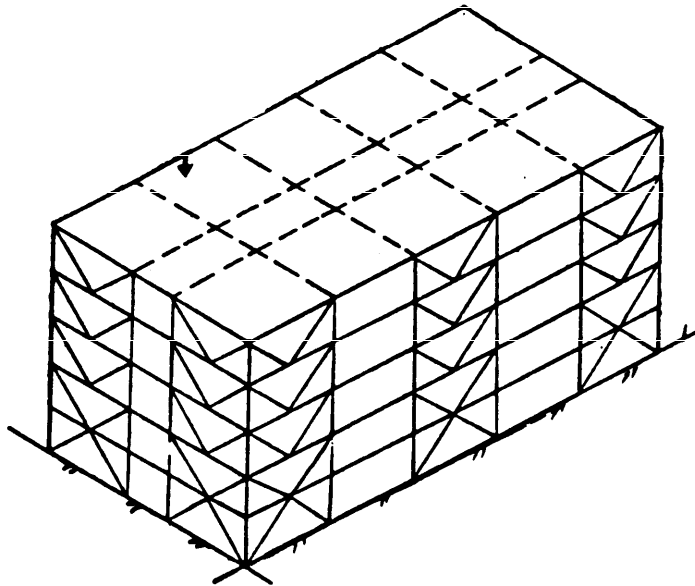


Figure 7-2. Bracing for a tier building.

ity may be greater than is assumed in design, and, therefore, that such braces could overload the column to the point of collapse.

f. Configurations. Diagonal X-bracing is common in tension-only bracing. Single diagonal braces are more common in compression-tension bracing. The orientation of single braces should be alternated so that not all of the braces are in tension or compression at the same time (SEAOC 4G1c). Chevron bracing may have an interaction with gravity load carrying beams; accordingly, special requirements are provided in SEAOC 4G3a. K-bracing has a potentially dangerous effect on columns; accordingly, it is subject to the requirements of SEAOC 4G3b.

g. Connections. SEAOC 4G2 provides the requirements for design of connections.

h. Low buildings. SEAOC 4G4 provides for buildings not over two stories and for light roof structures such as penthouses. Manufactured metal buildings are intended to be included in this category. In planning the use of manufactured metal buildings, the designer is cautioned that these buildings can perform well only when they are kept light and simple, as they are intended to be; they may have poor performance if extra

weight, such as masonry veneer, is added, or if they are used as elements of a more complex system.

7-4. Eccentric braced steel frames (EBF).

a. Definition. An EBF is a steel braced frame designed in accordance with SEAOC 4H. At least one end of each brace intersects a beam at a point offset from the beam intersection with the column or with the opposing brace (see fig 7-3). The short section of the beam between opposing braces, or between a brace and the beam-column intersection, is called the "link beam" and is the element of the frame intended to provide inelastic cyclic yielding.

b. Purpose. The intent of the eccentric braced frame design is to provide a ductile link which will yield in lieu of buckling of its braces when the frame experiences dynamic loads in excess of its elastic strength. Although they are usually easier to detail, they are more complex to design than CBFs, and they are most useful in Zones 3 and 4.

c. Characteristics. To take advantage of the ductility of the link, it is important that all related framing elements be strong enough to force the link to yield and that they maintain their integrity through the range of forces and displacements

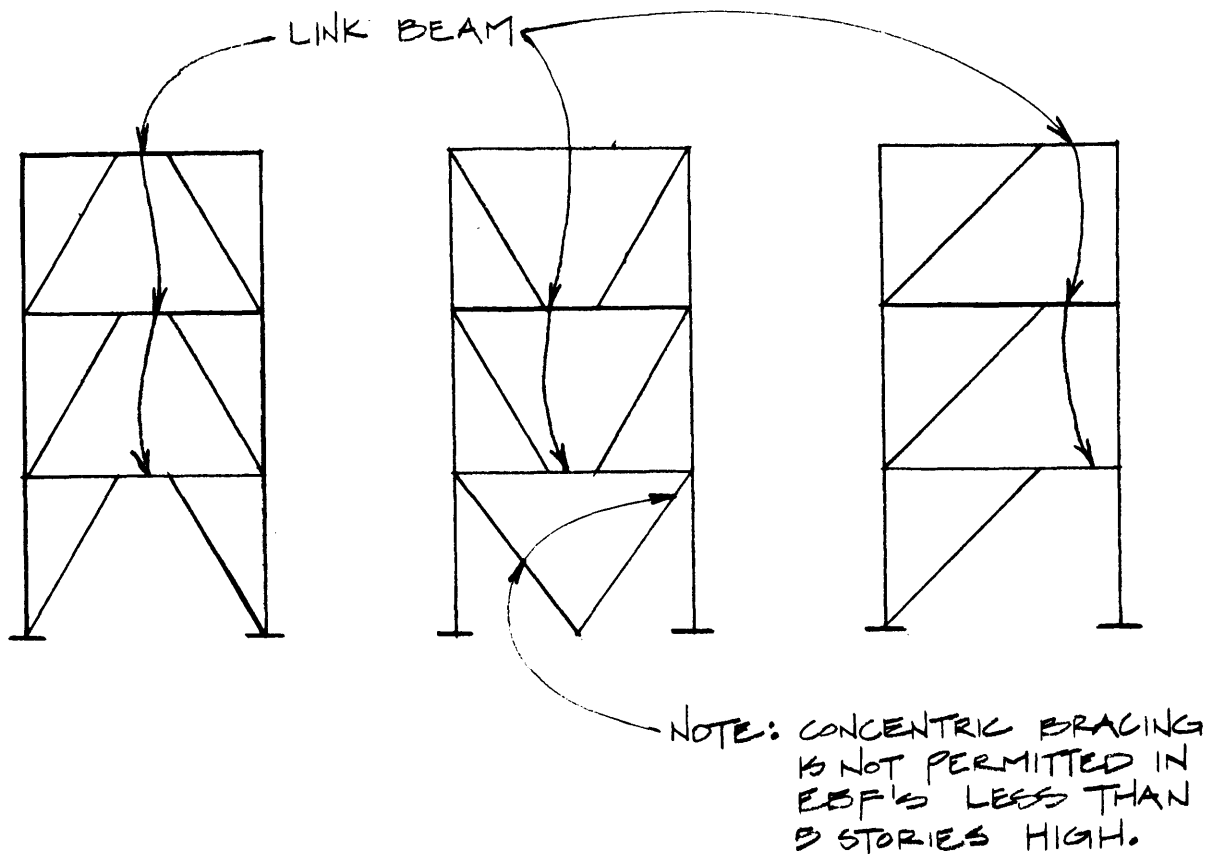


Figure 7-3. Eccentric braced frame configurations.

developed during the yielding of the link. The braces are the most vulnerable of the framing elements because seismic forces are by far the dominant forces in their design. Other elements, such as columns and collector beams, are less vulnerable, since their seismic loads constitute a smaller percentage of their total loads and since, frequently, there are redundant load paths for portions of the forces they carry. The rotation demand on the link beam is a multiple of the lateral drift of the frame as a whole, a multiple that is a function of the geometry of the frame (see figure 7-4). Link beams can yield in shear, in bending, or in both shear and bending at the same time. Which yield mechanism governs is a function of the relationship of link length to the ratio of its bending strength to shear strength. Where the length of the link beam is less than $1.6 M_s/V_s$, the yielding is almost entirely in shear. Where the length is greater than $2.6 M_s/V_s$, the yielding is primarily in bending. Where the length is between $1.6 M_s/V_s$ and $2.6 M_s/V_s$, both shear and bending yield will occur. Since link beams that yield in shear are considered to have the most stable energy dissipating characteristics, most of the EBF research has tested the cyclic inelastic capacity of link beams with shear yielding at large rotations. Consequently, most of the design provisions are concerned with limiting the link beam shear yield rotation to less than the maximum cyclic test rotations and then requiring details indicated by the tests as necessary to ensure that this rotation can occur through a number of cycles without failure.

d. Design criteria. The specific criteria governing the design of eccentrically braced frames is given in SEAOC 4H. It is explained in more detail below.

(1) *Link beam location and stability.* Link beams are the fuses of the EBF structural system and are to be placed at locations that will preclude buckling of the braces. A link beam must be located in the intersecting beam at least at one end of each brace. There are exceptions permitting concentric bracing at the roof level and/or at the bottom level of EBF over five stories in SEAOC 4H14 and 4H15. Compact sections meeting the more restrictive flange-width-to-thickness ratio of $52\sqrt{F_y}$ are required for the beam portions of eccentric braced frames in order to provide the beams with stable inelastic deformation characteristics. The same requirement is used for the beams of special moment resisting space frames.

(2) *Link beam strength.* The basic requirement for link beam strength is given in SEAOC 4H4, which requires that the shear in the link beam web due to prescribed seismic forces be limited to

0.8 Vs. Paragraph 4H2 addresses the concern for the effect that substantial axial loads in the link beam could have on its inelastic deflection performance. It presumes that in shear links the web's capacity is fully utilized in shear and that flanges provide the needed axial and flexural capacity. Shear links with a length less than $2.2 M_s/V_s$ are considered to be controlled by shear. Substantial axial loads occur in some EBF configurations when the link beam is required to transmit horizontal forces to or from the braces. It is recommended that, insofar as it is possible, link beams be located so that they are not required to transmit the horizontal force component of braces or drag struts. Where axial forces in the link cannot be avoided, SEAOC 4H2b requires that the flexural strength used in calculations in SEAOC 4H7 and 4H12 be reduced by the axial stress f_a , giving $M_{RS} = Z(F_y - f_a)$. The f_a used in SEAOC 4H2b should correspond to the lesser value of the axial force corresponding to yield of the link beam in shear, or that which, when combined with link bending, causes the beam flanges to yield.

(3) *Link beam rotation.* The link beam rotation, at a frame drift of $\% R_w$ times the drift calculated from prescribed seismic forces, is limited to the values given in SEAOC 4H3. The procedure for calculating the rotations is as follows (refer to fig 7-4):

(a) Perform an elastic analysis of the frame for the prescribed seismic forces, being certain that the analysis includes the contribution of the elastic shear deformation of the link beam.

(b) Calculate $\% R_w$ times the drift angle obtained from the analysis in (a). This angle is denoted as δ in figure 7-4.

(c) Calculate the rotation angle θ , as shown in figure 7-4, for the appropriate configuration. This simplified procedure is slightly conservative, since the elastic curvature of the beam segments between hinges and of the brace deformations have been ignored and would contribute a minor amount of the required deformation. It should be noted that calculation of the rotation by multiplying the elastic deflections of the link beam by $3(R_w/8)$ would be unconservative, since these deflections include elastic effects, such as the axial deformation of the braces, that would not increase proportionally after the link begins to yield.

(4) *Link beam web.* Link beam web doubler plates are prohibited in SEAOC 4H4 because tests have shown that they are not fully effective. The performance of eccentric braced frames relies on the predictability of the strength and strain characteristics of the link beam. It is not considered

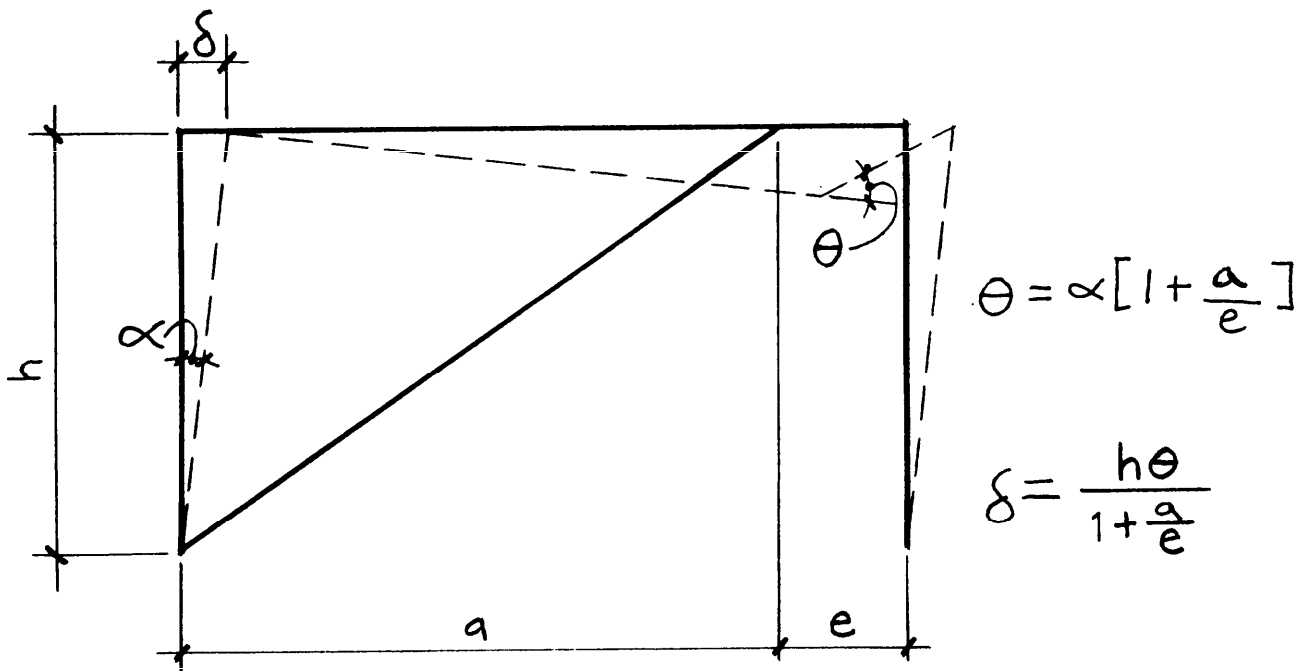
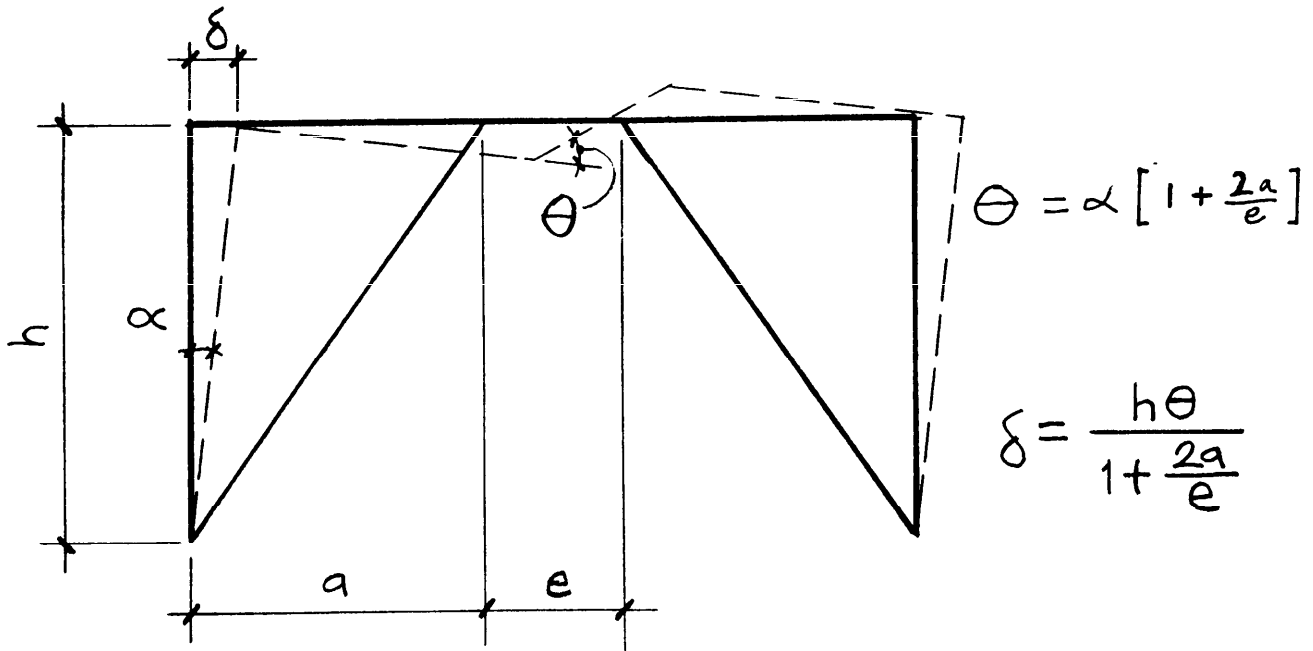


Figure 7-4. Deformed-frame geometry.

advisable to complicate the behavior of the link beam by permitting doublers or allowing holes within it.

(5) *Brace sizing.* Once the link beam size has been selected, the brace size is determined by the requirement given in SEAOC 4H12 that its compressive strength be at least 1.5 times the axial

force corresponding to the controlling strength of the link beam. The controlling strength is either the shear strength V_s or the reduced flexural strength M_{RS} described above, whichever results in the lesser force in the brace. Note that once the link beam is selected, the brace forces are determined from its strength, and the brace forces

calculated in the elastic analysis will not govern and will not be used in the brace design.

(6) *Brace-to-beam connection.* SEAOC 4H5 requires that the brace-to-beam connection develop the compressive strength of the brace and that no part of the brace-to-beam connection extend into the web area of the link. The required development may be at the strength level of the connection. The prohibition of the extension of the brace-to-beam connection into the link beam is intended to prevent physical attachments that might alter the strength and deflection characteristics of the link beam. It is not intended to prevent the centerline intersection of brace and link beam from intersecting within the link.

(7) *Column sizing.* SEAOC 4H13 requires that the columns remain elastic at 1.25 times the forces causing yield of the link beam. "Remain elastic at" means the same as "have the strength to resist." The strength, including bending moments, can be calculated using Part 2 of AISC.

(8) *Beam-to-column connections.* For link beams that are adjacent to a column, special connection criteria are given in SEAOC 4H11. Where the link beam is not adjacent to the

column, a simpler criterion for connection is given in SEAOC 4H18. Where the simpler connections are used, consideration must be given to transmission of collector forces into the EBF bay.

(9) *Intermediate stiffeners.* SEAOC paragraphs 4H6 through 4H10 provide requirements for various types of stiffeners necessary for the intended performance of the link beams. Stiffener plates as described in those paragraphs are required at the following locations (see fig 7-5):

(a) At the brace end(s) of the link beam (SEAOC 4H6)

(b) At b_f from each end where link beam length is between 1.6 M_s/V_s and 2.6 M_s/V_s (SEAOC 4H6).

(c) At intermediate points along the link beam where shear stresses control or are high (SEAOC 4H7, 4H8).

7-5. Knee-braced frames (KBF).

a. *Definition.* A KBF is an assembly of a beam, a column, and a brace whose ends are significantly offset from the beam-column joints. The braces in CBFs are either truly concentric or have small eccentricities with the beam-column joints; accord-

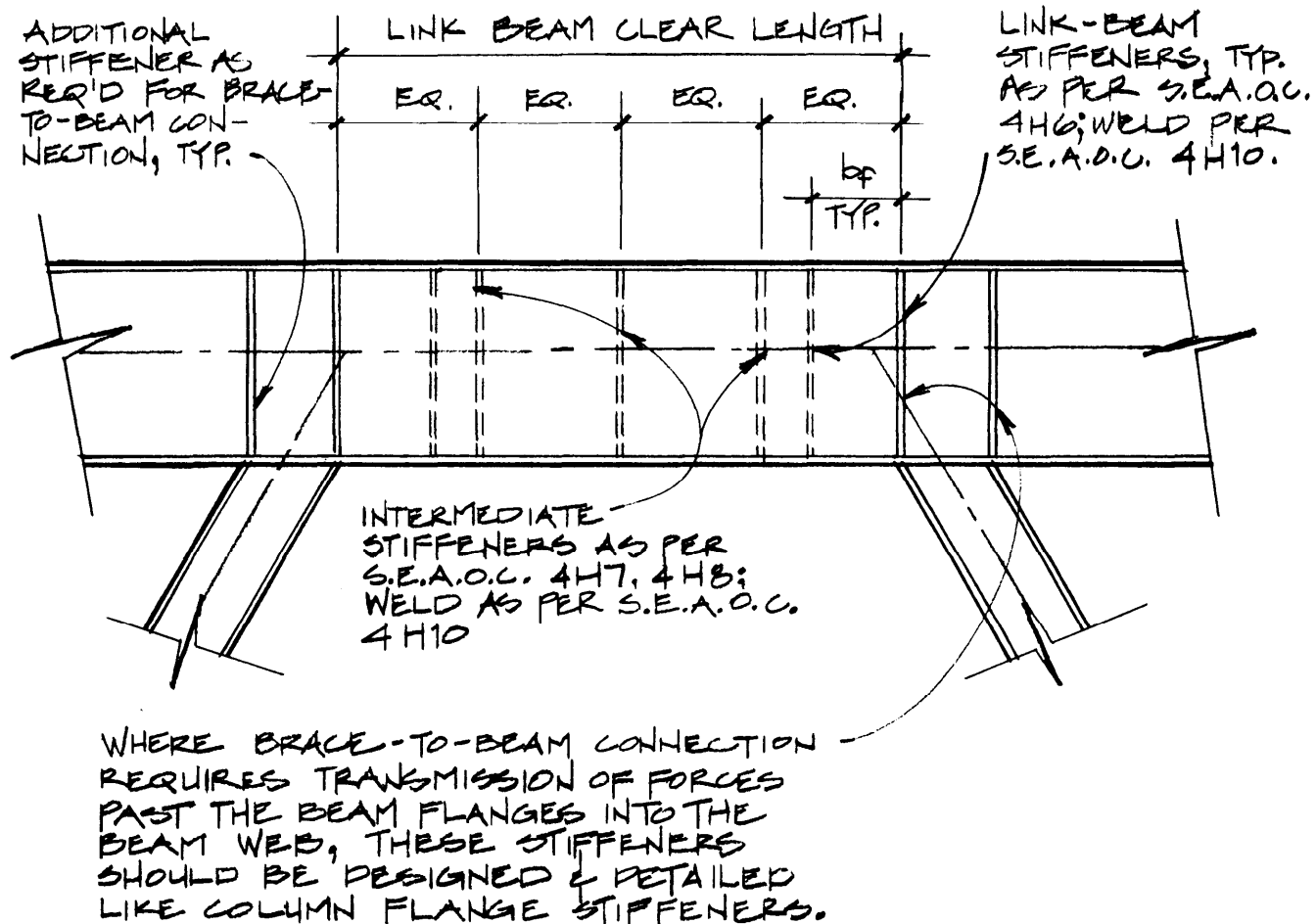


Figure 7-5. Link beam and intermediate stiffeners.

ingly, they induce forces that are primarily axial, while the braces in KBFs have substantial eccentricities and induce significant shearing and flexural as well as axial stresses in the columns and beams.

b. Function. Knee braces were often used in the past to stiffen beams and to provide a measure of lateral stability. Their popularity in recent years has decreased markedly, particularly in zones of high seismicity, because their seismic behavior has become recognized as potentially dangerous.

c. Design considerations. There are two concerns with KBFs. The first concern involves gravity load: any change in the load on the beam after the brace is connected induces forces in all the components of the frame; moreover, the brace has a prying effect that can produce surprisingly large forces in the beam-column joint. The sequence of erection and the further application of superimposed loads must be carefully controlled. The second concern involves seismic loads: another set of loads is applied, and while the brace does stiffen the frame, its as-built ultimate capacity may be

sufficient to cause bending in the column of sufficient magnitude to cause collapse.

d. Design criteria. KBFs should be designed with R_w value of 6. Steel KBFs are envisioned in the opening statement of SEAOC 4G, which says that 4G applies to all braced frames except EBFs and also says that members that resist seismic forces totally or partially by shear or flexure shall be designed in accordance with SEAOC 4F (SMRFs). Members of KBFs will be governed by SEAOC 4G1; connections, by SEAOC 4G2. The additional requirements of SEAOC 4F are provided in recognition of the fact that the KBF resembles the moment frame in that the braced corner of the KBF is analogous to the beam-column joint in the moment frame. In the KBF, the beam-column joint need not have moment capacity if it qualifies under the exception in SEAOC 4F1a(2). Other detailed provisions of SEAOC 4F offer relief from the SMRF requirements when design forces are increased, as is the case when the low R_w factors for system A4 (SEAOC Table 1-G) are used rather than the high values for SMRF systems.

CHAPTER 8

CONCRETE MOMENT RESISTING FRAMES

8-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for the design of reinforced concrete moment resisting frames of buildings in seismic areas; indicates principles, factors, and concepts involved in seismic design of moment resisting frames; gives design data; and illustrates typical details of construction.

8-2. General.

a. Function. Moment frames, like shear walls, are vertical elements in a lateral force resisting system that transmit lateral forces to the ground; however, they differ from shear walls in that their deflections result primarily from flexural deformations of their elements.

b. Frame behavior. The bending stiffness of the moment resisting frame provides the lateral stability of the structure (fig 8-1). It is important to remember that deformations resulting from the dynamic response to a major earthquake are much greater than those determined from the application of the prescribed design forces. This means that a frame that meets the minimum strength requirements of this manual will survive a major earthquake only if it can yield and sustain cyclic inelastic deformations without essential loss of lateral resistance and vertical load capacity. Since normal building materials have very limited energy-absorbing capacity in the elastic range of action, it follows that what is needed is a large energy capacity in the inelastic range. The term *ductility* is used to denote this property. Providing a ductile seismic frame will allow the structure to sustain tolerable and, in many cases, repairable damage, instead of suffering catastrophic failure. The energy dissipation, ductility, and structural response (deformation) of moment resisting frames depend upon the types of members, connections (joints), and materials of construction used. The behavior of joints is a critical factor in the ability of building frames to resist high-intensity cyclic loading.

8-3. Classification of concrete seismic moment resisting frames. In this manual, concrete moment resisting frames are classified as Types A, B, C, and D according to their particular design provisions and details. The classification ranges from the most ductile and energy absorptive, Type A, to the least ductile, Type D. These types are related to the special moment resisting frame (SMRF), the intermediate moment resisting frame (IMRF), and the ordinary moment resisting frame

(OMRF), as defined in SEAOC 1B. Type A is equal to the SMRF; Type B is the IMRF with some specific provisions for bar development, and splices of reinforcing; Type C is the OMRF with some specific provisions for continuity of reinforcing, bar development, and splices; Type D is the OMRF designed according to ACI Chapters 1 through 12. The requirements governing the use of Types A, B, C, and D depend upon the seismic zone and its corresponding level of seismic demand; the R_w -value employed and its inferred amount of inelastic energy dissipation capability; and whether the frame is the primary designated lateral force resisting system or is the remaining nondesignated (but gravity load bearing) part of the complete space frame. Table 8-1 shows the reinforced concrete frame systems organized according to the classification of structural systems that is shown in SEAOC Table 1-G. Table 8-1 is a refinement of SEAOC Table 1-G, showing where the particular frame types are either required or permitted.

8-4. Type A frames. This type is the SEAOC SMRF. It has the highest degree of energy dissipation capacity and is required in the designated moment resisting frame systems in Zones 3 and 4. The basic concept of Type A frames is to provide inelastic energy dissipation by flexural yielding in the girder elements. Columns must, therefore, be stronger than the flexural capacity of the girders, and all elements must have shear resistance and reinforcing bar anchorage capacity capable of developing the full flexural yield level in the girders.

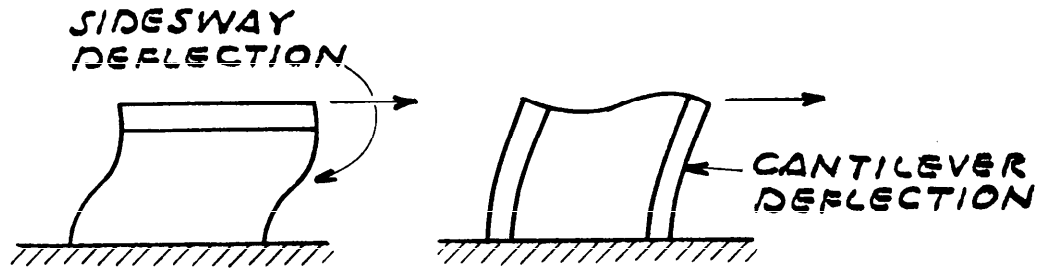
a. General design requirements. This paragraph summarizes the provisions given in Chapter 21 of ACI 318-89 and the additional requirements of the manual. In order to provide the girder yield mechanism, the design provisions require:

(1) Compact proportions for the girder and column sections, along with closely spaced seismic ties or hoops for confinement of concrete in the regions of potential flexural yielding.

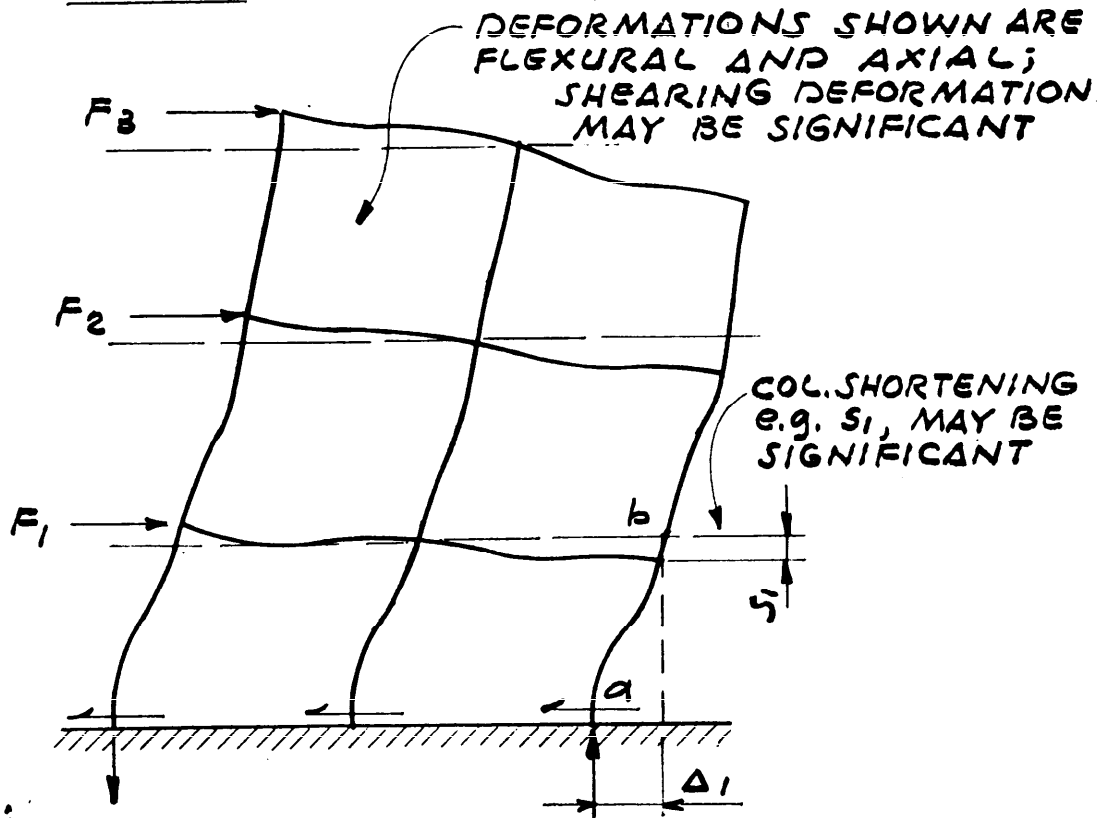
(2) Column interaction flexural capacity greater than 6/5 times the value required to develop girder yield.

(3) Girder, column, and joint shear capacity greater than shears induced by gravity loads and the strain-hardened flexural capacity of the girders.

(4) Reinforcing bar splices and straight and hooked bar anchorages capable of developing the strain-hardened yield of the girder steel.



(A) GIRDER RELATIVELY STIFF (B) GIRDER RELATIVELY FLEXIBLE



NOTE:

"P-Δ EFFECT": IN ADDITION TO FRAME AXIAL LOAD, P, AND BENDING MOMENT, M, THERE IS BENDING DUE TO ECCENTRICITY OF LOAD, e.g. $P_{ab} \times \Delta_1$ IN COL. A-B

(C) MULTI-BAY FRAME

Figure 8-1. Frame deformations.

Structural System	Seismic Zone			
	R _w	H	3&4	1&2
SEAOC B. Building frame system				
3a. Concrete shear walls				
Concrete frames that are not part of the lateral force resisting system:				
Frame Type C	8	240 ft	Yes	No
Frame Type D	8	--	No	Yes
SEAOC C. Moment resisting frame system*				
1b. Type A	12	--	Yes	Yes
2. Type B	7	--	No	Yes
3b. Type C	5	--	No	Not in 2
SEAOC D. Dual System*				
1a. Concrete shear walls with Type A moment frames	12	--	Yes	Yes
1b. Concrete shear walls with Type B moment frames	9	160 ft	Yes	Yes
3b. Concrete concentric braced frames with Type A frames	9	--	No	Yes
3c. Concrete concentric braced frames with Type B frames	6	--	No	Yes
*Concrete frames not part of the designated lateral force resisting system will be Type C in Zones 2, 3, and 4, and may be Type D in Zone 1.				

Table 8-1. Concrete moment resisting frame systems.

b. *The two phases of design.* With the design concept that inelastic behavior and energy dissipation are to be restricted to flexural yielding in the confined concrete regions of the beam or girder elements, the design process consists of two phases. The first phase establishes the beam sizes and capacities needed to resist the specified factored gravity and seismic load combinations. Then, with the known girder strengths and some preliminary column sizes, the second phase proportions the shear resistance of the girders, columns, and joints and establishes the column flexural strengths such that all of these elements are able to resist the effects of a strain-hardened flexural yielding in the beams along with unfactored gravity loads. The related specific requirements and details are shown in figures 8-2 to 8-9, and the design procedure is given by example in appendix D.

8-5. Type B frames. This type is the SEAOC IMRF with some modifications. It has a moderate degree of energy dissipation capacity. Its use is limited to Zones 1 and 2. It may be used as the designated moment resisting frame in a building frame system $R_w = 7$. It may be used as the moment resisting frame of a dual system, as

follows: with concrete concentric braced frames, with $R_w = 6$; with masonry shear walls, with $R_w = 7$; and with concrete shear walls, with $R_w = 9$. These R_w -values represent lesser ductility compared with the Type A frame. The design provisions are essentially those of ACI 21.9, with additional requirements given in the following paragraphs. The additional requirements are intended to provide for structural resistance to collapse due to the rare but credible earthquake effects in Zones 1 and 2.

a. *Slab and column frames.* Flat-plate or two-way slab systems are permitted for the beam elements of Type B frames. These slab systems have a potential for a brittle mode of punching shear failure at the column supports due to gravity load combined with the eccentric shear caused by moment transferred from the slab to the column. In order to prevent punching-shear failure under the maximum expected earthquake deformation, the slab will have the capacity to resist nonfactored gravity load effects together with the transfer moment effects due to $3R_w/8$ times the specified seismic forces. The value of the transfer moment M_u used for the fraction $\gamma_v M_u$ to be transferred by eccentricity of shear will therefore be due to the load combination of $D + L +$

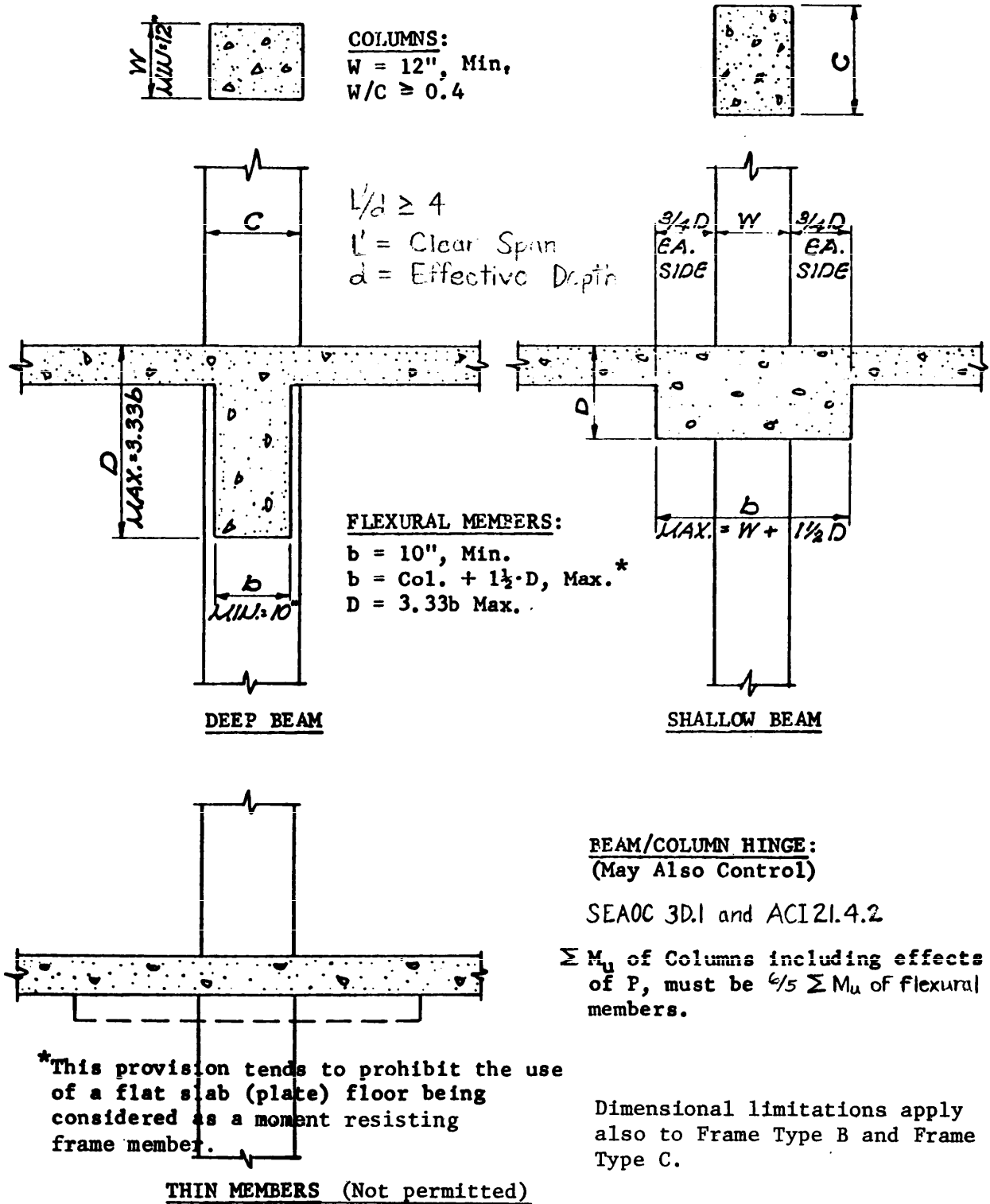
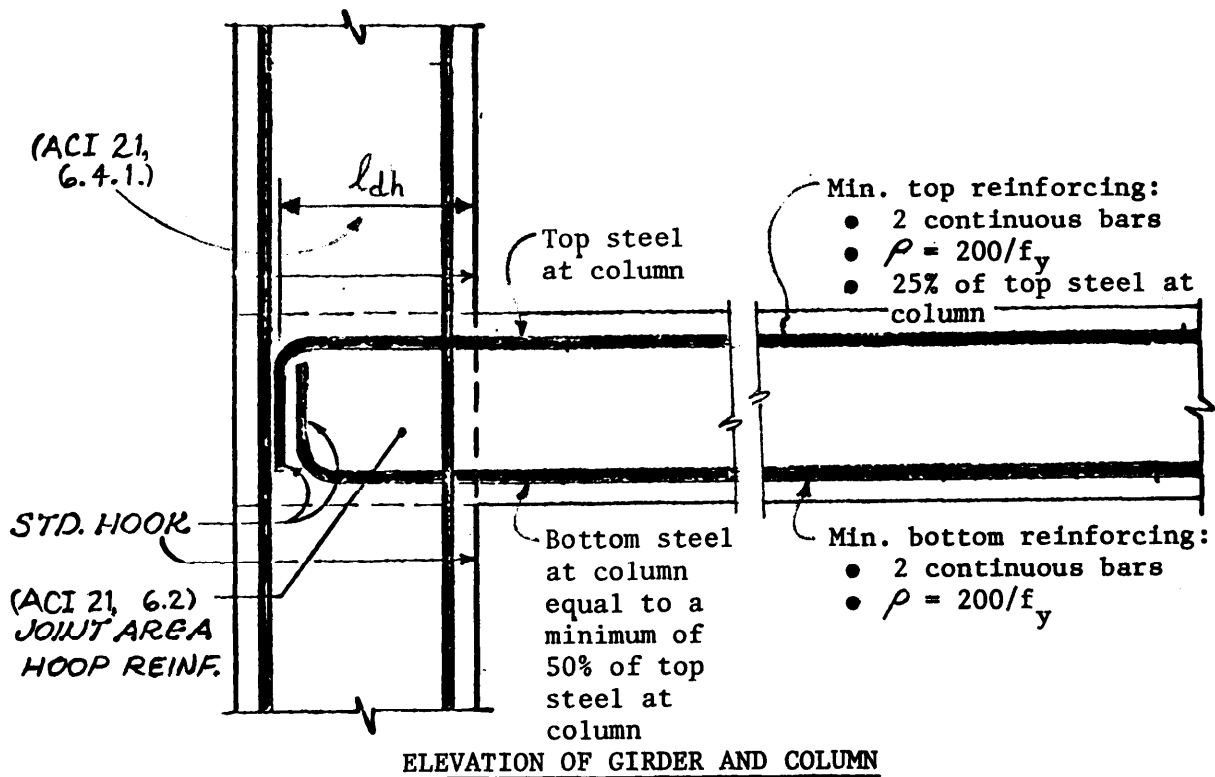


Figure 8-2. Type A frame—limitations on dimensions.



FLEXURAL MEMBER:

$f'_c = 3,000$ p.s.i. min. at 28 days

$f_y = 40$ ksi or 60 ksi

Reinforcement ratio, $\rho = A_s/bd$ or $\rho' = A'_s/bd$: $\rho = 0.025$ max.

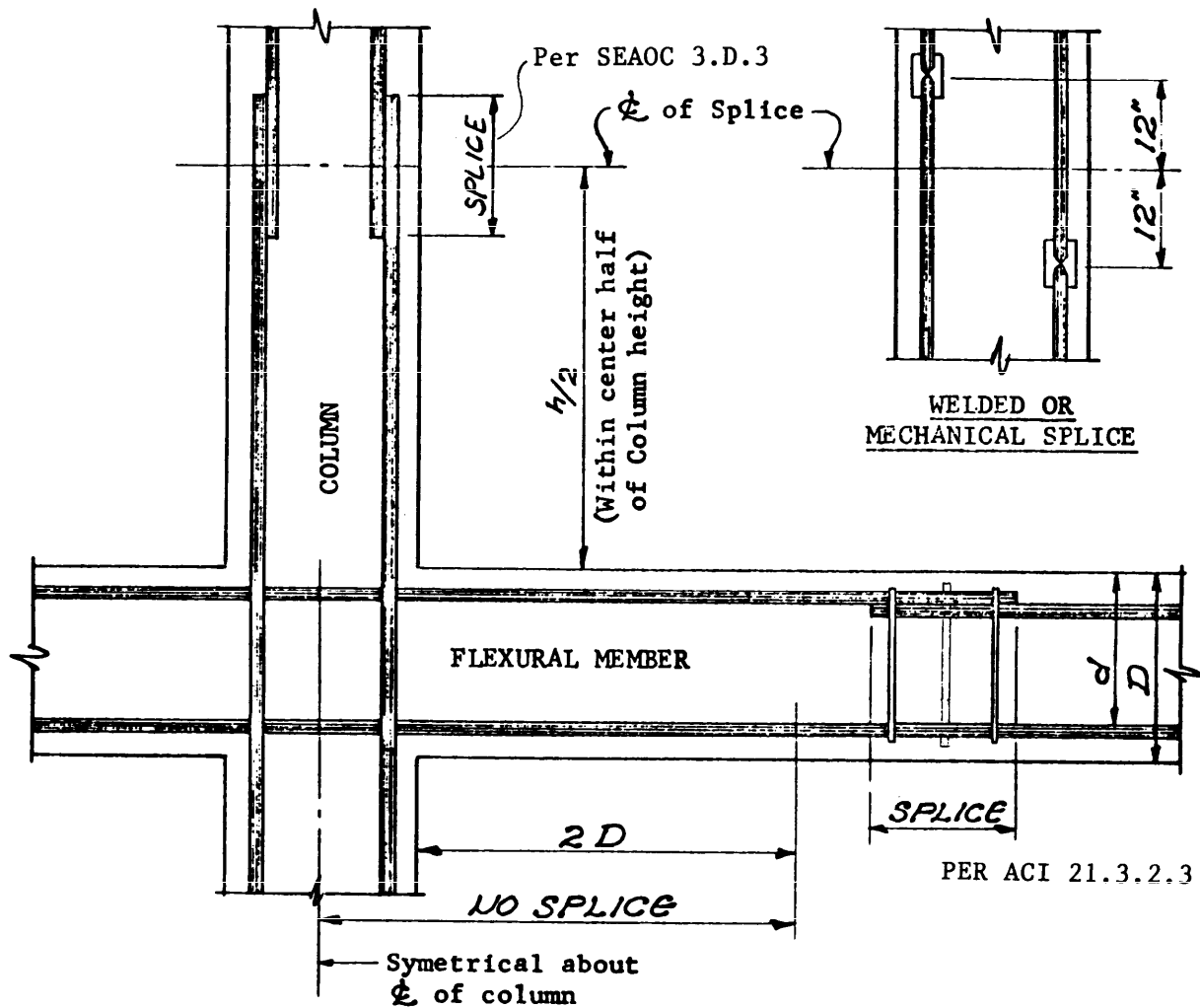
COLUMN:

$f'_c = 3,000$ p.s.i. at 28 days Min.

$f_y = 40$ ksi or 60 ksi

Reinforcement ratio, ρ (for tied columns)
 ≥ 0.01 and ≤ 0.06 .

Figure 8-3. Type A frame—longitudinal reinforcement.

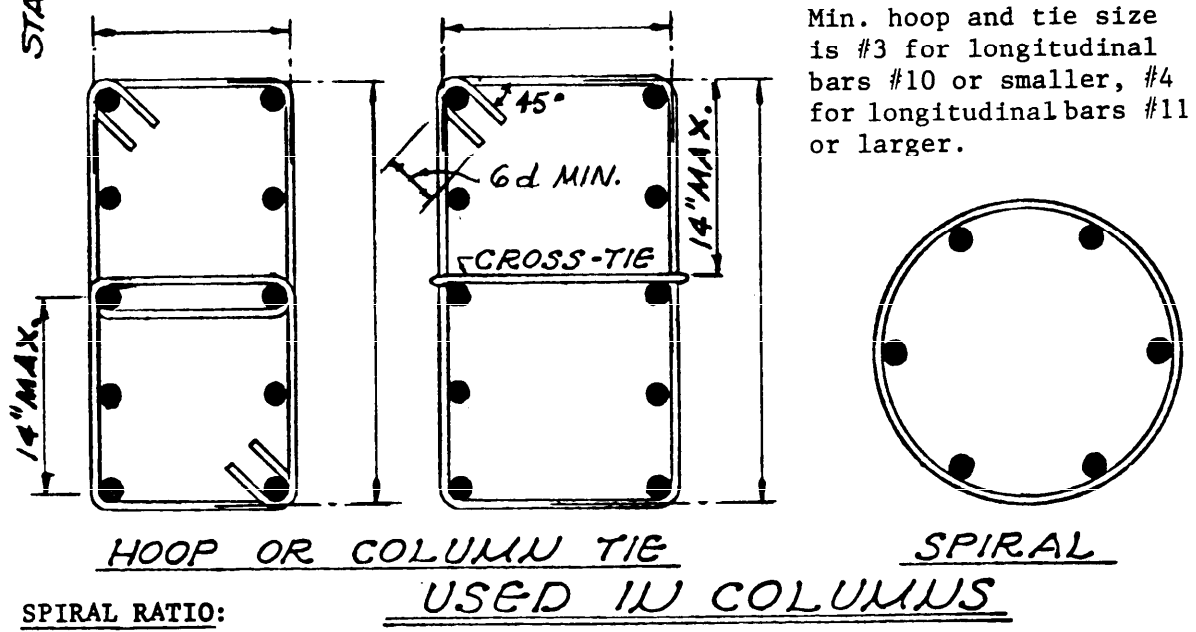
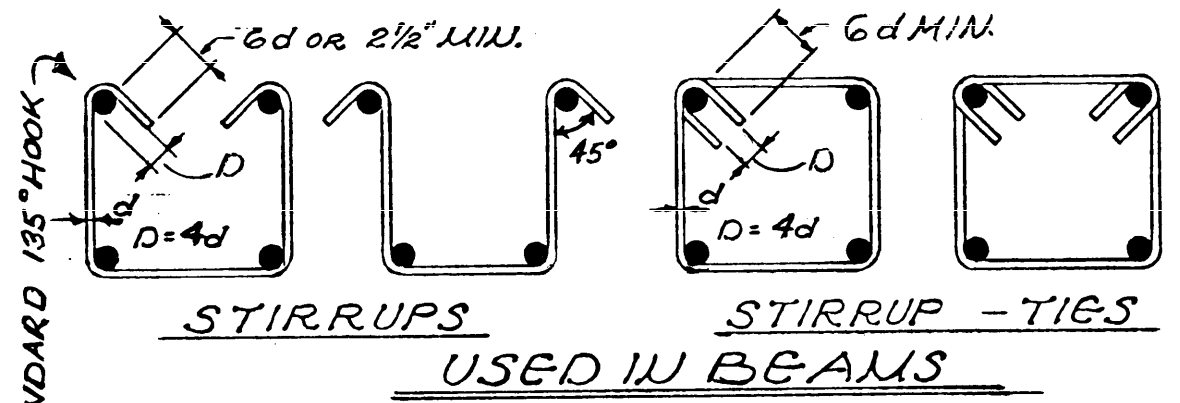


COLUMN:

l_d is the tension development length. See ACI 318-89, Sect. 12.2.

At any level, not more than alternate bars will be welded or mechanical spliced. Minimum distance between two adjacent bar splices = 24".

Figure 8-4. Type A frame—splices in reinforcement.



Min. hoop and tie size is #3 for longitudinal bars #10 or smaller, #4 for longitudinal bars #11 or larger.

SPIRAL RATIO:

$$\rho_s = 0.12 \frac{f'_c}{f_{yh}} \text{ or } 0.45 \left(\frac{A_g - 1}{A_c} \right) \frac{f'_c}{f_{yh}}$$

whichever is greater.

HOOP REQUIREMENTS - TOTAL TIE AREA:

$$A_{sh} = 0.3 \left(\frac{s h_c f'_c}{f_{yh}} \right) \left(\frac{A_g - 1}{A_{ch}} \right)$$

Formula 21-3
Formula 21-4

$$A_{sh} = 0.09 s h_c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yh}}, \text{ whichever is greater.}$$

Provide hoops or spirals in columns where special transverse reinforcement is required. (ACI 21, 4.4)

FUNCTIONS	Stirrups	Stirrup-Ties	Column Ties	Hoops	Spirals
Shear Reinforcement And "Caging"	●	●	●	●	●
Restrain Longitudinal Steel From Buckling		●	●	●	●
Confine Concrete				●	●

Figure 8-5. Type A frame—transverse reinforcement.

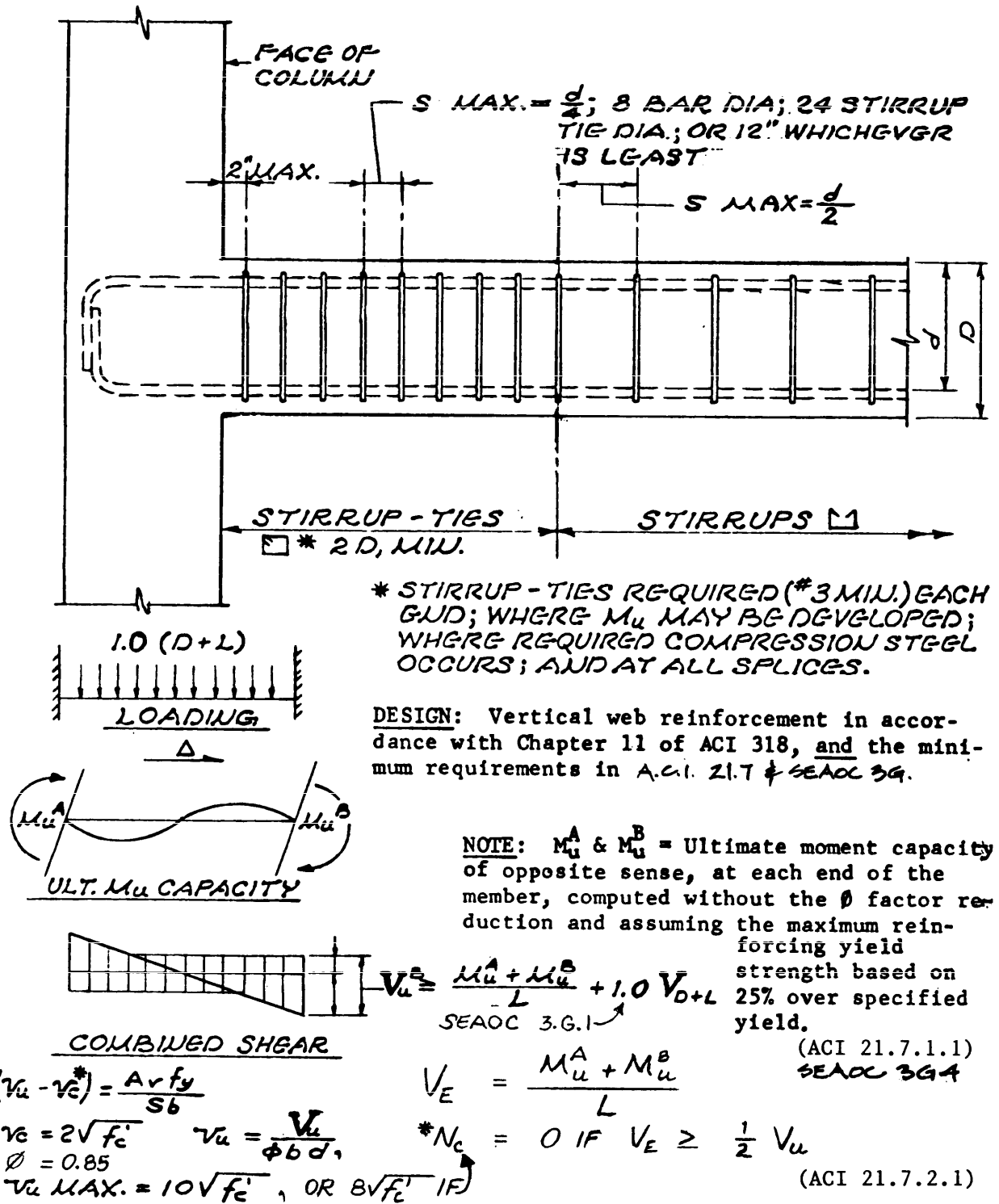


Figure 8-6. Type A frame-girder web reinforcement.

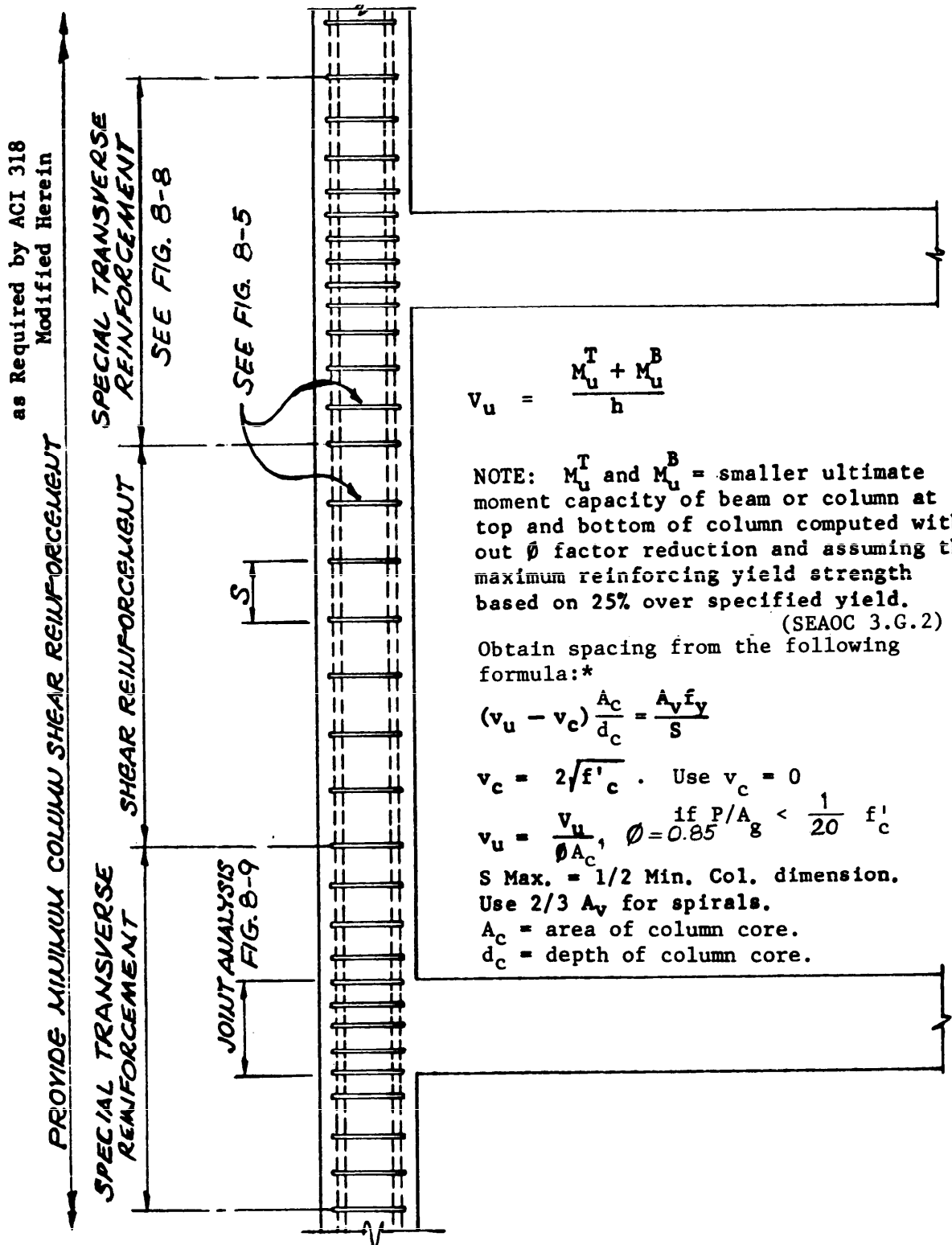
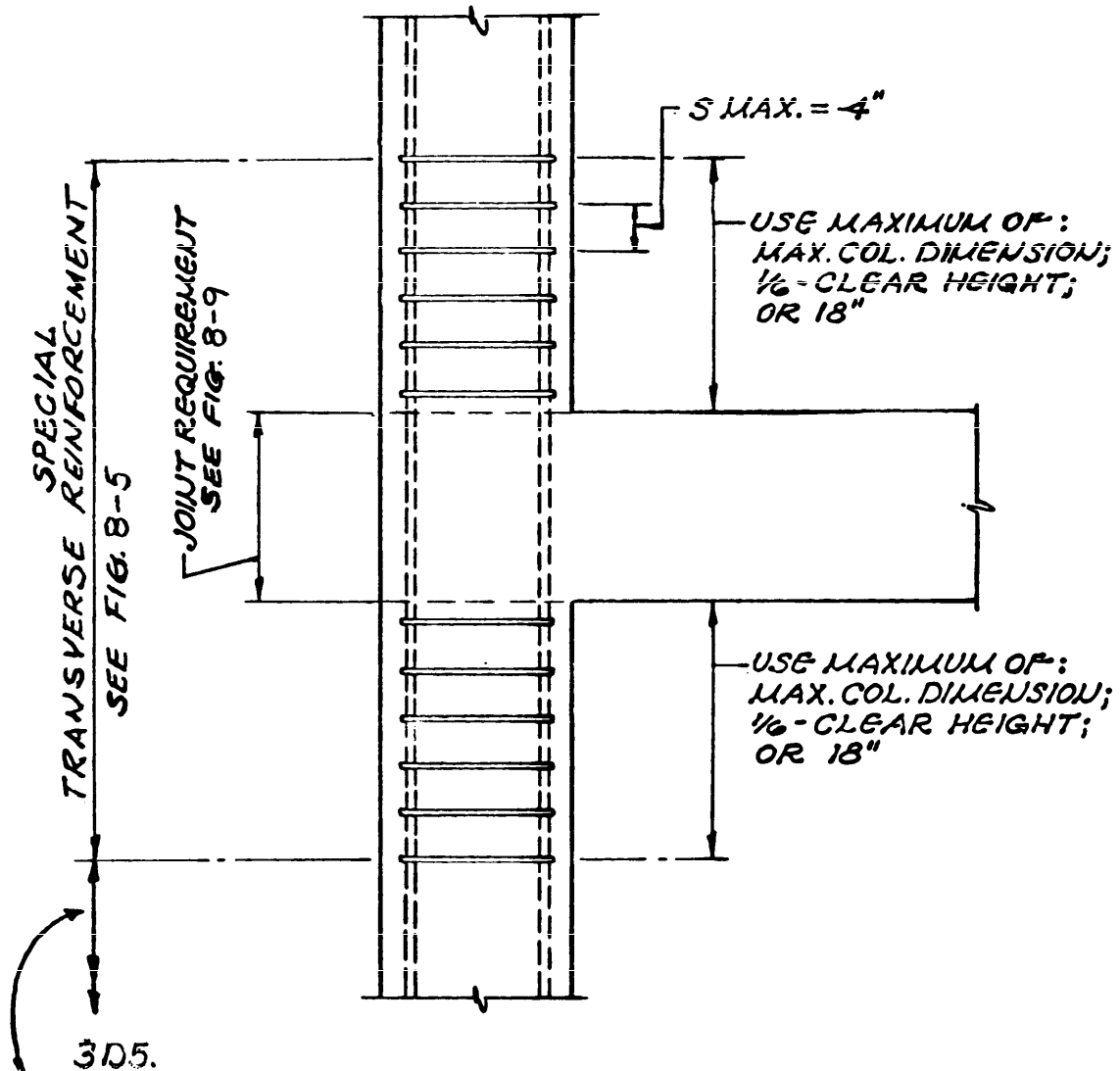


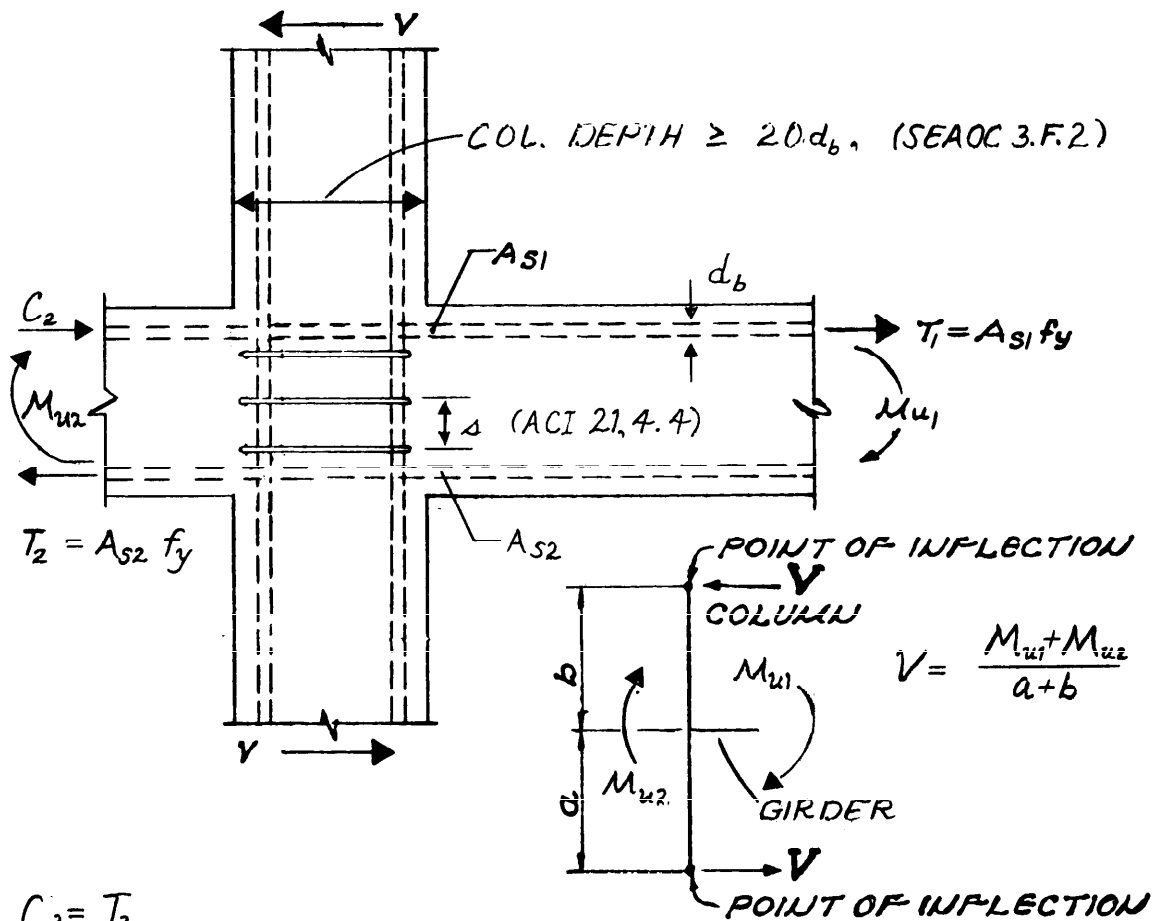
Figure 8-7. Type A frame-column transverse reinforcement.



3D5.
 AT ANY SECTION WHERE THE ULTIMATE CAPACITY OF THE COLUMN (F_u) IS LESS THAN THE SUM OF THE SHEARS (ΣV_u) COMPUTED BY $V_u = M_u^A + M_u^B + 1.0V_o + L$ FOR ALL THE BEAMS ABOVE THE LEVEL UNDER CONSIDERATION, CONFINING REINFORCEMENT SHALL BE PROVIDED. SEE FIG. 8-5. THIS CONFINING REINFORCEMENT IS ALSO REQUIRED BY: SEAC 3D6 WHEN POINT OF CONTRAFLEXURE NOT IN MIDDLE HALF OF COLUMN (ACI 21.4.4.5 AND SEAC 3D4) FOR COLUMNS SUPPORTING DISCONTINUED STIFF MEMBERS, SUCH AS WALLS.

NOTE: A.C.I. 21.7 & SEAC 3G SUBSTITUTE SYMBOL V_e FOR V_u

Figure 8-8. Type A frame—special transverse reinforcement.



$$C_2 = T_2$$

$$V_u = T_1 + C_2 - V$$

$$V_u = \frac{V_u}{A_j}, \text{ WHERE } A_j \text{ IS DEFINED IN (SEAOC 3.F.1)}$$

$S = 4" \text{ MAX. FOR NON-CONFINED JOINTS (ACI 21.6.2.1)}$

Only 1/2 the special transverse reinforcement is required for confined joints where girders frame into all four sides. (ACI 21.6.2.2)

NOTE: The intersection of the orthogonal beam steel and the column steel, along with the required joint confinement hoop steel frequently results in congestion of bars. A careful study of the bar layouts should be made during design and represented on the construction documents.

Figure 8-9. Type A frame-girder-column joint analysis.

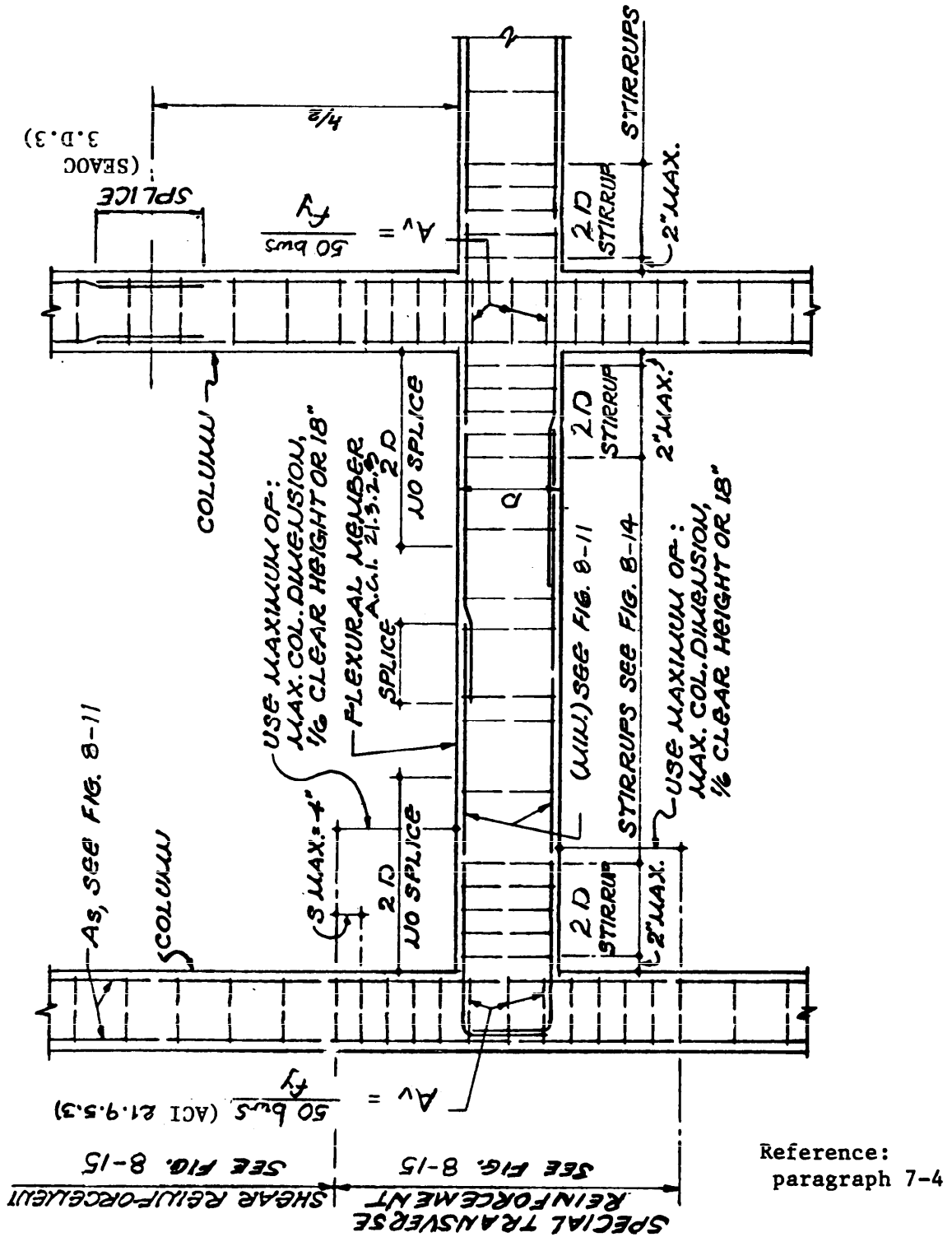
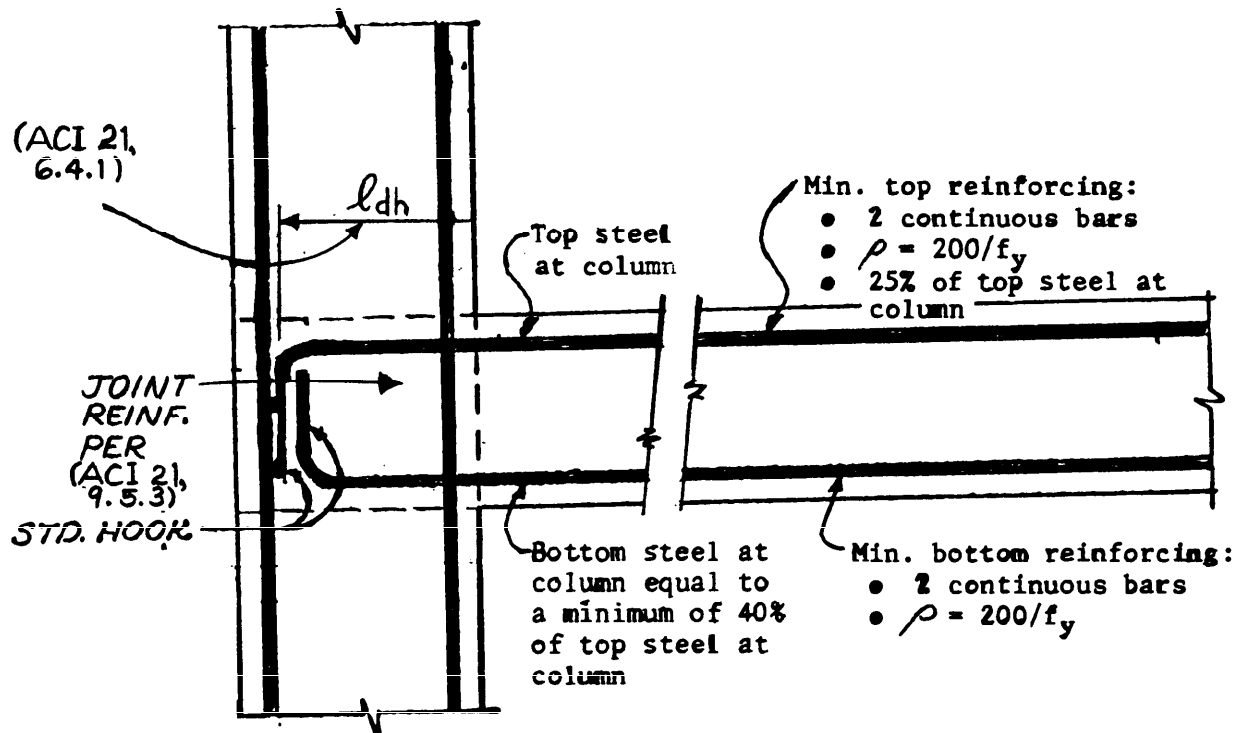


Figure 8-10. Type B frame—frame requirements.



ELEVATION OF GIRDER AND COLUMN

FLEXURAL MEMBER:

$f'_c = 3,000$ p.s.i. min. at 28 days

$f_y = 40$ ksi or 60 ksi

Reinforcement ratio $\rho = A_s/bd$ or $\rho' = A'_s/bd$: $\rho = 0.025$ max.

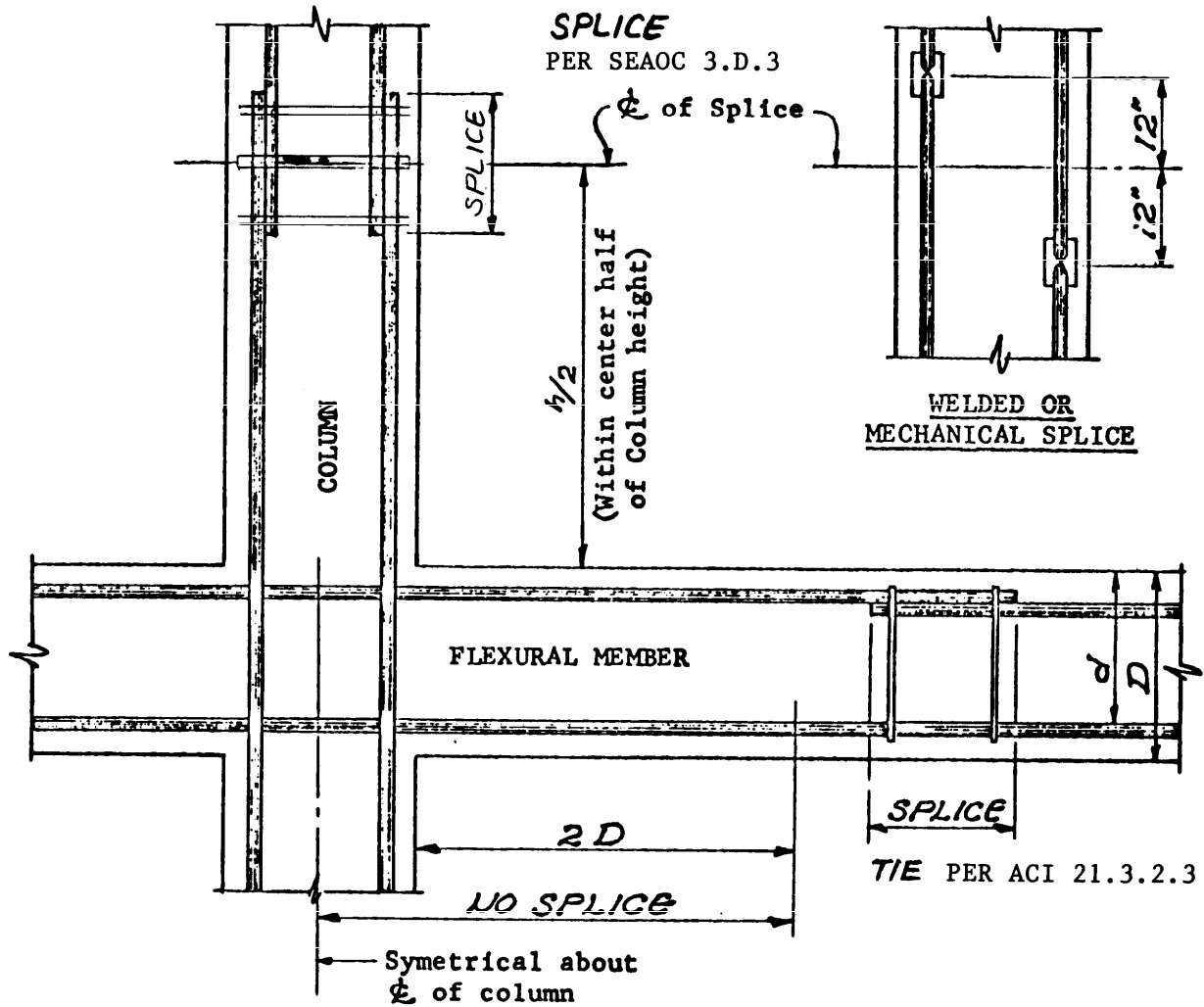
COLUMN:

$f'_c = 3,000$ p.s.i. at 28 days Min.

$f_y = 40$ ksi or 60 ksi

Reinforcement ratio, ρ (for tied columns)
 ≥ 0.01 and ≤ 0.06 .

Figure 8-11. Type B frame—longitudinal reinforcement.

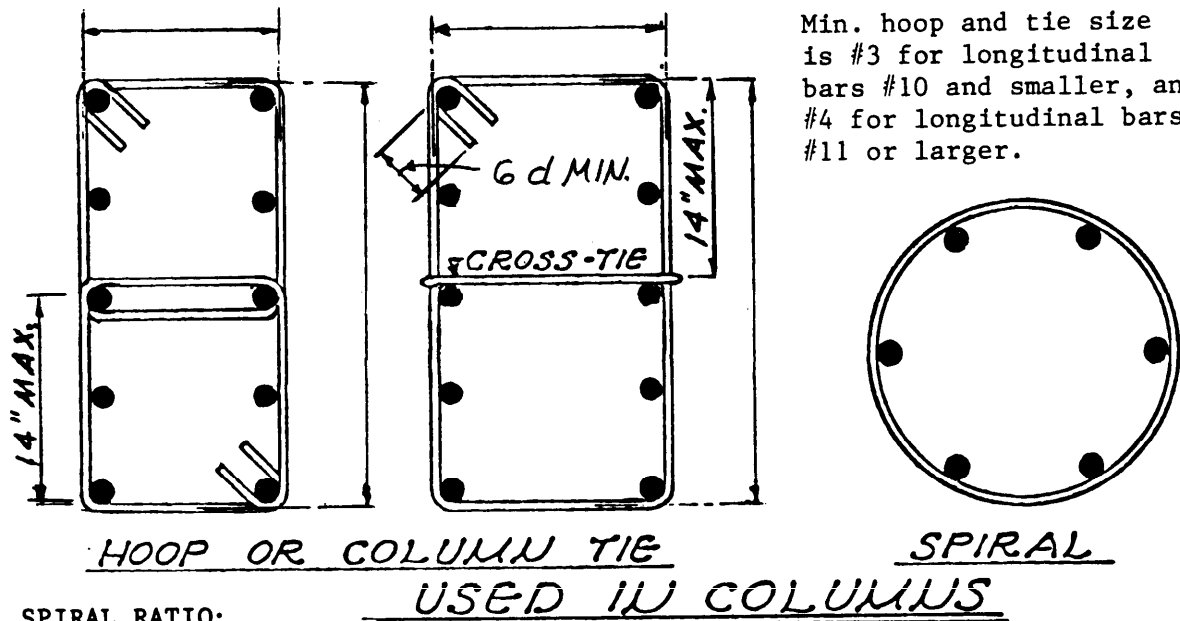
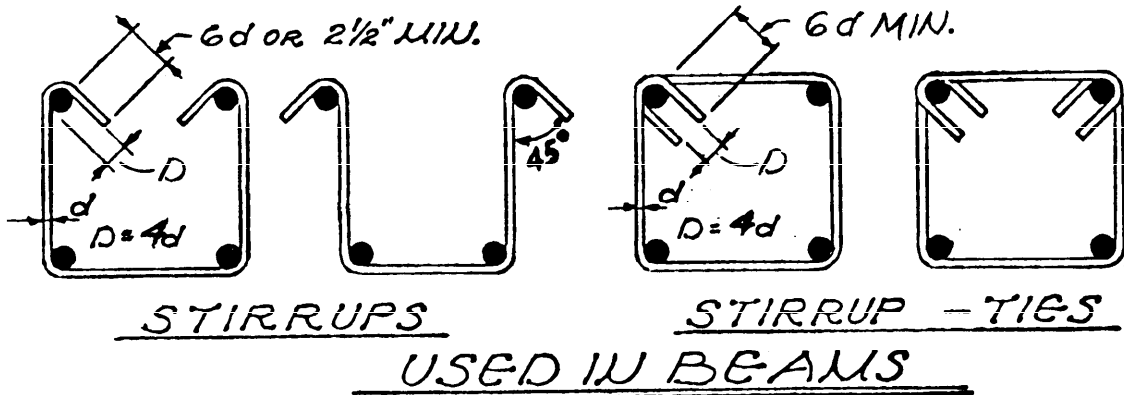


COLUMN:

l_d is the tension development length. See ACI 12.2.

At any level, not more than alternate bars will be welded or mechanical spliced. Min. distance between two adjacent bar splices = 24".

Figure 8-12. Type B frame—splices in reinforcement.



Min. hoop and tie size is #3 for longitudinal bars #10 and smaller, and #4 for longitudinal bars #11 or larger.

SPIRAL RATIO:

$$P_s = 0.08 \frac{f'_c}{f_{yh}} \text{ or } 0.45 \left(\frac{A_g - 1}{A_c} \right) \frac{f'_c}{f_{yh}}$$

HOOP REQUIREMENTS - TOTAL TIE AREA:

$$A_{sh} = 0.08 s_h c \frac{f'_c}{f_{yh}}$$

FUNCTIONS	Stirrups	Stirrup-Ties	Column Ties	Hoops	Spirals
Shear Reinforcement And "Caging"	●	●	●	●	●
Restrain Longitudinal Steel From Buckling		●	●	●	●
Confine Concrete				●	●

Figure 8-13. Type B frame—transverse reinforcement.

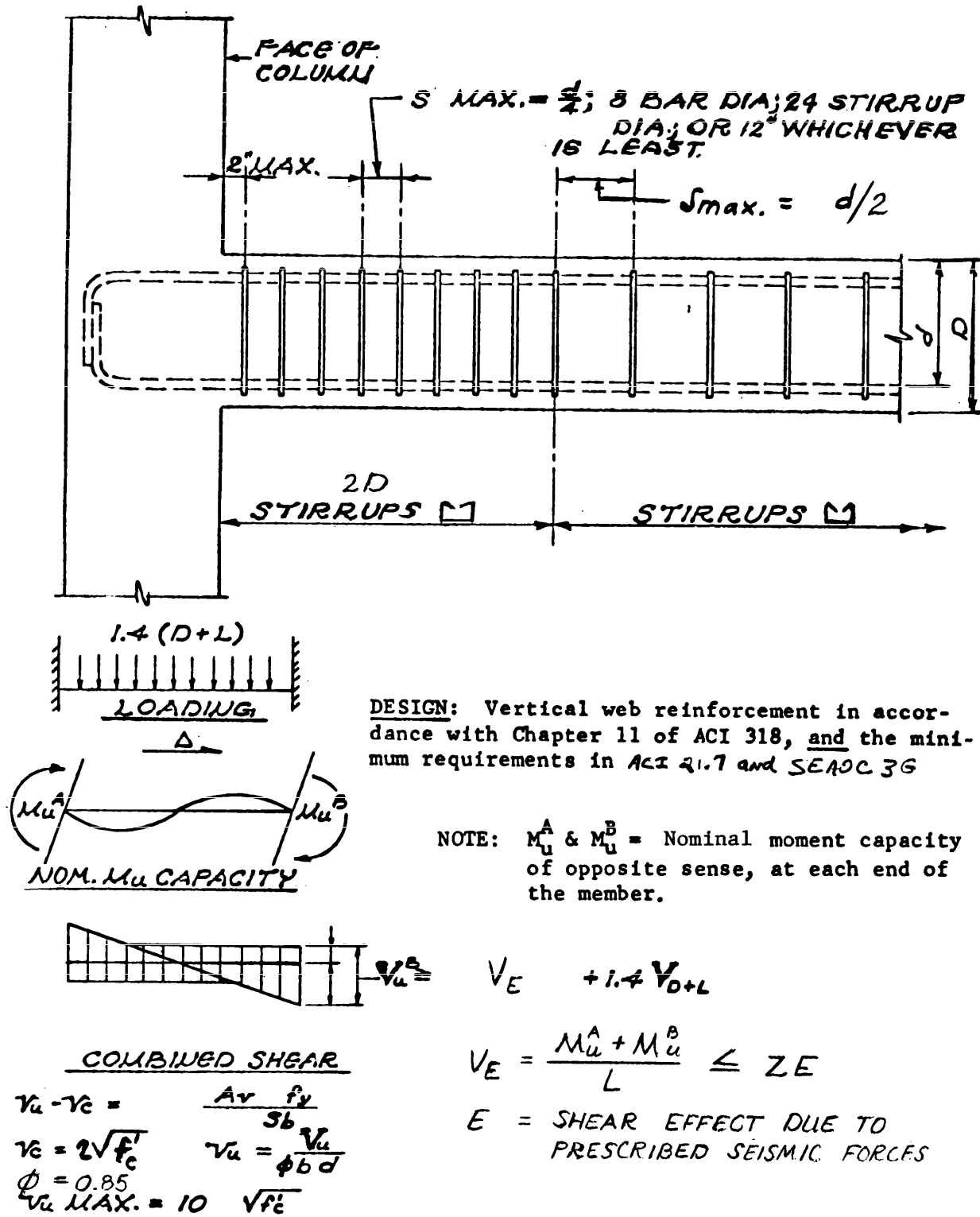


Figure 8-14. Type B frame-girder web reinforcement.

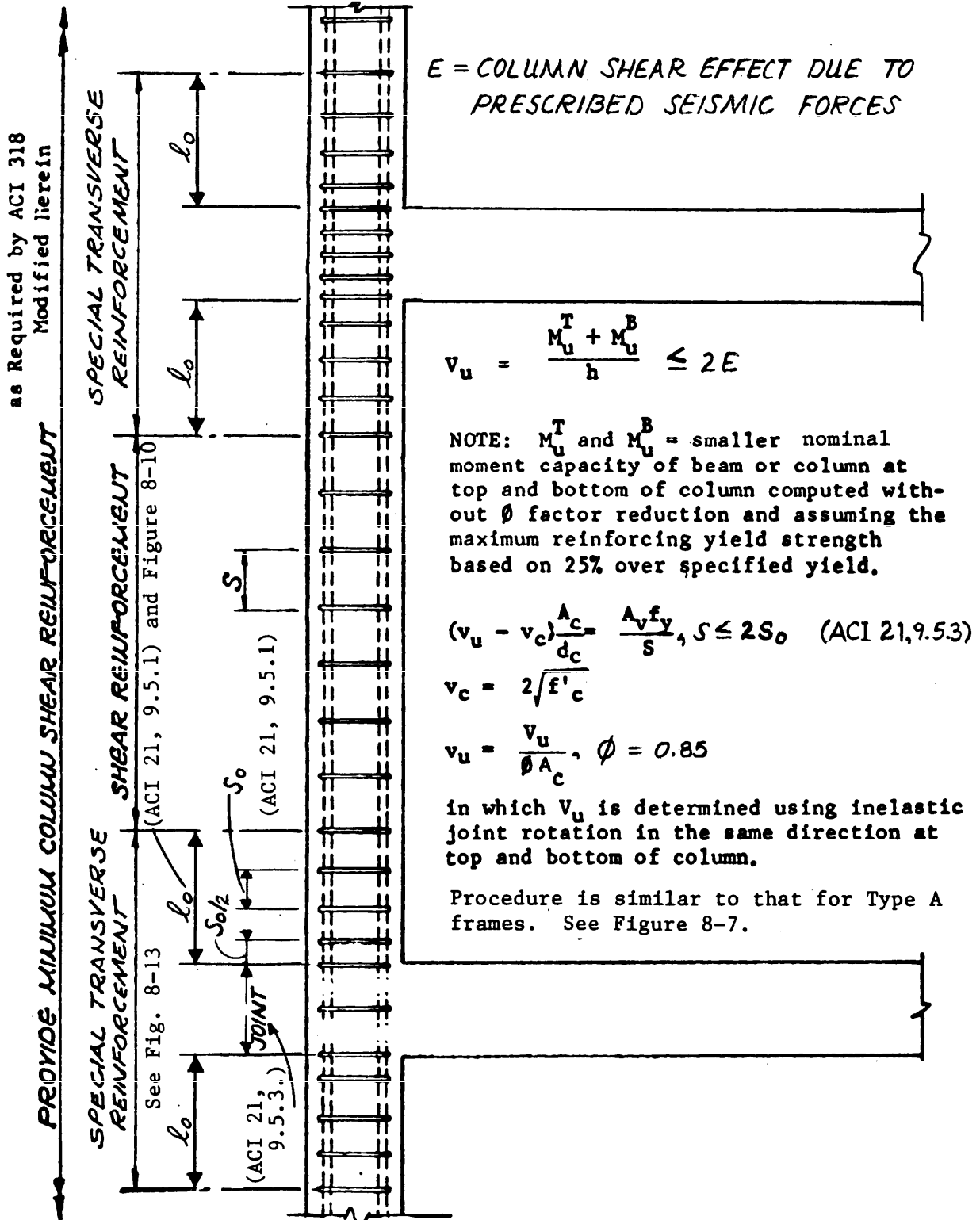
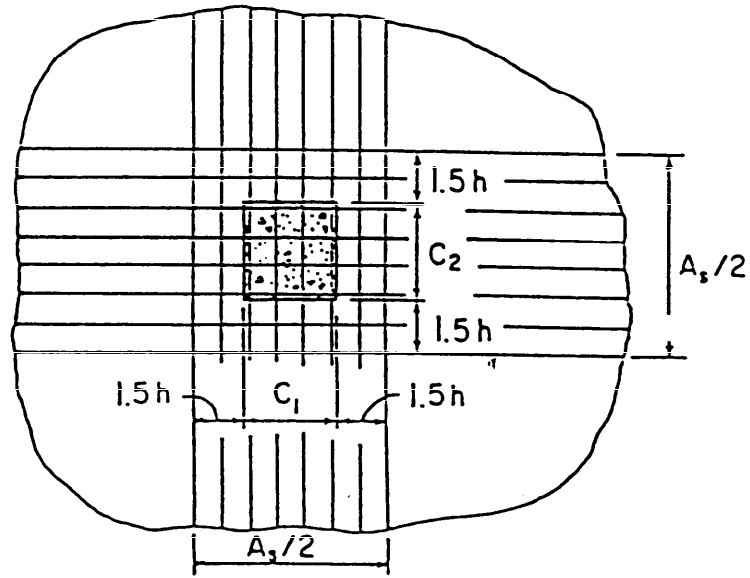
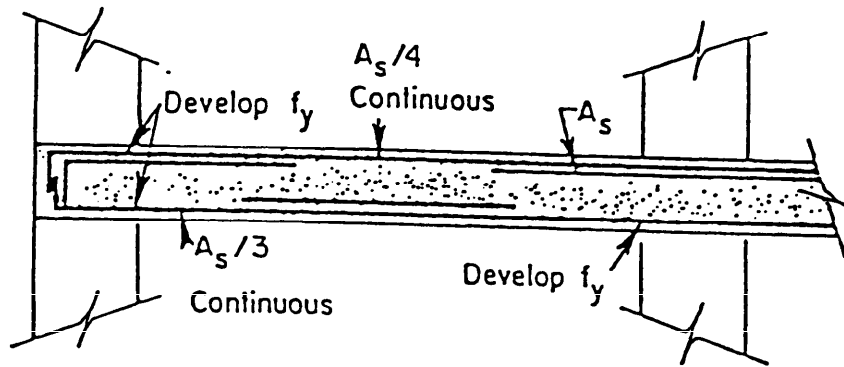


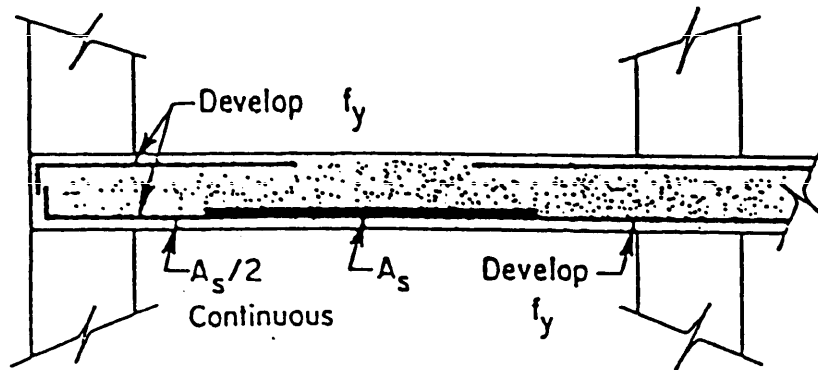
Figure 8-15. Type B frame-column transverse reinforcement.



BANDED COLUMN STRIP REINFORCEMENT



SLAB COLUMN STRIP



SLAB MIDDLE STRIP

Figure 8-16. Type B frame-slab/column framing system.

($3R_w/8$)E. The punching-shear resistance shall be evaluated by using an understrength factor of $\phi = 0.6$ applied to the shear resistance equations in ACI Section 11.11.

b. *Development length.* The development length for reinforcement in tension shall conform to ACI 21.6.4.

c. *Joint reinforcement.* Tie spacing within the joint shall not exceed the spacing s_o given by ACI 21.9.5.1.

d. *Details.* Details for Type B frames are given in figures 8-10 through 8-16.

8-6. Type C frames. This type is the SEAOC OMRF with additional seismic details intended to ensure structural integrity and collapse resistance in the event of the rare but credible earthquake in Zone 1.

a. *Seismic frames.* In Zone 1 the Type C frame may be used to resist lateral forces as a moment frame with $R_w = 5$. The design provisions are given in paragraph c below.

b. *Nonseismic frames.* In some cases, as indicated in table 8-1, frames that are intended to carry gravity loads only and are not part of the lateral force resisting system may be required to be Type C frames. The design provisions for these nonseismic frames are given in paragraph 8-8.

c. *Design provisions for Type C seismic frames.* In addition to the general requirements of ACI 318 Chapters 1-12, the Type C frame shall meet the following additional requirements:

(1) *Dimensional limits.* See figure 8-2.

(2) *Slab and column frames.* The same requirements as given in paragraph 8-5a.

(3) *Stirrups.* Web reinforcement is required throughout the length of flexural members. The reinforcement will be designed in accordance with ACI 318, except that the area of reinforcement will not be less than 0.0015 times the product of the width of the web and the spacing of the web reinforcement along the longitudinal axis of the member. The first stirrup will be located at two inches from the column face, and the next six stirrups will be placed at a spacing not greater than $d/4$.

(4) *Bottom bars.* Positive moment reinforcement at the supports of flexural members subject

to reversal of moments will be anchored by bond, hooks, or mechanical anchors in or through the supporting member to develop the yield strength of the bars. The positive moment capacity of flexural members at columns will be at least 30 percent of the negative capacity.

(5) *Splices.* Lapped splices in flexural members, located in a region of tension or reversing stress, will be confined by at least two stirrups at each splice.

(6) *Column ties.* The spacing of ties at the ends of tied columns will not exceed 4 inches for a distance equal to the maximum column dimension but not less than one-sixth the clear height of the column from the face of the joint. The first such tie will be located 2 inches from the face of the joint.

(7) *Beam-column joints.* Joints of exterior and corner columns will be confined by lateral reinforcement through the joint. Such lateral reinforcement will consist of spirals or ties as required at the ends of columns. Tie spacing within the joint will not exceed the spacing given by Section 21.8.2.2 of ACI 318-89.

(8) *Development length.* The development length for reinforcement in tension shall conform to Section 21.6.4. of ACI 318-89.

8-7. Type D frames. This type is not designed for earthquake loads; however, it has some reserve strength that offers some resistance to seismic loads. The use of Type D frames is discussed below.

8-8. Nonseismic frames. A frame that is intended to carry gravity loads only, and is not considered part of the lateral force resisting system, is subject to the requirement of SEAOC 1H2d, as discussed in chapter 4. This requires the frame to be investigated and shown to be adequate for carrying vertical load when subjected to a displacement equal to $3R_w/8$ times the displacement of the lateral force resisting system of the building. The frame is considered adequate if, when the frame is so displaced, the factored moments, shears, and axial forces in the members do not exceed the nominal strengths of the members. As indicated in table 8-1, nonseismic frames are required to be Type C in Zones 2, 3, and 4 but may be Type D in Zone 1.

CHAPTER 9

STEEL MOMENT RESISTING FRAMES

9-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for the design of steel moment resisting frames in seismic areas.

9-2. General.

a. Functions. Steel moment resisting frames have functions and behavior similar to those of concrete moment frames. Refer to the general discussion of moment frames in chapter 8.

b. Frame types. There are two types of steel moment frame: the special moment resisting frame (steel SMRF) and the ordinary moment resisting frame (steel OMRF). Refer to SEAOC 4F6 for the use of trusses in moment resisting frames.

9-3. Steel special moment resisting frames (steel SMRF).

a. General design criteria. The criteria used to design steel special moment resisting frames will be the latest edition of the AISC *Specification* as modified by SEAOC 4A through 4D, 4F, and 4J. SEAOC 4A provides the basic reference to the eighth edition of the AISC *Specification*; SEAOC 4B provides the definitions applicable to steel construction; SEAOC 4C provides the requirements for steel materials and defines member strength used in the provisions that require development of member strength; SEAOC 4D provides for the strength of columns, the details of column splices, and the evaluation of slenderness effects; and SEAOC 4F provides the detailed requirements for steel SMRFs.

b. Limitations by seismic zone. As provided in SEAOC 4A2, structures in Zone 1 need not conform to the requirements of SEAOC Chapter 4. SEAOC 4F provides that structures in Zone 2 need conform only to Paragraphs 1, 6, 7, and 9 of the detailed requirements of SEAOC 4F.

c. Basic requirements. The basic requirements for steel SMRFs relate to the relationship between beams and columns and the connections between beams and columns.

(1) *Strength ratio.* SEAOC 4F5 provides for a strength ratio between columns and beams intended to ensure that plastic hinges will form in the beams rather than the columns. Exceptions to this requirement are allowed when compactness limitations are satisfied and load demands are relatively low. The SEAOC commentary includes a discussion of the strong column/weak beam concept.

(2) *Girder-to-column connection.* There are two fundamental requirements:

(a) SEAOC 4A1 provides a requirement for the strength of the girder-column connections. In order to meet this requirement, the girders will be connected to columns by rigid joints that are capable of developing the lesser value of the flexural strength of the girder framing into the joint, or the moment corresponding to the development of panel zone shear strength as defined in SEAOC 4F2. For typical details refer to figure 9-1.

(b) SEAOC paragraph 4F2 deals with the shear strength required in the joints of frames. In order to meet these requirements, the thickness of the column web in the panel zone may have to be increased, either by choosing a column with a thicker web or by adding doubler plates. The panel zone and doubler plate dimensional requirements are summarized in figure 9-2.

d. Details. Several paragraphs in SEAOC 4F relate to details of the frames.

(1) *Flange width-thickness ratio.* SEAOC 4F3 refers to AISC 1.5.1.4.1 regarding allowable stresses in bending and modifies the limiting girder flange width-thickness ratio to $65/\sqrt{F_y}$.

(2) *Continuity plates.* SEAOC 4F4 refers to AISC formula 1.15-3 when determining the need for tension flange continuity plates and adds a requirement for the quantity P_{bf} .

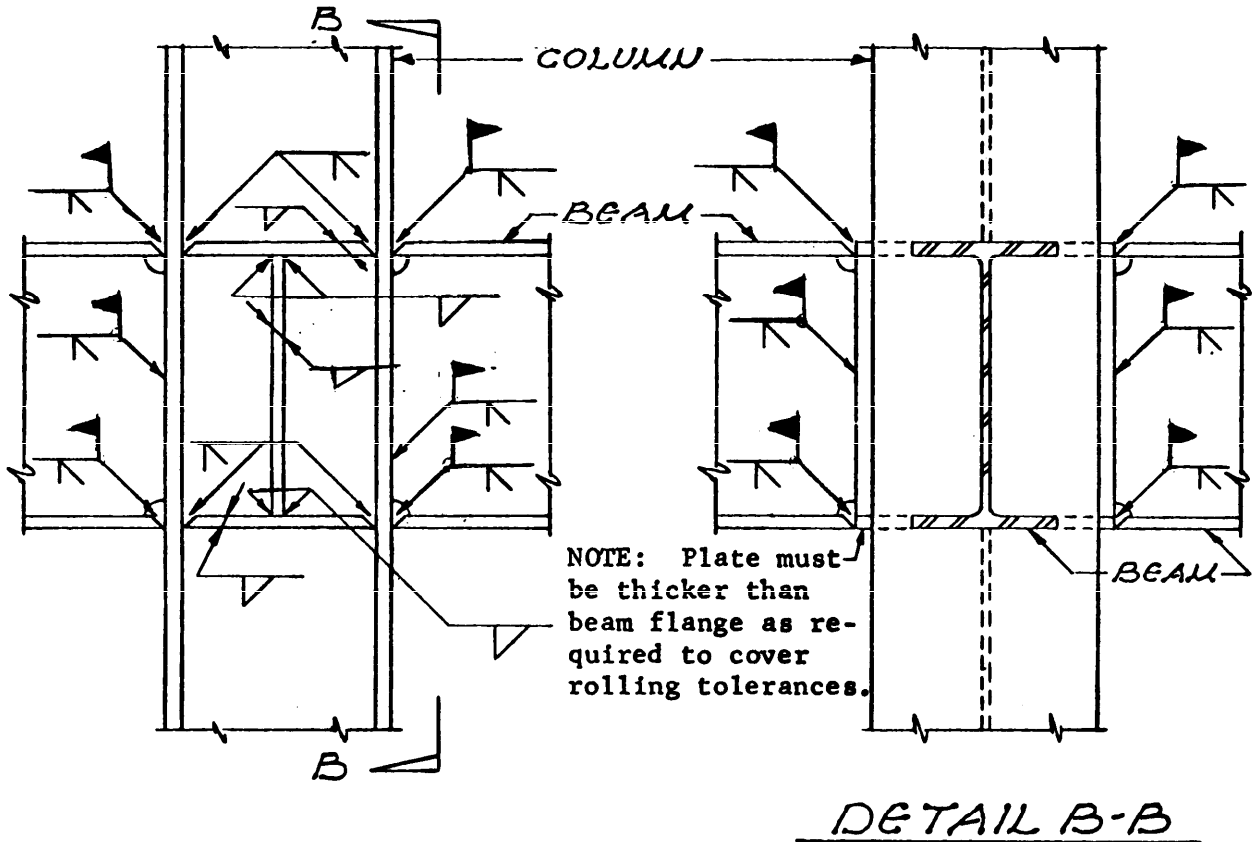
(3) *Changes in beam flange area.* SEAOC 4F9 prohibits abrupt changes in girder flange area within possible plastic hinge regions.

e. Stability of frames. SEAOC 4F7 provides requirements for the stability of girder-column joints, with provisions for restrained (laterally supported) joints and unrestrained (laterally unsupported) joints; SEAOC 4F8 provides requirements for bracing of girders between joints.

f. Drift of frames. SEAOC 4F10 provides requirements for the calculation of frame drift.

g. Trusses in frames. The special moment frame provisions, originally developed for frames consisting of wide-flange beams, have been extended to include frames whose beams are trusses. The requirements for these frames are given in SEAOC 4F6.

h. Inspection. As with other structural systems, the system R^w -values for steel SMRFs are assigned with associated requirements that the detail requirements be met and that appropriate inspection be provided. Refer to SEAOC 4J for the requirement for nondestructive testing of joints in steel SMRFs.



NOTES:

WELDS UNLESS SHOWN AS FILLET WELDS ARE FULL PENETRATION BUTT WELDS. USE BACKING STRIPS OR CHIP AND USE BACKING WELDS.
 THE PURPOSE OF THIS BEAM AND GIRDER CONNECTION TO THE COLUMN IS TO DEVELOP THE FULL PLASTIC CAPACITY OF BEAM AND GIRDER.
 OTHER CONNECTION DETAILS WHICH ARE CAPABLE OF DEVELOPING THE PLASTIC CAPACITY OF THE CONNECTED BEAMS AND GIRDERS MAY BE USED.

Figure 9-1. Steel SMRF.

9-4. Steel ordinary moment resisting frames (steel OMRF).

a. *General design criteria.* The criteria used in the design of steel moment resisting frames will be the latest edition of the AISC Specifications, modified by SEAOC 4E.

b. *Limitations as seismic moment resisting frames.*

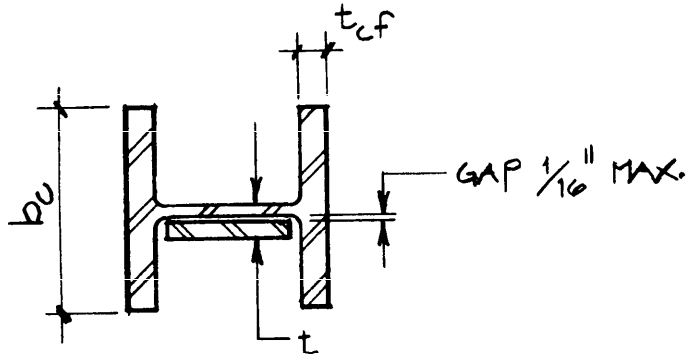
(1) Frames without special seismic details or loading. In Zone 1, ordinary moment frames may be designed with $R_w = 6$.

(2) Frames without special seismic details but with special loading. OMRFs without special details may be used if they are capable of resisting

the combination of gravity loads and $3(R_w/8)$ times the design seismic force. In Zone 1, an R_w value of 12 may be used; in Zones 2, 3, and 4, $R_w = 6$. In Zones 3 and 4, there is a height limit of 160 feet.

(3) Frames with girder-to-column connections that meet the requirements of SEAOC 4F1. $R_w = 6$, and in Zones 3 and 4 there is a height limit of 160 feet.

c. *Girder-to-column connections.* Each beam or girder moment connection to a column will meet the requirements of SEAOC 4F1 for SMRFs unless it can be shown that it is capable of resisting the combination of gravity loads and $3R_w/8$ times the design seismic forces.



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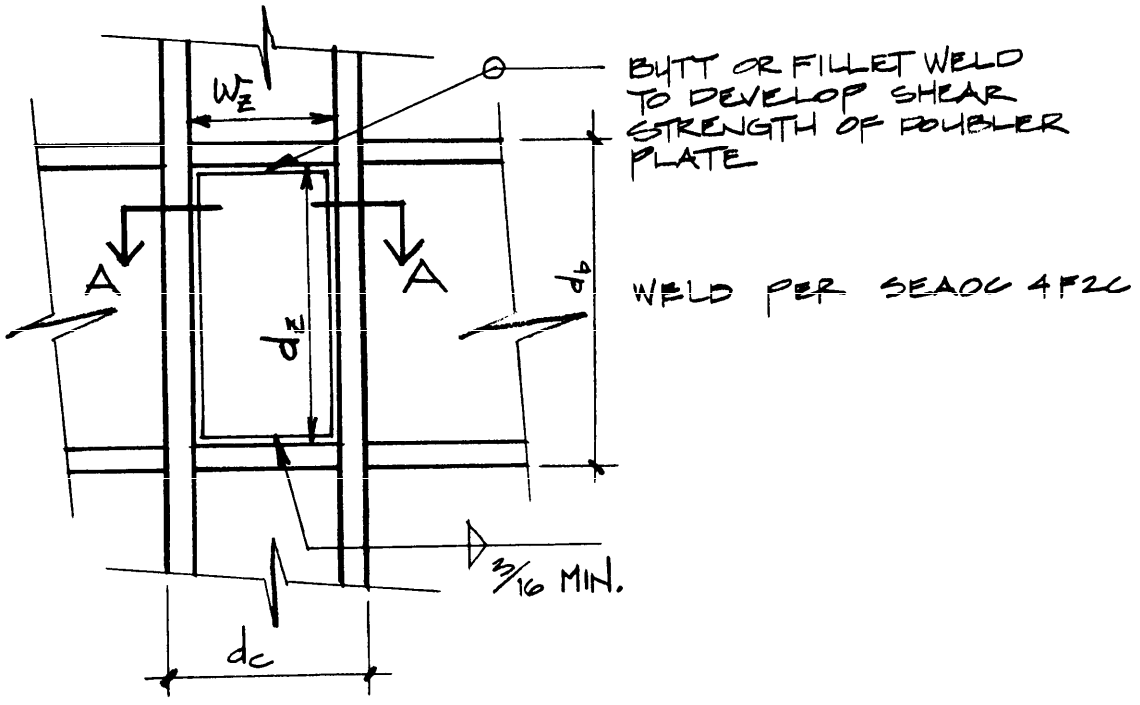


Figure 9-2. Panel zone details.

CHAPTER 10

FOUNDATIONS

10-1. Introduction. This chapter discusses the design of foundations to resist earthquake lateral forces. Reference is made to SEAOC 1J.

10-2. General.

a. Base. The base of the building is the level at which the earthquake motions are considered to be imparted to the structure. From the point of view of design, the base is the level at which the base shear is resisted. In a building without a basement, this is simply at grade, where footings develop lateral resistance. In a building with a basement, the base is at grade if grade-level framing or the upper portion of the basement wall is capable of developing the required lateral resistance, or at the basement level if the lateral resistance cannot be developed at grade level. On sloping sites, the level at grade may be unrestrained at the downhill side but restrained, like a basement, at the uphill side. The base of a building is determined by judgment, considering the mechanism for developing lateral resistance. The base should be taken at the highest level where the building can transmit lateral forces into the ground on all sides. Partial basements and sites with varying subsurface conditions are also potentially troublesome. The engineer should consider how the forces enter the substructure and how they are transmitted into the ground. Simple three-dimensional free-body diagrams of whole substructures may be of great help in defining the design conditions.

b. Column bases. If a column is assumed to be fixed in the analysis of the superstructure, the foundation system must have the strength and stiffness required by this assumption.

c. Development of forces into the foundations. Foundations must be detailed to develop the horizontal and vertical components of seismic forces imparted by columns, shear walls, and braces. In instances where footings are subjected to lateral thrusts due to applied vertical loads, such horizontal thrust will be added to the lateral seismic force indicated above. An example of this case could be the outward thrusts on footings of a rigid gable bent due to applied vertical loads.

d. Interconnection of foundation elements. Unless the soil is quite stiff, foundation elements should be interconnected to allow a redistribution of lateral forces. Individual pile, caisson, and deep pier footings of every building or structure in Zones 2, 3, and 4 will be interconnected by

foundation ties or a structural slab. For Zone 1, provide ties only when surrounding soil has low passive resistance values. Isolated spread footings on soil with a low passive resistance will also be tied together in a way to prevent relative movement of the various parts of the foundation with respect to each other. The ties can be formed by an interconnecting grid network of reinforced concrete struts or structural steel shapes encased in concrete. As an alternative, a reinforced concrete floor slab, doweled to walls and footings to provide restraint in all horizontal directions, may be used in lieu of the grid network of ties. Slabs on grade will not be used as ties when significant differential settlement is expected between footings and slab. In such cases, slabs on grade will be cut loose from footings and made free-floating (note that the effective unsupported height of the wall is increased for this condition). Strut ties placed below such slabs will be cushioned or separated from the slab such that slab settlement will not damage the slab or strut ties. Alternatively, it may be more economical to overexcavate the soil under the footings and recompact to control differential settlements under vertical loads and to increase passive resistance of the sides of the footings under lateral loads so as to eliminate the need for footing ties. Slabs on ground when used as a foundation tie will have minimum reinforcing according to ACI 7.12. As a minimum, a mat of #4 at 16 inches each way is recommended.

e. Overturning. The overturning moment at the base of the building is resisted by the soil through the foundation. The total load on the soil is not changed, but there is a change in the distribution of the soil pressure. For isolated spread footings, the design requirement is simply to provide for vertical components of the overturning moment in combination with the vertical forces due to dead and live loads. For wall footings, there may be enlarged footings under the boundary members, and these will have increased loads as indicated above for isolated footings, but there will also be loads on grade beams or other connecting elements.

f. Differential settlement. Earthquake vibrations may cause consolidation or liquefaction of loose soils, and the resultant settlement of building foundations usually will not be uniform. For rigid structures supported on individual spread footings bearing on such material, excessive differential settlements can damage the superstructure. Stabi-

lization of the soil prior to construction or the use of piles, caissons, or deep piers bearing on a firm stratum may be the solution to this problem.

10-3. Design of elements.

a. General. The mechanism used for the transmission of horizontal forces may be friction between floor slab and ground; friction between bottom of footing and ground; and/or passive resistance of earth against vertical surfaces of footings, grade beams, or basement walls. The overturning effects, which require a careful analysis of permissible overloads for the combined effect of vertical and lateral loads, must be considered in the foundation design. Net upward forces must be resisted by anchorage into the foundation. Stability against overturning must be provided for the short-time loading during an earthquake (or wind) without creating disparities in the foundation configuration that would result in significantly different foundation settlements due to gravity loads. These differential settlements could create more damage to the structure than the short-time deformations that might occur under the highly increased soil pressures due to earthquake effects.

b. Slabs on ground. Slabs on ground are often thought of as nonstructural but will in fact be nonstructural only if detailed to be unconstrained by adjacent elements. In seismic design the slab on ground should be utilized as a connecting, tying, stiffening element by suitable details of joints and reinforcing in the slab and at the edges of the slab.

c. Grade beams. Grade beams may be used to stiffen spread footings where columns are intended to have fixed bases; grade beams may also develop lateral resistance in passive pressure on their sides, especially if stiffened by an integral slab on ground. Passive resistance values vary greatly with type of soil and depth. Adequacy of passive resistance should be determined by the geotechnical engineer. Passive resistance or lateral bearing values are permitted only where concrete is deposited directly against natural ground or the backfill is well compacted. Passive resistance should not be used where the lateral bearing surface is close to an excavation unless such excavation is carefully backfilled with well-compacted material. The shear capacity of the soil between such bearing surface and open or poorly compacted excavation or a similar depression may be inadequate to provide the needed resistance.

d. Basement walls. Basement walls can develop passive pressure for normal forces. The comments on passive pressure for grade beams apply.

e. Spread footings. Spread footings resist vertical loads through bearing pressure on the bottom

and resist horizontal loads through friction on the bottom and passive pressure on the sides.

f. Wall footings. Wall footings resist lateral loads through friction on the bottom.

g. Piles. Piles driven into soft surficial soils must transfer the base shear into stiffer soils at lower levels. This involves bending of the piles. Criteria for design should be obtained from the geotechnical engineer. Where subsurface conditions vary over the site, the effective lengths of piles in bending may vary. The resulting variation in relative rigidity causes some piles to carry more lateral load than others and must be considered in the foundation design.

h. Batter piles. The use of batter piles should be avoided. Their greater lateral stiffness relative to the vertical piles attracts most of the lateral forces to themselves, resulting in an unbalanced lateral load resisting system. Because the inclination of the batter piles is usually small, very large vertical components of force are developed between the vertical and adjacent batter piles. The pile cap must be detailed to accommodate these forces, and the caps may need to be stiffened by horizontal grade beams to prevent rotation under these forces.

i. Foundation ties. Ties will be designed to carry an axial tension and compression horizontal force equal to 10 percent of the larger column load. The minimum tie will be 12 inches by 12 inches with four #5 longitudinal bars and #3 ties at 12 inches oc.

j. Retaining walls. Refer to chapter 13.

k. Mixed systems. When subsurface conditions vary significantly across a site, it is sometimes effective to use mixed systems, e.g., combinations of drilled piers and spread footings. Geotechnical consultation is especially important for mixed systems in order to control differential settlements. The difference in lateral stiffnesses between the spread footings and drilled piers must be considered in the foundation earthquake design.

10-4. Foundation capacities.

a. Stress basis. Foundations are generally of concrete designed on an ultimate strength basis, but the resisting capacities of the soils are generally prescribed on a working-stress or service load basis. This condition calls for care in developing foundation design forces from the reactions given by frame analyses and care in interpreting the allowable soil stresses given by the geotechnical engineer. In no case will the footing size be less than that required for static loads alone.

b. Allowable stresses. The structural engineer and the geotechnical engineer should resolve potential conflicts between short-term and long-term

effects. A pitfall in the design of footings that carry vertical components of seismic forces is to proportion the footing for large short-term loads to meet allowable stresses that are intended to control long-term settlements. The results may be excessive seismic design and unnecessary differential settlements.

c. Combinations of modes of resistance. Build-

ings generally have not had problems of sliding in past earthquakes. The mechanism of resistance is probably quite complex, including a number of modes of resisting working more or less simultaneously. In some cases it may be possible to combine friction, passive pressure, and other effects; however, this should be done only under the guidance of the geotechnical engineer.

CHAPTER 11

ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS

11-1. Introduction. This chapter defines architectural elements, discusses their participation and importance in relation to the seismic design of the structural system, and prescribes the criteria for their design to resist damage from seismic lateral forces. The fundamental principle and underlying criterion of this chapter are that the design of architectural elements will be such that they will not collapse and cause personal injury due to the accelerations and displacements induced by severe seismic disturbances, and that the architectural elements will withstand more frequent but less severe seismic disturbance without excessive damage and economic loss.

11-2. Definition. Architectural elements are elements such as partitions, stairways, windows, suspended ceilings, parapets, building ornamentations and appendages, and storage racks. They are called architectural because they are not part of the vertical or lateral load carrying systems or the mechanical or electrical systems. Although they are usually shown on the architectural drawings, they often have a structural aspect. The architect will consult with the structural, mechanical, and electrical engineers when dealing with these elements. Examples of architectural elements that have a structural aspect follow.

a. Nonstructural walls. A wall is considered "architectural" or "nonstructural" when it does not participate in the resistance to lateral forces. This is the case if the wall is isolated, i.e., not connected to the structure at the top and the ends, or if it is very flexible relative to the structural wall frames. Note that an isolated wall must be capable of acting as a cantilever from the floor or be braced laterally.

b. Curtain walls and filler walls. A curtain wall is an exterior wall, usually of masonry, that lies outside of, and usually conceals, the structural frame. A filler wall is an infill, usually of masonry, within the members of a frame. These are often considered architectural if they are designed and detailed by the architect, but they can act as structural shear walls. If they are connected to the frame, they will be subjected to the deflections of the frame and will participate with the frame in resisting lateral forces.

c. Partial infill walls. A partial infill wall is one that has a strip of windows between the top of the solid infill and the bottom of the floor above or has a vertical strip of window between the one or both

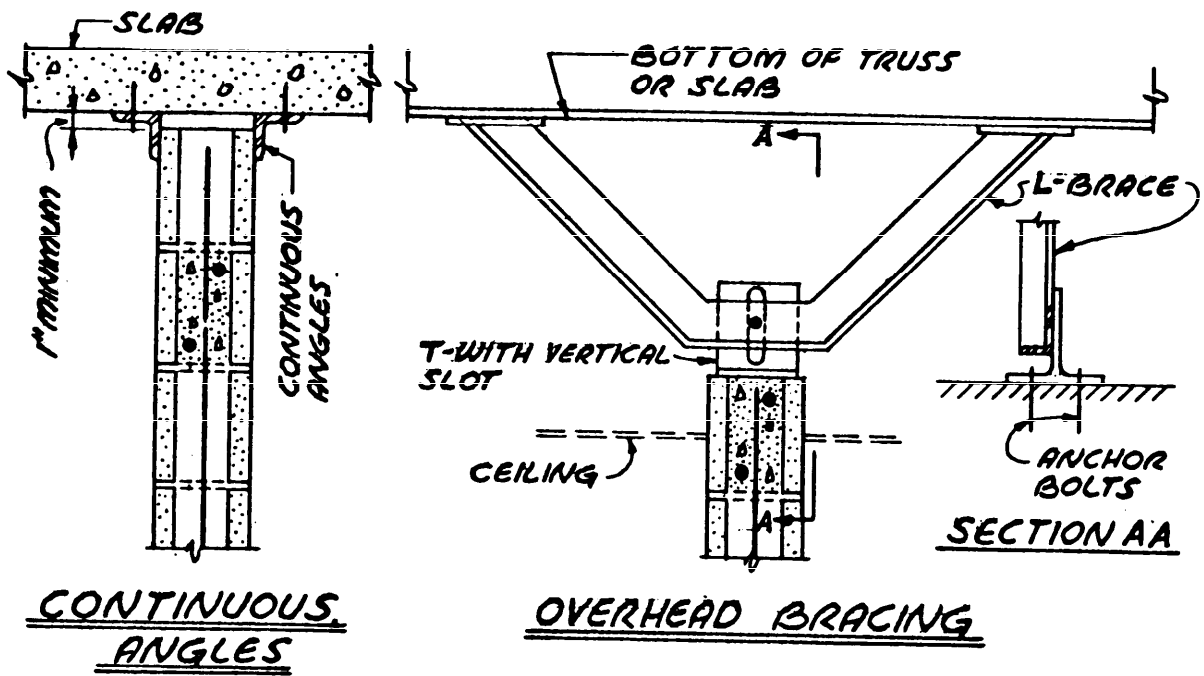
ends of the infill and a column. Such walls require special treatment: if they are not properly isolated from the structural system they will act as shear walls. The wall with windows along the top is of particular concern because of its potential effect on the adjacent columns. The columns are fully braced where there is an adjacent infill but is unbraced in the zone between the windows. The upper, unbraced part of the column is a "short column," and its greater rigidity (compared with other unbraced columns in the system) must be accounted for in the design.

d. Precast panels. Exterior walls that have precast panels attached to the frame are a special case. The general design of the walls is usually shown on the architectural drawings, while the structural details of the panels are usually shown on the structural drawings. Often the structural design is assigned to the General Contractor so as to allow maximum use of the special expertise of the selected panel subcontractor. In such cases, the structural drawings will include design criteria and representative details in order to show what is expected. The design criteria will include the required design forces and the frame deflections that must be accommodated by the panels and their connections.

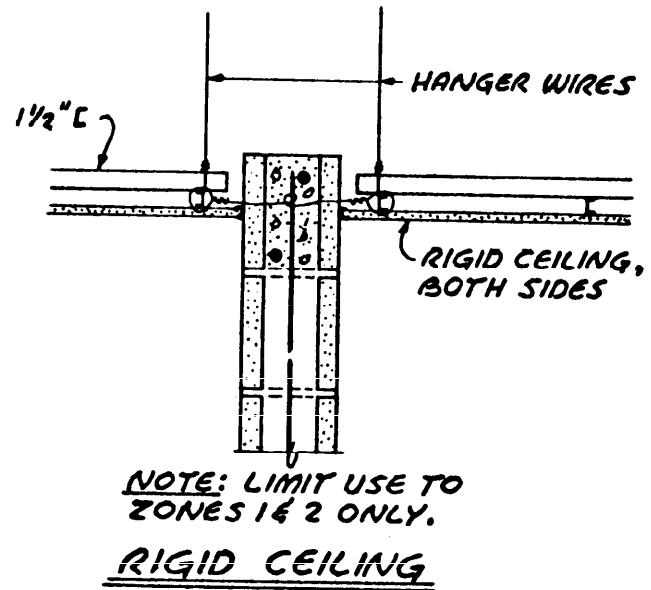
11-3. Design criteria. An architectural element must safely resist horizontal forces equal to the quantity $ZI_p C_p$ times its own weight, W_p , and must be capable of conforming (accommodating) to the lateral deflections that it will be subjected to during the lateral deformation of the building.

a. Lateral forces. The equivalent static lateral force that is applied to architectural elements is given by SEAOC equation 1-10, with C_p values given in SEAOC Table 1-H. In general, the value of C_p is 0.75; however, for ornamentation, parapets, and other appendages, where the potential for collapse and injury is greater, C_p is 2.0. For exterior wall panels, C_p is 0.75; however, the special provisions of SEAOC 1H2d(2) apply.

b. Deflections. For the design of the structure, lateral deflections or drift of a story relative to its adjacent story is not to exceed $0.04/R_w$ nor 0.005 times the story height for buildings having a period of less than 0.7 second, and $0.03/R_w$ nor 0.004 times the story height for buildings having a period of 0.7 second or greater unless it can be demonstrated that greater drift can be tolerated



OVERHEAD BRACING



RIGID CEILING
NOTE: LIMIT USE TO ZONES 1 & 2 ONLY.

Lateral Supports - Nonstructural Partition

Figure 11-1. Typical details of isolation of walls.

(SEAOC 1E8). The deformation is calculated from the application of the required lateral forces as discussed in chapter 4.

(1) Architectural elements will be designed and detailed to conform to the structural deformations without damage.

(2) Exterior elements are required to allow for relative movement equal to $3R_w/8$ times the calculated elastic story displacement caused by required seismic forces or 1/2 inch per story, whichever is greater (SEAOC 1H2d(2)).

(3) The effects of adjoining rigid elements on the structural system will also be investigated (SEAOC 1H2d(1)).

11-4. Detailed requirements.

a. *Partitions.* Partitions are classified into two general categories: rigid and nonrigid. Reference is also made to chapter 6, paragraph 6-6.

(1) *Rigid partitions.* This category generally refers to nonstructural masonry walls. Walls will be isolated where they are unable to resist in-

plane lateral forces to which they are subjected, based on relative rigidities. Typical details for isolation of these walls are shown in figure 11-1. These walls will be designed for the prescribed forces normal to their plane.

(2) *Nonrigid partitions.* This category generally refers to nonstructural partitions such as stud and drywall, stud and plaster, and movable partitions. When constructed according to standard recommended practice, it is assumed that the partitions can withstand the design in-plane drift of 0.005 times the story height (i.e., $1/16$ inch per foot of height) without damage. Therefore, if the structure is designed to control drift within the prescribed limits, these partitions do not require special isolation details. They will be designed for the prescribed seismic force acting normal to flat surfaces. However, wind or the usual 5 pounds per square foot partition load will usually govern. If the structural design drift is not controlled within the prescribed limits, isolation of partitions will be required for reduction of nonstructural damage. Economic justification between potential damage and costs of isolation will be considered. A decision has to be made for each project as to the role, if any, such partitions will contribute to damping and response of the structure, and the effect of seismic forces parallel to the partition resulting from the structural system as a whole. Usually, it may be assumed that this type of partition is subject to future alterations in layout location. The structural role of partitions may be controlled by height of partitions and methods of support.

b. Veneered walls. There are two methods for attaching veneer to a backup structural wall (see fig 11-2).

(1) Anchored veneer is a masonry facing secured by joint reinforcement or equivalent mechanical tie attached to the backup. All required load-carrying capacity (both vertical and lateral) will be provided by the structural backup wall. The veneer will be nonbearing and isolated on three edges to preclude it from resisting any load other than its own weight, and in no case shall it be considered part of the wall in computing the required thickness of a masonry wall. The veneer will be not less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches nor more than 5 inches thick. The veneer will be tied to the structural wall with joint reinforcement or $3/16$ -inch round corrosion resisting metal ties capable of resisting in tension or compression the wind load or two times the weight of veneer, whichever governs. Maximum spacing of ties is 16 inches, and a tie must be provided for each 2 square feet of wall area. Adjustable ties are not permitted in Seismic Zones 3 and 4. They may be used in Zones 1 and 2 if the basic wind speed is less than 100

mph. If adjustable ties are used, they will be the double pintle-eye type, with the minimum wire size being $3/16$ inch; play within the pintle will be limited to $1/16$ inch, and the maximum vertical eccentricity will not exceed $1/2$ inch. The maximum space between the veneer and the backing will not exceed 3 inches unless spot mortar bedding is provided to stiffen the ties. A noncombustible, noncorrosive horizontal structural framing will be provided for vertical support of the veneer. The maximum vertical distance between horizontal supports will not exceed 25 feet above the adjacent ground and 12 feet maximum spacing above the 25-foot height.

(2) Adhered veneer is masonry veneer attached to the backing with minimum $3/8$ inch to maximum $3/4$ inch mortar or with approved thin set latex Portland cement mortar. The bond of the mortar to the supporting element will be capable of withstanding a shear stress of 50 psi. Maximum thickness of the veneer will be limited to 1 inch. Since adhered veneer is supported through adhesion to the mortar applied over a backup, consideration will be given for differential movement of supports, including that caused by temperature, shrinkage, creep, and deflection. A horizontal expansion joint in the veneer is recommended at each floor level to prevent spalling. Vertical control joints should be provided in the veneer at each control joint in the backup.

c. Connections of exterior wall panels. Precast, nonbearing, nonshear wall panels or other elements that are attached to or enclose the exterior will be designed and detailed to accommodate movements of the structure resulting from lateral forces or temperature changes. The concrete panels or other elements will be supported by means of cast-in-place concrete or by mechanical devices. Connections and panel joints will be designed to allow for the relative movement between stories and will be designed for the forces specified in SEAOC 1H2d(2). Connections will have sufficient ductility and rotation capacity so as to preclude fracture of the concrete or brittle failures at or near welds. Inserts in concrete shall be attached to or hooked around reinforcing steel or otherwise terminated so as to effectively transfer forces to the reinforcing steel. Connections to permit movement in the plane of the panel for story drift may be properly designed sliding connections using slotted or oversize holes, or may be connections that permit movement by bending of steel components without failure. Typical design forces are shown in figure 11-3.

d. Suspended ceiling systems. Seismic design is required in Zones 2, 3, and 4. Earthquake damage to suspended ceiling systems can be limited by

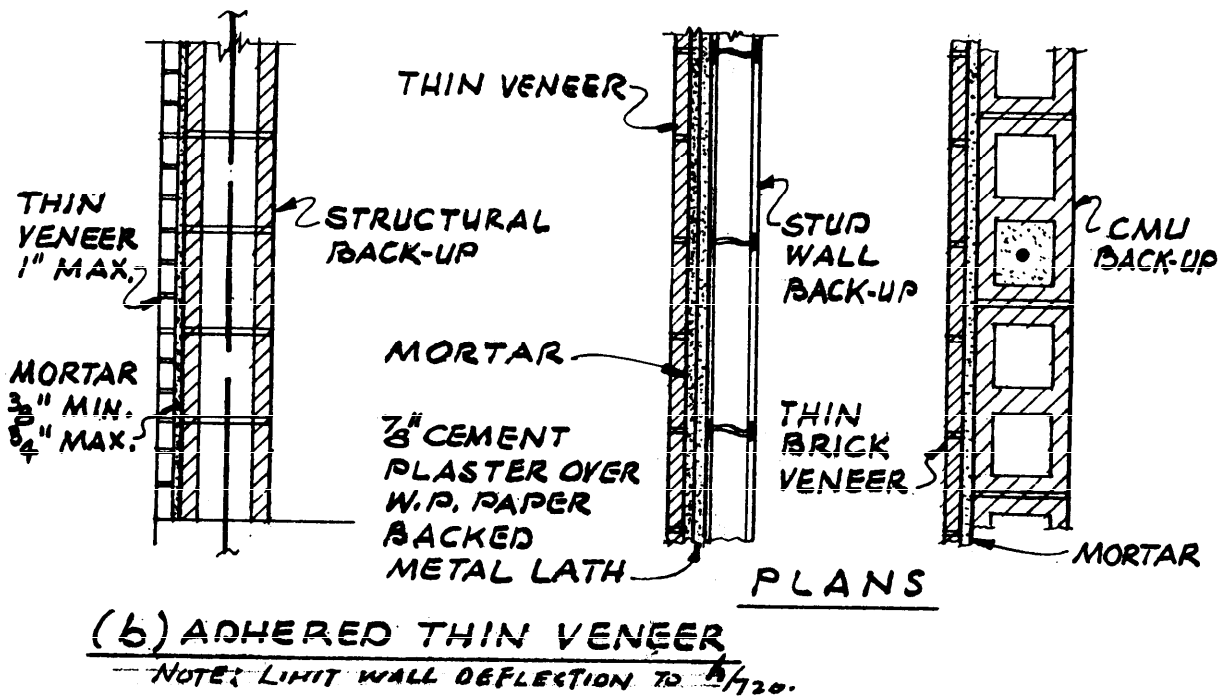
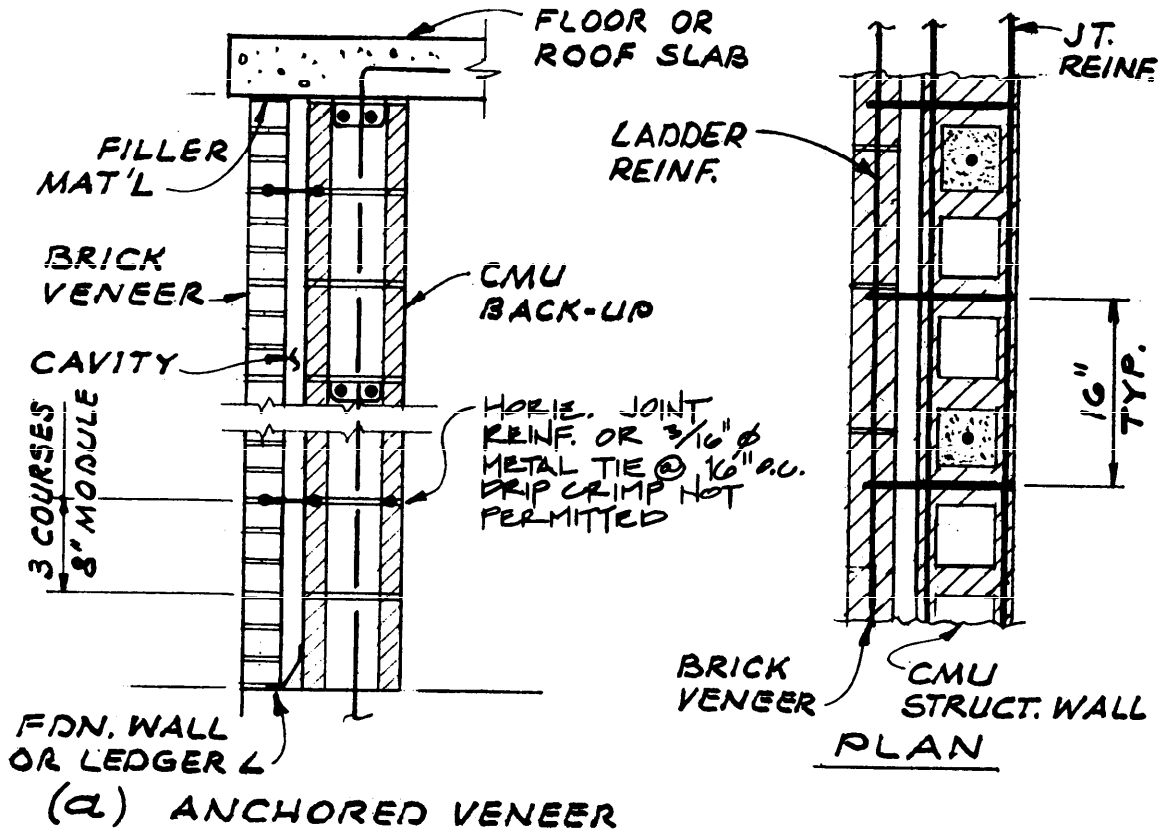
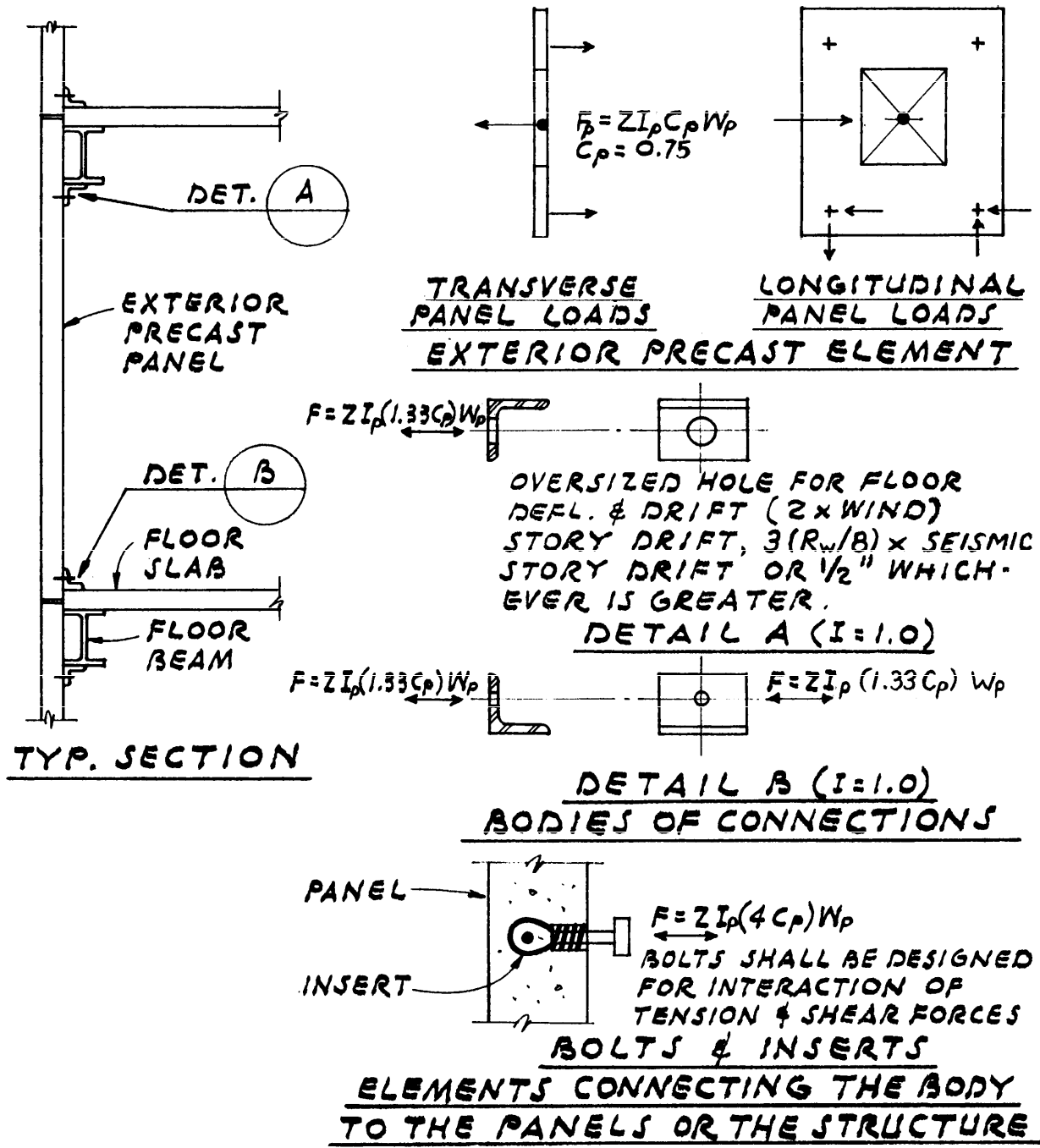


Figure 11-2. Veneered walls.

proper support and detailing. Suspended ceiling framing systems will be designed for forces prescribed in SEAOC Table 1-H. The ceiling weight, W_p , will include all light fixtures and other equipment laterally supported by the ceiling. For purposes of determining the lateral force, a ceiling

weight of not less than 4 pounds per square foot will be used. The support of the ceiling systems will be by positive means such as wire or an approved seismic clip system. Typical details of suspended acoustical tile ceilings are shown in figure 11-4.



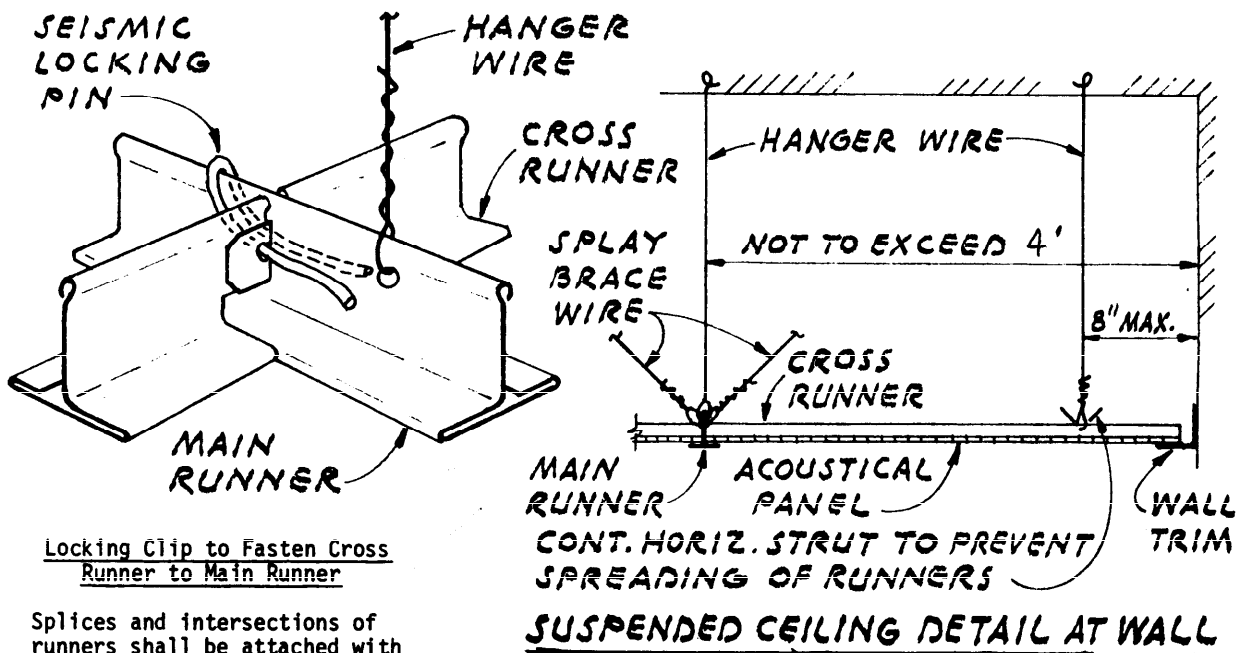
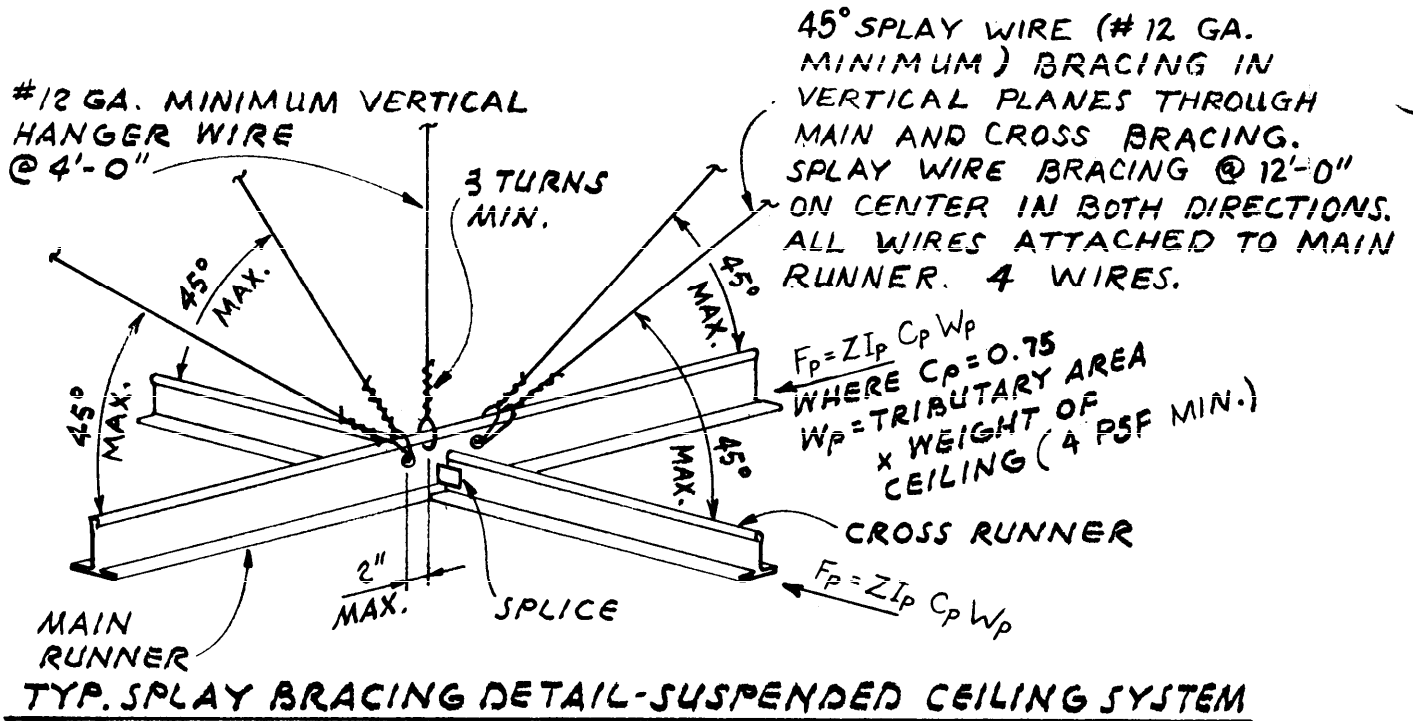
SEE SEAOC PARAGRAPH 1H2d, FORMULA 1-10 & TABLE 1-H FOR LATERAL LOAD REQUIREMENTS

Figure 11-3. Design forces for exterior precast elements.

e. *Parapets, ornamentation, and appendages.* These elements will be designed for forces resulting from C_p equal to 2.0 as prescribed in SEAOC 1G and Table 1-H. For the design of parapets, refer to chapter 6, paragraph 6-6c.

f. *Window frames.* Window frames will be designed to accommodate deflections of the structure without imposing a load on the glass. As glass is a brittle material, a considerable hazard of falling

glass may be present. It is particularly serious if the glass is above and adjacent to a public way. This hazard can be eliminated by proper isolation between glass and its enclosing frame. It is obvious that the magnitude of isolation required depends upon the drift and the size of the individual pane or enclosing frame. Thus a pane of glass in a full-story-height frame should have an isolation or movement capability as great as the maximum



Locking Clip to Fasten Cross Runner to Main Runner

Splices and intersections of runners shall be attached with mechanical interlocking connectors such as pop rivets, screws, pins, plates with bent tabs, or other approved connectors. Design connectors for 2 x design load or ultimate axial tension or compression (minimum 120 pounds).

Note: THE DETAILS IN THIS FIGURE APPLY
ONLY IN SEISMIC ZONES 2, 3, AND 4.

Figure 11-4. Suspended acoustical tile ceiling.

possible drift (e.g., $3R_w/8$ times the calculated elastic story displacement prescribed in SEAOC 1H2d). The actual isolation clearance will depend on the geometry and deformation characteristics of enclosing frame, frame support, and structural system. Special care will be exercised in the field to see that such isolation is actually obtained.

g. Stairways. Stairways tend to act like struts; therefore, the rigidity of the stairway, relative to the structure, will be considered. In some cases the stairway will be isolated in order to prevent damage to itself by the building frame, or to prevent the stair from imposing an unwanted constraint on the frame.

h. Storage racks.

(1) Storage racks supported at grade will be treated as equipment on the ground according to chapter 12, paragraph 12-5, with W_p equal to the weight of the rack plus its contents.

(a) *Rigid racks.* Racks having a period of vibration less than 0.06 second will be governed by

equation 12-3, with $C_p = 0.75$, as given in SEAOC Table 1-H; thus, $F_p = 0.5 Z I_p C_p W_p$.

(b) *Flexible racks.* Racks having a period of vibration greater than 0.06 second will be treated as nonbuilding structures as prescribed in Chapter 13. The minimum lateral force is obtained from SEAOC equation 1-1, with $R_w = 5$, as given in SEAOC Table 1-I; thus, $V = 0.20 ZICW$. The value of C used for design will not be less than 2.5.

(2) Storage racks supported above grade will be designed to chapter 12, paragraph 12-3 if rigid or paragraph 12-4 if nonrigid.

11-5. Alternative designs. Where an accepted national standard or approved test data provide the basis for earthquake resistance of a particular type of architectural element or rack, such standard or data may be accepted as a basis for design under certain limitations. (See SEAOC 1G5.)

CHAPTER 12

MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

12-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for structural design of anchorages and supports for mechanical and electrical equipment in seismic areas.

a. Design goals. The goal of design is that the anchorages and supports will withstand the accelerations induced by severe seismic disturbances without collapse or excessive deflection and withstand the accelerations induced by less severe seismic disturbances without exceeding yield stresses. The design forces are related to the inertia forces on the equipment and are calculated on the weight of the equipment; accordingly, design provisions often speak of equipment. However, the design is for the supports of the equipment, not the equipment itself. Ordinary equipment, which is fabricated at some distance from the site and is transported by truck and/or railroad, is assumed to have adequate strength. Critical equipment, which may have to be substantiated by design or test, is beyond the scope of this manual.

b. Seismic forces. The design force coefficients applied to equipment supports are generally higher than the force coefficients used in the design of buildings. One reason is the amplification of the ground motion acceleration transmitted to elements in the elevated stories of a building due to dynamic response. Another reason is that equipment supports often lack the extra margin of safety provided by reserve strength mechanisms, such as participation of architectural elements, inelastic behavior of structural elements, and redundancy in the structural system, that are characteristic of buildings.

12-2. General. All equipment anchorages and supports designed under the provisions of this chapter will conform to the following requirements:

a. Rigid and/or rigidly supported equipment. Rigid equipment that is rigidly attached to the structure will be designed for seismic forces prescribed by SEAOC 1G. Limitations, exceptions, and commentary are stated in paragraph 12-3.

b. Nonrigid or flexibly supported equipment. Nonrigid or flexibly supported equipment will be designed with consideration given both to the dynamic properties of the equipment and to the building or structure in which it is placed. For equipment supported by a structure and located

above grade on a structure, SEAOC 1G2c will be modified by the procedure outlined in paragraph 12-4.

c. Equipment on the ground. Equipment supported on the ground will be designed in accordance with SEAOC 1G as supplemented by paragraph 12-5.

d. Weight limitations. Equipment in buildings will be considered to be within the scope of this chapter if the maximum weight of the individual item of equipment does not exceed 10 percent of the total building weight or 20 percent of the total weight of the floor at the equipment level. The response of equipment is dependent upon the response of the building in which it is housed. If the weight of the equipment is appreciable, relative to the weight of the building, the interaction of the equipment with the building (i.e., the coupling effect) will change the building response characteristics. It is assumed that equipment within the above weight limitations has a negligible effect on the response of the building. Equipment that is not within the above limitations is outside the scope of this manual and must be designed using a more rigorous method of analysis.

e. Rigorous analysis. No portion of this chapter will be construed to prohibit a rigorous analysis of equipment and the supporting mechanism by established principles of structural dynamics. Such an analysis will demonstrate that the fundamental principle and underlying criterion of paragraph 12-1 are satisfied. In no case will the design result in capacities less than 80 percent of those required by SEAOC 1G.

f. Securing equipment. Friction resulting from gravity loads as a method of resisting seismic forces is not acceptable and will not be allowed. Both vertical and horizontal accelerations are possible during an earthquake. Under vertical acceleration, the gravity force required to maintain friction can be greatly diminished. This could result in a reduction of the friction force available to resist horizontal seismic loads, as simultaneous vertical and horizontal accelerations are possible. Thus, equipment will be secured by bolts, embedment, or other acceptable positive means of resisting horizontal forces. Refer to paragraph 12-11 for typical details.

g. Special requirements. Requirements for lighting fixtures and supports, piping, stacks, bridge

cranes and monorails, and elevator systems are covered in paragraphs 12-6 through 12-10, respectively.

12-3. Rigid and/or rigidly supported equipment in buildings. This paragraph applies to equipment above grade. See paragraph 12-5 for equipment supported at or below grade. Rigid and/or rigidly supported equipment will be considered to be those equipment units and equipment supporting systems for which the period of vibration as defined in paragraph 12-4b is estimated to be less than 0.06 second (i.e., frequency of vibration greater than 17 Hz). Compact equipment directly attached to a concrete floor will be considered rigidly supported. This type of equipment-supporting system is very stiff, and the period of vibration is very short (i.e., there is a high frequency of vibration). Equipment not satisfying the rigidity requirement will be designed according to the criteria of paragraph 12-4.

a. Examples of rigidly mounted equipment.

- (1) A boiler bolted or otherwise securely attached to a concrete pad or directly attached to the floor of the structure.
- (2) An electrical panel board securely attached to solid walls or to the studs of stud walls.
- (3) An electric motor bolted to a concrete floor.
- (4) A floodlight having a short stem bolted to a wall.
- (5) A rigidly anchored heat exchanger.

b. Equivalent static force. The equivalent static lateral force is given by SEAOC equation 1-10. C_p , as prescribed in SEAOC Table 1-H, is equal to 0.75 for all equipment and machinery that is rigid and rigidly supported by the building (see para 12-5 for equipment on the ground). For cantilevered portions of chimneys and smokestacks, C_p is 2.0; however, these items must also be investigated for the criterion stated in paragraph 12-8.

12-4. Nonrigid or flexibly supported equipment in buildings. This paragraph applies to equipment above grade. See paragraph 12-5 for equipment supported at or below grade. Equipment that does not satisfy the rigidity requirements of paragraph 12-3 will be considered to be nonrigid or flexibly supported. For nonrigid and flexibly supported equipment, the appropriate seismic design forces will be determined with consideration given to both the dynamic properties of the equipment and to the building or structure in which it is placed (SEAOC 1G2c). An approximate procedure, which considers these dynamic properties within certain limits, is presented below. This approximate procedure is deemed to meet the SEAOC requirements. Nonrigid or flexibly supported equipment that

does not qualify within the limits of this chapter is outside the scope of this manual and will be designed using a more rigorous method of analysis.

a. Single-mass system. The approximate procedure is based on the equipment responding as a single-degree-of-freedom system to the motion of one of the predominant modes of vibration of the building at the floor level in which the equipment is placed. Therefore, if the equipment and its supporting system cannot be approximated by a single-degree-of-freedom system (i.e., a simple oscillator represented by a single mass and a simple spring), a more rigorous analysis is required. Some examples of systems that do qualify under this procedure follow:

- (1) Rigid equipment attached to the floor slab with a spring isolation system.
- (2) Rigid equipment rigidly attached to a flexible supporting system that is rigidly attached to the floor slab.
- (3) Rigid equipment attached by a cantilever support from the structure.
- (4) Nonrigid equipment that can be represented as a single-mass system and that is rigidly attached to the structure.

EXCEPTIONS: Equipment that can be considered to have uniformly distributed mass will be designed for seismic forces in a manner similar to stacks (para 12-8).

b. Equipment period estimation. For equipment responding as a single-degree-of-freedom system, the period of vibration, T_a , is equal to 2π times the square root of the quantity mass/stiffness. In terms of inch and pound units, this equation becomes

$$T_a = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{W/g}{k}} = 0.32 \sqrt{\frac{W}{k}} \quad (\text{eq 12-1})$$

where

- T_a = fundamental period (sec)
- k = stiffness of supporting mechanism in terms of load per unit deflection of the center of gravity (lb/in.)
- W = weight of equipment and/or equipment supports (lb), which is equal to the mass times the acceleration of gravity
- g = acceleration of gravity at 386 in./sec²

In lieu of calculating the period of vibration using equation 12-1, a properly substantiated experimental determination will be allowed.

c. Building period estimation. If a building has more than one story it is considered to be a multi-degree-of-freedom system with more than one mode of vibration. Flexible equipment located in the building can be excited to respond to any of the predominant modes of the building vibration. Therefore, when investigating the response of

equipment to the floor motion response, all predominant modes of vibration must be considered. The building parameters will be based on realistic estimations that are not restricted to limitations used in building design criteria.

(1) *Fundamental mode of vibration.* The fundamental period of the building vibration T_1 corresponds to the period T used in the design of the building. A realistic estimation of T_1 will be obtained from SEAOC Method B as illustrated by SEAOC equation 1-5.

(2) *Higher modes of vibration.* In addition to the fundamental mode of vibration, the predominant higher modes of vibration must be considered.

(a) For regular structures (SEAOC 1E4) with fundamental periods less than 2 seconds, include the second and third modes of vibration (translational modes in the direction under consideration). In lieu of a detailed analysis, the second-mode period of vibration may be assumed to equal 0.30 times the fundamental period of vibration (i.e., $T_2 = 0.30 T_1$) and the third-mode period of vibration may be assumed to equal 0.18 times the fundamental period of vibration (i.e., $T_3 = 0.18 T_1$).

(b) For buildings with fundamental periods greater than 2 seconds, the fourth mode and possibly the fifth mode should also be included.

(c) For irregular buildings, the dynamic characteristics of the structure must be investigated to determine other (nontranslational or torsional) predominant modes.

(d) In some cases, the vertical modes of vibration should be considered. This applies to floor systems that are flexible in the vertical direction and equipment sensitive to vertical accelerations.

d. Appendage magnification factor. The appendage magnification factor (MF) is the ratio of the peak motion of the appendage (in this case, equipment) to the peak motion of the floor level that it is mounted on. A theoretical value of the MF is generally based on steady-state motion due to the floor responding as a uniform sine wave. However, buildings that are responding to earthquakes move in a somewhat random fashion and thereby do not generate magnification factors as large as calculated by theoretical steady-state response. Following are discussions of the steady-state response and of an approximate method for estimating appendage magnification factors.

(1) The magnification factor for an idealized single mass oscillator, with a period T_a and damping characteristics at 2 percent of critical damping, responding to a steady-state sinusoidal acceleration having a period T , is plotted in figure 12-1. If

T_a is essentially equal to T , MF equals 25. In other words, at a condition of resonance, the maximum acceleration of the oscillator mass will be 25 times the peak acceleration of the forcing motion. This idealized condition depends on the fine-tuning of the two periods, the linearity of the oscillator spring, the uniformity of the input sinusoidal motion, and the length of time of the input motion (at least 25 cycles).

(2) If the oscillator represents the equipment, the floor response represents the steady-state input motion, and the product ZC_p (0.4×0.75) equal to 0.30 is assumed to be the floor acceleration, the peak acceleration for the equipment is 25 times $0.30g = 7.5g$. In other words, the horizontal force on the equipment is seven and one-half times its own weight. However, because of the actual nonlinear characteristics of equipment and buildings and particularly the finite duration of earthquake motion, it is highly unlikely that such a magnification could actually occur to a 2-percent-damped equipment appendage.

(3) In order to approximate a realistic value for a design MF, it is assumed that the periods T_a and T will differ by at least 5 percent; that buildings are not perfectly linearly elastic, especially at high amplitudes of response; that the floor response is not an exact, uniform sine wave; and that the number of high-amplitude floor response cycles is substantially less than 25.

(4) The design MF curve shown in figure 12-2 is presented as an aid to estimating the design response of single-degree-of-freedom appendages, in lieu of more rigorous analysis methods. The peak MF of 25 is reduced to 7.5 by reducing the effectiveness of the period tuning, the peak floor response amplitude, and the number of continuous cycles to roughly two-thirds of the idealized values (i.e., $25 \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} = 7.5$). The width of the magnification factor is broadened to account for uncertainty of actual period ratios.

e. Equivalent static force. The equivalent static force for the anchorage of flexible and flexibly mounted equipment is given by the equation

$$F_p = ZI_p A_p C_p W_p \quad (\text{eq 12-2})$$

which is a modification of the SEAOC rigid equipment equation 1-10, where A_p is the amplification factor for a value of $C_p = 0.75$. The value of A_p is related to the MF values of figure 12-2; however, the maximum value of 7.5 is reduced to a value of 5.0 to account for multimode effects that are assumed to be included in the C_p values of SEAOC Table 1-H (i.e., the C_p value for rigid equipment considers the peak floor acceleration for a combination of modes; however, only one of these modes will excite the single resonance frequency of the

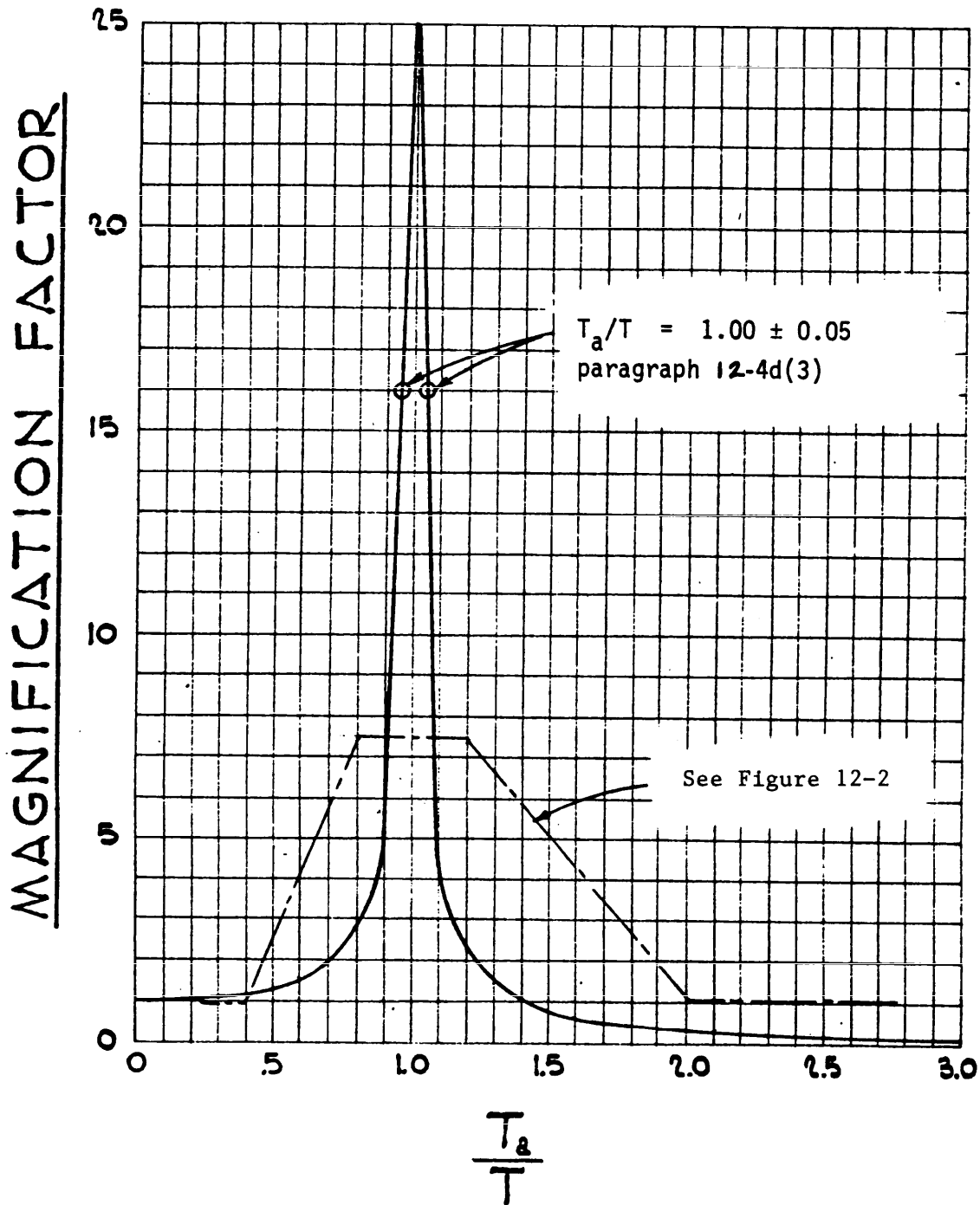


Figure 12-1. Idealized acceleration magnification factor vs period ratio at 2 percent of critical damping.

flexibly mounted equipment). The value of A_p will be determined by one of the alternatives listed below:

- (1) If the periods of the building and equipment are not known, $A_p = 5.0$.
- (2) If the fundamental period of the building is known but the period of the equipment is not known, A_p is determined by table 12-1.
- (3) If building and equipment periods are both known, A_p may be approximated by the graphs in figure 12-3.

f. Use of the equivalent-static-force procedure. The force F_p of equation 12-2 will be applied in the same manner as the force F_p for rigid equipment in SEAOC 1G. The value of $I_p A_p C_p$ need not exceed 3.75, and in no case will the product $A_p C_p$ be less than the appropriate C_p in SEAOC Table 1-H (i.e., if $C_p = 2.0$, A_p has an equivalent value of 2.67). As an aid to determining the A_p value, the following examples are given.

- (1) A standard anchorage system is to be designed for some flexible equipment that will be

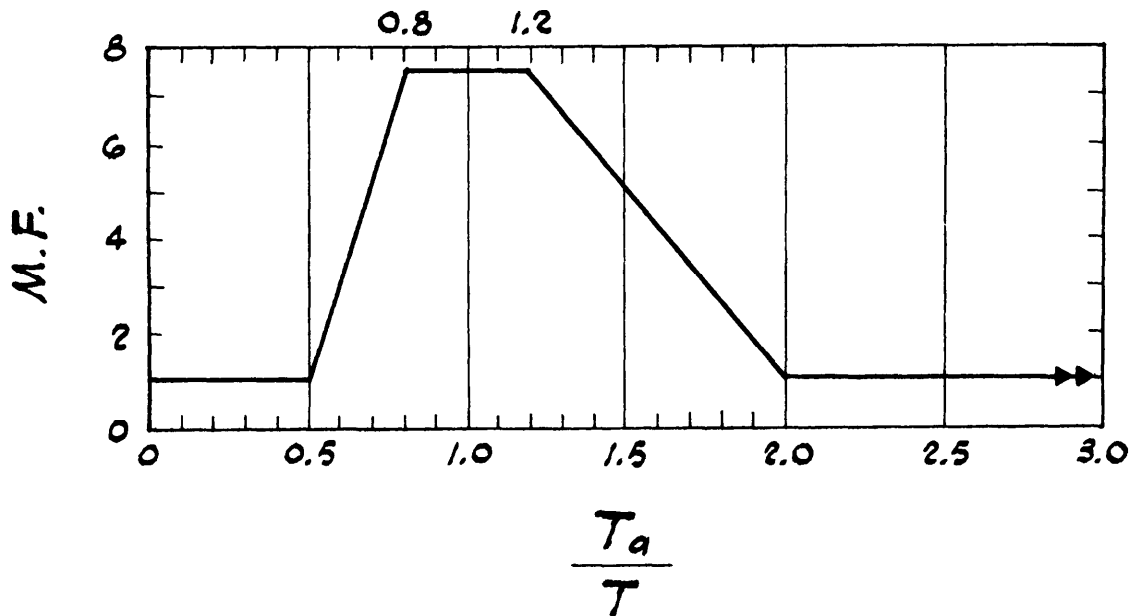


Figure 12-2. Design MF vs period ratio.

Building period T, sec	Less than 0.5	0.75	1.0	2.0	Greater than 3.0
A_p	5.0	4.75	4.0	3.3	2.7

*The values for A_p are based on a modal analysis using the period estimates of paragraph 12-4c, the design magnification factors of paragraph 12-4d, and a fairly standard response spectrum shape. The values in table 12-1 apply to regular structures or framing systems.

Table 12-1. Amplification factor, A_p for nonrigid or flexibly supported equipment.

placed in several buildings. In order to have one universal anchorage system that will apply to all buildings, use A_p equal to 5.0.

(2) An anchorage system is to be designed for some flexible equipment that will be placed in a building with a fundamental period of less than 0.5 second. Because the period of the equipment is not given, use table 12-1. $A_p = 5.0$.

(3) An anchorage system is to be designed for some flexible equipment that will be placed in a building with a fundamental period of roughly 1.4 seconds. Because the period of the equipment is not given, use table 12-1. Interpolate between 1.0 second and 2.0 seconds. $A_p = 3.7$.

(4) An anchorage system is to be designed for equipment with a period T_a equal to 0.2 second.

(a) In a building with $T = 0.5$ second. Because both the building period and equipment period are known, use graph (a) in figure 12-3. $T_a/T = 0.2/0.5 = 0.4$, and $A_p = 2.7$.

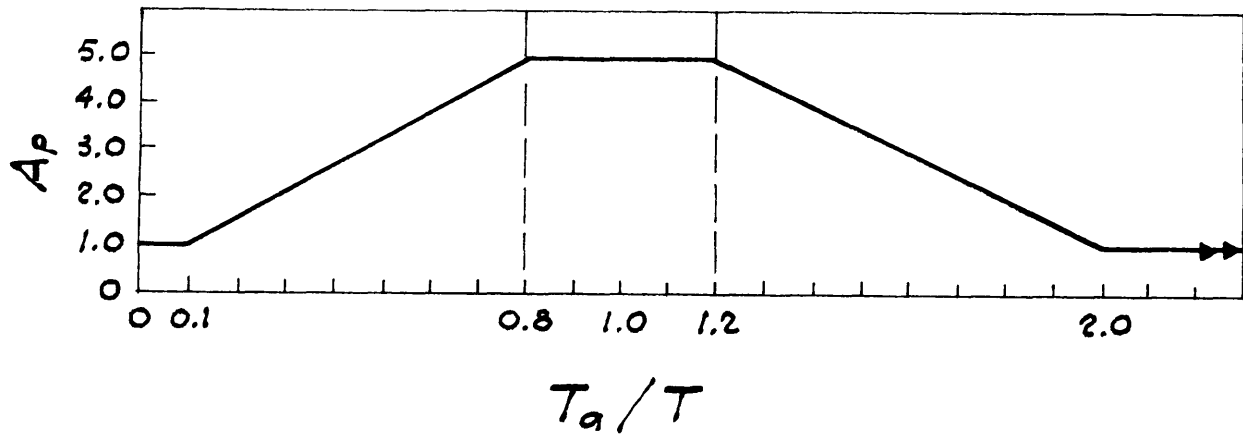
(b) In a building with $T = 1.4$ seconds. Use graph (b) in figure 12-3. $T_a/T = 0.2/1.4 = 0.14 < 1.2$. Thus, A_p is equal to the value in Table 12-1; $A_p = 3.7$.

(5) An anchorage system is to be designed for equipment with a period T_a equal to 2.0 seconds.

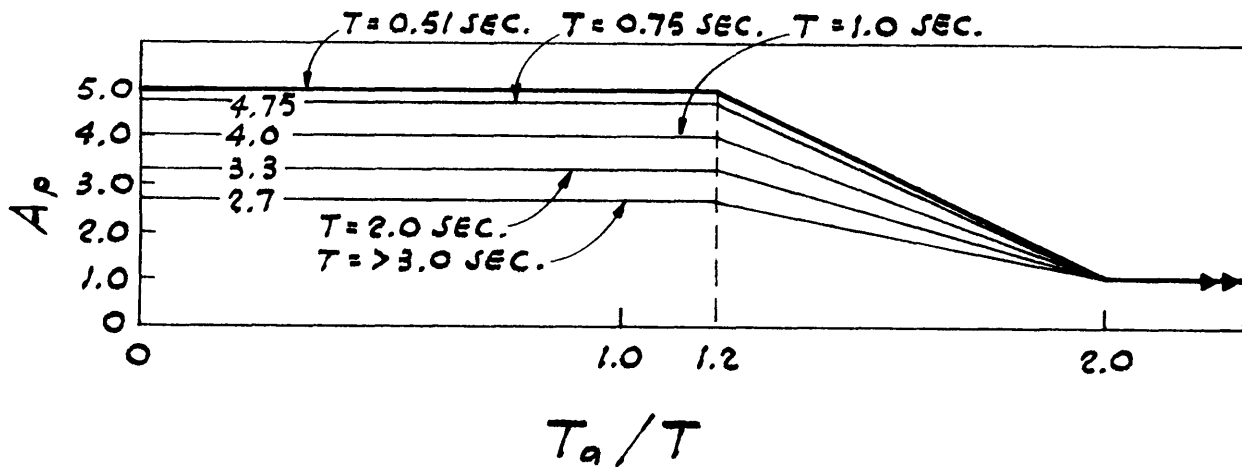
(a) In a building with $T = 0.5$ second. Use graph (a) in figure 12-3. $T_a/T = 2.0/0.5 = 4.0$, $A_p = 1.0$.

(b) In a building with $T = 1.4$ seconds. Use graph (b) in figure 12-3. $T_a/T = 2.0/1.4 = 1.4$. Interpolate between the curves for $T = 1.0$ seconds and $T = 2.0$ seconds. $A_p = 3.0$.

g. *Lateral bracing.* Stiffening of the equipment supports by lateral bracing may be used to reduce the appendage period, thus possibly reducing the design seismic loads. Lateral bracing for compression members expressly designed for seismic forces will not exceed the slenderness limitation of $L/r < 200$ in any direction. L is the unbraced length



(a) When the fundamental period of the building is equal or less than 0.5 seconds ($T \leq 0.5$).



(b) When the fundamental period of the building is greater than 0.5 seconds ($T > 0.5$). (Note: If $T_a/T < 1.2$, A_p is equal to value obtained from Table 12-1.)

Figure 12-3. Amplification factor, A_p , for nonrigid and flexibly supported equipment.

in inches in the direction considered, and r is the corresponding radius of gyration in inches.

h. Storage tank hydrodynamic effects. Storage tanks in which the liquid is rigidly contained need not have hydrodynamic effects included in the seismic design when using the equivalent static force procedure. However, when the sloshing effects of the liquid could be detrimental to the function of the tank, the hydrodynamic effects will be considered. Refer to chapter 13 for guidance in

utilizing established principles of fluid mechanics and structural dynamics.

12-5. Equipment on the ground. Equipment on the ground is defined as equipment that is laterally self-supported at or below ground level (SEAO 1G2d). It may be in contact with or buried in the soil; supported by means of a slab, footing, or pedestal directly supported by the soil; or supported on piles embedded in the soil. Such

equipment may be classified in one of two general categories, depending on its size, shape, and dynamic characteristics. The general categories are relatively small, uncomplicated equipment supported on the ground and large or complex equipment that will be considered to be a nonbuilding structure.

a. Small, uncomplicated equipment. Weight and rigidity limitations of paragraph 12-2 do not apply to equipment located on the ground because such equipment responds to seismic motion in a manner similar to that of a structure and is not subjected to the additional magnification factors of similar equipment located in the elevated stories of buildings. The equivalent static lateral force is given by the equation

$$F_p = ZI_p(\frac{2}{3}C_p)W_p \quad (\text{eq 12-3})$$

which is in conformance with SEAOC equation 1-10 with the $\frac{2}{3}$ factor prescribed by SEAOC 1G2d. However, the forces will not be less than required by SEAOC 1I. The way SEAOC has been formulated, it appears that forces given by equation 12-3 will never be less than the forces determined from SEAOC 1I unless I_p is greater than 1 or unless the period of the structure is sufficiently long that the value for C is significantly reduced from the not-to-be-exceeded value of 2.75 (SEAOC 1E2a). However, SEAOC 1G2d also states that the design forces may be obtained from SEAOC 1I (i.e., they need not be greater than SEAOC 1I forces). This leads to the conclusion that equipment on the ground will be designed as nonbuilding structures and will be governed by SEAOC 1I, as modified by chapter 13.

b. Large or complex equipment. For large or complex equipment, the equipment and support system are classified as nonbuilding structures and their seismic design is governed by the provisions in chapter 13.

12-6. Lighting fixtures in buildings. In addition to the requirements of the preceding paragraphs, lighting fixtures and supports will conform to the following seismic requirements in Seismic Zones 2, 3, and 4.

a. Materials and construction.

(1) Fixture supports will employ materials that are suitable for the purpose. Cast metal parts, other than those of malleable iron, and cast or rolled threads will be subject to special investigation to ensure structural adequacy.

(2) Loop and hook or swivel hanger assemblies for pendant fixtures will be fitted with a restraining device to hold the stem in the support position during earthquake motions. Pendant supported fluorescent fixtures will also be provided with a flexible hanger device at the attachment to the

fixture channel to preclude breaking of the support. The motion of swivels or hinged joints will not cause sharp bends in conductors or damage to insulation.

(3) Each recessed individual or continuous row of fluorescent fixtures will be supported by a seismic resisting suspended ceiling support system and will be fastened thereto at each corner of the fixture; or will be provided with fixture support wires attached to the building structural members using two wires for individual fixtures and one wire per unit of continuous row fixtures. These support wires (minimum 12-gauge wire) will be capable of supporting four times the support load.

(4) A supporting assembly that is intended to be mounted on an outlet box will be designed to accommodate mounting features on 4-inch boxes, 3-inch plaster rings, and fixture studs.

(5) Each surface-mounted individual or continuous row of fluorescent fixtures will be attached to a seismic resisting ceiling support system. Support devices for attaching fixtures to suspended ceilings will be a locking-type scissor clamp or a full loop band that will securely attach to the ceiling support. Fixtures attached to the underside of a structural slab will be properly anchored to the slab at each corner of the fixture.

(6) Each wall-mounted emergency light unit will be secured in a manner that will hold the unit in place during a seismic disturbance.

b. Tests. In lieu of the requirements for equipment supports given in paragraph 12-4, lighting fixtures and the complete fixture supporting assembly may be accepted if they pass shaking-table tests approved by the using agency. Such tests will be conducted by an approved and independent testing laboratory, and the results of such tests will specifically state whether or not the lighting fixture supports satisfy the requirements of the approved tests. Suspension systems for light fixtures, as installed, that are free to swing a minimum of 45° from the vertical in all directions and will withstand, without failure, a force of not less than four times the weight they are intended to support will be acceptable.

12-7. Piping in buildings. Pipes are categorized as pipes related to the fire protection system, critical piping in essential and hazardous facilities, and all other piping.

a. Fire protection piping. All water pipes for fire protection systems in seismic zones 1, 2, 3, and 4 will be designed under the provisions of the current issue of the "Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems" of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA No. 13). To avoid conflict with the NFPA recommendations, the criteria in the

following paragraphs are not applicable to piping expressly designed for fire protection.

b. Critical piping in essential and hazardous facilities. Critical piping is that which is required for life-safety systems, for continued operations after an earthquake, or for safety of the general public. All critical piping in essential and hazardous facilities, located in seismic zones 1, 2, 3, and 4 will be designed using the provisions in paragraph 12-7d.

c. All other piping.

(1) Zone 0. Piping in seismic zone 0 facilities is not required to have seismic restraints.

(2) Zone 1. Piping in seismic zone 1 facilities which are not categorized as essential or hazardous is not required to have seismic restraints.

(3) Zones 2, 3, and 4. Piping in seismic zones 2, 3, and 4 facilities not categorized as essential or hazardous is required to have seismic restraints designed using the provisions in paragraph 12-7d, except restraints may be omitted for the following installations:

(4) Gas piping less than 1 inch inside diameter.

(5) Piping in boiler and mechanical equipment rooms less than 1¼ inches inside diameter.

(6) All other piping less than 2½ inches inside diameter.

(7) All electrical conduit less than 2½ inches inside diameter.

(8) All rectangular air-handling ducts less than 6 square feet in cross-sectional area.

(9) All round air-handling ducts less than 28 inches in diameter.

(10) All piping suspended by individual hangers 12 inches or less in length from the top of pipe to the bottom of the support for the hanger.

(11) All ducts suspended by hangers 12 inches or less in length from the top of the duct to the bottom of the support for the hanger.

d. Seismic restraint provisions. Seismic restraints that are required for piping by paragraphs 12-7b and 12-7c will be designed in accordance with the following provisions.

(1) *General.* The provisions of this paragraph apply to the following:

(a) *Risers.* All risers and riser connections. See appendix E for a design example of a water riser.

(b) *Horizontal pipe.* All horizontal pipes and attached valves. For the seismic analysis of horizontal pipes, the equivalent static force will be considered to act concurrently with the full dead load of the pipe, including contents.

(c) *Connections.* All connections and brackets for pipe will be designed to resist concurrent dead and equivalent static forces. The seismic

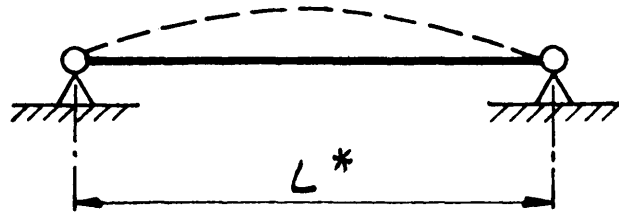
forces will be determined from the appropriate provisions below. Supports will be provided at all pipe joints unless continuity is maintained. See paragraph (4) below for acceptable sway bracing details.

(d) *Flexible couplings and expansion joints.* Flexible couplings will be provided at the bottoms of risers for pipes larger than 3½ inches in diameter. Flexible couplings and expansion joints will be braced laterally unless such lateral bracing will interfere with the action of the flexible coupling or expansion joint. When pipes enter buildings, flexible couplings will be provided to allow for relative movement between soil and building.

(e) *Spreaders.* Spreaders will be provided at appropriate intervals to separate adjacent pipe lines unless the pipe spans and the clear distance between pipes are sufficient to prevent contact between the pipes during an earthquake.

(2) *Rigid and rigidly attached piping systems.* Rigid and rigidly attached pipes will be designed in accordance with paragraph 12-3. The equivalent static lateral force is given by $F_p = ZI_p C_p W_p$ (SEAOC eq 1-10), where C_p is equal to 0.75 and W_p is the weight of the pipes, the contents of the pipes, and the attachments. The forces will be distributed in proportion to the weight of the pipes, contents, and attachments. A piping system is assumed rigid if the maximum period of vibration is 0.05 second (for pipes that are not rigid see para (3) below). Figures 12-4, 12-5, and 12-6, which are based on water-filled pipes with periods equal to 0.05 second, are to be used to determine the allowable span-diameter relationship for Zones 1, 2, 3, and 4 for standard (40S) pipe; extra strong (80S) pipe; Types K, L, and M copper tubing; and 85 red brass or SPS copper pipe.

(3) *Flexible piping systems.* Piping systems that are not in accordance with the rigidity requirements of paragraph 12-7c(2) (i.e., period less than 0.05 second) will be considered to be flexible (i.e., period greater than 0.05 second). Flexible piping systems will be designed for seismic forces with consideration given to both the dynamic properties of the piping system and the building or structure in which it is placed. In lieu of a more detailed analysis, the equivalent static lateral force is given by $F = ZI_p A_p C_p W_p$ (eq 12-2), where $A_p = 5.0$, $C_p = 0.75$, and W_p is the weight of the pipes, the contents of the pipes, and the attachments. The forces will be distributed in proportion to the weight of the pipes, contents, and attachments. Figure 12-7 may be used to determine maximum spans between lateral supports for flexible piping systems. The values are based on Zone 4 water-filled pipes with no attachments. If the weight of the attachments is greater than 10



DIAMETER INCHES	STD. WT. STEEL PIPE 40 S	EX. STRONG STEEL PIPE 80 S	COPPER TUBE TYPE K	COPPER TUBE TYPE L	COPPER TUBE TYPE M	85 RED BRASS & SPS COPPER PIPE
1	6'-6"	6'-6"	5'-0"	4'-9"	4'-6"	5'-6"
1½	7'-6"	7'-9"	5'-9"	5'-6"	5'-6"	6'-6"
2	8'-6"	8'-6"	6'-6"	6'-6"	6'-3"	7'-0"
2½	9'-3"	9'-6"	7'-3"	7'-0"	7'-0"	8'-0"
3	10'-3"	10'-6"	7'-9"	7'-6"	7'-6"	8'-9"
3½	11'-0"	11'-0"	8'-3"	8'-3"	8'-0"	9'-3"
4	11'-6"	11'-9"	9'-0"	8'-9"	8'-6"	9'-9"
5	12'-9"	13'-0"	10'-0"	9'-6"	9'-6"	10'-9"
6	13'-9"	14'-0"	10'-9"	10'-6"	10'-3"	11'-6"
8	15'-6"	16'-0"				
10	17'-0"	17'-6"				
12	18'-3"	19'-0"				

* MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED OR UNBRACED LENGTHS (L) ARE BASED ON WATER-FILLED PIPES WITH PERIOD (T_a) EQUAL TO 0.05 SEC. WHERE

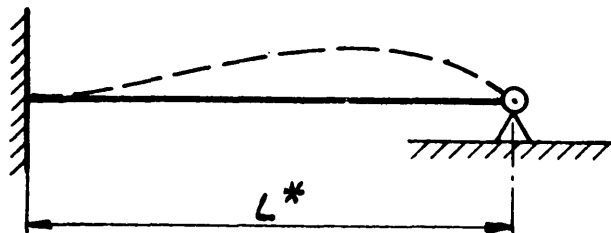
$$L^2 = 0.50 \pi T_a \sqrt{EIg/w}$$

E = MODULUS OF ELASTICITY OF PIPE

I = MOMENT OF INERTIA OF PIPE

w = WEIGHT PER UNIT LENGTH OF PIPE AND WATER

Figure 12-4. Maximum span for rigid pipe pinned-pinned.



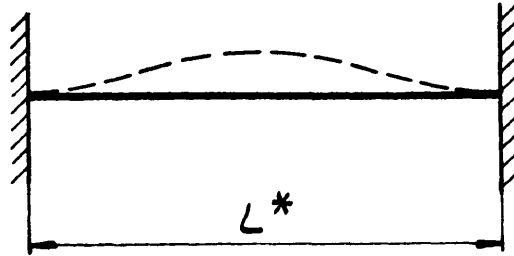
DIAMETER INCHES	STD. WT. STEEL PIPE 40 S	EX. STRONG STEEL PIPE 80 S	COPPER TUBE TYPE K	COPPER TUBE TYPE L	COPPER TUBE TYPE M	85 RED BRASS & SPS COPPER PIPE
1	8'-0"	8'-0"	6'-0"	6'-0"	5'-9"	6'-9"
1 1/2	9'-6"	9'-6"	7'-3"	7'-0"	7'-0"	8'-0"
2	10'-6"	10'-9"	8'-0"	8'-0"	8'-9"	9'-0"
2 1/2	11'-9"	11'-9"	9'-0"	8'-9"	8'-6"	9'-9"
3	12'-9"	13'-0"	9'-9"	9'-6"	9'-3"	10'-9"
3 1/2	13'-6"	14'-0"	10'-6"	10'-3"	10'-0"	11'-6"
4	14'-6"	14'-9"	11'-0"	11'-0"	10'-9"	12'-3"
5	16'-0"	16'-3"	12'-3"	12'-0"	11'-9"	13'-3"
6	17'-0"	17'-9"	13'-6"	13'-0"	12'-9"	14'-3"
8	19'-3"	20'-0"				
10	21'-3"	22'-0"				
12	23'-0"	23'-6"				

* MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED OR UNBRACED LENGTHS (L) ARE BASED ON WATER-FILLED PIPES WITH PERIOD (T₀) EQUAL TO 0.05 SEC. WHERE

$$L^2 = 0.78\pi T \sqrt{EIg/w}$$

SEE FIGURE 12-4 FOR NOTATIONS

Figure 12-5. Maximum span for rigid pipe fixed-pinned.



DIAMETER INCHES	STD. WT. STEEL PIPE 40S	EX. STRONG STEEL PIPE 80S	COPPER TUBE TYPE K	COPPER TUBE TYPE L	COPPER TUBE TYPE M	85 RED BRASS & SPS COPPER PIPE
1	9'-6"	9'-6"	7'-3"	7'-3"	7'-0"	8'-0"
1 1/2	11'-6"	11'-6"	8'-6"	8'-6"	8'-3"	9'-9"
2	12'-9"	13'-0"	9'-9"	9'-6"	9'-6"	10'-9"
2 1/2	14'-0"	14'-3"	10'-9"	10'-6"	10'-6"	11'-9"
3	15'-6"	15'-9"	11'-9"	11'-6"	11'-3"	13'-0"
3 1/2	16'-6"	16'-9"	12'-6"	12'-3"	12'-0"	14'-0"
4	17'-3"	17'-9"	13'-6"	13'-0"	13'-0"	14'-9"
5	19'-0"	19'-6"	15'-0"	14'-6"	14'-3"	16'-0"
6	20'-9"	21'-3"	16'-3"	15'-9"	15'-6"	17'-3"
8	23'-3"	24'-3"				
10	25'-9"	26'-6"				
12	27'-6"	28'-6"				

* MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED OR UNBRACED LENGTHS (L) ARE BASED ON WATER-FILLED PIPES WITH PERIOD (\$T_a\$) EQUAL TO 0.05 SEC. WHERE

$$L^2 = 1.125 \pi T_a \sqrt{EI g / w}$$

SEE FIGURE 12-4 FOR NOTATIONS

Figure 12-6. Maximum span for rigid pipe fixed-fixed.

percent of the weight of the pipe, the attachments will be separately braced, or substantiating calculations will be required. Temperature stresses have not been considered in figure 12-7. If temperature stresses are appreciable, substantiating calculations will be required.

(a) Use of figure 12-7. The maximum spans and design forces were developed for $ZI_p A_p C_p = 1.50$. For lower $ZI_p A_p C_p$ values, the spans and forces may be adjusted by the values in table 12-2.

(b) Separation between pipes. Separation will be a minimum of four times the calculated

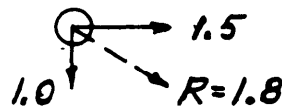
maximum displacement due to F_p , but not less than 4 inches clear between parallel pipes, unless spreaders are provided (para 12-7c(1)(e)).

(c) Clearance. Clearance from walls or rigid elements will be a minimum of three times the calculated displacement due to F_p , but not less than 3 inches clear from rigid elements.

(4) Alternative method for flexible piping systems. If the provisions in the above paragraphs appear to be too severe for an economical design, alternative methods based on the rationale described in paragraph 12-4 and paragraph 12-8 may be applied to flexible piping systems.

Diameter (in.)	Std. Wgt. Steel Pipe - 40S		Ex. Strong Steel Pipe - 80S		Copper Tube Type L	
	L*(ft)	F†(lbs)	L*(ft)	F†(lbs)	L*(ft)	F†(lbs)
1	22	70	22	80	11	17
1-1/2	25	140	26	180	12	35
2	29	220	30	290	14	70
2-1/2	32	380	33	460	15	110
3	34	550	35	710	17	150
3-1/2	36	730	38	930	18	220
4	39	960	40	1,200	19	300
5	41	1,440	44	1,900	20	470
6	45	2,120	46	2,750	22	730
8	49	3,740	54	5,150	26	1,550
10	54	6,080	59	7,670	28	2,620
12	58	8,560	61	10,350	31	3,950

*Maximum spans (L) between lateral supports of flexible piping are based on the resultant of an assumed loading of 1.5 w ($ZI_p A_p C_p = 1.5$) in the horizontal direction and 1.0 w (gravity) in the vertical direction. The resultant is 1.8 w.



The assumed maximum stress is 20,000 p.s.i. for steel and 7,000 p.s.i. for copper. Simple spans (pinned-pinned) are assumed. The calculated maximum lateral displacements are 3.5 inches for steel ($E = 29 \times 10^6$ p.s.i.) and 0.6 inch for copper ($E = 15 \times 10^6$ p.s.i.).

†The horizontal force (F) on the brace is based on $1.5 w L$ for the maximum span. For shorter spans, $F_{design} = (L_{design}/L)F$.

Figure 12-7. Maximum span for flexible pipes in Seismic Zone 4.

Zone	L (feet)	F (pounds)	$ZI_pA_pC_p$
3	1.1	0.8	1.12
2B	1.20	0.6	0.75
2A	1.25	0.5	0.56
1	1.35	0.3	0.28

Table 12-2. Multiplication factors for figure 12-7 for Seismic Zones 1, 2, and 3 or for cases where $ZI_pA_pC_p$ is not equal to 1.5.

(5) Acceptable seismic details for sway bracing. Acceptable details are shown in figure 12-8.

12-8. Stacks. Stacks are actually beams with distributed mass and, as such, cannot be approximated accurately by single-mass systems. The design criteria presented herein apply to either cantilever or singly guyed stacks. All stacks designed under the provisions of this paragraph must have a constant moment of inertia or must be approximated as having a constant moment of inertia. Stacks having a slightly varying moment of inertia will be treated as having a uniform moment of inertia with a value equal to the average moment of inertia.

a. Stacks on buildings. Stacks that extend more than 15 feet above a rigid attachment to the building will be designed according to the criteria prescribed below. Stacks that extend less than 15 feet will be designed for the equivalent static lateral force prescribed in SEAOC equation 1-10, with $C_p = 2.00$ (see para 12-3).

(1) *Cantilever stacks.*

(a) The fundamental period of the stack will be determined from the period coefficient (i.e., $C = 0.0909$) provided in figure 12-9, unless actually computed.

(b) The equivalent static force will be distributed as an inverted triangle per unit length as shown in figure 12-10.

(c) The static force per unit length at the top of the stack will be determined from the following:

$$f = 1.6ZI_pA_pC_pW \quad (\text{eq 12-4})$$

where

Z and I_p are defined in SEAOC 1C

$$C_p = 0.75$$

A_p = amplification factor for coefficient C_p , determined in accordance with paragraph 12-4e

w = weight per unit length of stack

In no case will the product of A_pC_p be less than 2.0. The value $I_pA_pC_p$ need not exceed 3.75.

(2) *Guyed stacks.* The analysis of a guyed stack depends on the relative rigidities of the cantilever resistance and the guy wire support systems. If the wires are very flexible, the stack will respond in the manner of the fundamental mode of vibration of a cantilever (para (1) above). If the wires are very rigid, the stack will respond in a manner similar to the higher modes of vibration of a cantilever with periods and mode shapes similar to those shown in figure 12-9. The fundamental period of vibration of the guyed system will be somewhere between the values for the fundamental and the appropriate higher mode of a similar cantilever stack. An illustration for a single-guyed stack is shown in figure 12-11. The design of guyed stacks is beyond the scope of this manual.

b. Stacks on the ground. Where the stack foundations are in contact with the ground and the stack is not supported by the building, the stack will be designed as a non-building structure in accordance with SEAOC 1I and chapter 13.

c. Anchor bolts. Anchor bolts for moment resisting stack bases should be as long as possible. A great deal more strain energy can be absorbed with long anchor bolts than with short ones. The use of these long anchor bolts has been demonstrated to give stacks better earthquake performance. In some cases, a pipe sleeve is used in the upper portion of the anchor bolt to ensure a length of unbonded bolt for strain energy absorption. When this type of detail is used, provisions will be made for shear transfer (e.g., shear keys). The use of two nuts on anchor bolts is also recommended to provide an additional factor of safety.

12-9. Bridge cranes and monorails. In addition to the normal horizontal loads prescribed by the various other applicable government criteria, the design of bridge cranes and monorails will also include an investigation of lateral seismic forces and deformations as set forth in this paragraph.

a. Equivalent static force. A lateral force equal to ZI_pC_p times the weight of the bridge crane or

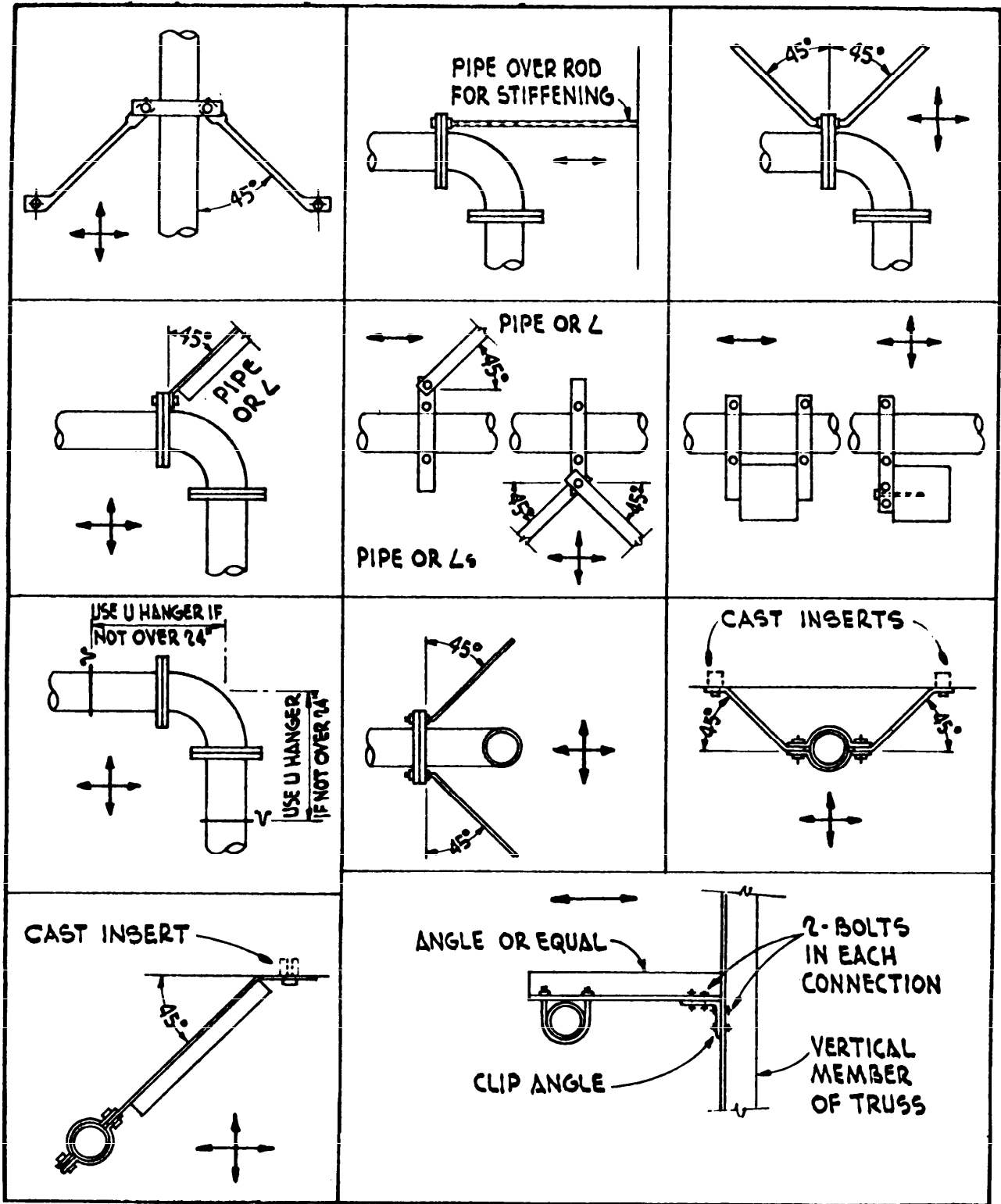
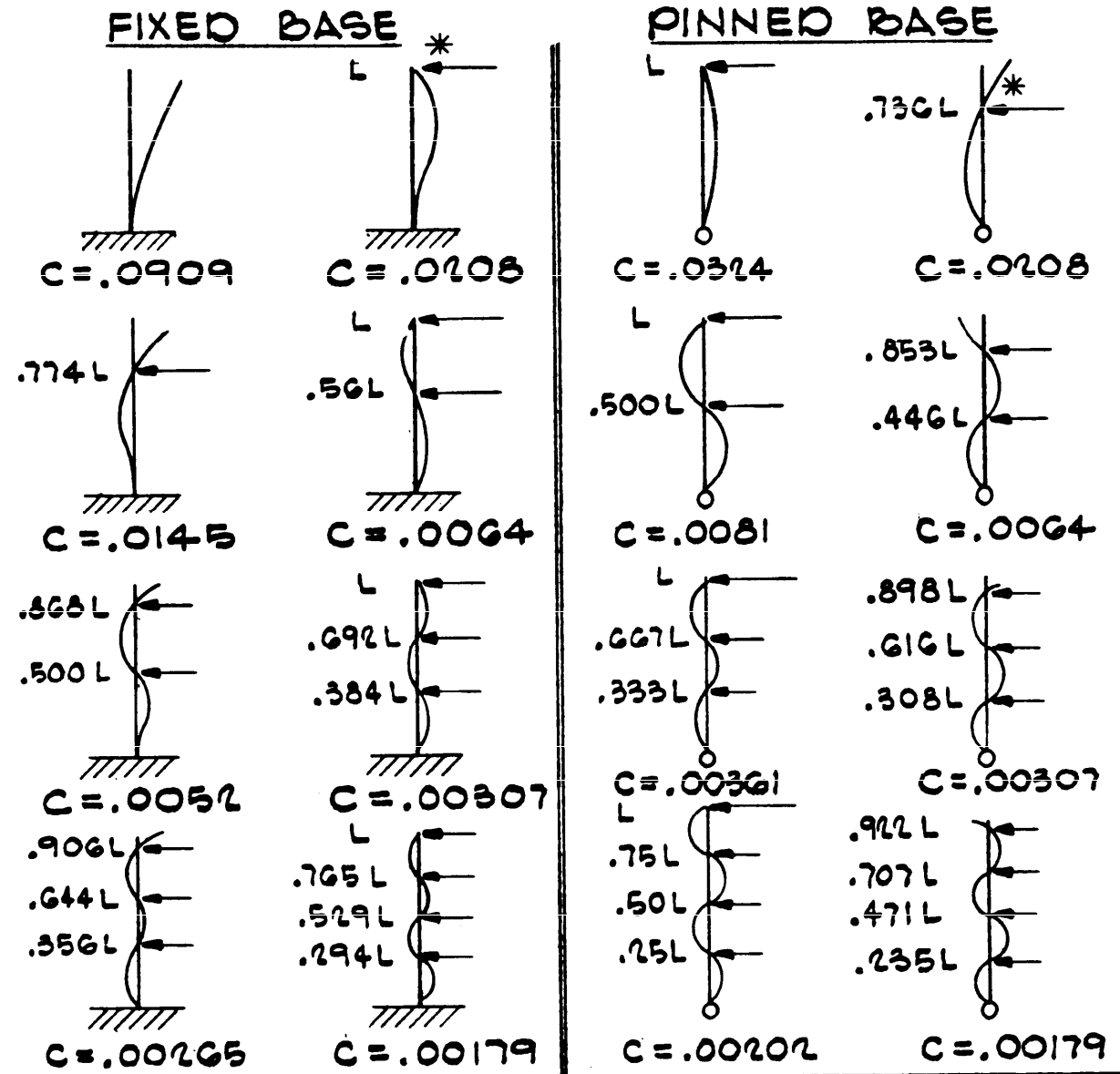


Figure 12-8. Acceptable seismic details for sway bracing.

monorail will be statically applied at the center of gravity of the equipment. This equivalent static force will be considered to be applied in any direction. C_p will be equal to 1.50.

b. *Weight of equipment.* The weight of such

equipment, W_p , need not include any live load, and the equivalent static force so computed will be assumed to act nonconcurrently with other prescribed nonseismic horizontal forces when considering the design of the crane and monorails. When



$T_2 = C \sqrt{\frac{w L^4}{E I}}$
 T_2 = FUNDAMENTAL PERIOD (SEC.)
 w = WEIGHT PER UNIT LENGTH OF BEAM (LB/IN)
 L = TOTAL BEAM LENGTH (IN.)
 I = MOMENT OF INERTIA (IN.⁴)
 E = MODULUS OF ELASTICITY (PSI)
 C = PERIOD CONSTANT
 * ARROWS DENOTE NODAL POINTS OR POINTS OF NO DISPLACEMENT

Figure 12-9. Period coefficients for uniform beams.

considering the design of the building, the weight of the equipment will be included with the weight of the building.

12-10. Elevators. Power-cable-driven elevators and hydraulic elevators with lifts over 5 feet will be designed for lateral forces set forth in this chapter.

a. *Elements of the elevator support system.* All elements that are part of the elevator support system, such as the car and counterweight frames, guides, guide rails, supporting brackets and framing, driving machinery, operating devices, and control equipment, will be investigated for the prescribed lateral seismic forces. See figure 12-12.

b. *Equivalent static forces.* The lateral seismic

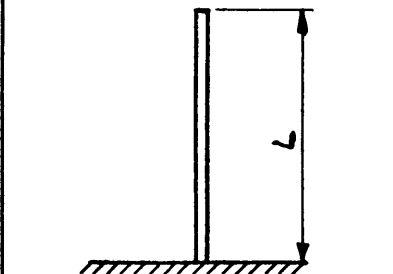
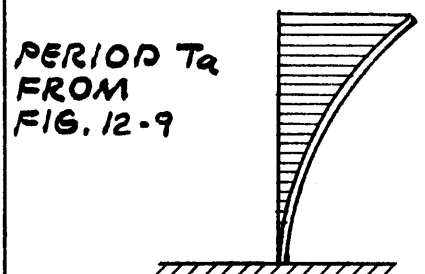
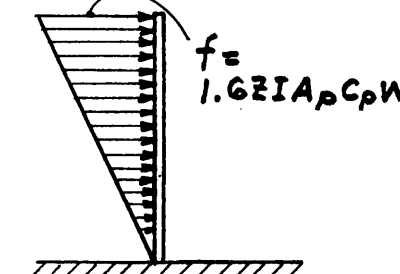
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 <p>CANTILEVER STACK</p>	<p>PERIOD T_a FROM FIG. 12-9</p>  <p>PERIOD CONSTANT = 0.0109</p>	 <p>$f = 1.6Z I_A C_p W$</p>

Figure 12-10. Seismic loading on cantilever stack.

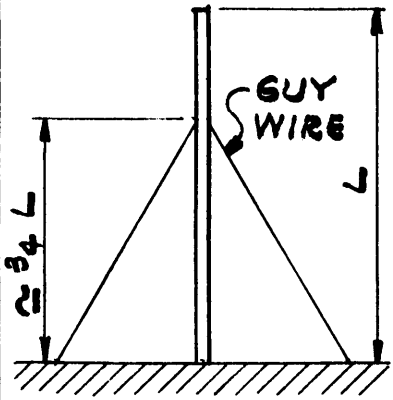
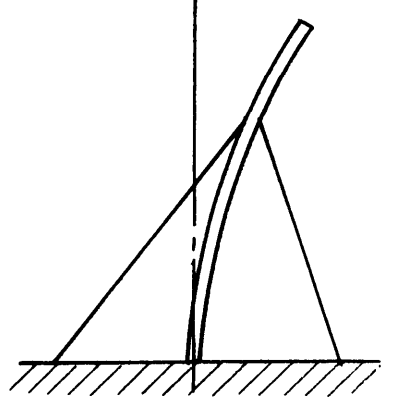
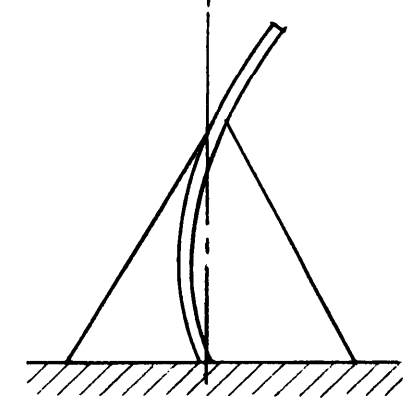
DESCRIPTION	DEFLECTED SHAPE	
	FLEXIBLE WIRE	RIGID WIRE
		

Figure 12-11. Single-guyed stack.

forces will conform to the applicable provisions of paragraphs 12-3 and 12-4 and SEAOC 1E4.

(1) The car and counterweight frames, roller guide assembly, retainer plates, guide rails, and supporting brackets and framing will be designed for $F_p = Z I C_p W_p$ (SEAOC eq 1-10) where W_p for the elevator cars is the weight of the car plus 0.4 times its rated load and $C_p = 0.75$. The lateral forces acting on the guide rails will be assumed to be distributed one-third to the top guide rollers and two-thirds to the bottom guide rollers of elevator cars and counterweights. The elevator car and/or counterweight will be assumed to be located at its most adverse position in relation to the

guide rails and support brackets. Horizontal deflections of guide rails will not exceed 1/2 inch between supports, and horizontal deflections of the brackets will not exceed 1/4 inch.

(a) In Seismic Zones 3 and 4, a retainer plate (auxiliary guide plate) will be provided at top and bottom of both car and counterweight. The clearances between the machined faces of the rail and the retainer plate will not be more than 3/16 inch, and the engagement of the rail will not be less than the dimension of the machined side face of the rail. When a car safety device attached to the lower members of the car frame complies with

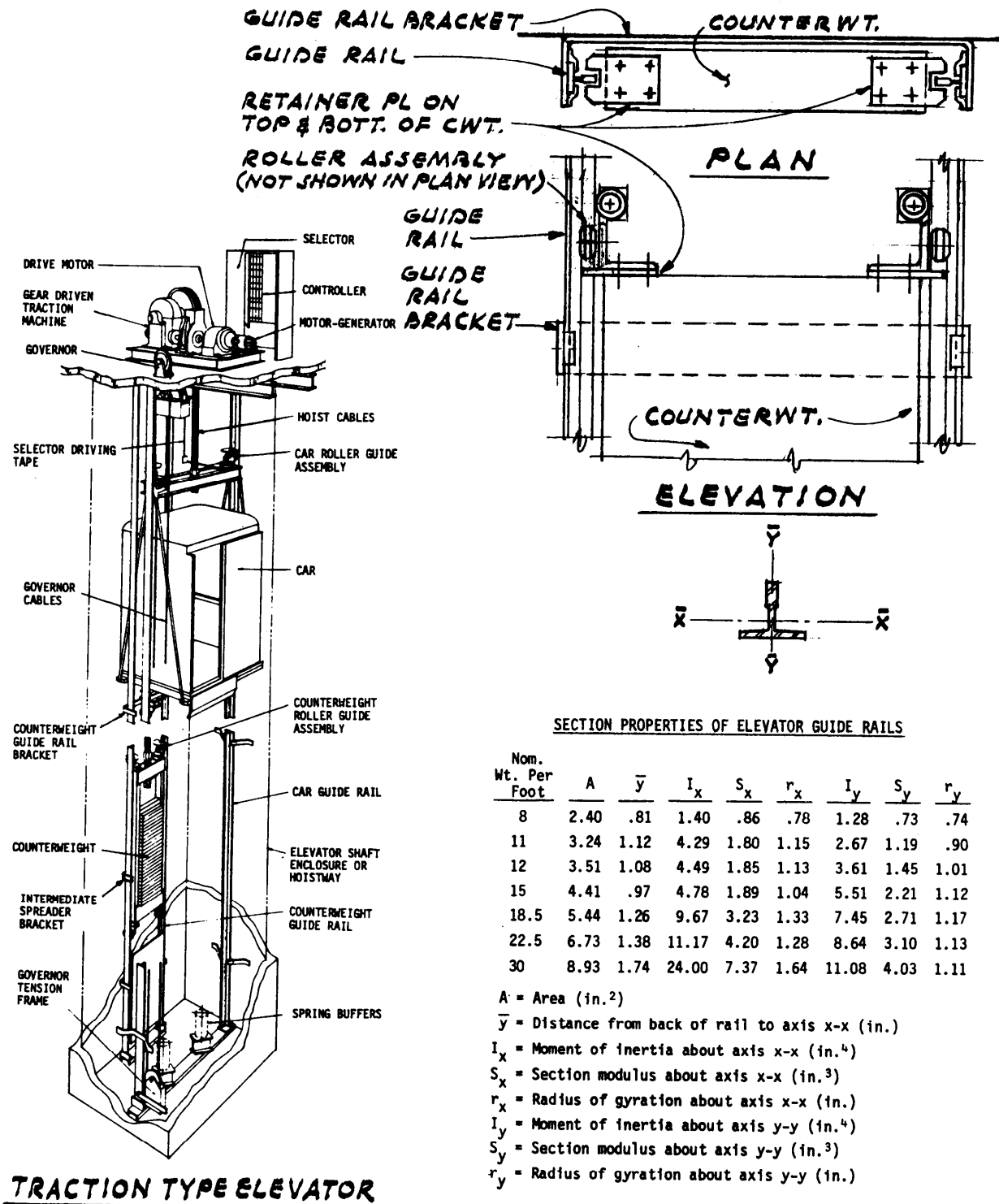


Figure 12-12. Elevator details.

the lateral restraint requirements, a retainer plate is not required for the bottom of the car.

(b) In Seismic Zones 3 and 4, the maximum spacing of the counterweight rail tie brackets tied to the building structure will not exceed 16 feet. An intermediate spreader bracket, not required to

be tied to the building structure, will be provided for tie brackets spaced greater than 10 feet, and two intermediate spreader brackets are required for tie brackets spaced greater than 14 feet.

(2) Machinery and equipment will be designed for $C_p = 0.75$ in equation 3-10 when rigid and

rigidly attached. Nonrigid or flexibly mounted equipment will be designed in accordance with paragraph 12-4.

12-11. Typical details for securing equipment. See figures 12-13 and 12-14 for examples of seismic restraints for equipment.

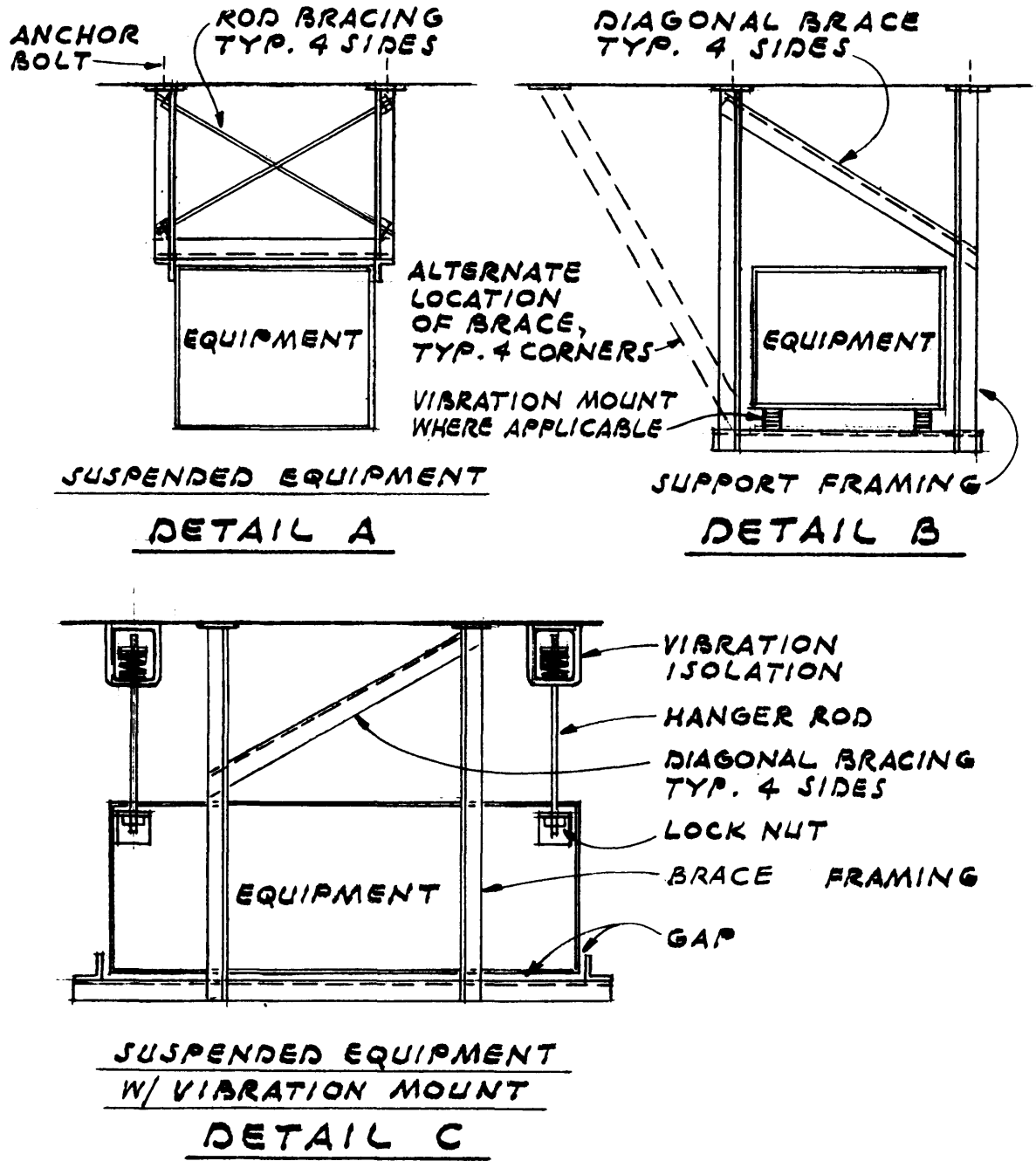


Figure 12-13. Typical seismic restraint of hanging equipment.

CHAPTER 13

NONBUILDING STRUCTURES

13-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the seismic design criteria for ground located structures, other than buildings. The design will be based on SEAOC 1I and SEAOC Table 1-I. Refer to chapter 12 for seismic design criteria for equipment. In some cases, equipment on the ground qualifies under this chapter.

13-2. General. Structures other than buildings are designed to resist seismic lateral forces determined in accordance with $V = (ZIC/R_w)W$ (SEAOC eq 1-1), where R_w ranges from 3 to 5 as shown in SEAOC Table 1I. Examples for obtaining the forces are in appendix F. SEAOC also includes a special equation for rigid structures ($V = 0.5 ZIW$ when T is less than 0.06) and a minimum value of 0.5 for C/R_w . The period will be determined by SEAOC Method B.

13-3. Elevated tanks and other inverted pendulum structures. Structures that represent inverted pendulums, such as an elevated tank supported by a tower structure that is light in weight relative to the tank and contents, will use the basic formula $V = (ZIC/R_w)W$ with the value of R_w equal to 3. The value for W will include the effective weight of the contents. The accidental torsion will be computed as for buildings. Stresses will be computed for the earthquake forces in any horizontal direction.

a. Elevated tanks on cross-braced columns. Foundation piers will be interconnected by steel or reinforced concrete struts. When supported by piles or caissons, diagonal struts will also be required. For most four-legged tanks, uplift and column design is critical when the horizontal force is applied at 45 degrees to the major axes. Figure F-1 in appendix F illustrates the method of obtaining the seismic forces on a four-legged water tank, including a method for computing the period of vibration required to determine the value of C .

b. Hydrodynamic effects. In general, W will include the total weight of the contents of an elevated tank. However, properly substantiated procedures that account for the reduction of the effective weight of the liquid due to sloshing may be used. Such procedures usually result in a mathematical model that represents a two-degree-of-freedom system consisting of an effective rigid mass of liquid and an effective sloshing mass of liquid. The procedure is similar to that used for vertical tanks on the ground. In addition to designing the tower to resist the equivalent static seis-

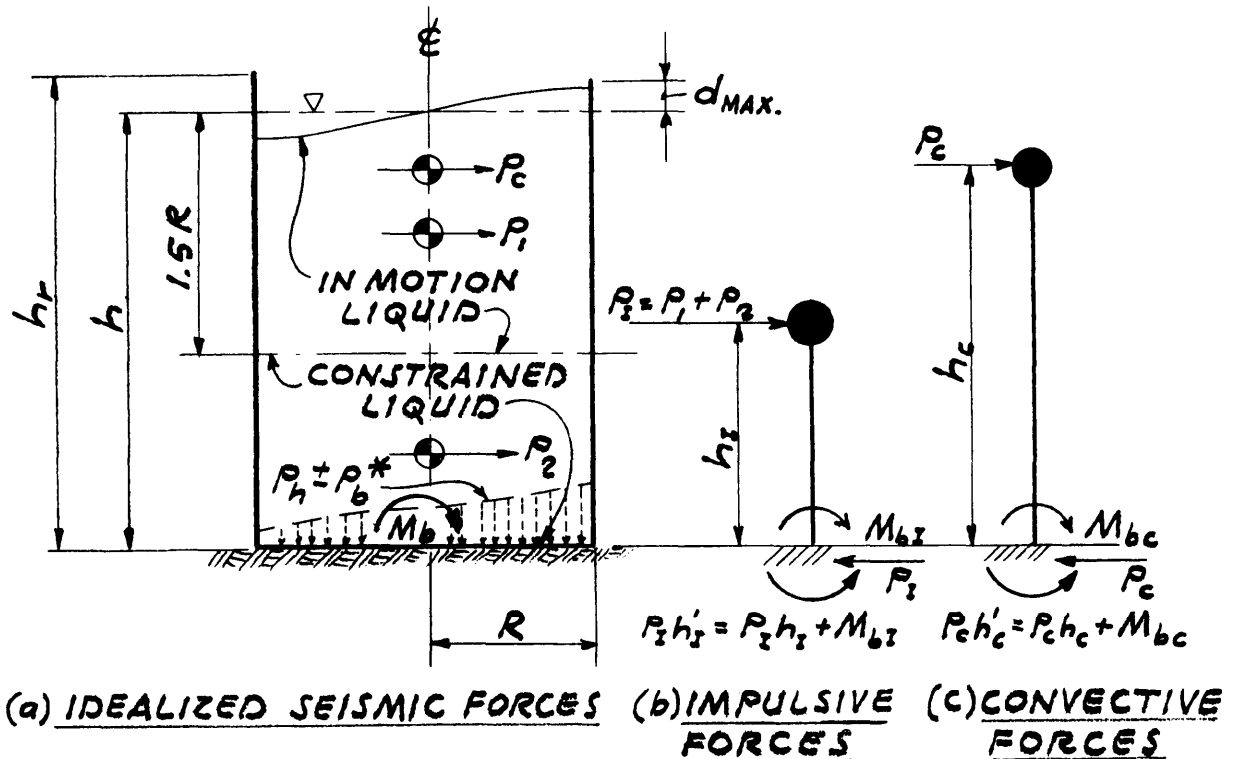
mic forces, the effects of the sloshing liquid on the interior of the tank will be considered.

c. Elevated tanks, pedestal-type. Pedestal-type elevated water tanks will not be permitted in Seismic Zones 3 and 4. In Seismic Zones 1 and 2, R_w will be equal to 3.

13-4. Vertical tanks (on ground). The basic formula $V = (ZIC/R_w)W$ will be used for tanks in which the liquid is rigidly contained (i.e., sloshing is prevented), for tanks holding highly viscous materials, and for pressure tanks. The value of R_w is equal to 4.0 (SEAOC Table 1-H), W is the weight plus contents, and C is equal to 2.75 unless it can be substantiated that the period T is greater than 0.3 second. For tanks where the liquid is not rigidly contained, the hydrodynamic effects of the sloshing liquid may be considered in order to reduce the effective mass and determine the effective centroid of the liquid.

a. Hydrodynamic effects. During an earthquake there is a complex redistribution of pressures in a tank. The design procedure for considering these hydrodynamic effects is based on a simplified procedure described in technical publications and modified herein. The effective force distribution is illustrated in figure 13-1. The liquid is divided into a constrained portion and an in-motion portion. (If h is less than $1.5R$, there is no constrained liquid.) Part of the in-motion liquid, combined with the constrained liquid, forms the effective mass of the impulsive force P_I ($P_1 + P_2 = P_I$). The remaining portion of in-motion liquid forms the mass for the convective force P_C . P_I and P_C are the resultant forces of the horizontal pressures on the sides of the tank. P_I represents the force of the effective mass of liquid that moves rigidly with the tank, and P_C represents the force of the effective mass of the sloshing liquid. In addition to P_I and P_C , there is a vertical couple, M_b , acting on the bottom of the tank due to the unbalanced vertical pressures (P_b). Bending and overturning moments are determined by multiplying P_I and P_C by the effective heights h_I and h_c , respectively. In order to include the effects of M_b below the tank base, modified effective heights, h'_I and h'_c are given.

(1) *Rigid body forces.* The rigid body forces (fig 13-2) include the seismic forces due to the impulsive liquid, the walls of the tank, and the roof. The term *rigid body* is used to denote the impulsive liquid moving rigidly with the tank. Actually, the tank does have some flexibility depending on the



* VERTICAL PRESSURES ON THE TANK BOTTOM, P_h IS THE UNIFORM HYDROSTATIC PRESSURE AND P_b IS THE VARYING HYDRODYNAMIC PRESSURE. THE VERTICAL COUPLE DUE TO P_b RESULTS IN A MOMENT ON THE TANK BOTTOM, M_b

Figure 13-1. Effective liquid force distribution.

size and shape. For calculating C it will be assumed that the period of the tank and contents is less than 0.3 second unless substantiated to be longer.

(a) The total horizontal rigid body force, V_{RB} , will be determined by the equation

$$V_{RB} = (ZIC/R_w)(W_r + W_w + W_I) \quad (\text{eq 13-1})$$
 where Z and I are prescribed in chapter 3, R_w equals 4.0, and C equals 2.75 unless a lower value is substantiated. W_r is the weight of the roof (if any), W_w is the weight of the tank walls, and W_I is the weight of the impulsive liquid. W_I is determined from the effective weight ratio, W_I/W , in figure 13-3 or table 13-1, where W is the total weight of the liquid.

(b) The moments at the base of the tank are determined by the equation

$$M_{RB} = (ZIC/R_w)(W_r h_r + W_w \bar{h}_w + W_I h_i) \quad (\text{eq 13-2})$$
 where h_r is the height of the roof, \bar{h}_w is the height to the center of mass of the tank walls, and h_i is the effective height of the impulsive liquid. h_i is determined from the effective height ratio h_i/h in

figure 13-3(b) or table 13-2, where h is the height of the water level (at rest). To calculate stresses in the tank wall, where M_b is not effective, use h_i . Below the tank base, where M_b is effective, use h_i' .

(2) Sloshing liquid forces (fig 13-2).

(a) The sloshing liquid forces V_{SL} are equal to the convective force, P_c , and will be determined by the equation

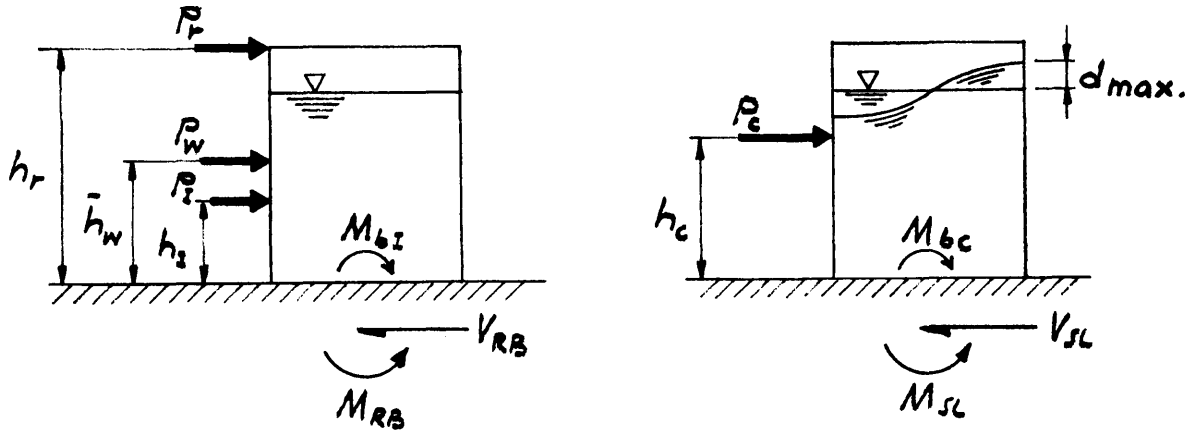
$$V_{SL} = (ZIC/R_w)W_C \quad (\text{eq 13-3})$$

where Z, I, and R_w are the same as used in equation 13-1. C is dependent on the sloshing period T and the site coefficient S (SEAOC Table 1B). W_C , the weight of the convective liquid, is determined from the effective weight ratio, W_C/W , in figure 13-3 or table 13-1, where W is the total weight of the liquid.

(b) The sloshing period is determined by the equation

$$T = k_T \sqrt{h} \quad (\text{eq 13-4})$$

where k_T is determined from figure 13-4 or table 13-3.



$$P_r = (ZIC/R_w) W_r$$

$$P_w = (ZIC/R_w) W_w$$

$$P_i = (ZIC/R_w) W_i$$

$$V_{RB} = P_r + P_w + P_i$$

$$M_{RB} \text{ (TANK SHELL)}$$

$$= P_r h_r + P_w \bar{h}_w + P_i h_i$$

$$M_{RB} \text{ (BELOW BASE)}$$

$$= P_r h_r + P_w \bar{h}_w + P_i h_i + M_{bI}$$

$$= P_r h_r + P_w \bar{h}_w + P_i h'_i$$

$$P_c = (ZIC/R_w) W_c$$

$$V_{SL} = P_c$$

$$M_{SL} \text{ (TANK SHELL)} = P_c h_c$$

$$M_{SL} \text{ (BELOW BASE)} = P_c h_c + M_{bc}$$

$$= P_c h'_c$$

(a) RIGID BODY FORCES

(b) SLOSHING LIQUID FORCES

Figure 13-2. Rigid body and sloshing liquid forces.

(c) The moments at the base of the tank are determined by the equation

$$M_{SL} = (ZIC/R_w) W_c h_c \quad \text{(eq 13-5)}$$

where h_c is the effective height of the convective liquid; h_c is determined from the effective height ratio h_c/h (fig 13-3(b) or table 13-2), where h is the height of the water level (at rest). To calculate stresses in the tank wall, where M_b is not effective, use h_c . Below the tank base, where M_b is effective, use h'_c .

(d) The maximum design height of the sloshing wave is determined for cylindrical tanks from the equation

$$d_{max} = \frac{0.75(ZIC/R_w)R}{1 - k_d(ZIC/R_w)} \quad \text{(eq 13-6)}$$

and for rectangular tanks from the equation

$$d_{max} = \frac{0.833(ZIC/R_w)R}{1 - k_d(ZIC/R_w)} \quad \text{(eq 13-7)}$$

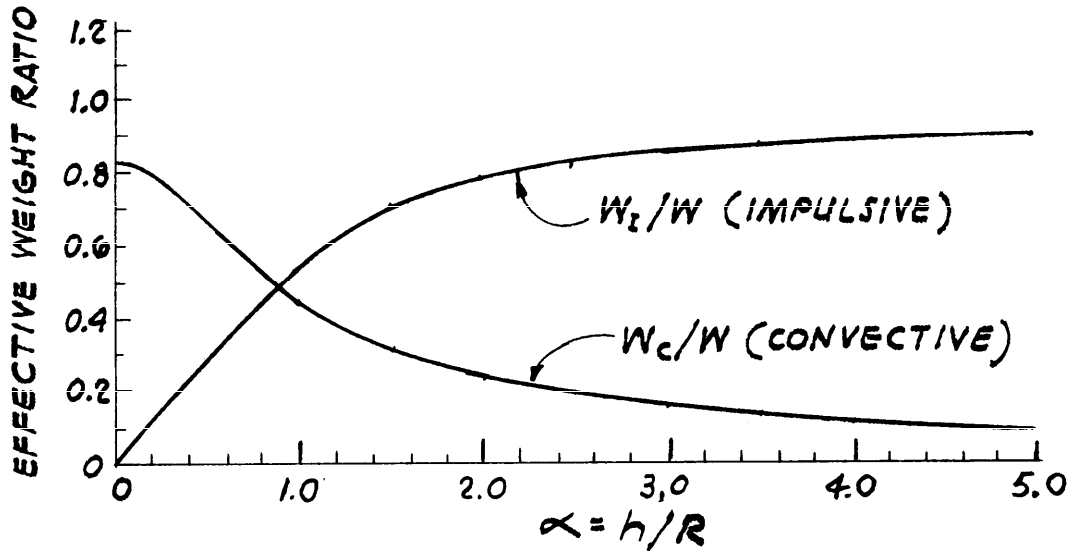
where k_d is obtained from figure 13-5 or table 13-4. R is the radius of a cylindrical tank or one-half the plan dimension of a rectangular tank.

(3) Combining the rigid body forces and the sloshing liquid forces. The rigid body forces and the sloshing forces will be combined by the square root of the sum of the squares, as shown in the equations

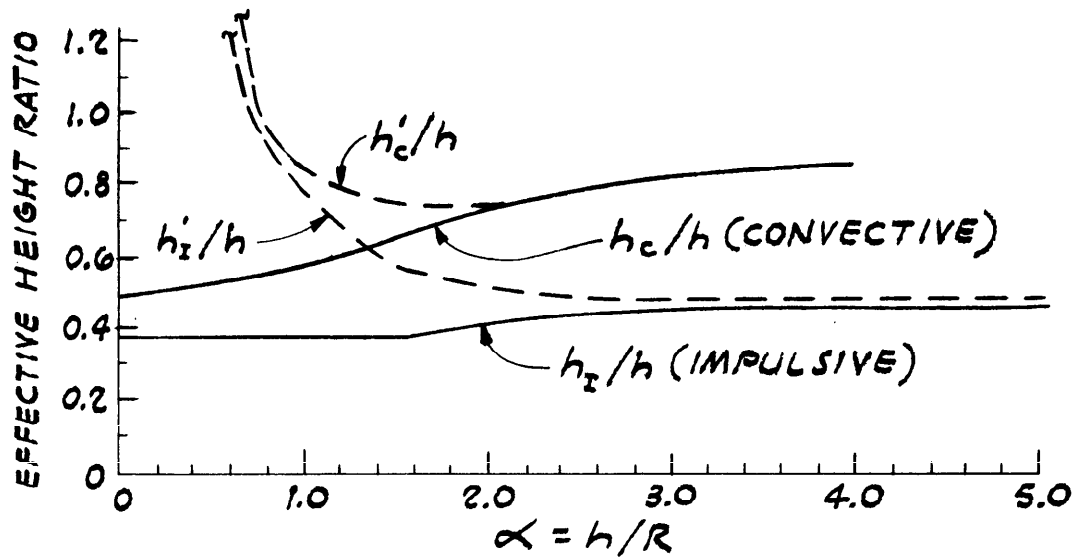
$$V_{total} = \sqrt{V_{RB}^2 + V_{SL}^2} \quad \text{(eq 13-8)}$$

and

$$M_{total} = \sqrt{M_{RB}^2 + M_{SL}^2} \quad \text{(eq 13-9)}$$



(a). Effective Weight Ratio (See Table 13-1)



(b). Effective Height Ratio (See Table 13-2)

Figure 13-3. Effective weight and height ratios.

α		0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	3.00	3.50	4.00	5.00
W_i/W , impulsive		0.29	0.42	0.54	0.71	0.79	0.83	0.86	0.88	0.89	0.91
W_c/W , convective	Cylindrical	0.66	0.53	0.43	0.30	0.23	0.18	0.15	0.13	0.11	0.09
	Rectangular	0.69	0.58	0.48	0.34	0.26	0.21	0.18	0.15	0.13	0.11
See Figure 13-3(a) for Plot											

Table 13-1. Effective weight ratio.

α		0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	3.00	3.50	4.00	5.00
h_i/h , impulsive		0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.41	0.42	0.44	0.45	0.45	0.46
h'_i/h , impulsive		1.60	1.00	0.80	0.58	0.51	0.49	0.48	0.48	0.47	0.47
h_c/h , convective	cylindrical	0.53	0.57	0.60	0.68	0.74	0.79	0.82	0.84	0.86	0.89
	rectangular	0.53	0.55	0.58	0.65	0.71	0.76	0.79	0.82	0.84	0.87
h'_c/h , convective	cylindrical	1.60	0.96	0.79	0.73	0.75	0.79	0.82	0.84	0.86	0.89
	rectangular	2.00	1.11	0.86	0.73	0.74	0.77	0.80	0.82	0.84	0.87

See Figure 13-3(b) for Plot

Table 13-2. Effective height ratio.

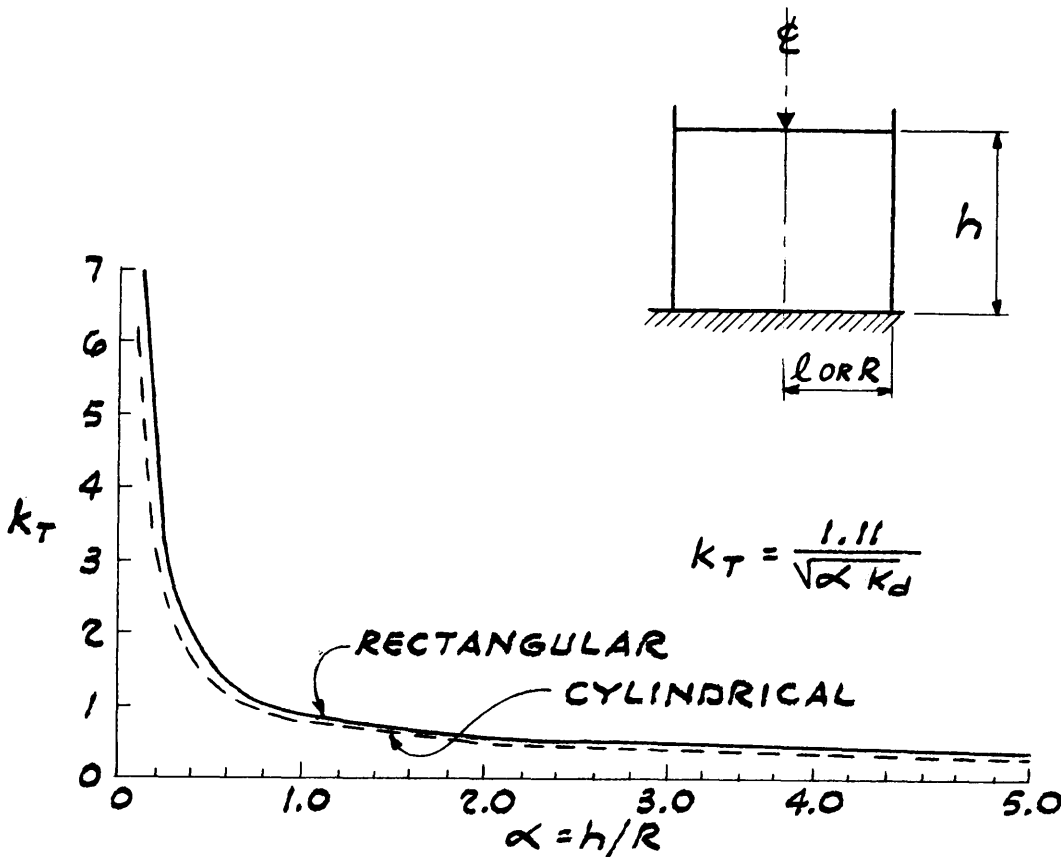


Figure 13-4. Period constant, k_T .

This is consistent with modal analysis procedures where spectral responses of the predominant modes are combined in such a manner.

(4) Sloshing wave height d_{max} . The value of d_{max} must be less than the freeboard height (h_r minus h) for the simplified hydrodynamic procedure to be valid. If d_{max} is greater than (h_r minus h), liquid will overflow the top of the tank when there is no roof or will be confined by the roof if a

roof exists. When there are interior elements, such as baffles or roof supports, the effects of sloshing liquid on these elements will be considered.

b. Design of tank. The critical items of concern in the seismic design of the tank are the horizontal shear at the base, the overturning and uplift forces at foundations, the compression buckling of the tank shell, and, when tie-downs are used, the resulting additional stresses at the attachment of

	k_T^*								
α	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	3.00	4.00	5.00
k_T , cylindrical	1.40	1.00	0.84	0.67	0.58	0.52	0.47	0.41	0.37
k_T , rectangular	1.50	1.10	0.92	0.73	0.63	0.56	0.51	0.44	0.39

*used for sloshing (convective motion) period: $T = k_T \sqrt{h}$, where h is the height in feet.
See Figure 13-4 for Plot

Table 13-3. Period constant, k_T .

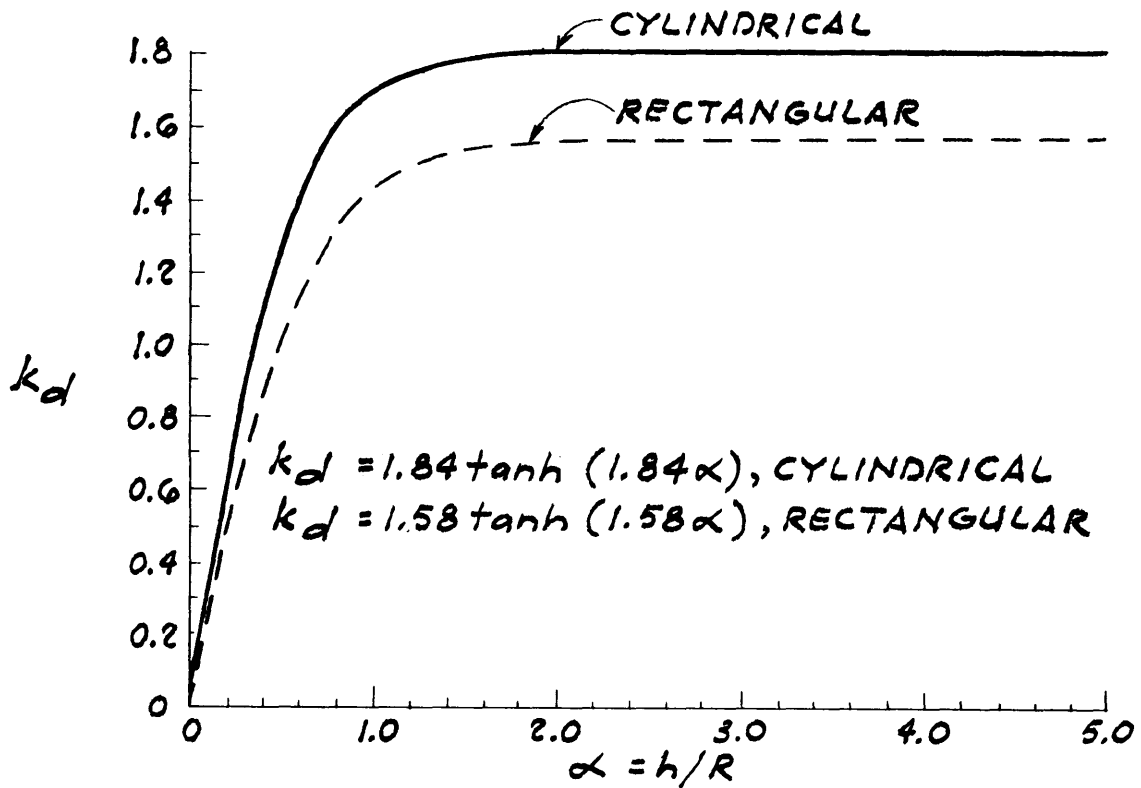


Figure 13-5. Coefficient k_d .

α	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	3.00	4.00	5.00
k_d , cylindrical	1.33	1.62	1.75	1.83	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84
k_d , rectangular	1.04	1.31	1.45	1.55	1.57	1.58	1.58	1.58	1.58

See Figure 13-5 for Plot

Table 13-4. Coefficient k_d .

the anchors, which could tear the shell. The stresses resulting from the seismic forces will be combined with other applicable stresses. Procedures for the design of vertical tanks are beyond the scope of this manual. Industry standards (e.g., AWWA and API) have developed seismic criteria as supplements to general design criteria. Procedures used for the design of tanks will be substantiated by means of rational analysis, tests, or past experience.

13-5. Horizontal tanks (on ground). The basic formula $V = (ZIC/R_w)W$ will be used, with $R_w = 4$. The critical items of concern in the seismic design are the stresses in the saddles and in the base footing. The soil pressure in the transverse direction due to overturning may be critical. The resultant of forces must always fall within the middle third of the footing pad.

13-6. Retaining walls. The design of retaining walls for seismic forces in Seismic Zone 4 will use an additive seismic factor of 20 percent of the total earth pressure forces plus 20 percent of the weight of the wall at a point $\frac{2}{3}$ the fill height above the base of the retaining wall. The stresses in the

concrete and reinforcing steel will not be critical, as the increase in stresses or decrease in load factor is greater than the increase due to seismic load. The overturning effect on the footing may be critical in some cases. The footing will be sized so that there is no theoretical net tension between the footing and the supporting ground. In Seismic Zones 1, 2, and 3, the 20 percent factor will be proportioned in the ratio of the Z factor to 0.4.

13-7. Buried structures. Buried tanks and pipes of moderate size, or smaller, generally do not require special seismic design considerations if applicable nonseismic design criteria are satisfied. However, tanks, tunnels, pipes, etc. that have large cross sections or are classified for essential or important usage will require special considerations for seismic design that are not included in the scope of this manual. In the design of long structures, consideration will be given to the wave shape and ground deformation resulting from the seismic ground motion. Where changes in the support system, configuration, or soil condition occur, flexible couplings will be provided in order to accommodate the anticipated deformation, as discussed in chapter 14.

CHAPTER 14

UTILITY SYSTEMS

14-1. Introduction. This chapter prescribes the criteria for utility systems and components 5 feet or farther beyond buildings in seismic areas. Utility systems have been classified as being either above grade or underground. Principles, factors, and concepts involved in seismic design are illustrated. These are not mandatory; therefore, other equivalent methods or schemes complying with applicable agency guide specifications and the intent of this manual may be used.

14-2. General. Utility systems will be planned and designed in accordance with the provisions given in this chapter, except as follows—

a. Systems above grade. Utility system components and equipment supports above grade will be designed in accordance with the applicable provisions of chapter 12.

b. Rigorous analysis. No part of this chapter will be construed to prohibit a rigorous analysis of an exterior utility system either above or below grade by established principles of structural dynamics and soil mechanics. Such an analysis must demonstrate that the exterior utility system will withstand, without disrupting service, the ground accelerations and associated deformations induced in the system by a major seismic event. The effect of such an event on the system will be determined using either acceleration-time history records or equivalent response spectra of major seismic events. The actual earthquake record or response spectra used, including artificially generated spectra, will be geologically and seismologically appropriate to the site and may be scaled in amplitude for maximum base acceleration as determined by the earthquake history of the area and by the principles of engineering seismology.

14-3. Earthquake considerations for utility systems.

a. Earthquake resistant facilities. A fundamental precept of seismic design is that it is virtually impossible to design facilities to resist every earthquake without damage. Some damage must always be expected. The proper emphasis for good seismic design of exterior utility systems should then be on the development of earthquake resistant facilities for which measures have been taken to limit damage and to provide for expedient restoration of service. The two most important parameters in evaluating the seismic resistance of utility systems are site geology and structural configuration.

b. Site geology. The geology beneath a facility exerts considerable influence on the magnitude of the surface accelerations and deformations experienced during an earthquake. Current seismic building codes generally recognize this by taking soil type into account in seismic design (e.g., S-factor in chap 3). The best material on which to construct a utility system, from a strictly seismic standpoint, is sound rock. Unconsolidated sand and soft clay present the greatest hazards. Unconsolidated materials, either native soil or fill, present hazards of uncontrolled or differential settlements and/or lateral spreading. Even when utilities are built on good soils, considerable structural difficulties can develop. Large strain gradients can be induced at the interface between native soil and engineered fill and damage buried utilities if the fill is improperly compacted or is improperly benched or terraced. Seismically induced relative movement of the fill with respect to the native material can, through settlement or through slippage at the fill-native material interface, shear off an underground utility pipe.

c. Structural configuration. Structurally flexible underground systems have better earthquake resistance than rigid systems. Underground utilities can often be displaced during an earthquake, despite the relatively large-magnitude forces that may be required to initiate movement. A flexible system designed to accommodate the anticipated ground deformation will be less apt to fail during a major earthquake. Utility pipes rigidly attached to appurtenances can be sheared off by seismically induced differential settlements between the appurtenance structure and the adjoining pipes. Flexibility should be provided in utility pipes at entrances to and exits from heavy, rigid appurtenances, especially in systems dependent upon sound, uncracked pipe and connections for satisfactory performance. The same is true for pipes passing from native material into engineered fill. While it is not feasible to design the utility pipe to support some portion of the fill, the pipe can be made flexible at the interface to accommodate the anticipated relative movement.

14-4. General planning considerations. The considerations presented herein are guidelines for the planning of earthquake-resistant facilities. Since some damage should always be expected with major seismic activity, the considerations given here stress procedures to be followed to

lessen the effects of seismic activity on utility systems and service.

a. Municipal-sized facilities. Such facilities should be planned and designed with due regard for possible seismic emergencies; disaster plans and equipment that may be required should be anticipated. Examples of emergency provisions and policies that may be anticipated in the planning stage are as follows:

(1) Specialized emergency equipment, such as mobile flame ionization detectors necessary for the detection of gas leaks, should be available.

(2) Structures that may be used as emergency operation centers should be equipped with battery or other standby power supply systems for communication with emergency vehicles by two-way radio.

(3) Provision should be made for the procurement of gasoline for emergency vehicles. Manually operated fuel pumps should be provided for use in pumping gasoline in the event of power failure.

(4) Emergency lights powered by a battery-driven or gasoline-driven generator should be provided for use in restoring utility service in the event of a power failure.

(5) The engineering staff responsible for the utility system should, from time to time, bring the emergency seismic disaster plans up to date.

(6) Seismic disaster plans should include contingency plans defining procedures for dealing with fires, landslides, and possible health hazards resulting from disrupted sanitary facilities.

b. Individual facilities. Examples of earthquake disaster procedures that may be implemented into the design in the planning stage are as follows—

(1) Persons having responsibility for the supervision and maintenance of critical facilities should establish earthquake disaster plans. Such plans will be subject to the approval of the utility authority.

(2) The utility authority should emphasize the importance of seismic disaster plans to the supervisory personnel of essential facilities. Seismic disaster plans should be emphasized to the same extent as fire protection plans.

(3) Capability should be established in critical facilities for water to be supplied from emergency reservoirs or wells.

(4) Personnel should be organized to shut off gas service, but only when they smell gas, and they should be instructed not to restore service until advised to do so by the utility authority. For essential facilities in Seismic Zones 3 and 4, an approved earthquake-actuated gas shut-off valve should be provided.

(5) Plans showing the locations of utility service lines in buildings should be kept in a safe and accessible location so as to be available for emergencies.

14-5. Specific planning considerations. The requirements given here are intended to be used in the planning of a utility system of either a major facility of municipal size or an individual facility of high priority in seismic areas. These requirements supplement applicable agency manuals.

a. General. Whenever practical, utility piping should avoid unstable ground or known earthquake faults, should not traverse native soil structures having widely varying degrees of consolidation, and should not pass from natural ground to unstable fill.

b. Water. Where possible, it is preferable to have at least two independent sources of water supply for municipal-sized facilities in Zones 2, 3, and 4 (refer to chap 3, para 3-4 for seismic zone maps). When water is furnished by a public utility company, a secondary supply may be provided from on-site wells or from an on-site reservoir. When the water source consists of an on-site well, an additional well should be drilled at a point as widely separated as is practical from the first well. Decentralization of municipal-sized waterworks will provide a more flexible water supply network and thus promote a more dependable water supply during a disruptive earthquake. Where practicable, on-site water distribution systems in Zones 2, 3, and 4 should be laid out in a grid pattern. In the event service is disrupted in one section of the grid, water may be drawn from any of several adjacent sections. The grid will be valved to prevent loss of stored emergency supply, to permit the isolation of breaks, and to facilitate the emergency distribution of water (e.g., fig 14-7).

c. Gas. Provisions will be made such that installations normally supplied by public utility systems in Zones 2, 3, and 4 for which a gas outage would be critical can be supplied by a liquid petroleum gas (LPG) standby system. Gas distribution networks in Zones 1, 2, 3, and 4 will be valved so that breaks in gas lines may be isolated.

d. Power. Two independent sources of support are less likely to be available for electrical distribution systems than for water and gas supply systems. For Zones 2, 3, and 4, standby power generating facilities should be maintained for use in critical areas such as essential systems for hospitals, computer centers, communication systems, etc. in the event of normal power supply disruption. Such standby systems may consist of diesel- or gasoline-engine-driven electric generators located within the building.

e. Sanitary sewers. The design of sewer systems for municipal-sized facilities located in Zones 2, 3, and 4 will incorporate provisions to eliminate as much as practicable the possibilities of wastewater flooding, contamination of groundwater, and contamination of open water storage reservoirs, should rupture occur to sewers and sewage disposal structures. The design of sewage treatment facilities in Zones 2, 3, and 4 will consider the possibility of decentralizing treatment facilities to minimize possible damage. The practicability of decentralization will be weighed against increased operating, maintenance, and initial costs. In Zones 2, 3, and 4 a means will be provided to rapidly empty and bypass sewage treatment and sewage pumping plant facilities. Should it be impossible to dump raw sewage into emergency outfalls, some simple method of treating the raw sewage should be provided to safeguard health and prevent a nuisance. Mobile pumping equipment should be available for pumping raw sewage into the nearest sewer collector in the event of a pumping plant breakdown.

f. Storm sewers. More damage to storm sewers and storm sewer facilities can be tolerated than to sanitary sewers and sewage disposal facilities. Cracked or damaged storm sewers in most instances present little danger to health or property. In certain areas where damage to equipment can result from flooding or from infiltration and settlement of fill, care in the design of the storm sewer system must be taken in order to minimize the effects of cracked or broken pipes.

g. Miscellaneous systems. It is not feasible to provide secondary distribution systems for central steam, motor vehicle fuel, air, and similar utility systems, but all planning considerations given above, where applicable, will apply to these systems.

14-6. Design considerations. The provisions of this paragraph are intended to supplement rather than supersede the provisions of the various military design manuals and other applicable government criteria.

a. Materials and construction. Specifications for materials and construction will be governed by the applicable government criteria.

b. Pipe flexibility. No section of pipe in Zone 2, 3, or 4 will be held fixed while an adjoining section is free to move, without provisions being made to relieve strains resulting from differential movement, unless approved calculations show that the pipeline can resist the stresses caused by the predicted or estimated pipe movements. Flexibility

will be provided by the use of flexible joints or couplings (e.g., figs 14-1 through 14-6) at the following points:

(1) Immediately adjacent to both sides of the surface separating different types of soil having widely differing degrees of consolidation.

(2) At all points that can be considered to act as anchors.

(3) At all points of abrupt change in direction, and at all tees.

c. Water. Buildings housing essential functions, such as hospitals, will be provided with two or more service lines. The service lines will be connected to separate sections of the grid so as to provide continued service in the event one section of the grid is isolated. Services will be interconnected in the building with check valves to prevent backflow. Flexible couplings or flexible connections will be used between valves and lines for valve installations on pipes 3 inches or larger in diameter. In remote areas or at a site with a single water source, auxiliary storage would be an acceptable alternative.

d. Gas. When secondary or standby gas supply systems cannot be justified for a site, gas distribution networks for buildings in Zones 2, 3, and 4 housing essential functions dependent upon gas will include an aboveground valved and capped stub. Provision will be made for attachment of a portable, commercial-sized gas cylinder system to this stub. For essential facilities in Seismic Zones 3 and 4, an earthquake-actuated shut-off valve will be provided. Provisions will be made for the expedient restoration of service and for the prevention of pilot light leaks when service is restored. If an earthquake-actuated shut-off valve presents the possibility of disrupted service in buildings where the fire hazard is small, a manually operated shut-off valve will be installed. The location and operation of such a valve will be made known to the supervisory personnel of the building.

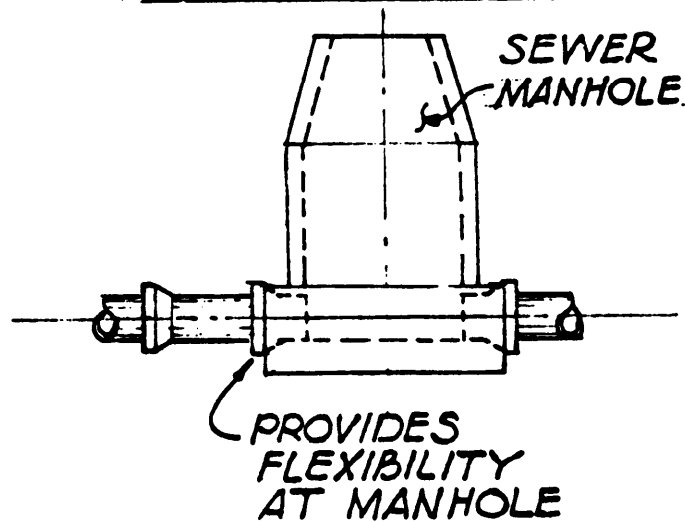
e. Power. Individual aboveground components of electrical utility systems will be designed for seismic forces under the provisions of chapter 12. Slack will be provided in underground cables whenever such cables enter or exit rigid appurtenances. The provisions of paragraph 14-6b will not be held applicable to underground electrical utility conduits.

f. Storm sewer facilities. While it is desirable to have flexibility in storm sewer pipe, such flexibility cannot, in most instances, be provided without inordinate cost. The provisions of paragraph 14-6b will not be held applicable to storm sewer pipes. Every attempt should be made, however, to provide flexibility in the connection of storm sewer pipes to rigid appurtenances in Zones 2, 3, and 4.

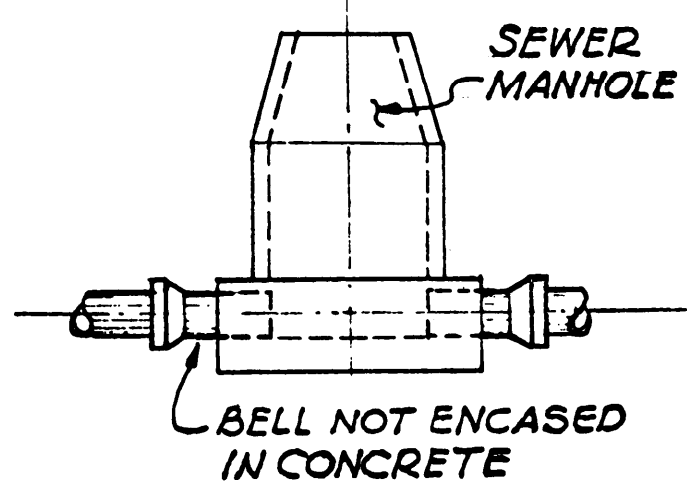
14-7. Seismic details. Figures 14-1 through 14-7 are provided to show acceptable seismic details. Some of the plates show examples of good and poor seismic details. Other plates merely illustrate details that have exhibited good seismic details and

resistance. Where required by the provisions of this chapter, these recommended seismic details or similar equivalent details will be incorporated in the utility design.

GOOD PRACTICE



POOR PRACTICE

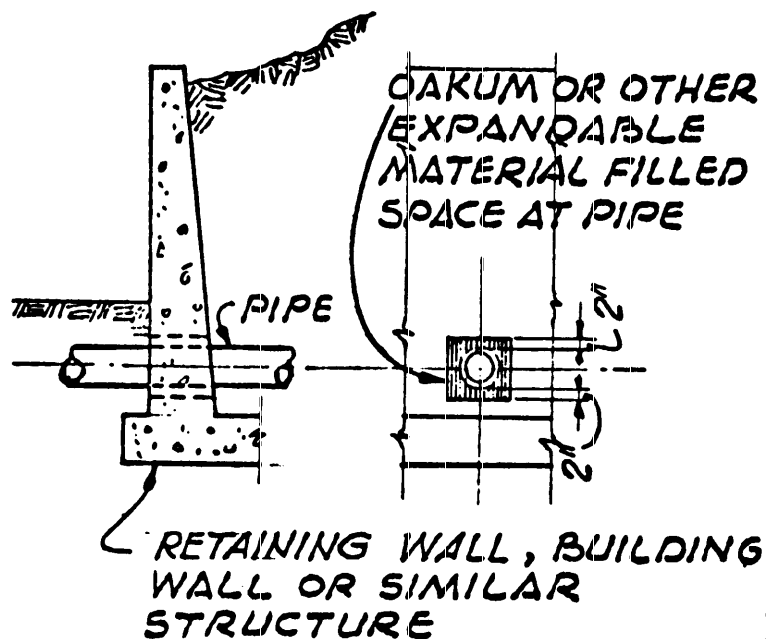
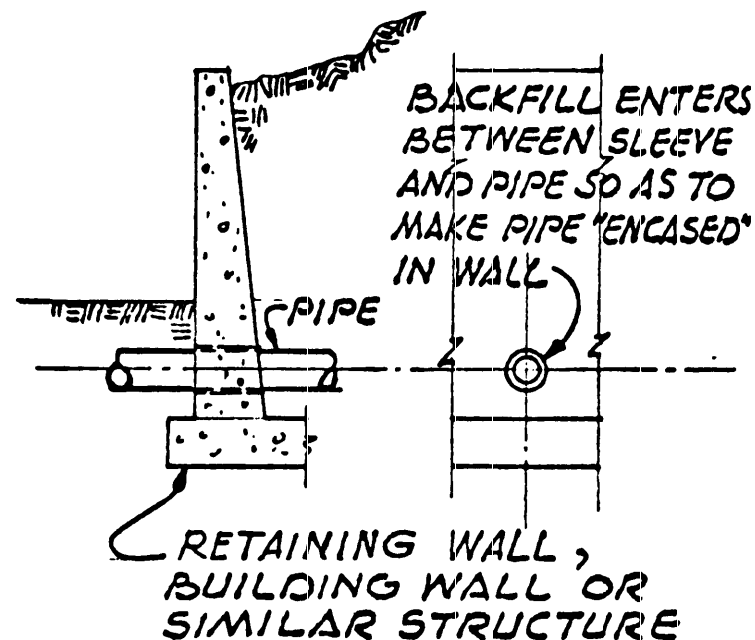


COMMENT:

PROVIDE PIPE FLEXIBILITY AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO MANHOLE FOOTING. AVOID LONG STUB-OUTS. LONG STUB-OUTS ARE MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE.

SEISMIC DETAILS

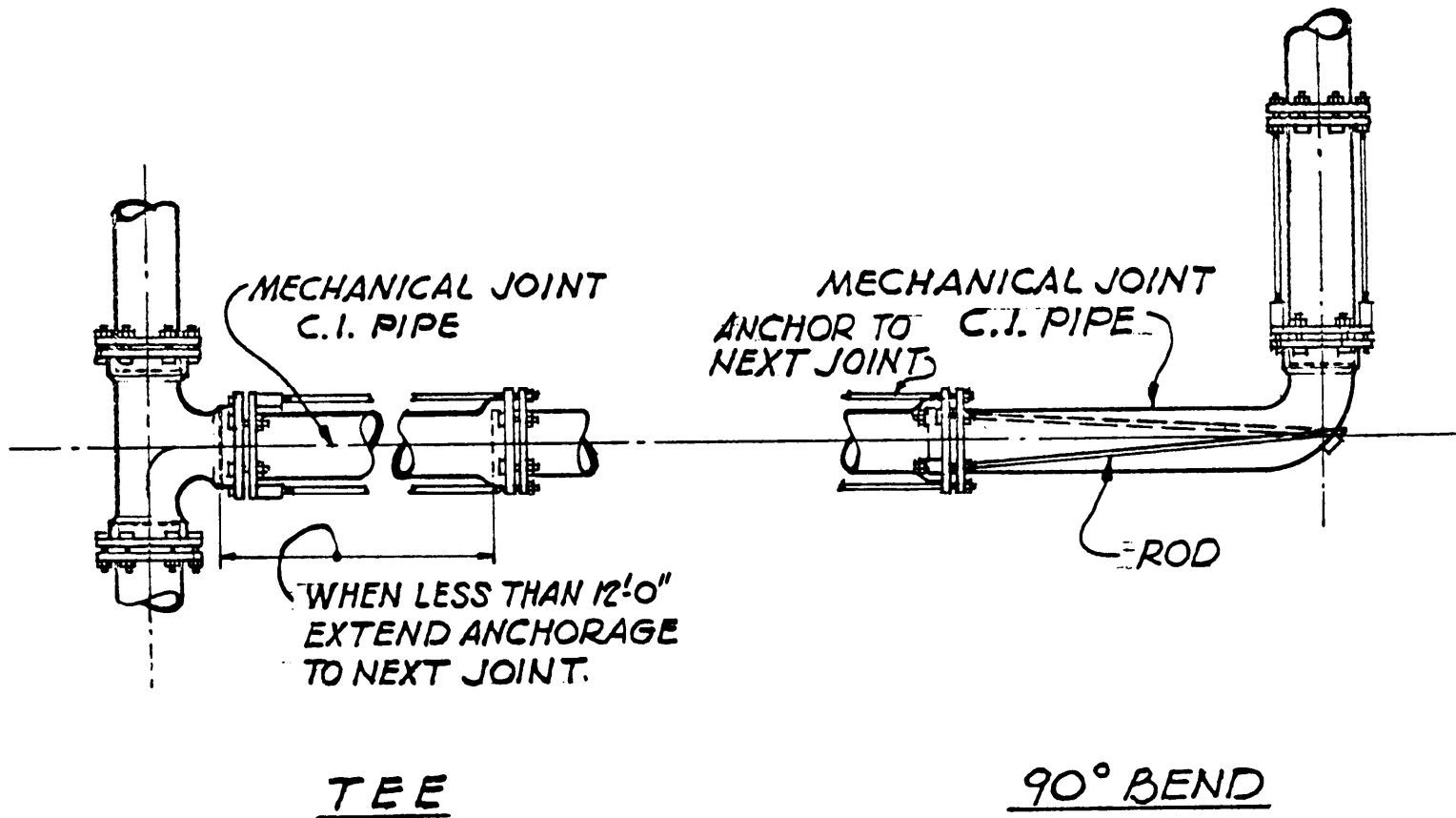
Figure 14-1. Manhole footing.

GOOD PRACTICEPOOR PRACTICECOMMENT:

ALLOW THE PIPE TO PASS THRU WALL WITHOUT RESTRAINT.
ANTICIPATE POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT OF WALL BY PROVIDING
SUFFICIENT CLEARANCE AROUND PIPE.

SEISMIC DETAILS

Figure 14-2. Pipe through wall.

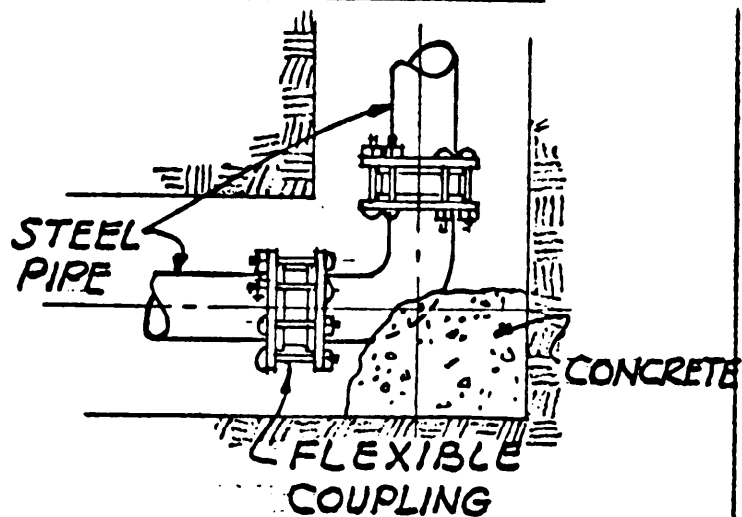
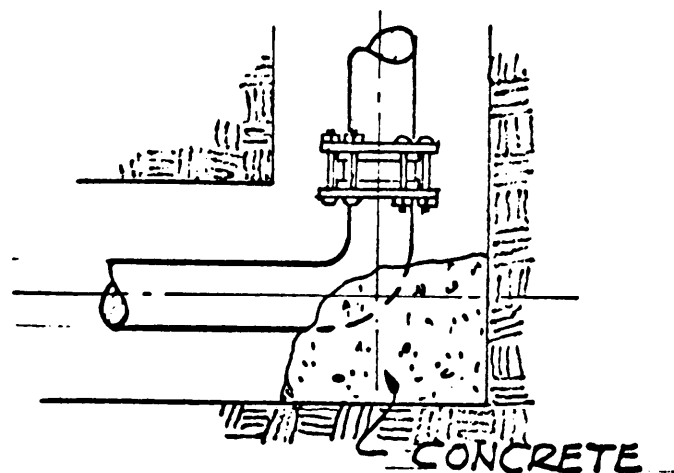


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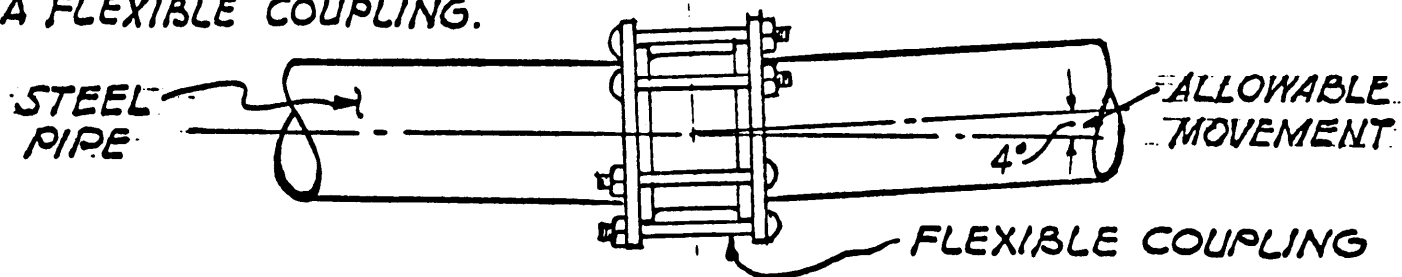
SHOWN ABOVE ARE TWO TYPES OF ACCEPTABLE FLEXIBLE JOINTS. SINCE ANCHOR BLOCKS ARE NOT REQ'D, FLEXIBLE CONNECTIONS ARE NOT NECESSARY FOR ALL ENDS OF THE TEE.

SEISMIC DETAILS

Figure 14-3. Flexible joints.

GOOD PRACTICEPOOR PRACTICECOMMENT:

FOR STEEL PIPE, A FLEXIBLE JOINT CAN BE ACHIEVED BY USING A FLEXIBLE COUPLING.

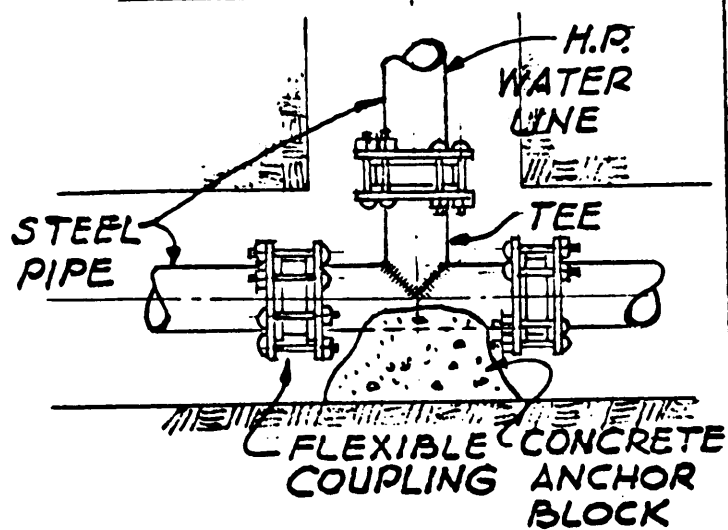


PROPER CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION, FROM A SEISMIC STAND-POINT, REQUIRES THAT CONCRETE NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ACTION OF THE FLEXIBLE COUPLING.

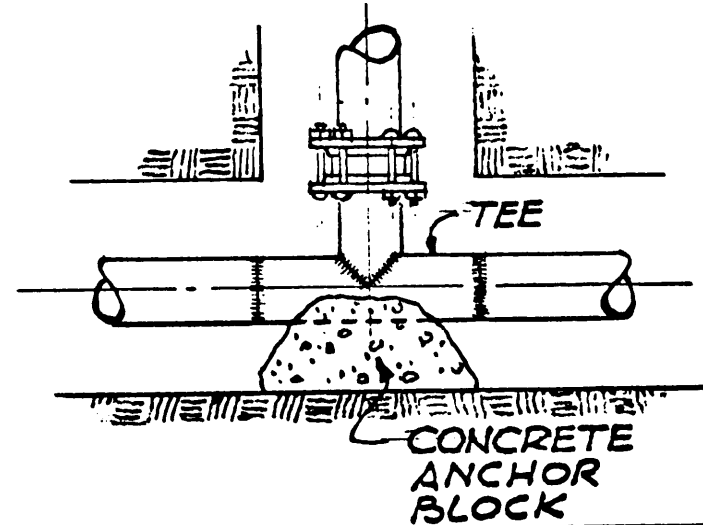
SEISMIC DETAILS

Figure 14-4. Flexible coupling.

GOOD PRACTICE



POOR PRACTICE

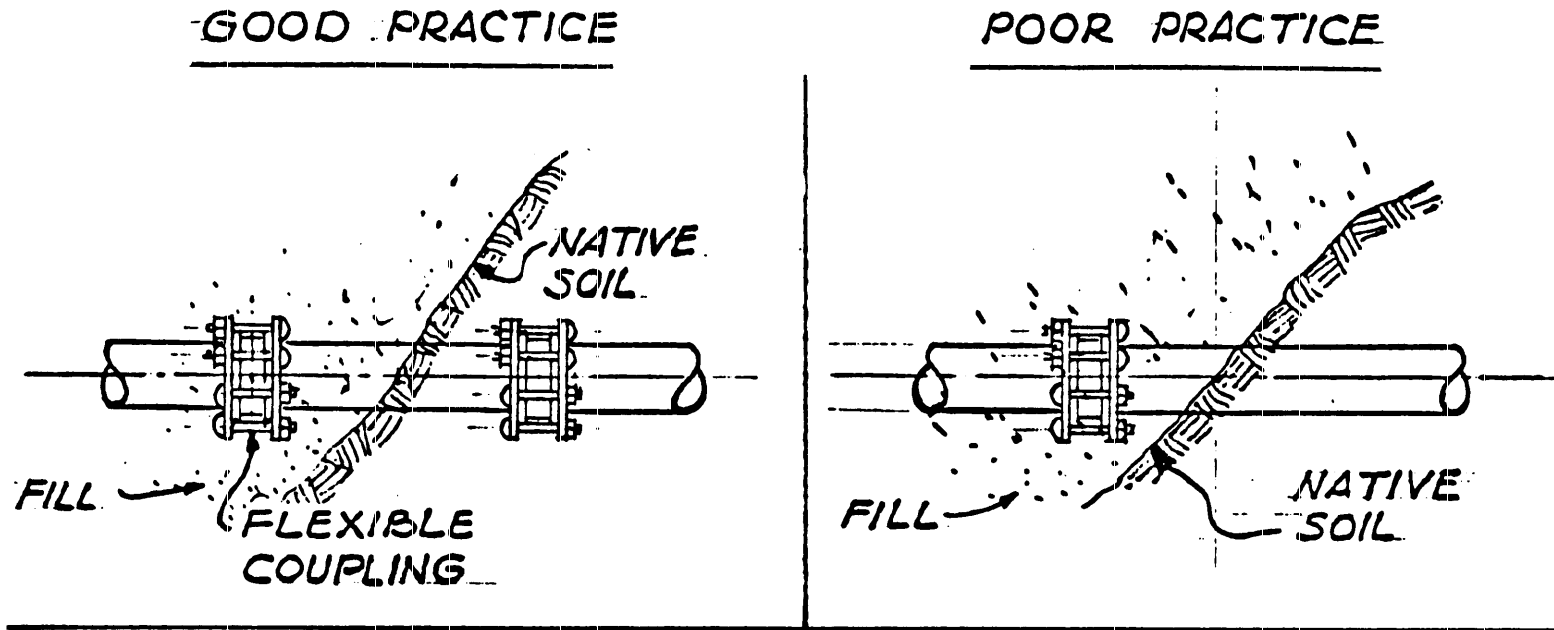


COMMENT :

GOOD SEISMIC DESIGN PRACTICE REQUIRES THE USE OF THREE FLEXIBLE COUPLINGS AT AN ANCHORED TEE. THE CONCRETE ANCHOR BLOCK USED TO PREVENT THE HIGH-PRESSURE WATER LINE FROM SEPARATING ALSO PREVENTS MOVEMENT UNLESS FLEXIBILITY IS PROVIDED BY FLEXIBLE COUPLINGS.

SEISMIC DETAILS

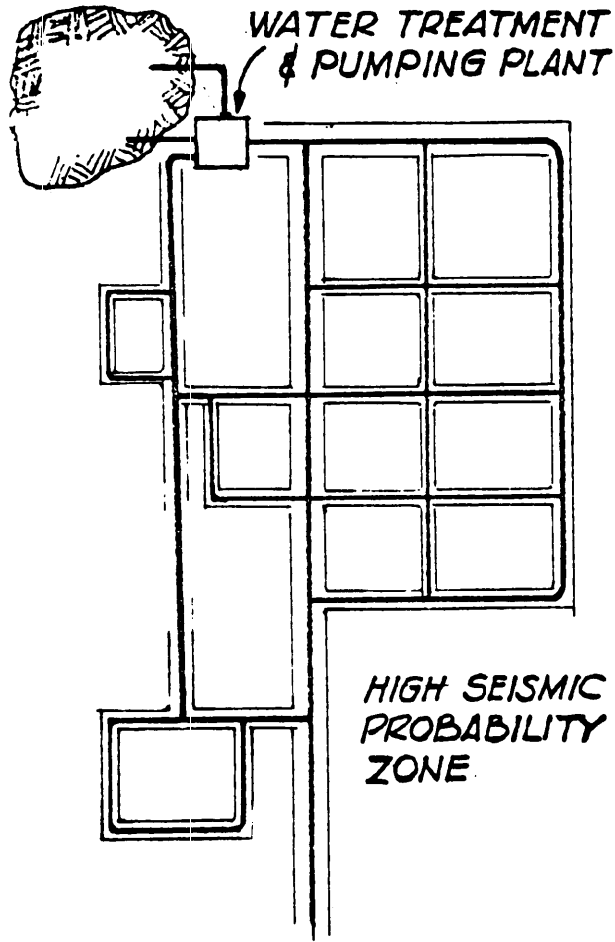
Figure 14-5. Coupling at tee.



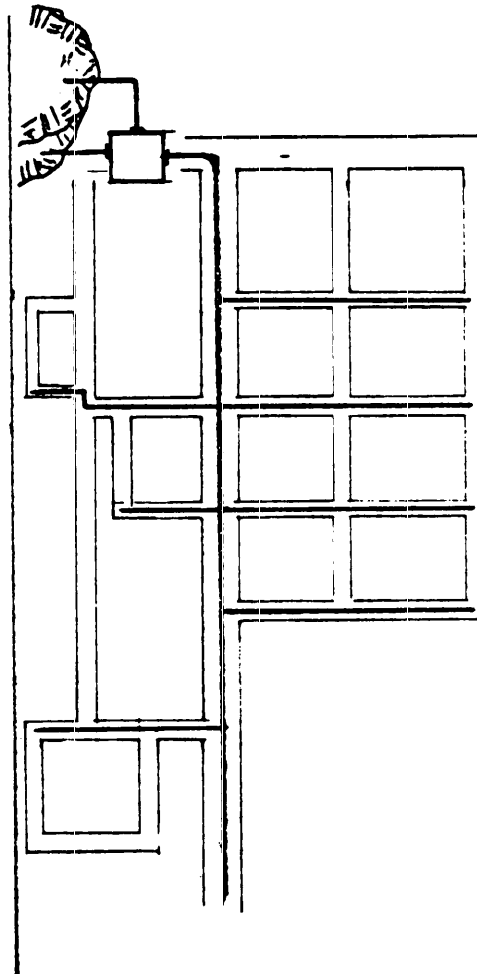
COMMENT:

BETTER FLEXIBILITY IS PROVIDED BY THE USE OF TWO FLEXIBLE COUPLINGS, ONE ON EACH SIDE OF THE SURFACE SEPARATING THE FILL AND NATIVE SOIL.

GOOD PRACTICE



POOR PRACTICE



COMMENTS

USE GRID SYSTEM WHEN LAYING OUT MUNICIPAL SIZE WATER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES. THE GRID SYSTEM PROMOTES MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY IN WATER DISTRIBUTION. THE GOOD PRACTICE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CANNOT BE PUT OUT OF SERVICE BY A BREAK IN ANY ONE LINE.

WATER DISTRIBUTION NETWORK FOR MUNICIPAL SIZE FACILITY

SEISMIC DETAILS

Figure 14-7. Water distribution network.